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For superintendent's post

Owen-Gage Board ready to interview 8 applicants

by Lynn Heitkamp
Staff Writer

The Owen-Gage School Board will schedule interviews with 3 additional superintendent candidates following a monthly meeting Monday night.

One of the original 6 finalists, William DeFrance, accepted a position elsewhere and asked to be taken out of consideration, Randy Howard, the new board president, reported.

Instead of deciding on just one candidate to fill DeFrance's vacancy, the board voted to see if 3 other candidates were available for interviews next week.

They are:
•Julie M. Kaminski, currently the assistant K-10 administrator at Morley Charter School in Shepherd, where she oversees special education, at risk students, the MEAP program and the gifted and talented program, among others. She has worked there since August 1999. Previously, she worked in the Saginaw Township Community Schools as a middle school teacher.

•Daniel A. McKenzie, currently principal of Alcona Junior/Senior High School in Lincoln. He has served there since 1997. He also was an assistant principal and athletic director in Alcona for 2 years. Previously, he taught in Crosswell-Lexington for 5 years.

•Clifford J. Mulvihill, principal of Carsonville-Port Sanilac Secondary School. He has worked in Carsonville-Port Sanilac since 1997. He was also

dean of students at Coopersville High School in western Michigan from 1992 to 1997; assistant principal at Gibraltar High School in Wayne County from 1989 to 1992, and a teacher in the Gibraltar district from 1969 to 1989.

The other finalists, selected by the board from a preliminary field of 13 applicants during a special meeting Thursday, are:

•Michael P. Bennett, Bessemer, currently employed as principal, athletic director and transportation supervisor at A.D. Johnston Junior/Senior High School in Bessemer, a small, rural western Upper Peninsula community. He has served there since 1996. He was previously principal at Ontonagon Area Elementary School for 2 years.

•Ned C. Curtis, East Lansing, currently employed as a consultant to MECCA Tech Inc., an East Lansing management consulting firm in areas of special education funding, customer service, organization design, and state/federal relations.

Curtis has a 19-year background in education, including tenures as a teacher in Houghton Public Schools, principal-teacher in the Pine River Area Schools, principal-assistant superintendent in the Vassar Public Schools, and superintendent in the Fulton Schools, Lakeshore Public Schools, City of Holland School District and Leslie Public Schools.

•Brian T. O'Hara, Brethren, middle/high school principal at Onkama Schools since September 1999; prin-

icipal at White Cloud Public Schools June 1998-September 1999; 7-12 principal for 2 years at Hillman Community Schools; 2 years as athletic director at Benzie County Central Schools; and 8 years combined teaching experience at Benzie Central, Newaygo and Montabella Public Schools as well as one year teaching at the univer-

sity level at Central Michigan University.

•Fletcher Spears III, Grand Blanc, high school principal in the Linden Community Schools since 1995, previously serving as assistant principal from 1993-1995.

He was employed as a mathematics/science teacher. Please turn to page 6.

Athletic ticket prices increased

Following the recommendation of the Greater Thumb Conference (GTC) alliance, the Cass City school board approved a slight increase in athletic ticket prices for the 2000-2001 school year during its monthly meeting Monday night in the high school boardroom.

Athletic Director Jeff Hartel says the need for the increase is to offset the rising costs associated with sporting events — hiring officials, transportation, and equipment, for example. Hartel also commented that the ticket price hikes will keep all member schools of the GTC at the same level.

Adults attending a high school athletic event in the upcoming year will now be charged \$4.00 per ticket, compared to \$3.00 per ticket last year. Gate prices for students attending a high school sporting event jumped \$5.00 from \$2.50 to \$3.00 while all tickets for middle school sporting events will be \$2.00. The board also approved a

\$1.00 per ticket discount to students for all home games on tickets purchased in advance.

"The student discount is a good way to encourage their fan support," stated Hartel.

The board also established prices for season passes during the 50-minute meeting. A family pass to athletic events remained the same as last season at \$95.00 for both parents and \$5.00 for each child over 5. An individual pass is again \$65.00, while a half season pass (one sport season) will be discounted 50%.

Hartel commented that dis- Please turn to page 7.

Man killed, 5 injured in accident

A Davison man was killed and 5 other people were injured, 4 of them critically, in a 3-vehicle traffic crash Sunday afternoon in Vassar Township.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro reported the accident occurred at about 1:20 p.m. on M-15, just north of Swaffler Road.

Troopers said a southbound Buick LeSabre driven by Eugene F. Gauthier, 73, Davison, crossed the centerline on M-15 and side-swiped a Ford Crown Victoria that was towing a 16-foot boat and trailer. The Buick then struck a Ford Windstar van head-on.

Gauthier was pronounced dead at the scene. His wife, Doris Gauthier, 70, was transported to St. Mary's Medical Center, where she was listed in critical condition.

The driver of the van, Samantha Sayers, 30, of Caro, and a passenger, Dianna Pace, 52, of Arizona, were also transported by ambulance to St. Mary's, and a second passenger, Jennifer Sayers, 12, was taken to St. Mary's by FlightCare Helicopter. All 3 were listed in critical condition. A third passenger, Kimberly Sayers, 8, was treated and released.

The driver of the Ford Crown Victoria, Kent W. Sayers, 40, Caro, and his passenger, Chris Sayers, 5, were not injured.

Alcohol was not a factor in the accident, and all of the occupants were wearing seatbelts, according to troopers, who said it isn't known why Gauthier crossed the centerline.

Troopers were assisted at the scene by the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department, Vassar police, Vassar and Millington fire departments, Vassar Ambulance, Mayville Ambulance, Saginaw St. Mary's FlightCare, Vassar paramedics and Clio-Mt. Morris Ambulance.



READY FOR THE FAIR - Jessie and Beth Spencer have been raising their brood of chickens and turkeys since early spring. Next week the birds will be judged at the Tuscola County Fair.

Talkin' turkey

Spencer girls looking forward to showing at fair

by Lynn Heitkamp
Staff Writer

It's turkey time at the Spencer house outside of Cass City. The Spencer girls, Jessie, 14, and 11-year-old Beth, have been raising turkeys and chickens all spring to take to the Tuscola County fair next week.

The girls bought the turkeys in March or April and got the chickens in May, their mother, Marie, said. Jessie and Beth are expected to feed and water the birds and clean their pens.

As if that isn't tiring enough, if the birds start making noise in the middle of the night, someone from the family has to go out to the coop with a flashlight to make sure nothing is in the pen to harm their projects. Before school got out, the girls did their chores before leaving in the morning and after they got home in the afternoon.

However, one reason the girls stick to poultry is birds are easier to raise than other 4-H projects, Jessie said. The girls' mother remembers what it was like to raise horses and cows when she was growing up.

Marie got her daughters involved in 4-H clubs because she and her sister, Cheryl LaJoie, were in 4-H as children. LaJoie is the leader of This and That 4-H club, which Jessie and Beth have belonged to for 3 years.

The club is called This and That because it doesn't focus on a specialty the way many clubs do. "If the kids are interested in it, we find out about it," Marie said. At monthly meetings, club members make crafts, learn about horticulture and raise money for their future projects. Many raise animals to take to the fair, but not all do, the girls said.

Several club members live in town and take part in all the 4-H activities, except raising animals, the girls added.

But keeping poultry is not a new experience for these Cass City Middle School students. They took their birds

to the fair last year too. One of Beth's bronze-colored turkeys placed 5th and Jessie was declared the grand-prize winner. She made around \$100 for school supplies when her prize turkey was sold.

"A lot of people say they're doing it for the money, but it's more than that," Beth said. An animal has to place at the fair to get a good price during the auction.

Each girl will take one turkey and 3 chickens from the 8 turkeys and 20 chickens they own to the fair. When deciding what birds to take, they look at noses and feet

to see if there are any deformities and try to find a bird with good feathers.

"You got to try not to get attached to them," Jessie said. Ultimately, the girls see the birds as food, not pets. They have a German Shepherd-mix, named Sergei for companionship. Beth also enjoys petting horses that graze across the road from the Spencer house.

"You can't get attached to turkeys," Beth stated bluntly. "They're too ugly."

The chickens don't make any friends when they pick at the girls with their beaks

when they're inside the pen. Since the birds are attracted to shiny objects, the girls can't even wear nail polish, or the picking would be worse.

Both girls say they like this line of work, however. "I wouldn't mind a farm when I get older," Jessie said. Beth is contemplating becoming a veterinarian when she grows up since she likes horses and cows.

4-H is something they both enjoy. Jessie summed it up, "It's just a fun experience for anyone to get into if they like animals."

Rodeo, new attractions on tap at county fair

A family tradition dating back more than one hundred years in Tuscola County continues next week with the 119th annual Tuscola County Fair, July 16-23 at the Caro Fairgrounds.

Professional rodeo action will again highlight a full week of activities, but the fair also offers something for the entire family, from 4-H livestock shows to pickup and tractor pulls to carnival rides. As always, there will be plenty of tasty treats available at the fairgrounds.

The price of ticket remains the same this year at \$7 per person, which covers admission, parking, grandstand events and rides. Children under the age of one get in free, and no admission will be charged on opening Sunday.

This is the sixth year that the International Professional Rodeo Association will be featured at the fair. Friday will mark the first of 2 full evenings of action. "We've added something new this year for the millennium. We've kicked in an additional \$5,000 in prize money in an effort to draw world championship riders," longtime fair board member Jerry Vandemark said, noting total prize money in past years has averaged \$8,000 to \$10,000. "We've had world class riders in the past, but there's a lot of competition."

Vandemark said the rodeo is the fair's biggest draw overall. "That's a big attraction for us. We've been averaging 5,000 people a night."

Also returning this year is daily harness racing, Monday through Thursday at 1 p.m., with Friday scheduled as a rain date. There will also be free entertainment, including a new feature - a children's pet-

ting zoo located at the tent in front of the Merchant's Building.

And, fair goers can expect to find some other new attractions, according to Vandemark. "We've converted what used to be the vegetable hall... next to the Merchant's Building, and that's going to be an antique display in conjunction with the historical society," he said. "That should be a great attraction."

Carnival rides are not a new attraction to the fair, but Vandemark said this year's amusements promise to be a big improvement compared to last year, when the fair's longtime carnival company, Crown Amusements, was in the process of being purchased by Pugh Amusements. "We should have a real good selection of rides this year," he added.

The fair kicks off Sunday with a 4-H dog show at 10 a.m. The annual 4-H Parade is slated to begin at 6:15 p.m. (starting at the sugar beet plant through the fairgrounds to the grandstand), followed by the 4-H Talent Show and the crowning of the 4-H king and queen at 6:30 p.m.

An evening of Gospel music featuring the Grimshaws will get underway at 7:30 p.m.

Monday's activities include 4-H rabbit and horse shows, both at 9 a.m. New this year is a Figure 8 Demolition Derby, which will get underway at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday is "Kids Day" and all children ages 14 and under will receive a \$1 discount on admission until 4 p.m. The day will feature 4-H swine, goat, horse and poultry shows, all beginning at 9 a.m., followed by a 4-H and open dairy show at 10 a.m. and a 4-H and open sheep show at 10 a.m. Please turn to page 6.

Rotary marks 70 years

The 70th anniversary of Rotary in Cass City was commemorated Thursday with a dinner meeting at Rolling Hills Golf Course. A review of the 15 charter members, induction of 2 Rotarians as Rotary Fellows and the induction of officers for 2000-01 highlighted the event.

To become Rotary Fellows, \$1,000 or more has to be donated to the Rotary Foundation in his or her name, Lambert Althaver, who made the presentation, told the audience. The 2 new members introduced at the meeting are Al Klcó and

Colleen Langenburg. Their addition swells the total number of Fellows from the club to 28.

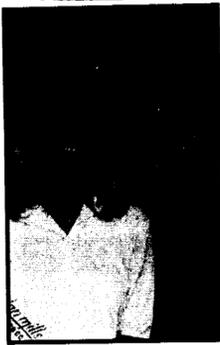
Two club members, John Haire and Gerald Prieskorn, recalled incidents they experienced with several of the charter members and Dr. Delbert Rawson gave intimate glimpses about the lives of many of them.

Other members and former members then told stories about their days in the club. The 15 charter members are: Please turn to page 6.



RECEIVING THE plaudits of the crowd at the 70th anniversary meeting of Rotary of Cass City Thursday were Al Klcó and Colleen Langenburg. They were recognized as Rotary Fellows. Rotary in Cass City now has 28 Fellows to earn this distinction.

Engaged



Shelli Peruski and Victor Pohlod

Shelli Lynn Peruski and Victor Andrew Pohlod are engaged to be married Sept. 9, 2000.

Parents of the bride-elect are Thomas and Diane Peruski of Cass City. Parents of the prospective groom are Roger and Maryann Pohlod of Deford.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Cass City High School and Baker College. She is employed in the human resources department at Walbro Engine Management.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Kingston High School. He is employed at Daimler-Chrysler.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

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

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Monday - Pork chop suey, carrots, cukes w/sour cream, rye bread, frosted brownie.

Wednesday - Roast beef w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered beets, wheat bread, jello w/fruit, peanut butter cookie.

Friday - Stuffed cabbage, parsley potatoes w/gravy, wax beans, wheat bread, fruit cocktail.

Volz qualifies for MDRT membership

Charles Volz, FIC, LUTCF, Cass City, an Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) agency specialist/computer, has earned the honor of qualifying membership in the pres-

tigious Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT), an international, independent association of leading life insurance producers.

Volz is with the Anthony Golden Agency of AAL, Frankenmuth, and serves Lutherans and their family members in Bach, Caro, Cass City, Fairgrove, North Branch, Reese, Sebawaing and Unionville.

The MDRT has 21,000 members representing 450 companies and more than 50 nations and territories. Members must meet strict ethical and production requirements to qualify, and MDRT membership is recognized as the standard of excellence in the life insurance-based financial services industry.

Engaged



Mabel Fleming and Ricky O'Quinn

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Fleming of Snover announce the engagement of their daughter, Mabel Ruth, to Ricky Dallas O'Quinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted O'Quinn of Melbourne, Fla.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Sandusky High School and Black Hills State University. She is employed by Space Gateway Support (SGS) at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station and Kennedy Space Center, Fla. Her fiance is a graduate of Eau Gallie High School, Melbourne, Fla., and Advanced NCO Academy in the United States Army. He is also employed at SGS as the SWAT Team Leader and currently a Sergeant First Class in the United States Army Reserves.

The couple will be married July 22 in Snover.

Engaged



Suzanne Atkins and Robert Stickle

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Atkins of Hilton Head Island, S.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Suzanne Rae, to Robert Stickle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Stickle of Buffton, S.C.

Suzanne is the granddaughter of Helen, and the late Harold, Copeland of Cass City and Leland, and the late Hazel, Atkins of Tawas City. The wedding is set for Dec. 2.



Reunion

by Melva E. Guinther

Well, the kids and the cats are gone and the house is wondrously quiet. It's kind of nice to be able to see the furniture and the floor once again, to finally be caught up with the laundry and the dishes, and to have unlimited access to the bathroom.

But in a matter of days we know we'll start missing the fun and excitement of having the family around, and looking forward to the next visit.

Our annual 4th of July family reunion has become a tradition. It was the first time our kids from California had been "home" and the whole tribe had been together in a year.

There are only 8 people and 2-3 this year - cats when we're all here, which will seem like small potatoes to those of you accustomed to cramming 20-30 relatives in. But it seems to tax our resources at times.

The third cat, subsequently named Cassidy, added a whole new dimension. She was an 8-week-old kitten discovered by grandson Drew and Grandpa when they paused at the football stadium during a bike ride. The poor skinny thing appeared to have been abandoned and, of course, they couldn't just leave her there meowing.

We seem to have a knack for finding deserted animals.

A few years back our daughter and son-in-law also discovered an abandoned kitten while biking. That one ended up going back to Ohio with them. After taking care of all her physical needs, they found her a good home.

I'm beginning to think I should lock up the bikes when the kids are here.

But back to Cassidy. Grandpa and Drew went door to door in the park area asking if anyone had lost the kitten. No one had.

Since our daughter, son-in-law and their 2 cats were coming the next day, and it seemed unwise to try to integrate the feline population, we had to make separate arrangements for the newcomer.

After a trip to the vet, since the original grandcats hang out in the basement when unsupervised, a third litter box, kitten food and a bed were set up on the back porch for the kitten.

Aside from that, Cassidy's future was uncertain until the day before the California crew left for home.

In addition to her being cute, playful and seeming to love them all, in her favor was the fact that their pet cat, Moose, whom they had for 9 years, had disappeared shortly before they left home, and all their efforts to find him had been unsuccessful. This was especially difficult for Drew, for whom the cat had been a constant companion.

Also working in the kitten's behalf was the fact that Grandma, firmly believing that life begins when the kids leave home and the cat dies, made it abundantly clear that this cat was NOT staying at the Guinther home in Cass City.

By this time Cassidy had been hopelessly spoiled and could hardly be expected to fend for herself as a barn cat.

So our son and daughter-in-law made the necessary arrangements, bought the necessary equipment, took her back to the vet for the health certificate needed to transport her on a plane, paid the fees and carted Cassidy off to California.

All's well that ends well.

Besides playing with the kitten, our grandsons, Drew and Spencer, had a ball during their summer vacation. They went swimming, golfing, bike riding, horseback riding, fishing at "Good Ol' Willie's" (Willie Goodall's), etc. Drew even got in on the haying at Harvey Bell's, quite a treat for an 8-year-old. They nearly wore poor Grandpa out.

In spite of being a bit weary, though, we sincerely hope that the summers at Grandma and Grandpa's will create pleasant, lasting memories for these little guys we love so much.

If so, it will have been worth it.

It's a boy!



Kyle Schneeberger

Marisa and Kayla Schneeberger welcome home their new baby brother, Kyle Layne, born at Bay Medical Center June 5, 2000. He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. His parents are Steve and Jalaine Schneeberger.

Grandparents are Gerhard Kunding of Sebawaing and the late Donelda Kunding, and Bud and Opal Schneeberger of Cass City.

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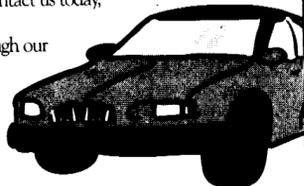
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PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE REVISIONS ELKLAND TOWNSHIP

The Township of Elkland Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on proposed revisions to its current zoning ordinance. The changes are on file at the Elkland Township Town Hall at 6691 Church Street, Cass City, MI. 48726

Minor revisions are proposed in the "Dimensional Requirements" in the B-1 Business Zoning District and FC-1 Forestry and Conservation Zoning District.

Changes in the B-1 Business Zoning District would be to change the Front Yard Setback from 35 ft. for all buildings to 60 ft. for residence and 75 ft. for all other buildings.

Changes in the FC-1 Forestry and Conservation Zoning District would change Side Yard Setback from 50 ft. to 25 ft. Also to change Rear Yard Setback from 60 ft. to 25 ft.

Maps and detailed texts of these changes will be presented at the public hearing, which will be held as follows:

Tuesday, July 18, 2000 at 8:00 p.m. Elkland Township Hall 6691 Church Street Cass City, MI 48726

Comments, suggestions and possible revisions will be accepted at the public hearing and in written material submitted to township offices before or at the public hearing.

Roger Root, Chairman Elkland Township Planning Commission

Thumb writers to meet

The Thumb Area Writer's Club will hold their regular meeting July 11. The writer's club is meeting during July and August at the Lloyd Schumacker residence, 316 South Custer in Sandusky, commencing at 7:30 p.m.

The club holds its monthly meeting on the second Tuesday of each month.

Everyone is welcome, you

do not have to be a member to attend the meetings.

Cass City Social Item

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rolston are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary July 11. They were married in Bad Axe and have one daughter, Loretta Lynn. Robert drove bus for Owen-Gage Schools for 14 years.

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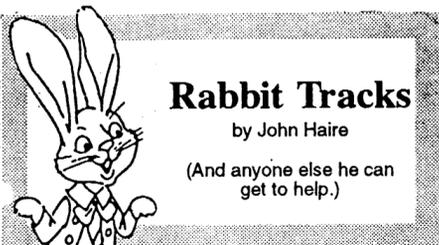
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

The good news, writes Fred MacKay, in mid-June when gas prices were in the \$2.35 range here, is that gas where he lives in Columbus, Ga., sold for \$1.47 per gallon. A year ago in June gas sold for 96 cents a gallon in Columbus.

That's quite a gap, MacKay feels. That's the good news. The bad news is a gap of another nature. June 21 the temperature reached 98 degrees in Columbus and the high for the day in Cass City was 84 degrees.

Another bad news, good news report. Bad: A national quarterly survey of 16 selected food items showed Michigan consumers paid slightly higher prices than the average consumer in the United States for 12 products. Good: White bread, potato, vegetable oil and apple prices declined from the previous quarter.

Some things you take for granted. The sun rises, the sun sets, and the Cass City Garden Club will be doing its bit to make Cass City a little more pleasant.

But there are a few clouds on the horizon. We caught Fran Bellew planting flowers Friday in one of the pots the club maintains on Main Street. She's been doing it for about 6 years and she estimates that the club has been providing the service for 8 or more.

What worries Fran and should concern all of us who appreciate the beauty that the flowers provide are a few sobering facts. The number of pots decorating the community at the peak was 48. Today there are 24. Senseless vandalism and wear and tear have taken their toll.

There are now just 10 members of the Garden Club left to do the work, down from a peak of 22.

We really need new members, Bellew pleads. Folks who take pride in our community and don't want to see this little touch of class abandoned. Just call 872-3013 and be sure that Fran will welcome you with open arms into this helpful civic organization.

Accessibility the goal

Courthouse renovations scheduled for this year

by Lynn Heitkamp
Staff Writer

Tuscola County's courthouse in Caro is getting a facelift for the new millennium. It's being renovated this year so that the 20th-century building can meet 21st century demands.

The building was constructed in the 1930s and hasn't been meeting state and federal disabled-access standards, County Controller Michael Hoagland said. Architects are working on plans to make all 3 floors of the courthouse accessible to anyone, in or out of a wheelchair. The work should be bid out to a contractor soon, he added.

The project, which will cost an estimated \$350,000, will install an elevator and renovate restrooms. Doorways will also be made more accessible and a ramp will be added to the main entrance of the building, Hoagland said. Work should be completed by the end of the year, he added.

A security upgrade is also in store for the courthouse this summer. The building's rear entrance will be closed off and all public and employee traffic will be routed through the main doors in the front. To enter, people will have to pass through a metal detector and x-ray machine, similar to what is common in airports, Hoagland said.

"There's a lot of remodeling that has to be done," Hoagland said referring to changes in the indoor structure that will accompany the security update.

Traffic flow in the building has to be rerouted so that people can come in one door through security and come out another, he said. Two new sidewalks will be added outside so that people will not have to walk completely around the block to get to the front entrance from the rear of the building, he added.

Electrical work is also needed in the building to handle the energy needs of the 2 new machines. Two police officers stationed by the main entrance will run them.

The price tag for the project

is expected to be around \$190,000 and work should be finished in a month or two, Hoagland said. "It is full level security or will be shortly," he said.

A third project is nearing completion, he added. \$1.135 million has been spent upgrading the building's heating and cooling systems and installing energy efficient lighting. "That project's been going on for several months now," Hoagland said. He estimated the work is 95 percent done. "We've got through the worst of it," he said.

The courthouse continues to remain open during the renovations. "It's not forcing the shutdown of the use of the facilities in any way," Hoagland explained.

The Haire Net



Outside of a few scare warnings from agencies who study population trends, nothing much is said or done to confront the growing problem of over population.

Campaigns abound to tackle cancer, heart ailments, polio and all the other diseases that are debilitating at best and often fatal.

The over population problem is on the back burner for Americans, because its devastating results strike far from home.

Today, for most of us, the expanding population is merely an inconvenience, if we even think about it at all.

It's hard to mount a campaign against a threat that has yet to become serious here.

Rotary International and its various clubs, including Cass City's, are justifiably proud of their campaign to eradicate polio world-wide. Most of its funds and work by Rotary volunteers concentrate on developing countries where prevention drugs have not been available and the disease has been mostly unchecked.

It's almost a lead-pipe cinch that the same amount of concern with the millions of dollars donated to the cause could not have been drummed up to establish population control. Yet the sad truth is that while fewer children are stricken by polio, AIDS and starvation in over populated areas are much more serious health problems.

In the Detroit Free Press last week a couple of problems surfaced that are indirectly tied to population increases right here in Michigan. The first was the report by funeral home directors of the lack of respect for funeral processions by motorists in busy areas and to a lesser extent right here in the Thumb.

Drivers are enraged because their busy schedules are delayed on busy roadways by a funeral and cases of drivers ignoring the processions are more and more common.

Another story told how hard it is for the Department of Natural Resources to find and buy land on lakes to provide public boat launching sites. Two reasons are cited.

One is that the cost of lakefront property rises from 10 to 25 percent each year and the other is that the owners of lakefront property band together to keep the DNR from buying sites if they become available.

Since 1939 there have been 1,183 public access sites constructed. But in the last 11 years only 7 sites have been built. Population is the indirect cause. There are over one million boats registered in Michigan today, more than ever before, as the boat population swells with the population increase.

These are admittedly minor annoyances. Certainly, minor if compared to the problems that appear inevitable as our population grows.

It will be interesting to see how we cope 50 years down the road when most everyone will live longer, if not better.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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Strange things are happening in the northwestern states. The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is falling all over itself to save wild salmon and steelhead, but nobody knows for sure what's wild.

Scientists seem to agree all of the salmon and steelhead south of Alaska have some hatchery blood in them; but some may be contaminated less than others. This allows us to declare them endangered.

If hatchery fish originated from wild fish, and endangered strains of wild fish are essentially the same as hatchery fish: Could someone explain the Endangered Species Act to me again?

One of the more entertaining stories involves a NMFS plan to kill hatchery chinook returning to Washington's Methow River this summer. Last year the NMFS shut down irrigators in the Methow Valley for the stated purpose of protecting endangered salmon.

Then, last winter the agency notified the Methow Valley Irrigation District it faces a \$55,000 fine for allegedly stranding 40 juvenile salmon at the end of the irrigation season. (If 40 salmon were headed for the ocean we could expect one or 2 to return.)

Now the NMFS says the "Carson" strain returning to the Methow hatchery is not endangered so it's safe to knock these fish in the head. Donald Sampson, a biologist for the Columbia River Intertribal Fish Commission accuses the NMFS of "misguided genetic redecorating."

"There is no scientific basis for the destruction of these salmon. Scientific evidence indicates the Carson spring chinook stock is essentially indistinguishable from the spring chinook of the Methow," Sampson says.

Tribal biologists think a salmon that travels hundreds of miles to the ocean, thousands of miles in salt water and returns to spawn 4 years later can't be all bad. They taste good, too.

The event that put the NMFS in such a fix was the tremendous return of salmon to the Columbia River this year. Spring chinook counts over Bonneville Dam were the highest since the dam was built in 1938.

Sockeye salmon projections for the Columbia have been revised from earlier forecasts of 33,000 fish to a new estimate of 150,000 fish. Biologists don't know what caused these upswings, but they think it has something to do with the ocean (and a crack in their weegee board).

The latest report from NMFS is that the Carson strain in the Methow will not be clubbed after all. This agency has decided to capture the fish and release them into the Okanogan River system instead.

How's that for biological intelligence? You claim a fish isn't good enough for one river, but it will be fine if we put it in a stream nearby.

The same day I read about the Carson salmon I saw a column by Indiana outdoorsman, Jack Spalding. Spalding describes the great fishing for Skamania steelhead in Lake Michigan.

I was reminded that Skamania steelhead originated in the same county as the Carson chinook. These steelhead have been planted in the Great Lakes for many years.

Some folks say transplanting steelhead to the Great Lakes is a threat to wild fish — and a bad idea. Anyone who has caught a Skamania steelhead or a Carson chinook knows these folks are full of baloney.

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Chip Shots

MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE July 9

FLIGHT #1 (all scratch)

Jerry Toner	115
Don Ouvry	107
Dieter Roth	106
Mike Murphy	102
Craig Helwig	100
Rich Tate	93
Clark Erla	92
Rick Hollis	88
Scott Richards	88
Brad Goslin	87
John Maharg	87
Terry Wiseman	82
Jason McCallum	80*
Dale McIntosh	63
Newell Harris	54
Dave Hoard	42*

FLIGHT #2 (all scratch)

Jim Peyer	117
Ken Zdrojewski	106
Jim Apley	105
Russ Biefer	100
Frank Miller	96
Mike Randall	94
Kurt Dennis	92
Dan Mosher	92
Daryl Iwankovitsch	91
Fred Leeson	86
Jim Hobbs	80
Craig Bellew	79
Ernie Bellew	78
John Riddle	76
Elwyn Helwig	69
Pat Curtis	47

FLIGHT #3 (all scratch)

Jim Fox	108
Dan Dickinson	103
Dick Wallace	103
Jack Hool	102
Craig Weaver	97
Mike Ware	95
Jim Hempton	92
Dan Hittler	79*
Gary Robinson	78
Rick Doerr	77*
Brian Reinhardt	77
Corey Ulfing	75
Duane Henn	62
Jon Zdrojewski	62

FLIGHT #4 (all scratch)

Roger Cooper	105
Bob Stickle	103
Don Erla	101
John Niebrzydowski	100
Jim Smithson	97
Kevin Bliss	94

Bruce LeValley	91
Anton Peters	91
Doug O'Dell	84
Doug Lautner	74
Kelly Smith	64
Clate Sawdon	52

FLIGHT #5 (handicap)

John Agar	126
Pat Davis	104
Jim Mastie	101
Jeff Krol	99
Charlie Tunis	88
Asa Apley	84
Bert Althaver	83
Dennis Meck	82
Dave Keller	81
Bill Ewald	80
Leonard Thompson	76
Brian Cuddie	52

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EARLY DIVISION

Wallace/Apley	135
Harris/Hogan	114
Stickle/Iwankovitsch	107
Maharg/Pasieczny	107
Williamson/Rieman	104
Herron/Tuckey	103
Henn/Peters	102
W.Dillon/Retherford	96
Zdrojewski/Bryant	96
Bliss/Baker	85
Strickland/Glaspie	85
Laming/C.Hillaker	84
Berwick/Greenlee	79
Burns/Hutchinson	65

LATE DIVISION

Jones/Marshall	127
McCallum/Randall	119
Ypma/deBeaubien	112
M.Murphy/K.Martin	103
J.Hillaker/S.Murphy	97
LeValley/Morgan	96
Chappel/Pasant	96
Wright/Prieskorn	93
K.Smith/Biddinger	93
Hartel/Comment	91
P.Peters/K.Bliss	88
Hool/Toner	87
Schneeberger/Ulfing	72
Doerr/Haire	67



THE CASS CITY ERLA'S CBF baseball team finished as the league's playoff runners-up with a 6-2 record. They are: (front l-r) Cole Mellendorf, Cody Halasz, John Guc, Keith Truemmer, Chad Kieser. (Back l-r) Coach Marv Irrer, Scott Regnerus, Greg Dillon, Eric Hollis, Brandon Stec, Zack Sutter, Coach Dennis Regnerus. Missing are Tyler Erla, Andrew Whittaker, Jason Samons, Coach Doug Hyatt and Coach Joe Langenburg.

Telephone solicitations plague Tuscola County residents

Hundreds of annoying telephone solicitations continue to plague the citizens of Tuscola County, according to Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern, who said his office receives numerous complaints from citizens and local businesses, particularly in response to law enforcement solicitations.

"Some law enforcement solicitors will pressure potential contributors into supporting a fundraising organization while promising possible favors concerning parking tickets, traffic violations or better protection," Kern said.

Due to the increase in solicitation calls, Kern reminds citizens that his professional organization, the Michigan

Sheriffs' Association (MSA), does not conduct telephone solicitation. However, it has been brought to the attention of the sheriff and the MSA that the Deputy Sheriffs' Association of Michigan is conducting heavy telephone solicitation. It is important for citizens to know that the Deputy Sheriffs' Association of Michigan and the Michigan Sheriffs' Association are in no way affiliated with one another, Kern said.

When a telemarketer contacts you, keep the following tips in mind:

- Contest high-pressure sales tactics.
- Do not send money by courier, overnight delivery or wire to anyone who insists they have the money immediately.

Before you donate money, check with your state or local consumer protection office to make sure the company and/or cause is legitimate.

Write down the date and time that you received the phone call and the action that you took.

If the telemarketer persists in trying to sell you a product or service, hang up the phone.

For additional information concerning the dos and don'ts of telemarketing, Kern recommends contacting the Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General's Office at 1-877-765-8388.

Friday, July 28

HDC hosting golf tourney

The Human Development Commission (HDC) invites area golfers to its Third Annual Summer Swing Golf Outing, Friday, July 28, at Sandusky's Woodland Hills Golf Club.

The outing, sponsored by Cellular One and co-sponsored by Independent Bank and Team One Credit Union, will be a 4-person scramble. Coffee and donuts will be served prior to a shotgun start

at 9 a.m.; a steak dinner prepared by Woodland Hills will be served following the outing.

The outing will benefit services provided by HDC, including programs such as the Foster Grandparent Program, Home Delivered Meals, and the Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center.

Registration fee is \$60 per person and includes 3 rounds of golf for those registering prior to July 20, while all

other participants will receive 2 rounds of golf.

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Corn producers offer solution to high gas prices

As Michiganians feel the hit of the high gas prices in their wallets, Michigan's corn producers hold the answer to these skyrocketing prices. That answer is ethanol.

Ethanol has been recently fingered as being partially responsible for the high gasoline prices, when, in fact, ethanol is the solution to this problem. A historical look at ethanol prices shows that it is cheaper for gasoline blenders to purchase ethanol this year, than it was last year. Also, there are more plants in the U.S. producing ethanol this year than last year.

"We, as the state's corn producers and farmers with gas powered equipment, are very concerned about the high prices of gasoline. We are also very concerned about any rumored linkage of ethanol to these prices," said Greg Horst, a Sanilac County corn producer and president of the Corn Marketing Program of Michigan.

"In agriculture we are producing a renewable resource that provides us a less costly, made-in-the-USA, alternative fuel that lessens our burden on foreign oil," Horst said. "It is unbelievable that we are being touted as part of the skyrocketing price problem, when we have an economical, abundant renewable fuel supply which is actually priced well below fossil fuel."

All Michigan consumers have access to a 10 percent blend of ethanol in gasoline at specially marked commercial gasoline pumps which can be found in most every Michigan city.

In addition, consumers can purchase 85 percent ethanol fuel (E-85 at \$1.89 per gallon) that can be used in flex fuel vehicles including the Ford Taurus and Ford Ranger. Sales of flex fuel vehicles are on the increase, as consumers look to get environmental and now, eco-

conomic benefits. Headquartered in Lansing, the Corn Market Program of Michigan is a legislatively-established statewide program that utilizes one-cent per bushel of Michigan corn sold.

Investments are made in the area of research, education, promotion and market development in an effort to enhance the economic position of Michigan corn producers. The Corn Marketing Program of Michigan works cooperatively with the Michigan Corn Growers Association, a grassroots-membership association that represents the state's corn producers' interests.



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In motorcycle services technology

Sorenson second at nationals

Anyone who believes the Tuscola Technology Center is for students who aren't quite up to speed with their high school classmates should meet Josh Sorenson. "There are a lot of kids that go to the tech center who

think they're dumb, and yet I can see potential in them," commented the Cass City resident, who knows a lot about potential and the value of the educational programs available at the tech center. Both enabled Sorenson to

recently compete against the best motorcycle mechanics in his age bracket in the nation. In the end, he was ranked second among 19 competitors, the best ever finish for a Tuscola Technology Center student in motorcycle services technology. Aside from the satisfaction of performing so well, the 19 year old came home with a pair of motorcycle jackets worth a combined \$700 along with \$1,500 worth of Snap-on Tools.

He also enjoyed a few minutes in the media spotlight when a camera crew from ESPN 2 interviewed him. The segment was to have aired Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. The 36th annual Skills USA Championships was held June 27-30 at the Municipal Auditorium and the H. Roe Bartle Hall in Kansas City, Mo. Some 4,000 outstanding vocational students joined in the excitement of hands-on competition in 72 different trade, technical and leadership fields.

The event is sponsored by SkillsUSA-VICA, the national organization for students in trade, industrial, technical and health occupation education. Working against the clock and each other, participants proved their expertise in job skills for occupations such as electronics, technical drafting, precision machining, medical assisting and culinary arts. There are also competitions in leadership skills, such as extemporaneous speaking and conducting meetings by parliamentary procedures.

In the motorcycle service technology category, Sorenson and his fellow competitors were judged on their knowledge of cylinder leakdown and compression testing; precision measuring and evaluating the serviceability of clutches, brakes, wheels and cylinders; electrical meter usage; component testing and terminal repair; voltage drop testing, and carburetor and drive train service.

Sorenson earned the right to compete last May, when he finished first among 11 competitors at the Michigan Skills USA Championships in Lansing. "It (national event) was pretty much like expected. I knew it would be like state, but a lot larger," Sorenson said. "It was more competitive."

"My competition itself was only one day. It was from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., but I had a test early in the week that all the contestants had to take," he said, adding the competition involved moving from work station to work station, each designed to test the participant's skill in a certain area. Participants were also tested on their ability to work with a customer.

Sorenson proved himself especially skilled at a work station where participants were given 20 minutes to remove and inspect a dirt bike tire, write down the specifications and then reassemble the tire. Sorenson completed the task in 12 minutes. "The judge told me he's never seen it done that fast."

Paul Battel, a Tuscola Technology Center automotive technology instructor and advisor to the Skills USA/VICA team, attended the competition with Sorenson. "We're proud of Josh. Add it all up - he did alright," he said. Battel added the event - held in a building larger than the Saginaw Civic Center - was "just electrifying."

The awards session, he noted, was attended by some 35,000 people. Battel said the winner in the motorcycle service technology event receives a full-ride scholarship from the Motorcycle Mechanics Institute in Daytona Beach, Fla.

But it's possible that Sorenson may also be offered a scholarship based on his performance. "The opportunities are there," Battel said, adding the event is supported by a host of major companies, including American Honda Motor Co., American Suzuki Motor Co., Harley-Davidson Inc., Kawasaki Motors Corp. and Snap-on Inc.

Your neighbor says Millionaire show fun for family

Beth Kittle enjoys watching "Who Wants to be a Millionaire," and that's her final answer.

"It's a show that the family can all watch together and see if we know the answers," she said. The television game show has a broad popularity because people of all ages can answer the questions. The lower levels of play are even easy enough for children, but the questions get progressively harder as the game goes on. "Millionaire" is on several nights a week. Kittle said her family doesn't watch the show every time it's on, but they do watch it most of the time.

Kittle's 5-year-old son, Jacob, is a fan of the show too. Her 2-year-old, Jordan, is still a little young for it, but both kids have birthdays coming up soon, she said.

The show's master of ceremonies, Regis Philbin, is a good choice to host, Kittle said. He has the type of personality to make the game work. He is down-to-earth and can relate to contestants, she explained.

Philbin often tells the TV audience anyone can try out for the show, but Kittle isn't going to call the number he gives out to prospective contestants anytime soon. She isn't interested in trying out. "I don't think I would win a million," she said.

She usually knows the answers up until about the \$32,000 question, she added. "That would be about my limit," she laughed.



JOSH SORENSON, 19, Cass City, recently placed second in the 36th annual Skills USA Championship in the motorcycle services technology competition.

Center adding open MRI

The Thumb MRI Center, Cass City, continues to take the lead in providing magnetic resonance imaging (MRI).

ager, recently announced that thanks to the efforts of James Haveman, director of the Michigan Department of Community Health, and his staff, Thumb MRI has received state approval to install the first superconducting open MRI in Michigan.

In 1995, American Diagnostic Imaging, Elmhurst, Ill., and 6 Thumb area hospitals, including Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City, joined together to convince the state to make legislative changes that would allow Thumb area hospitals and residents access to the same MRI technology that was available only to large urban areas and research hospitals.

Their appeal to the state resulted in the opening of Thumb MRI in 1997. Last year the group again approached the state seeking permission to bring an open MRI to the area.

"Many patients feel uncomfortable and experience anxiety while inside the 'tube' of the traditional, or closed, MRI scanner. With this open design, MRI exams are less restrictive and easier for patients," Socier said.

"We are pleased that we will be able to offer this service locally. It will be a great convenience particularly for larger and claustrophobic patients who will no longer find it necessary to travel out of the area for the MRI their physician has ordered."

Advanced Diagnostic Imaging, a group of 37 radiologists, provides radiology services for the center. A radiologist from the group is at Thumb MRI daily. Radiologist Ziad Al-Amiri, M.D., has seen the images produced by the new MRI and believes them to be of the utmost high quality of resolution and diagnostic detail. This is good news for physicians and their patients because precise images are required for immediate and accurate diagnosis of trauma and disease.

"The Thumb MRI Center is in the process of renovations so the new MRI can be installed. We hope to have the new MRI operational in late August or early September. In the meantime, patients will continue to receive MRI services utilizing the equipment that is currently on site," said Linda Herman, Thumb MRI public relations director.

More information about Thumb MRI is available by calling 517-872-8070.

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Obituary

Marie Krueger
Marie R. Krueger, 90, of Sun City Center, Fla., died July 5, 2000, at St. Joseph Hospital, Port Charlotte, Fla.

She is survived by a daughter, Ann (Jack) McDaniel of Bay City; a son, Rodney (Colleen) Krueger of Port Charlotte, Fla.; 5 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

She was born June 29, 1910, in Ottoville, Ohio. She and her husband were former owners and operators of Anrod Screen Cylinder Corporation in Cass City.

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Michigan Colt Stakes

Fair draws top horses, drivers

Some of the best young harness horses and top harness horse drivers will be featured in the \$61,850 Michigan Colt Stakes at the Tuscola County Fair Monday through Thursday.

The Michigan Colt Stakes at the Caro Fair are part of the \$5 million Michigan Colt Stakes and Futurities Circuit schedule for Michigan sired harness horses in 2000.

This is a record year for purses on the Michigan Colt Stakes and Futurities Circuit.

Many young harness horses who competed early in their careers at Caro have gone on to earn hundreds of thousands of dollars. The great Michigan trotter, Night Court Dan, has won over \$1 million and many other Michigan horses have earned well over a half-million dollars.

Tuscola County harness racing fans should enjoy watching Darrell Wright, always one of the top drivers

at the pari-mutuel raceways in Michigan, who will be driving 2-year-olds like Kandy's Fantasy, a trotting filly, and Raging Thunder, a trotting colt, both of whom won at Vassar in the Gold Circuit June 21.

Hall of Fame horseman and Little Brown Jug winner, Chris Boring should be on hand at Caro with his 3-year-old trotting colt, Regal Status, who also won at Vassar. Chuck Taylor, Michigan Harness Horseman of the Year in 1998 won with Party Streamer, a 2-year-old trotting colt, and Classy Elizabeth, a 3-year-old trotting filly, in their respective divisions at Vassar. These top young horses should all be racing at Caro.

All the top drivers in Michigan are expected to perform at Caro. Carl Putnam, who has won over \$17,000,000 driving mainly Michigan harness horses and is the leading driver on the Michigan Circuit throughout the

'90s, is expected to pilot many horses at Caro.

Peter Wrenn, who drives regularly at Hazel Park and at the Meadowlands, harness racing's premier raceway in New Jersey, is also expected to race regularly on the Michigan Circuit this summer. Over the years, harness horses driven by Wrenn have earned some \$28,000,000.

The fairgrounds are located in Caro, M-81 to Park St. southwest of M-24. The Speed Secretary, Scott Altizer, can be reached at (517) 673-7555 or (517) 673-5701.

The Tuscola County Fair first featured harness racing in 1884, which makes it one of the oldest fairs continuously racing harness horses in Michigan.

The \$5,000,000 Michigan Colt Stakes and Futurities Circuit is made up of different classes of competition so that young Michigan sired horses have the best opportunities to develop their po-

tential. Four purse divisions per sex and gait for 2-year-olds and 3-year-olds are offered in the Michigan Colt Stakes at the fairs and the pari-mutuel raceways: Elite Series \$15,000, Blue Circuit \$8,500, Gold Circuit \$5,500 and Green Circuit \$3,500. Over 1500 colts and fillies are eligible for the 2000 season. These are record purse amounts.

Tuscola fair set July 16-23

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at 5 p.m. Regular demolition derby action begins at 7:30 p.m.

Livestock shows continue Wednesday with open horse and goat shows and a 4-H and open beef show, all at 9 a.m. The Small Livestock Sweepstakes is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. at the rabbit judging tent, followed by the 4-H Large Livestock Sweepstakes at 7 p.m. at the livestock pavilion.

Wednesday will also feature tractor and pickup pull action starting at 7:30 p.m.

Senior citizens will get an admission price break Thursday, "Senior Citizen's Day", which features free admission until 6 p.m.

The day's activities will include the annual 4-H and FFA livestock sales, with the small animal sale beginning at 9:30 a.m. and the livestock show getting underway at 1 p.m. (buyers check-in begins at noon). Rounding out the day will be a pony pull competition at 6 p.m.

Friday will kick off with a 4-H and FFA large livestock judging contest at 9 a.m. Pedal pull competition is slated to start at 4 p.m., followed by the first night of rodeo action at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's slate of events includes a light horse pull at 10 a.m., with heavy horse pulling slated to begin at 1:30 p.m. Rodeo action resumes at 7:30 p.m.

The fair concludes Sunday with motorcycle time trials at 11 a.m., with the races scheduled to get underway at 1 p.m.

Sanilac 4-H Fair kicks off July 16 in Sandusky

The 2000 Sanilac Fair will take place July 16-23 at the Sanilac County 4-H Fairgrounds in Sandusky.

The fair is a time for all 4-Hers to display their projects and show what they've learned throughout the year. The Sanilac County 4-H program consists of over 1,200 4-H members with projects from animal and vet science to woodworking.

The judging schedule for the 2000 4-H year begins Saturday, July 15, at 1 p.m. with the non-perishable projects, such as personal appearance, photography, woodworking, arts, etc.

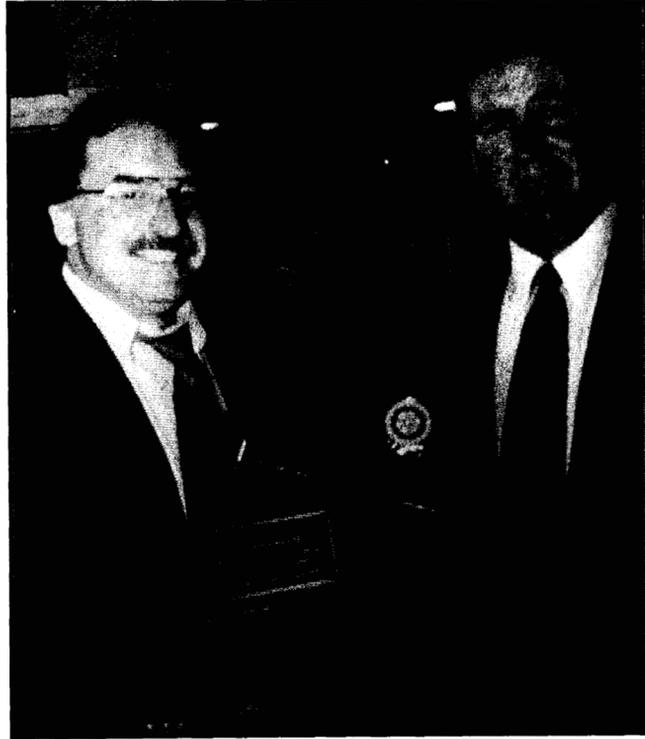
The Cat and Dog show will be Sunday, July 16, beginning at 1:30 p.m. Also Sunday night, the 2000 Sanilac County 4-H King and Queen and court will be introduced at the grandstands. Judging continues Monday, July 17, at 9 a.m. with the perishable projects, such as foods, horticulture, crops, etc. The horse judging will also begin Monday, July 17, around 8 a.m.

Four-H judging will continue through the week for swine, sheep, dairy, beef, goats, prospect beef, veal, rabbit, poultry, and pocket pets.

The fair is also a time to give 5-8-year-old 4-Hers a chance to experience the fair. All 5-8-year-old 4-H members experience a variety of events, such as the dog and cat show, the dairy show, and the rabbit show. These 4-Hers do not compete, however, they receive participation ribbons. Along with experiencing different projects, 5-8-year-old 4-Hers learn quite a lot from observing older 4-Hers.

The Sanilac County 4-H fair is an excellent chance to see what is going on in the county and to see what the young people have been doing. Many families spend the entire week together, working together and helping others. 4-H members get the chance to build valuable life skills, such as leadership, responsibility, sportsmanship, and citizenship.

The entire community is invited to the fair to observe youth in action as they put their skills and knowledge to work for themselves, their community, their country, and their world.



ACCEPTING THE GAVEL from retiring president Al Klco, left, is Pat Curtis, Cass City Rotary president for 2000-01.

Rotary celebrates anniversary

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Meredith Auten, Rev. Paul Allured, Fred Bigelow, Al Knapp, Herb Lenzner, Walt Mann, Dr. Ira McCoy, Fred Pinney, Larry Randall, John Sandham, Dr. Pearl Schenck, Ernie Schwaderer, Ashton Tindale, Harry Young and Dr. Sheldon Young.

Retiring president Klco was the toastmaster of the evening and singled out Matt Prieskorn for his help in devising the program and his help throughout his year in office.

Pat Curtis accepted the reins as the new club president and announced the new club officers. Doug Laurie is the president-elect. Klco will serve as vice-president and Valerie Hartel is the treasurer. Doug Lautner is the club secretary.

O-G board ready to interview 8

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and coach in the Oxford Area Community Schools from 1985 to 1992, a portion of which was spent overseas, teaching for the Department of Defense Dependents' Schools in Misawa, Japan, and Vilseck, Germany (1989-1992).

Glen E. Stevenson Jr., Stanton, currently high school principal at North Montcalm High School (since 1997).

In all, he has 30 years in education, including junior/senior high principal in the

Vestaburg Community Schools (1995-1997); middle school principal and athletic director at Central Montcalm Community Schools; health teacher, head football coach at Grand Blanc Community Schools; assistant professor, football coach at Olivet College; and phys ed teacher, football coach at Haslett Public Schools.

Owen-Gage Board members, who have been consulting with Huron Intermediate School District Supt. William H. Mayes, took the opportunity Thursday to fine tune plans for the interview process. Trustees discussed the qualities they are looking for in a superintendent, as well as specific questions they will pose to each candidate.

"We want somebody who has good negotiating skills, leadership ability, administrative abilities, ability to develop and implement curriculum, knowledge of budgeting and accounting issues... somebody who's going to be visible in the community," Trustee Randy Howard said. Board members also plan to explore the candidates' disciplinary style, communication skills and their feelings toward small, rural education.

Knowledge of technology issues is also key, according to Howard, who indicated

the applicants are not lacking in that area.

The Owen-Gage board will be holding special meetings Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to interview the candidates. The interviews will start at 5:30 p.m. in the Owen-Gage High School Library.

"We're expecting it to take an hour," Howard said about each interview. After the board and candidate have asked questions of each other, members of the audience may submit questions on notecards to the board. A board member will then ask the question if it is appropriate and legal to do so.

"We have the potential of interviewing 8 candidates," Howard said. If the 3 new finalists all choose to come, there will be 2, or even 3, interviews a night, he added.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business Monday night, the board:

Elected its officers for the 2000-2001 school year. Howard was elected president, Rick Ziehm will serve as vice-president, Walter Swiastyn will serve as treasurer and Brenda Kretzschmer, as secretary. The assistant treasurer will be Thomas Mellendorf and assistant secretary will be Deborah Quick.

•Voted to again rotate the

location of its regular meetings between the Owendale library and the Gageton school cafeteria. Meetings will still be held on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. All special meetings will still be held at the high school library in Owendale. August's regular meeting will be in Gageton.

School elections will also switch back and forth between the 2 towns. Board members decided the next election, in June 2001, will be held in Gageton.

•Set Aug. 29 as the first day of classes for the 2000-2001 school year.

Vassar woman all right

A Vassar woman reported missing by her family early last week returned home safe and sound hours later, according to the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department.

The family of Cynthia L. Cunningham, 38, called the sheriff's department after she failed to arrive for work at the Soaring Eagle Casino in Mt. Pleasant. The family later contacted the sheriff's department to report that Cunningham had called home and was fine.

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240 kids in reading program

Nearly 240 children are enrolled in the 2 summer reading programs at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City.

There are still 2 story times (July 13 and 20) and a pair of movies (July 17 and 24) for children to attend before the program ends July 27.

Information about activities related to the summer reading program is available on the library's web site, www.rawson.lib.mi.us. Pictures of children participating in the activities offered each week are on this site also.

Plans are underway to begin offering computer instruction at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City this fall.

Possible subjects are basic computer skills, software applications and Internet. Classes will be offered in a variety of formats; some will be group instruction, using the video projection equipment for PowerPoint instruction and Internet demonstration. This type of class can create an awareness of what is available and how to access it.

Other classes may be more structured, with "hands-on" teaching and will be limited to small groups.

Classes will be developed according to need, so the library staff would like to hear from area residents. Anyone interested in offering input is asked to stop at the library and fill out a suggestion form.

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Board ups ticket prices

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trict senior citizens, 60 years and older, can obtain a free athletic pass upon request and that ticket sales will be discontinued after half time of athletic events.

The board also continued its support of the Debate Club during the meeting and granted Coach Chad Daniels' request to attend the Wake Forest Early Bird debate tournament in North Carolina this September.

In a letter addressed to Superintendent Ken Micklash, Daniels stated the purpose of the trip is to get the school some more national exposure and to allow the students to become more accustomed to national debate rules and techniques. Daniels also stated that to reduce costs, the team would travel to and from the tournament with the

Portage Central debate team. The debate team will be taking care of the transportation and lodging cost for the event.

REORGANIZE

The board elected officers for the new year. Named to another year as president was Jim Turner, while Beverly Auten remains as treasurer and David Knight as secretary. The board's new vice-president is Dan Haag. Micklash also administered the oath of office to elected board members Auten and Knight.

The board will continue to meet on the 4th Monday of each month in the high school boardroom beginning at 7:30 p.m. with a few exceptions. The regular board meetings in May and December will be held on the 3rd Monday of the month,

while the November meeting will take place at the Deford school.

It was also voted to meet one hour earlier in the month of August to proceed with this year's goal setting session.

STAFFING

With regret, the board accepted the resignation of teachers Jill Shonk and Dorothy Scollon. Special education teacher Shonk has accepted a kindergarten teaching position with the Uby School District after a one-year stint in Cass City. Scollon has served the district for 9 years.

Middle School Principal Jeanne Lohela informed the board that Cass City resident Kevin Green has been hired as director of the school's CLICK program and as special education teacher. Green will spend 15 hours per week as director of the Computer Clubhouse, in addition to working with special education students from 8:15 - 11:00 a.m. Monday-Friday.

OTHER BUSINESS

- The board has set Nov. 1 as Parent/Teacher Conference date for all schools of the district.
- Voted to continue their current procedures pertaining to signing of general fund and payroll checks.
- Voted to continue procedures allowing the superintendent to transfer general fund money to and from Chemical Bank, Thumb National Bank and the Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund for investment purposes.

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Household Sales

GARAGE SALE - July 13 and 14, 9 to 5. 5 miles south of Cass City, 1/4 mile west, 6330 Shabbona, Deford. Tools, pick-up tires, stereo, miscellaneous. Ford truck parts, odds-n-ends. 14-7-12-1

CRAWFORD ROAD neighborhood garage sale. July 13 and 14, 9:00-5:00. Baby clothes, household and miscellaneous items. 2 beauty shop wet stations and washer and dryer. 6 miles south of Cass City, 2 east and south on Crawford Rd. 14-7-12-1

COMBINATION: Redecorating, craft supply, and garage sale. Friday, July 14, and Saturday, July 15, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. No early sales. Some furniture, including a 12-piece Basset dining room set, light fixture, and many more items. 5440 North Dodge Road, Cass City. 3 miles west and 2 miles north of Cass City. You can also call 517-872-2659 for more details. 14-7-5-2

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Thursday, July 13
Story Hour, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Friday, July 14
Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.

Monday, July 17
Children's Movie "Doug's 1st Movie", 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Tuesday, July 18
Thumb Area Parkinson's Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., Hills & Dales Hospital.
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Letter to the editor

Education funding has changed

Green recalls finance history

Former Michigan legislator Allison Green, a Caro native who resides in the Kingston area, recently recalled the history of school financing in a letter sent to the Chronicle.

A graduate of Caro High School in 1929 and Central Michigan University in 1935, Green, 88, served as a state representative from 1951 through 1964 and was speaker of the House when George Romney became governor in 1963. He also served as state treasurer from 1965 through 1978.

As a legislator, Green was well known as a strong proponent of equity in school financing and tax reform. He was described as the most influential man in the Legislature during his tenure as House speaker, when he went head-to-head with Gov. Romney over a proposed income tax that didn't include property tax relief.

You may be interested in a brief summary of the financing of Michigan's public schools going back to the early 1900s.

I have no knowledge of town and city schools in the early days, but in the "Thumb" area every Township had school districts or fractional districts so arranged that no student had to walk more than 2 miles to get to school.

In Kingston Township, the Jeffery School was 2 1/2 miles from Kingston, the White Creek School was 3 miles east and Beverly School as 3 miles northeast of Kingston. The Wilmot School was one-half mile

west of Wilmot and the Leek and Greenwood districts served the northeast area of the township.

These rural schools had 3 elected officials - the director, the treasurer and the moderator. The annual school meeting was held in the summer when the officers were elected, and the decision was made on the amount of property taxes to be assessed for the following school year. To my knowledge the only funds provided by the state were known as the "Primary School Fund" funded by the State Inheritance Tax. This was only a small amount of money and varied from year to year.

My experience with the K-12 schools started in 1936 when I was employed by the Columbiaville, Mich., schoolteacher and coach at \$95 per month - 9 months. There were 5 members of the Board of Education.

In 1939 the High School Principal resigned and I took over her duties along with my regular work. In 1942 the Superintendent was hired to head the Olivet, Mich., Schools and then I was promoted to the top spot - salary around \$2,200 per year. I don't remember any additional state aid other than to encourage consolidation by operating school buses. After 2 years - 1944 - I resigned and we moved to our farm home which we had purchased in 1939.

In 1950 I was elected to the Michigan House of Representatives. The war had ended in 1945. Thousands of our military people had come home and by the mid 1950s

our elementary schools were overflowing.

As I remember we worked with the "school lobby" and worked out a plan to submit to the voters an amendment raising the Sales Tax from 3 to 4 percent with the new money going into the "School Aid Fund". This amendment was adopted by the voters of Michigan. When it came time to write the distribution formula, the so-called "rich districts" had more votes in the House and Senate than the low valuation districts. (By rich districts we mean those districts whose equalized value of all personal and real property divided by the number of students in their public school is greater than the state average). At that time Dearborn was an example of a rich district as it was the Ford Motor Complex, many other high value businesses, and expensive homes that put them so far above the state average per pupil.

Most schools in the Thumb were well below the state average. We did have a deductible millage plan, but the most we could get was 2 mills. This helped a bit but was like giving your child a penny and suggesting he go and buy a double-dip ice cream cone today.

This was why I refused to support Gov. Romney's "Income tax" unless it included property tax relief and a distribution formula that would provide more money to the low valuation districts (most districts in the Thumb) and less money to the high valuation districts such as Dearborn where the Ford

Motor Company paid a high percentage of their property taxes.

The Governor's plan provided that the state would reimburse 20 percent of the school operating tax paid by each taxpayer. Under this plan our people would be subjected to a state income tax with less equity in school financing.

In the 1964 election the Democrats won control of both House and the Senate. They supported Romney's Income Tax, but would do nothing to improve the distribution formula for the Public Schools as they were mostly from high valuation areas. However after the riots in Detroit in the mid 60s and the election of Coleman Young as mayor, the valuation of Detroit schools fell below the state average. From that date until 1994 there were minor adjustments with most of the increases going to programs for poor performing schools.

For the year 1993 my homestead taxes were \$2,670 and the year 1994 they were \$1,368. We are still paying 6 mills on homestead and 18 mills on other property I believe. We have more equity in the last 6 years than in all the years before that.

I believe that Senator Dan DeGrow of Port Huron is the most knowledgeable person in state government with respect to public school financing. It is interesting to note that Dan is the son of Gerald DeGrow, a graduate of Kingston High School. I give the Senator most of the credit for putting together the program we have today.

I am sure the people in the education and treasury departments distribute school aid in accordance with the law. I have trouble understanding why the school administrators and press in our area don't learn how the law works and explain it to the people.

Letters to the Editor

The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper.

Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason.

The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

We will not publish thank you letters of a specific nature, for instance, from a club thanking merchants who donated prizes for a raffle.

Crop updates available

Sugar beet and dry edible bean growers can obtain weekly updates on growing conditions for the remainder of the growing season by calling a toll-free number in Saginaw County.

The number is 1-877-781-6668. The recording will run from one to 5 minutes.

Steve Poindexter, Michigan State University Extension district sugar beet agent, says the information will focus on insect and disease problems as they develop through the summer.

"The updates will be made on a weekly basis or more often, if unexpected field conditions develop," Poindexter says. "We hope the information will enable more timely management of bean and sugar beet pests."

In the fall and winter months, the service will focus on meeting dates and other information that may be useful to growers. The service is being provided by Griffin LLC chemical company, Sugarbeet Advancement, Michigan State University Extension and the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station.

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 658-2347



Nine members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at Franklin Plaza for breakfast Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill in Bad Axe next week.

Alice Depcinski visited Thelma Jackson Thursday afternoon.

Joe Campbell and 2 grandchildren of Shelby Township were Tuesday guests of Allen Farrelly.

Jeff Doerr, Mary and Savannah, Jamie Doerr and Courtney, Wendy Rickett, Cory and Caitlynn, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chockley and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Monday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland. Evening guests were Mr. and Mrs. Duane Rushlo.

Helen Sweeney of Imlay City, Phil and Cheryl Sweeney of Brown City, and Jim and Kay Sweeney visited Fred and Linda Falk in Marine City Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rumpitz and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western, Rod Goronowich and Allen Farrelly watched the Port Hope 4th of July parade Tuesday.

Jeff Doerr, Mary and Savannah, Jamie Doerr and Courtney, Wendy Rickett, Cory and Caitlynn and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr for birthday cake and ice cream for Wendy Rickett's birthday.

Norman and Beatrice Franzel of Reese were Thursday afternoon guests of Melvin and Charlotte Particka.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gonowiecha, Tom and Nancy Gonowiecha of Harbor Beach and Allen and Alice Depcinski were guests Friday for barbecue ribs and chicken of Albert and Ann Depcinski, Steven, Andrew and Heather Depcinski for Steven's 12th birthday.

Blanche and Archie Rumpitz were Sunday evening guests of Bob and Joan Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Pitcher, David and Sarah, Lana Puterbaugh and Klyn and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Thursday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr.

Mr. Martin Sweeney visited Della Gucwa Tuesday afternoon.

Ray and Rita Depcinski attended a graduation party for Tracy Guigar at St. Columbkille Catholic Church hall.

Eugene Cleland of Bad Axe was a Tuesday breakfast guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Jim Gleason of Newark, Ohio, and Francis Tschirhart of Bad Axe were July 4th dinner guests of Jim and Kay Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western, Auggie Renn, Ed Schember, Jack and Wayne Kennedy, Jim Lewis, Bill Iceburg and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Tuesday morning for breakfast.

Vince and Sandy Hangisa of Dearborn Heights, Ted Particka and Kim Willoughby, Ashley and Stephanie of Madison Heights, Melvin and Char-

lotte Particka spent Sunday and Monday with Greg and Michelle Reid and Ethan at Clinton Township, where they enjoyed a barbecue.

Janet Cummings, Janessa, James, Joey and Josh of Fountain Hills, Ariz., and Ray and Rita Depcinski were Wednesday evening guests of Charles and Therese, Samantha and Ryan Depcinski for cake and ice cream for Charles' 39th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marty Chockley, Christopher and Amy of Algonac spent the 4th of July weekend and Mrs. Paul Weise, Amber and Stephanie of Virginia Beach, Va., and came Sunday to spend a month with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland.

Bill Davis of New Port Richie spent from Saturday till Tuesday with Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Bob Andersen of Livonia spent from Friday till Sunday with Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Cjeslinski were Wednesday afternoon guests of Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

Janet Cummings, Janessa, Joey, Josh and James of Fountain Hills, Ariz., were Saturday overnight guests of Dean and Nancy Carpenter, Dean Jr., Michael, Jessica and Timothy at Caro and spent a few days with Ray and Rita Depcinski. They were Tuesday evening guests of Greg and Susan Krozek, Ryan and Samantha at Kinde.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Learman of Rochester Hills were Sunday afternoon guests of Allen and Alice Depcinski and Ervin.

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

Clara Bond of Cass City visited Thelma Jackson and Mrs. Martin Sweeney Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Gerald Wills and Reva Silver were Wednesday evening guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Ed Schember of Elkton, Jim Lewis, Jack Kennedy, Rick Shubel, Allen Farrelly, Margaret Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel and Doris Western met at McDonald's in Bad Axe for breakfast Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chockley of Crosswell, Mr. and Mrs. Marty Chockley, Amy and Christopher of Algonac were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland. Other supper guests were Anna McCartney of Bad Axe, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Jessie Canham and Nancy Watson of Niagara Falls, Canada, came Wednesday to spend 6 days with Mrs. Gerald Wills. Thursday supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wills of Port Austin, Reva Silver and Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Michelle Reid and Ethan of Clinton Township were Father's Day guests of Melvin and Charlotte Particka.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hacker were Thursday evening guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Mrs. John O'Henley and Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Mrs. Polega, Annie Sullivan, Belva Pratt and Gertrude Quinn at the Huron County Medical Center and Helen Van Erp at Sunny Acres Nursing Home Sunday.

Matt Particka spent the weekend with Melvin and Charlotte Particka.

Ray and Rita Depcinski attended a graduation party for Kris Wolschlager at the

home of his parents, Barbara and Clarence Wolschlager, Sunday afternoon. Kris graduated from Bad Axe High School.

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

Chris and Dan Gibbard, Don Taylor and Sandy and Brian, Evans and Lillian Gibbard, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Moore and family attended a graduation party at the Lamotte Hall for Gregory Moore Saturday.

Mrs. Ken Osentoski was a Monday evening guest of Mrs. Alex Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel visited Auggie Renn at the Veteran's Hospital in Saginaw.

Leonard and Kathy Particka of Bad Axe and Melvin and Charlotte Particka were among a group of 83 people from Port Hope and the Thumb area who recently returned home from a 2-week trip to Hawaii by Y.M.T. Tours. While there they toured the islands of Hawaii, Oahu and Maui.

Deloni Tichenor and 4 children of Dallas, Ga., and Larry Daize of Fort Meyers, Fla., were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Konkel and Marney and all had supper at Elias Brothers in Bad Axe.

Mrs. Curtis Cleland was a Friday supper guest of Mrs. Hiram Keyser.

Ray and Rita Depcinski were Saturday evening guests of Greg and Susan Krozek, Ryan and Samantha at Kinde.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ballag were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Ed Schember of Elkton, Jack and Wayne Kennedy, Jim Lewis, Allen Farrelly, Doris Western, Margaret Cook had breakfast at McDonald's Friday morning.

The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill in Bad Axe for breakfast Thursday morning with 14 attending. They will meet at Franklin Plaza in Bad Axe next week.

Susan Wilson and Jessie Canham of Niagara Falls, Canada, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wills of Port Austin and Reva Silver were Wednesday supper and evening guests of Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Andersen of Plymouth and Mrs. Earl Schenk visited Thelma Jackson Thursday afternoon.

DELAYED NEWS

Ethan Travis Reid, son of Greg and Michelle Reid of Clinton Township, was baptized Sunday at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Clinton Township. Godparents are his aunt, Melanie Goodell of Lincolnshire, Ill., and uncle, Ted Particka of Madison Heights.

Others attending were Matt Particka and friend Cristy Bailey of Tipton, Dr. William Goodell, Laura and Amy of Lincolnshire, Ill., grandparents, Melvin and Charlotte Particka, Freda Reid of Dearborn, Rally Reid of Traverse City, and Kim Willoughby, Stephanie and Ashley of Madison Heights.

After the baptism, they all went to the home of Michelle and Greg Reid for a buffet luncheon. A decorated cake centered the table when the luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchand and family of Drayton Plains spent a few days at their home here.

Jim Foster of Waterford and Allen Farrelly were Monday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel.

Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming came home Tuesday after spending a few days with Bob Cleland Sr. at Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Andersen of Brighton were Thursday guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk. Other afternoon and supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. David Hacker.

John Mergyl of Lake Orion was a Friday afternoon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel attended a surprise 40th wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sommerville at Detroit Friday and returned home Saturday.

Jessie Canham and Susan Wilson of Niagara Falls, Canada, are spending a few days with Mrs. Gerald Wills.

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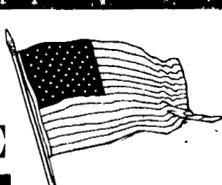
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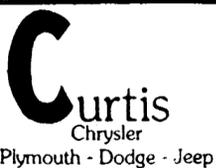


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- 6:15 p.m. - 4-H Parade starting at Sugar Beet plant through the Fairgrounds to the grandstand
- 6:30 p.m. - 4-H Talent Show & Crowning of 4-H King & Queen
- 7:30 p.m. - Gospel Hour - (The Grimshaw's) Sponsored by CellularOne



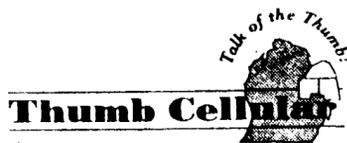
MONDAY, JULY 17

- 9:00 a.m. - 4-H Horse Show
- 9:00 a.m. - 4-H Rabbit Show
- 1:00 p.m. - Harness Racing
- 7:30 p.m. - Figure 8 Demolition Derby



TUESDAY, JULY 18

- KIDS DAY - 14 yrs. and under \$1.00 discount until 4 p.m.
- 9:00 a.m. - 4-H Swine show
- 9:00 a.m. - 4-H Goat show
- 9:00 a.m. - 4-H Horse show
- 9:00 a.m. - 4-H Poultry show
- 10:00 a.m. - 4-H & Open Dairy Show
- 1:00 p.m. - Harness Racing
- 5:00 p.m. - 4-H & Open Sheep Show
- 7:30 p.m. - Demolition Derby



WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

- 9:00 a.m. - Open Horse Show
- 9:00 a.m. - Open Goat Show
- 9:00 a.m. - 4-H & Open Beef Show

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- 1:00 p.m. - Harness Racing
- 6:00 p.m. - Small Livestock Sweepstakes at Rabbit Judging Tent
- 7:00 p.m. - 4-H Large Livestock Sweepstakes at livestock pavilion
- 7:30 p.m. - Tractor Pull - Pickup Pull



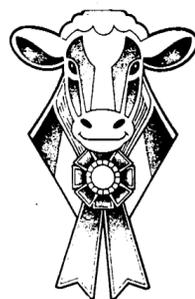
THURSDAY, JULY 20

- SENIOR CITIZENS FREE TILL 6:00 p.m.
- 9:30 a.m. - 4-H & FFA Small Animal Sale
- 1:00 p.m. - 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale (Buyers Check-in begins at noon)
- 1:00 p.m. - Harness racing
- 6:00 p.m. - Pony Pull



FRIDAY, JULY 21

- 9:00 a.m. - 4-H & FFA Large Livestock Judging Contest
- 1:00 p.m. - RAIN DATE HARNESS RACES
- 4:00 p.m. - Pedal Pull
- 7:30 p.m. - I.P.R.A. Championship Rodeo



SATURDAY, JULY 22

- 10:00 a.m. - Light Horse Pull
- 1:30 p.m. - Heavy Horse Pulling
- 4:00-6:00 p.m. - 4-H Exhibits Checkout
- 7:30 p.m. - I.P.R.A. Championship Rodeo

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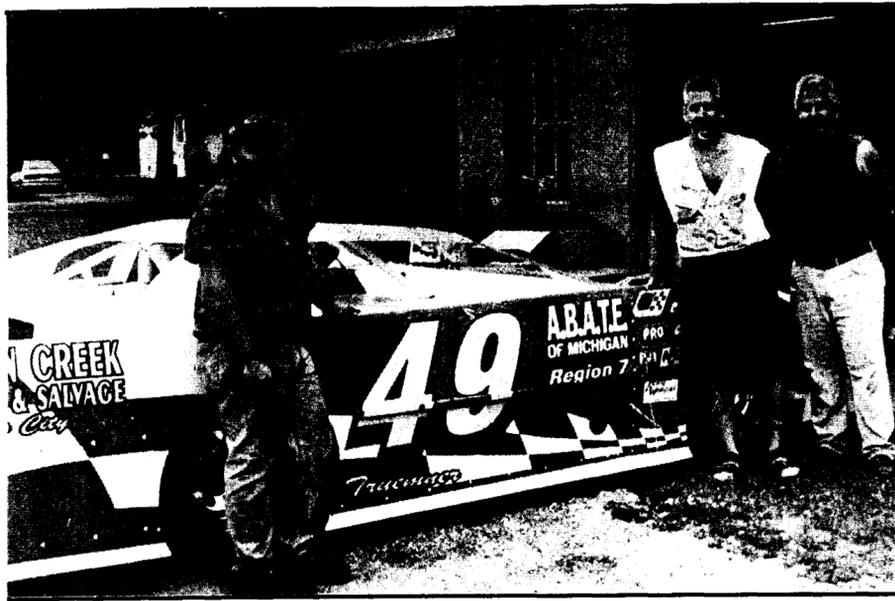
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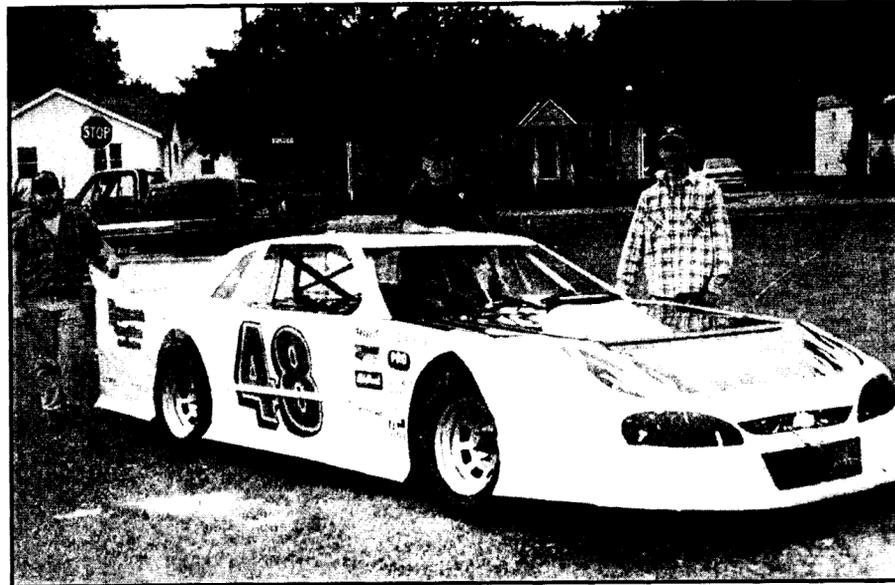
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AUTO RACING seems to run in the Truemner family. Gary (left) and his father Dana (center) are both active in the limited late model class at Owendale's speedway and other tracks. Dana's father, Lyle, (right) raced for 25 years.



THERE'S MORE to racing than just a driver's skill. Gary Truemner (left) thanked those who help him, including Jeremy Parker (center) and Jeff Steadman.

Auto racing all in the family for Truemner clan

by Lynn Heitkamp
Staff Writer

A new car is ready to make its racing debut, but an old pro will be behind the wheel when it does.

Dana Truemner of Cass City has been auto racing for 30 years. His father, Lyle, was a racer and got him interested in it. "In the old days, he was the hot dog around here. He was the one to beat," Dana said about his father. Now, Dana's son Gary is involved in the sport too.

But the newest member of the Truemner racing team has 4 wheels.

Dana has been working on his new car all winter. "I picked the frame up 2 days before Christmas and we still haven't raced it," he said. He works full-time, which means the only time he can spend building a car is in the evenings and weekends.

If someone spent all of their time working on a car, they could probably build one in half the time, Lyle commented.

Dana and Gary both race in the Limited Late Model class all over the state, but Owendale's Silver Bullet Speedway is their home track. The new car will race for the first time there on "Super Saturday," July 15.

The Limited Late Model engines are 388 to 410 cubic centimeters and have a horsepower of 500 to 650. At the Owendale track, Dana and Gary can get their cars up to 80 or 90 miles an hour. At a longer track, the cars can go as fast as 120 miles per hour.

"It'll be interesting to see what this new car can do," Dana said. "It's pretty state-of-the-art for this area." It's a far cry from the 1937 Chevy Coupes and cut-off Model A's that Lyle and Dana used to race at the old Thunder Road Speedway on

M-53 outside Cass City.

MODERN RACING

A lot of the guesswork has gone out of racing over the years, Lyle said. It used to be drivers used trial and error to figure out what worked best with their autos. Now, computer programs can figure out how cars will react and racers can make modifications to them without having to spend time on the designs that don't work.

Gary spent a weekend at the RCA dome in Indianapolis learning the programming skills from a man who teaches a full-time driving school in Florida. After coming home, he took apart his car and rebuilt it. It's been driving very impressively

since, he said.

Rebuilding is one thing auto racers have to get used to. Crashes are a way of life. Usually they aren't bad enough to total a car, but Gary said he expects to go through one car body in a year.

Last week, he raced at a track in Crystal, on the western side of the state. Although he didn't crash, the race was rough. "We had a little pushing and shoving going on," he said. Gary came home with the front end of his car smashed. He and his crew spent an hour pounding it back into shape.

Keeping a car running is expensive too, around \$25,000 to \$30,000 a year, on top of the cost of the car

itself. Dana's new one cost around \$18,000, he said.

Sponsors are an integral part of being able to afford racing, Dana added. He is sponsored by ABATE of Michigan, Indian Creek Towing and Auto Salvage Company, Ken's Tire Supply and R & S Tool and Dye. Gary races for Bennett Graphics, Cass City Car Care, Cass City Tire, Double D Gas and Diesel Repair and Ken's Tire Supply.

The Truemner men seem to be successful on the track. "We win our share," Dana said. "In the old car, we had some good years."

But Gary said winning doesn't come without a price. "The hours that you put into it are just unreal."

Wheat producers face checkoff proposal vote

Michigan wheat producers will have the opportunity to vote on a wheat checkoff to fund a Michigan Wheat Industry Program targeting research, education and promotion, and market development.

A public hearing has been tentatively set for December, with a vote following in late February or early March 2001. If approved, the assessment - one-half percent of the value of wheat sold - would start June 1, 2001. It would be subject to a 5-year referendum for continuation.

The proposed wheat assessment models the soybean checkoff in that \$2-per-bushel wheat would generate one penny a bushel. On \$4 wheat, it would be 2 cents per bushel, explained Bob Boehm, manager of Michigan Farm Bureau's Commodity and Marketing Department. "This would generate, on an annual basis, somewhere between \$300,000 and \$500,000 for programs and activities for a wheat program in Michigan," Boehm said. "This would be an in-state program under Public Act 232."

A temporary drafting committee of producers drafted the proposals after enough producer signatures were collected supporting the concept. "The committee will have a booth at Ag Expo, July 11-13, in the Michigan Farm Bureau tent to further explain the proposal," Boehm said. "They'll have a display with some brochures that explain the checkoff effort. It will be an opportunity for growers to ask questions, and provide input into what the checkoff may be able to do in terms of funding projects. And it will give the temporary committee a good feel for the industry support behind the issue."

The brochures include a list of all the temporary committee members and their phone numbers. "Producers are encouraged to call these committee members with their comments," Boehm said.

Faced with low prices, new production problems like head scab/vomitoxin, and future problems like the European chafer, the decision on whether to support a

checkoff will not likely be easy for producers.

"The Michigan wheat industry program offers exciting opportunities to improve the situation of Michigan wheat producers," said Loren Koeman, chairman of the temporary committee. "We have a large milling and food processing industry in Michigan, along with elevators and suppliers who depend on wheat production. Industry leaders are anxious to work with producers for mutual benefit, but who do they contact?"

Boehm says a checkoff program will raise the visibility of the industry with a consistent voice to advance grower priorities. "It will also leverage research and Extension funds and allow improved communication with other sectors of the wheat industry to address mutual concerns and opportunities."

For more information about the checkoff, call Boehm at (517) 323-7000, ext. 2023, or Koeman at (616) 751-7649.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

The ambulance service in Cass City will be moving into a new home of its own by the end of the year. The Elkland Township Fire Hall has served as the ambulance service's headquarters since the late 1970s.

The Cass City School Board approved the hiring of Jody Miklovic of Caro as the new principal of Campbell Elementary School.

The Rev. Dale Edwards, his wife, Bonnie, and the couple's son, Andrew, 15, recently moved to Cass City to begin his new duties as pastor of the Cass City Missionary Church on Koepfgen Rd. He replaces the Rev. Cliff Jordan, who is now pastor of a Missionary Church in Utica.

More than 500 people toured the new milking parlor at the Morell Dairy farm at an open house Saturday.

Vandals broke into the Helen Stevens Memorial swimming pool over the weekend. Police are investigating the incident. According to reports, a picnic table inside the fenced area of the pool had been tossed into the water. The vandals used black ink to write on the bulletin board in the pool office.

10 YEARS AGO

Virginia Zawilinski and an

Read Meg's Peg

unnamed partner paid over \$13,500 in back taxes and reclaimed the Cass Tavern less than 2 hours before the IRS was slated to auction it.

Five persons were treated and released from Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City Friday following a 2 vehicle accident just east of the village. James Allen, 73, was attempting to turn his vehicle around on M-81 when he was hit broadside by a car driven by Leslie C. Beach, 81, of Gagetown. Beach and Allen as well as passengers in Allen's vehicle, Dorothy Allen, 69, Hollis Stevens, 13, and Paul Stevens, 13, were transported to Hills and Dales Hospital by ambulance.

Members of the Cass City Junior Wranglers recently collected and returned 1,357 bottles and cans to help pay for their upcoming trip to Cedar Point. It took 2 employees at Erla's more than an hour to count the load.

Local business owner Geraldine Prieskorn was recently elected to serve as chair of the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation, the first female to do so.

Douglas Laurie, a Cass City dairy producer, and 5 other Michigan men were chosen to participate in a business and cultural exchange program between Rotary Clubs in Finland and America. They spent 6 weeks, May 17 to June 29, touring the country.

25 YEARS AGO

Work on the new Cass City

municipal swimming pool can begin as soon as possible. Robert Keating received word Wednesday from the Internal Revenue Service authorities that the Helen Stevens estate met all federal requirements for being non-taxable. The pool has been on the village drawing boards since the old facility was closed by state health authorities in 1971.

The Wickes Agriculture elevator (formerly Michigan Bean) in Cass City will be enlarged this summer with the addition of 2 huge concrete silos, according to Robert Wischmeyer, local manager.

Ronald Michalski, 40, of Ubyly, lost control of a motorcycle he was riding on Cass City Road Sunday morning and landed in a ditch. Unable to move, he remained in the ditch for 13 hours before he was discovered. Michalski was taken to Hills and Dales General Hospital, where he is recovering.

A rumor that there is a secret deal with the Russians has skyrocketed wheat prices. Wednesday morning the price was \$2.80 per bushel and rising.

Cindy and Cheryl Karr and Steve Schneeberger from Cass City were among 5 carloads of youth who recently spent a week at Henderson Settlement, near Frakes, in the Appalachia section of Kentucky to help improve living conditions in the tiny Henderson settlement.

35 YEARS AGO

A fire that might have

turned into a disaster was quickly doused Thursday night at Frutchey Bean's former Farm Produce installation at the east village limits. Fire Chief Nelson Willy was unable to pinpoint the cause of the fire which caused about \$200 damage in the roof of a small cupola atop one of the elevators.

The Tuscola County Road Commission announced this week that the bridge on Cemetery road, south of Cass City, will be replaced. The new bridge is expected to cost about \$80,000.

Starting Saturday night, Cass City's Centennial gets underway. A week of fun and festivities awaits villagers, area residents and visitors. Michigan Gov. George Romney is to arrive Monday at 5:30 p.m. and will be given the key to the city and will then dedicate the newly remodeled Elkland Township Cultural Center.

Several Cass City area men will take part in a Brothers of the Brush pie eating contest Friday night at the Cultural Center. A representative from each of the brothers chapters will take part. The only qualification contestants must have is that they have the fullest beards in their chapter. The contest will be followed by a promenade through town and back to the Cultural Center for the regular Kangaroo Court session.

At Erla's Market - 3 lbs. hamburger, \$1.15; 2 heads of lettuce, 29 cents; red ripe juicy watermelon, 69 cents each; cantaloupe, 3 for 79 cents; white bread, 5 loaves for 99 cents.

Circuit court proceedings

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

•Kelly M. Hinton, 21, Caro, pleaded guilty but mentally ill to a charge of attempted forgery Oct. 2-6 in Caro involving a \$114 check drawn on Great Lakes Banks.

Bond in the case was continued and a pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•William P. Nealer Jr., 43, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, June 2 in Dayton Township.

Bond was continued and a pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Troy M. Sweeney, 28, Davison, pleaded innocent to charges of possession of marijuana and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, May 29 in Tuscola Township.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled by the court, which continued bond at \$5,000.

•Ralph N. DeGraw (no address available), 43, pleaded guilty to fourth degree criminal sexual conduct involving force or coercion May 10 in Kingstom.

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

•Richard J. Pincumbe Jr., 39, Clifford, was sentenced to 270 days in the county jail (90 days deferred without a date), with work release and

worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, April 2 in Koylton Township.

He was also ordered to undergo mental therapy/counseling and pay \$1,560 in court costs and fines plus \$85 in restitution and a \$150 forensic fee.

•Wiley D. Byrd II, 21, Vassar, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 365 days in jail for his pleas of guilty to fleeing and eluding a police officer, fourth degree, April 10 in Vassar; unlawfully driving away an automobile April 6 in Vassar Township; fleeing and eluding a police officer March 23 in Watertown Township, and 2 counts of writing no account checks totaling \$29.66 and \$27.90 Feb. 18-25 in Vassar.

Byrd was ordered to undergo substance abuse therapy/counseling and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,560, restitution of \$1,563.84 and attorneys fees totaling \$500.

•Wade D. Hitchcock, 33, Millington, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 90 days in jail (30 days deferred), with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Jan. 17 in Millington Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines of \$1,060, restitution of \$85 and a \$150 forensic fee.

•Robert M. Torrey, 22, Saginaw, was sentenced to 30 months to 60 months in prison for his plea of guilty to unlawfully driving away an automobile Sept. 15, 1998, in Millington.

He was also ordered to pay restitution totaling \$2,152.

•James S. Hanna, 37, Fostoria, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 270 days in jail for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influ-

ence of liquor, third offense, Dec. 18 in Watertown Township.

Hanna was ordered to continue undergoing substance abuse therapy/counseling and to pay \$1,600 in costs and fines.

BICCGeneral agrees to buy Telmag firms

BICCGeneral has agreed in principle with AXA to acquire the businesses of AXA's subsidiaries, Telmag, S.A. de C.V. and Telmag Internacional S.A. de C.V.

The Telmag businesses are located in Tetla, Tlaxcala, Mexico, and manufacture telecommunication, central office and data networking cables. The parties intend to negotiate and execute a definitive acquisition agreement and complete the transaction in the third quarter of 2000.

Stephen Rabinowitz, chairman and chief executive officer of BICCGeneral said: "The acquisition of Telmag, which is a quality supplier of state of the art telecommunication cable, gives BICCGeneral the capacity and flexibility we need to better serve the requirements of our present contractual customers, as well as gives us a window to important new telecommunications markets in Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America."

"Our valued telecommunications customers continue to upgrade and expand their telecommunications networks to meet the growing demands from their customers for voice and data con-

nectivity and expanded internet activity. With this acquisition, we will have the on-line and proven capacity to serve all their wire and cable needs."

Eugenio Garza, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of AXA, S.A. de C.V. said: "The sale of Telmag responds to the strategic decision of AXA CABLES to concentrate in those markets in which it plays a major role."

AXA, headquartered in Monterrey, Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, is a Mexican industrial consortium with leading positions in the electrical cables, transformers, automotive, petrochemical, lighting, foundry and food markets. AXA is comprised of a group of 7 business units employing more than 25,000 people in 35 plants and several distribution centers in Mexico, the United States, Argentina and Brazil.

BICCGeneral, headquartered in Highland Heights, Ky., is a leader in the development, design, manufacturing, marketing and distribution of copper, aluminum and fiber optic wire and cable products for the communications, energy and electrical markets.

Trio on dean's list

Eastern Michigan University officials recently commended more than 3,000 undergraduate students for being named to the school's dean's list for the winter semester.

Among those achieving the honor were Julie A. Erla and

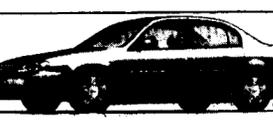
Nathan D. Haag, both of Cass City, and Emily J. King of Kingstom.

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Veterinarians to test Michigan dairy and beef animals, goats

Veterinarians throughout Michigan are embarking on what may be the largest bovine tuberculosis testing program in Michigan's history.

Kevin Kirk, Michigan Department of Agriculture animal health liaison officer, said more than 300 specially trained veterinarians will test more than 1.4 million dairy and beef animals and goats within the next several years. All veterinarians trained to date have practices in Michigan.

The training began in March, with 17 training sessions held to date on regional dairy farms. Upwards of 50 veterinarians participated in each session, which consisted of about 4 hours of instruction and actual tests on dairy animals.

"We wanted this to be as realistic as possible because we wanted to instruct the veterinarians on proper TB test injection and test reading in addition to classroom instruction," Kirk said. "The Michigan State University Extension dairy area of expertise team played a key role in arranging the meeting sites and the farmsteads where the hands-on instruction took place.

The agents did an outstanding job," he added.

Kirk said the dairy producers asked about as many questions as the veterinarians did, and at the end of the training sessions, the producers appeared to be far less apprehensive about the testing procedure than they were at the onset.

"A lot of them don't recall the TB activity in the late 1960s - it's been 25 to 30 years since that testing was routine - and most of them have forgotten about all that was involved in the test," Kirk said. "In addition, most young farmers have never been involved in that TB activity and don't fully understand the procedure."

He added that many of the veterinarians commented on how much they appreciated the training, saying it was a great refresher course.

The testing per se is fairly straightforward - an injection is made under the tail in the caudal fold and is checked within 72 hours for a response.

"Where it gets very confusing is what happens when the caudal fold test has a response or when comparative cervical work is done, and what happens if there is a response or reactor, and then what happens if a quarantine is made," Kirk said. "So the better the job we can do as a department of providing vets and MSU Extension with that information, the better the job we can do in educating producers," he added.

A result of statewide veterinarian training is the number of producers who have called the Department of Agriculture to make arrangements to have their herd tested. Producers should be able to have their herds tested just about any time they wish by calling their local veterinarian. To date, more than 100 farms outside of the northeastern Michigan quarantine zone have been tested.

"Many producers are looking at the testing as a basic requirement to moving cattle off the farm to market," Kirk said. "They are also looking at this as a job that needs to be done to preserve Michigan's livestock industry," he said.

He said he believes the first priority in statewide testing is the dairy sector, so producers can continue to ship milk. Second are the beef operations so they can continue out-of-state sales. A goal is to identify TB-free zones around the state.

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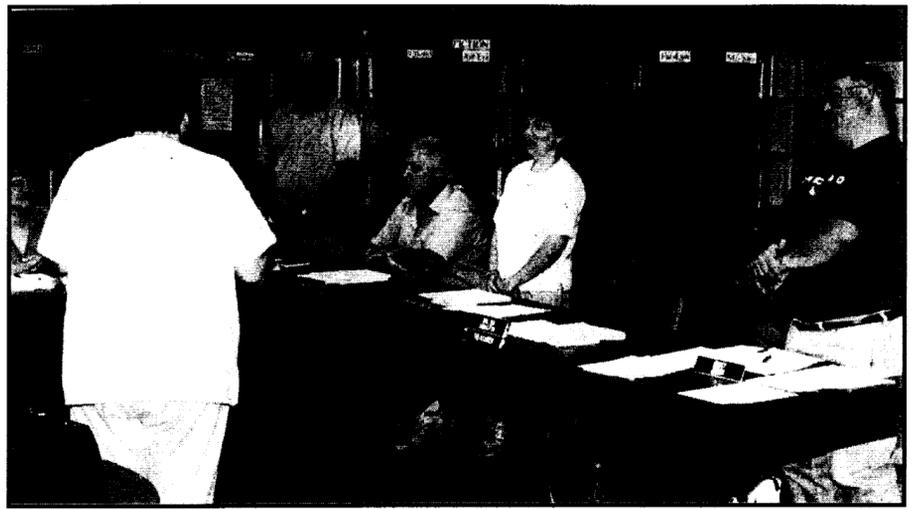
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New blood on board

NEW OWEN-GAGE Board of Education members (standing from left) Mike Mandich, Deborah Quick and Rick Ziehm were recently sworn into office. Doing the honors (above) is Liz Roemer, secretary to the superintendent.

Huron County hosting candidates

The Huron County Farm Bureau will host candidates running in the upcoming election in November during "Meet the Candidate Night," July 27, at the Huron County Farm Bureau office, 711 N. VanDyke Road in Bad Axe. All area residents are welcome to attend the meeting, beginning at 7 p.m.

All local, state and U.S. candidates for the district have received invitations to attend and give a 10 to 15 minute presentation. A short question and answer session will take place once all candidates conclude their presentations.

For more information, contact the Huron County Farm Bureau office at (517) 269-9911.

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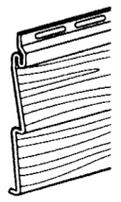
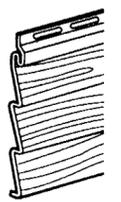
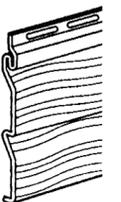
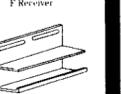
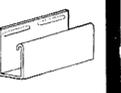
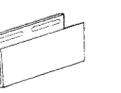
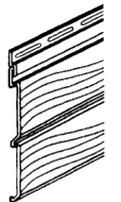
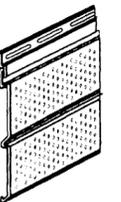


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