



**OWEN-GAGE FIFTH** grade students Bethany Kovach (left) and Lea Aldrich demonstrate a Sioux family at work during the class' first-ever Native American Festival and Museum, presented Monday to the various classes at Gagetown Elementary School. (Related photos, page 12)

## Developers urge village to focus on housing, community center

A pair of Cass City businessmen urged village officials Monday to look at improving Cass City's downtown district by cashing in on a big demand for retiree housing as well as by working towards the creation of a community center downtown.

Local developers Tom Herron and Kelly Smith both addressed the Cass City Village Council during its monthly meeting.

Herron, referring to a national consulting firm's recommendations for revitalizing the downtown, indicated he doesn't believe attracting small retailers is realistic in light of the competition in surrounding communities.

"I know that Main Street needs something," he said, adding the village should concentrate on promoting

the town's high quality of life and tap into a growing demand for retirement housing, including rentals. "I just think there's a real market there."

Herron also suggested that a community center could be set up in the downtown area through a community effort, including donations, similar to the success achieved during construction of the village's new playscape.

"I think we'd all like to see a community center discussed, at least, and work toward that goal," Village President Les Karr commented. He noted, however, that funding will be a critical issue.

Smith agreed with Herron's suggestion, saying any number of vacant Main Street buildings could be leased for use as a community center.

He also suggested that the village make the parks and recreation director job a full-time position with the addition of duties as director of the community center.

And while the facility would be ideal for seniors, both Smith and Herron agreed the center should offer a meeting space and activities for both young and old.

The businessmen offered to organize an ad hoc committee to study the issue in conjunction with the council's Parks and Promotion Committee.

Past efforts to rally support for construction of a community center have failed, primarily due to the cost. However, Smith and Herron indicated they're confident the project, utilizing an existing building, could be affordable

and at the same time enhance Cass City's downtown.

Smith said the Downtown Action Agenda recently recommended for Cass City by the HyettPalma consulting firm included several nice ideas. "But how realistic are these things?" he added. "I think we've got to learn to work with what we have."

### SHOPPERS

Turning to other matters, the council briefly discussed continued problems related to the delivery of shopper publications within the village.

Herron complained the publications amount to litter in many situations because they end up in yards and on the streets, making it difficult to maintain the appearance of the Northwood Condominium grounds.

Herron acknowledged some residents want to receive the publications, but he said many others do not. "They're just a big mess. There's something that should be done about that."

Council Trustee Don Ball agreed, saying he recently asked a delivery person not to leave the publications at 2 vacant homes in his neighborhood, but the request was ignored.

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## For Tuscola County sheriff

# Kern, Estes square off in general election Nov. 7

Incumbent Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern will square off with Republican challenger Troy Estes in next week's general election, Tuesday.

Kern, 56, a Tuscola County native, is seeking his fourth term. He has been with the department since 1970 and was first elected sheriff in 1988.

Estes, 36, has lived in the Mayville area for the past 5 years. During that time he has worked for the Waterford Township Police Department. Before that, he spent 11 1/2 years as an officer with the Pontiac Police Department.

Kern said he hopes voters will give him the opportunity to continue building on his past achievements within the sheriff's department.

"I have the energy to do it yet. My health is good and I like the job," he added. "I think the department is running good. We have a good staff and good employees."

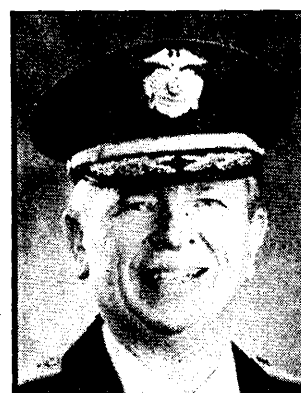
Kern, who resides in Reese, said he has made a point of making promises and keeping them during his tenure in office. They include establishing an area triad organization, which focuses on co-operation among the sheriff's department, local police agencies and senior citizens in an effort to provide crime prevention programs for seniors.

In addition, Kern cited his implementation of professional hiring practices, uniform promotional procedures, an annual awards program designed to recognize officers within the department, expansion of educational programs for young people, computerization of the entire department, equipment upgrades in patrol cars, and a remodeling project that added 2 dozen beds to the county jail.

Estes brings 16 years of law enforcement experience to his campaign. During his tenure with the Waterford department, he has coordinated community policing and reserve officer programs. He also initiated K-9 and motorcycle units and established a citizen's police academy.

Estes said he would establish some of the same programs in Tuscola County, if elected.

He would also work to replace the D.A.R.E. (Drug



Tom Kern



Troy Estes

Abuse Resistance Education) program now in place in county schools with what he described as a more comprehensive youth program.

D.A.R.E. is a good program in that it targets drug abuse and peer pressure, he said, but it focuses only on 2 grade levels and is lacking as far as addressing youth violence. "I think we need programs that start when kids enter school and follows them throughout the school years,"

he said.

Estes said he would also introduce motorcycles to the department.

"Every officer in the department would have that option," he said. Motorcycles offer several advantages over patrol cars, including maneuverability and cost effectiveness, Estes explained. "It puts the police officer more in touch with the people he's serving. It makes the officer more approachable."

"It's a foolish concept," Kern countered. "They're great for PR things and parades, but on a normal day when you're going from one complaint to another, it's just impractical."

Maneuverability is not a high priority, according to Kern, who noted patrol cars are equipped with a great deal of sophisticated equipment that officers would not have access to on a motorcycle. And, he asked, where are you going to put a suspect after arresting him?

Estes said crime and traffic fatality rates in the county are among his biggest concerns, and he would work to implement programs to address those issues.

"I like Tom Kern, but there's no innovation - there's no real direction in the department," he said. "There's no accountability." Kern disagreed. "My track record kind of speaks for itself," he said.

## Up for grabs

### Meyer, Stillwell-Binder vying for House seat

Area voters will choose a new state representative in the Tuesday, Nov. 7, general election.

Battling for the 84th District seat, now held by Mike Green (R-Mayville), are a pair of political newcomers: Republican Tom Meyer, 58, Bad Axe, and Democrat Pam Stillwell-Binder, 39, of Mayville. The 84th District is comprised of Huron and Tuscola counties.

Meyer has more than 37 years of experience in the radio business and is currently station manager of Thumb Broadcasting Inc., Bad Axe.

He has served as board president of Thumb Industries and was selected to serve on the trustee board of Davenport University. He is also a member of the Huron County MSU Extension Council, treasurer of the Huron County Republican Party Executive Committee, past church treasurer and past president of the Elkton Rotary Club.

A Pro Life candidate, Meyer says he would like to work on several issues if voters send him to Lansing. They include transportation, roads, railroads, medical insurance cost for seniors, crop insurance, federal/state tax issues versus the Internet, land use, energy costs and federal versus state bank regulations.

Aside from a broad background in business, Meyer says his qualifications include working relationships he has already developed with local officials.

Stillwell-Binder currently is a senior at UM-Flint, working towards a Bachelor of Science Degree with a certificate in teaching. She has worked in the service and

factory industries as well as real estate, banking and education.

Stillwell-Binder initiated and served on the Mayville PTA. She has also served on a UAW Local 599 committee to raise money for the unemployed and their families.

lies, and is active in the Tuscola County Democrats, having served as a precinct delegate and secretary as well as on the executive board. She has also volunteered time for various com-

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## Deputies probing suspicious death

Tuscola County Sheriff's Department investigators are continuing their probe into the death of a Caro woman whose body was found in a creek near Walk Road over the weekend.

A sheriff's department spokesman said the body, located Sunday about one-quarter mile north of M-81, has been identified as Maureen Ann Sullivan, 52.

Officers observed Sullivan's body while investigating a "suspicious situation," according to investigators, who are calling the death suspicious. The cause and manner of death had not been determined as of Monday, although an autopsy was scheduled to be performed late in the day.

No other information was released as of press time. Deputies, who are continuing their investigation, were assisted at the scene by members of the Michigan State Police Crime Lab.

## Local man faces 14 CSC counts

A Cass City man has been charged with 14 counts of criminal sexual conduct allegedly involving 2 children in Ellington Township.

Calvin Earl Wright, 52, was recently arraigned in Tuscola County District Court on 4 counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct involving penetration, and 10 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving contact.

Court records indicate the

case involves 2 children and that the crimes allegedly took place in September and October.

First degree criminal sexual conduct is punishable by up to life in prison or any term of years. Second degree criminal sexual conduct carries a maximum penalty of up to 15 years in prison.

Bond in the case was set at \$350,000. Wright faces a preliminary examination Nov. 8 at 10 a.m.

## Caro resident killed in crash

An elderly Caro man was killed and 3 Sanilac County residents were injured in a 2-vehicle collision in Denmark Township Sunday afternoon.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro identified the victim as Glenn D. Eastham, 97, 522 W. Lincoln St.

Troopers said Eastham was driving south on Vassar Road

when he stopped at the M-46 intersection and then proceeded through the intersection into the path of a westbound car driven by Frederick A. Blay, 29, of Sandusky.

Blay was transported to Covenant Harrison, Saginaw, for treatment of injuries, according to reports, which state 2 of his passen-

gers, Cathy A. Blay, 33, and Taylor A. Blay, 4, both of Sandusky, also suffered injuries and were transported to Covenant Cooper, Saginaw. A third passenger, Frederick A. Blay Jr., 2, was not hurt.

Troopers said all of the occupants were wearing seatbelts or child restraint seats at the time of the 4:45 p.m. crash.

## Autopsy confirms identity of body discovered in bay

An autopsy has confirmed that a body recently discovered in a swampy area of the Fish Point Wildlife Area just west of Unionville was that of a former Sebewaing woman reported missing last April.

Tuscola County Undersheriff Jim Jashinske said the woman has been identified as Lynette Kathleen Wenglikowski, 41, of Kawkawlin, who was last seen around 8 p.m. April 19, when she left a bar in Sebewaing.

"We suspected it was her, but the body was badly decomposed," said Jashinske, who noted the body was found Saturday, Oct. 21, by a duck hunter.

Oakland County Medical Examiner Dr. Kanu Virani conducted the autopsy 3 days later, but a number of questions remain unanswered, including the cause of death.

"We do suspect foul play," Jashinske said. Family members had told investigators that Wenglikowski had been known to disappear for a couple of days at a time. However, Jashinske noted the circumstances surrounding her disappearance were suspicious.

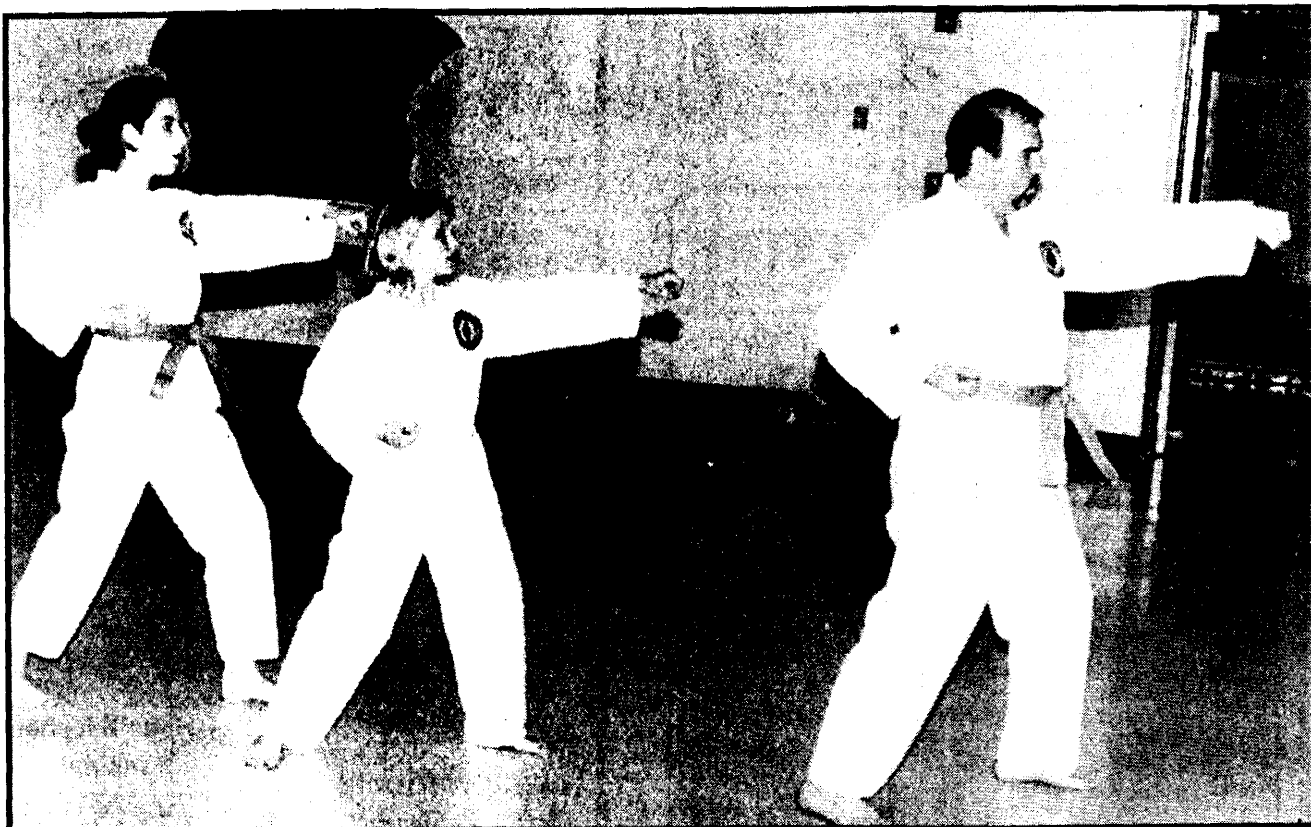
He declined to elaborate, saying only that the body will be sent to Lansing for additional tests.

Investigators located Wenglikowski's black van Friday, April 21, at the end

of a muddy trail, on the edge of Saginaw Bay, with the keys still in the ignition. The trail is located west of the Sebewaing VFW Hall in Tuscola County.

The Tuscola County Sheriff's Department utilized the Huron County Sheriff's

airboat in a search for the woman, and the Sebewaing Police Department assisted along with Sebewaing Fire Department volunteers who walked the marsh area until dark. The search continued throughout the weekend, without success.



**ONLY A HANDFUL** of residents have signed up for the Taekwon Do classes held on Monday nights at Campbell Elementary School, so there's plenty of room for new students. Above, Lauren Brzuchowski, 13, of Cass City (from left), Kirsti Madej, 9, also of Cass City, and Scott Copeland, 30, of Bad Axe, practice together. (See story, page 5)





Shelli & Victor Pohlod

## Peruski, Pohlod exchange vows

Shelli L. Peruski and Victor A. Pohlod were married Sept. 9, 2000. The wedding was officiated by Father Paul Bala.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Peruski of Cass City. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Pohlod of Deford.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her parents, Thomas and Diane Peruski.

Beckie Peruski, sister of the bride, attended as the matron of honor. The other bridal attendants were Stephanie Tate, Sonya Horne, Jodi Schember, Melinda Summers, Darcie Monroe, all friends of the bride, and Andrea Pohlod, sister of the groom.

The groom was escorted to the altar by his parents, Roger and Mary Ann Pohlod.

Damian Pohlod, brother of the groom, attended as the best man. The other groomsmen were Ron Bouck,

cousin of the groom, Adrian Pohlod, brother of the groom, Mike Peruski, brother of the bride, Nick Pohlod, brother of the groom, Dave Peruski, brother of the bride, and Mike Kostanko, friend of the groom.

Ushers included Rich Morse, uncle of the bride, Dan Baranski, cousin of the bride, Rob Widger, friend of the groom, and Nathan Bouck, cousin of the groom.

Tara and Sara Sabo, along with organist Connie Ivankovitch, sang "Sunrise, Sunset," "Two Candles," and "On Eagle's Wings" during the ceremony, which was performed at the Cass City St. Pancratius Church.

The bride is a graduate of Cass City High School and Baker College. She is employed at Walbro Engine Management in Cass City.

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

## It's a boy!

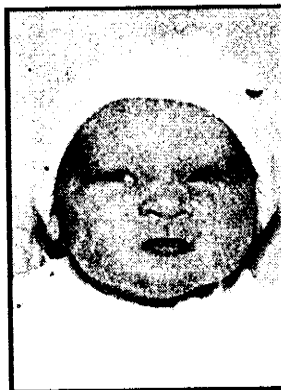


Zackary Leroy Beecher

Leroy and Kellie Beecher announce the birth of their son, Zackary Leroy, Oct. 8. Zackary weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and was 22 inches long.

Grandparents are Don and Connie Willis of Cass City, Donald and Cindy Horiski of Sebawaing, and the late Herbert and Patricia Beecher of Deford.

## It's a boy!



Esdin Trevor Rienstra

Dennis and Beth (Zeidler) Rienstra of Comstock Park announce the birth of their son, Esdin Trevor. He was born at 4:40 p.m. Sept. 11, 2000, at Metropolitan Hospital in Grand Rapids. He weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Dennis and Cheryl Rienstra and Bill and Bonnie Zeidler of Cass City. Great-grandparents are Frank and Adeline Butler of Cass City and Dorothy Trumble of Sandusky.

## Red Cross CPR class Nov. 17

Hills and Dales General Hospital will offer an American Red Cross CPR class Nov. 17, from 8 a.m. to noon.

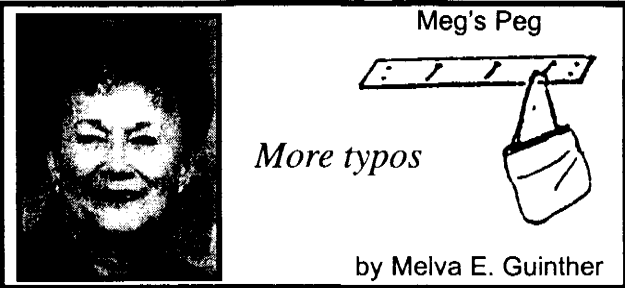
Adult, infant and child CPR classes will enable the participant to recognize and care for breathing and cardiac emergencies in adults, children and infants. To earn course certification, participants must pass a written exam and all skill checks.

Pre-registration is necessary. Call 517-872-5476 (ext. 215) for further information.

## Catholic women to meet

The East Region Council of Catholic Women will meet Wednesday, Nov. 8, at St. Elizabeth's Parish in Marlette.

Registration will be from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. Fee for luncheon is \$5. Call Rita Maher for reservations, 517-635-7072.



by Melva E. Guinther

One little letter can make a big difference. A headline in one of the area dailies proclaimed "Pope rules our cloning." You have to wonder what sort of criteria he uses. The same paper reported "He died when his minivan collided with Aug. 21." If only he'd parked it Aug. 20!

Realizing how easily those errors slip into type, we can sympathize. Here are a few that were caught *before* going to press:

She sustained a broken keg when struck by a car. (Oh no! There goes the beer!) [leg]

Many people made this event a rue success. (Sounds a bit ambivalent.) [true]

A pair of Cass City students were reorganized by Hope College. (Hope it helps them with their studies.) [reorganized]

Due to a higher than usual traffic rash rate... (Perhaps that accounts for some of the road rage.) [crash]

Landscaping tees for sale. (Golfers will think of any possible use.) [trees]

During last year's 788 hour July 4th holiday period... (I don't remember it lasting quite that long.) [78]

There is a cover charge for the bee tent. (Hopefully, you won't get stung.) [beer]

He is a delivery driver for Untied Parcel Service. (Those guys need to pull themselves together.) [United]

Have you ever looked at the bottom of your shoes, your kids or your spouse? (Well, really!!) [or the shoes of your kids or spouse]

Bank Ad: Free ARM use (Wonder if it's available for

wallpapering.) [ATM]

He was charged with feeling and eluding a police officer. (Grab and get away quick!) [fleeing]

Become apart of our team. (In other words, get lost!) [a part]

Lost - Thin striped black and gray tiger car. (Shouldn't be hard to identify.) [cat]

The brother of the bride was the bet man. (A pool as to how long the marriage will last?) [best]

The bride will be closed to traffic. (That might strengthen the odds.) [bridge]

"No sing organization can solve society's violence problems..." (Not even the choir rendering "Let There Be Peace on Earth") [single]

It is distributed by the Criminal Justice Information Center. (Justine must have quite an organization.) [Justice]

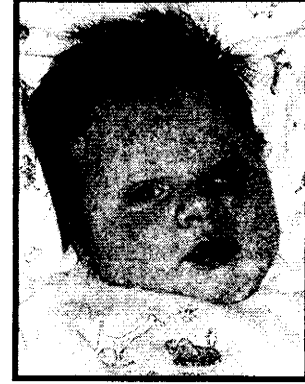
She increased county revenue neatly \$200,000... (How much might it have been had she been messy?) [nearly]

For Sale - Wood bunk beds with book shelves, \$00. (Can't beat the price!) [\$100] Horse adopters must have a coral at least 6' high. (Sea horses?) [corral]

Menu: roast beef with grave (That cholesterol is bound to catch up with you.) [grave] Calling singles for the team will be... (Wouldn't you think football players could get their own dates?) [signals]

They were Wednesday supper guess of ... (Who were those people, Mable?) [guests]

## It's a girl!



Kacey Jane Haire

Clarke and Karen Haire announce the birth of their daughter, Kacey Jane, Aug. 11, 2000, at 12:54 p.m. at Covenant Healthcare in Saginaw. She weighed 8 pounds and was 21 inches long.

Kacey was welcomed home by brother, Parker Jack.

Grandparents are Ronald Burck of Clinton Township, and John and Esther Haire of Cass City.

## Couple announce birth

Jamie (Fox) and Kyle Raby of North Las Vegas, Nev., announce the birth of their first child, a son, Jacob Connor. He was born Oct. 23 at 12:43 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Virjean Fox of Cass City and Jim Fox, also of Cass City.

## Reunion canceled for 2001

Attempts have been made by the 1996 committee to follow the tradition of a Cass City High School multi-class reunion at 5 year intervals.

A decision was made at the Oct. 23 meeting, however, to discontinue plans for a 2001 reunion.



Angela and Donald Burnette

## Hennessey and Burnette wed

Angela M. Hennessey and Donald J. Burnette were married June 17, 2000. Charles Emmert performed the 4 o'clock ceremony at the Novesta Church of Christ in Cass City.

Parents of the bride are Linda Barrons and Bill Hennessey of Cass City. The groom is the son of Dave and the late Theresa Burnette of Cass City.

Maid of honor was Heather Stratton of Caro, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Chris Hutchinson of Cass City, Tracey Patera of Lake Orion, and Jill Rutkoski of Saginaw, all friends of the bride. Flower girls were Andrea LaPonsie of Troy, and Brittany Nicol of Cass City, nieces of the groom.

Best man was Brad Bullock of Cass City, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Bill Hennessey of Caro, brother of the bride, Jim Nicol of Cass City, brother-in-law of the groom, and Dan LaPonsie of Troy, brother-in-

law of the groom.

Hostess was Lori Bullock of Cass City, friend of the bride.

Ushers were John Jacques of Kingston, uncle of the bride, and Brian Graichen of Cass City, friend of the bride and groom.

A reception was held following the ceremony at Ugly Heights Golf and Country Club.

Don is a CAD operator for a company in Ugly and Angela is a CPA at a firm in Marlette. The couple reside in Cass City.

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Randy & Jean Diebel

## Diebels celebrate silver anniversary

Randy and Jean Diebel celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Aug. 26, 2000 at the Novesta Church of Christ. Their children honored them with an open house.

They were married Sept. 13, 1975 at the First Baptist Church in Bad Axe and Rev. Charles Bugbee officiated the double ring celebration. The junior bridesmaids at their wedding were honored

by their daughters, Amber Gamet (Kathleen) and Nicole Willis (Connie), wearing their dresses.

They have two children, Jackie Guigar (Ryan) of Cass City and Randy Jr. at home. Guests attended from all over the state.

Randy is employed at Tower's of Elkton and Jean is employed at TCMCF of Caro.

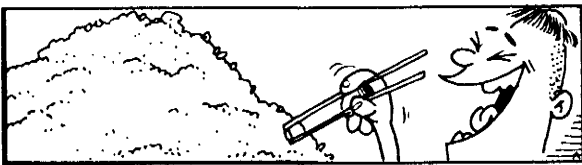


Ada and Harold Kilbourn

## Open house to honor Kilbourns

The children of Harold and Ada Kilbourn request the honor of your presence at an open house to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of their parents.

It will be held Saturday, Nov. 18, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Deford Community Church gymnasium. No gifts please.



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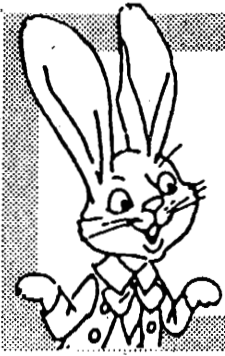
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## Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Cass City's Dick Szarapski has always been considered here to be the Tiger Woods of fishermen.

Before the days of salmon fishing in the Great Lakes, he often accompanied the late Alden Asher and me on stream fishing trips to Northern Michigan. Invariably he caught the most and the largest fish, often when we caught nothing at all.

His wife was in the office to pay a bill and remarked that for the first time in years, Dick fished the Cass River and came home with 2 large pike. Some things never change.

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On a spur of the moment, we took a 4 1/2-day vacation to Gatlinburg, Tenn., and the Smoky Mountains last week.

We expected it to have grown since my one and only visit sometime in the 1970s, when it was a tourist attraction about the same size that Mackinaw City is today.

We had no idea that it could have mushroomed into motels, theatres, restaurants and theme park attractions that extended for a solid 15 miles and engulfed 2 adjacent communities, Sevierville and Pigeon Forge.

There were scads of people there and prices were far from cheap. We stayed at a Red Roof Inn that is supposedly among the most reasonable. The bill for the night was \$130. That was double and triple the price we paid at any other motel.

The good news was that the weather was great. The bad news was we were a week late for best color viewing.

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While lodging prices were high, fuel was the cheapest found. For premium gas at Pigeon Forge, Tenn., the price was \$1.649 per gallon. In Kentucky the price was \$1.729 a gallon and in Cincinnati it was \$1.749 a gallon.

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We wanted to try a restaurant that featured dishes germane to the area, but when we went past one that was sure to qualify, it was not meal time.

How do I know? The sign proudly announced "Hot sour beans and corn bread served daily."

## Tech program to be honored

Tuscola Technology Center's Automotive Technology Program will be recognized as an Automotive Award of Excellence National Runner-Up Dec. 7 at the Association for Career and Technical Education annual convention in San Diego, Calif.

Automotive manufacturers GM, Ford, Volkswagen, DaimlerChrysler and Toyota, along with tool supplier Snap-On sponsor this national award program to honor excellence in automotive education.

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) contributes \$200,000 each year for the awards honoring programs selected by the Industry Planning Council (IPC). National winners and national runners-up also receive donations of tools and equipment from the automotive industry.

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Ramona High School in Ramona, Calif., took top honors and a \$20,000 award. The Tuscola Technology Center was recognized as runner-up and will receive an award of \$11,000.

Instructor Paul Battel, along with staff members, worked throughout the year to prepare an extensive application package. Items to be evaluated on a state and national basis included: a detailed analysis of curriculum, tools and equipment, local industry support, student placement, financial record keeping, program promotion, state or national technician certifications, teaching aids, and student competition results. A team of automotive professionals then scored the applications.



**FOUR STUDENTS** were honored with Red Hawk Award of Excellence certificates and ribbons. Selected was one from each school building. Seated, from left, Abby McCallum and Steven Rychlewski. Standing are Jesse Rader and Johanna Hoelzle.

### Honoring excellence

## Students earn top award

Four times during each school year a student from each of Cass City Schools' 4 buildings is honored by selection for the Red Hawk Award of Excellence. The first award night was Monday, Oct. 23.

Supt. Ken Micklash pointed out that the award was significant in that less than one percent of the students receive the honor. Students are selected, not only for outstanding class work, but leadership in the school and the community.

Abby McCallum was selected from Campbell Elementary School. The daughter of Ross and Beth McCallum, Cass City, was cited for her continual help to other students and as a team worker. She is described as caring, kind and patient with a special empathy for students who struggle.

Winning the award from Deford School was Steven Rychlewski, son of Michelle Rychlewski and stepfather Tom Sabo of Deford. He was cited for working well with his peers and his responsible and positive attitude towards school. It is very enjoyable to have Steven in the classroom, his teacher reported.

Honored from the middle school was Jesse Rader, son of Susie Rader, Cass City. An eighth grade student, he was selected, teacher Jon Zdrojewski reports, because he exhibits the 5 pillars of character both inside and outside of the classroom.

He is an excellent student and it is a genuine pleasure

to have him in the classroom, teachers said.

Johanna Hoelzle, daughter of Larry and Judy Hoelzle, was honored from the high school. An honor student, she is presently president of the Student Council and is

involved in a host of extra-curricular activities.

In addition, she is involved in church work and has volunteered for blood drive, Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Toys for Tots and camp counselor.

## The Haire Net



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A little of this and that as seen from the corner of Oak and Main Streets. Items in the news that sparked a reaction.

Gov. John Engler proved once again that he has a finger on the pulse of the voters in Michigan. Better than that of Richard DeVos and his wife, Helen.

Engler is no friend of the public school system in Michigan. He has spearheaded the school of choice program and the establishment of charter schools.

Yet he refuses to endorse the Kids First Yes! program that is largely funded by DeVos.

Given his track record, you'd feel sure that Engler would be among the strongest supporters of the DeVos supported plan. He's a supporter but he also is a wily politician. He was not about to go out on a limb for a sure loser.

The latest poll that I have read indicates that the Kids First Yes! is doomed. Which recalls Engler's view since the beginning. Vouchers don't stand a chance, he said then.

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Republicans and Democrats both say that if their party had control of the congress and the White House, the country would move on a straight upwards course.

The question is upwards to where? We have done quite well with divided power the last 8 years. The Republican tendency to favor legislation that aids business and the Democrat tendency to favor labor provide a check and balance that works best for all of us.

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## The back forty

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by Roger Pond

A recent conversation with a bookstore owner reminded me that some folks don't think the way I do. It's a good thing, I guess, but it's quite a shock to learn I've been swimming out of the current most of the time.

The storeowner and I were talking about various types of books (humor, travel, cookbooks, etc.) when the book man said, "Humor doesn't appeal to everyone, but cookbooks do." I agreed with him verbally, but my mind was churning.

Humor doesn't appeal to everyone?! How can that be? Where I grew up humor was a way of life.

I grew up in a farming community, and you won't find many farmers who don't have a keen sense of humor. They have to.

Many of the things that happen on a farm are so totally unpredictable, the only thing folks can do about them is laugh — or cry. It just doesn't seem right for a grown man to spend most of his life crying, so farmers try to find some humor in everything they can.

I remember going to school when I was a kid and seeking out the funniest kids to sit next to. The worst thing that could happen to a farm kid was to get stuck next to some bug-eyed chemistry fiend, or a sour-faced Shakespeare fan. We did everything we could to prevent such a disaster.

Even the teachers had a sense of humor in those days. They had no choice: Losing your sense of humor was a short hop from a nervous breakdown for a small town schoolteacher.

There were exceptions, though. The one I remember best was Miss Barker (Not her real name).

Miss Barker began teaching in the days when schools wouldn't hire a woman teacher if she was married. Then, when she got married, she had to quit teaching.

Most of these young teachers didn't last very long. They found a nice, bachelor farmer, got married, and had to quit teaching.

But the school board knew they had a deal with Miss Barker. Everybody could see she was in this thing for the long haul.

The thing I remember most about Miss Barker was her

pénchant for denying the humor around her. We did our best to cheer her up, but it never seemed to help.

One of the students would pull something we thought especially amusing, and she would say, "You may have thought that was funny, but I certainly didn't."

"Don't worry Miss Barker," we'd tell her. "You just hang in there, and you'll probably

catch-on right away next time."

I often think of Miss Barker when I'm browsing around a bookstore and notice their skimpy, little humor section. I know it's kind of silly, but I can't help looking over my shoulder — expecting to hear Miss Barker saying, "Humor doesn't appeal to everyone. Maybe you'd like one of these cookbooks over here under the cat."

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Sunday .....	55	26	.0
Monday .....	62	26	.0

(Recorded at Cass City wastewater treatment plant.)

## Conferences set

Owendale-Gagetown Schools will be having parent/teacher conferences Thursday, from 1 to 7 p.m. Elementary conferences will be held in the Gagetown Gymnasium, and the Junior/Senior high school conferences will be held in the Owendale Cafeteria.



## Cass City Public Schools PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

### Early Childhood Education Emphasized

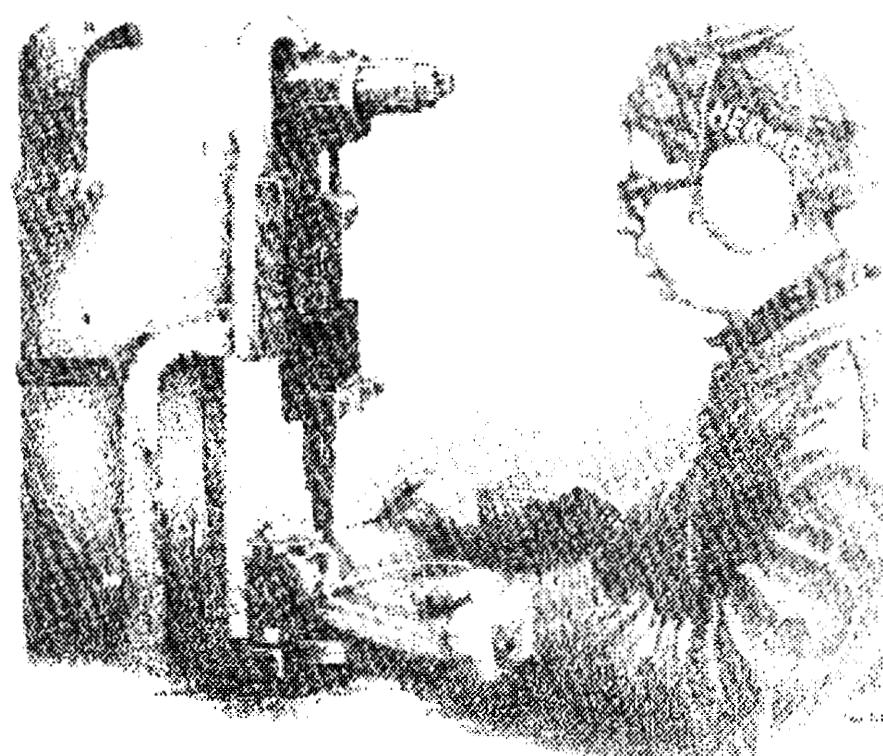
Several years ago, a focused effort was placed upon enhancing the early childhood education opportunities within the Cass City Public Schools. Though these programs are many years away from high school, it was determined that at this level, by getting our children off to a strong academic beginning, we would provide the best drop out prevention plans as well as reduce the overall need for special education options.

Presently, all of our early education programs for children in pre-school through 4th grade take place at Deford and Campbell Schools as well as our renovated Early Childhood Education Center. The many opportunities that are offered for our young children include:

- 4 year old pre-school program.
- Young 5's kindergarten program.
- Regular kindergarten programs at both Deford Elementary and the Early Childhood Education Center.
- Newly started, all day kindergarten program for parent/teacher identified students housed at Deford Elementary.
- Traditional 1st through 4th grade classrooms at both Deford and Campbell Schools.
- Multi-age 1st through 4th classrooms.
- 1st grade Reading Recovery programs at both Deford and Campbell Elementary Schools.
- Formal curriculum support in the areas of: art, music, physical education, and library.

We believe this focused emphasis is assisting our school district with reaching its goal of having all children read at grade level during their beginning years of school. Since reading provides our children with the foundation on which all academics will be built, this early childhood education priority is extremely important.

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## Red Hawk Beat

by Cass City Senior,  
Katie Hacker

### Palace visit a big bonus



This week is a tough week for the girls' varsity basketball team in all of their young careers. The week started off Monday with the Lady Hawks going up against Reese. Cass City is tied with Reese in the league with three losses. The Hawks face Bay City All Saints this Thursday at Bay City and they are first in the league with one loss. The main highlight for the girls this week is their big game Friday at the Palace in Auburn Hills against Marquette.

Coach John Maharg said, "This is the biggest week in these girls' basketball careers. We're lucky to be in this position and to be set back in the race for league champions. The palace is just a bonus these girls deserve for all their hard work and dedication that a lot of other kids don't get the opportunity to do."

This Friday's trip to the palace will be the second time the girls' varsity team has had this opportunity. The last time the Lady Hawks went to the palace was in 1994 when Marty Daniel coached. In order to play at the palace this Friday, we had to sell 250 tickets. We met this re-

quirement and had to order more tickets. Tickets are \$15.00 and they will get you into the girls' game and the Detroit Pistons vs. the Sacramento Kings. It's still not too late to purchase a ticket. You can buy one at the middle school or contact Kurt Dennis. The game will start at 4:00 p.m. and the girls' bus will leave the school at around 12:30. The girls' basketball grades 5th through 10th will be taking two buses down to support the varsity team and there is a possibility that a fan bus will go too.

There are a lot of people who are making this once in a lifetime opportunity possible. On behalf of the girls' varsity team, we'd like to thank our coaches for giving us this awesome opportunity and for all your hard work to make this possible. A lot of our appreciation (from the girls and the coaches) goes to the teachers who made it possible for the students at Cass City to come and watch us Friday, since there won't be school. We'd just like to thank everyone for their support and I hope to see you all at the palace Friday as well as at our other games.

# Letters to the editor

## What is our freedom worth to you?

Here we are just days away from the election, probably the most important election in the last 50 years. With so many issues on the table and so many of us asking, "What's in it for me?", I wonder if perhaps there is another question we should be asking. One that overrides all other issues. Maybe we should be asking ourselves, "Just what is in the best interest of the country?" The unequivocal issue for me is that of freedom.

This election will be a referendum on which course this country chooses to take. Shall we continue down the path of socialism, more government control and spending, or cast a vote for freedom? Freedom of more government regulations, freedom to choose a viable retirement alternative, freedom from ridiculous government law suits and freedom of over taxation to name a few.

Our founding fathers gave us the Declaration of Independence ensuring our right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The Constitution guarantees our freedom of speech, freedom of the press and the right to keep and bear arms. The Constitution has come under constant attack of late by those who would read things into it that are not there. It was

intended as a guideline for a people to govern themselves, not a document open to interpretation on the whim of the special interest.

A debate raging across the country and receiving much publicity, most of it bad, is that of gun control. It is the official stance of the U.S. government that no American citizen should be allowed to own a firearm of any kind. This statement was uttered by an Assistant U.S. attorney from the Justice Department in U.S. v. Emerson "that the second amendment to the Constitution does not extend to the people the right to keep and bear arms." This statement smacks of tyranny and marxism. Freedom! What is it worth?

The well known and steeped in history gun manufacturer Smith and Wesson just recently signed a pact with the current administration in the hope of avoiding illegal government law suits.

Now this said agreement is costing the company business from hunters and sportsmen and has been forced to cut production and lay off 17% of its work force, some 1,000 employees. The pact has become a double edged sword for S&W. Blackmail, extortion, take your choice. In the final analysis the government gets what it wants.

A gun manufacturer out of business.

My point is this. As a student of American history for most of my life, we as a people must protect and defend the Constitution of the United States or surely perish. How can we condone such tyrannical behavior from our nation's leadership? The overriding factor is not

whether you own guns, like guns or hate guns. It is simply do you believe in the Constitution? We must all stand up for the individual's right to exercise his right.

Sadly I fear we've all become lazy and complacent with the attitude of, "If it doesn't affect me, why should I care?" You should care because someday, even-

tually something you care about will no doubt come under attack. The question then will be "Will there be anyone there to stand with you?"

We are the envy of the entire world. People have been coming to these shores in escape of dictatorial governments for hundreds of years. We need to preserve what

others who have gone before us fought and died for. I love my country. I fought for my country. I would give my life in defense of her. Hopefully it won't be the slow death of socialism. Freedom! What is it worth?

Respectfully,

Joe Merchant

## Gore should be country's next leader

To the Editor,

I believe that Al Gore should be our next leader.

Both are prep-schooled sons of prominent politicians. Both are part of America's largest generation, born in the baby boom that followed World War II. Both hail from southern states, and they are candidates for president.

But the similarities between Al Gore and George W. Bush stop there. I say, their differences are pronounced. Our impact with either candidate is critical. Our decision will effect the direction of the United States in the 21st century.

The last 8 years has been a time of great prosperity and unprecedented world leadership for the United States. America is doing well. Our nation could do even better if Al Gore wins the 2000 election. I watched all 3 presidential debates. George W. Bush did not make a clear compelling case for the change he represents. If anything, Dick Cheney should be running for president in Bush's place. Cheney gave more descriptive answers to questions than Bush ever did. Our nation would do better by electing Al Gore as its 43rd president. Al Gore would build on the best of the policies under the Clinton/Gore administration, clean out the worst mistakes, and bring wisdom and strength to foreign policies. Our nation needs a strong leader and that's Al Gore.

For almost 6 years now, George W. Bush has served as Governor of Texas. He's

done well considering legislature meets 140 days every 2 years. Bush's campaign brings legacy and represents political opportunity. Bush's character is likeable and he's running a credible campaign. But with his background I raise the question: Is he up to the world's most demanding job? My answer is no. Texas is only one state in our nation. How could he be ready to do this job? There's just no way. He has no experience with Washington, D.C. We will be relying on people from his father's era to run our country. That was 12 years ago, when he was elected. The last 8 years we've made great changes. We just can't turn back now.

Al Gore is the son of a U.S. senator. Al Gore has spent 16 years in congress, and has been vice president for 8 years. Being vice president, you're only a heartbeat away from the presidency. Gore has experience with Washington, D.C., he has cast key partisan votes to make important political decisions. Gore has been consistently involved with domestic and foreign decisions. Yes, Gore has his detractors, but none could say he doesn't work hard. He will be the known commodity and because he's been there, should do better than Clinton ever did. Gore has the advantage on policies.

My major concern is education. Gore definitely connects with me on that issue. Gore proposes up to \$10,000 for a tax deduction for college students. That's great. He also suggests hiring 100,000 more teachers. We

need to reduce class sizes, kids are not getting the attention they need. Gore's plan is detailed, just like all the other issues throughout this campaign. Bush's plans (he said it himself) are FUZZY!

For the continuity of what has gone right for America in the last 8 years, for the dedication and experience that he could bring to the office, for his truly compassionate view of the issues that affect us all, I believe Al Gore should be our next president. I am writing on behalf of the Al Gore 2000 campaign and for the students for Gore campaign. This is a very tight race. Gore needs all our support. All I'm asking you to do is evaluate Bush. Take the time to look over all of his policies, there are many holes. Missing pieces like in a puzzle. Bush is one man that I can't get all of the pieces to fit.

I think that it's very excit-

ing that this race is so close. There will be a shock come election day when Al Gore wins the independent votes. He may be down by 2 percentage points, but we should expect a large amount of voters this year. Get out Nov. 7 and vote, our nation needs us. My intentions are not to offend anyone upon writing this letter. Cass City deserves a little competition, not everyone in this area is a Bush/Cheney supporter. To all us Gore supporters disregard all the signs that say Bush/Cheney. There is more to a campaign than signs. There's the thoughts and ideas that each candidate represents. We have our yellow brick road. It's your decision. Continue to follow the road to the Emerald City and vote Gore. Or turn around, vote Bush, and go back to a world without technicolor dreams.

George Wright  
Cass City

## County road levy deserves support

Dear Editor,

During the late fall of 1996, a proposal to raise funds for maintenance on county primary roads and city and village local and major streets was placed before the voters of Sanilac County. This proposal passed and during the construction season of 1997 noticeable changes could be observed on the county primary roads and city and village local and major streets in Sanilac County.

The Sanilac County Road Commission was grateful for the vote of confidence received from the voters of Sanilac County and begin a vigorous renewal on the surfaces of existing primary roads, which had deteriorated severely over the past years.

We pledged to make some improvements to each mile of road in the 347 mile primary system, whether it be a maintenance process of either slurry seal, slurry wedging, or sealcoat or on the worst roads a resurface or a pulverizing and stabilizing and a new top course. Since the passage of the millage we have strived to keep this pledge. To date we have resurfaced 98.56 miles; sealcoated 75.54 miles; slurry or slurry wedged 104.32 miles and pulverized and resurfaced 32.52 miles at a total cost of \$6,470,038.96. In addition to this construction, we are in the final stages of resurfacing another 53.52 miles of roadway of which final costs are not yet calculated.

This leaves approximately 36 miles to complete next summer in order to fulfill our pledge of doing something to all 347 miles of county primary road. We intend to fulfill this pledge but as always this hinges on the prices of the asphalt products and services which we use. As the millage collection expires with the 2000 tax collection, we are asking for a renewal of the millage proposal of 2 mills for 5 years.

Even though we will have completed 5 years of work with the original millage proposal by the end of next summer, the job is not complete. Those roads that received a maintenance procedure are now older and are in need of resurfacing. Our plan with the renewal millage is to return to these miles of roadway and resurface these with asphalt. In addition to this, we plan to perform maintenance on the existing primary roads to keep them in excellent shape. For unknown reasons, this county has never performed much maintenance on primary asphalt roads other than pothole patching. We intend to change this and maintain our asphalt surfaces in order to minimize pulverizing and resurfacing, a costly procedure which costs upwards of \$80,000 per mile.

We hope the voters who approved the original millage are happy with our results to date. We think we have made major improvements on our county primary roads since the passage of this original millage. With the renewal, we want to continue this process to make our county primary roads excellent. We believe this is something that the motoring public of Sanilac County deserves. We humbly ask you for your support in this most important endeavor. If you have any questions, please call (810) 648-2185 and we will attempt to get answers for you.

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Sincerely yours,

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## Support those who defend the unborn

Dear Editor:

Once again, this November, citizens are called on to elect officials who will best represent them. As you consider your decision, I urge you to support those candidates who will defend all citizens — born and unborn.

The current Clinton/Gore administration and the Supreme Court refuse to ban partial birth abortion — a procedure which doctors

have testified is never necessary. This procedure takes the life of a baby that is more born than unborn in a cruel and gruesome manner. We must not elect officials who ignore the value of life and support this procedure.

Help defend our fellow citizens who cannot yet speak for themselves by voting for the following Right to Life-endorsed candidates:

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George W. Bush/Dick Cheney

U.S. Senator: Spencer Abraham

U.S. Congress: James Barcia

State Representative: Tom Meyer

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We all hold certain issues to be of special importance. We can fight for those issues and we can fight for our rights. Those that are not yet born cannot fight for themselves, so we must. Please do not ignore this opportunity to reach out on behalf of the defenseless, innocent babies who are our fellow citizens. Take this list with you to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

This proposal isn't about letting municipal, township and county governments govern their own affairs. It is a blatant attempt by big-city mayors to increase their power at everyone else's expense.

If this proposal were only about local control, it wouldn't be opposed by such diverse organizations as the Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Fraternal Order of Police, Michigan Homebuilders Association, Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC), and Michigan Manufacturers Association. Even more telling from a local government perspective, the Michigan Townships Association (MTA) voted unanimously to oppose this initiative.

The language on this initiative is so vague that it is certain to invite confusion and costly lawsuits. Proposal 2 will require legislation affecting municipal "concerns" to obtain a two-thirds majority in both houses to become law. Not only is this language unclear, it would allow a minority of legislators to effectively block any and all legislation that could pertain to local governments,

### Letters to the Editor

The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

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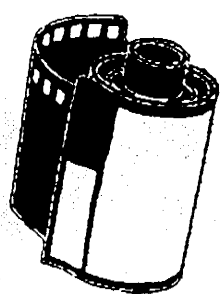
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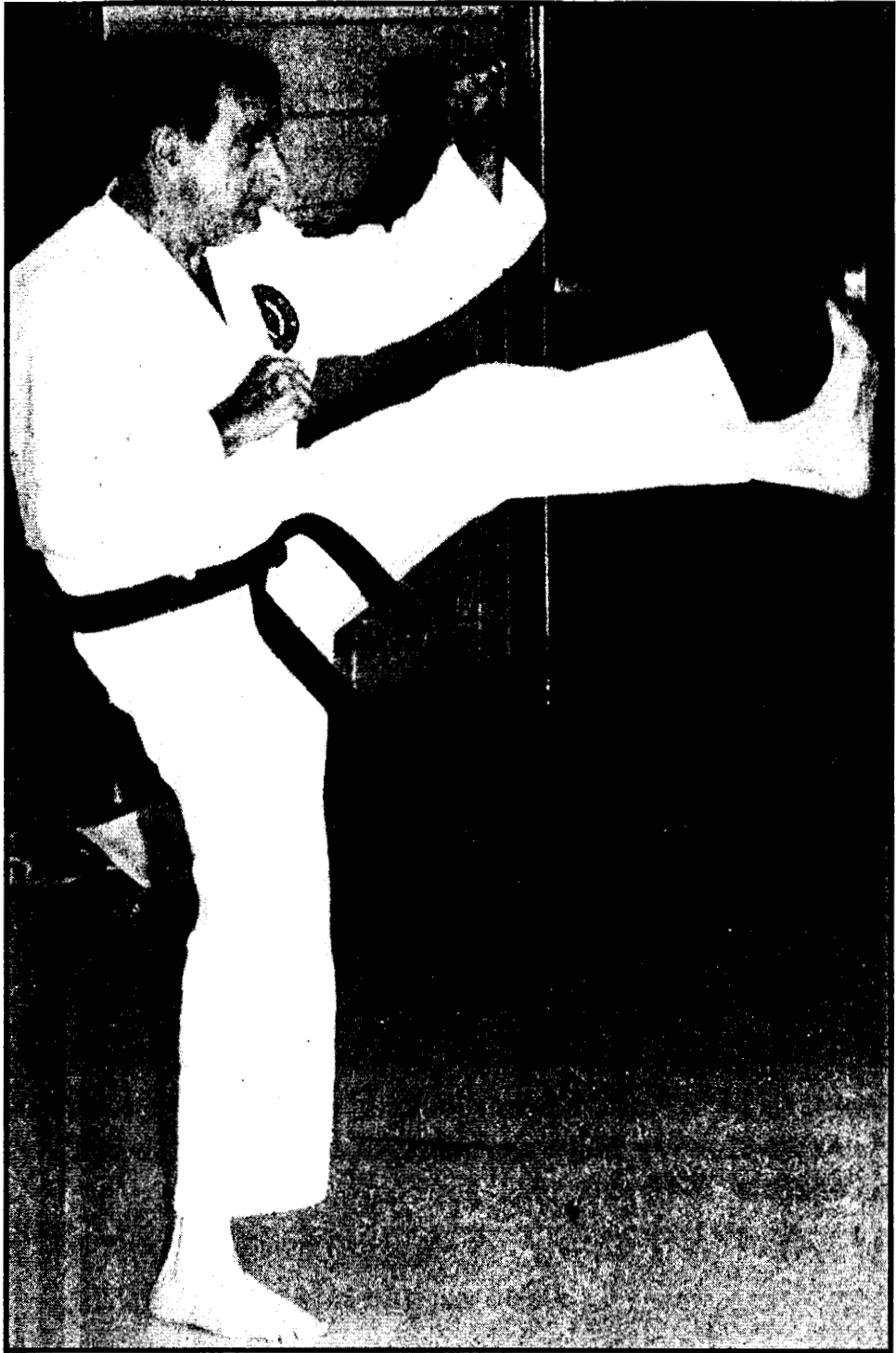


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AMERICAN Taekwon Do Academy instructor Bud Isel demonstrates a kick during a recent class offered through Cass City Community Education. (Related photo, page one)

## Christmas home tour set

Looking for a fun way to get ready for the Christmas season? The Friends of the Library Christmas Home Tour is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 2, from 1 to 5 p.m. The 6 homes included in the tour are owned by Dave and

Tina Hoard, Gary and Doris Jones, Richard and Norma Wallace, David and Barbara McComb, Lyle and Heather Severance and Rick and Melva Coleman. Tickets may be purchased at the library beginning Nov.

1 for \$8. (No children under 12 please). Proceeds from the home tour go to Rawson Memorial Library. For more information about the home tour, call the library, 872-2856.

Men, women, children and

# Isel: Karate gets in the blood

## Community ed offers Taekwon Do

Bud Isel has a word or 2 of encouragement for anyone who might be thinking about joining his American Taekwon Do Academy class in Cass City: it's easy and fun.

And habit forming. "It gets in your blood. You enjoy working out with people, you enjoy sweating and the camaraderie," he said during a recent class, held in the new multipurpose room at Campbell Elementary School on Monday nights. "You're training your body to do something it really isn't planning to do. It's just so interesting after a while."

Isel's enthusiasm is genuine. A member of the Bay City-based American Taekwon Do Academy, he isn't paid to teach the local class, which is offered through Cass City Community Education. Rather, teaching is an integral part of his own training in Taekwon Do.

"You have to teach in order to accelerate through the ranks," said Isel, who at age 60 is the second oldest member of the Taekwon Do academy. A certified real estate appraiser from Bad Axe, he has a red belt — just 2 steps away from black belt. "There's really no end to learning about the martial arts," he pointed out. "No matter who you are, you're still a student."

Isel, who also serves as an assistant instructor in Sebewaing and Bad Axe, explained that Taekwon Do is a Korean style of karate that emphasizes self-discipline and control. Students in his class learn relaxation techniques — a vital ingredient in Taekwon Do — as well as the basic mental and physical abilities required to advance into higher levels of training.

The 2-hour class focuses on non-contact exercises and patterns — there is no throwing, falling or physical contact — making it ideal for the beginner as well as the more advanced student.

Men, women, children and

families are all welcome to participate, according to Isel, who noted students range in age from 5 to 75 and come from all walks of life. "We have doctors, lawyers and engineers" in the Bay City class.

A typical class begins with students lining up and bowing to show their respect, followed by warm-up and stretching exercises designed to prevent injury by loosening up joints and muscles. "We warm up and stretch for 20, 25 minutes," Isel said. "We don't want to lose anybody."

Students then work on basic techniques, including punching, blocking and kicking, and pattern practice, which combines many of the basic techniques in Taekwon Do.

Isel encourages individuals to work at their own pace, and he makes it a point to offer individualized instruction to new students while the more advanced students practice together.

Isel uses a lesson plan that incorporates enjoyable exercises with instruction. "You've got to throw some fun into this thing," he said, adding students "should not even break a sweat on the first night."

People participate in Taekwon Do for a variety of reasons. Some simply want the exercise and body conditioning the activity provides, while others are more interested in learning self-defense techniques. "It's very handy with self defense, although it's going to be months before you can handle yourself," Isel noted.

A number of students don't stick with the program for one reason or another, according to Isel, who said proficiency in Taekwon Do requires real dedication, time and practice. "It's a lot of work, and it's a lot of memory. There are 9 patterns and 3 basic exercises to get the black belt. "If you want to be the next 'karate kid', then you start here and take it seriously and work hard. It's not some-

thing you can do just once a week."

The journey from novice to black belt in Taekwon Do involves several steps, with students being required to

white belt with a yellow stripe — weeks later. "You test every 3 months, really," Isel said. Students can then earn a yellow belt, yellow belt with green stripe, green belt,

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undergo testing before moving on to the next level.

New students start out as white belts and typically have an opportunity to make their first advancement — to a

green belt with blue stripe, blue belt, blue belt with red stripe, red belt, red belt with black stripe, and first-degree black belt.

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## Nov. 7 general election

# Congressional races set

Aside from having a say in choosing the next U.S. president — Democratic candidate Vice President Al Gore or Republican candidate George W. Bush — area voters will also help to decide a pair of Congressional races in next week's general election.

In a race for U.S. Senator, Democratic U.S. Rep. Debbie Stabenow, 50, East Lansing, is challenging Republican incumbent Spencer Abraham, 48, of Southfield.

The race is a close one, according to Associated Press reports published Friday. The reports cite 2 polls that indicate the pair are in a dead heat. One poll had each candidate with 41 percent of the vote, with 15 percent of voters undecided, while the other gave Abraham 39 percent and Stabenow, 36 percent, with 25 percent undecided.

In the 5th District U.S. House race, incumbent Democrat James A. Barcia faces newcomer Ronald G. Actis, a Saginaw Township Republican.

Barcia, 48, is seeking his fifth 2-year term representing Alcona, Arenac, Bay,

Huron, Iosco, Sanilac and Tuscola counties along with portions of Saginaw, Genesee and Lapeer counties. Actis, 61, owns a consult-

ing firm and was a longtime Saginaw community leader, serving as head of the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce several years ago.

But Taekwon Do offers many positive benefits regardless of how far an individual might want to take their training.

"It builds confidence," Isel said. "I've seen a lot of kids gain a tremendous amount of confidence."

Cass City Community Education is offering 6-week Taekwon Do classes at a cost of \$37 per person, with reduced rates for additional family members. The second session began Oct. 23 and the next session is scheduled to get underway Dec. 4. Additional information is available by calling (517) 872-4151.

## Lautner challenging Sanilac commissioner

The Tuesday, Nov. 7, general election will include one Sanilac County Commission race in the Cass City area.

District One incumbent Commissioner John Merriman, a Deckerville Republican, faces a challenge

for the 2-year seat from Minden City Democrat John "Jack" W. Lautner.

District One represents Argyle, Austin, Evergreen, Greenleaf, Minden, Moore and Wheatland townships.

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## Take charge of diabetes this month

The American Diabetes Association has declared November National Diabetes Month. In recognition of this designation, Huron Memorial Hospital will offer a program in partnership with the ADA on taking charge of your diabetes.

This program will provide information and skills that patients need in order to find the power to take control of their diabetes. Activities will be offered that are intended to provide participants with the skills to take charge of their own diabetes management.

It is not the purpose of this workshop to provide basic education about diabetes and its treatment so it is requested that participants have attended basic diabetes education classes.

Huron Memorial Hospital has partnered with the East Central Diabetes Outreach Network to provide free A1C testing to determine long-term control for those who have not had the test performed recently. The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan will also be on hand to screen for diabetic kidney disease by providing free microalbumin testing.

The program will be held at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall Nov. 16. The screenings will be performed from 4:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. on a walk-in basis. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last 2 hours. Refreshments will be served.

For more information or to register call Ann Booms at Huron Memorial at 517-269-9521 (ext. 4346).

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## Rockets' Heinlein scores 27

# Reese knocks Hawks from GTW title run

Cass City was virtually eliminated as a Greater Thumb West title contender Monday by the visiting Reese Rockets, led by Rachel Heinlein and some rugged Rocket rebounding by the Reese forward wall.

The loss removes some of the luster from Thursday's game against league leading Bay City All Saints but the Hawks still would like nothing better than to become spoilers and bring the Cougars back to the pack in the league.

Reese played a tight drawn-in zone defense and it stymied Cass City for the entire first quarter. The Hawks opened the scoring on a hoop by Sara Homakie and for the rest of the period were unable to buy a basket. Two free throws by Katie Hacker were all the offense the team could muster.

With Heinlein taking charge, Reese quickly took advantage of Cass City's cold shooting to run off to a 12-4 lead. The star guard scored 4 of 4 free throws and a trey in the period.

It was a different story in the second quarter. Deidre Deering started the rally with a trey and Sara Homakie followed with a basket. Deering then hit her second trey a moment later to close the gap to 3 points, 15-12. Heinlein came to the rescue again for the visitors, scoring on a drive to the hoop, was fouled and added the free throw to lengthen the lead to 18-12.

Cass City countered with 5 unanswered points as Elise Pasant hit a hoop and followed it with a trey. Homakie registered with a short jump shot and Pasant converted one of 2 free throws to tie the score with 3:57 left in the

half.

The teams exchanged baskets the rest of the way but a basket by Corey Schluckbier put Reese ahead 27-25 at the intermission.

In the first 5 minutes of the third quarter, Reese staged the rally that proved decisive. In the drive Heinlein scored 3 hoops, but it was the rebounding of the Rockets that made the difference. Schluckbier and Erin Sigelko dominated the boards and stuffed Hawk shooters under the basket. By the end of the quarter Reese was in front

43-34.

Cass City made one more run at the Rockets in the final period, closing to 50-44 with 2 minutes left, but Heinlein took charge again, scoring the last 7 points of the game to kill any chance for a Hawk comeback.

For the night Heinlein scored 27 points, including 3 treys and 8 of 10 free throws. It was the rebounding and the free throw shooting that made the difference tonight, Coach John Maharg said. Ashley Ouvry was the top scorer for Cass City with

11 points. The Hawks are now 7-4 in the GTW.

**CASS CITY** - Pasant 1-1 (1-3) 6, Zawilinski 1-0 (0-0) 2, Hacker 0-0 (2-4) 2, Homakie 3-0 (2-2) 8, Cooper 3-0 (1-7) 7, Deering 1-2 (0-3) 8, Zimba 0-0 (3-4) 3, Ouvry 3-0 (5-6) 11.  
**TOTALS** - 12-3 (14-29) 47.

**REESE** - Krieger 2-0 (0-0) 4, Riskovitch 1-0 (0-0) 2, Heinlein 5-3 (8-10) 27, Sigelko 5-0 (0-0) 10, Schluckbier 3-1 (1-6) 10.  
**TOTALS** - 16-4 (9-16) 53.

## Cass City cage team downs USA, Bad Axe

A pair of victories in Greater Thumb West League

games last week propelled the Cass City Red Hawks (7-3) into second place with an outside chance to at least tie Bay City All Saints (9-1) for the conference championship.

Coach John Maharg would undoubtedly be pleased if his charges continue the fine shooting that enabled his squad to roll past the Bad Axe Hatchets, 52-27. The Hawks hit 52 percent from the floor and 8 players shared in the scoring, led by Sarah Homakie with 16 points and Holli Cooper with 12.

Cass City jumped out to a 13-6 lead in the first quarter, helped by Cooper, who scored 3 hoops in the period.

Both teams struggled to score in the second quarter. The Hawks' offense was limited to 3 baskets by Homakie and that total was matched by the Hatchets.

The Cass City lead swelled to 10 points with a 12-9 third period advantage as Ashley Ouvry, Cooper and Homakie each scored a pair of hoops.

The last quarter was pleasing to Cass City fans as the team notched a 21-6 advantage. It marked a turn around for the club that in 2 games this season lost to last period rallies.

Homakie led the Cass City rebounders with 9, followed by Cooper with 8.

### USA GAME

It's rare that a team can be held scoreless in the last quarter and still post a one-sided victory in GTW league play, but that's what happened as Cass City rolled past USA, 43-26.

Cass City had what may have been its best shooting night of the year against the Patriots, raining in treys from all over the court.

The shooting barrage started in the first period as Deidre Deering hit a pair of treys and Elise Pasant added another as the Hawks bounced out to a 15-8 lead.

The Hawks continued their fine shooting in the second period and the Patriots went stone cold, scoring just 3 points and at the intermission Cass City had all but clinched the win, 26-11.

The game turned into a rout by the end of the third quarter as Cass City led 43-18.

Maharg said that the total team defensive effort helped Cass City to the easy win. A key was holding the league's leading scorer, Stacey Gaeth, to a single basket and 4 free throws. In the first game between the schools, Gaeth scored 20 points.

Besides shooting well, the Hawks converted easy baskets on several fast break opportunities.

Homakie picked off 6 rebounds and Cooper had 4 boards. Deering led all scorers with 16 points and added 3 assists and 3 steals. Jaime

Fluegge had 3 steals. Homakie was in double figures with 12. Sting scored 12 to lead the Patriots.

**CASS CITY** - Pasant 1-1 (0-0) 5, Fluegge 1-0 (0-0) 2, Homakie 6-0 (0-0) 12, Cooper 2-0 (0-0) 4, Deering 2-4 (0-0) 16, Ouvry 2-0 (0-0) 4.  
**TOTALS** - 14-5 (0-4) 43.

**USA** - Gremel 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hornbacher 2-0 (0-0) 4; Gaeth 1-0 (4-6) 6; K. Sting 1-0 (0-0) 2; A. Sting 4-1 (1-1) 12.  
**TOTALS** - 9-1 (5-7) 26.

**CASS CITY** - Trischler 1-1 (0-0) 5; Zawilinski 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hacker 1-0 (0-0) 2; Homakie 8-0 (0-0) 16; Cooper 6-0 (0-0) 12; Deering 2-0 (0-0) 4; Zimba 2-0 (0-0) 4; Ouvry 3-0 (1-2) 7.  
**TOTALS** - 24-1 (1-6) 52.

**BAD AXE** - Johnson 2-0 (0-0) 4; Bator 1-0 (0-0) 2; Young 4-0 (0-0) 8; Ferris 1-0 (0-0) 2; Walker 1-1 (0-0) 5; Sutherland 1-0 (2-4) 2; Meredith 1-0 (0-0) 2.  
**TOTALS** - 11-1 (2-4) 27.



CASS CITY'S Katie Hacker looks to score after hauling in a rebound Monday night against visiting Reese. The Rockets recorded a 53-47 win.



THE CLASS OF 1990 celebrated their tenth class reunion recently at the Cass City VFW Hall. Forty classmates attended the function. The class took up a collection in memory of one of their classmates, Dr. Steven Bills. The contribution was made to the Cass City High School Scholarship Fund.



TEAM DEFENSE, being applied here to USA's Kristen Stahl, helped Cass City register a 43-26 GTW victory Thursday in Sebawaing.

## Tanton, Emmert advance to cross-country state finals

Two Hawk runners qualified for the state cross-country finals set for this Saturday at Michigan Speedway in Brooklyn at the regional tournament held at Bad Axe.

Representing Cass City will be Craig Emmert and Annjea Tanton. Emmert posted a

time of 17:14 and Tanton finished in 21:18.

Coach Ernie Stec said that the entire squad ran well with many athletes posting their best times of the year.

Other girls running and the times posted were: Liz Hoyt, 23:30; Aleasha Edwards,

26:12; Candi Benjamin, 26:18, and Christina Walters, 31:48.

Times among the rest of the boys' team were: Don Spencer, 18:49; Jason Glaza, 19:46; Brandon Vargo, 20:24, and Ryan Thornton, 21:49.

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### About Tom Meyer

- Married to Dorothy for 37 years
- Station Manager, WLEW radio
- Former Board President of Thumb Industries
- Member, Huron County Michigan State University Extension Council
- Republican
- Past President, Elkton Rotary Club
- Volunteer, Special Olympics
- Member, Bad Axe Free Methodist Church
- Board of Trustees, Davenport University

### Endorsements

- State Representative Mike Green
- State Senator Joel Gougeon
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# Cass City Bowling Leagues

## MERCHANETTES As of Oct. 26

The Chiropractors	35
Marlette Chrysler	34
J.B.'s Crew	32
Detroit Edison	31
All Season Rent-All	30
FBI Gals	27
Thumb Auto Wash	27
Adamczyk Masonry	27
LaFave Steel	20
Thumb Octagon Barn	17

High Individual Games: C. Hutchinson 227, J. Bemus 225, C. Wallace 200-183, J. Krol 199-188, C. Smith 199-196, D. Williams 189, C. Hellow 187.

High Individual Series: C. Wallace 556, C. Smith 555, J. Bemus 536, C. Hutchinson 509, J. Krol 507, C. Davidson 507, C. Hellow 497.

High Team Series & Game: The Chiropractors 2014 (692).

C. Hutchinson was 75 pins over average.

## SUNDAY NIGHTERS As of Oct. 29

Try Hards	12
Town & Country	12
Sometimers	11
Gophers	7
Sheridan Rollers	6
High Rollers	6
Newcomers	3

High Series & Games: R. Timmins 204, G. Timmins 210, E. Hutchinson 652 (226-234), J. LaPratt 214.

## THURSDAY NITE TRIO As of Oct. 26

Terra	22
Marlette RV	20
Cass Tavern	18
Cellular One	16
Thumb Auto Wash	16
Schmaltz Construction	13
Martin Electric	13
Wickes	12
New England Financial	11
Generaly Low	11
Marlette Oil & Gas	10
Mycogen Plant Sciences	6

Individual High Series & Games: J. Krol 665 (213-258), D. Hyatt 664 (227-227-210), R. Doerr 650 (264), D. Dickinson 648 (213-213-222), Doug O'Dell 643 (233-218), O. Beecher 642 (224-246), J. Hacker 636 (233-246), G. Smith 636 (211-241), J. Roth 624 (268), K. Pichla 615 (236), E. Schmaltz 607 (244), J. Dennis 602 (215), K. Martin 596 (214-211), W. Laming 242, D. Heleski 232.

High Team Series & Game: Cass Tavern 1832 (699).

## MERCHANTS LEAGUE

Charmont	27
Stafono's	24 1/2
S S Builders	23
New England	19
Trisch Septic	17
R H Body Shop	16
L Morgan Painting	16
T Furness Bldrs.	15
Triple R	13 1/2
Anthes Movers	11

High Team Series & Game: Charmont 3206 (1107).

210 Games or 575 Series: R. Salcido 712 (215-240-257), J. Gorkowski 690 (224-224-242), M. Lutz 685 (220-217-248), K. Repshinska 683 (220-256), C. Anthes 676 (211-223-232), G. Robinson 666 (212-245), D. Orton 664 (226-234), D. Schultze 627 (212-219), M. Jackson 622 (211-227), C. Maurer 620 (219), R. Koch 618 (211-216), J. Finkbeiner 616 (222), D. Salcido 608 (234), T. Kratz 602 (211-215), R. Hull 599 (219), T. Patingill 588 (221), J. Krol 585 (225), J. Smithson 577 (224), T. Kuck 576 (222), M. Frappart 575 (215), T. Furness 226.

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## CHARMONT LADIES

Wild John's	46
Cable-ettes	44
Cass City Tire	41
Live Wires	34
Dee's M.P. Rockets	28
Dott Manufacturing	28
J.B.'s Crew	28

High Team Series & Game: Dott Manufacturing 3026 (1076).

High Series: B. Watson 489, V. Patera 487, M. Horne 484, B. Kilbourn 454, J. Stevens 454, W. Romain 452.

High Games: B. Watson 185, M. Horne 184, M. Opanasenko 180, J. Stevens 178, J. Reed 177, V. Patera 180, B. Kilbourn 174.

## Candidates must be county resident

With the signing into law of the amendments to the Conservation District, Part 93 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act P.A. 451 of 1994; the following changes became effective:

Candidates running for conservation district director must be a resident of the county. A petition must be filed 60 days prior to the annual meeting (Nov. 20, 2000) and be signed by at least 5 district residents. Forty-five days before the district annual meeting (Dec. 5, 2000), the date, time, and location will be posted in the newspaper. Absentee ballots will be made available at that time from the Tuscola SCD office at 1075 Cleaver Rd. in Caro.

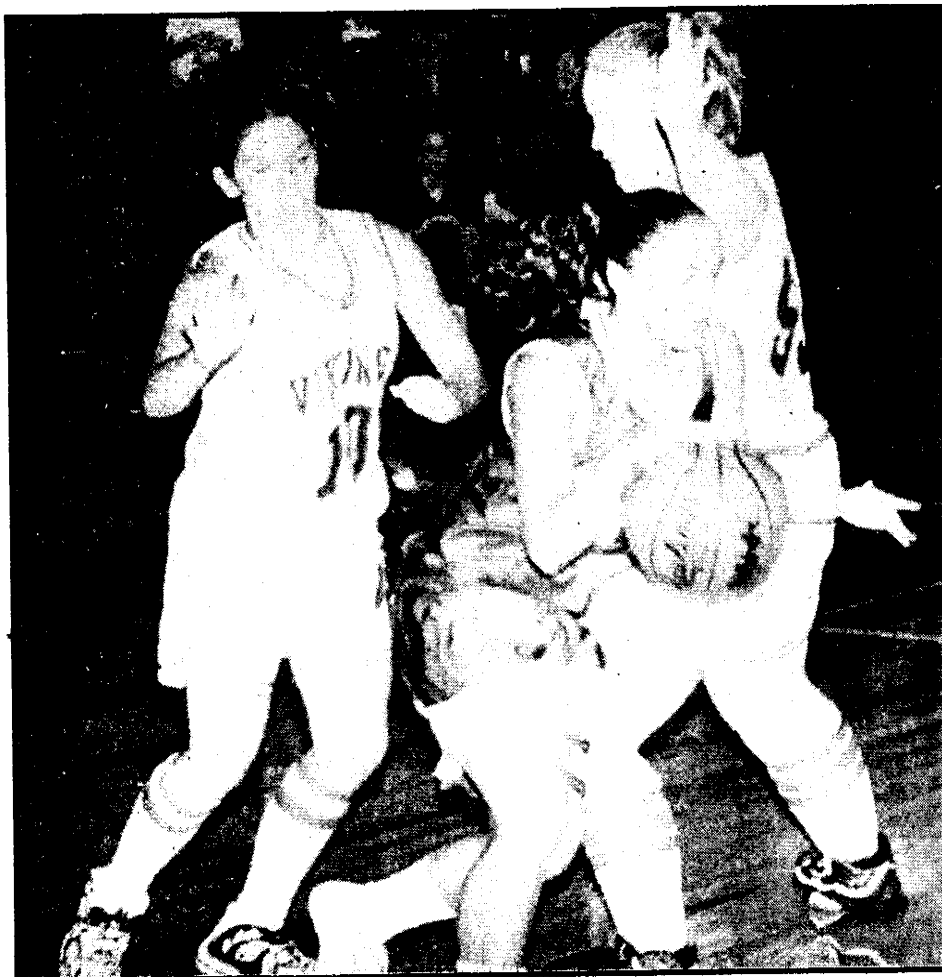
All residents of legal age in the district may vote. Because of the absentee ballot provision, nominations from the floor will not be allowed. A space for write-in candidates will be on the ballot. The length of term for District Directors is 4 years.

The Tuscola Conservation District will have petitions available for 2 positions in this year's election. Area III will cover Elmwood, Elkland, Ellington and Novesta townships and Area IV will cover Wells, Kingston, Dayton and Koylton townships. Persons running in each area must reside in that area. Petitions are due in the Tuscola Conservation Office no later than Nov. 20.

For further information, please contact the Tuscola SCD office at (517) 673-8174 (ext. 3).



**BULLDOG ERIN SALCIDO** works under the basket for 2 of her game high 22 points Thursday in Owendale against visiting Akron-Fairgrove.



**OWEN-GAGE'S DEE FRITZ** glides past a pair of Viking defenders in Thursday's NCTL cage action in Owendale.



## Deer Tales

Jeremy Reed shot a 9-point buck Sunday, Oct. 29, 8 a.m., during archery season.

# Bulldogs whip Vikings, suffer loss to Kingston

Seniors Erin Salcido and Dee Fritz combined for 32 points Thursday in Owendale to lead the Bulldogs past Akron-Fairgrove, 48-36, in North Central Thumb League play.

The win snaps a 3-game losing slide for Coach Dave Fritz' cagers heading into this Thursday's contest with NCTL leader North Huron. The Warriors stand at a lofty 10-1 in conference play and 11-5 overall.

Against the Vikings, the hosts grabbed a double digit advantage, 28-18, by the break and then expanded the margin to 40-26 entering the game's final stanza.

Owen-Gage (6-6 NCTL and 8-8 overall) used 3 field goals from Salcido and a trey from Fritz to help build an early 13-8 margin.

Salcido continued to hold the hot hand throughout the initial half and added 8 more tallies to her game high 22 points in the 2nd quarter.

Fritz, the only Bulldog to score in each quarter, finished with 10 points. Ashley Adams posted 8.

The Vikings' Shawn Hernandez and Tammy Carolan split 20 markers.

## KINGSTON

Owen-Gage battled visiting Kingston for 4 quarters Tuesday before bowing, 51-42, in NCTL action.

The hosts fell behind 29-19 after 2 frames and would never recover.

Melissa Ziehm helped the hosts stay close early with 2 field goals, including one from behind the 3-point arc in the opening frame.

Salcido, who recorded game scoring honors with 17 points, tossed in 9 points during the period after the break where Owen-Gage was able to cut the Cardinal margin to 38-32 entering the final frame.

However, Kingston would convert 10-15 free throws

down the stretch to record the win.

Ziehm and Fritz each netted 10 points for Owen-Gage.

Brianne Ross led the visitors with 11 tallies, while teammates Jennifer Jobson and Melissa Hill contributed 10 points each.

**KINGSTON** - Ross 2-1 (4-6) 11; Jobson 3-0 (4-4) 10; Hill 4-0 (2-4) 10; Selby 2-0 (0-0) 4; Crane 2-0 (1-2) 5; Rayl 1-0 (1-3) 3; Przezinski 3-0 (1-1) 7; Harp 0-0 (1-2) 1.

**TOTALS** - 17-1 (14-22) 51.

**OWEN-GAGE** - Ziehm 3-1 (1-2) 10; Fritz 1-1 (5-12) 10; Adams 1-0 (1-2) 3; Alhail 1-0 (0-0) 2; Salcido 6-0 (5-11) 17.

**TOTALS** - 12-2 (12-29) 42.

## BASKETBALL STANDINGS

GREATER THUMB WEST			
Team	W	L	W
BCAS	7	1	12
Cass City	7	3	10
Reese	7	3	10
EPBP	6	4	12
Bad Axe	4	6	8
Mayville	4	6	5
USA	3	7	6
Valley Lutheran	0	10	0

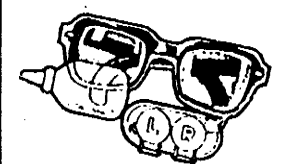
GREATER THUMB EAST			
Team	W	L	W
Sandusky	8	2	13
Harbor Beach	7	3	11
Decaturville	7	3	10
Marlette	7	3	9
Udby	6	4	10
Brown City	3	7	6
Yale	2	8	4
Cros-Lex	0	10	3

NORTH CENTRAL THUMB			
Team	W	L	W
North Huron	10	1	11
Pack	9	3	9
Kingston	8	4	9
Cassville	7	5	9
Owen-Gage	6	6	8
CPS	6	6	6
Port Hope	1	10	2
A-Fairgrove	0	12	0

**THURSDAY'S GAMES**  
Bad Axe at Mayville  
Valley Lutheran at USA  
EPBP at Reese  
BCAS at Cass City  
Harbor Beach at Brown City  
Sandusky at Decaturville  
Decaturville at Marlette  
Udby at Cros-Lex  
Cassville at Akron-Fairgrove  
North Huron at Owen-Gage  
Port Hope at Kingston

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**CASS CITY** High School senior Megan Powell paints a masterpiece on the face of Kylie Maggard, 7, Cass City, during the Cass City American Association of University Women's Halloween Carnival and Spookhouse last week.

## Village opposes EPA proposal on arsenic levels

Cass City Village officials are taking a stand against an Environmental Protection Agency proposal to reduce allowable levels of arsenic in drinking water.

The proposal, if approved, would reduce the minimum allowable level from 50 parts per billion to 5 parts per billion.

In a letter presented to the Village Council for review Monday night, Village Manager Jane Downing stated the village's objections are twofold: the risk assessment models of arsenic to humans and the association of arsenic induced cancers are overestimated and cannot be substantiated, and the capital costs of setting up treatment systems to meet the new standards would be catastrophic to public water systems nationwide.

"In our particular case, the village of Cass City... a community of less than 3,000 residents and 1,010 public water utility customers, the costs to start treatment would be an estimated \$4 million!" Downing, who was unable to attend Monday's monthly meeting, stated.

"In addition, the annual maintenance and operation costs of a treatment system would be an additional estimate of \$600,000 per year. Our current fiscal year budget produces revenues of \$225,000 with expenditures close to the same level. It is at best difficult to implement rate increases when necessary, just to keep pace with inflation and the rising costs of our annual operations plus monies for planned capital improvements.

"Our community is committed to the issue of protecting the public health and welfare," Downing continued. "Nevertheless, we cannot accept the costs that would be thrust upon us by being forced to, again, meet another unfunded federal mandate.

"Further, health experts do not agree about the effects of arsenic at very low concentrations. We do support efforts to lower the standard, as a precautionary measure, but not to the extreme and unsubstantiated proposals now recommended by the United States Environmental Protection Agency."

## Holidays to close offices

All 178 Secretary of State branch offices will be closed in observance of state holidays during November and December. The branch offices will be closed for:

- \* Veterans' Day, Friday, Nov. 10.
- \* Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 23, and Friday, Nov. 24.
- \* Christmas, Friday, Dec. 22, and Monday, Dec. 25.
- \* New Year's, Friday, Dec. 29, and Monday, Jan. 1.

Motorists whose driver licenses or license plates expire over a holiday weekend should renew early. Customers can expect fastest service midmorning, midafternoon, midweek, and midmonth. Branch offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays the majority of offices are open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. with those in city centers open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Motorists renewing license plates can avoid a trip to the branch office by renewing by mail, by fax and, if eligible, by touch-tone telephone or Internet. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within 7 business days.



**GHASTLY GOLF** was among many activities offered during the AAUW's Halloween Carnival, a fundraiser that benefits a number of local programs, including the group's Reading is Fundamental (RIF) free book distributions, July 4 Festival Paint-In and literacy programs. Officials were still tallying up the amount raised at press time.

## Wheat program plan progressing

Efforts to establish a Michigan wheat development program took a major step forward recently when industry leaders secured nearly \$24,000 in financial commitments that will help move the project to a vote by producers.

The Temporary Michigan Wheat Marketing Committee, the grower group that developed the proposed program, received more than \$7,300 in pledges from wheat growers and \$16,600, primarily from the milling industry. Additional support

is expected from seed, fertilizer and crop-protection companies, as well as elevator owners and end users with an interest in Michigan wheat, said Hamilton farmer Loren Koeman, chairman of the committee.

Funds will be used to reimburse the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) for the proposed referendum to determine if producers want the program to take effect.

The next step for MDA is to communicate the proposed program's details and hold public hearings to receive producer comments.

The first public hearing will be Dec. 1 at 9 a.m. at Frankenmuth City Hall's Nickless Community Room, 240 W. Genesee St.

A second hearing will be Dec. 1 at 2:30 p.m. at the Michigan Historical Center's Lake Ontario Room, 717 W. Allegan St., Lansing.

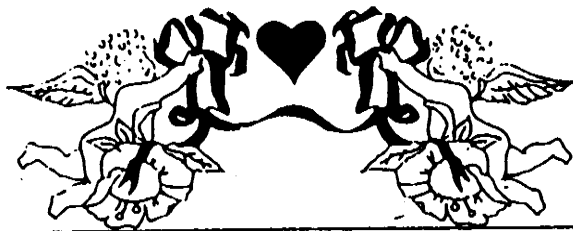
Testimony also may be submitted in writing to Michigan Department of Agriculture, Marketing and Communications Division, P.O. Box 30017, Lansing, MI 48909, attention: Kathleen Kissman. It must be submitted by 5 p.m. Dec. 8.

Following a review of grower comments, the program may be put to a vote of producers. It must be approved by more than 50 percent of wheat growers who vote in the referendum, representing more than 50 percent of production volume of those who vote. If passed, the

program authorizes an assessment of up to one-half of one percent of the crop's value at the first point of sale.

Money raised will be invested by a governor-appointed grower committee to fund promotion, research, education and market development for Michigan wheat.

If the referendum passes, the assessment could be in place June 1, 2001.



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# Launch to honor veterans

Hundreds of red, white and blue balloons will be released over Cass City Saturday, Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. as part of a nationwide celebration to say "thank-you" to all those involved in World War II.

The event is in coordination with a nationwide effort to raise money to build a National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

The local release of EPA-approved, biodegradable balloons is being coordinated by Debra L. Kranz of Kranz Funeral Homes. Kranz is encouraging family members and friends to release the balloons in the name of a veteran or home front worker.

The World War II Memorial will include a special "Registry of remembrances" that will list the names and military units of veterans together with anyone back home who made a significant effort to help win the war, such as organize or work on metal or rubber collection drives, work in a factory job in place of a soldier off at war, Blue and Gold Star Mothers and other contributors to the war effort both living or remembered.

"Kranz Funeral Homes of Cass City and Kingston are proud to contribute \$10 each in memory of all the World War II Veterans we have cared for since we began our

business in February 1991. This will insure that each of their names are included in the Registry of Remembrances at the Washington, D.C., World War II Memorial," said Kranz.

Although over 16 million served in uniform and millions more supported the war effort at home, there is no national memorial to World War II. In 1993 Congress tasked the American Battle Monuments Commission with raising funds for, and constructing a National World War II Memorial.

About \$75 million of the \$100 million required to build the memorial has already been raised. The Na-

tional Funeral Directors Association has pledged to raise \$5 million of the remaining \$25 million needed to construct the Memorial.

The nationwide balloon release and registration effort is the centerpiece of the NFDA campaign, according to Kranz.

"The NFDA's "Celebration of Freedom" campaign encourages friends and family members to contribute to the memorial as a way of celebrating their love of a living or deceased veteran, and to remember the sacrifices made by all Americans so that we may all enjoy the benefits of freedom," Kranz said.

If you are a family member of a World War II veteran who has died and was cared for by another funeral home, you can still make the contribution through Kranz Funeral Homes. Also, to add your name or the name of any World War II veteran, home front worker, Blue or Gold Star Mother or other contributor to the war effort to the Registry of Remembrances, you can do so for a \$10 contribution.

The Cass City area celebration will take place at the park on the main corner by the town clock. The Veterans Day, Nov. 11 service will start at 1:30 p.m.

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# NOTICE OF ELECTION

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the GENERAL ELECTION will be held in the County of Sanilac, State of Michigan on:

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2000**

for the purpose of electing candidates to the various offices: Electors of the President/Vice-President of the United States, United States Senator, Representative in Congress-5th District, State Representative-83rd District, Members of the State Board of Education, Regents of the University of Michigan, Trustees of Michigan State University, Governors of Wayne State University, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, County Surveyor, Road Commissioner, County Commissioner and nonpartisan candidates for Supreme Court Justice, Appeals Court Judge, Probate Court Judge and local offices (mayor, clerk, treasurer, council member and library board), if any. The following proposals will also appear on the ballot:

### STATE PROPOSALS

#### PROPOSAL OO-1

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO PERMIT STATE TO PROVIDE INDIRECT SUPPORT TO STUDENTS ATTENDING NONPUBLIC PRE-ELEMENTARY, ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; ALLOW THE USE OF TUITION VOUCHERS IN CERTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND REQUIRE ENACTMENT OF TEACHER TESTING LAWS

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- 1.) Eliminate ban on indirect support of students attending nonpublic schools through tuition vouchers, credits, tax benefits, exemptions or deductions, subsidies, grants or loans of public monies or property.
- 2.) Allow students to use tuition vouchers to attend nonpublic schools in districts with a graduation rate under 2/3 in 1998-1999 and districts approving tuition vouchers through school board action or a public vote. Each voucher would be limited to 1/2 of state average per-pupil public school revenue.
- 3.) Require teacher testing on academic subjects in public schools and in nonpublic schools redeeming tuition vouchers.
- 4.) Adjust minimum per-pupil funding from 1994-1995 to 2000-2001 level.

Should this proposal be adopted?

#### PROPOSAL OO-2

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE A SUPER MAJORITY VOTE (2/3 VOTE) OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT CERTAIN LAWS AFFECTING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- 1.) Require a super majority vote (2/3 vote) of the State Legislature to enact any law which addresses a matter which a county, city, township, village or municipal authority could otherwise address under its governing powers or which places a condition on unrestricted aid extended local governments by the State. (Currently, a simple majority vote of legislature is required to enact such laws.)
- 2.) Retroactively apply the super majority vote requirement to any such law enacted on or after March 1, 2000.
- 3.) Exempt from the super majority vote requirement any such law which can be applied at the option of local governments.

Should this proposal be adopted?

### COUNTYWIDE PROPOSAL H

#### SANILAC COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MILLAGE

SHALL THE LIMITATION ON GENERAL AD VALOREM TAXES WITHIN SANILAC COUNTY BE INCREASED AS PROVIDED BY ARTICLE IX SECTION 6 OF THE MICHIGAN CONSTITUTION BY NOT MORE THAN 1/10 OF 1 MILL (10 CENTS PER \$1,000 OF TAXABLE VALUE) FOR THE PERIOD OF 2000 THROUGH 2009 INCLUSIVE FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESTORATION AND OPERATION OF THE SANILAC COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM, PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC BUILDING, OBJECTS AND MATERIALS OF SANILAC COUNTY AND HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES AND MUSEUMS WITHIN SANILAC COUNTY UNDER THE DIRECTION AND SUPERVISION OF THE SANILAC COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY; AND SHALL THE COUNTY OF SANILAC LEVY SUCH MILLAGE FOR SAID PURPOSE, THEREBY RAISING IN THE FIRST YEAR AN ESTIMATED \$95,699.00?

### PROPOSAL S

A PROPOSAL TO PERMIT A SURCHARGE TO BE PLACED ON THE TELEPHONE SERVICE USERS TO OFFSET THE COST OF OPERATING THE SANILAC COUNTY CENTRAL DISPATCH ENHANCED 9-1-1

SHALL THERE BE A MONTHLY SURCHARGE TO SANILAC COUNTY TELEPHONE USERS WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES OF SANILAC COUNTY'S ENHANCED 9-1-1 SERVICE DISTRICT OF UP TO 12.77% ADDITIONAL TO THE 4% PREVIOUSLY ASSESSED FOR A TOTAL OF 16.77% OF THE LESSER OF \$20.00 OR THE HIGHEST MONTHLY FLAT RATE CHARGED BY A TELEPHONE SERVICE SUPPLIER FOR A ONE (1) PARTY ACCESS LINE (WHICH WOULD NOT EXCEED \$2.43 PER MONTH) FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS WITH THE SURCHARGE MONIES TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO COVER THE SANILAC COUNTY CENTRAL DISPATCH ENHANCED 9-1-1 OPERATIONS PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT 32 OF 1986 AS AMENDED, AND PUBLIC ACT 196 OF 1991?

### PROPOSAL R RENEWAL OF COUNTY ROAD MAINTENANCE MILLAGE

SHALL THE PREVIOUS VOTED INCREASE IN THE TAX LIMITATION IMPOSED UNDER ARTICLE IX, SEC. 6 OF THE MICHIGAN CONSTITUTION ON GENERAL AD VALOREM TAXES WITHIN SANILAC COUNTY BE RENEWED AT 2 MILLS (2.00 DOLLARS PER \$1,000 OF TAXABLE VALUE) FOR THE PERIOD OF 2001 THROUGH 2005 INCLUSIVE, FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF ALL PRIMARY ROADS, MAJOR AND LOCAL STREETS IN SANILAC COUNTY; AND SHALL THE COUNTY OF SANILAC LEVY SUCH RENEWAL IN MILLAGE FOR SAID PURPOSE, THEREBY RAISING IN THE FIRST YEAR AN ESTIMATED \$1,926,115.00?

### Greenleaf Township Tax Limitation Proposition Renewal of Road Maintenance Millage

Shall the 15 mill tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Greenleaf Township imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for said township by one (1) mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation) over four (4) years beginning with the 2001 tax levy year and running through the 2004 tax levy year (inclusive) for the specific purpose of road maintenance in the unincorporated areas of Greenleaf Township; and shall the township levy such increase in millage for such purpose during such period, which increase will raise in the first year of such levy an estimated revenue of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00)?

I, CAROL A. DALE, COUNTY TREASURER OF THE COUNTY OF SANILAC, MICHIGAN, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT AS OF SEPT 29, 2000, THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE INDICATE THAT THE TOTAL OF ALL VOTED INCREASES, OVER AND ABOVE THE TAX LIMITATION ESTABLISHED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF MICHIGAN IN ANY LOCAL UNITS OF SANILAC COUNTY, IS AS FOLLOWS:

UNIT NAME	VOTED INCREASE	USE	YEARS INCLUSIVE	DATE OF ELECTION
COUNTY OF SANILAC	0.20 M	LIBRARIES	2000-2003	8/8/00
COUNTY OF SANILAC	0.20 M	SENIOR CITIZENS	2000-2003	8/8/00
COUNTY OF SANILAC	0.20 M	MEDICAL CONTROL	2000	8/8/00
COUNTY OF SANILAC	0.20 M	MEDICAL CONTROL	2001-2004	8/8/00
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COUNTY OF SANILAC	0.20 M	PARKS	1998-2001	8/4/98
COUNTY OF SANILAC	.1250 M	VETERANS	1998-2003	8/4/98
COUNTY OF SANILAC	0.20 M	MEDICAL CARE FACILITY	1999-2003	5/11/99
EVERGREEN TOWNSHIP	1.00 M	ROAD MAINT/CONSTR	2000-2003	8/8/00
EVERGREEN TOWNSHIP	1.00 M	ROAD CONSTRUCTION	2000-2003	8/8/00
GREENLEAF TOWNSHIP	1.00 M	FIRE PROTECTION	1997-2000	8/6/96
GREENLEAF TOWNSHIP	1.00 M	FIRE PROTECTION	2001-2004	8/8/00
GREENLEAF TOWNSHIP	1.00 M	ROAD MAINT/CONSTR	1997-2000	11/5/96
CASS CITY SCHOOLS	*18.00 M	OPERATING	1995-1999	6/12/95
	4.76 M	DEBT	1996-2008	3/26/96
UBLY SCHOOLS	*18.00 M	OPERATING	1994-2003	6/13/94
	4.00 M	DEBT	1992-2007	9/24/91
HURON INTER	1.0000 M	SP ED	CHARTER	1969
	1.0000 M	SP ED	CHARTER	1990
	.1300 M	OPERATING	CHARTER	1966
	1.49 M	VO ED	CHARTER	1984
TUSCOLA INTERMEDIATE	2.60 M	SP ED	INDEFINITE	1961/1987
	1.75 M	VO ED	INDEFINITE	4/25/78
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**Let Me Whisper in Your Ear** by Mary Jane Clark: Reporter Laura Walsh seems to have the ability to come up with instant obituaries for celebrities who die unexpectedly. Her colleagues suspect that someone has been tipping Laura off about the rich and famous that don't have long to live. When the remains of a 12-year-old boy, missing for 30 years, turns up buried where the Palisades Amusement Park once was located, Laura sees a chance to make a career move upward. But when the host of the program Hourglass, whom Laura would like to replace, winds up dead and Laura has an obit for her ready to roll, the police and Laura's co-workers become suspicious and Laura may be in big trouble.

**Deep South** by Nevada Barr: Park Ranger Anna Pigeon travels to Mississippi to begin a new position. She finds a sign on a tree that says simply: REPENT. She probably should have immediately turned back to Mesa Verde where she came from, but instead she heads on to the Natchez Trace Parkway to begin her new job. Things don't go all that well for her however because she is resented as a newcomer and has a hard time doing her job well. Her life may even be in danger. She puts her personal safety aside when a young girl's body is discovered in the country cemetery, a sheet around her head and noose around her neck. Now Anna has a very important and probably dangerous job to do.

Experts predict warmer climate

Precipitation to increase?

Precipitation in Michigan is likely to increase 25 percent by 2100 and the climate will be warmer, according to climatological and agricultural meteorology studies authorized by the U.S. National Assessment study.

The study, about half complete, was requested by Congress to assess the climatological changes in the United States over the past several centuries and project the effect of continued change in the next 100 years.

Jeffrey Andresen, Michigan State University Extension agricultural meteorologist, says the expected precipitation increase will be accompanied by increases in atmospheric carbon dioxide. It rose by 100 parts per million (ppm) in the past half-century and is likely to approach 700 ppm by 2100.

He says the Climate Research Unit at the University of East Anglia, United Kingdom, found that world temperatures have increased about one degree F since about 1850, and that most of the warmest years occurred in the past decade.

"Here in the Great Lakes region, we find a similar in-

crease in temperature in the early part of the 1900s followed by a decrease in temperature to the early 1980s, then a steady increase to the present time," Andresen says. "Most of that rise is due to higher minimum nighttime temperatures, and that may be associated with the increase in cloudiness."

Of the several models the meteorologists are reviewing, one out of England predicts an average increase of 4 to 5 degrees F, while a Canadian model foresees an increase of 8 or 9 degrees F in average temperature in the next 100 years.

The major trend, however, is the increased precipitation in the Great Lakes region, Andresen notes.

"Since the 1920s and 1930s, we have seen a steady increase in total precipitation," Andresen says. "It's true across all seasons, warm and cold - the statistics show a dramatic increase in the number of days with precipitation. We are having both more wet days and more multiple wet day events. Both of these are highly, highly significant."

He adds that, as might be expected, the amount of solar radiation the region receives is correspondingly decreasing.

Andresen and his counterparts in Canada and the Midwest are also incorporating

growth data on alfalfa, corn and soybeans in their climatology models to project what might happen to crop production in a climate with an increase in carbon dioxide.

"The projected increase in crop yield will be about 10 percent for alfalfa and as much as 60 percent for soybeans," Andresen says. "It also turned out that most of the crop yield increase suggested by these models is due to carbon dioxide, not the fact that it will be a warmer, wetter climate."

Other factors yet to be considered in the study include

the potential for increased weed, disease and insect problems.

"In looking at an apple production system as an illustration of what may occur, we find more kinds of insects and more generations of them per year," Andresen says. "For instance, the codling moth in northwestern Michigan - it is suggested that an additional generation would be produced in that region each year."

Nonetheless, the predicted climate changes should, overall, be beneficial to Michigan agriculture Andresen says.

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I love Tuscola County just the way it is today, and I wouldn't wish to change it. My only intention is to change the way the Sheriff's Department conducts business in the county.

This is what I don't like:  
"Juvenile Crimes on the Rise", Tuscola County's juvenile court system is witnessing an increase in serious crimes committed by minors", Advertiser, Saturday, Feb. 28, 1998.  
"Tuscola County had 260 burglaries in 1997, as compared to 227 in 1996, which is a 14.5 percent increase." Advertiser, Aug. 5, 1998. Many other counties saw a decrease.  
"One killed, five injured in crash", Advertiser, Wednesday, July 12, 2000. Tuscola County has numerous headlines similar to this every year.  
"Child escapes abduction", Advertiser, Saturday, June 6, 1998  
"Robbery Rate Five Year Trend, Increased 237.87%", Advertiser, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999  
"Violent Crime Rate Five Year Trend, Increased", Advertiser, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999.  
"Plea entered to drug charge", Advertiser, March 18, 2000. This is a headline that is becoming more common.  
"When Re-Elected there will be no changes for the next four years", Sheriff Tom Kern, Oct. 6, Saginaw News.

The election on November 7th is not a popularity contest. If we don't take steps to change these trends, Tuscola County will not be the same four years from now. My family and yours deserve better, and that is why I am running for the Office of Sheriff.

Tom Kern says there will be no changes if he is re-elected, that's not good enough. I have extensive experience in reducing crime and working with citizens. I know we can reverse these trends and ensure our quality of life.

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# Voters face 2 statewide ballot issues

## Proposal One debate targets state funding for private schools

Supporters of the "Kids First! Yes!" initiative say the proposal would guarantee higher per-pupil funding, statewide academic subject testing for all teachers, and funding to provide a better education for children in failing public school districts.

Opponents say those claims amount to little more than a smoke screen for the initiative's real objective - to funnel public tax dollars into private and parochial schools, violating the principle of separation of church and state.

Michigan voters will decide the hotly debated issue in the Tuesday, Nov. 7, general election.

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

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

There are only a handful of Michigan school districts classified as "failing", and none of them are in the Thumb area.

ing would be mandatory for all public school teachers as well as instructors at non-public schools that participate in the opportunity scholarship program, according to Patru.

As it stands now, he said, "Parents really have no way of knowing which teachers are qualified and know their subject matter, and which teachers do not. This is really a first step in teacher accountability."

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

Initially, the opportunity scholarships will be available only in those failing districts, but students in other public schools could also participate if a local board of education votes in favor of the program. Residents can also put the issue to a vote provided 10 percent of district residents who voted in the most recent school election sign a petition calling for an election on the matter.

### NOT LIKE

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

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

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

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

state, and this certainly violates that principle."

Micklash voiced a number of other concerns, including a lack of specifics concerning the proposed testing of instructors. He also questioned the quality of education that could result from allowing any and all non-public schools to accept public tax dollars.

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

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

"It could have a major impact. If it (proposal) was passed, the Legislature would be free to enact other issues," he said. For example, Moore added, any corporation could set up its own school and receive a tax credit for educating their employees' children, rather than paying taxes to the state. "My concern is that someone would want to set up their own school, and there's only so much money in the state school fund," Moore continued.

### QUALITY?

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

"The public schools have been improving for many years now. All 9 K-12 districts are doing an excellent job in Tuscola County,"

Moore added. He pointed out that parents who are not satisfied with their children's school can already send their kids to another system through the Schools of Choice law.

Among those embracing the proposed reform are officials at Deford Christian Academy.

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

Wice said tuition at the Deford Academy - \$1,800 annually for church members and \$1,900 for non-members - has proven to be a hardship for many families, even those with 2 incomes.

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

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

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

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

## "Home rule" plan would require two-thirds vote in Legislature

School vouchers may be attracting the attention of most Michigan voters as next week's general election approaches, but the debate over a second statewide proposal has also picked up steam in recent weeks.

The initiative has been labeled Proposal 00-2 and is commonly referred to as the "Let Local Votes Count Home Rule Ballot Proposal".

If approved, the measure would amend the Michigan Constitution to require a super majority, or two-thirds vote, rather than a simple majority, in the Michigan House and Senate on bills seeking to eliminate or preempt existing local ordinances or charter provisions.

The measure would affect laws enacted on or after March 1, 2000, that intervene or increase the scope of state intervention in municipal concerns, property, or government of a city, village, county, township or any municipal authority.

Organizers of the drive say the proposal advocates the right of local citizens and taxpayers - through their local government - to choose their own local laws and ordinances by making it more difficult for lawmakers to approve bills that restrict or eliminate local authority.

Opponents say the measure would make it difficult to pass favorable as well as unfavorable legislation. They also claim the law would adversely affect business and agriculture.

"I am very, very much in favor of this ballot proposal. It hits at the very heart of what we are about - preserving home rule," commented Cass City Village Manager Jane Downing, who serves as vice chairman, Region 5, of

the Michigan Municipal League (MML), which spearheaded the signature drive.

"Local government is about home rule - people at the grass roots level deciding what is best for their community," she said. "It's also what representative government is all about."

Downing, who serves on MML's Finance and Taxation Committee, said Proposal 00-2 is the result of growing concern over a continuing trend of the State Legislature adding more and more matters to the list of issues addressed and regulated by state law.

Downing suggested that one, uniform set of regulations for the entire state is a "one size fits all" approach that doesn't take into account what makes each Michigan community unique.

"All communities must abide by state law, which provides a framework," she said. "What sets us apart is how we take that and administer and implement it. It allows us to really create our own identities."

The goal of Proposal 00-2 is to "raise the bar" for special interests determined to convince legislators to pass legislation that affects local government, according to MML officials. Battles already lost to special interests, they say, include local input on the state unified construction code, and the right to regulate noise and odor relating to farm operations.

### OPPOSITION

Among the groups opposing Proposal 00-2 are the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan Township

Association (MTA) and Michigan Association of Counties (MAC).

"MTA is very sympathetic to MML's willingness to address the recent tendency of the Michigan Legislature to constrain the scope and authority of local governments. However, the MTA Board believes that, in the long-term interest of good government, it is far better to protect local control through developing a stronger member consensus on strategic bills that will ensure a unified, effective message to the Legislature that local matters should be settled locally," said MTA President Gloria Maichele.

MTA's major concern focus is the requirement of a two-thirds vote on legislation that "intervenes" in the "municipal concerns" of local governments, which could affect

the passage of legislation favorable to townships.

"We should not sacrifice the Legislature's ability to adopt laws strengthening township government and constitutionally protect the status quo by creating a system that requires a super majority vote," said MTA Executive Director Larry Merrill.

"That's minority rule, and that violates our country's principle of letting laws reflect the will of the majority of citizens," Elkland Township Supervisor Dan Erla agreed.

"Only big cities would benefit from Proposal 2. Michigan's counties, townships and villages would suffer dire consequences, and we simply can't let that happen," he said. "Voting 'no' on Proposal 2 means voting yes for a level playing field in the Michigan Legislature."

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## Township races on tap in area

Two Cass City area townships are hosting races for local seats in the Tuesday, Nov. 7, general election.

In Elmwood Township, newcomers LaDonna J. Bliss, a Cass City Republican, and Norma Rabideau, a Gagetown Democrat, are seeking the treasurer's post previously held by Mary Marker.

Running unopposed are incumbents Supervisor James C. Turner (R), Clerk Elaine N. Seibel (R) and trustees Joan A. Sattelberg (R) and Kenneth E. Blue (R).

In Novesta Township, races

are set for supervisor and clerk.

Republican Ronold E. Palmer, Cass City, is challenging longtime incumbent Maynard Stine, a Deford Democrat, for the office of supervisor. Newcomers Karen M. Mozden (D) and Antoinette V. Stachura (R) are vying for the post of clerk. Incumbent Clerk Kathy Newell opted not to seek another term.

Running unopposed are incumbents Ralph Zinnecker (D), treasurer, and trustees Dennis Hendrick (R) and Ronald Patera (D).

## Sanilac voters to decide 3 proposals

Sanilac County voters will decide a trio of countywide ballot issues in the Tuesday, Nov. 7, general election.

Proposal H asks voters to approve .10 of a mill for the period 2000 through 2009 for the purpose of restoration and operation of the Sanilac County Historical Museum, preservation of historic buildings, objects and materials, and historical activities.

Proposal S would authorize a surcharge on telephone service customers' bills of up to an additional 12.77 percent, on top of the previously assessed 4 percent, to offset the cost of operating the Sanilac County Central Dispatch Enhanced 911 service.

The charge would total 16.77 percent of the lesser of \$20, or the highest monthly flat rate charged by a tele-

phone service supplier for a one-party access line (not to exceed \$2.43 per month). The charge would be assessed for 5 years.

The third ballot issue, Proposal R, is renewal of 2 mills for the period 2001 through 2005 for the maintenance of all primary roads and major and local streets in the county.

### GREENLEAF

In addition to the countywide proposals, residents in Greenleaf Township will be asked to approve a special one-mill tax for 4 years. Funds generated by the levy would go towards road maintenance in the unincorporated areas of the township.

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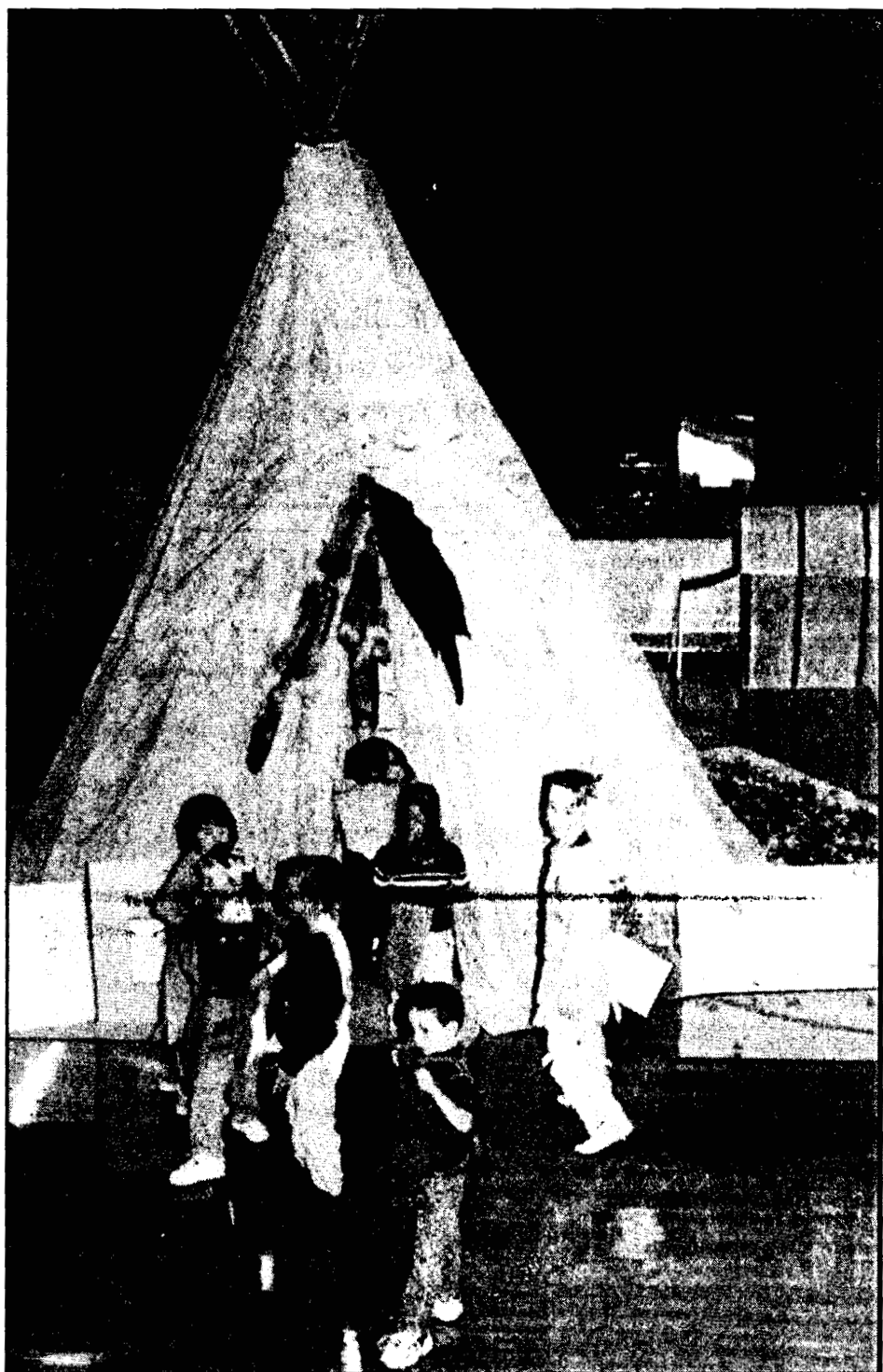
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ABOVE, FIFTH grade teacher Andrea Ross prepares fry bread while student Ryan Smith helps out during Monday's Native American Festival and Museum at Gagetown Elementary. Below, students take turns visiting a life-size teepee set up in the gym. (Related photo, page one)



## Village council meeting

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Karr noted the problem has surfaced before, and he asked village Police Chief Gene Wilson if the issue could be addressed through enforcement of existing litter ordinances.

Wilson said enforcement would be difficult because officers would have to witness someone tossing a publication into a yard. There's also a question of who would be ticketed, he added. "It does constitute littering, but it's a hard way to go." Council members agreed to contact the shopper publishers in an effort to resolve the problem. If that doesn't work, Karr said, "we're going to have to begin ticketing."

### IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business Monday, the council:

- Discussed a written request from Cass City School Supt. Ken Micklash on behalf of the school's Citizen

Advisory Committee, which asked that the village consider making the corner of Rose and Ale streets a 3-way stop in order to ease traffic congestion.

Wilson suggested a 3-way stop would increase congestion.

Trustee Cathy Kropewnicki urged the council to consider paving north Ale Street, a project that would encourage more motorists to take that route to the middle and high schools, thus reducing traffic at the elementary school. Safety of the children should be a priority, she said.

The project would be very expensive, and past discussions with school officials have not resulted in an agreement to share the cost. But Kropewnicki recommended that the discussion be reopened and a compromise reached between the village and school.

- Heard a brief report from Public Works Committee Chairman Steve Wright on the anticipated costs for 3

capital outlay projects that need to be addressed.

Renovation and upgrades at the water tower are going to be very expensive, he said, with cost estimates set at around \$70,000, including improvements and maintenance to the water tower. Officials hope the work will enable the village to avoid bacteria contamination of the water as was recently experienced.

In addition, a ditch leading from the Yellow Freight building to a drain just west of town will have to be cleaned out at a cost of about \$4,000, and another \$3,500 will be spent to have a company come in to test water lines, hydrants and meters for leaks.

• Heard a report from Kropewnicki, who chairs the Parks and Promotion Committee. She said plans call for paving the village walking trail in 2002. It's hoped the work will result in less vandalism at the trail gazebo by attracting more walking traffic, she said.

• Agreed to consider Smith's suggestions that a triangular-shaped parcel located southeast of the Detroit Edison North Area Energy Center, near the walking trail, be transformed into a minipark. The village owns the property. Smith also suggested that steps be installed at the sledding hill to make it easier for sledders to climb the hill during the winter months.

## Pair seek Michigan House seat

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community action boards. Stillwell-Binder describes herself as a Pro Choice candidate who will vote according to the wishes of her constituency.



Tom Meyer



Pam Stillwell-Binder

She supports requiring employers to pay overtime, raising the minimum wage, family and medical leaves, and restoring bargaining rights of workers.

Stillwell-Binder also supports lower class size in schools, increasing the number of teachers, zero tolerance for violence, taking emphasis off of state standardized tests, and not taking tax dollars away from public schools.

In addition, she also supports affordable and responsible health care and prescription drugs, creation of an HMO ombudsman, and a strong patient's bill of rights.

## Diabetes program Saturday

Caro Community Hospital, Hills and Dales General Hospital and The East Central Diabetes Outreach Network (ECDON) will offer a free diabetes education program for the community.

The program will be offered Saturday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Rawson Memorial Library, 6495 Pine St., Cass City.

"Take Charge! Leading the Way to Better Diabetes Control", is targeted for those who have previously been diagnosed with diabetes and need to develop a next-step personal plan of action. A certified diabetes educator will present an interactive community class that will answer questions about insurance coverage, care you should expect to receive from your doctor, complications and how to develop a personal plan of action.

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## Obituaries

### John Fleming

John A. Fleming, 68, of Snover, died Saturday, Oct. 28, 2000, at the McKenzie Memorial Hospital in Sandusky.

Fleming was born Oct. 18, 1932, in Decker, son of Harvey and Mabel (Leslie) Fleming. He graduated from Marlette High School in 1951, served in the U.S. Army 1954-1957, and married Carolyn Rumley Nov. 12, 1959, in Daytona Beach, Fla. He was a member of the Christian Church of Daytona Beach, Fla. He retired in 1988 after being an electrician for 37 years.

He is survived by his wife Carolyn; 2 sons, Harvey Fleming of Miamisburg, Ohio, and Daniel Bruce and Dawn Fleming of Emmett; 4 daughters, Reva and James Richards of Black Hawk, S.D., Mabel and Rich O'Quinn of Melbourne, Fla., Rhoda and Robert Mengert of Box Elder, S.D., and Esther and Carey Slater of Snover; 6 grandchildren; 2

brothers, James and Lucille Fleming of Decker and Wayne and Pat Fleming of Sandusky; one sister, Mary Jean Pickett of Waterford, and one sister-in-law, Shirley Shepperd of Port Orange, Fla.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and brothers, Leslie and Robert.

Cremation has taken place at the Sunset Valley Crematory in Bay City.

A memorial service was scheduled Tuesday, Oct. 31, at the Marsh Funeral Chapel in Sandusky with the Rev. Don Gotham of the Sandusky First United Methodist Church officiating. Memorials may be given to the family.

### Steven Franzel

Steven Meno "Baldy" Franzel, 73, of Ubly, died Thursday, Oct. 26, 2000, at Huron Memorial Hospital. He was born Dec. 30, 1926, to John and Annie (Geiger) Franzel. He married Lizzette Grenier Sept. 2, 1961, at St.

Joseph Catholic Church in Argyle. They were married for 33 years.

Franzel attended a country school. He worked for the elevator in Ubly before moving to Warren, where he worked for the Chrysler Corporation at the Warren Stamping Plant. He retired in 1988 after 34 years of service and returned to Sanilac County in 1989. He was a member of Ascension Parish of Warren for 34 years, and a Golden Eagle Member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #2437 in Warren. He was a member of the UAW #869 in Warren, and an honorary member of the Ruth Knights of Columbus Council #3823.

Surviving are one daughter, Karen LaFave and her husband Kevin of Skandia; 2 sons, Thomas Franzel of Warren and Steven Franzel of Eastpointe; special friend, Margaret Bouverette of Bad Axe; 6 grandchildren; 2 sisters, Ruth Stanley and her husband, John, of Hazel Park, and Marie Younglove

of Bad Axe; 2 brothers, Cornelius Franzel of Snover and Robert Franzel of Ubly.

He was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Brooke Theresa LaFave; 6 brothers, Martin Lincoln, Edward, Michael, Frank, Earnest and Henry Franzel, and 2 sisters, Cecilia Pearson and Stella Peters.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, Oct. 30, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Frieberg. The Rev. Stephen Fillion, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in the church cemetery. Arrangements were made by the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly.

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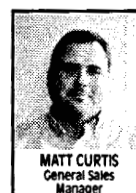
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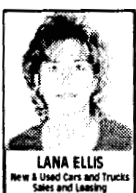
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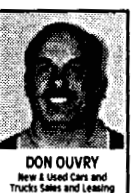
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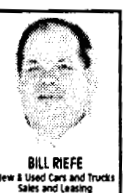
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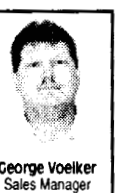
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# Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson  
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Allen Farrelly visited Dan Franzel at the Huron Medical Care Center in Bad Axe Tuesday and Thursday. Other visitors Tuesday were Jim Foster of Waterford, Mrs. Dan Franzel and Doris Western.

Jessie Canham and Ethel Lowes of Niagara Falls, Canada, and Mrs. Gerald Wills were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ballagh.

Florence Watson was a Friday afternoon guest of Thelma Jackson.

Jessie Canham and Ethel Lowes of Canada left Monday after spending several days with Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Jim and Kay Sweeney spent a few days with Sally and Pat Bell and family at Carp Lake.

Susan Krozek, Ryan and Samantha of Kinde, Ray and Rita Depcinski were Saturday supper guests of Nancy and Dean Carpenter and family at Caro, where they celebrated Dean Jr.'s 15th birthday and Michael's 13th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard were among a group who attended the wedding reception for Mr. and Mrs. Matt Particka at the American Legion Hall in Utica.

Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford, Mrs. Alex Cleland, Carol Laming and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cleland Jr. and family spent a few days at Cheboygan.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. John O'Henley.

Alice Depcinski was a Wednesday afternoon guest of Thelma Jackson.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Mr. and Mrs. Tony Cieslinski Thursday.

Eugene and Molly Depcinski and Ray and Rita Depcinski attended the sausage and ham dinner at St. Anthony's church hall at Helena Sunday.

Mary Lou and Bob Harris of Gladwin visited Donelda Meske at the Long Term Care facility at Harbor Beach Wednesday and later visited Betty and Bryce Hagen.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney and

Thelma Jackson visited Mrs. Clinton Law in Cass City Monday.

FARM BUREAU

The Young Ideas Farm Bureau met Thursday evening at the home of Delores and Russell Bouchard. Dewey Holz led the discussion.

After the discussion, a video was shown and cards were played. High prizes were won by Dorothy Heleski and Joe Sweeney. Low prizes went to Lorraine Holz and Stanley Heleski. The hostess served a lunch.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Rita and Ray Depcinski Nov. 30.

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Gary and Joan Wills of Port Austin and Reva Silver were Thursday supper and evening guests of Mrs. Gerald Wills and her guests, Jessie Canham and Ethel Lowes of Niagara Falls, Canada.

Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford, Bill Cleland and Alex and Graham Griffen of Walled Lake spent a few days with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

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

Bryce and Betty Hagen went to the Long Term Care facility at Harbor Beach to visit Donelda Meske Sunday.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney, Mrs. Curtis Cleland and Mrs. Gerald Wills were Wednesday afternoon and supper guests of Thelma Jackson.

Mrs. Richard Bukowski and Mrs. John Mergyl of Lake Orion and Mrs. Bob Jackson were Tuesday afternoon and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz.

# Library to host open house

Two computers and a laser printer given to the Rawson Memorial Library through a Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation grant are scheduled to be installed at the library Monday.

Members of the community are invited to an open house from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. that day. The Gates trainers will be at the library to answer questions about the computers and demonstrate how to use them.

These computers are especially designed for the library environment and with their installation the library will be better able to serve the computer needs of the community. Three additional Gates program computers have been purchased with the assistance of a Pinney Foundation grant. These computers should arrive some time later in November.

Research software available on these computers includes Encarta Encyclopedia, World Atlas, Research Organizer 2000, and others. Programs in the Microsoft Office Suite such as Word, Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint and Access can be used to type a resume, create a spreadsheet, prepare a presentation, or make a poster or greeting card, etc. Work may be saved to a floppy disk (available for \$1 each) or printed out on the new laser black and white printer or inkjet color print (black and white prints 10 cents; color prints 25 cents). Of course, the library computers offer Internet access, so patrons can surf the net or check their e-mail.

One of the Gates computers will be installed in the children's area. Software on this machine includes 20

children's programs such as Magic School Bus, Arthur games, Dr. Seuss stories and Barney stories. All programs are installed directly on the computers so CDs will not be needed to access them. Using the machines is easy. Just come to the library and

sign for an Internet card. Then you may use the machines for 30 minutes at a time. If no one is waiting you may stay longer. There is no charge for using any of the computers. Computer classes will be offered after the first of the

year on such topics as Basic Computer Knowledge, Word Processing and Using the Internet. If you are interested in taking classes please tell someone at the circulation desk so library officials can contact you when the time comes.

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The following newspapers all agree that Congressman Jim Barcia's work on behalf of the people of the Fifth District warrants his return to Washington: **the Detroit Free Press, the Detroit News, the Saginaw News, and the Bay City Times**



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*The Pinconning Journal, May 17, 2000*

Barcia backs proposed tax break  
*The Tuscola County Advertiser, March 15, 2000*

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*Bay City Times, March 10, 2000*



# Legal Notices

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by:  
Bill D. Jacobi and Deandra L. Jacobi, as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship, husband and wife to  
Southern Pacific Funding Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 20, 1998 and recorded on June 4, 1998 in Liber 741, on Page 670, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Eight Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty Three and 23/100 Dollars (\$78,953.23), including interest at 13.150% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Friday, December 1, 2000.

Said premises are situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:  
Parcel D: Part of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 32, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the South Section line that is North 89 degrees 56 minutes 47 seconds West 1153.80 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 32; thence continuing along said South Section line North 89 degrees 56 minutes 47 seconds West 350.00 feet; thence North 1 degree 30 minutes 32 seconds East, 1303.06 feet; thence along the North line of said South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 South 89 degrees 27 minutes, 20 seconds East, 349.94 feet; thence South 1 degree, 30 minutes, 32 seconds West, 1300.06 feet to the point of beginning. Right of Way for Willard Rd. over the Southerly side thereof.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 6, 2000

Southern Pacific Funding Corporation, Assignee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
36250 Dequindre Rd. Ste. 410  
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(810) 795-4400 Ext. 102

10-18-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE**

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roland J. David, Jr. & Tina A. David, Husband And Wife, to Amerifirst Financial Corporation, mortgagee, dated June 13, 1989 and recorded June 14, 1989 in Liber 593, Page 624, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Aurora Loan Services by assignment dated June 8, 2000 and recorded on September 27, 2000 in Liber 811, Page 900, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Seventy and 56/100 Dollars (\$29,470.56) including interest at the rate of 11% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on November 17, 2000.

The premises are located in the City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 7, Block 1 of Merri's Addition to the Village (Now City) of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 21, now being Page 22A.

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

less the property is determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 11, 2000

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC  
Attorneys for Aurora Loan Services.  
As Assignee  
2501 Rochester Court  
Troy, MI 48063  
(248) 457-1000

File # 191.0084

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rick Lohm a married man and Michelle Lohm his wife (original mortgagors) to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., f/k/a Norwest Mortgage, Inc., d/b/a Directors Acceptance, Mortgagee, dated August 31, 1999 and recorded on September 7, 1999 in Liber 781, on Page 476, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT AND 92/100 Dollars (\$76,148.92), including interest at 11.000% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 9/1 and 3/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on December 15, 2000.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 13, Block 4 of Morse's Addition to Village (now City) of Vassar; thence East 136.00 feet; thence South 50.00 feet; thence West 136.00 feet; thence North 50.00 feet to the place of beginning. City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, Section 12, Town 11 North, Range 7 East.

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

Dated: November 1, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
248-593-1306  
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Attorneys and Counselors  
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200022107

Dolphin

11-1-5

**SUMMONS**  
CAUSE NO. 57C01-0008-CP-0135  
IN THE NOBLE CIRCUIT COURT  
STATE OF INDIANA  
COUNTY OF NOBLE

In Re: Margaret Johnson vs. Patricia Ann Remsing.

Margaret Johnson, Petitioner, to the respondent, Patricia Ann Remsing, and any other person who may be concerned. Patricia Ann Remsing is hereby notified that she has been sued in the Noble Circuit Court, Noble County, Indiana, Cause No. 57C01-0008-CP-0135, by the above named Petitioner, Margaret Johnson. The Petitioner seeks declaratory relief from the Court cancelling a certain assignment as to the real estate located at: 6686 South County Line Road 575 East, Henderson, Indiana.

This Summons by Publication is specifically addressed to the Respondent, Patricia Ann Remsing, whose address and whereabouts are unknown. If you have a claim for Relief against Petitioner rising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer to the Petitioner's Petition within thirty (30) days after the last notice of said action is published, and in the event you fail to do so, judgment by default may be entered against you for such relief as may be ordered by the

Court. Hearing in this matter will be set in the Noble Circuit Court, Albion, Indiana.

The name and address of the attorney for Petitioner is: Jeffrey S. Arnold, P.O. Box 131, Albion, Indiana 46701, telephone: (219) 636-6699.

Dated this 12th day of October, 2000.  
Diann Bortner, Clerk of the Noble Circuit Court and Superior Courts  
101 N. Orange Street, Albion, IN 46701  
10-18-3

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

**MORTGAGE SALE**

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kevin W. Comer Sr., a Married Man And Corliss J. Comer, His Wife who joins in The Execution Of This Mortgage Solely To Subject Her Homestead And Dower Interest to the Lien of this Mortgage, to Royal Mortgage, mortgagee, dated May 14, 1998 and recorded August 11, 1998 in Liber 747, Page 617, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Indenture Trustee of IMC Home Equity Loan Owner Trust 1998-6 under the Sale and Servicing Agreement dated as of September 1, 1998 by assignment dated September 7, 2000 and recorded on October 18, 2000 in Liber 813, Page 766, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty and 80/100 Dollars (\$54,880.80) including interest at the rate of 12.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 15, 2000.

The premises are located in the Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 6 of Matheson's Addition to the Village of Tuscola, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Deed Liber 15, Page 566, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: November 1, 2000

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC  
Attorneys for The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Indenture Trustee of IMC Home Equity Loan Owner Trust 1998-6 under the Sale and Servicing Agreement dated as of September 1, 1998  
As Assignee  
2501 Rochester Court  
Troy, MI 48063  
(248) 457-1000

File # 193.0588

11-1-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE**

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michelle M. Masko and Michael M. Masko, Wife And Husband, to Mortgage America, Inc., mortgagee, dated November 29, 1996 and recorded December 13, 1996 in Liber 702, Page 853, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee of IMC Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-1 under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of January 1, 1997 by assignment dated September 8, 2000 and recorded on October 18, 2000 in Liber 813, Page 763, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Ninety-One Thousand One and 89/100 Dollars (\$91,001.89) including interest at the rate of 12.7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 15, 2000.

The premises are located in the Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point 1094 feet North of the Southwest corner of Section 5, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, thence East 200 feet; thence North 235 feet; thence West 200 feet; thence South 235 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: November 1, 2000

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC  
Attorneys for The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee of IMC Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-1 under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of January 1, 1997, as Assignee.  
2501 Rochester Court  
Troy, MI 48063  
(248) 457-1000

File No. 193.0052

11-1-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James M. Hall and Carla Hall, Husband and Wife (original mortgagors) to Mortgage America (IMC), Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 30, 1998, and recorded on August 14, 1998 in Liber 747, on Page 1306, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to The Chase Manhattan Bank as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of May 1, 2000, among Credit-Based Asset Servicing and Securitization LLC, Asset Backed Fund-

ing Corporation, Litton Loan Servicing LP and the Chase Manhattan Bank, C-BASS Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2000-CB2, without recourse, Assignee by an assignment dated April 25, 2000, which was recorded on October 13, 2000, in Liber 812, on Page 1401, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE AND 44/100 Dollars (\$69,245.44), including interest at 9.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 8, 2000.

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

Commencing at a point that is 275 feet West of the Northeast corner of Section 3, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence West 208.75 feet; thence South 208.75 feet; thence East 208.75 feet; thence North 208.75 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: October 25, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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Attorneys and Counselors  
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200020368

Ravens

10-25-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tiffany A. Kozma a married woman, (original mortgagors) to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated August 3, 1999, and recorded on August 12, 1999 in Liber 779, on Page 687, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE AND 96/100 Dollars (\$73,723.96), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 1, 2000.

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

The North 95 feet of a parcel of land described as: Commencing 40 rods North of the Southwest corner of Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Thence North 20 rods; Thence East 25 rods; Thence South 20 rods; Thence West 25 rods to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 11, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
248-593-1306  
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Attorneys and Counselors  
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200021722

Hawks

10-11-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by R. Adamczyk, his wife (original mortgagors) to The Homestead Mortgage Company, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 3, 1997, and recorded on October 9, 1997, in Liber 721, on Page 1154, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated October 10, 1997, which was recorded on November 20, 1997, in Liber 724, on Page 1102, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE AND 91/100 Dollars (\$58,423.91) including interest at 8.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on December 1, 2000.

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

Commencing 3 Rods South and 4 Rods West of the Northeast corner of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, thence South 8 Rods; thence West 4 Rods; thence North 8 Rods to the South line of Main Street; thence East 4 Rods to the place of beginning.

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

Dated: October 18, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
248-593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200022161

Stallions

10-18-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ted R. Balzer, a married man and Juanita Balzer, his wife (original mortgagors) to Capstone Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 30, 1999, and recorded on July 12, 1999 in Liber 776, on Page 900, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., as assignee by an assignment dated June 30, 1999, which was recorded on October 2, 2000, in Liber 811, on Page 1382, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THREE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHT AND 71/100 Dollars (\$344,308.71), including interest at 13.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on December 1, 2000.

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

Parcel A - Part of Government Lot 3 of Section 20, Town 15 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 20, said point being along said South line North 89 degrees 47 minutes 10 seconds West, 1380.01 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 20, thence continuing along said South line, North 89 degrees 47 minutes 10 seconds West, 1222.02 feet to a meander line, thence along said meander line, North 47 degrees 45 minutes East, 1238.94 feet; thence South 06 degrees 49 minutes 30 seconds East, 578.12 feet; thence South 67 degrees 32 minutes 05 seconds East 233.70 feet; thence South 06 degrees 37 minutes 50 seconds East, 175.43 feet to the point of beginning. EXCEPT land described as beginning at a point on the South Section line, said point being North 89 degrees 47 minutes 10 seconds West, 2350.00 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 20; thence continuing North 89 degrees 47 minutes 10 seconds West, 252.03 feet to the meander corner, thence along the meander line, North 47 degrees 45 minutes East, 1238.94 feet; thence South 08 degrees 32 minutes 10 seconds East, 204.55 feet to the point of beginning and including all that part of Lot 3 lying Westerly of the last described line as extended to Saginaw Bay.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 11, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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Attorneys and Counselors  
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Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200017024

Mustangs

10-11-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Benjamin Lockert a married man (original mortgagors) to Mac-Clear Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 11, 1998, and recorded on April 7, 1998 in Liber 734, on Page 696, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Fleet Mortgage Corp., a South Carolina Corporation f/k/a Fleet Real Estate Fund-Advisors, Assignee by an assignment dated November 1, 1999, which was recorded on December 8, 1999, in Liber 789, on Page 1140, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX AND 36/100 Dollars (\$77,766.36), including interest at 7.625% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 7/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on November 17, 2000.

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

Lot 18, Block 2 of Westdale Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, Page 248, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: October 4, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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Attorneys and Counselors  
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200021770

Hawks

10-4-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by:  
Deborah A. O'Brien and James S. O'Brien, her husband to  
Simpson Mortgage Co., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 2, 1997 and recorded on May 13, 1997 in Liber 710, on Page 824, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to Access Financial Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-3, by an assignment dated May 14, 1997 and recorded November 13, 1997 in Liber 724, Page 335, on which mortgage there is claimed to

be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty Seven Thousand, One Hundred Ninety Four and 48/100 Dollars (\$47,194.48), including interest at 11.050% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by the sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Friday, December 1, 2000.

Said premises are situated in The Township of Indianfield, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 23 of Block 7 of Charles Montague's Subdivision to the Village of Caro, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, now being Page 11A of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: October 6, 2000

Chase Manhattan Bank, as trustee of Access Financial Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-3, Assignee of Mortgage

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
36250 Dequindre Rd. Ste. 410  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310  
(810) 795-4400 Ext. 102

10-18-5

**MORTGAGE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Ernest Huizar, Jr. and Emma M. Huizar, husband and wife, to the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture. The Mortgage is dated August 13, 1985 and was recorded on August 13, 1985 in Liber 552 on pages 676 to 679 of the Tuscola County Records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now Sixty Five Thousand Three Hundred Six and 02/100 (\$65,306.02) Dollars.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on November 17, 2000 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan which is the location of the Tuscola County Circuit Court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest at the rate



# Middle School Honor Roll

The Cass City Middle School honor roll for the first marking period has been announced.

## 5TH GRADE

Rodney Abasso, David Acker\*, Heather Baker\*, Isaiah Battel\*, Natasha Bearinger\*, Lauren Bennett, Jessica Bessler, Christopher Binder, Kendra Bitzer, Andrew Bock, Chelsey Bootz\*, Evan Bushong\*, Christopher Childs, Samantha Currier, Ethan Damm, Eric Darr, Andrew Deering\*, Danielle Delamarter\*, Rebecca Doerr\*, Madeline Dooley\*, Kenny Grady, Kimberly Guthrie, Jacob Hanby, Scarlett Helland, Trey Helwig, Chenese Hodges, Zach Hopper, Darrin Howard, Ashley Hutchinson, Devin Jamieson, David Janssen Jr., Brittany Karavas, Kristie Karr\*, Mark Koepf, Andrew Kolacz, Adam Kranz, Justin Louks, Shane McFarland, Lauren Meck, Dannielle Metzger\*, Heather

Moore, Lacey Morrish, Alyssa Nicol\*, Alicia Osentoski, Thomas Parrish, Stephanie Regnerus, Caitlyn Rickett, Kelton Roth, Brandy Rychlewski, Timothy Sangster, Cassandra Simpson, Nicholas Smith\*, Caitlyn Sorenson, Jeffrey Sparks, Marissa Sumersett, Brian Taylor, Trent Vatter, Derek Weidman\*, Christopher Zawilinski, Jennifer Zmierski.

## 6TH GRADE

Rebecca Bennett, Ryan Biddinger\*, Dennis Bowen, Whitney Braun, Brandy Brown, John Brown, Daniel Buckbee, Elizabeth Burk, Alyssa Cryderman, Kristen Curtiss, Terra Czekai, Joseph Daneault\*, Chelsea Deluyck, Jill Dillon, Jeremiah Fritz\*, Courtney Hacker, Jennifer Hacker\*, Amber Hadd, Jennifer Hadd, Kurt Hanby, Bradley Hartel, Danielle Hartel, Jaclyn Hendrick, Kati Hill, Allison Hillaker\*, Lauren Howard, Stephanie

Jamieson\*, James Ketterer, Ryan King, Meredith Kim, Whitney Kim, Kathryn Kico, Lysa Knight\*, Galen Kuebli, Andrew LaFave, Jessica Lange, Cameron Lautner, James Luana, Andrew Martin\*, Chelsea McCallum, Laura McComas, Brandon Miller\*, Kaitlyn Miller, Thomas Mittlestat, Lindsey Montgomery\*, Deric Murphy, Adam Nerkowski, Megan O'Dell, Kevin Ouvry, Jessica Pachla, Lief Parr, Andrew Peruski, Ashley Rabideau\*, Courtney Rabideau\*, Danielle Reed, Kyle Reif, Allyn Richards\*, Derek Ricker, Eric Romain, Ryan Ross, Nicholas Sattelberg\*, Emily Schinnerer\*, Bradley Severance\*, Kyle Sieradzki, Kane Smith, Beth Spencer, Kari Spencer, Preston Stec, Michael Stevens, Brent Stine, Philip Strong, Kyle Swanson\*, Rebecca Sweeney\*, Nancy Thane, Courtney Voss, Brent Weaver\*, Adam Wentworth, Leah Whittaker\*, Tyler Whittaker, Jason Wilder, Bobby Windsor\*.

## 7TH GRADE

Caitlin Barnes, Rachael Biebel, Jennifer Brinkman, Eric Bullock, Donna Bushong\*, Sarah Childs, Shawna Compo, Trevor Copeland, Libby Doerr\*, Bethany Edwards\*, Kenneth Ender, David Erla, Jerica Fenningsdorf, Justin Glaza\*, Ashley Hendrick\*, Aimee Hennessey\*, Matthew Koepf, Bradley

Langenburg\*, Sarah Langmaid, Evan Laurie\*, Jill Lowe, Derrick Mallory, Kevin Martin, Katie McIntosh\*, Steven (Scott) Mecker, Philip Nahernak\*, Nicholas Nanney, Stephanie Nizzola, Brandon Otulakowski, Samantha Parr, Ivan Peruski\*, Tara Powell\*, Ashley Putterbaugh, Rebecca Putnam, Eric Reed\*, Jamie Ryan, Andrew Shagene, Chad Sparks, Lindsey Speirs\*, Ryan Storm, Jarod Stoutenburg\*, Jeffrey Stoutenburg\*, Shaun Thornton, Jenna Timko\*, Kalen Trischler, Heather Vatter, Janelle Venema, Amber Weiss, Jeffrey Willis\*, Justin Wutzke.

## 8TH GRADE

Raechel Babich, Chancy Balk, Jessica Chappel, Ashley Barrigar\*, Tasha Bryant\*, Brenden Curtis\*, Patricia Dale, Danielle Dohn, Allison Ellis, Jared Ferris, Chad Francis, Samantha Gaspie, Andy Haas, Caleb Hanby, April Hein, Marcel Helland, Carrie Hillaker\*, Krista Homakie\*, Elizabeth Hoxie\*, Jessup Hoyt\*, Rose Krug\*, Luann Laming\*, Bethany Langlois, Sean McFarland\*, Brandon Miller, Timothy Mills\*, Daniel Mittlestat\*, Christina Montgomery, Christina Osentoski, Delores Rabideau, Jesse Rader, Patrick Reed\*, Stephanie Richards\*, Andrew Schinnerer\*, Sean Severance, Leah Sherman,

Kristina Spaulding\*, Jason Speirs, Angela Stoeckel\*, Nicholas Stoutenburg, Jeffery Tenbusch\*, Keith

Truemner, Jessie Tuckey\*, Joseph Vandecar, Amanda Warner, Tara Whittaker, Jake Wilder, Michael Zmierski.

## Library to host health program

A free diabetes program entitled "Take Charge!!-Lead the Way to Better Diabetes Control" will be offered at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City, Saturday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Because November is Diabetes Month, the diabetes educators of this area are offering this opportunity to gain knowledge and skills usually offered only in fee-attached comprehensive programs available in the city.

This program provides information and skills that people need in order to find the power to take control of their diabetes. Activities are offered to provide participants with skills and support to take charge of their own diabetes management.

The program is designed to give patients time to think about problems and issues in their lives that influence how they care for their diabetes.

It is not the purpose of this program to provide personalized meal planning or basic education about treatment. Ideally this should be accomplished prior to this 2-hour session by a consult with a registered dietitian or a certified diabetes educator, or by attending "The ABC's of Diabetes", offered in July

and August.

However, organizers will allow those who don't meet the above criteria to attend because of the value of the information for all persons challenged by their diabetes every day.

Either Greg Harrington at Caro Community Hospital or Bonnie Johnson at Hills and Dales General Hospital may be seen with a referral from your physician and by appointment for teaching basics and a personalized meal plan.

Refreshments will be served and door prizes awarded. To register please call 1-800-ECDON-14 by Friday. A spouse, significant other, or friend may accompany the enrollee.

## Girl Scouts ready for annual cookie sale

Christmas may seem far away, but that's not stopping area Girl Scouts from hoping for a good season. Nearly 8,000 girls in 21 Michigan counties are preparing for cookie adventure as the 65th annual cookie sale program begins.

Beginning Nov. 1 until Dec. 11, the Girl Scouts within the 21-county, Girl Scouts of Mitten Bay area will be found in grocery stores, shopping malls, on neighborhood streets, and over phone lines, ready to take part in their well-known tradition.

"Throughout the past 65 years, Girl Scout cookies have developed into one of America's favorite events of the year," states Kathryn Poppy, Girl Scouts of Mitten Bay spokesperson. "But we're more than just cookies," states Poppy. "We're 9,200 girls growing strong. And because we serve nearly one out of every 8 girls in our area, the financial support that comes through measures like these is critical."

Girl Scout cookies are offered in 8 flavors, including traditional favorites like chocolate Thin Mints, caramel-coconut Samoas, peanut butter and chocolate Tag-alongs, peanut-butter creme Do-Si-Dos, and the traditional sugar-cookie Trefoil. Reduced-Fat Apple Cinnamons, Lemon Drops, and the new macademia and white fudge chip Aloha Chip round out the selection. Nationwide, the most popular flavors are Thin Mints and Samoas.

Cookies may be ordered directly from participating Girl Scouts or by calling the Girl Scouts of Mitten Bay at 1-800-968-1185. Local troops will be given credit for all sales within their area. The cost of a box of cookies remains \$3.

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## General Merchandise

Transit (nonbusiness) rates, 10 words or less, \$3.25 each insertion; additional words 10 cents each. Three weeks for the price of 2-cash rate. Save money by enclosing cash with mail orders. Rates for display want ads on application.

## Automotive

FOR SALE - 1987 Ford Ranger, power steering, power brakes, AM-FM, extended cab, excellent transportation, clean, 133,000 miles. \$12,500 or best offer. 872-5540. 1-10-18-3

FOR SALE - 1996 Saturn, red, automatic, fully loaded, excellent condition, 28,000 miles, \$9,200 or best offer. Call 872-2327. 1-10-11-6

1994 DODGE INTREPID E.S. One owner. Excellent care and condition/ 517-658-8853. \$5,700 O.B.O. 1-10-25-3

1989 FORD TAURUS SHO, 5-speed, 117k miles, runs good. 872-4567. 1-10-25-3

FOR SALE - Custom built storage barns, all sizes, horse barns, dog houses, craft items. Will deliver. Call 872-2608. 3rd house on Hurds Corner Rd., north of M-81. Harold Deering. Call anytime. 2-11-17-ff

FOR SALE - 36 chickens, all sizes, \$1.50 each if take all. 872-2312. 2-10-18-3

KALKASKA: 6.69 wooded acres adjoining State Land. Great hunting and camping. Includes driveway, cleared site, electric. \$27,900, \$500 down, \$340/month. 11% Land Contract. Northern Land Company 1-800-968-3118, www.northernlandco.com. 2-10-25-2

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### Display advertising...

To place a display ad, stop by the office or fax your ad. If you're not certain what to say or how to say it, just give us a call and we'll help you design the ad that's right for you at a price to fit your budget.

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### News and features...

If you have a story or photo idea, we welcome your call at (517) 872-2010. We're always on the lookout for interesting feature story ideas as well as photos involving community events and residents in the area, and we'll be glad to come to you. Residents can also submit articles and photos - just stop by and talk to someone in our editorial department.

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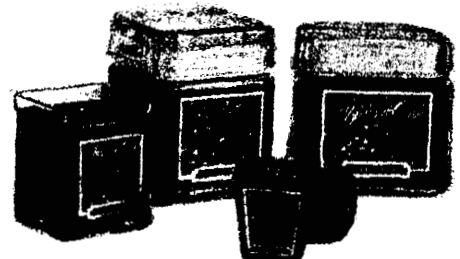
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## Additional Classified Ads on page 15

### General Merchandise

FOR SALE - Gameboy \$30; N64 Games Perfect Dark \$40; WF War Zone \$20; WF Attitude with poster \$15. Call 872-4878. 2-11-1-1

FOR SALE - Lawn sweeper, John Deere, 3' pull type. 872-3393. 2-11-1-3

FOR SALE - Rhode Island Red pullets, starting to lay. Call 872-2310. One mile west, 2 1/2 north of Cass City. 2-10-18-3

FOR SALE - Electric hospital bed, also refrigerator, 5 years old, like new. Phone day 517-872-3190 or evening 517-872-2421. 2-11-1-1

FOR SALE - 6' steel work bench, and Sony 5-disk CD player. 872-3786. 2-11-1-3

FOR SALE - 2- and 3-year-old laying hens, \$1.50 each. 517-673-0409. 2-11-1-3

REAL NICE Assortment of guns for sale! Some new arrivals just in! All kinds of general merchandise starting at 4 cents-25 cents and up! Lots of older stuff and some new merchandise. Al's - Located at corner of North M-142 and M-53, Bad Axe. Open Tuesday, Oct. 31, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1:30 p.m.-8 p.m. and Thursday, Nov. 2, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Huge indoor garage sale! 2-11-1-1

FOR SALE - Lawn sweeper and thacher. 872-4077. Bob Wischmeyer. 2-11-1-3

STEEL BUILDINGS 35x50 was \$9,500 sell \$5,400; 45x100 was \$17,800 sell \$9,980. 800-204-7199. 2-11-1-1

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FIREWOOD - Ash and maple split. \$45 face cord. \$25 for softwood. Convenient pick up. 872-3515 or 872-1101. 2-10-4-1f

### Household Sales

MOVING SALE - Everything must go. Nov. 2, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. 6644 Seed St. 14-11-1-1

GARAGE SALE - Friday and Saturday, Nov. 3 and 4. Clothes - men's, teen boys', ladies', ladies' plus - miscellaneous, something for everyone. One mile north of M-81 on M-53, third house on left, white brick home. Doors open at 8 a.m. 14-11-1-1

RUMMAGE SALE. Thursday. Trailer axles, antiques, rummage, farm machinery, guns, lots of miscellaneous. 4125 West St. 14-11-1-1

RUMMAGE SALE - 1542 Cedar St., Deford. Saturday, Nov. 4, 9:00-5:00. 14-11-1-1

### Real Estate For Sale

LAND FOR SALE - Quiet country living. Three 2 1/2-acre parcels - one 12-acre parcel - farm home with barn, shed, apple orchard on 10 acres - 230 tillable acres. Call Brent at 517-269-7008. 3-11-1-3

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### For Rent

FOR RENT - K of C Hall, 6106 Beechwood Drive. Parties, dinners, meeting. Call Richard Rick, 872-3345. 4-2-3-1f

FOR RENT - Cass City Mini Storage. Call 872-3917. 4-3-13-1f

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FOR RENT - Masonic Temple Refreshment Hall - parties, dinners, meetings. No alcoholic beverages. Call Barney Hoffman at 872-4185, leave message. 4-7-14-1f

WE ARE NOW taking applications for 2-bedroom apartments at Northwood Heights Apartments in Cass City. Rent is based on income. For rental information, call 517-872-2369 or Crest Property Management at 517-652-9281. Some units barrier free. TTY for hearing or speech impaired 1-800-649-3777. Equal Housing Opportunity. 4-10-20-1f

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CARO'S NEWEST community, Sugar Creek, is accepting applications for one, 2 or 3 bedroom apartments. Rent starts at \$479.00 and includes water and sewer, trash collection, range, refrigerator, disposal, dishwasher and washer and dryer connections, pantries and mini blinds. Gas heat and central air conditioning are available. Patios or balconies are optional. Located on M-81 and Romain Rd. Open Monday. Call anytime. 517-673-0515. 4-8-18-1f

FREE RENT - FIRST MONTH FOR LEASES SIGNED BY NOVEMBER 1, 2000 Williamsburg Apartments, Caro. 2BR, \$475.00. Clean, bright, lots of parking. Separate heat, hot water & A/C. Call 517-673-2046. 4-10-11-6

### Notices

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872-4351 5-2-17-1f

DAVIS DAY CARE has 3 openings. Open 24 hours, Monday-Friday. Meals and love provided. \$2.00/hour. Located 1 1/2 miles east of M-53 on M-81. Call 810-710-7834, Cass City. 5-11-1-3

**Cass City Missionary Church**  
4393 Koepfgen Road  
872-2729  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.  
Pastor: David Edwards 5-9-27-1f

FOUND - Male beagle, Bay City/Forestville Rd. Call 665-2667. 5-11-1-3

**Trip to Mt. Pleasant**  
Monday, Nov. 13  
Bus leaves from St. Pancratius parking lot at 8:45 a.m.  
Returns at 4:30 p.m.  
Call Nina at 872-2925 or Ginny at 872-4793  
\$25 for trip 5-11-1-2

**Trip to Detroit Fox Theater**  
Sunday, Dec. 10  
Includes transportation, dinner & theater  
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\$70 for trip 5-11-1-1

**FISH SUPPER**  
Masonic Lodge  
Cass City  
4:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
First Friday of each month  
\$6.00 adults  
\$3.00 12 yrs. & under 5-9-13-1f

### Notices

#### NOTICE

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
6820 E. Main St.  
872-2770  
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 a.m.  
Pastor: Gerald Meyer 5-7-1-1f

LOOKING FOR 3-bedroom home to rent or on land contract in Cass City school district. 517-479-9587. 5-10-25-3

TRIP TO DETROIT Fox - Dec. 10. Trip cost \$70. Includes transportation, dinner and theater. Call Nina 872-2925. 5-10-25-2

NO SMOKING BINGO - Every Wednesday night. Open 6:00 - early bird 6:30 - regular bingo 7:00. Post 3644 VFW, Weaver St. 5-2-26-1f

**Evergreen Township Zoning Board** will hold a Special Hearing on November 4, 9 a.m. in Evergreen Township Hall to consider a request for a dog kennel in Section 7. Mark Bye Zoning Administrator 5-10-25-2

#### TENDER CARE BAZAAR

Nov. 15, 16 & 17  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
CRAFTERS WANTED  
872-2174 5-11-1-3

**Cass City Church of the Nazarene**  
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Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.  
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### Notices

#### Last Dance of the Season

Friday, Nov. 3, 7-11 p.m.  
Dennis and His Musicians  
V.F.W. Hall  
4533 Weaver St.  
\$5.00 per person  
Lunch Included 5-10-25-2

#### Novesta Church of Christ

2892 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, Michigan  
Bible School - 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service - 10:45 a.m.  
Visit our website at: novestachurch.org 5-10-25-1f

#### 6th Annual Bazaar & Lunch

Friday, Nov. 3, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Saturday, Nov. 4, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Cass City United Methodist Church  
5100 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City  
Lunch 11 a.m.-2 p.m. each day  
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•JEWELRY NOOK •CRAFTS  
•CANDY •JAM/JELLIES  
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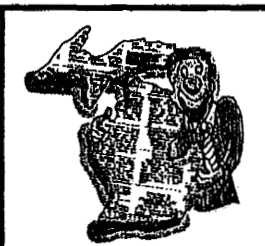
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# Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

## 5 YEARS AGO

The Cass City Village Council voted Monday in favor of contributing \$6,072 to help cover the local match for a \$550,000 grant used to complete major improvements to the Tuscola Area Airport in Caro.

Self-taught artist Pat Britt has opened an art studio in her Greenland Road home.

The beet harvest has been delayed in recent days by rain. Despite a good start early in the season, crop yields and sugar content are down due to dry, hot weather and damage by root aphids.

Cass City officials approved several major purchases Monday, including nearly \$30,000 related to a planned relocation of village offices to the Chemical Bank Building at the corner of Main and Seeger streets.

A Michigan woman has filed a \$500,000 lawsuit against Hills and Dales General Hospital and the Michigan Athletic Rehabilitation Center in Cass City, alleging negligent and assaultive behavior/conduct while recovering from an orthopedic fracture. She claimed her leg was broken while forced to participate against her will in alleged physical therapy.

## 10 YEARS AGO

An open house will be held at the VFW Post 3644, Cass City, located at 4533 Weaver St. Post members have worked more than 3 months and invested some \$30,000 to complete major renovations after purchasing their new post home over the summer. The structure was built in the 1950s and first served as a bowling alley.

Donald L. Anker, 54, of Cass City, remains hospitalized in "fair" condition at St. Mary's Medical Center Monday, a week after he suffered burns in a fiery 2-vehicle accident in Wells Township.

An open house was held at the Lamotte Township hall Sunday. Members of the Lamotte Ladies Auxiliary and Bingo Committee have raised close to \$160,000 for fire fighting equipment and township hall improvements over the past 10 years.

More than 130 persons attended special services recently that marked the 125th anniversary of Salem United Methodist Church. The Rev. Donald J. Daws currently is pastor of the Cass City congregation.

## 25 YEARS AGO

Fire believed to have started

in a furnace did an estimated \$25,000 damage to the Gerald Heronemus home on Severance Road, 9 1/2 miles southeast of Cass City in Evergreen Township, Friday morning.

Mrs. Jeanette Mulrath of Ritter Rd., Cass City, was reported in critical condition with burns over 75 to 80 percent of her body Tuesday at the Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital burn unit. Mrs. Mulrath was trying to fill a cigarette lighter at her home Saturday when the fluid spilled over her housecoat and was ignited by a cigarette.

Three Cass City residents, Douglas Forshee, David Langmaid and Mark Nieman, have enlisted in Marine Corps programs and will report for recruit training next July.

Rev. Harry E. Capps, recently chosen the new pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Cass City, will assume his duties with his first sermon Sunday, Nov. 16.

Kurt Little shot a rare albino pheasant in western Tuscola County Saturday morning while bird hunting. It was the second albino pheasant bagged in the same field.

## 35 YEARS AGO

Keith McConkey, Cass City businessman, has been elected for the second year to head the board of the Tuscola-Huron Migrant Workers, Inc.

Cass City Lions and Rotarians turned out for the "First Annual Touch Football Game" Thursday at the Recreation Park. Pre-game groans and moans indicate that it may be the "last" annual game as team members from each side limbered up.

Village President Lambert Althaver this week revealed what village taxpayers would be receiving for an estimated \$52,000, if they approve the purchase of the former H.O. Paul building from the Pinney State Bank. The building would house the fire department, the Cass City Police Department, and the library.

Receiving promotions at General Cable Corporation's Cass City plant were Pat Beecher, Doris Klinkman, Stan Guinther, Elmer Francis, Stan Szarapski, Laverne Rutkoski and Jesse Willerton.

The Shabbona Methodist Church will hold a turkey supper Thursday. Adults \$1.50, children 75 cents, preschool free.



## New officers

THE CASS CITY Gavel Club inducted new officers Tuesday night for the upcoming year. They are: (l-r) Dave Hoard - president, Bob Stickle - vice-president, John Riddle - treasurer, Rick Hollis - secretary.

## Circuit court proceedings

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

•Larry A. Palmer, 29, Cass City, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Sept. 23 in Cass City.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Shawn P. Jefferson, 39, Vassar, stood mute to a charge of delivery of marijuana, second offense, June 28 in Vassar.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case and bond was continued.

•April R. Fluharty, 18, Cass City, pleaded guilty to attempted carrying a concealed weapon Sept. 5 in Cass City.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•James F. Nichol, 21, Kingston, stood mute to charges of possession of a firearm by a felon, carrying a dangerous weapon with unlawful intent, possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and possession of a loaded firearm in a motor vehicle Oct. 5 in Wells Township.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$7,500.

•Kenneth C. Gamet, 22, Vassar, pleaded guilty to probation violation.

An updated pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be

scheduled.

•Rex A. Severn, 38, Flint, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 180 days in the county jail, with worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 24, 1999, in Kingston Township.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$2,060.

•William V. Laird, 18, Mt. Morris, was sentenced to one to 5 years in prison for his plea of guilty to attempted home invasion, second degree, July 26, 1999, in Arbel Township.

•Matthew R. Woolner, 31, Mayville, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 180 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 21 in Mayville/Fremont Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines of \$1,060.

•Chad C. Williams, 27, Vassar, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with work release and worksite privileges, for his convictions on charges of absconding or forfeiting bond July 21, 1999, in Caro, and possession of marijuana, second offense, June 25, 1999, in Tuscola Township.

Williams was also ordered to pay \$1,360 in costs and fines.

•Lee R. Simmons, 22, was sentenced to 10 to 15 years in prison for his plea of guilty to absconding or forfeiting bond Oct. 4, 1999, in Caro, and for his pleas of no contest to 4 counts of second degree home invasion Sept. 21 and Sept. 24 in Wells and Kingston townships.

•Epifanio Gomez Jr., 50, Pontiac, was sentenced to 60

months probation and 90 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, June 13 in Fairgrove Township.

He was also ordered to undergo substance abuse therapy/counseling and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,060 plus \$85 in restitution and a \$150 forensic fee.

•Glen S. Dillashaw, 36, Flint, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 270 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, May 17 in Vassar Township.

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

## Calendar of Events

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

### Wednesday, November 1

Duplicate Bridge, 7:00 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome.

### Thursday, November 2

Friends of the Library, 9:30 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

### Friday, November 3

Cass City United Methodist Church Bazaar, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Lunch 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Cass City Varsity Girls play basketball at the Palace, Auburn Hills, 4 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. Call 1-800-267-5692.

### Saturday, November 4

Cass City United Methodist Church Bazaar, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Lunch 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

### Monday, November 6

Open House for Gates Computers, 4:30-5:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Annual meeting of the Humane Society of Tuscola County, 7 p.m., Tuscola Technology Center. Presentation of the annual report will be given with highlights of the year's accomplishments. The public is invited and admission is free.

Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

## Libraries receive grants

Ten local libraries will add reading centers for patrons with visual difficulties, thanks to a \$104,560 grant to the White Pine Library Cooperative, state Rep. Mike Green recently announced.

"People will be able to better access library resources on their own using this new equipment," said Green (R-Mayville).

Libraries in Huron and Tuscola counties receiving the equipment are: Bad Axe Public Library, Bullard Sanford Memorial Library in Vassar, Caro Area District Library, Fairgrove Township Library, Jacquelin E. Opperman Memorial Library in Kingston, Mayville

District Public Library, Millington Township Library, Pigeon District Library, Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City, and Sleeper Public Library in Ubly.

The grant purchases 28 hand-held and 20 stand-alone reader work stations for 24 public libraries in the White Pine Cooperative. The equipment allows people to locate and read materials on shelves, in reference resources and on computers.

The funds also will provide staff training sessions in the use of the equipment and a promotional campaign to notify library users of its availability.

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