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Police nab teens in armed robbery

Cass City police had 2 teens in custody just 40 minutes after the pair allegedly robbed a local business at gunpoint last week.

Police identified one of the suspects as Charles E. Damoth IV, 17, 6729 Third St., Cass City. He has been formally arraigned on charges of armed robbery, conspiracy to commit armed robbery, possession of firearm in the commission of a felony and larceny in a building. Bond was set at \$5,000 cash.

The other suspect, also from Cass City, is 15 years old. His name was not released pending a formal ar-

"After consulting with an on-call assistant prosecutor, the juvenile was released to a parent," Cass City Police Sgt. Craig Haynes said, adding he expects that the teen will be prosecuted as an adult.

The robbery was reported Nov. 21 at 4:19 p.m. by Scott R. Ackerman, who owns and operates Ackerman's Bike Repair, 6247 Pine St.

Ackerman told officers he had just come into his store from an upstairs area when he saw the juvenile standing near some bikes. Ackerman walked to the front of the store, then walked towards the juvenile when Damoth allegedly walked out of the store's office area. Ackerman said the 17-year-old pointed a revolver at him and told him to get on the floor.

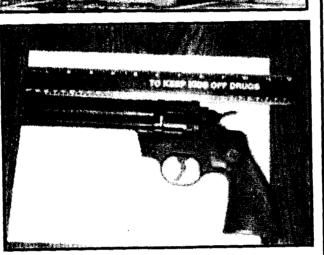
Haynes said the gun is a .177 caliber, 6-shot CO2 pellet pistol that had the appearance of a .357 magnum revolver with a 6-inch barrel. "It was very realistic looking, very realistic," he added.

According to reports, Damoth asked Ackerman for a bag and told him to put cash in it and then place the bag on the floor near the store entrance. Ackerman, who complied, stated Damoth then ordered him into a bathroom and told him to lock the door.

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POLICE say a pair of Cass City teens armed with a pellet pistol (right) entered Ackerman's Bike Repair shop, ordered the owner into a bathroom, then walked out with cash and a new bicycle last week.



Owen-Gage eyes K-12 principal

The Owen-Gage Board of Education is poised to hire a new administrator following interviews with 2 candidates last week, but it's unclear what role the new administrator will play in the district.

Red ink has prompted school officials to consider downsizing the district's administration, which now includes an elementary principal and the currently vacant junior-senior high principal's

The change was among the items discussed during a rescheduled monthly work session last week.

"Our ultimate objective here is to move to a K-12 principalship. That is our goal and our intention,"

Board ratifies teachers' contract school Supt. Dan McKenzie

district would be approximately \$56,000," McKenzie added. "It's a necessary savings. Our budget projection this year is a deficit in excess of \$200,000."

McKenzie noted the district's enrollment has been declining steadily - about 25 students over the past 5 years. And with a per-pupil funding level of about \$6,100, those students translate into a loss of more than

Add to that some unexpected expenses, including a tion." "If we move to (that) objec-recently completed gym tive, the net savings to the floor installation that cost \$14,000 to \$15,000 more than expected, and some \$10,000 in water damage at the junior senior high school, and the district is facing a fund balance crunch, according to the superintendent. "Our fund balance at the end of this year will be \$275,000, down from over \$500,000 a

> 'We've got to grow smaller," McKenzie continued. "We're going to take advantage of retirements and

the natural course of attri-

McKenzie said he is still working out the details surrounding the administrator's responsibilities and those of elementary school Principal Bill Britt. The school board is expected to finalize the arrangement during its Dec. 11 session.

"I'm happy to report that the board supports this and they recognize the urgency, and I anticipate the staff will support it as well," McKenzie said.

Towards that end, the board last week ratified a new 2year contract for the district's 22 teachers. The new labor agreement, which is retroactive to August 2000, gives the staff a 3-percent pay hike along with a \$500-per-step salary increase.

The pact will cost the district about \$34,000. Pay for teachers in the district in the 2000-2001 school year will range from \$27,834 for a bachelor's degree only, to \$48,565 for a master's degree plus 30 hours.

"We've ratified a good contract," McKenzie said. "We think it will communicate to our employees, through our

financial contribution, that we do value their contribution and support in the dis-

In other business last week. the board heard from parent Ladonna Wise, who voiced concerns over the recent suspension of her teenage daughter and the way McKenzie handled the disci-

Wise stated she was told her daughter was suspended, initially for 3 days, for dispensing over-the-counter medications to other students. She disputed the claim, saying she knows her daughter had only enough medicine to treat herself for cold and upset stomach symptoms.

The suspension was later reduced, however, Wise said that McKenzie told her that the girl would be suspended for one day because he felt the girl had lied to him.

Wise also claimed McKenzie was rude and intimidating during discussions with herself and her daughter.

McKenzie told the board he suspended the student based on a written statement from the school nurse, who stated that the student admitted to dispensing the medications to other students.

The board tabled the matter pending additional discussion with all parties involved.

\$750,000 pledged

Campaign on tap to match pool funding

The Cass City School Board voted Monday night at its regular meeting held at Deford School to accept donations of three-quarters of a million dollars and begin working to raise the necessary matching funds needed to build a new \$1.5 million indoor swimming facility at the high school.

A half-million-dollar donation was received from an anonymous source and \$250,000 was pledged from the Pinney Foundation to be paid on a prorated basis over 5 years.

To qualify for the money, the donors have specified that the community must match the donations dollar for dollar by June 1, 2001.

Some of the backers of the program to build a pool feel that \$200,000 or more could be raised from the community. Supt. Ken Micklash said that it may be necessary for the board to approve asking the taxpayers for a mill for 3 years to meet the stipulations in the proposed grant.

Micklash explained that a baseball figure of \$1.5 million for the construction was estimated by a representative of a construction company which has been involved in

building several pools. In addition to the pool, the grant requires that a walking area open to the public be included. It was suggested that it be built around the pool, but that plan has already been discarded because of the humidity in a pool building. It will require a special building adjacent to the pool.

To get the campaign started, a special meeting of school board members and all interested residents has been set for Monday, Dec. 11, in the high school cafeteria. The

dollar.

regular monthly board meet-

ing will follow. It will be the second attempt to build a pool at the school. A plan for a pool that required local financing of 1.9 mills was defeated Aug. 13, 1973, by a vote of 687 no and 408 yes.

The bond issue was for \$750,000. The building plans called for more recreation facilities to be built over the lockers for the new athletic program for girls and the wrestling team. Supt. Ken Micklash said that he felt that \$750,000 in 1973 purchased more than just a swimming

COMMUNITY POOL

While the pool will be maintained by the school district, the grant specifies that it will be open to the community one-third of the time.

Micklash estimated that the cost for operation of the new facility will be between \$60,000 and \$100,000 per year and said that he would budget the cost at the \$100,000 level.

We can handle that amount, he explained, as we currently are spending about \$300,000 a year on capital expenditures taken from the general

BUDGET ADOPTED

A revised budget for the

school year was approved. It is the first budget, Micklash explained, that was built when student enrollment and state aid funds were finalized. It shows that the school is expected to end the year

with a surplus of \$35,619 to Please turn to page 5.

Grants to purchase laptops

The school board at its regular meeting Monday at Deford School started the paperwork that will net the school some \$120,000 for the purchase of laptop com-

puters. The state grant allows \$1,200 for each full-time teacher in the system with the money going to the school in which they teach.

The teachers in each building will decide if they want to purchase a computer of their choice or join with other schools receiving the grant to purchase the laptops.

It is expected that a joint purchase will significantly lower the cost of each unit.

Supt. Ken Micklash said that there are about 100 teachers in the system that are qualified for the grant.

Public hearing slated

Council reviews budget

Council Monday reviewed a proposed 2001 general fund budget totaling \$1.411 mil-

The spending plan represents an increase of about \$171,000, or nearly 14 percent over estimated actual expenditures in 2000. Total revenues for 2001 are expected to total \$1.416 million.

Despite the planned increase, residents won't face a tax increase. In fact, the village's tax levy will fall in the near future, according to

The Cass City Village Village Manager Jane Down-

"For fiscal year 2001, the general fund tax millage will remain at 12.4625 mills and both major and local streets will continue at their 3.5-mill levy. The sewer debt service will continue at 2.5 mills with pay-off of this obligation anticipated at the end of fiscal year 2002, approximately 16 years ahead of schedule," she said.

"Overall, general fund revenues are up approximately \$78,000 from the fiscal year 2000 originally adopted bud-

get," Downing noted. "The budget has been projected based upon a State Equalized Valuation (SEV) of all real and personal property in the village at \$53,986,994."

Although general fund spending is expected to increase in the coming year, Downing pointed out she still expects to see growth in the fund balance.

"The general fund balance is estimated to be approximately \$375,000 at the end of 2001," she said. "This represents over a 100 percent increase in the fund balance since 1997."

Real and personal property tax revenue in the new spending plan were estimated at a conservative 3 percent, according to Downing, who noted inflation for 2001 is expected to reach 4.2 percent.

"The formula for the state shared revenues is anticipated to yield greater returns for the village after the results of the 2000 census have been tabulated. State shared revenue estimates are conservative based on recent years returns, but provide for a 7 percent increase for fiscal years 2001 and 2002," she said.

Aside from the general fund, Downing presented council members with the village's other proposed fund budgets for 2001.

They are: Major Streets, \$311,186 in expenditures and \$320,142 in revenues; Local Streets, \$193,124 in

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Laurie stepping down as Farm Bureau president

After 14 years at the helm of the state's largest general farm organization, Michigan Farm Bureau President Jack Laurie has announced plans to retire as president of the board of directors at the conclusion of the Farm Bureau annual meeting, Dec. 8. A new Farm Bureau president will be elected at that time. Laurie plans to accept an

appointment with Michigan State University's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, working with faculty and staff to develop and implement programs that will enhance the relationship between Michigan State University (MSU) and Michigan agriculture. "I'll have the opportunity to

assist in the development of innovative and forwardlooking programs to help Michigan agriculture move aggressively into the global marketplace," Laurie said. "More importantly, this decision will allow more time for my family and my farm." Laurie's sons, Doug and

David, are the third generation to operate a 1,600-acre farm near Cass City, producing feed grains, alfalfa and soybeans for the family's 650-cow dairy herd. The grandparents of 7 grandchildren, Jack and his wife, Betty, also have a daughter, Dana, who lives near the

A member of the Michigan

Farm Bureau board since 1966, Laurie served as vicepresident from 1977 to 1986 before being elected president of the state organization. He was elected to the Ameri-Bureau Farm can Federation's board of directors in 1989, and in January

vice-president. Laurie graduated from MSU in 1962 with a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics. He was a member of the first class of the Kellogg Farmers Study Program in 1966. He received an honorary doctorate

of agriculture degree from

MSU in 1999.

2000, delegates chose him as

the national organization's

Laurie said he was proud of the organization's growth both in terms of membership and in the leadership capacity of county organizations during the last 14 years. Family membership in the organization has leaped from 99,383 to 162,362 under Laurie's tenure.

John Vander Molen, chief operating officer for the Michigan Farm Bureau, credited Laurie's leadership for spearheading several initiatives that have directly benefitted farmers across the state.

"Michigan Farm Bureau is widely recognized as the state's premier farm organization - an organization that

has the ability to develop grassroots policy and, more importantly, the ability to implement that policy," he

Laurie chaired the successful \$70 million MSU Livestock Initiative in the early 1990s, to renovate and construct new research facilities and recruit additional university staff. He followed up that feat by helping secure \$5 million annually in state appropriations for crop farmers in a similar initiative known as Project GREEN - Generating Research to meet Economic and Environmental Needs - for additional MSU research in the state's cropping sector.

Vander Molen also cited Laurie's leadership in the passage of Proposal A in 1994, which provided widespread property tax relief for state farmers, and the passage of Senate Bill 205 this past year, which provided uniform statewide zoning standards for Michigan farm-

"These initiatives and countless other legislative successes in Lansing and Washington, D.C., have provided real economic benefits for Michigan farmers thanks in large part to Jack's bigpicture view of the issues facing agriculture - now and in the future," Vander Molen

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OWEN-GAGE BOARD members quiz longtime school staff member Diane Warack during her interview for the junior-senior high school principal's job, left vacant earlier this year by Tom Wade. The board interviewed 2 candidates for the post.

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Karl Solo and Jocelyn Volz

Engaged

Charles and Linda Volz of Cass City High School and Cass City announce the en- is employed by Great Lakes gagement of their daughter, Digital in Caro. Solo is em-Jocelyn Marie, to Karl Lee Solo, son of Bernie and Joan Solo of Caseville.

ployed at Whittaker Timber Corporation in Cass City. A wedding is planned for Volz is a 1996 graduate of June 16, 2001.

Shaw memorial set

There will be a memorial service for Brewster H. Shaw at the First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, Saturday, Dec. 2, at 1 p.m. Shaw, who was born to Adelle P. and John T. Shaw in Detroit Nov. 8, 1904, died at home Oct. 17, 2000.

Memorials may be made to: The Nature Conservancy, Michigan Chapter, 2840 É. Grand River Ave., Suite 5. East Lansing, MI 48823, or to The Leone Lee Shaw Scholarship Fund, c/o Deborah McConnell, 1919 E. Beaver Lake Dr. S.E., Sammamish, WA 98075.

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Cass City Social Items

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Mr. and Mrs. Brent Fritz of Hicksville, N.Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curry of Sterling Heights were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of their grandmother, Charlotte LaPeer.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Egres of Clarkston were Sunday dinner guests of their aunt, Charlotte LaPeer.

Jack Fay of Memphis and cousin, Charlotte LaPeer, visited Mr. and Mrs. Milton Powell of Owendale Thurs-

Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mary and Dale Damm were Randy, Carmen, Jason and Ethan Damm, Evelyn Warmbier, Susan and Tim Wooster of Flint, and Nancy Frederick of Caro.

Students listed in 'who's who'

Several area students are included in the 34th annual edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1999-

They include: Paul Redman, Lisa Shaw, Crystal L. Shaw and Matt Shaw, all of Decker; Rebecca F. Hartman, Thomas D. Minkler, Jenna K. Root, Dale W. Minkler, Matthew R. Rogers and Corbin T. Swiastyn, all of Gagetown; Nathan Childs, Angela King, Dana Jones and Brandon L. Phelps, all of Kingston, and Joshua S. Errer, Kendall A. Kretzschmer, Nathan A. Kain and Amy M. Pawelski, all of Owendale.

Who's Who, published by Educational Communications Inc., Lake Forest, Ill., is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving high school students.

Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and education organizations based on the students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities.

Christmas Town

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FAMOUS FOR FRAGRANCETM

Meg's Peg Catalog gifts by Melva E. Guinther

It's time once again to think Christmas shopping, and as always, we aim to help with suggestions for those unusual, one-of-a-kind gifts.

"The Only Aquatic Pod Suite" is featured in the Hammacher Schlemmer catalog. It resembles a halfsubmerged flying saucer, with beam lights to illuminate the depths for viewing after dark.

The 150-square-foot interior, with air conditioning, desalination unit, mini-bar, audio-visual system with Bose stereo, king-size bed, toilet and shower, sounds pretty cozy. And that's good, because after paying \$91,100, you might have to live in it.

A tad cheaper is the Lee Iacocca Electric Bicycle for \$1,799.95 (plus \$125 S&H). It features cruise control, battery charge indicator, front end and seat suspension, gel seat, rear gear rack, rear and handlebar saddle bags, horn, lights and fenders. If the battery should give out, you can always pedal it.

The Sharper Image features the ultimate autonomous robot companion by Sony. The 4-legged robot has 20 motorized joints enabling it to walk, sit, lie down, flap its ears and wag its tail.

It has 4 senses - touch, hearing, sight (camera in its nose) and balance - and expresses 6 "real emotions." The 1.5 pound robot is made of black graphite and measures 6x10 1/2". It's a cute little thing, but I doubt it can replace a puppy. And it's slightly more costly than a Barbie or a GI Joe - \$1,590.

How about a 29" high bronze weed holder? \$1,800 from the Frank Lloyd Wright Galley.

On the more practical side, know someone who has trouble keeping track of the remote? Give them the Largest Universal Remote. It's 5 1/2 inches wide and has 3/4inch buttons, 3 times the size of those on a standard remote. It might be worth the \$39.95 price tag.

For the manually challenged, there's the One Second Snowball Maker. The lightweight siliconized plastic scooper is only \$19.95 and can make up to 60 perfect snowballs in a minute. Just what Uncle Henry al-

Electric Odyssey, "Innovative Ideas, Unforgettable Gifts", has some "Movin', Groovin' Tea Kettles." One is a carousel with colorful horses that prance around the kettle when it's heated. The other is a gleaming silver color and features rockets that orbit the kettle as it heats. A whole new dimension for

ways wanted.

tea time. \$74.95.

How about a tabletop gong for calling the family to dinner? It's \$59.95. It's Handcrafted in a region of China where these musical instruments have been celebrated for their "dynamic range", it might even be heard over the teens' music.

Fido hasn't been overlooked. The Pet Chime is a wireless doorbell that your dog activates by touching it with his paw or nose when he needs to go outside. Presumably, it's to be preferred over scratching, barking, or the other alternative. \$34.95.

Finally, there's the 8" tall Rooster in Red Sneakers from The Southwest Indian Foundation. It's Navajo handcarved from solid wood and hand-painted in a purplish shade. Quite frankly, it's one of the ugliest things I've ever seen, and I hope nobody shells out \$99 to put it under our tree.

Tendercare welcomes residents

It's hard to believe that the Christmas season is already upon us. Tendercare Cass City would like to extend a warm invitation to the community to participate in helping our elders celebrate the holidays. Local churches, civic groups, and school groups are encouraged to come in to Christmas carol, play the piano and sing, etc.

A "Giving Tree" in the lobby at Tendercare allows members of the community to choose a gift tag and purchase a Christmas gift for an elder. The giving tree ensures that all elders receive a gift for Christmas.

Anyone wishing to Christmas carol or to pick a name from the giving tree can contact the Tendercare Activity Department at 872-2174.

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Hidden Hollows

O-G seniors gather

Twenty members of the Owen-Gage Senior Citizens met at Gagetown Fire Hall Nov. 2. Table grace was given by Jackie Seski for the noon meal.

President Jack Doerr called the meeting to order with the Lord's Prayer and the pledge to the flag. The members voted that Jack Doerr and Mary Guza stay in office 2

Door prizes went to Johanna Miklovic for women, and Dick Seski for men. Members sang happy birthday to Iva Volz and Beatrice Jones, whose birthdays were in November. Phil and Mary Guza celebrated an anniversary in November.

The committee for Novem-

ber was Iva Volz, Hazel Salcido "student of month" at O-G

Erin Salcido has been named Owendale-Gagetown Schools' "Senior Student of the Month" for November.

She has been very active in various sports throughout high school, such as basketball, volleyball, and softball, and has received numerous awards. She also has been a member of the Owen-Gage band.

As a sophomore, Salcido served as class representative to the Student Council and as a junior was class president and French Club president. She serves as a student aide this year, and also is president of Kids for Sportsmanship, which she has been a member of the past 2 years.

Salcido has been a member of the 3.0 Honors Club and the National Honor Society since her sophomore year. She has been named as a "Focus" Student of the

Month her sophomore and junior year, was a sophomore representative to the homecoming court, and this year was chosen as homecoming

She is the daughter of Joe and Sandy Salcido of Owendale. Her future plans are to attend college and

study veterinary medicine.



Erin Salcido

Kremer, Clara Gaffney and Florence Emmiers.

Euchre and bingo were played. Twenty-two members met

Nov. 16 for their Thanksgiving dinner. Table grace was given by Ruth Kaak. Members voted to have one

meeting in December. Getwell cards were sent to Iva Volz and Phil Guza.

The men's door prize went to Amasa Anthes and the women's prize to Maxine Haney. Euchre winners were:

men's high, Jack Doerr; low, Stu Merchant; women's high, Beatrice Jones; low, Johanna Miklovic. The owl went to Marge Zawilinski.

The committee for December is Irene and Jack Doerr and Beulah Kretzschmer.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

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

Friday - Goulash, corn, pears, dinner roll, pudding. Monday - Ham, escalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail, variety bread, brownie.

Wednesday - Breaded pork chops, mashed potatoes, peas, applesauce, pineapple upside/down cake.

Friday - Meatloaf, creamed potatoes and green beans, dinner roll, apple cobbler.



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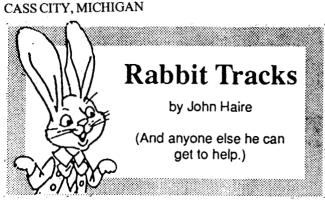
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Stuart Merchant has met more athletic icons than most ordinary folks. This year he met Rocky Colivito when the former major league slugger was making his annual deer hunting visit to the community.

Merchant is one of the few alive today who can boast of meeting hall of fame pitcher Grover Cleveland Alexander. That happened when he was in the fourth grade and Alexander visited the school. Merchant recalled that it was arranged by Superintendent Willis Campbell, the superintendent after which Campbell Elementary School is named.

The third notable met was Robin Roberts, hall of fame major league pitcher. That was in 1945 at Michigan State University. Merchant remembers Roberts as a basketball player as well as a pitcher at MSU.

The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editors. Giving a voice to others in the community is one of the primary functions of the newspaper.

However, the thoughts expressed must be those of the writer and expressed in his own words. It's unethical and illegal to plagiarize columns of others. It also could land the writer in

We received a letter that picked up word for word parts of a column by Susan Ager, columnist for the Detroit Free Press. We will assume that the writer sent the letter because he agreed with what it said, so we withhold the name.

The column by Ager appears on page one, section K, Sunday, Nov. 19, under the head, "The loser may be happier."

The annual concert presented by the Tom Thumb Singers Community Choir is scheduled Saturday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 3, at 3 p.m. In the 18 years the concert has been presented, I have attended just 2. I really enjoyed both

Conflicts have inevitably interfered in other years and may do so again this year. Saturday my eldest daughter celebrates her 50th in Plymouth and it will be a reach to get back by matinee time Sunday.

I'll probably miss the show, but the show won't miss me. Over the years it has been one of the most appreciated cul-

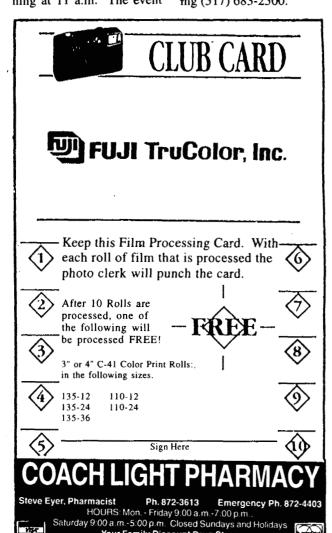
The advance information is that this year's show will be no

Story time Saturday

The Jacquelin E. Opperman Memorial Library in Kingston will host a Christmas story time Saturday beginning at 11 a.m. The event

will include a special visit by

Anyone planning to attend is asked to register by calling (517) 683-2500.





1976 Owen-Gage grad

Schwartz receives award

Mark D. Schwartz, associate professor of geography at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, was recently awarded a Graduate School/ UWM Foundation Research

Schwartz, who joined the UWM faculty in 1992, previously taught at San Francisco State University. In addition to a \$1,500 cash award, his name has been added to a permanent plaque in the Graduate School. This marks the 22nd consecutive year that the Graduate School has presented these awards, with funds provided by the UWM Foundation.

Schwartz was chosen for his leadership in the field of vegetation phenology (the branch of science dealing with the relations between climate and plant flowering). His work has been instrumental in elevating the study of the annual springtime plant leafing and blooming from an arcane topic, of interest primarily to botanists, to an essential tool useful in determining global climate change.

Schwartz has been a pioneer in thinking of phenology on a continental scale, demonstrating the profound environmental impact of the exchange of energy between land and the atmosphere during springflush (plants' yearly awakening).

His large-scale visualization of phenology has led to the development of global environmental monitoring systems that combine phenological measurements at the Earth's surface with satellite observations. This advanced monitoring, together with

MADD to host vigil

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)—Lapeer County is gearing up to host its 12th annual Candlelight Vigil of Remembrance and Hope for the citizens of Lapeer, Huron and Tuscola

The vigil will be held Monday starting at 7 p.m. at Grace Episcopal Church, 735 Nepessing, Lapeer (2 blocks east of M-24).

The vigil is a non-denominational program honoring and remembering bereaved and injury victims of alcohol-related crashes. The program includes a victims' video. The keynote speaker will be Lapeer County Prosecutor-Elect Byron Konschuh.

Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served following the program.

Additional information is available by calling (810) 678-3770.

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Schwartz's examinations of historical phenological records, allows for analysis of such important issues as changes in the growing sea-

Bruce Hayden, professor in the Department of Environmental Sciences at the University of Virginia, wrote of Schwartz, "It is not often, in these days, that the work of an individual scientist changes the direction that science takes.'

His work has appeared in such prominent journals as Nature and the Annals of the Association of American Geographers, and he is a coeditor of "Phenology of Seasonal Climates," a widely acclaimed professional textbook.

Schwartz has attracted nearly \$400,000 in extramural research awards, including 2 competitive awards from the National Science Foundation, since 1994. He earned his doctorate at the University of Kansas (1985), and his bachelor's and master's degrees at Michigan State University (1980,



MARK SCHWARTZ is the son of Marjorie H. Schwartz (and the late Donald J. Schwartz) of Gagetown. He is a 1976 graduate of Owen-Gage High School.

 \mathbf{T}_{he} Haire

Most of us are old enough to remember when the phone call was answered and you talked with a real live person. Few can remember when phone service was REALLY SERVICE.

In the 50 years ing parade has been observed from the corner of Oak and Main, the way phone use changed here can be noted by the increasing impersonal use of the utility.

For several years in the 1950s, the numbering system was easy. Want the Cass City State Bank? Dial one. Want the Chronicle? Dial 13.

Following that was the 7digit number, but, in town, dialing just the last 4 numbers was all it took. That changed after a few years when it was announced that the 7 numbers would be necessary to call your neighbor.

But the word still leaked from members of the phone crew who worked in small town, neighborly Cass City that you could get local numbers by just dialing 2 and the last 4 numbers. The shortcut was eliminated after a brief period and all 7 digits were required.

That remained constant for several years, but you could dial any number within the area code. It is only recently that it was necessary to dial the area code to speak to anyone as close as Caro.

At least the area code represented geographical areas and made logical sense to the user. That's changing right now if the phone companies

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aren't stymied by protests to the legislature. Under the new system, area codes will be layered on top of area codes. That means that the phone line you added for the upstairs bedroom could well than the one in the study that has served for years.

I don't know that any of us would want to go back to the days when service was personal, but it did have advantages and disadvantages. Long distance calling in the 1940s was haphazard and in busy periods, busy trunk lines often required long waits. County party lines often had 6 or 7 subscribers and I can remember calling a farm friend by ringing 2 long blasts and 3 short ones to get connected. There was a handle on the side of the phone box for the purpose or to ring "central" for help.

You could ring central for more help than just ringing your party. In small town Pinconning, where I spent most of my first 18 years, it was common for the operator to find doctors when they weren't at home or locate others in times of emergency and to pass out news of the day when not busy.

Realistically, none of us wants to go back to those early days, but I for one suffer severe nostalgia when I pass through several channels of recorded messages to try and find out why the darn phone won't work.



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The back forty

by Roger Pond

History was made in Florida this November. And I'm not talking about elections. I'm talking about the historic journey of 11 sandhill cranes following an ultralight plane, piloted by a baked airplane. man in a crane costume.

Associated Press writer, Pat Leisner, reported on the flight of the young sandhills from the Necedah National Wildlife refuge in Wisconsin to a preserve near Crystal River, Fla. The 39-day journey was the longest man-led bird migration in history.

The experimental flight was a precursor to a similar project with the nearly extinct whooping crane. Biologists decided to try it with the sandhills first. Maybe sandhill cranes travel better, or have to stop for the bathroom less often.

Wildlife officials have learned they can raise cranes in Wisconsin, but they need some way to teach them how to migrate south. An amazing feat by anyone's standards.

The Associated Press story states, "Eleven sand-colored teen-age birds following a yellow-bellied ultralight swooped out of a cloudless sky from 1,400 feet and glided to a grassy landing in a vast Gulf Coast preserve to winter in the Sunshine State."

I wish I could write like that. I would have probably said, "They set their wings and splashed down like a wing-tipped widgeon."

I can see why the ultralight sailed in from 1,400 feet. Anybody leading a flock of cranes over Indiana, Kentucky, and Tennessee during goose season had better be up there quite a ways.

I'm also concerned about a man in a crane costume finding something to eat on a trip from Wisconsin to Florida. It's hard enough for the average snowbird to decide where to stop for lunch, but that costume must be a real

This fellow can't just walk into a restaurant, take off his beak and say, "I'll have the burger basket - - and a bag of crawdads for my friends here. Sorry about the carpet. I'll pay to have that cleaned.

And, how about taking 8 teenagers to Florida in the first place? I don't care if they are cranes; they're going to find some way to get into trouble.

What is the Fish and Wildlife Service supposed to do next spring? Go back to Florida and take these youngsters back to Wisconsin? They'll probably be in Texas by then!

I can't imagine the navigational issues for a project like this. It's hard enough for folks to find their way from Wisconsin to Florida on the highway, let alone in a half-

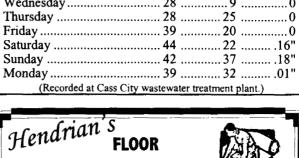
One of my friends tells about a couple who migrates from Ohio to Florida each fall. One year they got lost in Cincinnati. So they turned around, drove 60 miles back

home and started all over

Some folks think this couple got confused - - like those South Florida retirees who had trouble with their election ballots. A Florida disk jockey puts the quietus on that.

"These folks can play 6 bingo cards at once," he says. "They shouldn't have any trouble with their ballots.'

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Please stop by our office to meet Dave and welcome him to our community. He, his wife Heather, and daughters Ashtyn and Rylie have settled into their new home here in Cass City.

Attn: Editor

The Real John Ryba

students

praised

Veteran's Day.

God Bless you.

Martin Twork

worked hard in preparing

The questions the students

asked, and the music they

performed was because they

Commander Post 3644

Red Hawk Beat by Cass City Senior, Katie Hacker

Jingle Bell Ball on tap



Every year the high school student council puts on a Christmas dance for the students at Cass City High School. This year the dance isn't the usual semi-formal. This year it's called "The Jingle Bell Ball" and it's a Sadie Hawkins dance. So high school girls have to ask that certain guy to come. But even if you don't have a date, everyone is encouraged and welcomed to dance and have a merry ol' time.

Students must each bring in a \$5.00 (or more) toy for admission. The toys collected at the dance will be donated to the Toys for Tots organization, which will bring a smile to some child on Christmas Day when they open that gift.

The dance is semi-formal so the students from Cass City will be looking good and ready to celebrate doing the jingle bell rock. There will also be pictures for about art teacher, will be taking them. There will be plenty

of punch, cookies, and other snacks to eat between all the dancing and games.

This year the student council executive board thought it would be appropriate to crown a 2000 Snow Prince and Princess. As students walk into the dance, their name will be put into a drawing and one female and one male will be picked for Prince and Princess at the end of the dance. The student council thought this would be a nice Christmas gift so someone who has never been nominated for court would get a chance to be in the spotlight.

The dance will start at 8 p.m. So high school students, bring your date, a toy for the special child, your Christmas holiday spirit, and your dancing shoes. This is going to be the best rocking around the Christmas tree dance that CC has ever seen. \$1.00 apiece. Mrs. Hoelzle, I hope to see all you high school students there in your Christmas best.

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With osteoporosis the bones

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Chappel to perform with choir woman's risk of hip fracture

Alma College sophomore Amanda Chappel of Cass City is singing with the Alma College choir in the annual Festival of Carols concert. The choir, directed by Dr. Will Nichols, will be performing with the Men's and Women's Glee Clubs Friday through Sunday.

The Alma College choir is comprised of 52 students who are selected through audition. The students travel throughout Michigan as well as Florida and Europe to perform during the school year.

Chappel, a 1999 graduate of Cass City High School, is majoring in education. She is the daughter of R. Paul and Suzanne Chappel of Cass John's character. Whatever the reason, she is wrong on

all counts. In her letter she applauded Having read the letter (Bar-Lt. Lautner for denying John bara Jeffery, Redford, MI, a concealed weapons permit, 11-08-00), I find it necessary a right given to us under the to respond. Although I do not .S. and State Constitutions. understand her purpose for Would she also applaud Lt. writing the letter, I have nar-Lautner if he broke down the rowed it down to 2 possible door on John's house and reasons. Either she is an ulsearched it without a search tra-liberal who opposes all warrant? Would she applaud basic constitutional freeif John was arrested without doms, or she has personal a warrant or probable cause? reasons for trying to attack Would she also applaud if John was arrested in church on Sunday morning for pray-Teachers, ing publicly? In case you missed the point, let me put it very simply, the Bill of Rights is not multiple choice! Although you live in neither Detroit nor Cass City, I find In great appreciation to the it almost humorous that you Cass City Middle School. tried to compare their crime The teachers and students rates. It's similar to compar-

> According to the 1999 State Police "Uniform Crime Report", Macomb County had a total of 21,402 indexed crimes (which include murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and

ing a headache to terminal

Letters to the editor

Ryba justified in request

Tuscola County had 941 indexed crimes in 1999. Wayne County (in which you reside) had 148.588 indexed crimes in 1999. Of that total, the Redford Township Police recorded 2,448 indexed crimes. By comparison, the Cass City Police Department reported 74 indexed crimes

After studying these statistics, I have come to the conclusion that John is certainly justified when he said he fears for his safety while traveling in the Detroit area.

In answer to your question on whether you should carry a gun with you when traveling to Cass City, the answer is, it is your right under the Constitution if you so choose. You should thank John for having enough courage to stand up for his rights and yours.

If your letter was for personal reasons, it proves that you do not know John. He would be correct in saying he has seen you 6 times or less in 30 years. John has been my best friend for over 20

years. Although I had no brother

of my own, I feel more fortunate than most. For God gave me the opportunity to choose mine. I am proud to call John my brother and friend. His moral character is beyond question. His love of God, family, friends, and country is an example all need to follow. His courage to stand up for what is right and his desire to change that which is wrong still inspires and amazes me.

John is a credit to his church, his family, his community, and his country. Instead of condemning him, it is my suggestion that you take the time to get to know the real John Ryba. It is obvious that you could learn a lot from him.

Tom Hecht Crystal Falls, MI

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas

Deford students on the honor roll

The Deford Christian Academy honor roll for the first quarter has been announced.

K-1 "A"

Gregory Allen, Daniel Cotton, Isaac Mercer, Trenton Spear, Erin Moore, Andrea Willis, Josie Moore, Jessica Parker, Zak Syacsure, Allyson Torres, Tyler Wice, Nicole Willis.

ELEMENTARY "A"

Jonathan Allen, Roy Ceci, Chanse Collins, Joey Cotton, Andrea Hollosy, Ethan Mercer, Whitley Mercer, Carter.

Ashleigh Moore, Jarec Parker, Casi Spear, Melody Tait, Chantell Toner, Adam Torres, Trent Willis.

ELEMENTARY "B"

Dillon Hollosy, Ashley

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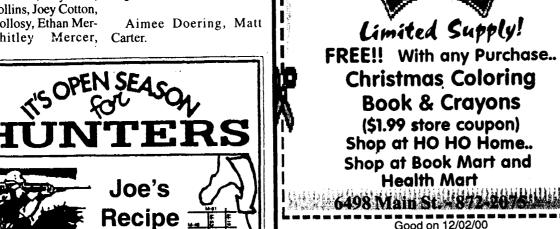
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WALK-INS WELCOME



DRYDEN TEACHER Vicki Rohlman, who taught briefly at Owen-Gage, answers questions posed by Owen-Gage Board members during her interview for the district's principal post last week.

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE BUDGET				
2000-2001 Proposed Revised Budget				

		Adopted	
	Actual	06/26/00	Revised
	1999-00	2000/01	2000-01
Elementary Instruction	1,445,521	1.453.006	1,502,061
	1,322,270	1,320,516	1,343,010
Middle Instruction	1,139,387	1,320,316	1,171,228
High School Instruction	498,049	475,280	492,602
Special Education	537,734	524,008	639,376
Chapter I, II, Prof. Dev.	537,734	324,008	039,370
Art. 3, Gifted, CSR & At Risk	76 004	50 000	71 500
Vocational Education	76,204	80,292	71,589
Employee Benefits			1 505 605
(Instructional)	1,444,013	1,422,128	1,505,605
Guidance	108,170	104,536	111,579
Health	27,766	27,995	29,369
Social Worker	32,948	33,255	34,181
Crossing Guard	8,967	10,100	10,400
Library	194,540	195,378	208,862
Audio-Visual	5,744	5,755	5,570
Computer Tech./Clubhouse	135,731	127,387	100,644
General Administration	16,725	15,340	16,440
Executive Administration	179,565	182,562	186,747
School Administration	530,105	512,912	535,692
Fiscal Services	38,637	38,369	50,665
School Plant Planning	69,752	70,000	260,000
Operation & Maintenance of			
Plant	962,746	962,045	885,239
Pupil Transportation	411,988	427,946	428,994
Fixed Charges	12,115	16,070	25,670
Athletics & Cafeteria	160,091	142,000	160,000
Employee Benefits			
(Supporting Services)	520,305	549,544	583,087
Community Services			
(Includes Early Childhood)	65,664	64,445	70,932
Employee Benefits	.,	,	
(Community Services)	12,210	13,676	12,927
Capital Outlay	148,784	185,308	197,550
Transfer to Other Districts	-0-	-0-	-0-

Total 10.105.731 10.095.739 10.640.019

GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET

	Actual 1999-00	Adopted 06/26/00 2000/01	Revised 2000/01
Revenue-Local Sources	829,223	826,959	792,380
Revenue-State Sources	8,934,276	8,813,366	9,418,365
Revenue-Federal Sources	453,724	437,281	432,193
Other Financing Sources	129	36,504	32,700
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Total Revenues	10,217,352	10,114,110	10,675,638
Total Expenditures	10,105,731	10,095,739	10,640,019
Adjustment to Fund Balance	111,621	18,371	35,619
Fund Balance - July 1	1,253,416	1,271,787	1,365,037
Fund Balance - June 30	1,365,037	1,290,158	1,400,656

Campaign on tap

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increase the school's fund balance to \$1,400,656.

Revenues are expected to increase from \$10,217.352 last year to \$10,640,019 this year. Expenditures are expected to increase to \$10,640,019 from last year's

pears elsewhere in this issue. STUDENT PROTEST

breakdown of the budget ap-

Chris Rienas protested to claimed was harassment by buses cost last year. the driver of the bus that goes singled out by the driver for gram for 4-year-olds. activities that were ignored Ed Pasant reviewed his on the bus.

placed. The board agreed that smoothly.

the matter should be taken through channels at the school before any action is

OTHER BUSINESS

•Four bids were received for the purchase of 2 school buses. Wieland Sales of \$10,105,731. A complete Bay City was low for the chassis at \$31,942 each. Midwest Transit Equipment was low for Bluebird bus bodies for \$17,209 each. Total cost of each unit is \$49,151, a little over \$1,000 the board over what he more than the \$47,981 the

•The board voted to accept to the Tuscola Technology the \$59,400 offered from the Center. He feels he was state for the preschool pro-

when committed by others work as the director of the school's special project. He He presented the board with credited the administration a petition with 28 signatures and the teaching staff for asking that the driver be re- making the programs run

Budget reviewed

Continued from page one.

expenditures and \$215,175 in revenues; EDC, \$548,500 in expenditures and \$550,000 in revenues (presumes the village can secure a \$525,000 state grant for improvements to the industrial park); DDA, \$16,000 in expenses with revenues of \$16,800; Debt Service, \$58,500 in expenditures and \$141,150 in revenues; Wastewater, \$496,108 in expenditures with \$515,900 in revenues; Water, \$216,736 in expenses and \$225,500 in revenues, and Motor Vehicle, \$280,550 in expenses and \$231,572 in revenues.

Major capital improvement projects in the coming year will include extensive storm sewer replacement along Church Street at a cost of nearly \$160,000, and another \$70,000 for maintenance and improvements to the interior of the village's water tower.

Also included is \$12,000 to fund a part-time position to assist in implementing the village's Downtown Action Agenda recently presented by the consulting firm of HyettPalma. The individual hired will serve as a liaison between business owners and local government. He or she will also be involved in recruiting new businesses.

In related matters, the council met in executive session to discuss the wage and benefit package for village employees, and scheduled a public hearing to accept public comment on the budget. The hearing will be held Monday, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m. at the municipal building. In other business during the monthly meeting, the coun-

•Approved the purchase of

Spotter workshop scheduled

Area residents are invited to attend a Winter Weather Spotter Workshop in Cass City next month.

The workshop, sponsored by the National Weather Service, East Shoreline Chapter of the American Red Cross, and the Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola County Emergency Management Offices, is slated for Monday, Dec. 11, at the Detroit Edison North Area Energy Center, 4100 Doerr Rd.

Anyone planning to attend is asked to register by calling 1-800-472-6225.



a new motor grader at a cost of \$96,950 to \$99,450. The price, submitted by AIS Construction Equipment, Saginaw Division, includes a \$16,000 trade-in allowance for the village's 1973 motor grader.

 Heard a brief presentation from Cass City DDA-EDC representative L.E. Althaver, who praised the HyettPalma study and urged council members to follow through with planned expenditures related to revitalizing the village's downtown district.

•Heard a request from representatives of VFW Post 3644, Cass City, to rename Weaver Street, which is adjacent to the post, to 'Veteran's Street/Drive/Av-

•Rescheduled the next monthly meeting from Christmas Day to Monday, Dec. 18.

Laurie stepping down

Calling his tenure as president of Michigan Farm Bureau a "truly enjoyable and rewarding experience," Laurie said the organization is poised for continued growth and success.

"The progress this organization has made will continue because of its highly qualified leadership and staff," Laurie said. "I leave knowing the leadership commitment to achieve Farm Bureau's original purpose to improve the economic and social well-being of our farmer members - will continue to serve the agricultural industry well into the future."

Police nab teens

Continued from page one.

Police reported the teens walked out of the store with \$230 in cash and a new Huffy Freestyle Bicycle valued at \$439.

But they didn't get far. A short time after the robbery, a juvenile witness walked into the bike shop with the stolen bicycle and asked if it belonged to Ackerman. The youngster told Haynes he had seen 2 teens in an alley with the bicycle, and stated he could identify the suspects if he saw them again.

Haynes said the boy later identified Damoth. During subsequent interviews, both suspects confessed to robbing the business.

Armed robbery is punishable by up to life in prison or any term of years, and conspiracy to commit armed robbery carries the same maximum penalty plus a fine of \$10,000.

The Tuscola County Sheriff's Department assisted village police in the investigation.

2 educators vying for O-G principal position

Owen-Gage Board of Education members last week interviewed a pair of applicants, including a veteran Owen-Gage staff member, who hope to be the district's next junior-senior high principal.

The candidates are Diane C. Warack, who currently serves as coordinator/ teacher, Title One, at Owen-Gage Elementary School, and Vicki Rohlman, a teacher in the Dryden Community Schools who previously taught at Owen-Gage Junior-Senior High School.

The board met with both candidates during a rescheduled monthly work session

Warack has a bachelor's degree in elementary education with a minor in developmental learning, and a master's degree in administration. She has endorsements in K-8 (all subjects), and in ninth grade English and social studies.

Her 16 years in education began in 1984 at Owen-Gage, where she taught in the district's preschool program. In 1987, she took on the role of director as well as teacher for the Readiness Program/ Michigan Preschool for "atrisk" 4-year-olds, and Developmental Kindergarten. She began her current duties in

Warack and her husband, the late Joseph Warack Sr., have 9 children, all of whom have attended Owen-Gage Schools.

Warack told the board her qualifications include administrative experience through her role as an interim OwenGage principal, and during her years as director of the preschool program. Those roles, she noted, required her to develop/coordinate curriculum, teach, secure grants, develop policies and procedures, deal with budgeting and auditing, and handle discipline.

She also cited her membership on the local district's school improvement team as well as her work with the National Reading Association, Thumb Area Reading Council, Owen-Gage Boosters Club, HISD Board, Regional Educational Media Center Board, Early Childhood Advisory Committee and several other educationrelated organizations.

Warack said she believes a teaching background is one of the keys to being a good administrator. Teachers learn how to communicate effectively, facilitate learning and work with their peers, parents, students and administrators, she added.

As for the ideal qualities of good administrators, she said, "I think they need to be very effective communicators, they need to set goals. I think they need to have frequent evaluations. In a nutshell, I think it's essential. . .to be an effective communicator and to facilitate a safe environment" for students.

Communication is especially important when facing personnel problems, according to Warack, who recalled a personality clash with another district staff member.

"As an educator, sometimes you don't see eye to eye, and it isn't easy to do your job in that light," she said, adding she met with the individual, and they came to terms after discussing their differences. 'You need to face it, you need to be frank."

Warack, who described herself as caring and dedicated, told board members she is familiar with the school improvement and accreditation processes as well as Michigan Educational Assessment Program test issues.

She agreed staff evaluations are an effective tool in measuring performance against the district's educational goals, as long as evaluations are conducted in an atmosphere of trust. She also said she strongly feels teachers should be made a part of the decision-making process in each building.

"I think this school has great potential," she concluded. "I'd like to see this school grow. . .but keep the smallness and friendliness."

ROHLMAN

Rohlman has a bachelor's degree in education - health/ physical education and social sciences, with a middle school certificate. She has a teaching certificate in secondary education with a business endorsement.

Her background includes teaching and administrative roles in adult/alternative education programs in Ortonville, Davison, Lapeer and Capac. She also served as director of Jordan College's Computer Department in Flint for 2 1/2 years, and taught during 1997-98 at Owen-Gage, where she reestablished the high school's Business Professionals of America chapter.

Asked about the importance of a teaching background for administrators, Rohlman said teachers learn how to cope with students. "I think the teacher learns when to be compassionate and when to be authoritative," she added. "I think that's when you learn that - when you're with the kids.'

Rohlman, who described herself as down-to-earth, humorous and understanding, said she believes it's okay for teachers to inject humor in the classroom because learning should be made fun. At the same time, she agreed discipline must be maintained. "I think each classroom should have a set of rules that the teacher is comfortable with," she said, adding teachers must make students aware of expectations, rules and consequences.

Rohlman said her philosophy regarding education is that each student should receive an education that will enable him/her to obtain employment even if they

don't plan to attend college. Rohlman told the board she would get to know teachers through staff meetings, and the community by inviting parents to visit classrooms to see what's happening.

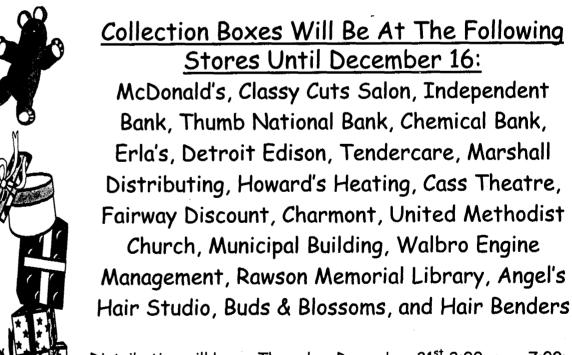
A good administrator, she said, is fair, firm and consistent, and has the ability to relate to kids with understanding.

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Meet the Cass City basketball squads

Coach Jim Green fields veteran squad aiming for GTW championship

When the basketball wars commence next Tuesday at Caro, all the teams in the tough Greater Thumb West will be aiming at the Cass City Red Hawks, expected to be one of the teams to beat this season.

Coach Jim Green's charges will be fielding a veteran squad that came on strong at the end of the season, winning 8 straight and capping the streak by moving to the finals of the regionals after taking the district class B crown.

There are 4 members of that elite squad that have graduated, headed by Bryce VanVliet, who started every game, provided tough defense and was an outside scoring threat. Providing needed depth were Chad Holmgren, Paul Langmaid and Nick Anthony.

Despite the losses, Green can turn to a veteran squad with good size, headed by Craig Emmert, 6-5. Emmert will be starting his fourth year on the varsity and last year was all-league, allcounty and all-area on the Saginaw News Class B team.

team says that he looks even better this season. The guard spot will be filled by Joel Brinkman, 6-1, who when on his game last year was a force, providing good outside shooting and ball handling ability. He was allleague second team.

Jeff Storm, 6-2, a junior, is the top free throw shooter on the team and a good rebounder. He was injured in the first half of the regional finals last year and is still recovering from the leg injury. A healthy Storm will be a potent force on the squad.

Rvan Holmgren, 6-4 senior, saw lots of action and provided board strength. Zach Glaspie, 5-9 senior, was part of the 3-guard tandem last year and had several games where he was an offensive force. Others who saw action were Eric Brown, 6-2 senior, and Nathan Brinkman, 6-3 senior.

Green says that the strengths of the team this season will be work ethic, team size, rebounding and experience. He feels that the weak-

One close observer of the ness of the squad as the season opens is ball handling, 3point shooting, defense and lack of quickness.

Looking at the GTW, he points out that it should be the strongest in the Thumb area again this year. Looking at the teams, he sees defending champion USA as strong again. Reese is quick and has a veteran team while Lakers and Bad Axe are big and talented. Mayville could surprise.

There are several talented players up from the junior varsity on the 15-player varsity squad, challenging the veterans for playing times.

Cass City will return to class C (probably for just one year) but will be in a hotly contested district tournament with Lakers, USA, Ubly and Harbor Beach

Green will be starting his second year at the helm in Cass City. Last year the team was 16-8 and for his coaching career (4 years at Kingston) he is 91-29.

Look for him to add to these gaudy statistics after the current season ends.



EXPECTED TO CONTEND for the 2001 GTW cage title are the Cass City Red Hawks. The team members are: (front l-r) Tim Khoury, Randy Diebel, Joel Brinkman, Zach Glaspie, Tom Sugden, Joe Biskner, (back l-r) manager Jason Hill, Bill Thane, Grant Frank, Jeff Storm, Nathan Brinkman, Craig Emmert, Ryan Holmgren, Eric Brown, Nick Chappel, Rob Havens.

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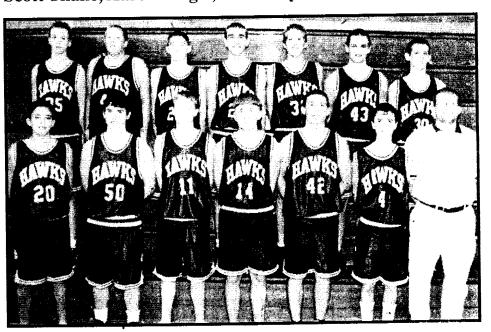
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THE CASS CITY freshman basketball team members are: (front l-r) Jon Bennett, Chris Dillon, Cole Mellendorf, Nick Swanson, Jake Brinkman, Tim Martin, Coach Ryan Walker, (back l-r) Norm Pierce, Tyler Erla, Zac Toner, Nate Laming, Nate Fisher, Gavin Frederick, Craig Holmgren.

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Hawk pair among elite

Four members of this year's Cass City Red Hawk basketball team were honored by selection to the Greater Thumb West All-Conference

For Hawk supporters, the good news is that 3 of the 4 will be returning next year. Included will be 2 girls who were first team all-conference, Sara Homakie, junior, and Deidre Deering, sopho-

Earning honorable mention from Cass City were Holli Cooper, senior, and Ashley Ouvry, junior.

Only one senior, Jacquie Caprathe, of BCAS, is on the 6-member first team. Others earning first team honors as selected by coaches are: Liz Ertman, junior, Lakers; Staci Gaeth, junior, USA, and Rachelle Heinlein, junior, Reese.

SECOND TEAM

Second team members are: Erin Sigelko, senior, Reese; Vicki Robinson, senior, Mayville; Sarah Topham, sophomore, Mayville; Kristen Wisenbaugh, senior, Lakers; Jame Johnson, senior, Bad Axe, and Lisa Paveglio, senior, BCAS.

HONORABLE MENTION

Receiving honorable mention were: Cooper, Cass City; Angie Sting, senior, USA; Melissa Bresky, senior, Lakers; Stacey Werner, senior, BCAS; Faye Baldauf, senior, Valley Lutheran; Val Thomas, junior, Mayville; Tara Krieger, senior, Reese; Ann Sutherland, sophomore, Bad Axe; Liz Lieber, sophomore, Mayville; Jodi McKenzie, junior, Lakers; Molly Warnke, senior, Valley Lutheran; Korey Schluckbier, sophomore, Reese; Elizabeth Cherry, senior, BCAS; Ouvry, Cass

Others are: Megan Young, senior, Bad Axe; Amber Fobear, senior, Reese; Laura Eldridge, junior, Valley Lutheran, and Tracey Werner, senior, BCAS.

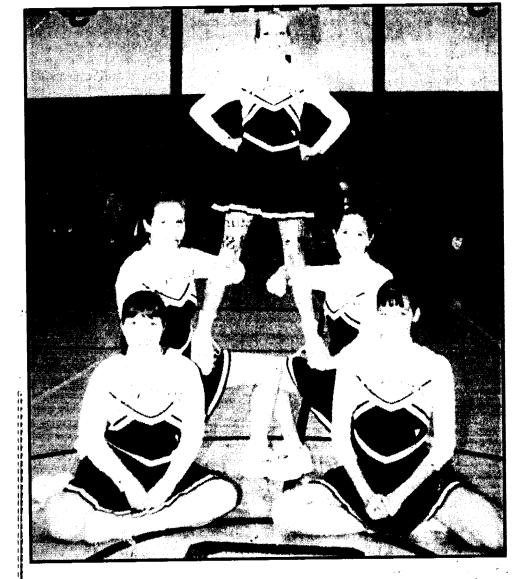


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Alcoholics Anonymous, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. Call 1-800-267-5692.

Christmas Home Tour, 1-5 p.m.; tea reception 1-6 p.m.,

Live Nativity in vacant lot next to Fairway, 5-7 p.m. spon-

Wednesday, November 29

Friday, December 1

Saturday, December 2

sored by Shabbona United Methodist Church.

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

Monday, December 4

Millington Invite (JV/V)

League Invite Lakers

Lapeer East/Bentley Lapeer East 6:00

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THIS ANTLERED DOE was bagged by Joe Stevens recently in the Cass City area. According to Stevens, the 8-point doe was the 2nd female deer with horns reported this season to the Cass City DNR check station. Also pictured is Stevens' son Michael.

Wrestlers open season Thursday

It promises to be a challenging year for Coach Don Markel and the Cass City Red Hawk wrestling team.

Graduation has decimated the powerhouse team that last year swept through the Greater Thumb Conference undefeated in 8 games and

Gone are state qualifiers Travis Schneeberger, Roy Davis, Adam Dorland and Chris Dubay. Other top performers lost are Scott Moore, Sutter, Chad

compiled a sparkling 26-2

Hawk gridiron candidates to interview Dec 7

record.

Cass City Athletic Director Jeff Hartel has narrowed the choices for the vacant Red Hawk varsity football coach-

ing position to 5 candidates. The group will be interviewed Thursday, Dec. 7. Among the choices and their gridiron coaching experience

•Scott Cuthrell - Cass City, middle school teacher in the district. He has spent the last 2 seasons as an assistant Red Hawk varsity coach. Cuthrell also has 2 years coaching experience with the White Cloud football program.

•Ron Czekai.- Cass City, has accumulated 4 years mentoring the Bad Axe junior varsity program.

•Tom Hahn - Sebewaing, has middle school head coaching experience.

•Mark Maneuti - Bad Axe, has 3 years of varsity coaching experience at Bad Axe. •Josh Stern - Milford, has coached at both the junior varsity and varsity assistant levels.

Hartel says a head coach will be named by Dec. 22.

Wolschlager, Luezern Dickson and Chris Hyatt.

Markel feels that it will be a rebuilding year. There are only 5 upperclassmen on the team and for the first time in many years, the team does not have wrestlers in every class. It is the youngest team that we have had in my 10

years here, the coach says. The upperclassmen returning all posted winning records last season. Aaron Dorland, a junior, will be at 152 pounds and seniors Jeremy Klinkman and Anand ethic.

Raythatha, wrestle at 140 pounds. Two other seniors on the squad are Charles Maxwell, 160 pounds, and Guy

Nanney, 275 pounds. Noticeably absent are wrestlers who are juniors. Candidates from that class may have been discouraged from trying out due to the strength

of last year's team. Markel has 5 freshmen and-6 sophomores on which to build. Our strength, the coach says, is our strong tradition and very good work

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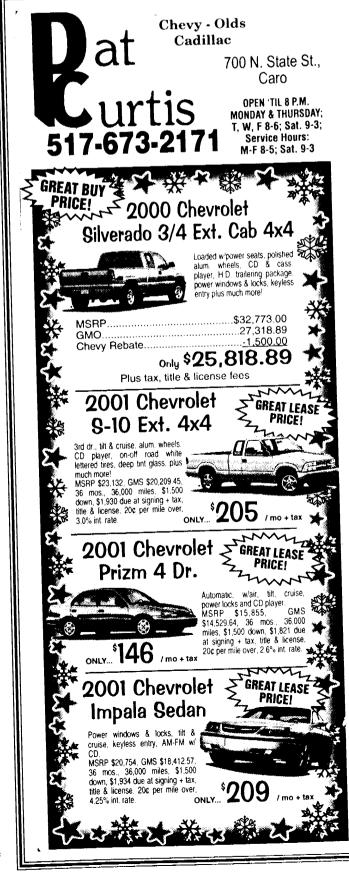
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New books at the library

Among the new books available at Rawson Memorial Library are:

From this Day Forward by Cokie and Steve Roberts (nonfiction): Cokie and Steve use personal stories and memories to illustrate larger issues of love and marriage, work and family, parents and children. They came from 2 different backgrounds - she's Catholic and he's Jewish - and they never expected to marry. But they were able to overcome these differences and have a happy life together, raise a child and learn a lot about what families are all about. They pass this wisdom to the reader in this book.

Angel on My Shoulder by Natalie Cole: Natalie Cole tells the story of her life as the daughter of the legend-ary singer, Nat King Cole. Natalie was interested in music from early childhood and started a career of her own after her father died. She has battled a drug problem most of her adult life which has caused her career to crash several times and created problems in her marriages. She and her mother have had problems over her father's estate. Her life has not been easy but she tells the story with a sense of humor and the reader can see that this woman has been struggling to become the best she was meant to be.



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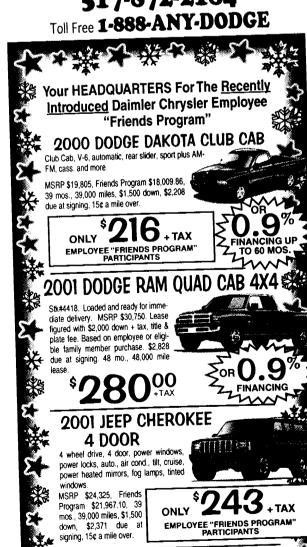
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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Ed Karr, a veteran of both township and county government, will retire next month from his post as director of the Tuscola County Equalization Department.

The union representing about 75 workers at Tendercare Cass City took its case to the Cass City Village Council Monday, requesting support for legislation that would increase staffing lev-

Patty Davis, a junior at Cass City High School, will be the first female wrestler when competition opens at Caro Dec. 7. She will wrestle in the 130-pound class.

Campbell Elementary School students raised nearly \$32,000 in a Morley Candy Sales Promotion. Lisa Santhony was the grand prize winner in sales, earning a new bicycle.

From Nov. 29 through Dec. 9, the "Governor's Travelling Art Show" will be on display in the meeting room at Rawson Memorial Library. This show consists of paintings, prints and drawings by students in grades 9-12 from schools in all parts of Michigan, including Tuscola County.

10 YEARS AGO

The first blast of winter ar-

FORTIS

rived in the area Monday with snow and gusty winds, forcing schools to close

early. New officers took charge of the regular meeting of the Cass City Gavel Club Tuesday at Charmont. Ed Pasant received the gavel from retiring president Fred Leeson. Other officers are Doug Herringshaw, secretary, and Jack Burns (postmaster), vice-president.

Cass City's 1991 budget may get a boost from higher water and sewer rates, something officials have been talk-

ing about for some time. Area residents interested in a community-wide greeting to be sent to local servicemen serving in the Middle East are invited to stop by Gilligan's in Cass City and sign a banner for a 50-cent contribution. Tavern owner Tom Meismer says he will present the donations and banner to a local support group, which will send it to the servicemen.

25 YEARS AGO

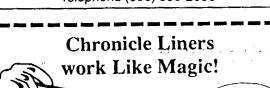
Elkland Township firemen raised \$1,200 for the new Hills and Dales General Hospital burn program by holding a country-western music show earlier this fall.

Two persons were killed in separate single-vehicle

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crashes this past week, raising Tuscola County's traffic death toll to 10 for the year. The victims were Larry Michael Wilcox, 28, of Clifford and Orrin Charles Richards, 75, of Millington. Officials at Hills and Dales General Hospital began gearing up for a new financial pinch this week, following last week's announcement by Michigan Blue Cross-Blue Shield that it intends to

million state wide. At Big D Restaurant - 3 piece chicken dinner, including French fries, coleslaw and buttered roll, \$1.89.

cut back on hospital pay-

ments by an estimated \$60

35 YEARS AGO

After considerable searching, Elkland Township again has Justices of the Peace. When Mrs. Arthur Little chose not to run again for the office, there were no candidates and the town board and council looked in vain for someone to handle the office. Monday, Nov. 22, the town board found 2 residents willing to do the work. They are Bazil Wotton and Hugh Connolly.

Frank Hutchinson, rural Cass City, is offering a \$10 reward for information identifying vandals who destroyed a sugar shack on his property sometime early this

Four local women attended the Mitten Bay Girl Scout Council fall membership meeting Monday in Bay City. Attending from Cass City were Mrs. K.I. MacRae, neighborhood chairman; Mrs. Horace Bulen, Mrs. Russell Ayres and Mrs. Cliff

Croft. The firm awarded the contract to remove the old water tower was to have been working in the community this week, but has not appeared. The council understands that the firm is somewhere in the state.

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Leona Curtis

Leona Curtis, 79, of Evergreen Township died Saturday, Nov. 25, 2000, at her residence.

She was born Feb. 26, 1921, at Kingston, and spent much of her life in Tuscola and Sanilac counties in the Decker and Deford areas. The former Leona Martin,

she married Albert Darwin Curtis, who preceded her in death. Until her retirement, she had been employed with Walbro Corporation. She was also an artist. She is survived by 5 chil-

dren, Judy Rabideau of Rose

City, James and Charlene Curtis of Deford, David and Barb Curtis of Decker, Jerry (Joe) and Barb Curtis of Mio, and Linda Remsing of Pontiac; 18 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; 4 sisters and spouses, Barbara and Charles Shotwell of Waterford, Shirley and Bennett Donaldson of White Lake, Bonnie and David Fellows of Kingman, Ariz., and Carol and George Stuckman of Bicknell, Ind., and several

nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Janet, and a brother, Irvid (Luke) Martin.

Funeral services were scheduled Tuesday, Nov. 28, at 1:00 p.m. at Collon Funeral Home, Caro, with Chuck Emmert, of the Novesta Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will be at Novesta Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Curtis Family Discretionary Fund.

65 donate blood at local drive

Sixty-five pints of blood were donated in the blood drive at the VFW hall in Cass City Nov. 21.

First-time donors were Gerald White II, Tammie Edgin and Donna Seeley. Joann Martindale and Rob-

donors. Two-gallon donor was Noel LaJoie; 3-gallon donor, Deborah Parrott; 4gallon donor, Karen Francis, and 6-gallon donor, Robert Morley.

The next blood drive will be Jan. 23.

Read Meg's Peg

He was born in Ellington

Township July 14, 1928, the son of Frederick and Lena (Hutchinson) Haney. He married the former Grace M.

Richard Haney

Richard J. Haney, 72, of

Cass City, died Thursday,

Nov. 23, 2000, at his resi-

Haney served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict, and was a commander of V.F.W. Post 3644, Cass City. Together with his wife Grace, he farmed from 1948 until 1963. He was employed with General Cable Company until 1968, and then the Haneys owned and operated the Eat Shop Restaurant in Cass City until retirement in 1982.

Surviving are his wife, Grace, and a son, Joseph Haney of Ann Arbor.

A memorial service was scheduled at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, at V.F.W. Post 3644, 4533 Weaver St., Cass City.

The family has suggested contributions to the V.F.W. Post in his memory.

Arrangements were made by Gagetown Funeral Chapel, Gagetown.

Mary Kolar

Mary C. Kolar, 94, of Ubly, died Sunday, Nov. 19, 2000, at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing.

She was born May 29, 1906, in Ashland, Wis., daughter of John and Rosa (Schmidt) Hund Sr. She married Albert Kolar Nov. 18, 1933, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church, Freiburg. He died Aug. 26, 1973.

Kolar was a graduate of Ubly High School, County Normal Teachers College and from St. Agnes School of Nursing in Fond du Lac, Wis., as a registered nurse. She was a country school teacher in Sanilac County from 1948 until 1963, moved to Pontiac from 1963-69, and returned to Greenleaf Township to farm with her husband and live with her family. She moved to Haslett in

She was a former member of St. Ignatius Parish and its Altar Society, of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Ubly and a former member of its Christian Mothers Confraternity, and a life member of the Daughters of Isabella, Fidelis

Regina Circle #608, Bad Axe. She was also a member of the retired teachers union. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Dianne Grytza and her husband Henry of Granger, Ind.; 3 sons, James Kolar and

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Lake, Carl Kolar and his wife Doris of Sterling Heights, and Ronald Kolar and his wife Sue of Haslett; 18 grandchildren; 22 greatgrandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Roy (Clara) Peters of Ubly, and 2 brothers, Francis Hund and his wife Opal of Ubly, and Philip Hund and his wife Lillian of Rochester.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Cecilia Cook, and 3 brothers, Henry, Jacob and John Hund.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, Nov. 22, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church at 11 a.m. The Rev. Stephen Fillion, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in the church cemetery.

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

David Lykins

David L. Lykins, 74, of Cass City, formerly of Waterford, died Friday, Nov. 24, 2000,

Lykins retired from the U.S. Navy, having served as a veteran of WWII, Korean War, and the Vietnam War. He retired as an X-ray technician from General Motors Truck & Bus. He was a lifetime member of the VFW and Knights of Columbus, Caro.

He is survived by his children, Patricia (Ray) Frase of Waterford, David (Flor) of Norway, Greg of Waterford, and Francie Halfpenny (Tony Vied) of Florida; many grandchildren and 3 greatgrandchildren; 2 brothers, William (Laura) and Tom (Brenda), all of Ohio, and a sister, Ruth (Dan) Hawk of W. Virginia. He was preceded in death by his wife,

Dorothy. Funeral Mass will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Waterford.

Rite of Committal will be in Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes

Assn., www.legacy.com Arrangements were made by the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston.

George Schott Jr.

George C. Schott Jr., 76, of Ormond Beach, Fla., died Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2000, at Memorial Hospital in Ormond Beach.

He was born in Detroit to George Sr. and Ida (Schweinfurth) Schott.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a former supervisor for Ford Motor Company.

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Church. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Janet; a son, Terre Leigh Schott of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; a daughter, Randi Falle of Ormond Beach, Fla.; 4 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Haigh-Black Funeral Home, Ormond Beach, Fla.

Quintin Swift Hallie Swift and Quintin

Hallie Swift

Dean Swift, were born Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23, 2000. Hallie died later that day and Quintin died Friday, Nov. 24, 2000, at Covenant Health Care System Harrison.

They are survived by their parents, Anjanette J. Nichol and Douglas G. Swift; a brother, Tyler Nichol, and sister, Paige E. Swift; grandparents, Edwin and Annette Nichol of Kingston, Barbara and Donald Smith of

Ducyrus, Ohio, and George Swift of Cleveland, Ohio; uncles, James "Rick" Nichol of Kingston and Derek Swift of Cleveland, Ohio; greatgrandparents, Kathleen Conrad of Kingston, Gerald (Karen) Nichol of Kingston, and Tom and Rose Swift of Pennsylvania; cousins, Austin Trae Nichol, Joshua Anthony Nichol, Ryan Swift

great-aunts and uncles. They were preceded in death by their great-grandparents, Elsie Nichol, Edgar "Slim" Conrad, Albert and Martha Florida, and Charles Maynard.

and Iris Swift, and several

Funeral services were scheduled at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28, at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, with the Rev. Ken Sandefur, Kingston Wesleyan Church, offi-

ciating. Burial was to be in East Dayton Township Cemetery,

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary

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Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson Phone 658-2347

Donald and Carolyn Carpenter of Caro, Carol Osantoski and Bradley of Bad Axe, Charles and Terese Depcinski, Shawn and Nicole, and Ray and Rita Depcinski were Friday pizza supper guests of Dean and Nancy Carpenter and family for Jessica Carpenter's 10th birthday.

Mrs. John Zauner of California spent from Saturday till Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pelton.

Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly visited Dan Franzel at the

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Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford visited Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wallace Sunday

Matt Particka of Tipton spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Melvin and Charlotte Particka.

Ray and Rita Depcinski, Allen and Alice Depcinski went to the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach to pay respects to Elmer Hessling Monday.

Allen Farrelly visited Cheryl Allen Wednesday af-

neral Home in Bad Axe Sunday to pay respects to Nancy Stanbaugh and later had supper at the Peppermill in Bad Axe.

Mike and Wendy Leppek of

Oxford, Kevin and Tracy

Franzel and Evan, and

Ordean Michalski were

Thanksgiving Day dinner

guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin

Chuck Allen Jr. and Cheryl,

Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris

Western, Allen Farrelly and

Dan Franzel enjoyed a birth-

day cake at the Huron

County Medical Care Facil-

ity for Chuck Allen Jr.'s

Ray and Rita Depcinski

went to the McAlpine Fu-

Robinson and Chris.

birthday Sunday.

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Marie Decker of Adrian spent a few days with Florence Watson and visited other relatives.

Dick Wallace was a Sunday forenoon guest of Bob Cleland Sr., Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming. Clara Bond of Cass City, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Decker and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson were Sunday dinner guests of Thelma Jackson for Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson's

37th wedding anniversary. Rick Shuart, Jack and Wayne Kennedy, Jim Lewis and Allen Farrelly met Saturday morning in Bad Axe for breakfast at McDonald's.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Schneiderwin of Ann Arbor and Dr. and Mrs. Tom Collins of Allegan were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

Thelma Jackson visited Ann Klakula, Irene Britt and Al Bouchard at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe Wednes-

Mark O'Henley of Chicago, Paul O'Henley of Hartland, Tom and Linda O'Henley, and Randy and Karen Rutkowski and family were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Allen and Alice Depcinski.

Melvin and Charlotte Particka attended the funeral of Mary Kolar at St. Ignatius Catholic Church at Freiburg Wednesday morning.

Financial aid sessions scheduled

Each school year, counselors at Huron County High Schools schedule financial aid workshops designed to help seniors and their parents through the college financial aid process for their first year of post-secondary training or education.

The workshops will explain college financial aid, the forms involved, procedures and deadlines.

Specific dates and times for each high school are listed below. Each meeting will be held at the individual school. Contact the counselor at that high school for more information.

* Owen-Gage High School, Dec. 4, 4 p.m.

* Bad Axe High School, Dec. 4, 6:30 p.m.

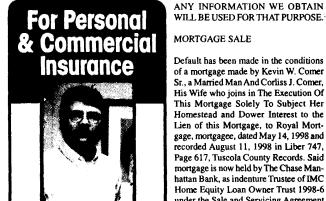
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* Harbor Beach High School, Dec. 13, 7 p.m. * Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port

High School, Dec. 14, 6:30 * Caseville High School,

Jan. 16, 6:30 p.m. The Huron County Counse-

lors' Association strongly encourages parents and students to attend their home school meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting at your home high school, you may attend another that fits your schedule at one of the other area high schools.



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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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on December 22, 2000.

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

Part of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 4, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning a a point on the centerline of Ellis Road that is West 333.13 feet along the South line of Section 4 and North 32 degrees 19 minutes 10 seconds West, 700 feet from the south 1/4 corner of Section 4. thence North 32 degrees 19 minutes 10 seconds West, 150 feet along centerline of Ellis Road, thence West 589.61 feet. thence South 20 degrees 40 minutes 25 seconds East, 135.49 feet, thence East 621.98 feet to the point of beginning, Millington Township.

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

Dated: November 8, 2000

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for United States of America acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, As Mortgagee 2501 Rochester Court Trov. MI 48083 (248) 457-1000

File No. 202.0027 11-8-5

the Chase Manhattan, Assignee assignment dated December 15, 1999, which was recorded on January 4, 2000,

in Liber 791, on Page 1441, Tuscola

County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date

hereof the sum of FORTY-EIGHT

THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED

NINETY-SEVEN AND 91/100 dollars

(\$48,297.91), including interest at

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

Said premises are situated in CITY OF

VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan,

Lot 6, Block 26 of the Plat of North's

Addition to the City of Vassar, according

to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded

in Plat Liber 1, Pages 21A, Tuscola

The redemption period shall be 6

month(s) from the date of such sale, un-

less determined abandoned in accordance

with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case

the redemption period shall be 30 days

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of a mortgage made by Kevin W. Comer

Sr., a Married Man And Corliss J. Comer.

This Mortgage Solely To Subject Her

recorded August 11, 1998 in Liber 747,

mortgage is now held by The Chase Man-

hattan Bank, as indenture Trustee of IMC

under the Sale and Servicing Agreement

dated as of September 1, 1998 by assign-

ment dated September 7, 2000 and re-

corded 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

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 en-

trance of the Courthouse in the Village

of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at

of 12.25% per annum

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from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 8, 2000

Attorneys and Counselors

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100 Bingham Farms, MI 48025

248-593-1304

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10:00 AM, on January 5, 2001.

and are described as:

County Records.

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Dated: November 22, 2000 248-593-1306 Trott & Trott, P.C.

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200015558

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Debbie J. Reaver and Harvey W. Reaver wife and husband (original

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

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP

The following described premises situated in the Township of Wells. County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan, and de-

scribed as follows, to-wit; The East 30 acres of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 5, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, except commencing at a point South 89 degrees 54 min-utes 14 seconds East 1642.86 feet from the West 1/4 corner of said Section; thence continuing South 89 degrees 54 minutes 14 seconds East 411.77 feet; thence South 00 degrees 56 minutes 52 seconds East 529.02 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 14 seconds West 411.77 feet, thence North 00 degrees 56

The redemption period shall be 12

Dated: November 29, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200021893

10:00 a.m. on December 15, 2000.

The premises are located in the Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michiand 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

ORLANS 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 48083

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mark Azarovitz and Dawr Azarovitz, his wife (original mortgagors) to Resource One Mortgage, Mortgagee dated June 18, 1999, and recorded on July 8, 1999 in Liber 776, on Page 230, Tuscola county records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, as Indenture Trustee, for Soundview Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-1, Assignee by an assignment dated August 10, 2000, which was recorded on September 5, 2000, in Liber 809, on Page 1285, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND THIRTY-EIGHT AND 64/ 100 dollars (\$74,038.64), including interest at 11,490% 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 ntrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 5, 2001.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF KOYLTON, Tuscola County, Michi-

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 32, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Township of Koylton, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, described as beginning at a point on the South Section line that is East 426.00 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 32; thence continuing East 583.00 feet; thence North 372.80 t; thence West 583.00; thence South

The redemption period shall be 12

Attorneys and Counselors

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WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

mortgagors) to Advanta National Bank, Mortgagee, dated May 20, 1998, and recorded on June 4, 1998 in Liber 741, on Page 740, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Bankers Trust Company of California N.A. as Custodian or Trustee, Assignee by an assignment dated October 20, 2000, which was recorded on November 16, 2000, in Liber 815, on Page 1259, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT AND 03/100 dollars (\$55,358.03), including interest at 9.225% per annu

AM, on January 12, 2001.

OF WELLS, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

minutes 52 seconds West 529.02 feet to the point of beginning.

month(s) from the date of such sale.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by CRAIG A. VOLLMAR, A SINGLE MAN to UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRA-TION U.S. DEPT, OF AGRICULTURE now known as USDA, RURAL DEVEL-OPMENT mortgagee, dated April 29, 1993, and recorded on April 30, 1993, in Liber 640, on page 075, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of sixty thousand three hundred sixty five and 84/100 Dollars (\$60,365.84), including interest at

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 vendue, at the Front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 11:00 AM on December 15, 2000.

7.750% per annum

Said premises are situated in TOWN-SHIP OF ALMER, TUSCOLA County, Michigan, and are described as

LOT 6, BLOCK 1 OF AGAR SUBDIVI-SION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 86, NOW BEING PAGE 36B.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unwith 1948CL 600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 8, 2000 LISDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee

401 South Old Woodward Avenue Suite 300 Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

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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 assign-ment 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 an-

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 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of

Dated: November 1, 2000

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for The Chase Manahattan 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. Troy, MI 48083 (248) 457-1000

File No. 193.0052

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

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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 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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian J. Balch, a married mar and Laura J. Balch, his wife (original mortgagors) to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 6, 1998 nd recorded on April 7, 1998 in Liber 734, on Page 763, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated May 22, 1998, which was recorded on October 13, 1998, in Liber 752 on Page 1065, Tuscola County Records, and re-recorded on November 16, 2000 in Liber 815, on Page 1262, Tusco County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-NINE
THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDREQ NINE AND 75/100 dollars (\$99,709.75), 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 AM, on January 12, 2001

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

The South 290.4 feet of the West 300 feet of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 11 North, Range 9 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 29, 2000

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Wayne A. LeBlond, a married man and Tami L. LeBlond, a married woman (original mortgagors) to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 28, 1999, and recorded on June 2, 1999 in Liber 773, on Page 216, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Fleet Mortgage Corp., a South Carolina Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated November 1, 1999, which was recorded on January 20, 2000, in Liber 792, on Page 1234, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-TWO THOUSAND THREE **HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR AND 52/** 100 dollars (\$92,394.52), including in-

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"This brochure represents a summary of priority issues that the Lake Huron basin is facing and also lists management actions suggested by the Lake Huron Initiative Action Plan that are currently funded or ongoing," said G. Tracy Mehan, director of the Office of the Great Lakes.

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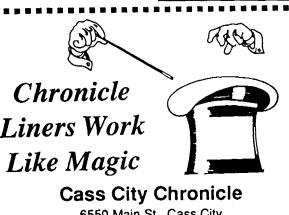
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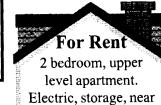
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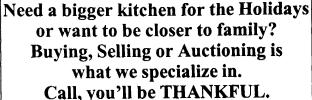
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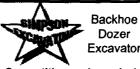
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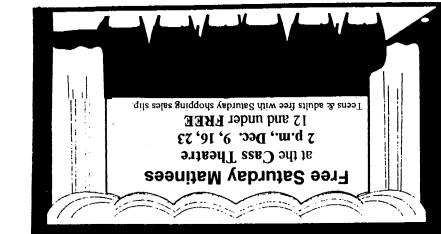






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Carriage Rides & Hot Chocolate - Thumb National Bank - start

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Home Tour - Friends of the Library - tickets and post-tea at

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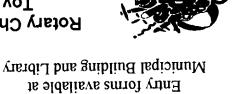
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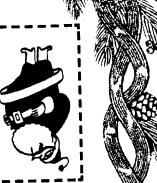
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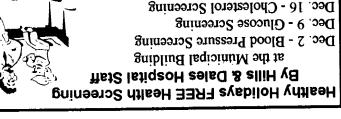
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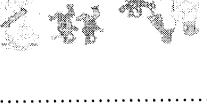
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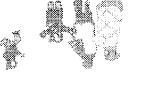
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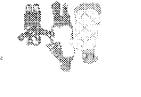
















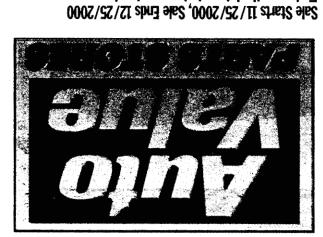


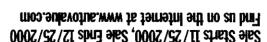






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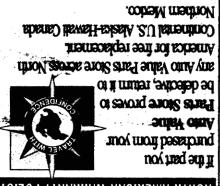
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