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BONE CHILLING cold didn't deter a throng of youngsters from greeting Santa Claus at the corner of Main and Seeger streets Saturday night following a full day of "Christmas in the Village" activities in Cass City. Below, the Tom Thumb singers serenaded the crowd as it awaited Santa's arrival.



"Christmas in the Village"

Holiday kick-off big success

Cass City's "Christmas in the Village" celebration kick-off Saturday was a rousing success if public participation in the many activities offered is any indication.

The inaugural event, organized by the Cass City Chamber of Commerce in an effort to revive the excitement of the village's reputation as Michigan's Christmas Town, literally drew hundreds of people, according to chamber Administrator Kay Warner.

"We were pleased with the turnout. I mean, we've gotten a lot of support," she said. "Everybody was really pleased."

Warner said the "Christmas

in the Country Craft Show", held at the middle school, featured dozens of craft booths, and attendance was estimated at more than 700 people. Some 250 people took advantage of the Friends of the Library Home Tour, which featured stops at 6 area homes and a post-tour tea at Rawson Memorial Library.

A number of people did not take advantage of the free shuttle service for the tour, provided by Curtis Chrysler, according to Warner, who

said she was really impressed with the service. The drivers thanked each passenger for allowing them to provide the service, she added, and they presented gifts in the form of 30-minute pre-paid phone cards.

The "Hanging of the Greens" activity downtown lacked participation, but the handful of people who rolled up their sleeves and went to work completed the decorating job, and the finished

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Brothers face exams in robbery

Two Cass City brothers face preliminary exams this week on charges stemming from the armed robbery of a local bike shop Nov. 21.

Charles E. Damoth IV, 17, and Robert E. Damoth, 15, 6729 Third St., have both been arraigned on charges of armed robbery, conspiracy to commit armed robbery and larceny in a building. Charles also faces a charge of possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

Although Robert is a juvenile, prosecutors opted to charge him as an adult.

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.

Bond for Charles, a Cass City High School sophomore, was set at \$5,000 cash. A \$5,000 personal recognizance bond was set for Robert, a ninth grade Cass City student. Both face preliminary exams Friday morning in Tuscola County District

Court.

According to Cass City police reports, the teens allegedly robbed Scott R. Ackerman at his business, Ackerman's Bike Repair, 6247 Pine St.

Police say Charles, armed with a .177 caliber, 6-shot CO2 pellet revolver, and his brother entered the business at about 4:19 p.m. Ackerman stated that Charles pointed the pistol at him and told him to get on the floor. He also told police that Charles asked him for a bag and told him (Ackerman) to put cash in it and place the bag on the floor near the store entrance.

Police say the teens then ordered Ackerman to walk into the bathroom and lock the door.

The boys allegedly walked out of the store with \$230 in cash and a new Huffy Freestyle bicycle valued at \$439. Police, assisted by a young boy who later found the bicycle and identified Charles Damoth, had the suspects in custody about 40 minutes later.

Council eyes solutions

Experts: old meters to blame for loss of water

A comprehensive and high-tech study of Cass City's nearly 20 miles of water line has confirmed village officials' suspicions regarding the "loss" of millions of gallons of water that are pumped but not billed annually: old water meters are to blame.

The study and preliminary discussion on ways to fix the

problem were among the topics addressed during a special Village Council budget session Monday night.

Aqua-Line, an Ohio-based leak detection service hired by the village, has completed its study in Cass City, Village Manager Jane Downing told council members. "And they found (virtually) no leaks. They said we have one of the

tightest systems that they've ever seen."

Although a written report has not been submitted yet, Downing said Aqua-Line officials told her they did detect a couple of small leaks that could be responsible for the loss of roughly 4,500 gallons of water a day, and there were a pair of hydrants that were not completely shut off.

However, she pointed out, those discoveries don't even come close to explaining an estimated water loss experienced by the village. "They said...you've got to look at your meters now."

Most municipalities consider a 10 percent water loss to be acceptable. Cass City's loss, in comparison, was double that in 1999, with more than 22.5 million gallons unaccounted for, or a 19.46 percent loss of the water pumped from village wells.

In dollars, the loss translated into \$35,000 to \$40,000 in water fees, plus lost revenue from sewer fees, which are based on water usage.

The loss has resulted in increasingly larger amounts of red ink in both the village water and wastewater funds, which were set up to support themselves.

The recent leak study, which cost about \$3,500, utilized state-of-the-art technology to detect and pinpoint fluid leaks in pressurized pump systems. Aqua-Line uses sonic detection and computer "correlation" equipment targeting all exposed valves and fire hydrants as well as selected service connections.

Downing, who said the village now has more than 30 homes where meters are not working at all, proposed adding a surcharge onto water bills sometime next year that would be spread over a 10-year period in order to establish a regular meter replacement program. She did not suggest a specific figure, saying council will need to further discuss the proposal in the coming months.

Downing again recommended that council members consider the purchase of meters with special radio wave equipment that would allow village personnel to read all meters with a single receiver located at the municipal building.

There would be a significant additional cost; a residential meter would cost about \$90 and the radio wave signal equipment would add another \$160 to the price tag. However, Downing noted the village would recover that cost in just 3 years in manpower hours alone.

Currently, village employees manually visit homes to read meters, and those readings are manually recorded.

Downing, who said the radio wave system would eliminate the possibility of meter tampering, noted newer meters and rebuilt meters could also be fitted with the radio wave signal equipment.

Downing said residents would not be hit with a one-time bill for the meters. Rather, she explained, the village would have to finance

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SOLUTIONS

Downing recommended a number of measures to better monitor water loss and to cut that loss in half over the next several months.

In terms of monitoring billing and water usage, she noted village officials plan to bill for water, sewer and waste removal service on a monthly, rather than quarterly basis, beginning in January. "Everybody's meters will be read in the week between Christmas and New Years," she said, adding all uses will be phased into the new billing schedule.

The council will also have to address replacing and, in some cases, rebuilding the large number of old and non-functioning meters now in use.

Caro mail carrier indicted

A Caro mail carrier accused of stealing mail faces arraignment this week in U.S. District Court in Bay City.

U.S. Attorney Saul A. Green last week announced that Christopher J. Stapleton, 36, of Caro, was indicted by a federal grand jury in Bay City Nov. 29 on a charge of theft of mail by a U.S. Postal Service employee.

"The indictment charges that Mr. Stapleton, a rural mail carrier for the U.S. Postal Service, embezzled 2 articles of mail, including a parcel prepared by postal inspectors and addressed to a fictitious person and address," said Assistant U.S. Attorney James A. Brunson, who presented the case to the grand jury.

If convicted, Stapleton faces a sentence of up to 5 years in prison, fines totaling \$250,000, and a period of supervised release.

"Any sentence will be imposed under the United States Sentencing Guidelines according to the nature of the offense and the criminal background, if any, of the defendant," Brunson said.

Stapleton is scheduled to appear Thursday at 10 a.m. before U.S. Magistrate Judge Charles E. Binder for arraignment.

The U.S. Postal Inspection Service investigated the case. Brunson noted that an indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is entitled to a fair trial in which it will be the government's burden to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

Lending a hand

Kingston Lions Club gift gives area resident a new lease on life

Imagine having some sight but being unable to enjoy the simple pleasure of reading a book or newspaper, or looking up a recipe.

Without someone nearby to assist, many everyday activities people take for granted — writing a check or reading the instructions on a prescription bottle, for example — would be virtually impossible.

Mildred "Mary" Sabo has known that frustration since she was diagnosed with macular degeneration, a condition in which the macula, the central and most vital area of the retina, deteriorates, resulting in a gradual loss of vision.

"I can see well enough to take care of the house and

that, but I can't read. If I have to write checks out, I have to have someone else make them out and I sign them," Sabo said. "It's pretty debilitating."

Sabo was diagnosed about 18 months ago. For the past year, she has used a \$300 hand-held lighted magnifying instrument, but even that has become inadequate.

However, Sabo was recently given a new lease on her vision, courtesy of the Kingston Lions Club. Club members, who learned of Sabo's plight, purchased a nearly \$2,000 piece of specially designed optical equipment and presented it to the Kingston area woman free of charge.

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KINGSTON AREA resident Mary Sabo (seated), who suffers from macular degeneration, demonstrates her new Aladdin Classic magnifier to Frank Kapral and Alice Zajac, both members of the Kingston Lions Club, which donated the equipment.



Ryan and Jackie Guigar

Diebel, Guigar exchange vows

Jackie Diebel and Ryan Guigar were married by the Rev. Dee Wered Smith at the Elkton Westland Church in a double-ring ceremony Sept. 16.

The bride is the daughter of Randy and Jean Diebel of Gettysburg and the groom is the son of Michael and Diana Bartotti and Randy Guigar of Uly.

The bride, escorted by her father, wore a short sleeve A-line dress of matte satin with embroidered lace on the bodice and hemline. The bodice had a scoop neckline and a V-back with lace gently flowing just past the waistline area in front and back. The back was detailed with a small bow and ties and had a chapel length train. The veil was a headband of satin and pearls. The bride carried a bouquet of white roses.

Maid of honor was Karissa McIntosh, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Brenda Wilson and Renee Drake, friends of the couple, Kathy Gamet, sister of the bride, and Amber Gamet, cousin of the bride.

Best man was Bryan Schrader, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Mark Wilson, friend of the groom,

Bill Guigar and Randy Diebel, brothers of the groom, and Heath Farrelly, friend of the couple.

Flower girls were Nicole and Andrea Willis, and ring bearer was Brayden Guigar, nephew of the groom.

Ushers were Grant Farrelly, friend of the couple, and Cory Guigar, brother of the groom.

The reception was held at Uly Fox Hunters Club with over 300 guests attending.

The couple took a week-long honeymoon and now resides in Cass City.

The groom works for Osminski and the bride works for Dr. Yun, M.D.

Couple welcomes daughter

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Miller of Kelly Rd., Cass City, announce the birth of their first daughter, Martha. She was born Nov. 24, 2000, at 7:26 a.m. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bricker of Cass City and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Miller of Holbrook.

Mini-cantata slated for Dec. 10

The Junior Choir of Novesta Church of Christ, 2896 N. Cemetery Road, will present a mini-cantata, "O Christmas Tree", Sunday, Dec. 10, at the church's 10:45 a.m. service.

The music and drama of "O Christmas Tree" brings out the deeper significance behind our Christmas tree ornaments. The public is invited to hear this choir (ages 3 years thru 6th grade). For further information call 872-3658.

Error chosen for band

Josh Error, a junior at Owen-Gage High School, recently was selected to participate in Central Michigan University's Honors Band.

Error auditioned Nov. 5, along with other high school students from throughout the state, and was placed third chair in the trumpet section. A total of 59 students were selected to perform.

A concert was held Nov. 19 in the Recital Hall at CMU.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

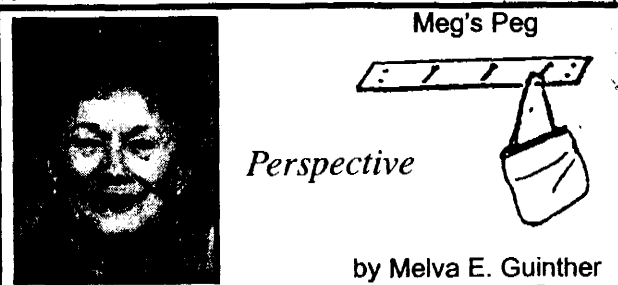
Senior Citizens are asked to make reservations before 9:00 a.m., on the day of the meal, by calling Clara Gaffney, 872-2875.

DEC. 11-13-15

Monday - Beef stroganoff w/noodles, blended vegetables, variety bread, cookie.

Wednesday - Pot roast w/ carrots, potatoes and onions, variety bread, cottage cheese w/peaches.

Friday - Breaded fish, cottage fries, coleslaw, dream dessert, variety bread.



by Melva E. Guinther

Standing in the buffet line at our annual family Thanksgiving dinner, my nephew exclaimed with exuberance, "I love this time of year!" And most of the men present concurred.

Why not? After spending the morning hunting, they loaded up their plates and retreated to the TV room to watch football. Not only that, but basketball season is also in progress. What more could a man ask for?

There are others of us who don't feel quite so strongly that this is the ultimate, as seasons go.

For us, it's the time of year when everything bright and colorful dies and the landscape turns gray, when it's not white. We can never be sure that the weather won't cancel our plans.

Our feet get cold, our skin dries out and our nails get brittle and break.

Some people decry the holiday hoopla, the shopping, the crowds, etc. But the fact is if it weren't for the prospect of the holidays, some of us might not survive.

Shopping, wrapping and decorating carry us through the bleak cold days of November and December, when the guys are having a ball hunting and watching their never ending sports.

My sister, Pat Blue, rescued my sanity - somewhat. She came up with the song I couldn't remember, except for the last line, which kept running through my tortured mind. Now I wonder how I could have forgotten anything with such deep spiritual significance.

Are you ready for this? It goes, "One finger, one thumb, keep moving. One finger, one thumb, keep moving. One finger, one thumb, keep moving. And chase the blues away."

Then it progresses to "one arm, one leg; stand up, sit down; and wave your hand," etc., with all the accompanying motions. I think it was designed to get the wiggles out of antsy children.

I'm glad that's settled. However, what seemed to be a blessing may have turned into a curse. Now I have the whole silly song running through my head.

Here's a little exercise that came from the Laugh A Lot! Website. It's one of those math things that I never understand, but it works.

1. Pick the number of times a week (between 2 and 9) that you'd like to have chocolate.

2. Multiply this number by 2.

3. Add 5.

4. Multiply that number by 50.

5. If you've already had your birthday this year, add 1750. If you haven't, add 1749.

6. Subtract the 4-digit number of the year you were born.

You should now have a 3-digit number. The first digit is your original number - how many times you want chocolate each week. The second 2 digits are your age.

They warn that the year 2000 is the only year this will work, so if you try it after Dec. 31, you'll end up with egg on your face.

Thumb writers plan meet

The Thumb Area Writer's Club meets the second Tuesday of each month in the Open Door Missionary Church Conference Room, located at 770 West Sanilac Ave., 3/4 mile west of Sandusky on the north side

of the road. This month the meeting is Tuesday, Dec. 12. Meetings commence at 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. You do not have to be a member to attend meetings.

Library to host activities

Special Christmas events for children are scheduled at Rawson Memorial Library Saturdays, Dec. 9, 16 and 23 from 10 to 11 a.m.

Each week will be fun-packed with stories and activities. Projects will include making Christmas ornaments and decorations. A holiday puppet show presented by Pippin Puppets and entitled "The Toybox" is slated for Dec. 16. Dec. 23, the children will decorate Christmas cookies to take home.

These activities are free, but pre-registration is required for Dec. 9 and 23 so that enough supplies are on hand. Please sign-up by Dec. 8. An adult or older sibling must accompany children under the age of 5.

For more information, call 872-2856.

Historical society to meet

The Watrousville-Caro Area Historical Society will meet Tuesday, Dec. 12, at the Caro Municipal Building, 317 S. State St., Caro. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

The program will be presented by Living Truth 2, husband and wife team of Elroy and Tammie Kusters of Caro. They will present a Christmas program with their various musical instruments and in song. Refreshments will be served.

Members are asked to bring some Christmas cookies to share.

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas



Richard and Brenda Yates

Rockwell, Yates married Nov. 11

Two lives and countries were united Nov. 11, 2000, as Brenda Rockwell, formerly of Snover, and Richard Yates of Romiley, England, were joined in marriage. The couple had a simple civil wedding ceremony at the registry office in Stockport, England, with family and a few close friends present.

Paul and Donna Rockwell, Brenda's parents, could not be there in person but sent a special blessing which was read during the service.

Mike and Pat Yates, Richard's parents, were the witnesses to the signing of the register.

The couple now resides in Romiley, England.

Kids, Crafts & Christmas

Saturdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Rawson Memorial Library

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Dec. 23 Decorate Christmas Cookies to take home

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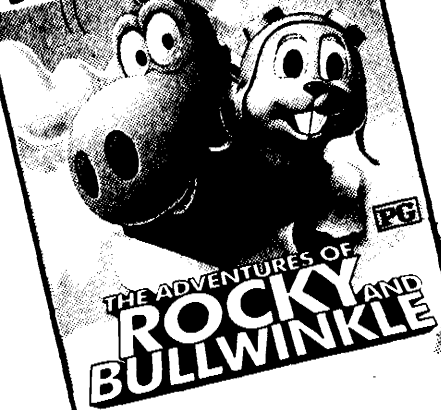


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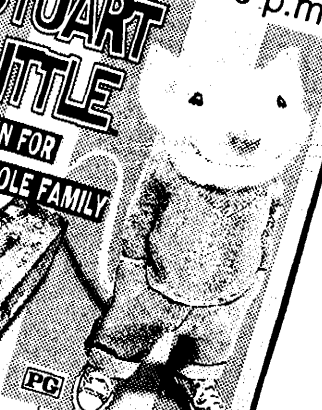
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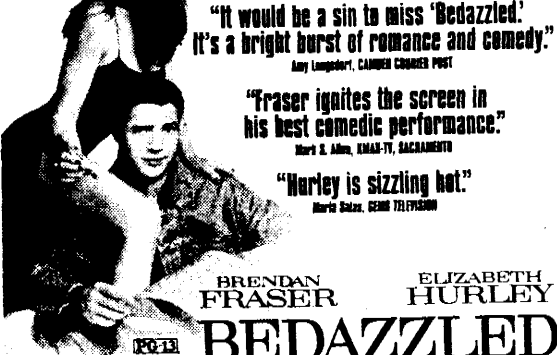
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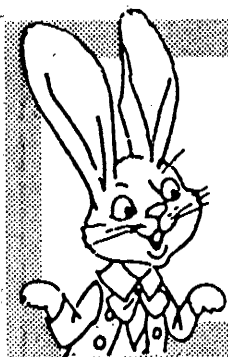
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Maybe there should be a special effort to include the 8th graders on the fund raising committee for the indoor pool and exercise building at Cass City High School.

Mrs. Michelle Homakie says that Saturday's pop can drive was ultra successful as a fund raiser for a trip to Washington, D.C. About 9,000 cans were collected, which averages about \$50 per student.

The pool committee organizational meeting will be Monday at 6:30 at the high school. All of the board members are expected to attend as the meeting is set prior to the regular board meeting.

The meeting is open to the public and interested persons will get a first-hand look at the ways available to raise the \$750,000 needed.

Fishermen who make a habit of perch fishing in Saginaw Bay along the Thumb shoreline might want to take a look on the western edge of the lake.

Mark McClorey reports that the Linwood area was a hot spot last weekend. He caught 100 perch fishing from Hoyle's Marina.

My goof turned out to have a silver lining Saturday. Reaching Bay City, I found that 2 pies that Esther had packed and ready for a trip to Plymouth were left in Cass City, still wrapped and ready to go.

Clued in where homemade pies were available, we detoured to Pat and Jerry's, 963 W. Midland Street, Freeland. The pies were good and inexpensive. We purchased apple and pumpkin pies for \$6.00 each.

We also ate lunch. Hers was a BLT and beef barley soup. The portions were very ample. My fish sandwich had 4 pieces of fish and the salad bar was extensive and well maintained.

Now you wouldn't want to go there for pheasant under glass, but for a filling meal at very reasonable rates, it fills the bill. The lunches cost \$13.75, plus tip. Judged as an everyday restaurant, not a gourmet food spot, give it an 8 on the 1-10 scale.

Greenleaf Township Zoning Board

will meet

Thursday, Dec. 7

at 7:00 p.m.

Greenleaf Township Hall, Gilbert Road
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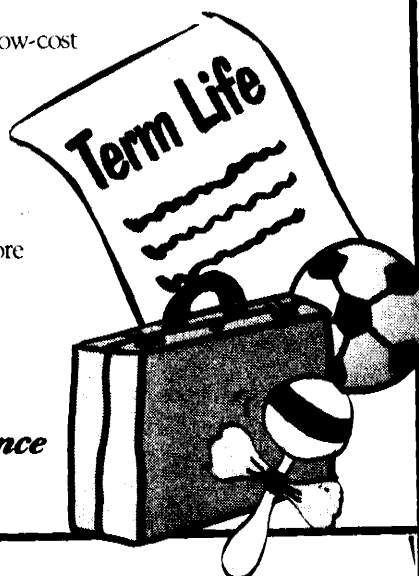
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Cass City Public Schools PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

\$750,000 Donation

What a surprise! To think that someone would feel so positively about our school and community to donate one half million dollars for a project, such as an indoor swimming pool and exercise area, is difficult to comprehend. Then to have a local foundation, in this case, the Cass City Pinney Foundation, contribute another quarter of a million dollars for this cause is quite overwhelming. We should all be extremely proud of the strong support and pride which exists within our community.

At the last Cass City Board of Education meeting, a decision to move forward with this project was approved. According to current cost projections, approximately 1.5 million dollars would be needed to complete the proposed project. The Board called for a special meeting to review available information with the public and appoint a working committee to begin establishing plans to meet required timelines.

This special meeting is set for Monday, Dec. 11, 2000, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Cass City High School Cafeteria. The public is invited.

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

\$225,000 earmarked for improvements to M-25

Four locations along M-25 in the Thumb area will receive \$225,000 in improvements through a federally-funded enhancement program.

"This program is a wonderful tool to improve key corridors and help local communities. The work along M-25

Farm tax workshop scheduled

Dr. Craig Thomas, MSU-Extension dairy specialist, and Dennis Stein, MSU-Extension District Farm Business Management agent, will be holding a special farm income tax planning and management meeting Friday.

The tax planning meeting will be held at the Michigan State University Extension Office, 37 Austin St., Sandusky, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required by today (Wednesday).

This special meeting will cover a wide variety of tax-related topics, plus producers will be provided with tips on how to manage their annual income tax payments and updates on changes in tax rules and regulations that affect farms.

The program will provide a good opportunity for all types of farmers that do their own tax reporting or just want to stay current with management of their farm's taxes and to get updated on important tax issues. Participants will have the opportunity to raise their own questions related to their farm tax situation.

For more information, contact the MSU Extension office in Sandusky at (810) 468-2515.

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in Sanilac County will go a long way to enhancing this important tourism route," Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT) Transportation Service Center (TSC) Manager Doug Wilson said.

The 4 projects include:
* Culvert replacement and drainage improvements in Delaware Township.

* Step construction to connect a roadside park to Lake Huron in Forester Township.

* Slope restoration in Sanilac Township southwest of Hyde Road.

* Construction of a wooden viewing platform and steps to the beach at the roadside park 2 miles south of Port

Sanilac.

Work on the 4 projects is expected to begin in early December and be completed by the beginning of June 2001.

Funding for the projects is made available through the federally-funded enhancement program. This program, administered by MDOT, allows communities to improve the appearance, safety and economic well-being of their areas. The program requires local participation in both funding and planning of projects.

Since 1992, MDOT's Enhancement Program has funded 745 projects statewide.

The Haire Net



Just because pledges totaling \$750,000 have been received doesn't mean that we'll be swimming when snow is on the ground.

It's a giant step forward, sure, but a long, very long, leap remains.

It may be overly pessimistic for me to believe that there is no way that the additional three-quarters of a million dollars or more will be raised without a bond issue. We should remember that construction costs need to include interest on the loan that will be needed. Even if pledges cover the costs, the money will come in over years and builders will need to be paid when the work is done.

Still the generosity of folks around here when they perceive a real need is amazing. I thought that it would be impossible to raise a half-million dollars to build Hills and Dales General Hospital, but we did it.

If it all comes down to raising the money with a millage, the first question that the supporters should address is what will happen with the pool.

That's the question that already has been asked me several times when the plan began circulating. The present pool and the previous pool have hours of volunteer work and plenty of donated bucks behind them. For many, it is more than a pool. It represents visible evidence of their contribution to the community. Presenting a plan for the operation of our outdoor pool with a new one needs immediate attention.

Assuming that a tax of a mill for 3 or 4 years will be necessary, what are its chances?

It's a crap shoot, at best. Looking back to the vote in 1973 where a 1.9-mill tax went down, 687 to 408, it would seem that tax approval today would be a long shot.

But that tax proposal isn't the same as the one that may be needed today. It called for 1.9 mills the first year and then an additional mill a year indefinitely for operation. Taxes with no end are hard to get approved.

An intangible benefit may be the increased attraction of the school for students in these days of the school of choice program. Right now each student brings over

\$6,000 to the district and that's sure to increase.

Sure to be a negative when taxpayers consider the issue is that the school and the community can get along quite well the way it is and a pool will have no bearing on future success of students.

The pledge restrictions have the advantage of bringing the issue into single focus. Undoubtedly there are several other options for that kind of money that residents may favor instead of a pool. An indoor skating rink and community center, more electronics, and a youth center among them. But it's not a case of turning down a pool for a chance at something else.

The choice each faces is whether to take advantage of a once-in-a-lifetime bonanza or toss the money back to the donors.

The choice is ours.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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Here we are again. Time for the annual report on seasonal affective disorder (SAD).

I presume everyone knows that seasonal affective disorder is caused by shorter days, longer nights, and an overabundance of the hormone, melatonin. For years I didn't know what caused it, but I was sure I probably had it.

Then, I started reading the newspaper and learned there are several reports each winter about the debilitating effects of seasonal affective disorder. I become more depressed every time I read one of these.

A recent story from New York Times Syndicate quotes a staff member of the Canadian Mental Health Association as saying it took almost 9 years before he was diagnosed with SAD. He remembers he could "go like (expletive deleted), get anything done" over the summer but "over the wintertimes I couldn't keep up that pace. It progressed downhill every year," he says.

That's me. I've been progressing downhill for at least 20 years. It's nice to know what's causing it.

The New York Times story says seasonal affective disorder was first noted before 1845 but wasn't officially recognized as a psychiatric diagnosis until the 1980's. There's no question a lot of folks were going downhill all of those years.

How does one know if they have seasonal affective disorder? A 1998 story from Knight Ridder/Tribune news service quotes one psychologist as saying, "It can be very dramatic — you can't think clearly at all. One person described it as feeling like his brain was encased in cold, 40-weight motor oil."

This patient was obviously a mechanic. How else would he know how a person's brain feels in 40-weight motor oil, as opposed to 30-weight or transmission fluid, for example?

The good news about SAD

is that it can be treated with light therapy. The bad news is you have to buy some lights.

Those of us who get depressed at the price of lights can get some relief with a few common sense measures. Psychologists suggest we sit by a window at work or take a walk during the lunch hour.

People who work in their basement or some type of closet, as I do, might try sitting closer to their computer screen to soak up as much light as possible. News reporters can turn their cameras around and shoot the flashback into their faces oc-

asionally.

Some do this several times a day, anyway. No one will notice you are doing it on purpose.

Folks who service cars and trucks should be careful to keep their heads out of the motor oil. Those who feel like their brain is encased in a stiff liquid might try standing in a hot shower for a few minutes. If that doesn't loosen things up, one of those electric dipstick heaters might help.

Above all, don't be afraid to do something others might consider stupid. It will cheer up your spouse if nothing else.

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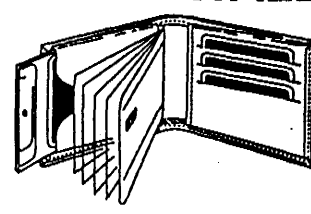
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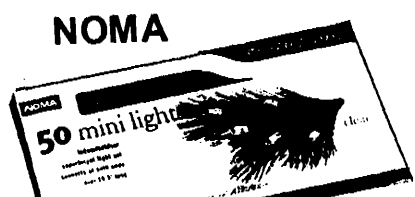
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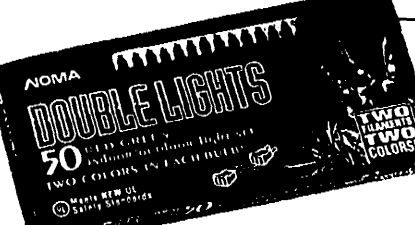


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KATHLEEN PALMER of Deford (left) visits with crafter Sally Alex during the "Christmas in the County Craft Show" held at the middle school. Hundreds of area residents turned out for the show, held in conjunction with "Christmas in the Village" activities.



Holiday kick-off smashing success

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product has received many compliments.

Dozens of residents showed up for Saturday night's activities, despite bone chilling cold.

The evening featured the Tom Thumb Singers, hot bean soup served up by Steve

Wright and Matt Prieskorn, hot chocolate and carriage rides courtesy of Thumb National Bank, and, of course, the arrival of Santa Claus aboard a brightly decorated Detroit Edison truck. Village President Les Karr presented the Jolly Old Elf with "a key to the hearts of Cass City's children."

Nearby, members of the Shabbona United Methodist Church presented a live nativity scene.

The day also featured an appearance by Ronald McDonald for the Cass City Rotary Club's "Christmas for Kids" campaign, a healthy holidays free blood pressure screening at the municipal building, and an evening concert by the Tom Thumb Singers at the Cass City United Methodist Church.

Warner said chamber officials will meet to evaluate the kick-off celebration. There will probably be some changes, such as adding warming barrels and a public address system to the Saturday night community gathering, and encouraging young people to participate in the decorating activities. However, she added, the goal will be to continue building on this year's success.

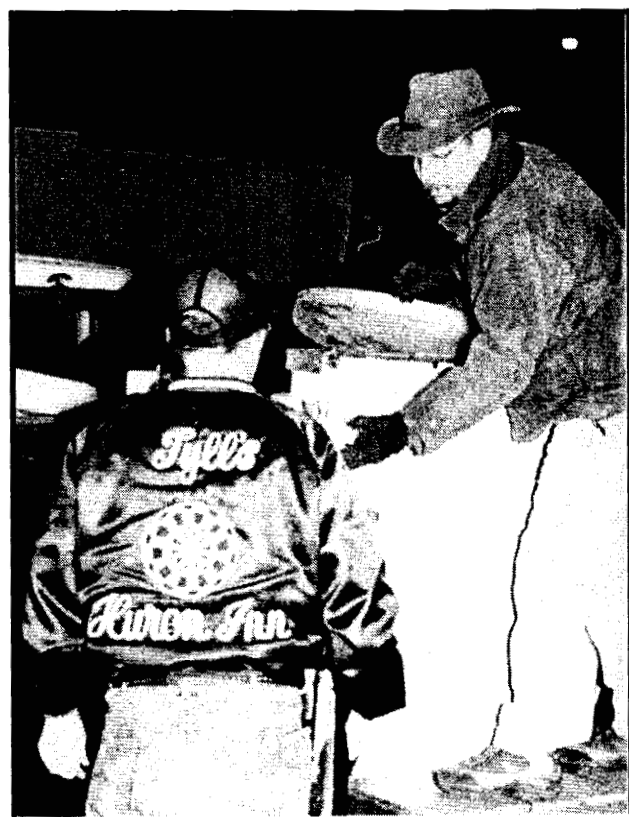
Warner pointed out that Saturday's celebration was just the beginning.

The library will be hosting a Kids Craft and Story Time Dec. 9, 16 and 23 at 10 a.m.; there will be drawings for 3 free train sets and free 2 p.m. movie matinees at the Cass Theatre on those same days. Area youngsters who didn't have the opportunity to share their lists with Santa can still do so Dec. 9, 16 and 23 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and Dec. 22 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the municipal building. Free

pictures with Santa will be available Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the New Sheridan Book Mart.

The healthy holidays screenings will continue Dec. 9 and 16 at the municipal building, the Rotary, Christmas for Kids and Thumb Girl Scouts Mitten Tree collections will continue throughout town, and Thumb National Bank is featuring its Christmas Gift Display.

Residents are being encouraged to buy chamber luminary kits (available at the municipal building) to help light up the village Dec. 16, and a home decorating contest featuring some great prizes is underway, with public judging slated for Dec. 16. "Hopefully we'll get a lot of people decorating and a lot of people coming into town to see the decorations," Warner said.



STEVE Wright (right) and Matt Prieskorn (not pictured) helped keep the crowd warm with hot bean soup next to the municipal building.

Lions

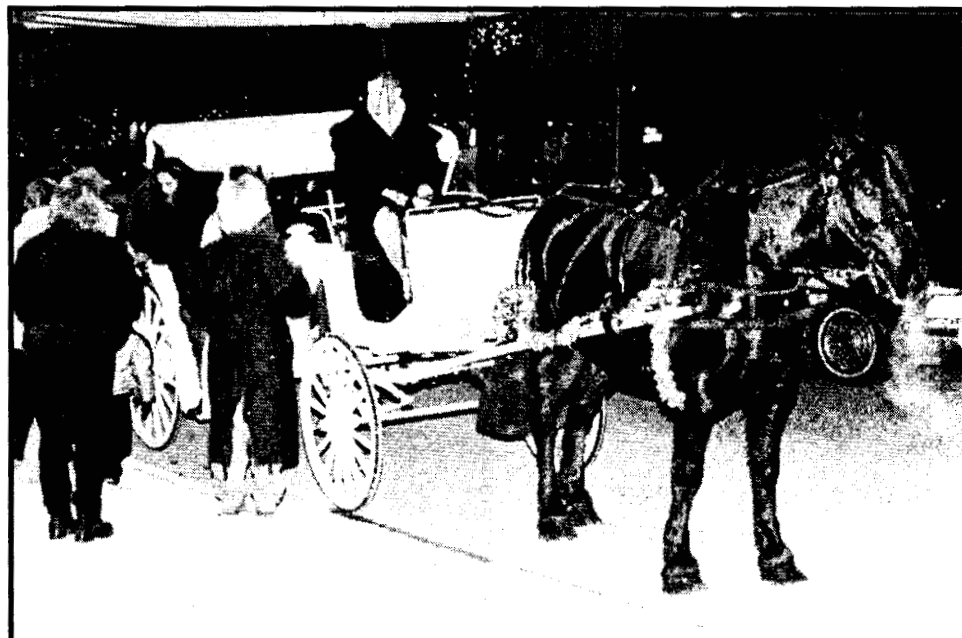
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The Aladdin Classic magnifier looks like a small television set with a movable tray underneath. The equipment enlarges type and features a number of controls designed to suit individual needs.

"I'm just getting used to it, really," commented Sabo, who said the equipment has made a real difference in her life. "I appreciate it very much and I was very surprised when they walked in with it."

Helping others is nothing new for the Kingston Lions, which is active in the community throughout the year, from making eyeglasses available to school children, to donating hams for the annual community Christmas basket gift program.

"We're a small club, but we're quite active. We've got about 30 members," club member Alice Zajac said, adding the club holds a number of fundraisers throughout the year, including a soup luncheon, craft show, chocolate Easter bunny sales and, of course, the popular "cow plop drop" held during the Kingston Days festival.



SHANE BENNER, whose parents own LeSanSha Percherons & Carriage Co., Millington, served as the driver for carriage rides that were provided downtown courtesy of Thumb National Bank.

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Expert: meters to blame for water loss

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the cost and then recover the expense through her proposed meter replacement surcharge.

The council may also be looking at additional adjustments to water and sewer rates, which in 1998 were boosted by 40 percent (water) and 30 percent (sewer) over a 5-year period.

Downing asked the council to consider spending about \$10,800 on an independent water rate study that would be conducted by Rowe Engineering. Such a study, she said, would determine where the village's rates should be based on annual operating, maintenance and capital improvement expenses.

State using "wage record" system

Michigan's unemployment insurance program has made a significant change in how it gathers the information to determine what a jobless worker will receive in unemployment benefits. And the change affects not only the unemployed but employers as well.

Michigan has begun using a "wage record" system, for establishing an unemployed worker's monetary eligibility for jobless benefits.

"The change to wage record is a dramatic improvement to

our unemployment insurance program," Kathy Wilbur, director of Michigan's Department of Consumer & Industry Services, said. "It will mean much better service for jobless workers, less paperwork for employers and savings to taxpayers throughout Michigan."

With wage record, the state's Unemployment Agency (UA) will now rely on existing quarterly wage information from employers to determine the amount and duration of unemployment benefits that jobless workers will receive. Under the prior system - wage request - the agency had to request

weekly wage information from employers each time an unemployed worker filed a new claim for benefits.

"The wage request system was cumbersome and slow," UA Director Jack Wheatley said, "because of the need to contact employers for wage information whenever one of their employees would file a benefit claim."

"For employers and the Unemployment Agency, requesting weekly wage data meant countless hours of processing time as well as mailing costs," he pointed out. "And for the unemployed workers, the old system meant waiting for up to 2 weeks after filing a claim

before learning how much they might receive in benefits."

With the new wage record system, the agency will use quarterly wage information that it already has on hand to determine a benefit amount when a claim is filed.

Wilbur said that the savings in paper alone will be tremendous.

"If you could stack the UA forms that will no longer be needed because of wage record, they would reach a height as high as the Detroit Marriott Hotel in the Renaissance Center," Wilbur said.

Employers and jobless workers will notice improve-

ments in the claims process.

The conversion to wage record affects all new unemployment claims filed after Oct. 1, but the change will not alter the total amount of jobless benefits paid to the unemployed or taxes collected from employers. Individual employers and workers, however, may see some difference in their taxes or benefits.

UA is implementing the wage record system 15 months ahead of schedule.

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AWARDED MOST Valuable Player awards during Tuesday night's program were Red Hawk golfers (from left) Brent Goslin and Matt Ender. Missing is Nick Chappel.



CASS CITY'S sophomore Scholar Athletes.

Red Hawk fall athletes recognized

A crowd of approximately 200 student athletes, parents, coaches, family and friends gathered Tuesday, Nov. 28, in the Cass City High School cafeteria to pay tribute to the Red Hawk fall sports athletes.

Recognized for their achievements were Cass City's girls' basketball teams, cheerleading squads, football players, golf team members, soccer players and cross country runners.

Highlighting the evening were speakers Katie Hacker and Dr. Paul Chappel.

Hacker, a senior student athlete, addressed the crowd on the value of sportsmanship, while Chappel gave the gathering an update on the Cass City Boosters Club.

During the 2-hour program several awards were distributed, including most valuable player, most improved player, and coaches' awards.

However, not to be overlooked, according to Cass City Athletic Director Jeff Hartel, was the presentation of the Scholar Athletes awards.

"The criteria for Scholar Athletes is a 3.0 grade point average and earning a varsity letter," commented Hartel.

Cass City's Scholar Athletes included:

SENIORS

Holli Cooper - Basketball, Craig Emmert - Cross Country
Andy Stoeckle - Football, Andy Dale - Soccer
Zach Glaspie - Football, Katie Hacker - Basketball
Jaime Fluegge - Basketball, Brent Goslin - Golf
Joel Brinkman - Golf, Ross Sherman - Soccer
Greg Festian - Soccer, Ryan Holmgren - Football

JUNIORS

Sara Homakie - Basketball, Tim Khoury - Football
Guthry Laurie - Football, Elise Pasant - Basketball
Tessia Zawilinski - Basketball, Cason Harris - Football
Lyndi Trischler - Basketball, Noah Gould - Soccer
Ashley Ouvry - Basketball, Nick Chappel - Golf
Amanda Wright - Cheerleading, Aaron Dorland - Football
Candi Benjamin - Cross Country, Autumn Helland - Cheerleading, Matt Ender - Golf, Jason Glaza - Cross Country

SOPHOMORES

Rajen Raythatha - Soccer, Liz Hoyt - Cheerleading and Cross Country
Matt Stoutenburg - Football, Chris Maharg - Golf
Robert Dale - Soccer, Jason Barrigar - Football
Melissa Woodward - Cheerleading
Deidra Deering - Basketball, Jordan Glaza - Soccer
Josh Windsor - Soccer, Annjea Tanton - Cross Country

House Bill benefits wheelchair drivers

The cost of Michigan license plates is cut in half for people who use wheelchairs even if the owner does not use a van or lift under a measure approved last week by the Senate Transportation and Tourism Committee.

House Bill 5669, sponsored by state Rep. Mike Green, allows farmers to use vehicles with agricultural license plates to help other farmers' families transport livestock and equipment, but the bill also addresses the 50-percent vehicle registration tax exemption currently granted to owners of vans with wheelchair lifts.

"Not everyone who uses a wheelchair drives a lift-equipped van, so many people do not receive the exemption," said Green, R-Mayville. "This bill corrects that inequity by offering the benefit to more people, not just those with a certain type of vehicle and equipment."

"The intent of HB 5669 is to help people by removing some of the burdensome expenses of owning and oper-

ating their vehicles. Anything that spreads that relief to more people is welcomed."

HB 5669 provides the conditions that vehicles without a wheelchair lift system must meet to qualify for the registration exemption.

The bill also allows leased vehicles and those used for hauling other farmers' livestock and equipment to qualify for an agriculture-use registration and license plate at a reduced rate if a fee is not charged for the service. Law requires a commercial registration to haul items for others, but farmers can receive the reduced license plate registration fee for a road tractor, truck or truck tractor used exclusively for their own farming operation.

The 50-percent license plate registration exemption also is available to vehicle owners who regularly transport a household member who uses a wheelchair, but is limited to one per household.

The measure now goes before the full Senate.



SEVERAL MEMBERS of the Hawks' girls' basketball team received recognition during Cass City's fall sports program. They included: (l-r) Tessia Zawilinski - defense, Katie Hacker and Holli Cooper - Lady Red Hawk, Elise Pasant, Chelsee Zimba, Ashley Ouvry - MIP.



CASS CITY'S junior Scholar Athletes.

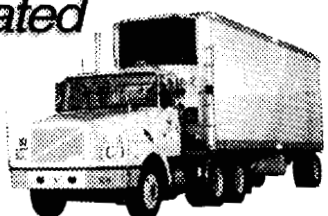
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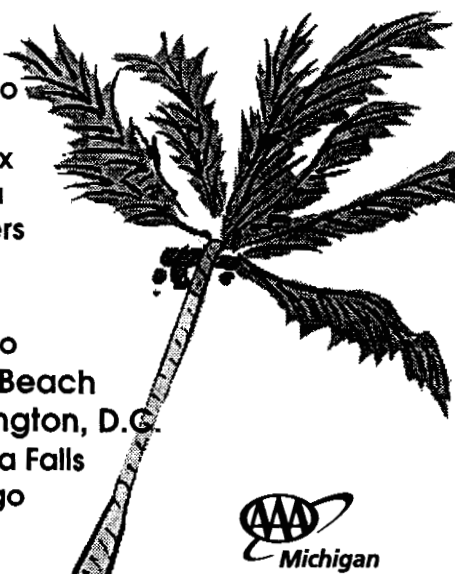
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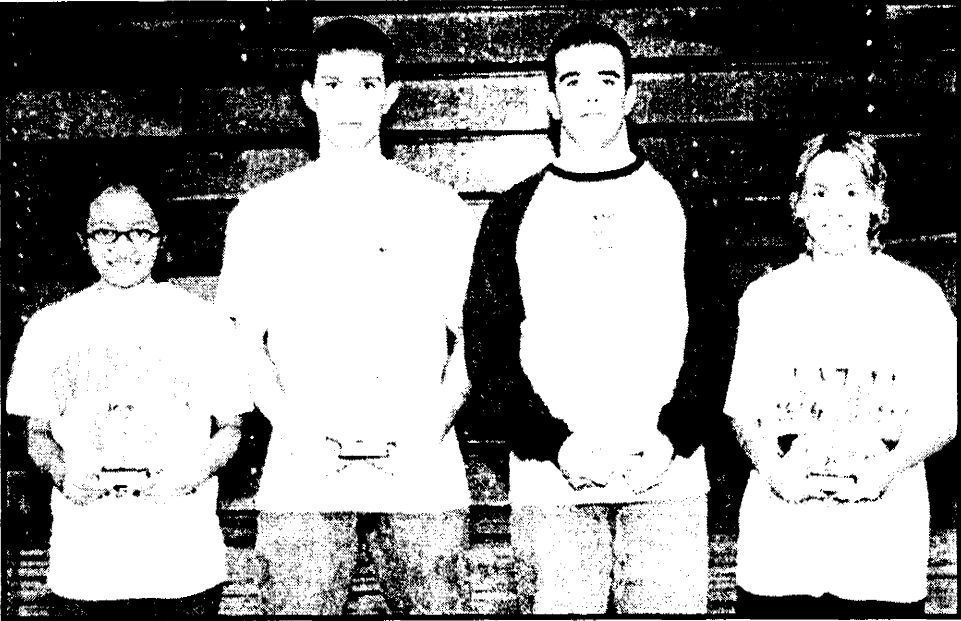


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THE 2000-2001 OWEN-GAGE varsity basketball team members are: (front l-r) Donny Perdue, Thomas Minkler, Earl McKee, Corbin Swiastyn, Zachary Fritz, (back l-r) Shane Mellendorf, Ryan Fritz, Cory Fritz, Nick Warack, Matt Rogers, Nathan Kain.



MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS recognized at the Owen-Gage Fall Sports banquet recently included: (l-r) Tazkia Alhilal - co-MIP basketball, Ryan Fritz - co-MIP football, Kendall Kretzschmer - co-MIP football, Ashley Adams - co-MIP basketball.



AWARDED MOST Valuable Player awards for Owen-Gage fall sports were: (front l-r) Erin Salcido, Melissa Ziehm, Dee Fritz - representing the entire girls' basketball team, (back l-r) Shane Mellendorf - co-MVP golf, Nick Warack - football, Corbin Swiastyn - co-MVP golf.

Veteran core returning

Owen-Gage eyes NCTL cage title

The Owen-gage Bulldogs are expected to be one of the challengers for the North Central Thumb League crown this season. Coach Leon Westover has a solid group of veterans back from the team that finished 10-4 and third in the league last year.

One of the problems facing the team this season is filling the shoes of all-conference Derek Howard, who also received area recognition and was honorable mention all-state.

That's a key loss, but Westover can turn to a cadre of solid veterans in the team's campaign for the crown.

Senior Nick Warack led the team in rebounding, played a solid floor game and scored 118 points. Cory Fritz, 6-4 senior, led the team in blocked shots and was the team's most improved player.

Matt Rogers, 6-1 senior, shot 45 percent from the floor, and Ryan Fritz, 6-0

senior, picked off 37 boards from his guard post.

Shane Mellendorf, 5-11 senior, was graded first on defense, was credited with 40 steals and scored 192 points. Corbin Swiastyn, 5-9 junior, provided the Bulldogs with plenty of fire power, scoring 173 points and his 81.3 percentage from the charity stripe placed him among the best in the Thumb.

Nathan Kain, 5-10 junior, led the team in scoring with 237 points, shooting 48 percent from the floor and 73 percent from the free throw line. Earl McKee, 5-8 junior, played strong defense and scored 63 points.

Others on the varsity include Tommy Minkler, 5-6 senior; Zach Fritz, 5-7 junior, and Donnie Perdue, 5-8 junior.

As usual in recent years, Westover sees the road to the championship will go through Kingston. No team can match the defending NCTL champion Cardinals' overall size, led by junior

veterans Eric Marquardt, Tyler Lyons and Dustin Wilmot and sophomore Jason Randall.

Kingston will have some shoes to fill with the graduation of Josh Presnell, Nathan Bruce and Jeremy Rayl.

If the Bulldogs are to improve on last year's third place finish, Westover says that the team must improve on the fundamentals of rebounding and play better team defense. Lack of size is a weakness that the team must overcome.

Westover says that team

speed and the attitude and work ethics of the players are its strengths. He feels that Owen-Gage can be a solid offensive team.

Westover sees Peck has an improving team. Port Hope he describes as interesting, bulwarked by Kyle Mausolf, an excellent center.

Carsonville-Port Sanilac has the size to match up with Kingston, but will need more solid guard play to top the pre-season league favorites. Akron-Fairgrove and Caseville are in rebuilding years.

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	12	Kingston	6:00	A	
	16	CPS	6:00	H	
	19	Akron-Fairgrove	6:00	A	
	23	North Huron	6:00	H	
	26	Cross-Over	6:00	A	
	30	Port Hope	6:00	A	
Feb.	2	Caseville	6:00	A	
	6	Peck	6:00	H	
	9	CPS	6:00	A	
	13	Kingston	6:00	H	
	16	Akron-Fairgrove	6:00	H	
	23	North Huron	6:00	A	
	27	Caseville	6:00	H	
March	2	Cross-Over	6:00	H	
	5-10	Districts	TBA	TBA	
	13-17	Regionals	TBA	TBA	
	20-24	Finals	TBA	TBA	

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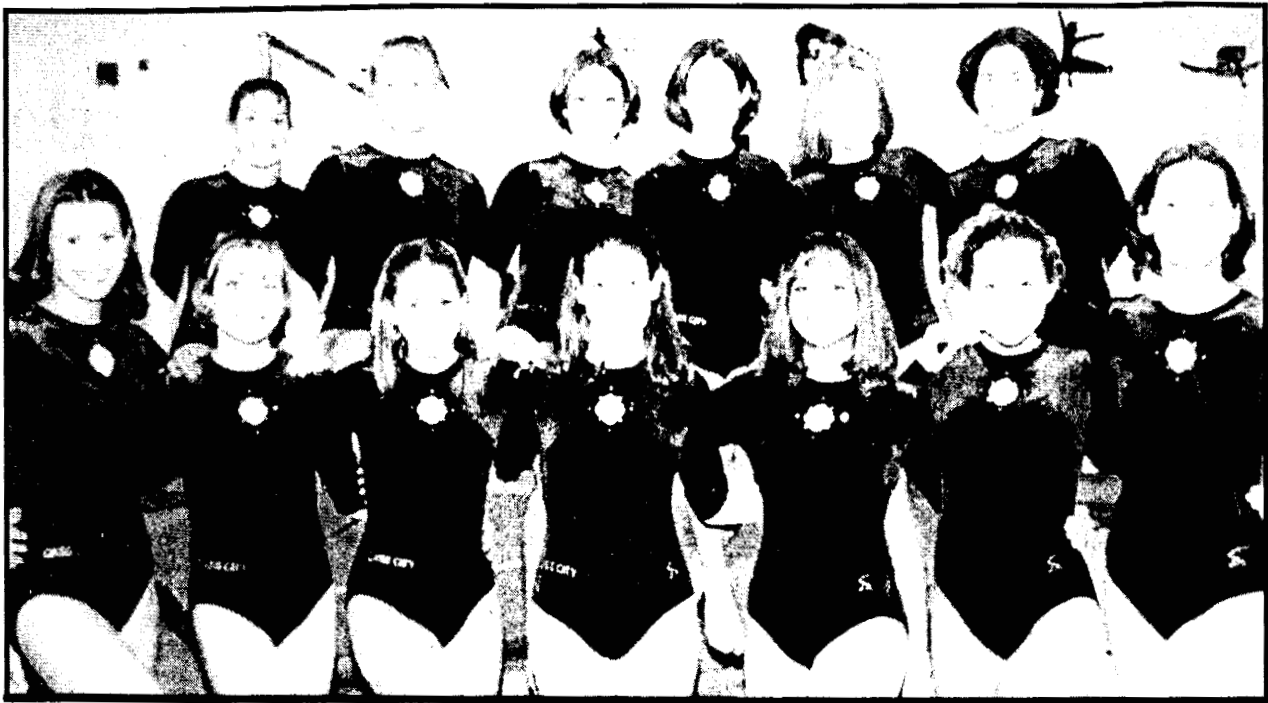
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MEMBERS OF THE Red Hawk 2000-2001 gymnastic team are: (front l-r) Ashley Ouvry, Tessia Zawilinski, Kari Lowe, Michelle Derfiny, Manisha Raythatha, Johanna Hoelzle, Sharon Finkbeiner, (back l-r) Elise Pasant, Kaylee Bell, Laura Laming, Kerry Shagene, Allyson Bell, Chelsee Zimba.

Hawk gymnasts open season Wednesday with visiting Vassar and Midland Dow

Second year gymnastics Coach Heather Spencer is looking forward to a fresh start to this year's campaign, which opens tonight (Wednesday) with Midland Dow and Vassar invading Cass City's home turf.

last year's squad are regional qualifiers Katie Wood and Michelle Kropewnicki. However, returning seniors Manisha Raythatha, Johanna Hoelzle and Laura Laming will give Spencer a solid nucleus to build around.

lead the team on the uneven parallel bars with the help of teammate Laming. The Hawks' key gymnasts on the vault will be seniors Manisha Raythatha, Hoelzle, Laming and junior Chelsee Zimba.

All-around gymnasts for Cass City include Raythatha, Hoelzle, Laming and Zimba. The gymnasts' goal this year is to make it to states as a team, which has yet to be accomplished by any Cass City gymnastics team.

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	11	Freeland	Home	6:00	
	16	Troy Athens Invit	Away	TBA	
Jan.	3	Cadillac	Away	6:00	
	6	Traverse City Invit	Away	Noon	
	11	Midland Dow	Away	6:00	
	18	Vassar	Away	6:30	
	20	Hartland Invite	Away	10:00	
	24	Midland	Away	6:30	
	27	Vassar Invite	Away	Noon	
	29	Midland	Home	6:30	
Feb.	10	St. Johns Invite	Away	10	

Sorenson wins college scholarship

A Cass City teen is gearing up for another season with the Huron County Hockey Association. Jared Sorenson, who has 4 seasons in with the association, will be playing in the Junior Division this winter.

That should be good news for his team, Bay House Sports. Sorenson, son of Craig and Carolyn Sorenson and a junior at Cass City High School, proved himself to be among the fastest skaters in his age

group during the Belle Tire Hockey Skills 2000 competition, held over the summer in Fraser.

The competition, consisting of stick handling, slapshot speed and fastest skater, featured more than 800 contestants in several age categories.

Sorenson, 16, took first place in the fastest skater division, which earned him a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of his choice. The teen also finished in the top 6 in stick handling.

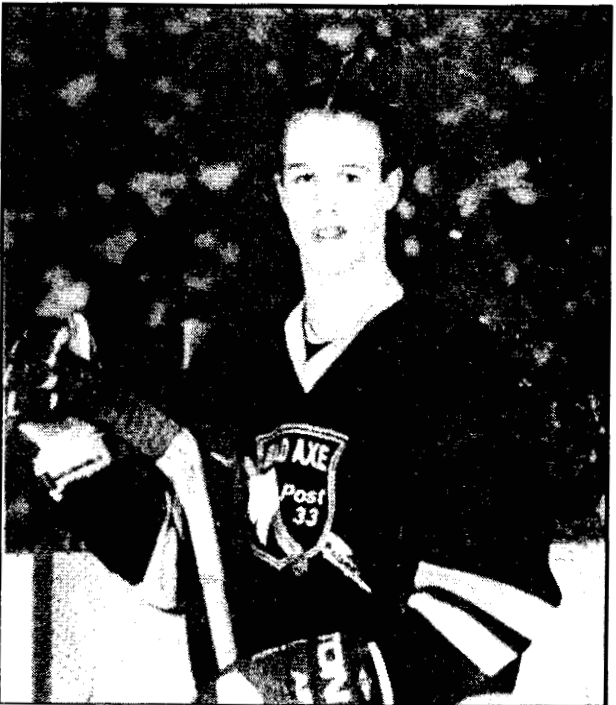
"I like the speed and intensity," he said of the sport, which also has its downside for competitors who don't live near an ice rink. "It's pretty difficult (to practice) because it's always hard to get ice time, (and) it is expensive. You can spend a lot of money and the season's pretty expensive."

Although he has no definite career plans yet, Sorenson hopes to continue improving his skills. "I'd like to try to get into Ferris or State and play hockey for them," he said.

Sorenson has played ice hockey in Bad Axe, Bay City, Saginaw and at the Junior Canadian Cup Ice Hockey Tournament in Montreal, Quebec.



ABOVE, Belle Tire President Don Barnes presents Sorenson with a \$1,000 college scholarship after the teen placed first in the "fastest skater" competition at the Belle Tire Hockey Skills 2000 event, held over the summer in Frazier.



JARED Sorenson, Cass City, is gearing up for another season with the Huron County Hockey Association.



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TO VILLAGE OF CASS CITY RESIDENTS:

Notice is hereby given that the Cass City Village Council will hold a Public Hearing on the Proposed Fiscal Year 2001 Village of Cass City Budget and Five Year Capital Improvement Plan, which was submitted by the Village Manager to the Village Council, at its Monday, November 27, 2000 Meeting. The purpose of the Public Hearing is provide all interested citizens and elected officials an opportunity to comment on the Budget and CIP Plan, prior to adoption by the Village Council.

The Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2001 Village Budget and CIP will be held on Monday, December 18, 2000 at 7:00 P.M., at the Cass City Municipal Offices, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan 48726. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the Proposed Budget will also be a subject of this hearing. No increases in the millage rates are proposed for FY 2001.

A copy of the Proposed FY 2001 Village of Cass City Budget and Five Year Capital Improvement Plan is on file and available for public review during regular business hours (8:00 AM - 4:30 PM), at the Village Offices, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan 48726.

The following is the Proposed Fiscal Year 2001 Village Budget Plan:

REVENUES:

General Fund	1,415,930
Major Street Fund	300,958
Local Street Fund	215,175
Downtown Development	16,800
Economic Development	550,500
Debt Service Fund	141,150
Waste Water Fund	515,900
Water Fund	225,500
Motor Vehicle Fund	231,572
Total Revenues:	\$ 3,613,485

EXPENDITURES:

General Fund	1,411,399
Major Street Fund	291,549
Local Street Fund	193,124
Downtown Development	16,000
Economic Development	548,500
Debt Service Fund	58,500
Waste Water Fund	496,108
Water Fund	216,736
Motor Vehicle Fund	280,550
Total Expenditures:	\$ 3,512,466

Seniors are encouraged to attend and comment. Persons needing special assistance should contact the Village Offices, prior to the meeting.

Joyce A. Bemus, Village Clerk

“Casual Because We Care Day”

Bank employees raise \$250+

Employees from Independent Bank East Michigan held a “Casual Because We Care Day” to support the Habitat for Humanity Upper Thumb Chapter.

Employees of Independent Bank East Michigan worked together to earn money for the Habitat for Humanity Upper Thumb Chapter. Employees who made a donation to the foundation were able to dress casually for the day. Their efforts raised over \$250.

Habitat for Humanity provides an opportunity for

people within the community to afford a newly built or rehabilitated home. In order to be eligible for a habitat home, families must provide hours of “sweat equity” before taking possession of their new home. The habitat homes are sold at cost at zero percent interest and the principle payments are used to build more habitat homes within the community.

Each month Independent Bank East Michigan raises money for a local charity. In November, the Pigeon office employees chose the Habitat

for Humanity Upper Thumb chapter to benefit from their casual day. Since Independent Bank employee, Tina Smith, was the first to receive a Habitat for Humanity home in Huron County, this foundation was selected as the office’s charity of choice.

“This is a great cause and one we definitely support,” said Ron Long, president and CEO of Independent Bank East Michigan. “We are all ways proud to play a role in helping out local foundations.”

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Distribution of food set Friday in Caro

The Human Development Commission (HDC) will hold its Tuscola County Temporary Emergency Food Distribution (TEFAP-yellow card registration) Friday at the HDC Warehouse, 165 Butler St., Caro, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

These surplus commodities have been made available to HDC by the federal government and are intended for personal consumption by eligible low-income families. Income guidelines and household size determine eligibility for this distribution, this information may be obtained by contacting the Human Development Commission.

Persons who wish to participate in this distribution are invited to appear in person at the designated site and time mentioned above.

For further information, interested persons may contact the Human development Commission at (517) 673-4121 or toll-free at 1-800-843-6394.



ALL IN THE FAMILY - The first couple days of firearm season were fruitful for (from left) Bill Chippi, his son Nick, and Bill’s father, Duane Chippi, Cass City. Nick topped them all with a 9-point buck, while Bill bagged a 6-pointer and Duane, an 8-pointer.

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 658-2347



Attending Thanksgiving dinner Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz were Mr. and Mrs. Tony Tittjung of Sterling Heights, Jenny Golomb of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Klein of Ann Arbor, Jerry Grifka of Uby, Mr. and Mrs. David Grifka and family of Uby, Tina Grifka and family of Marlette, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rumpitz of Uby, Chris Kulish of Shelby Township, Jeff Bukowski of Lake Orion, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson and Thelma Jackson of Uby.

Alvin and Anita Iseler and Ali of Port Hope, Julie and Amy Rutkowski and Allen and Alice Depcinski were Saturday evening guests of Elaine and Dale Laming and family. Birthday cake and ice cream were served for Tracey Laming’s 15th birthday.

Katha Chockley, Christopher and Amy of Algonac were Friday guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland. Mr. and Mrs. Cass Grifka and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Rumpitz were evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz.

Jamie Doerr and Courtney, Wendy Rickett, Cory and Caitlyn, Jeffrey Doerr, Savanna and Leone Doerr and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr.

Mrs. Earl Schenk was a Thanksgiving Day dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Andersen and family at Canton and a Thursday overnight and Friday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Andersen Sr. at Waterford. Mrs. Schenk and Bob Andersen Sr. were Friday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Andersen at Canton. Bob Andersen Sr. brought Mrs. Schenk home Saturday.

Cheryl Allen and Allen Farrelly visited Dan Franzel at the Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe Monday evening.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sweeney Thursday morning.

Sixteen members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at Big Boy in Bad Axe

Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill in Bad Axe next week.

Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly visited Dan Franzel at the Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe Friday evening.

Ray and Rita Depcinski went to Bad Axe Saturday to watch the Christmas parade.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard spent Wednesday in Royal Oak, where they visited the George Barber family.

Rita and Ray Depcinski were Sunday afternoon and supper guests of Allen and Alice Depcinski.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hacker were Tuesday afternoon guests of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Cieslinski of Uby and Thelma Jackson were Sunday dinner and afternoon guests of Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

Bob Cleland Sr. and Stacey Cleland of Waterford, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Osentoski and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cleland Jr. were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Donelda Meske went home Tuesday to Port Hope after spending some time at the Long Term Care facility at Harbor Beach.

The Port Hope Methodist Church served a decorated cake for Ben Meske’s 96th birthday Sunday at their church and coffee fellowship.

Hazel Mattice and Allen Farrelly visited Mrs. Dan Franzel Monday forenoon.

Larry Robinson went to the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe to pay respects to his great-aunt, Lucy Hamilton, Tuesday.

Eugene Cleland of Bad Axe was a Wednesday guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Moore and family of Snover, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Taylor and Brian, Mr. and Mrs. Marty Wagoner and Jordan, Dan Gibbard, Cheryl Laming and Theresa Gibbard were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard Saturday. Bryce and Betty Hagen en-

tertained at Thanksgiving dinner, Dennis and Sharlene Hagen, Clint and Melissa Hagen, Brad Hagen, Ellen and Mike Moorman and Mary Hagen. Jim, Doreen, Nicholas and Jennie Hagen were afternoon guests.

Nancy Carpenter, Dean Jr., Michael, Jessica and Timothy of Caro, Carol and Bob Osantoski, Kristin, Matthew and Bradley of Bad Axe, Sharon Depcinski of Gladwin and Ray and Rita Depcinski were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Betty and Joe Myers and Ryan at Gladwin.

Ed Schember of Elkton, Jack Kennedy, Bernard Morley, Jim Lewis and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald’s for breakfast Friday morning.

Lynn Willoughby and Dennis Willoughby of Sterling Heights and Melvin and Charlotte Particka were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Ted and Kim Particka and family at Madison Heights.

George Barber Jr. and George Barber I of Royal Oak spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard. Other Sunday guests were Eugene Otulakowski of Cass City and Lloyd Barber of Deckerville.

Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Jim and Kay Sweeney were Mary Kay and Dan Ritter and family of Elkton, Eric, Heidi, Brandon, Nicole and Brett of Uby, Sally and Pat Bell, Lauren and Katelyn of Cheboygan, Wayne Sweeney of Saginaw and Bruce Sweeney of Uby.

FARM BUREAU

The Young Ideas Farm Bureau group met at the home

of Rita and Ray Depcinski Thursday evening.

After the meeting, cards were played and high prizes were won by Lorraine Holz and Joe Wolschlager. Low prizes went to Dorothy Heleski and Russell Bouchard.

The hostess served lunch. The next meeting will be Jan 18.

Mike Wills and daughters, Jessica and Autumn, spent a week visiting relatives and friends recently.

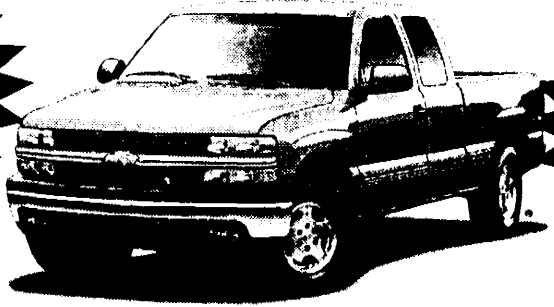
Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mrs. Mary Beardsley were Rose Wills, Mr. and Mrs. David Beardsley Sr. and daughter Trinity, Mrs. Jan Shotwell of Dryden, David Beardsley Jr. of Metamora, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Wills and sons, Thomas and Michael, Mike Wills and daughters, Jessica and Autumn, of Troy, Tenn.

The following group got together for a belated Thanksgiving dinner Nov. 25 at the home of Debra Wilson and children, Merle, Chrystal and Nicholas, at Fruitport: Mrs. Mary Beardsley, Rose Wills, Mike Wills and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Wills and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Wills and sons of Troy, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wills of Cadillac, Mr. and Mrs. David Beardsley Sr. and daughter of Dryden, David Beardsley Jr. of Metamora, David Brewster, Mrs. Tamera Wetzig and children, Brandon, Jennifer and Joshua of Manton and, a friend, Andrew. The group also celebrated the birthday of Joe Wills, who will be 40 years old Dec. 8.

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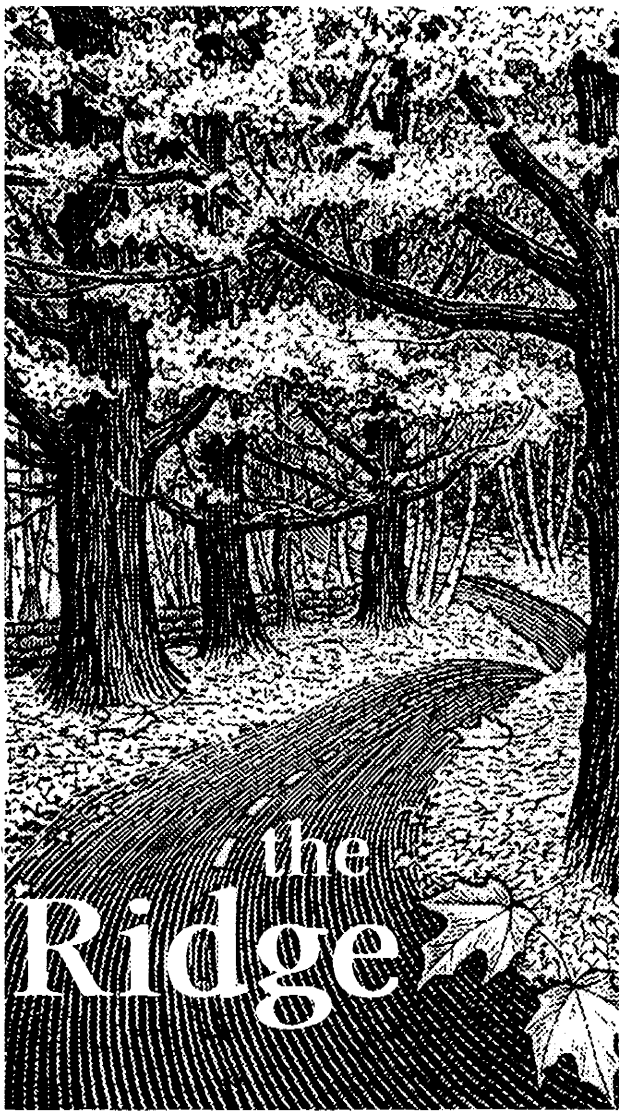
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More Tuscola children live in poverty

Kids Count: state not measuring up

A review of Michigan's progress on 23 measures of child well-being developed by national health experts shows the state is not likely to achieve the majority of goals set for the year 2000. According to the annual data book recently released by Kids Count in Michigan, measures of maternal and infant health showed little or no improvement between the mid and late 1990s, although some child mortality rates


and key adolescent measures attained goal levels. In Tuscola County, rates measuring maternal health and infant mortality improved from 1986-88 to 1996-98, with the average number of women receiving inadequate prenatal care falling from 41 to 31. Infant mortality rates dropped from 11.5 to 10.7 per 1,000 children. However, the number of low birth-weight babies born

in the county increased, from 43 to 52. "On only 5 of the 23 specific objectives reviewed had Michigan reached goal levels in 1998," said Jane Zehnder-Merrell, project director and senior research associate at the Michigan League for Human Services. "State progress on the critical measures of maternal and infant health, especially the infant mortality rate, has essentially stagnated since the mid-1990s. The measures reviewed in the latest Kids Count in Michigan data book were outlined in 1990 in the Healthy People 2000 initiative to improve the health status of Americans. Key objectives were developed under the auspices of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under 3 broad goal areas: increasing the span of a healthy life; reducing health disparities; and achieving universal access to preventive services.

"These objectives for the year 2000 were deemed attainable at the outset of the 1990s by national health experts," said Zehnder-Merrell. "Yet without a strategic focus on maternal and infant health, clearly Michigan will not improve the chances of more of the state's children making a healthy start for their critical 0-3 years." The infant mortality goal for the year 2000 is 7 deaths per 1,000 infants, and Michigan's rate has hovered at 8 or slightly higher since 1994.

of Hispanic and African American mothers receiving prenatal care in the first trimester in 1998, improving by only one or 2 percentage points since 1993. Areas where Michigan measures achieved Healthy People Goals 2000 levels in 1998 included child mortality; pregnancy among young teens ages 15-17; and violent behaviors such as physical fighting and carrying weapons among teens. Mortality rates among the state's children ages one to 14 dropped below goal level in the mid-1990s and remained there. Pregnancies plummeted by 34 percent over the 1990s - from 62 to 41 pregnancies per 1,000 teens - well below the goal of 50. Mortality rates for fire and drowning among young children ages 0 to 4 dropped below the goal levels in 1996 and 1997, but rose again in 1998. The suicide rate among teens ages 15 to 19 also almost reached the goal level.

TUSCOLA COUNTY



Population (1998)

- Total population: 58,181
- Total child population: 16,121
- Ages 0-5: 4,614
- Ages 6-12: 6,542
- Ages 13-17: 4,965
- African American: 0.7%
- American Indian: 0.9%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 0.6%
- White: 97.9%
- Hispanic: 3.7%

Unemployment rate (1999): 5.3%

Median family income (1995): \$14,982

Hispanics have also been included in a racial group.

Child care and early education (2000)

- Regulated slots: 1,536
- Per 100 children, ages 0-12: 14
- Average weekly cost (full-time): \$92
- Children in subsidized care: 468
- % in unregulated care: 62%

Family support (1999)

	Number	Rate
Children receiving food stamps	1,098	6%
Children receiving FIP assistance	399	2%

Health care (1999)

- Children...
 - tested for lead poisoning, ages 0-5: 221 (4.9%)
 - hospitalized for asthma, ages 1-14, (per 10,000):
 - o Females: 77 (17)
 - o Males: 168 (34)
- Children, ages 0-18, insured by...
 - Medicaid: 3,149 (18.5%)
 - MICHild: 89 (0.5%)

According to census estimates (1995-99), another 115,000 uninsured children in the state may be eligible for Medicaid, and 43,000 more for MICHild.

Children with disabilities (1999)

	Number	Rate
Students in Special Education	1,779	15%
Children receiving SSI (per 1,000)	178	11

Juvenile justice (1998): arrests for... (ages 10-17, rate per 1,000)

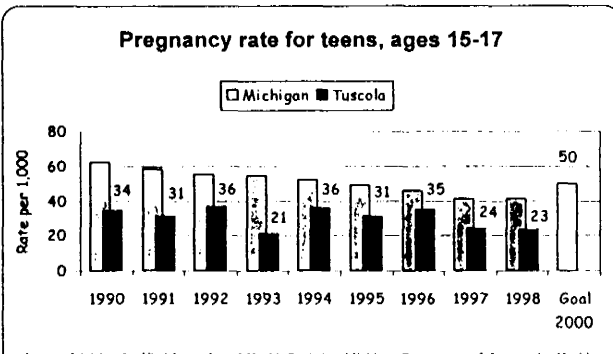
	Number	Rate
Violent crime	9	1.1
Property crime	32	4.1

Total births (1998)

- % nonmarital: 34%
- % no paternity acknowledged: 12%

"No paternity" are also included in nonmarital.

Pregnancy rate for teens, ages 15-17



Source: Division for Vital Records and Health Statistics, Michigan Department of Community Health

OTHER MEASURES

Other maternal and infant health measures, such as the percent of mothers receiving early prenatal care and the percent of low birth-weight babies registered little or no improvement over the 1990s. The share of mothers receiving prenatal care in the first trimester stood at 78 percent in 1990, and rose only 3 percentage points by 1998 to 81 percent, well below the 90 percent goal for 2000. Racial/ethnic disparities also persisted on these maternal and infant health indicators, with only two-thirds

of Hispanic and African American mothers receiving prenatal care in the first trimester in 1998, improving by only one or 2 percentage points since 1993. Areas where Michigan measures achieved Healthy People Goals 2000 levels in 1998 included child mortality; pregnancy among young teens ages 15-17; and violent behaviors such as physical fighting and carrying weapons among teens. Mortality rates among the state's children ages one to 14 dropped below goal level in the mid-1990s and remained there. Pregnancies plummeted by 34 percent over the 1990s - from 62 to 41 pregnancies per 1,000 teens - well below the goal of 50. Mortality rates for fire and drowning among young children ages 0 to 4 dropped below the goal levels in 1996 and 1997, but rose again in 1998. The suicide rate among teens ages 15 to 19 also almost reached the goal level.

TUSCOLA COUNTY

According to the Kids Count report, Tuscola County's mortality rate for children ages one to 14 fell

from an average of 9 deaths in 1986-88 to an average of 4 deaths in 1996-98. Teen pregnancies, meanwhile, dipped slightly, from 18.8 to 17.7 per 1,000 teens. Other measures revealed more Tuscola County children living in poverty - 2,933 kids in 1995 compared to 2,287 in 1989. There were also more children receiving free/reduced price school lunches - 3,690 in 1998-99 compared to 2,658 in 1989-90.

In the category of child safety, there were 1,338 children in investigated families in 1999, with 149 substantiated victims of abuse, compared to 696 children in investigated families in 1988, and 108 substantiated victims of abuse or neglect. There were 71 children in out-of-home-care (for abuse/neglect or delinquency) in 1999, compared to 81 children in 1988.

This year's Kids Count in Michigan report included a focus on childhood asthma - the number one cause of preventable hospitalizations of children in Michigan - as a measure of access to preventive health care. The hospitalization rate for children with asthma has re-

mained at roughly 33 (per 10,000 children ages one to 14) in Michigan throughout the 1990s except for a dip in 1993 and 1994, when it dropped below goal level (23). Young children suffered the highest hospitalization rates, 53 of every 10,000 children. Significant disparities occurred among racial groups, with African American children suffering hospitalization rates of 126, compared to 37 for their white counterparts. Although the hospitalization rates drop steadily as children age, racial disparities persist.

To lower those rates, the report makes several recommendations, including increasing access to health care, launching a campaign to reduce smoking around children, and improving housing quality for low income children and their families.

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Hospice looking for volunteers; training on tap

Looking for volunteers sometimes brings to mind that old Depression-Era song, "Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?"

Spare time, these days, seems to be in as short supply as dimes were when that song was popular, and people are very careful to get the most from the amount of time that they invest in whatever activities they choose to spend it on.

Volunteering in a hospice program can be one of the most rewarding experiences that you will ever have. It puts you in contact with very special patients and family members who really need your unique kind of help and compassion.

At Heartland Hospice, volunteers choose how much time they wish to invest, and what kind of work they will do with patients, or in the office. There are 3 basic types of volunteers, although people can move from one classification to another, or work in more than one classification at the same time if they choose.

Volunteer classifications are:

Friendly Visitors: These volunteers visit homebound patients who don't have family or friends that are able to visit them regularly, or patients in a nursing home who need to know that someone cares. Duties can include talking with the patient, read-

ing to them, writing letters for them, playing cards or games... the list goes on and on.

Respite care: These volunteers stay with patients for a period of time, usually a couple of hours or so, enabling the patient's caregiver to run errands, shop, go to doctor appointments, or just spend a little much-needed time alone. This gives the caregiver a break, and can help prevent burnout, which is so common at such a stressful time.

Clerical volunteers: These volunteers help with mailings, make phone calls, type, etc. They do not have direct contact with the patients. Some other jobs that clerical volunteers do are: make "Memory Bears" for children who have lost someone special in their lives, help with yard work or gardening, run errands for the patient, help with cleaning if a need arises, etc.

If any of the above interest you, please call Luanne Sabourin, Heartland Hospice volunteer coordinator, at (517) 892-0355 or 1-800-275-4517 for more information.

Volunteer training classes will begin soon in this area, and can be tailored to fit various schedules. Heartland Hospice Volunteers receive approximately 12-14 hours of training before beginning their duties.

Lutherans elect 2001 officers

Officers for 2001 for the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Cass City were recently elected and will be installed Sunday, Jan. 7.

Kevin Mulligan is the president and Fred Matthews, the vice-president. Secretary is Lucille Stine and treasurer, Roger Gnagay.

Members of the various church boards were also elected. They include:

Elders - Maynard Stine, Ron Rockwell, Ken Martin Jr., Chuck Dorsch, Jim Jamieson, Ed Talaski, Eugene Nicholas, Clare Schuette and Steve

Schneeberger.

Education - Amy Talaski, Jalaine' Schneeberger, Patty Metzger and Beth McCallum.

Evangelism - DeeAnn Mulligan, Carla Dzielinski, Arlene Wright and Doris Keilitz.

Trustees - Earl Schember, Doug Britt, Marshall Angle, Dave Doerr, Johann Schulz, Harold Koch, Rich Witherspoon, Mark Swanson and Roy Wightman.

Financial secretaries - Dave McNaughton and Sharon Rockwell.

Legal Notices

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MORTGAGE SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph N. Mallard And Cynthia S. Mallard, Husband And Wife, to United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, mortgage, dated March 28, 1985 and recorded March 28, 1985 in Liber 549, Page 024, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Two and 78/100 Dollars (\$62,342.78) including interest at the rate of 11.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance 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 at 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 such sale.

Dated: November 8, 2000

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, As Mortgagee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000

File No. 202.0027

11-8-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mark Azarovitz and Dawn 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 entrance 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, Michigan, and are described as:

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 feet; thence West 583.00; thence South 372.80 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: November 22, 2000

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Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200015558

Mustangs

11-22-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Amy L. Allen, a single woman (original mortgagors) to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated December 15, 1999, and recorded on December 16, 1999 in Liber 790, on Page 997, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Chase Manhattan, Assignee by an 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 8.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 5, 2001.

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

Lot 6, Block 26 of the Plat of North's Addition to the City of Vassar, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, Pages 21A, 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 8, 2000

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Stallions

11-8-5

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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 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 mortgage 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 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 AM, on January 12, 2001.

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

The following described premises situated in the Township of Wells, County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan, and described 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 minutes 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 minutes 52 seconds West 529.02 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: November 29, 2000

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Cougars

11-29-5

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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 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 interest at 8.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 12, 2001.

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

Commencing at a point 1746 1/2 feet South of the Northeast corner of the Northeast quarter of Section 26, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, thence South 308.71 feet, thence west 420.00 feet at right angles to the East line of Section 26, thence North 308.71 feet, thence East 420.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: November 29, 2000

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Hawks

11-29-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian J. Balch, a married man and Laura J. Balch, his wife (original mortgagors) to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 6, 1998, and 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, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED 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

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Attorneys and Counselors
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Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 99112438

Mustangs

11-29-5

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DOUGLAS LEE MEADE, A SINGLE MAN, to UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE FARMERS, HOME ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE now known as USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT Mortgagee, dated June 29, 1990, and recorded on June 29, 1990, in Liber 603, on page 1332, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty thousand seven hundred twenty and 16/100 Dollars (\$50,720.16), including interest at 9.250% per annum. Reamortized by agreements dated 9/15/99.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 11:00 AM on January 12, 2001.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF ARBELA, TUSCOLA County, Michigan and are described as:

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the South-east 1/4 of Section 23, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the East Line of Section 23 that is south 495.76 feet from the East 1/4 corner of Section 23, thence South 208 feet along the East line of said Section, Thence N89 degrees 18'15"W, 312 feet, thence North 208 feet, thence S89 degrees 18'15"E 312 feet to the point of beginning. (Survey recorded in Liber 443, page 381)

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

DATED: December 6, 2000

USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT Mortgagee

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Obituaries

Miles Fishell

Miles (Art) Fishell, 74, of Hemans, died Sunday, Dec. 3, 2000, at his home in Decker.

He was born Oct. 1, 1926, in North Branch, the son of Clyde and Edna (Cliff) Fishell. He married Doris Hayward Nov. 29, 1952, in Hemans. She died Dec. 18, 1999.

Fishell served in the Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a lifelong area resident, a member of the Lamotte Township Fire Department, the Marlette VFW, and past member of the American Legion.

He worked for many years at Marlette Oil and Gas, then worked for Snover Stamping for 25 years, retiring April 24, 1992.

He is survived by a son, Marvin and Gwendolyn Fishell of Hemans; a daughter, Vanessa Fishell of Hemans; 4 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; 3 broth-

ers, Fred Fishell of Texas, Edward Fishell and Sidney Fishell, both of Marlette; 2 sisters, Mazie Lazar of Brown City and Marjorie Benoit of Texas.

Besides his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by a half sister, Eunice.

Funeral services were scheduled Tuesday, Dec. 5, at Marsh Funeral Chapel, Marlette, with the Rev. Fred Becknell officiating.

Burial was to be in the Moshier Cemetery in Hemans.

Memorials may be made to the United Hospice or American Cancer Society.

Lucy Hamilton

Lucy N. Robinson-Humphrey-Hamilton, 98, formerly of Royal Oak, died Saturday, Nov. 25, 2000, at the Harbor Beach Community Hospital Long-Term Care Unit.

She was born Jan. 24, 1902, in Ubyly, daughter of John

and Charlotte (Lewis) Robinson. Her first husband, John Humphrey, died in 1936. She married Ernest P. Hamilton Dec. 7, 1946, in Detroit. He died Jan. 29, 1979.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Royal Oak.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Sally Detrick of Port Hope and Betty Schmitz of Warren; 4 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one grandson, Mark Detrick; a son-in-law, James Detrick; 4 brothers, Ira, Lewis, Jack and Otis Robinson, and one sister, Sara Campbell.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Nov. 29, at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe. The Rev. Clarence VanConant, pastor of the Harbor Beach First United Methodist Church, officiated.

Burial was in Elkland Cemetery in Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the Harbor Beach First United Methodist Church or the charity of the donor's choice.

Walter Harmon

Walter E. Harmon, 82, of Kingston, died Nov. 29, 2000, in Cartwright Care Center Hospice in Saginaw.

He was born March 30, 1918, in Glenwood, Minn., to Francis and LaVina (Horn) Harmon. He married Carolyn J. Riley April 3, 1943, in San Antonio, Texas.

She died Jan. 23, 1992. He married Donna M. Hergenreder Dombrowski March 19, 1994, in Kingston.

He attended college in Minnesota before joining the Army Air Corps during WWII. After leaving the service he attended Mortuary School in Chicago. He became a licensed funeral director Jan. 20, 1950. Walter and Carolyn owned Harmon Funeral Home in Kingston for 30 years. He was a member of Kingston United Methodist Church, a life member of Kingston VFW Post #5317, Sandusky Masonic Lodge, and Kingston Lions Club. He was a former mayor of Kingston and a retired Kingston Community Schools Bus Driver and Little League Coach.

He is survived by his wife, Donna; daughter, Jane (George) Roehm of Perry; 2 grandsons; 3 great-grandchildren and a great-grandson due in March; Donna's children, Michael (Sue) Dombrowski of Caro, Linda (Bob) Plante of Caro; Donna's 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; brother, Hugh Harmon of Vancouver, Wash.; sister, Doris (Jack) Crockett of Eugene, Ore., and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Kathryn Louise; granddaughter, Sara Jane Stutz, and son-in-law, Martin Stutz.

A Masonic service was held Thursday evening. Funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 1, at Kingston United Methodist Church with the Rev. Margaret Pas-

senger officiating.

Interment was in Kingston Cemetery, Kingston.

Memorials may be made to Kingston United Methodist Church.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Charles Haun

Charles Theodore Haun, 93, of Detroit, died of a stroke Friday, Dec. 1, 2000, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

He was born April 4, 1907, in Corunna to Edwin and Gertrude (McNamee) Haun. He married Cecilia Noel in February 1935 in Greenville, Pa. She died in August 1956. He married Bernice Jakuc Dec. 26, 1966, at Holy Trinity Church, Detroit.

Haun graduated from Corunna High School and the University of Detroit. He worked for the Detroit Free Press beginning in 1934 and retired in 1977 after 43 years. He was a reporter, editor and then photo director. In 1960, he was named picture editor of the year by the National Press Photographers Association.

Haun taught journalism at the University of Michigan, was a member of the Detroit Newspaper Guild and chairman of its Free Press unit, member of the Detroit Press Club and Guardian Angel Catholic Church in Detroit. He was active in the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists and headed the old Detroit Newspaper Industrial Credit Union.

After his retirement, the Hauns spent their summers at their Gagetown farm and their winters at their home in Detroit.

Surviving are his wife, Bernice Haun of Detroit and Gagetown; a son, Edwin (Carol) Haun of Detroit; a daughter Madryn (Leroy) Johnson of New Baltimore, and a stepson, Tom Jakuc of Warren; 11 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren and another due soon; 3 stepgreat-grandchildren; one stepgreat-grandchild, and one sister, Agnes (Jerry) Porter of Spring Lake. He was preceded in death by a son, Declan.

A Memorial Mass service will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 9, at Guardian Angel Church, Detroit, with Rev. Luis Resma officiating.

Interment of cremains will take place in the spring at St. Agatha Cemetery, Gagetown.

Memorials may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, or The Gift of Reading.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.



Decking the halls...

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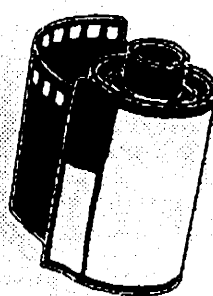
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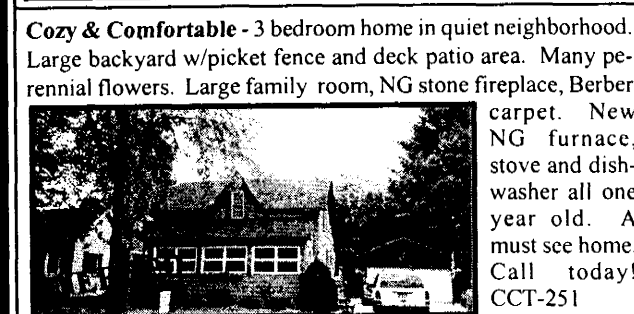
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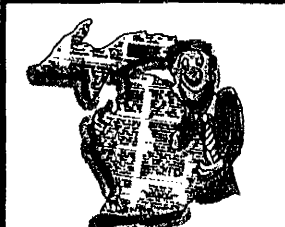
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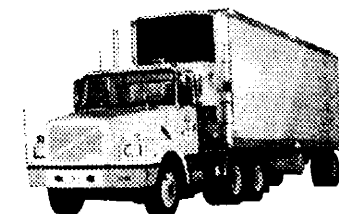
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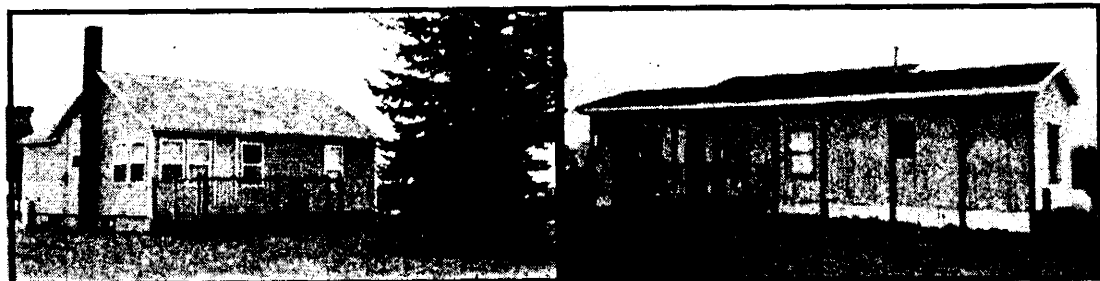


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5 YEARS AGO

Pinney Foundation Board members Dick Donahue and Annette Pinney presented a \$31,000 check Thursday to Rawson Memorial Library Director Barbara Hutchinson and library board Treasurer Bill Lovejoy. The check represents the first installment of a pledge to match dollars raised by the library — up to a maximum of \$250,000 — for a planned renovation/expansion project.

Richard C. Fields, 35, of Deckerville Road, Caro, was killed early Sunday morning when he was struck by a vehicle while walking on M-24, about 4 miles south of Caro.

A benefit spaghetti dinner for the Ron and Trina Guinther family is scheduled Saturday in the Cass City High School cafeteria. The Guinthers' son, Travis, was born Oct. 24, 1995, with serious heart problems. Travis was a patient at 4 hospitals and underwent heart surgery at the University of Michigan Medical Center. Despite

promising signs of recovery, he died Nov. 10, 1995.

The First Baptist Church of Cass City is holding a special Christmas Eve service to assist and encourage the George Fisher III family. George Fisher III was in a coma for weeks and has been critically ill with an arterial venous malformation in his forehead. He and his wife, Norma, have 3 young children.

The Knights of Columbus held their 3rd annual potato sale and Grand Knight Ron Rutkowski presented Sue Werschky with \$400 for the Cass City Toys For Tots.

10 YEARS AGO

A few Tendercare employees represented by Service Employees International Union Local 79 staged an off-duty picket Monday afternoon at the entrance of the Cass City nursing home.

Ottomar Sting, 86, a Gagetown area resident, is urging U.S. lawmakers and President Bush to pursue

technology tied to the conversion of coal to liquid fuel — the same process that fueled the Nazi war machine during World War II. Sting has offered to chip in the first \$1,000 out of his own savings.

Kathy Bolton, 17, has settled back to life and school in Cass City after returning home over the summer from a year-long stay in South Africa as a Rotary Exchange student. Kathy is the daughter of Jim and Sandy Bolton of Cass City.

Area deer hunters have reported seeing far fewer deer this year and blame the apparent decrease in the Thumb deer herd on management practices that have allowed hunters to take too many does.

Jack Laurie, Cass City, who has headed the state's largest farm organization for the past 4 years, was reelected president of the Michigan Farm Bureau Nov. 30.

25 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Lucile Bauer, 73, a well-known Cass City artist and humanitarian, died suddenly Tuesday morning at Hills and Dales General Hospital. Mrs. Bauer was active in community affairs for many years and at the time of her death was involved with the work of Teen Ranch of Kingston.

Cass City Police are continuing to investigate a break-in reported Friday at Sommers' Bakery on Main Street that netted thieves \$75 in bills and change.

State Police are continuing their investigation into the theft of a safe containing around \$375 taken from St. Peter Lutheran Church of rural Unionville sometime last week. The safe was discovered in a drainage ditch south of Sebawaing Friday.

Many Cass City residents and hundreds of rural area

families spent Thanksgiving in the dark as heavy wet snow tore down power lines and played havoc with switching equipment. Parts of Cass City, including Hills and Dales General Hospital, were in the dark due to a malfunction at the substation controlling circuits in Elkland and Greenleaf townships.

35 YEARS AGO

Insurance adjusters have set the damage of the Frutchey Bean Elevator fire, early in October, at \$161,833. Fire Chief Nelson Willy reported early this week.

A strong, hard-to-identify odor is plaguing residents of Pine street, between West and Brooker, and Wednesday morning officials from 4 agencies had been unsuccessful in tracking down its cause. In some of the homes it has become so bad that residents have been forced to leave.

A fist-fight erupted in the crowded halls outside Circuit Court Chambers Tuesday between the husband and former husband of a Clio woman in an argument over support payments for the woman's 3 children. The former husband suffered a cut on his forehead and a bloody nose in an exchange of blows with the present husband. C.H. Hamilton, friend of the court, and Bailiff Ernest Kidder separated the pair.

Help for the patients at the Caro State Hospital is coming from points scattered all over the United States in cashable trading stamps for the purchase of a new bus for the patients. From tiny Norway in Michigan's Upper Peninsula has come 100 books. The Muskegon area sent many books. A couple of books came from California, and lesser amounts from other areas.

New law reduces tow time

Abandoned or disabled motor vehicles must be removed from state highways within 24 hours to prevent towing as a result of newly signed Public Act 306 of 2000. The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), with jurisdiction over the state's highway system, is informing motorists of this change.

The law reduces the time allowed for abandoned vehicles to be removed from 48 hours down to 24 hours. Motorists can expect the Michigan State Police (MSP) to ticket or arrange for towing of vehicles left on state highways more than 24 hours. This becomes particularly critical in urban areas where roadside lanes are re-

stricted and abandoned vehicles could obstruct views or create road hazards. Winter weather and the need to plow snow adds to the need for more prompt vehicle removal.

"An abandoned vehicle is a distraction to motorists, contributes to traffic congestion and can be a factor in crashes," said State Transportation Director James DeSana. "Owners of disabled vehicles will not incur towing charges and will preserve their ownership by removing vehicles from state highways within the 24-hour period."

Police personnel will put a written notice on the vehicle alerting the owner to the potential of the vehicle being

taken into custody and the date and time this will happen. If the vehicle is not removed, it will be towed and stored at the owner's expense or disposed of.

Public Act 306 of 2000 further provides that Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG),

MDOT and MSP conduct a study to evaluate the impact of the reduction in time from 48 to 24 hours. Findings and recommendations are to be made within 12 months to the Michigan House and Senate standing committees that consider transportation and traffic-related issues.



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*10:00-11:00 a.m.: Listen to Stories & Make Christmas Decorations at Rawson Memorial Library. Register by Dec. 8.

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