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THERE'S 'SNOW' BETTER way to enjoy a cool but sunny December day than to grab a sled and head for Cass City's sledding hill. The hill was jumping with action Saturday as a host of area residents, including this quartet, enjoyed the day and each other's company. (Related photo, page 8)

700-800 attend 34th concert

Gospel sing still popular

No one could have blamed Arthur Severance if he had been a tad nervous about the weather as the annual New Year's Eve Gospel Sing approached Sunday night.

After all, in more than 3 decades of helping to organize the Cass City area tradition, Severance has seen it all, from blizzards and ice storms to balmy temperatures. Not to mention that this year's concert would come on the heels of the snowiest December in years. "People remember the ice and they remember the snow. We've even had rain," he recalled.

But Old Man Winter cooperated this year, and the concert went off without a hitch,

drawing an estimated 700 to 800 people. "I thought it was a success. Everybody seemed to like what we had there," Severance said.

This year's New Year's Eve Gospel Sing attendance was typical for the event, which offers families an opportunity to bring in the new year with a full evening of Gospel music and fellowship.

That was the goal when the concert debuted in 1966, and families continue to be the focus 34 years later.

The annual Gospel sing came about thanks to the efforts of a small group of area men, including Severance, his father Lloyd and brother Les, Bob Bader, Keith McConkey, Warren Kelly

and others who formed the Laymen's Club in an effort to share a common desire to serve God as laymen.

In fact, formation of the club and the New Year's Eve concert went hand in hand, Severance said, noting his father and the Calvarymen Quartet came up with the idea of putting together the community gospel sing.

The concert proved popular, with 400 to 500 people attending the first year at the former Cass City Middle School. The event was later moved to the high school after it was built in the late 1960s.

The concert format has changed very little over the years.

"One of the goals we have is to make it affordable," Severance said, referring to the free admission. "I think back in the early years we might have charged a dollar or 2, but that didn't go over too well." He recalled the charge was dropped after Rex Humbard and the Cathedral Quartet appeared on a free-will offering, drawing more than 500 people.

During the early years, Laymen's Club members experimented with other Gospel events, including spring and fall concerts and revival crusades. "We tried a lot of different things, I guess, but we didn't get near enough people involved."

The New Year's Eve concert's popularity, however, has remained strong. And the event nearly always pays for itself.

This year's concert budget, for example, cost roughly \$2,000, and what isn't covered by the free-will offering will be covered by funds left over from previous years.

Severance noted the lion's share of expenses - about \$1,200 - went to the performing groups: the Calvarymen Quartet from Flint, the Royal Heirs, another Flint-area group, and the Vassar-based Grimshaws. Advertising and posters cost another \$100-plus, school custodian and cook expenses totaled \$250 or so, and about the same amount was spent on food.

"Behind the scenes, we feed all the singers and their families, basically a full meal," he added.

It's a lot of work, considering the Laymen's Club membership has dropped from more than a dozen men to 4 or 5 active members today. The club continues to handle all of the work involved in organizing the concert, from contacting singing groups and advertising to working with the school staff to set up the stage and chairs.

"It does seem to go pretty smoothly," said Severance, who indicated he would like

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DDA inviting businesses to brainstorming session

Improving the local business climate will be the focus of an upcoming Cass City Downtown Development Authority-Economic Development Corporation brainstorming session.

The meeting is slated for Tuesday, Jan. 16, at 5:30 p.m. at the Cass City Municipal Building.

"We're going to invite all of the merchants in and close to the DDA district to come and brainstorm with the DDA," said DDA-EDC Board member L.E. Althaver.

The meeting will target specific strategies, as outlined in the HyettPalma study completed last fall, to improve the business climate, recruit new businesses and retain existing businesses, Althaver explained. "It will be a very informal, focused gathering," he said, adding business owners will be asked for their ideas and suggestions.

Business owners will receive personal invitations, but the meeting is open to any interested in attending.

Althaver said the topics will include the Village Council's recent approval of funding for a new part-time position in the village. The duties of the individual hired for the post will include meeting and working with existing busi-

nesses on a regular basis as well as promoting the village as an ideal location for new business.

Village officials contracted with HyettPalma last summer to complete a specific plan of action for Cass City's business community. The Alexandria, Va.-based consulting firm specializes in revitalizing downtowns with what is known as a Downtown Action Agenda through the "America Downtown - New Thinking, New Life" program.

During a community meeting that followed completion of the plan, consultant Doyle

Hyett outlined a number of general recommendations. Hyett, who urged officials to first concentrate on the village's "core" downtown area - Main Street West of Oak - recommended that the DDA-EDC work to recruit

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Retailers: "let it snow"

The snow that blanketed the area during the last weeks of the Christmas season did nothing to dampen business in Cass City, according to merchants along Main Street. Several say that the unusual snowfall may have helped. None said that the snow adversely affected business.

In a poll of 6 merchants, 4 reported that business was up from the previous year and 2 others said that it was about the same as the previous year.

Bunny Porter smiled as she described the Christmas season as great at Timeless Treasures. We really sold a lot of seasonal merchandise. Christmas ornaments and candles, especially fireplace candles, were especially popular.

It's really hard to say, but it may well be that the snow helped make the season good for us, she concluded.

At NAAP Auto Parts, Jay Blanchard was positive about the beneficial effects of the snow. It really helped us, he said. We don't have too much in the gift line, but overall it

was a good season.

At Fairway Discount, manager Shelley DeBeaubien said that the snow kept people in town and our business was up for the season. She said the increase was general and said that this season there wasn't one hot item that brought customers to the store.

At Schneeberger's Appliance and TV, Clarence "Bud" Schneeberger smiled, business went on about the same as last year. The store is one of the oldest, under one ownership, in Cass City.

At Health Mart, Jon and Cheryl Shores were beaming as they described the season. We were up 7 percent over last Christmas. Especially gratifying was the business in the photo department, with family portraits showing the way.

At Coach Light Pharmacy, Steve Eyer reports that it was a good Christmas season. Some Christmas items fell off the last week of the season, but overall it was a good year and a good season.

Governor signs new CCW law

As expected, Gov. John Engler Tuesday signed a bill that will make it easier for Michigan residents to obtain a concealed weapon permit.

Public Act 381 of 2000 requires local gun boards to issue gun permits to most applicants provided they are at least 21 years of age, have no criminal record and are not mentally ill.

Under the state's previous concealed weapons law, county gun boards were directed to issue permits by majority vote only if "it appears that the applicant has good reason to fear injury to his or her person or property, or has other proper reasons, and is a suitable person to be licensed."

The so-called "shall issue" legislation was introduced by state Rep. Mike Green as he completed his final term in office.

Green said the problem with the old laws was widely varying interpretations

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TIMELESS Treasures owner Bunny Porter is among the local retailers who were pleased with holiday shopping traffic this season.

Dedication Lutherans to celebrate new bell tower

On Sundays and special occasions, Cass City residents will be able to enjoy beautiful hymns pealing from a new bell tower at Cass City's Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

The \$30,000 tower that will be dedicated Sunday after the regular service at the church will mark the realization of a long-term goal.

It started in 1993, sparked by a bequest from Hilda Fortress, who specified that the money be divided with half going to a fund in which the proceeds only would be used for church programs and the remainder for whatever the church members deemed advisable.

The members voted in 1993

to use the money for a bell tower. Nothing significant happened until a bequest from the late Helen Avery and the Avery family swelled the fund enough to make the project a reality.

Even then it took careful planning under the direction of Roger Gnagay and the cooperation of local businesses. It is estimated that the total cost was reduced by at least a third from the cost that would have been entailed if the tower had been designed and erected by professionals in the field.

Gnagay worked with LaFave Steel for the design of the tower. He found a painter for the bells in Midland and worked with Ken

Martin for electrical work and a Cass City concern for the crane that erected the bells.

Present plans call for the bells to be played before and after Sunday church services and other special times.

With a wind from the east or on a quiet day, it should be possible to hear the bells through most of the community.

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Pastor Rev. Gerald Meyer said neighbors in the immediate vicinity had been contacted to make sure that the bells would not be played at inopportune times.

The 4 large speakers at the top of the tower are controlled electronically and play inside and outside of the church building.

The volume is adjustable.

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AN ESTIMATED 700 to 800 area residents brought in the new year with a full evening of Gospel music and fellowship as the Cass City Laymen's Club sponsored its 34th annual New Year's Eve Gospel Sing in the Cass City High School gym.



Homer and Linda Bailey

Edwards, Bailey exchange vows

Linda Edwards of Cass City and Homer Bailey of Jackson were married Nov. 11, 2000, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Cass City. The Rev. Karen Knight of Pigeon officiated.

The celebration was a combination of Scottish and Irish heritage backgrounds and fall and country decorating was the focus of the decorations. The couple were led in the processional and recessional by Rodney Bell of Bell's Celtic Corner in Caro, with a Scottish bagpipe march and other selections.

The bride wore a navy silk suit with Black Watch plaid sash pinned with the Na-

tional Thistle Amethyst. The headpiece was woven pearls, lavender and thistle with ribbon accents. The groom wore the National Tartan of Scotland with Prince Charles jacket with a Black Watch sash pleated and held by National Thistle Amethyst pin.

Guests were family and friends who were entertained by Celtic music and buffet prepared by the bride and groom.

The bride is an educator for the Cass City Schools and the groom is superintendent for the Michigan State Industries chair factory at the Department of Corrections. They will reside in Cass City.

Historical society to meet

The Watrousville-Caro Area Historical Society will meet Tuesday, Jan. 9, at the Caro Municipal Building, 317 S. State St., Caro. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

The re-scheduled Christmas 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.

Writers meeting slated

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, Jan. 9. Meetings commence at 7:30 p.m.

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

Sr. Citizens' Menu

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

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Monday - Chicken Ala-King, biscuits, California blend, pudding.

Wednesday - Pork chops, mashed potatoes, peas, applesauce.

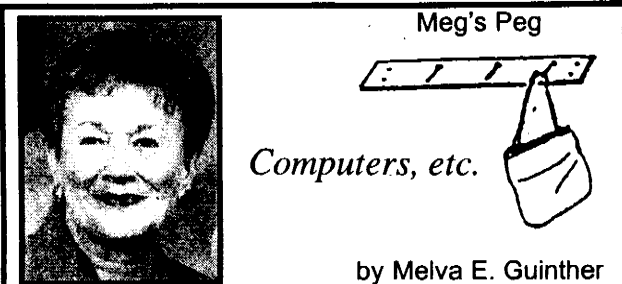
Friday - Veal Parmesan w/ spaghetti, garlic bread, broccoli salad, yogurt.

Dance set for Jan. 13

The Sandusky Thumb Dancers will hold its next open dance at the Sandusky Maple Valley School Saturday, Jan. 13, 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Music will be by United Sound.

Everyone is welcome. Bring finger food and friends.

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas



by Melva E. Guinther

Our daughter and son-in-law, whose array of electronic gadgets has been described here before, have added a DVD player to their collection. Just one more thing to confuse Mom and Dad when they visit.

We bought a new VCR a while back, and thought we might have to hire an 8 year old to program the thing for us, but Stan eventually figured it out. When it comes to modern technology, those of us in the "golden years" often need a little help.

Along those lines, here's a "Computer Poem For Those Over 30." I don't know who wrote it, but most computer novices can relate.

It used to be...

A computer was something on TV
From a sci-fi show of note.
A window was something you hated to clean,
And ram was the cousin of a goat.
Meg was the name of your girlfriend,
And gig was a job for the nights.
Now they all mean different things,
And that really mega bytes.

An application was for employment.
A program was a TV show.
A cursor used profanity.
A keyboard was a piano.
Memory was something you lost with age.
A CD was a way to save.
You weren't sure that a 3-inch floppy
Was something about which to rave.

Compress you did to the garbage,
Not something you did to a file.
Unzipping something in public
Could land you in jail for a while.
Log on meant add wood to the fire.
Hard drive, a long trip on the road.
A mouse pad was where a mouse lived,
And a backup happened to your commode.

Cut you did with a pocket knife.
Paste you did with glue.
A web was merely a spider's home,
And a virus was simply the flu.
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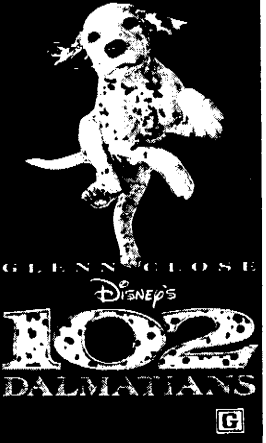
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"Book a trip" at library

If December was any indication of the weather we will have this winter, we need to prepare for some cold and snowy days and nights and maybe some more "snowed in" days. What better way to spend the time than with a good book?

To encourage everyone to read more, Rawson Memorial Library is sponsoring a program this winter to promote reading and family togetherness. Called "Read Around the World: Book a Trip" the program includes every member of the family. During a 6-week period from Jan. 15 to Feb. 25, families will be asked to read as many books as possible. They are also encouraged to expand their reading choices to books about different countries and books by authors

from other countries in connection with the theme of "Read Around the World."

When enrolling, each family will receive a book bag, bookmarks and a reading log to keep track of books read. Winners will be announced at a party featuring foods from around the world set for Friday, March 2. Each family that returns a reading record will receive a prize and a participation certificate. Fun prizes will also be given for such things as: the youngest reader, oldest reader, smallest family, largest family and more.

A gift certificate for pizza and bowling at Charmont will be awarded to the family that reads the most books. Movie tickets for the Cass Theatre plus popcorn and drinks will be given to the

family that reads the most books from another country. Other prizes are gift certificates, free video rentals and, of course, books!

Complete rules for the program will be available at sign-up beginning Jan. 10. Every member of the family, is encouraged to read this winter and win some nice prizes in the process. Come in and book a trip to "Read Around the World."

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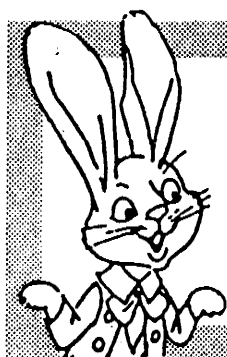
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

The United States has no monopoly when it comes to strange laws concerning tobacco use. Most folks know that we subsidize the industry on one hand, tax it heavily on the other and sue manufacturers for selling the product.

In Canada they tax tobacco heavily and now insist that the packages say in part that tobacco causes yellow teeth and swollen, blackened gums and then add a message that smoking may cause impotence.

Both countries bow to the pressure applied by the industry and take half measures instead of taking the obvious step of making the use of tobacco illegal.

There's still time to get in on the ground floor with the committee that will be working to make a new \$1.5 million indoor swimming pool at Cass City High School a reality.

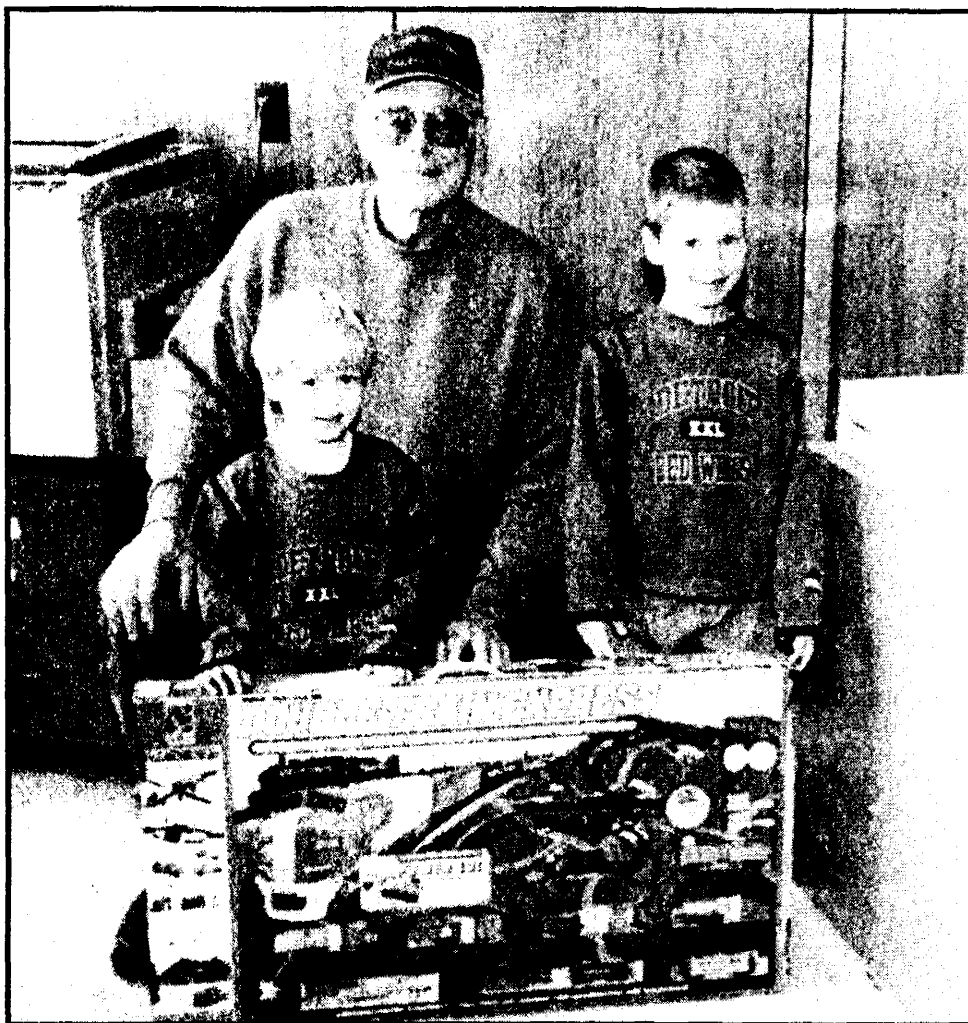
A meeting at Cass City High School is scheduled Monday. Supt. Ken Micklash said the time is to be decided and can be obtained by calling him at the school.

Already on the committee are 3 board members and 4 interested residents. Micklash said that he anticipates a dozen members when the campaign gets out of the starting gate.

The board members on the committee are Teresa Rabideau, Dave Knight and Danny Haag.

Others already on the committee are Dot Scollon, Bob Tuckey, Geraldine Prieskorn and Kelly Smith.

The pool project was sparked by donations totaling three-quarters of a million dollars from 2 foundations, all contingent on the community's ability to raise matching funds.



Final winner

JOHN PRIESS WAS the lucky winner of the 3rd and final Cass City Christmas Village train set give-away. The Kingston resident says he will enjoy it along with children, Max (left) and JP.

Blaze damages garage

Fire caused an estimated \$2,000 in damage to a garage in the Deford area over the weekend.

Elkland Township fire fighters were called to the Danny Whittaker residence, 1746 N. Kingston Rd., at 1:26 p.m. Sunday. Fire Chief Ron Pawloski reported a wood burner in the garage overheated, burning a hole in the rear wall of the structure.

The Kingston Fire Department sent a tanker to the scene, however, the additional water was not needed, Pawloski said.

Read Meg's Peg

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It's been over 10 years ago now that the medical community declared war on smoking. The aim was to abolish smoking by the start of the new century. That goal hasn't been achieved, but there has been more progress than I deemed possible when the campaign started.

There was a time when smoking on the street (especially by women) was a faux pas and not socially acceptable. That's changed now and smoking outdoors is accepted and is really the only opportunity for persons that are deeply hooked on nicotine.

While there is plenty of room for improvement, indications are that the pressure to severely curb or eliminate smoking will increase.

In Anchorage, Alaska, the Anchorage Assembly passed an ordinance that prohibits smoking in the workplace. There are a few exceptions, including bars and bingo parlors.

The ordinance has not been accepted quietly by the entire community. In November the Anchorage Business Alliance was formed to challenge the ban. It wants the Assembly to reconsider the ordinance.

They suggest that the ordinance is confusing and unfair. Why, they ask, are bingo parlors exempt and bowling alleys and pool halls not? Businesses should be able to decide for themselves, they argue.

If the Assembly doesn't bow to the pressure, after a few months it may no longer be a big deal if it follows the pattern of similar efforts elsewhere.

In Cass City we don't have any stringent no smoking edicts on the books, other than those enacted statewide. Yet smoking at meetings and

other public gatherings has nearly vanished.

Smokers now are very conscious of the effect that secondhand smoke has on others and either don't smoke or do it away from other people.

The Anchorage ordinance has a provision that requires the measure to be reconsidered after one year.

If it's still in force at the end of the year, the prediction here is that it will remain in force with perhaps minor changes.

The bottom line is that smoking, including secondhand smoke, is deadly and the majority will want the benefits of a smoke free community.



The back forty

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by Roger Pond

It's easy to forget how much agriculture has changed over the years. Production levels have changed, techniques have changed, and most of all, the equipment has changed.

I was reminded of these things several years ago when I walked into a modern, swine farrowing barn to photograph baby pigs. There they were, 10 or 12 pigs to a litter, all lined-up and attacking their dinner.

Some say confinement farrowing systems are cruel to animals, but I see them as much more humane than older methods of production. Modern swine systems restrict the sow's movement, which helps keep the baby pigs warm, well-fed, and safe from the shuffling hooves and wafering impact of a 500-pound sow.

Good riddance to the days when we headed for the woods with a bucket of wet grain (slop) and a trough to feed the old sow who opted for a bed of leaves under a paw paw tree — rather than the nice A-frame house we had provided for her.

If being stepped-on or otherwise mashed by a sow makes a pig feel good, I suppose some of those woods pigs were happier than the modern ones. I know a lot of them never survived until they got to the barn.

I can also remember a few Saturdays when my brothers and I were coerced into entering the old hog barn with a pitchfork and a shovel to throw manure into the spreader parked outside.

At times like these a boy learns if he wants to heal people, he should become a doctor. If he wants to relieve suffering, he should be an agricultural engineer.

The hard part of cleaning the hog barn was throwing the stuff through a window that was a little too high and just slightly smaller than the shovel. If you tilted the shovel, the manure ran down the handle, and if you threw it too hard (or missed the window), you had better have your mouth closed. We didn't talk much when cleaning the barn.

Readers who have cleaned those old barns will remember the pitchfork was for the thick stuff and the shovel was for the thin. The old wedding

vows "through thick and thin" had some real meaning in those days.

There was nothing glamorous about cleaning the old barns. My father taught me that becoming sentimental about hog manure is a big mistake, also.

I will always remember a farm columnist's attempt to make something poetic out of barn-cleaning day. The writer's husband was busy

cleaning the barn one late February day when she wrote, "I watch through the kitchen window, as Herman loads the manure spreader and makes pretty, brown ribbons in the snow."

My dad read that and nearly fell out of his chair. "Well, isn't that something?" he said. "Most of us just haul the manure; but Herman uses it to make pretty, brown ribbons in the snow?"

Youth "dressing up potatoes" for scholarship funds

Students involved in the Cass City/Kingston Region of Bluewater Thumb Youth for Christ are dressing up potatoes to raise money for a series of trips and mission projects.

The group will sponsor a Baked Potato Dinner from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5, at the Cass City High School cafeteria.

Dinner includes an all-you-can-eat baked potato bar where spuds can be piled with choices such as chili, broccoli, stroganoff and cheese. Tossed salad, homemade desserts and beverages will be included in the price. The dinner is also conveniently set for the night of the Cass City/Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port basketball game, so

fans turning out for the game can grab a bite.

Proceeds from the potato dinner will be used as scholarships for students attending YFC events in coming months. These events include Florida Breakaway. "In Florida Breakaway we are able to reach out to kids who wouldn't normally be going to church or attending youth groups," said Campus Life Director Jeff Bader. "It's a great opportunity to share the Gospel and for the kids to have some fun, too."

For more information about the Baked Potato Dinner or any of the activities YFC is sponsoring, please contact Jeff Bader at (517) 872-1530.

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Red Hawk Beatby Cass City Senior,
Katie Hacker**Looking Back**

The New Year marks a finish and start line for many people in Cass City. It's a time when people look back at the past year and remember all the things that had an impact on someone or something, and for others it's a time to look ahead to what the New Year may bring.

When I look back on the past year, there are a couple things that really stand out and make the year 2000 a memorable one. We all remember the big Y2K problem that a lot of people were preparing for and this wasn't exactly, in my opinion, a good way to start off the New Year. Actually, a bunch of Cass City students got a little taste of Y2K when Mr. Fluegge shut the power off at the New Year's Eve party at their house. He had all the underclassmen screaming and running around in the dark, but Jaime and I knew all along what was going on (well, not really, but keep it on the down load).

The next big thing that happened to Cass City students that I can recall was the bombing incident in late February. My family and I happened to be on vacation in Kissimmee, Florida, when this all occurred. I got a phone call that day from a friend telling me school was let out due to a bomb threat. At first I thought it was a

pretty lame joke, but realized later they weren't joking. This type of thing was occurring at neighboring schools all around us, but I never thought it would happen in Cass City.

Moving into "March Madness", our varsity boys basketball team doing extremely well had all the students and the rest of the town in an uproar. The team started off with a victory against Bad Axe, then Millington for the district championship in North Branch. Cass City fans then made their way to Central Michigan's Rose Arena, where the team first won over Swan Valley in regionals.

This brought Cass City back to CMU for one last game against Haslett to secure the title of Class B Regional Champs. Unfortunately, it didn't work out that way. But the team showed so much heart and dedication until that final second of their last game of the season.

These are only a few memories for the year 2000 that stand out in my mind and also for many other Cass City students.

I hope everyone had a great Christmas Break and a wonderful New Year. Unfortunately, Cass City students do have to return to school (but we can pray for a couple more snow days)!

Dedication set

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With a wind from the east or

on a quiet day, it should be possible to hear the bells through most of the community, Rev. Meyer said.

Downtown study focus of meeting

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food establishments and to explore the possibility of opening a community center. He also suggested beautification projects such as miniparks, a water fountain and streetscape improvements.

Hyett recommended that officials also enforce blight, sign, building code and other ordinances. Business owners, meanwhile, can make a number of improvements without major expense, including paying close attention to offering exemplary service, improving window

displays and establishing market-driven business hours, he said.

The Hyett study itself contains a great deal of detail, including a comprehensive retail, office and market analysis of Cass City's downtown, as well as specific strategies to revitalize the business district.

The Jan. 16 meeting is another step towards finding ways to implement those strategies, according to Althaver.

"We're enthusiastic about the ideas (recommended in the HyettPalma study)," he said. "We just want to keep the momentum going."

Gospel sing still going strong after 34 years

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to see some younger people and/or another Christian group get involved in the process.

But even if that doesn't happen right away, next year's concert will go on as planned. Organizers would

like to do something special for the 35th year, according to Severance, who believes the annual tradition will continue for many years to come.

"I do, as long as we're able to make ends meet," he said. "Hopefully, somebody will take over if we can't do it."

Governor signs new gun law

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among local gun boards. A lack of consistent standards, he said, prevented many citizens from exercising their constitutional right to bear arms.

Green said Public Act 381 establishes uniformity in the permit process and at the same sets forth strict standards regarding who may carry a weapon.

The law:

- Prohibits anyone convicted of a felony and certain misdemeanors, or who is mentally ill, from legally carrying a gun.
- Increases the age limit for carrying a gun from 18 to 21.
- Requires completion of a gun safety course.
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Letter to the editor**Please show some respect when on a snowmobile**

Dear John,

I'd have to say I agree with Jane Downing about the snowmobile problem. I live on Dickerson Road about one mile east of the Colwood bar, and about 3:00 a.m. Saturday morning, three of my four pine trees on the east side of my house had a run in with a snowmobile. All the trees are about six feet off the road in a nice tree line, so the snowmobile had to come six feet onto my yard to do the damage. I see that it tipped over also.

If that person had gotten hurt I would have been out there helping them, it would have been their blood on my hands, if that person had gotten hurt, my insurance company and myself would have gotten sued. If their snowmobile had gotten broken, they would turn it into my insurance company and we would have paid for it to get fixed.

But what really upsets me the most is that one of the three trees that were broken (which two of them were over four feet tall) was one that my son had gotten in pre-school as a seedling, he is now almost nine years old, he has been nursing that tree all along. He's helped his dad haul water for it every summer when it has been too dry. He's helped spray it so it wouldn't get bugs on it in the summer to kill it, and we've watched it grow just like we've watched him grow. Now it is no more and we are upset.

We have two snowmobiles, sleds, snowboards and skis, but we're considerate and stay off other people's property. It's called respect and good clean fun. So people have fun but please:

- * Don't drink and drive snowmobiles.
- * Stay on the road not in our lawns. (There's plenty of snow on it).
- * Have fun but use respect.
- And to the person who damaged our trees....I'm glad you didn't get hurt but I'm sad you spoiled our fun.

Thank you,

Bonnie Marker



THE GOOD Shepherd Lutheran Church will dedicate its new, \$30,000 bell tower Sunday.

"Click it or Ticket"**Police issue 13,500 tickets**

Michigan law enforcement officers issued more than 13,500 safety belt citations over the Thanksgiving Holiday period as part of the statewide Click it or Ticket mobilization, which focused on unbuckled children and drinking drivers.

The Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning recently announced the results of the November campaign, which included 306 arrests for drunken driving.

Other traffic enforcement action included 3,546 moving violations, 5,732 speed citations, 1,163 misdemeanor arrests, 176 felony arrests and 5,156 non-moving violations.

The Click it or Ticket campaign included more than 100 agencies who are part of the Drive Michigan Safety Task Force, a group receiving special funding from OHSP in order to put additional officers on the road for specific enforcement periods. Other agencies participated by asking their officers to be on alert for safety belt violations and drunk drivers as part of the normal patrol activities.

"It's important to let the public know what happened during the stepped-up enforcement period," said Betty J. Mercer, OHSP division director.

"These are intense mobili-

zations with many patrols devoted strictly to traffic enforcement. After seeing these numbers, we hope everyone understands the intensity of this effort. Despite our warnings, we still had a large number of unbuckled motorists out there."

OHSP has instituted a new reporting policy that allows for quick reporting of activity. The number of safety belt citations issued is not reported on a statewide basis; the citation does not carry points that are posted to a person's driving record.

Michigan's safety belt use rate is now slightly over 83 percent, following the change in law in March of 2000.

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Down Memory Lane

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5 YEARS AGO

Business owners said Christmas sales were good but not great in the village in 1995.

Toxic fumes forced the Art Brinkman family from their apartment above Shetler Plumbing and Heating building on Main St. Saturday afternoon. Thought to be a gas leak, firemen reported the problem was fumes coming from a freshly painted floor on the main floor of the building. The fumes went through the heating system into the apartment upstairs. There were no injuries and the family spent the rest of the evening at the Charmont Motel.

Chad Zawilinski's career night paced Cass City's win over Ubyly in the last game prior to the holidays. He scored 23 points with 6 assists and 3 rebounds.

There have been 7 thefts of stereos reported in Cass City in the last 2 months. In all, the complaints involve more than \$4,000 worth of stereo equipment taken from vehicles parked in the village.

The former Hartman junk yard in Sanilac County's Evergreen Township is now owned by Richard and Gloria Kaak. The Kaaks and their crew have spent the past 3 months cleaning up the old junk yard, about a mile and half south of M-81, and are re-opening as Indian Creek Recycling and Auto Salvage.

10 YEARS AGO

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has predicted that food prices will rise between 2 percent and 5 percent in 1991. Fresh and processed fruit prices will likely go up 9 percent to 12 percent.

Dr. Donald Tuckey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luke Tuckey of Cass City, was recently elected for a second term as president of the Saginaw General Hospital medical staff.

The winners of the third annual Christmas Lighting Contest at Huntsville Mobile Home Park, Cass City, were announced. The Ken Grady and Julie Auten residence netted first-place honors and \$100 off January's lot rent. Second-place winners were Jim and Renee VanAllen, who will receive \$50 off their

January lot rent. In addition, all tenants who registered for the contest will receive \$25 off their lot rent this month.

The students in Barbara Kirn's and Jennifer Green's fifth grade classrooms at Cass City Intermediate School, didn't exchange Christmas gifts this year. Instead, they voted to donate the money they would normally spend on a gift to the local Toys For Tots organization. The total amount collected was \$80 and was presented to Toys for Tots coordinator Sue Werschky.

Clark Finkbeiner, 14, son of Donald Finkbeiner and the late Judy Finkbeiner, was accidentally killed Thursday afternoon at his home when a gun being passed around by a group of people went off.

25 YEARS AGO

A former Cass City resident, Merle Charles Beardsley, 54, of Kinde, was killed Thursday when he was struck by a car when he attempted to cross the I-75 expressway near Alger in Arenac County. He was a brother of Mrs. Harold Copeland of Cass City.

Sanilac County voters emphatically turned down the \$1.6 million courthouse addition when they went to the polls in a special election Monday. The proposal received 5,129 no votes to 446 yes, nearly a 9-1 margin.

Mrs. Mary Frost, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Isaacs of Cass City, delivered Sunday's sermon at Trinity United Methodist Church, where her mother is pastor.

Mrs. Frost, a seminary study in Dayton, Ohio, spoke during Student Recognition Day Sunday. Other students participating were Jean Alexander, Kelly Gee and Cheryl Kozaan.

Coach Ron Nurnberger has announced that the first annual alumni basketball game will be played Saturday, Jan. 10, at Cass City High School. The alumni will field teams pitting players who graduated in even numbered years against players graduated in odd numbered years.

Phillip Mathewson, 31, of Deford, was hospitalized overnight Friday following injuries sustained in a one-car accident that occurred on Cemetery Road, 2 miles

south of Cass City, early Friday evening.

35 YEARS AGO

Ronald James Guinther, son of Pvt. and Mrs. James Guinther of Cass City, was the first baby born in Cass City in 1966. He was born Monday morning at Cass City Hospital and weighed 5 pounds.

Police are still searching for a trio of men who exchanged shots with Patrolman Robert Pawlowski early Friday morning when he attempted to pull the car over for a traffic violation.

Mrs. Fern Maier of Cass City received one of the most unusual presents given in Cass City at Christmas when her nephew, T/Sgt. John Cooley, presented her with a petrified mastodon molar which is at least 15,000 years old. The giant tooth was found by an Eskimo near Unalakleet, Alaska, where Cooley was stationed.

The Cass City Red Hawks registered their first cage victory of the season at Vassar, 73-67, Tuesday. The big guns for Cass city were Dave Asher with 13 rebounds and 21 points, and Jim Walters with 23 points and 12 rebounds.

Area residents are invited to attend the Detroit Edison open house at the new, all electric home of Mr. and Mrs. James King, 4678 Kennebec Drive, 4 blocks north of the traffic light, Friday and Saturday.

Michigan sugar beet history

Michigan farmers experimented with growing sugar beets as early as 1839.

Saginaw printer Joseph Seeman rekindled the idea of raising sugar beets in 1884 and sent seeds from Germany to be tested. Dr. Robert Kedzie, a chemistry professor at what is now Michigan State University, distributed 1,500 pounds of beet seed to farmers across the state.

His efforts to promote growing sugar beets earned him the title "Father of Michigan's Sugar Industry."

WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULES

CASS CITY BOYS' BASKETBALL

Dec. 5	Caro 53, Cass City 68	5:00
12	Brown City Postponed	5:00
15	Harbor Beach 34, Cass City 54	5:00
19	Ubyly 49, Cass City 69	5:00
Jan. 5	Lakers	5:00
9	Marlette	5:00
12	Bad Axe	5:00
19	USA	5:00
23	Deckerville	5:00
26	Reese	5:00
30	Bay City A.S.	5:00
Feb. 2	Mayville	5:00
5	Valley Luth. (Fresh.)	6:00
6	Valley Luth. (JV,V)	6:00
9	Lakers	6:00
13	Bad Axe	6:00
16	USA	5:00
20	Reese	5:00
23	Bay City A.S.	5:00
27	Mayville	5:00
March 2	Valley Lutheran	5:00

CASS CITY WRESTLING

Nov. 30	Caro/Mayville	Away	6:00
Dec. 2	Cros-Lex (V)	Away	10:00 a.m.
9	Marlette Ivite (JV,V)	Away	8:00 a.m.
13	Lapeer East/Bentley Lapeer East	6:00	
16	Yale Ivite (JV)	Away	9:00 a.m.
Jan. 3	Lakers/Yale/Cros-Lex	Home	6:00 p.m.
6	Yale Ivite (V)	Away	9:00 a.m.
10	Bad Axe/Mayville	Sandusky	6:00 p.m.
13	Bad Axe Ivite (JV,V)	Away	10:00 a.m.
17	Cros-Lex/Brown C.	Brown C.	6:00 p.m.
20	Mayville Ivite (V)	Away	8:30 a.m.
24	Marlette	Marlette	6:00 p.m.
27	Inlay City Ivite (V)	Away	8:30 a.m.
30	North Branch	Away	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 3	Millington Ivite (JV/V)	9:00 a.m.	
7	Valley Luth/Sandusky	Brown C.	6:00 p.m.
10	League Ivite Lakers	10:00 a.m.	
14 or 15	Team Districts	TBA	TBA
17	Individual Districts	TBA	TBA

CASS CITY VOLLEYBALL

Dec. 16	Caro Ivite	Away	8:30 a.m.
18	Ubyly, A-F (V)	Ubyly	6:00 p.m.
	Ubyly, A-F (JV)	Home	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 4	Caro	Home	6:00 p.m.
5	Bad Axe Inv. (Fresh,JV)	Away	3:30 p.m.
6	Bad Axe Ivite (V)	Away	9:00 a.m.
11	Lakers	Away	6:30 p.m.
13	Laker Ivite (Fresh)	Away	9:00 a.m.
15	Brown City	Home	6:30 p.m.
18	Bad Axe	Home	6:30 p.m.
20	Laker Ivite (JV)	Away	9:00 a.m.
20	Cass City Ivite	Home	10:00 a.m.
22	Sandusky	Away	5:30 p.m.
25	USA	Home	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 1	Reese	Away	6:30 p.m.
5	North Branch	Home	6:30 p.m.
8	Bay City A.S.	Home	6:30 p.m.
10	USA Ivite (V)	Away	8:30 a.m.
15	Mayville	Away	6:30 p.m.
17	Laker Ivite (V)	Away	9:00 a.m.
17	Fr. League Ivite	Bad Axe	8:30 a.m.
17	JV League Ivite	USA	8:30 a.m.
22	Valley Lutheran	Home	6:30 p.m.
24	League Ivite	Lakers	9:00 a.m.
March 3	Districts	TBA	TBA

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BASKETBALL
January 5
Lakers

WRESTLING
January 3
Lakers/Yale/Cros-Lex

VOLLEYBALL
January 4
Caro

CASS CITY GYMNASTICS

Dec. 6	Midland Dow/Vassar	Home	6:00
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 Ivite	Away	Noon
29	Midland	Home	6:30
Feb. 10	St. Johns Ivite	Away	10

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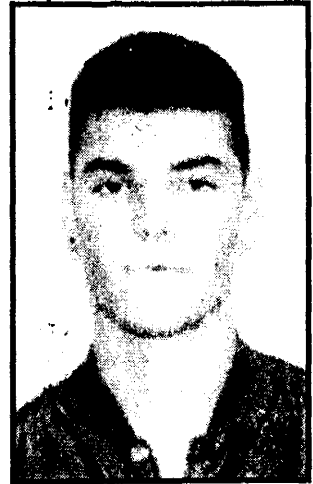
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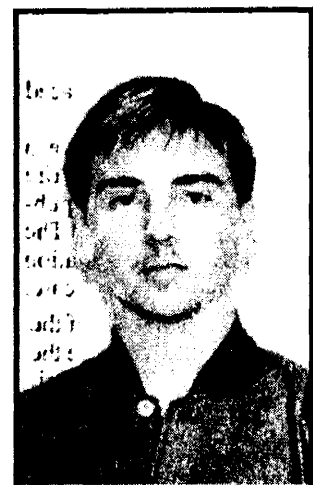
Bulldogs claim holiday tourney while improving record to 4-0

As expected, the veteran Owen-Gage basketball team captured the annual Tom Thumb Tournament championship Thursday night with a 57-47 victory in Port Hope over North Central Thumb League foe Carsonville-Port Sanilac.

With the win the Bulldogs kept their unblemished



CORY FRITZ



CORBIN SWIASTYN

record intact, improving to 4-0 overall, and will now turn their focus towards NCTL play starting Friday at always tough Peck.

Quick starts like the Bulldogs enjoyed over the 2-game holiday tournament have Bulldog faithfuls pointing towards another championship - the upcoming NCTL conference race.

Coach Leon Westover's Bulldogs led 14-11 after the opening frame against the Tigers and then used a 17-6 run to the intermission, where they enjoyed a 31-17 bulge.

Corbin Swiastyn helped pace the Bulldog offensive effort for much of the initial half with 10 tallies. The senior guard connected on a variety of shots, including 2 tosses from behind the 3-point arc.

While Swiastyn was pouring in jumpers, the O-G defense took control of the game. The Bulldogs yielded just 3 solo field goals in the 2nd period that helped produce the double digit margin. The huge lead was short

OWEN-GAGE - Swiastyn 2-2 (0-1) 10; R. Fritz 1-0 (0-0) 2; Kain 2-0 (4-4) 8; Warack 5-0 (8-10) 18; C. Fritz 5-1 (6-7) 19.
TOTALS - 15-3 (18-24) 57.

CPS - Kelly 0-1 (0-0) 3; Steeb 1-0 (0-0) 2; Harred 1-0 (2-3) 4; McConnochie 0-1 (0-0) 3; Winkley 4-0 (0-1) 8; M. Bezemek 1-0 (0-0) 2; Behnke 1-0 (2-2) 4; Willis 2-0 (0-0) 4; A. Bezemek 6-0 (1-2) 13; Price 2-0 (0-0) 4.
TOTALS - 18-2 (5-8) 47.

OWEN-GAGE - Minkler 0-0 (2-2) 2; Swiastyn 1-4 (0-0) 14; Mellendorf 4-1 (0-0) 11; R. Fritz 1-0 (0-0) 2; Rogers 3-0 (2-2) 8; Kain 2-0 (2-2) 6; Warack 4-0 (3-4) 11; C. Fritz 3-1 (2-3) 11.
TOTALS - 18-6 (11-13) 65.

PORT HOPE - Thoms 0-3 (0-0) 9; D. Joy 1-0 (1-2) 3; M. Joy 0-3 (0-0) 9; Schave 9-0 (0-0) 18; Mausolf 5-0 (3-4) 13.
TOTALS - 15-6 (4-6) 52.

lived, however, as the Tigers cut deep into the Bulldog advantage behind Matt Winkey and Adam Bezemek, who combined for 14 points after the break and drew CPS to within 4 entering the final frame.

Owen-Gage's Cory Fritz took matters into his own hands during the deciding 8 minutes and recorded 12 of his game night 19 points. Fritz also passed for 4 assists on the night.

Westover received a solid game from senior Nick Warack, who posted a season high 18 markers. Warack was a force on the boards, pulling down a team best 15 rebounds, including 12 on the offensive end of the court. Warack, together with Fritz' 10 rebounds, helped the Bulldogs to a 46-24 advantage on the glass.

Bezemek was the only Tiger to reach double figures and finished with 13.

PORT HOPE

The Bulldogs advanced into the finals of the Tom Thumb tourney with a 65-52 victory Wednesday over host Port Hope.

The Bulldog offense exploded for 25 points in the 2nd quarter that ended with the visitors in front 38-27. Swiastyn caught fire from the perimeter during the Bulldog spurt, stepped back and netted 4 treys. Swiastyn led 4 double digit Owen-Gage scorers, with 14 points. Besides Swiastyn, the balanced Owen-Gage attack saw Fritz, Warack and Shane Mellendorf each add 11 points.

Although the Bulldogs connected on over 41% of their attempts from the floor, Westover pointed to his defense, led by Mellendorf's 5 steals, as the difference in the contest.

Owen-Gage's shooting touch carried over onto the charity stripe, where they connected on 11 of 13 tries. Doug Schave and Kyle Mausolf registered 18 and 13 points, respectively, for Port Hope.

Gridiron hopes rest with Cuthrell

At an early age Scott Cuthrell knew what he wanted to do.

"When I was about 12, I went to visit my sister at Central and attended a football game. From that point on, all I wanted to do was play and coach football," says Cuthrell.

And that's exactly what the new Cass City Red Hawk head football coach has done.

Cuthrell, 35, was a talented running back at Muskegon Reeths Puffer, a Class A power with an enrollment of over 2,500 students.

Cuthrell led the Rockets, as their senior team captain, to a share of the Seaway Conference title. He earned all-conference and all-area running back honors that eventually led to a scholarship to attend Central Michigan University.

At CMU, Cuthrell spent 5 years under the direction of Coach Herb Deromedi. During that time the Chips finished as runners-up twice in the Mid American Conference standings. While in Mt. Pleasant, Cuthrell spent one season guiding the junior varsity ranks at Mt. Pleasant High School.

After graduation, Cuthrell moved to White Cloud, where he spent 2 years as head junior varsity coach, preceding 5 years as the Indians' head coach. During his 7 years at White Cloud, a Class C school, Cuthrell developed a successful weight program, as strength coach, which included speed training.

Cuthrell took a program with little success and turned it into a contender in the Western Waterways Activities conference before coming to Cass City.

The Chronicle spent some time with Cuthrell this week and got his views on the following questions:

Q) In your opinion, why has Cass City's football program been in a down cycle?

A) Anyone can criticize someone else's program, I don't think that

is fair to do.

My main goal here at Cass City is for my team to have confidence in me, their teammates, assistant coaches, and the system we are using. I want our team to play competitive football, take pride in it, and demonstrate good character.

Q) What are your goals?

A) Develop a quality sound program that everyone in Cass City will be proud of.

Offensively we need to put points on the board and concentrate on the fundamentals.

The number one skill that we must install on defense is proper execution.

Q) Are you an offensive coach, defensive coach, both, etc.?

A) I will oversee the entire football program, but I expect each coach to understand every aspect of the game.

Everyone on my coaching staff will have a job to do, I will be in charge of the offense and my assistants will be taking care of the defense and special teams.

Q) How about your coaching staff?

A) I really do believe we have a solid staff. Everyone works well with each other and is willing to listen to new ideas.

Q) What is the one area you will concentrate on most?

A) We must turn around our attitude to become competitive in our league. There is no greater feeling of self-satisfaction in sports or life than making a significant contribution to the success of the team. A positive mental attitude will help us overcome any problems that come up.

Q) What are you planning to do in the off-season to get ready for next year?

A) I am a strong believer in "what we do in the off-season is how we are going to do in-season."

Making sure our athletes are involved in the weight program, and we take advantage of the off-season camps that our athletes can



CASS CITY'S new gridiron leader, Scott Cuthrell, believes attitude is key for the Hawks to becoming competitive in the Greater Thumb West conference.

benefit from.

We are going to have a Red Hawk Camp in July, 6 through 12 grades. This will give us a chance to install our philosophy of football to all the student athletes.

Q) Describe your Feeder Programs - JV - Freshman - Jr. High, camps, etc.

A) The varsity team will serve as role models for our Feeder Program, getting involved in practice and summer camps. I would like to see tackle football programs start at 6th grade and have flag football in 5th grade.

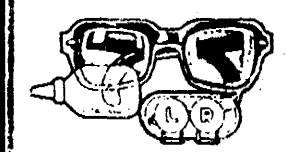
The more kids who get to play football, the better the varsity team will be. Therefore, the philosophy of the youth program should be that everyone gets a chance to play.

All of the programs will be running the same offense and defense and that is from 6th grade on up. By the time these athletes get to the varsity level, they are well informed on our offense and defensive strategies.

Q) Please tell about anything you would like to address.

A) There are many ways that a high school football team makes a name for itself in a town. In a town like Cass City, I believe that the high school football team can be a positive reflection of the town, the school district, the high school, and the parents.

We need support from the elementary school, the businesses and the citizens to make Cass City football successful.



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Hawks host Lakers Friday

The preliminaries are over. As nice as it is to return to the basketball was undefeated, it means little in the overall picture for the Cass City Red Hawks.

Of course, it is great to win all 4 of the opening games, but most of the tests are still ahead.

It starts Friday when the Lakers come to town for the first game in the Greater Thumb West League. It will be the first of 4 consecutive home games for the Hawks. Following the Laker game, a non-conference tilt with surprisingly strong Marlette is slated next Tuesday.

After that Bad Axe comes

to town. Cass City will be

favored in all of these games. But the final of the 4 home games will be one of the most important of the early season. It pits the Hawks against USA. Both clubs have rolled in early season games, winning by comfortable margins. The game should help decide which team is a contender and which is a pretender.

But the team that wins this key contest won't be able to feel that it will go on to dominate the GTW. Still waiting in the wings is Reese. Ranked right up there with Cass City in pre-season ratings, Reese has lived up to

its early billing.

Showing surprising strength is Valley Lutheran. Bay City All Saints, which has 2 victories in the early games, has bounced back from a winless season last year.

One of Cass City's strengths has been rebounding, paced by Craig Emmert and Ryan Holmgren. Joel Brinkman and Zach Gaspie have provided good and sometimes excellent play at guard while Nathan Brinkman and Jeff Storm have provided a threat from 3-point range.

One of the tasks facing Coach Jim Green is developing the team's bench to augment the veterans who returned from last year's district championship squad.

Fabulous Five's Fearless Forecast

Tuesday, January 2
Bridgeport at Flint NW
North Huron at North Branch
Caro at Lakeville
Yale at Richmond
Friday, January 5
Caro at Millington
Harbor Beach at Cros-Lex
Bad Axe at Valley Lutheran
Lakers at Cass City
Reese at BCAS
Uby at Brown City
Yale at Deckerville
Akron-Fairgrove at C-PS
Port Hope at Caseville
Owen-Gage at Peck
Kingston at North Huron
Last week's results
Season's results

John Haire	Clarke Haire	Tom Montgomery	Doug Hyatt	Cass City Booster Club
Flint Northwestern North Huron Caro Richmond	Flint Northwestern North Branch Caro Yale	Flint Northwestern North Branch Caro Richmond	Flint Northwestern North Branch Lakeville Richmond	Flint Northwestern North Branch Caro Yale
Millington Cros-Lex Valley Lutheran Cass City Reese Brown City Deckerville C-PS	Caro Cros-Lex Valley Lutheran Cass City Reese Brown City Deckerville C-PS	Caro Harbor Beach Valley Lutheran Cass City Reese Brown City Yale C-PS	Millington Cros-Lex Valley Lutheran Cass City Reese Brown City Deckerville C-PS	Caro Cros-Lex Valley Lutheran Cass City Reese Brown City Deckerville C-PS
Port Hope Owen-Gage Kingston 8-6 17-9 (66%)	Port Hope Owen-Gage Kingston 10-4 20-6 (77%)	Port Hope Owen-Gage Kingston 11-3 21-5 (81%)	Caseville Owen-Gage Kingston 11-3 20-6 (77%)	Caseville Owen-Gage Kingston 12-2 23-3 (89%)

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• ENGL 272 - American Literature (7 to 10 p.m.)

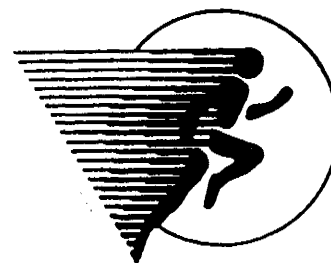
Wednesday
• CS 160 - Microcomputer Software (7 to 10 p.m.)
• HIST 116 - World Civilization from 1500 (6:30 to 9:30 p.m.)
• SOC 111 - Principles of Sociology (6 to 9 p.m.)
• MUS 110 - Enjoyment of Music (6 to 9 p.m.)

Thursday
• CJ 301 - Criminal Justice System in the U.S. (7 to 10 p.m.)
• ENGL 112 - Composition II (7 to 10 p.m.)
• MATH 103 - Intermediate Algebra (6 to 10 p.m.)

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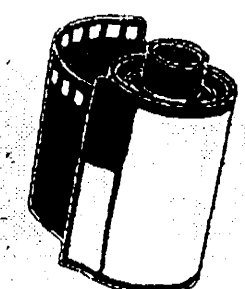


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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 11:00 AM on January 26, 2001.

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

PARCEL 3 - Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 25, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the East Section line that is N00 degrees 29'32"W, 439.63 feet; thence S89 degrees 30'28"W, 498.48 feet; thence N00 degrees 30'07"W, 220.61 feet; thence N89 degrees 30'28"E, 498.52 feet; thence along said East Section line, 500 degrees 29'32"E, 220.61 feet to the point of beginning.

gining.
PARCEL 4 - Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 25, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the East section line that is N00 degrees 29'32"W, 660.24 feet; thence S89 degrees 30'28"W, 498.52 feet; thence N00 degrees 30'07"W, 219.33 feet; thence N89 degrees 13'07"E, 498.57 feet; thence along said East Section line, 500 degrees 29'32"E, 221.85 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 13, 2000

REPUBLIC BANK
Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR Mortgagee

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

12-27-4

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 Richard C. Zeien and Sharon I. Zeien, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated July 25, 1997, and recorded on July 29, 1997 in Liber 716, on Page 821, Tuscola County Records, Michigan.

on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTEEN AND 22/100 Dollars (\$259,813.22), including interest at 9.750% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 8/1 of every year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 AM, on February 9, 2001.

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 10 Town 13 North, Range 11 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West line of Section 10 which is North 00 degrees 38 minutes 00 seconds West, 888.53 feet from the West quarter corner of said Section 10, thence continuing along said West Section line, North 00 degrees 38 minutes 00 seconds West, 438.00 feet; thence along the North line of said Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter, South 89 degrees 48 minutes 14 seconds East, 1311.72 feet; thence along the East line of said Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter, South 00 degrees 35 minutes 52 seconds East, 438.00 feet; thence 89 degrees 48 minutes 14 seconds West, 1311.45 feet to the West line of Section 10 and to the point of beginning. Subject to the Right of Way for Cemetery Road over the Westerly side thereof.

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

Dated: December 27, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Attorneys and Counselors
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Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200025291

Hawks 12-27-5

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by VANCE H. HICKEY & DIANA G. HICKEY, husband and wife, of 7575 South Irish Rd., Millington, MI 48746, Michigan, Mortgagors, to MORTGAGE INVESTORS CORPORATION, Mortgagee, dated the 6th of November, 1997, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Kent and State of Michigan, on the 14th day of November, 1997, in Liber 724 of Kent County Records, page 724, said mortgage having been assigned to MORTGAGE ELECTRONICS REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., on which there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Ninety Four Thousand Twenty Four and 77/100 (\$94,024.77), no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Friday, the 12th of January, 2001 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the courthouse, in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 7.500% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece of parcel of land situated in the Township of Millington, County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

The East 144 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 12 North, Range 10 East.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 12/8/00

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, Mortgagee
Jonathan L. Engman (P56364)
Attorney for The Bank of New York
888 W. Big Beaver Rd., Ste. 1470
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12-20-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James J. Marker and Rhonda L. Marker, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Conti Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 10, 1998, and recorded on December 1, 1998 in Liber 756, on Page 1396, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Company, Trustee for Securitization Series 1998-4, Agreement dated 12-17-98, One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14203-2399, Assignee by an assignment, which was recorded on November 28, 2000, in Liber 816, on Page 453, Tuscola County records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE AND 28/100 dollars (\$66,383.28) including interest at 10.200% 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 26, 2001.

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

Lots 12 and 13, Block 12 of the City of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Deeds, page 143 and Liber 2 of Deeds, Page 93, 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: December 13, 2000

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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 26, 2001.

Said premises are situated in Village of Mayville, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point 12 rods North of the Northeast corner of Block 9, Village of Mayville, thence West 8 rods; thence North 4 rods; thence East 8 rods; thence South 4 rods to the place of beginning, being part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 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: Dec. 20, 2000

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Hawks

12-20-5

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by PAULINE C. BILICKI, a single woman, of 4350 Curry Rd., Caro, MI 48723, Michigan, Mortgagors, to ROCK FINANCIAL CORPORATION, Mortgagee, dated the 16th of July, 1998, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 6th day of August, 1998 in Liber 747 of Tuscola County Records, page 84, said mortgage having been assigned to THE BANK OF NEW YORK, as Indenture Trustee for the Money Store Trust 1998-C, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Eight and 39/100 (\$34,948.39), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of February, 2001 at 10 o'clock A.M. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 12.45% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece of parcel of land situated in the Township of Wells, County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

The East 144 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 12 North, Range 10 East.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 12/8/00

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Dated: December 13, 2000

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MORTGAGE SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John F. Culbert and Kristie L. Culbert, Husband And Wife, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated April 29, 1999 and recorded May 4, 1999 in Liber 770, Page 537-544, Tuscola County Records said mortgage is now held by Citibank, N.A. as Trustee by assignment dated November 14, 2000 and recorded on October 31, 2000 in Liber 814, Page 816, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Six and 95/100 Dollars (\$93,996.95) including interest at the rate of 10.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statute of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on February 9, 2001.

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

Commencing 14 rods West of the Northeast corner of Block 10 of the original Plat of the Village of Caro, thence South 8 rods; thence West 4 rods 7 1/2 feet; thence North 8 rods; thence East 4 rods 7 1/2 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East.

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

Dated: January 3, 2001

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Citibank, N.A. as Trustee,
As Assignee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000

File No. 209.0136
1-3-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel Graves a/k/a Daniel J. Graves, a single man (original mortgagors) to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 4, 2000, and recorded on May 4, 2000 in Liber 800, on Page 460, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND SEVENTY-FIVE AND 33/100 dollars (\$55,075.33), including interest at 8.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 2, 2001.

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

Parcel B - Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 28, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as: beginning at a point on the North line of Section 28 which is South 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds East, 370.50 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 28; thence continuing along said North line, South 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds East, 55.00 feet, thence parallel to the West line Section 28, South 313.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds West, 55.00 feet; thence North 313.00 feet to the North line of Section 28 and 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: December 20, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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File # 200025292

Stallions

12-20-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert R. Lalonde and Shannon M. Lalonde, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated January 7, 2000, and recorded on January 14, 2000 in Liber 792, on Page 852-859, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE AND 06/100 dollars (\$70,651.06), including interest at 9.750% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 2/1 of every year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 2, 2001.

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

Commencing at a point 414.00 feet North

of the Southwest Corner of the North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 Section 7, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, thence North 220.00 feet; thence East 236.00 feet; thence South 220.00 feet; thence West 236.00 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: December 20, 2000

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File # 200025283

Hawks

12-20-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Anthony Scott Ragan and Phyllis Ann Ragan Husband and Wife (original mortgagors) to Mortgage America (IMC), Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 8, 1998, and recorded on November 6, 1998 in Liber 755, on Page 360, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Bank One, National Association, as Trustee 1/a The First National Bank of Chicago, as Trustee, as assignee by an assignment dated October 8, 1998, which was recorded on October 18, 2000, in Liber 813, on Page 563, Tuscola County records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND NINETY-SIX AND 06/100 dollars (\$47,096.06), including interest at 10.700% 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 26, 2001.

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

The North 350 feet of the South 1670 feet of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4, Section 32, Township 10 North, Range 7 East, Township of Arbelia, County of Tuscola, Michigan.

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

Dated: December 20, 2000

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Panthers

12-20-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Karen L. Wagers as mortgagor (original mortgagors) to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated May 17, 1999, and recorded on June 4, 1999 in Liber 773, on Page 649, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY AND 94/100 dollars (\$62,470.94), including interest at 11.625% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 6/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 26, 2001.

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

A parcel of land in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Township 11 North, Range 7 East, described as follows: Commencing on the East and West 1/4 line of Section 23 at a point 365.00 feet, South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, from the East 1/4 corner of said Section; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, perpendicular to said East and West 1/4 line, 275.00 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with said East and West 1/4 line, 158.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, perpendicular to said East and West 1/4 line, 275.00 feet to a point on said East and West 1/4 line; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, on said East and West 1/4 line, 158.00 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: Dec. 20, 2000

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Hawks

12-20-5

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

Wednesday, January 3

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

Thursday, January 4

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

Friday, January 5

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

Saturday, January 6

Bottle drive for baseball teams. Call 872-2474 for information.

The Humane Society of Tuscola County will host a Pet Adopt-A-Th

Library offering computer classes

Computers make your head spin? Think a mouse is what a cat chases and a desktop is the wooden top on your desk? Rawson Memorial Library is offering classes that can clear up the mysteries and make using computers less scary.

Basic computer skills classes are slated for Wednesdays, Jan. 10, 10-11:00 a.m.; Jan. 17, 1:00-2:00 p.m., and Monday, Jan. 29, 7:00-9:00 p.m. This class will cover basic operation of the computer, the use of the mouse and how to navigate the basic Windows 98 software.

A class on Microsoft Word is set for 7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 7, and Microsoft Power Point for 7 p.m., Monday, Feb. 19. If you have already indicated an interest in any of the scheduled classes you will be contacted. Otherwise call the library at 872-2856 to enroll.

A special class is scheduled for 7:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 24, to demonstrate World Book Online and the Access Michigan web sites available on the computers to help patrons with research.

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mation in books, magazines and newspapers. World Book Online has the basic encyclopedia, but it is updated daily and current information in newspapers and magazines can be accessed directly from the encyclopedia article. These 3 web sites can be accessed at the library and Infotrac and First Search can be accessed at home with a special password that you can get at the library.

Diabetic series set

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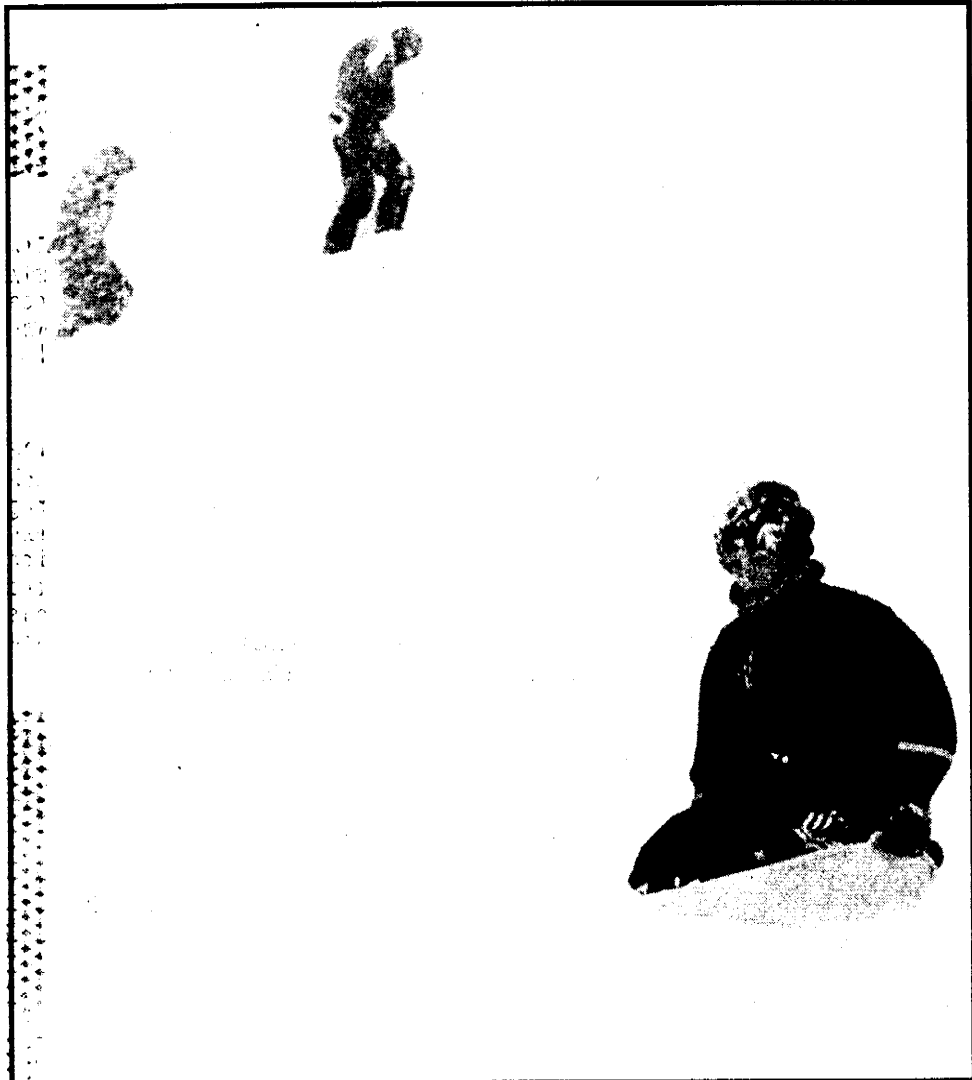
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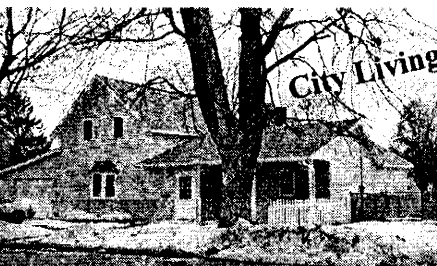
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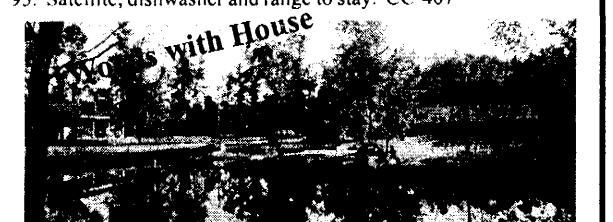
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Obituaries

Cass City Honor Roll

Dale Conklin

Dale E. Conklin, 79, of Clifford, died Dec. 28, 2000, at his home.

He was born June 3, 1921, in Longmont, Col., to Leonard W. and Dora (Thompson) Conklin. He married Donna Truesdell June 15, 1957, in Plymouth. She died Feb. 8, 1990.

Conklin grew up in Flint, graduating from Bendle High School. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. After the war he lived in Detroit for a few years before marrying and moving to Wisconsin in 1963. He worked for Precision Metals as plant manager, and retired from Michels Corporation after 20 years as a machinist. He was a lifetime VFW member.

Surviving are his children, Sharil (Gary) Steinmehl of Chatsworth, Calif., Cathy (Frank) Binotto of Brownsville, Wis., Lee Ann (Darwin) Boelk of Oakfield, Wis., Daryl (Michelle) Conklin of Boston, Mass., Jolene (Bob) Valle of Brownsville, Wis., Duane (Linda) Conklin of New Port Richey, Fla., and Kelly (Greg) Bauer of Lomira, Wis.; special friend and companion, Agnes Clothier of Clifford; 17 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; a sister, Eileen Leininger of Farmington Hills; 2 sisters-in-law, Joyce (Ron) Beaver of Canton and Claudia Fettes of Inkster; a brother-in-law, Ronald (Gail) Truesdell of Garden City; mother-in-law, Maude Truesdell of Canton, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son, Douglas E. Conklin; his parents, and father-in-law, Claude Truesdell.

Memorial services will be held at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 4, at Trinity United Methodist Church, Lomira, Wis., with the Rev. Scott McMurray officiating.

Interment will be in Avoca Cemetery, Oakfield, Wis.

Memorials may be made to McLaren Visiting Nurses Association and Hospice.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Virginia Pettinger

Virginia C. Pettinger, 56, of Snover, died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2000, in Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe.

She was born April 29, 1944, in Pontiac to Thurston and Cecelia (Whysall) Herr. She married Ronald Pettinger April 19, 1964, in Tawas.

Pettinger worked for General Cable for 23 years then for Clements in Deckerville for 7 years.

She is survived by her husband, Ronald; children, Ronald Jr. (Cindy) Pettinger of Snover, Kimberly (Todd) Crickon of Grayling; stepdaughter, Cari (Bob) Baker of Las Vegas, Nev.; 5 grandchildren; 2 step-grandchildren; brothers, Robert (Linda) Herr of Lake Orion, Thomas (Katy) Herr of Homosassa, Fla.; sister, Marilyn (Gus) Kitakis of West Bloomfield; brother-in-law, Harold (Velda) Pettinger of Uby; sister-in-law, Ardis (Wayne) Dean of Bad Axe, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 29, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Eric Holmgren officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to Huron Memorial Hospice.

Decker, died Dec. 30, 2000, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

He was born Aug. 19, 1936, in Attica to Joseph and Beatrice (Beechum) Richardson. He married Carol Little July 13, 1974, in Pontiac.

Richardson served in the U.S. Marines during the Korean War. He worked for GM Truck and Coach for 13 years and later for Lamphere Public Schools. He served as union representative for AFSE, and worked part time for many years for Hamlin Tool and Die.

Surviving are his wife, Carol Richardson; 4 children, Jacqueline R. (Bruce) Rose of Argyle, Julie (Robert) Ludeman of McBain, Jason (Kelly) Richardson of Macomb and Paul (Val) Richardson of Lewiston; 11 grandchildren; 2 great-granddaughters; a brother, Richard (Peggy) Richardson of Troy, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son, John Richardson; a brother, Joseph Richardson, and 4 sisters, Joyce Rose, Marjorie Hunsinger, Edna Meeker and Dorothy Northrup.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

Interment was in Evergreen Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Clarence Roberts

Clarence F. Roberts, 82, of Deckerville, died Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2000, at Autumnwood of Deckerville.

He was born April 28, 1918, in Minden City, son of Bernard and Martha (Guiger) Roberts. He married Mavis Stepka Jan. 3, 1942, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church of Freiburg.

He attended Minden City High School. He farmed in the Deckerville area until retiring in 1972. He was a lifelong member of the Ruth Knights of Columbus Council #3823. He was a Marian Township Board Trustee for 30 years. He was a member of St. Patrick's Church Committee and served on the Advisory Board of the Deckerville Hospital for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Mavis, of Deckerville; 4 daughters, Betty Cunningham of Frankenmuth, Doris Henige and her husband, Joe, of Thousand Oaks, Calif., Sister Rose Roberts, S.S.J. of Kalamazoo, Marie Graham and her husband, Tim, of Spring Lake; 6 sons, Fred and his wife, Delores, of Deckerville, Mark and his wife, Patricia, of Deckerville, Gerald and his wife, Debbie, of Frankenmuth, Tom and his wife, Laurie, of Deckerville, Joe and his wife, Debbie, of Eaton Rapids, John of Deckerville; 19 grandchildren; one great-grandson; 4 sisters, Edna Peters of Palms, Bea Hunt and her husband, Dick, of Palms, Marge Stocker and her husband, David, of Marysville, Fran Swartzendruber and her husband, Donald, of Saginaw; brother-in-law, Ralph Halifax of Lexington; sister-in-law, Florence Roberts of Ruth.

He was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Heather Cunningham; 3 brothers, John, Bernard and Elmer Roberts; one sister, Stella Halifax, brother-in-law, Albert Peters, and sister-in-law, Mabel Roberts.

Mass of Christian burial was held Saturday, Dec. 30, at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Ruth. The Rev. Steve Gavitt, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in St. Patrick Cemetery in Palms.

Arrangements were made by Smigielski Funeral Home, Minden City.

The Cass City Middle School 2nd marking period honor roll has been announced.

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Hendrick, Kati Hill, Allison Hillaker, Lauren Howard, Stephanie Jamieson*, Ryan King, Whitney Kirn, Kathryn Klcio, Lysa Knight*, Galen Kuebli, Jessica Lange, Anthony Langlois, Cameron Lautner, James Luana, Andrew Martin*, Laura McComas*, Brandon Miller*, Kyle Monroe, Lindsey Montgomery*, Adam Nerkowski*, Kevin Ouvry, Jessica Pachal, Amber Peruski, Katelyn Pine, Ashleigh Rabideau*, Courtney Rabideau*, Danielle Reed, Allyn Richards*, Derek Ricker, Eric Romain*, Nicholas Sattleburg*, Emily Schinnerer*, Bradley Severance*, Kyle Sieradzki, Kari Spencer, Preston Stec, Michael Stevens, Brent Stine, Philip Strong, Rebecca Sweeney, Andrea Thane, Nancy Thane, Brent Weaver, Adam Wentworth, Leah Whittaker*, Tyler Whittaker, Jason Wilder, Bobby Windsor*.

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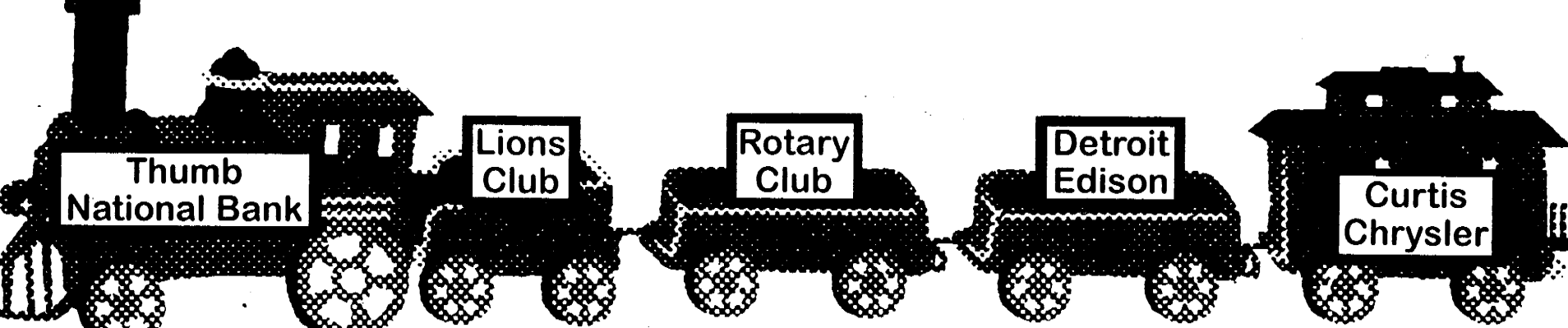


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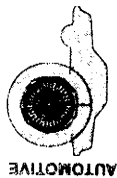
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6-9 p.m.	10 weeks	Fee \$200
		Book Fee \$50

Basic Machining

Students will learn about tools and equipment operation including lathes, mills, grinders, presses, and precision measuring tools.

Jan 29-Apr 2	#0205	Mon
6-9 p.m.	10 weeks	Fee \$200
		Book Fee \$70

Welding and Cutting

Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced

Stick Mig Tig

Students will learn how to safely setup and operate G.T.A.W. welding equipment.

Jan 16-May 3	#0203	Tues & Thurs
6-9 p.m.	15 weeks	Fee \$500

Drafting & AutoCAD

Learn technical sketching, blueprint reading, and computer-aided drafting. You will also learn to use precision drawing instruments.

Jan 30-Apr 3	#0202	Tuesday
6-9 p.m.	10 weeks	Fee \$100
		Book Fee \$70



Classes for Seniors

Computing for Seniors (Level 1)

Senior citizens are the fastest growing computer-using segment of our society! If you are 50+ years old, this class is where you take your first steps into computing. It is for those who have very little or no computer experience. Learn about the very basics of a computer and how to use Windows '98. Don't be afraid...you can do it! Classes fill quickly--register early!

Jan 22-Feb 19 or	#0119M	Mon
Jan 23-Feb 20 or	#0119T	Tues
Mar 7-Apr 4 or	#0119W1	Wed
Apr 25-May 23	#0119W2	Wed
4:30-6:00 p.m.	5 weeks	Fee \$45

Computing for Seniors (Level 2)

Are you ready for the next step after taking Level 1? In this class, you will learn some basic word processing skills using Microsoft Word and how to use the Internet! Your grandchildren will have nothing on you by the end of this class!

Jan 24-Feb 21	#0115W	Wed
Mar 5-Apr 2 or	#0115M1	Mon
Mar 6-Apr 3 or	#0115T1	Tues
Apr 23-May 21 or	#0115M2	Mon
Apr 24-May 22	#0115T2	Tues
4:30-6:00 p.m.	5 weeks	Fee \$45

Surfing the Web for Seniors

Here is your chance to get on-line and explore the world wide web. Learn how to search topics, bookmark your favorite sites, view your web history, etc. Completing a level 1 class is a plus before taking this class.

May 3-May 17	#0116	Thurs
4:30-6:00 p.m.	3 weeks	Fee \$25

Business Communications

This class is designed to enhance your professional skills at your current workplace. Students will learn to use the writing process to exercise and enhance English grammar, usage and mechanics in a variety of professional writing scenarios. Computer skills required.

Jan 30-May 22	#1000	Tues
16 weeks	Book Fee \$35	Fee \$250

Customer Service

Students will learn effective verbal and written communication skills for use in customer relations, conflict resolution, complaint handling, and other workplace scenarios. Course will include attention to basic English grammar and basic math.

Jan 31-May 23	#1001	Wed
16 weeks	Book Fee \$35	Fee \$250

Health Related Classes



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The first eight weeks will be spent learning basic health care procedures including taking temperatures, pulse rates, respirations, blood pressure, and patient care. The last seven weeks will include clinical experience at a medical care facility. Program will prepare the student to sit for the State Registry Examination.

Jan 22-May 2	#0300	Mon & Wed
6-9 p.m.	15 weeks	Fee \$440
		Book Fee \$60

Personal Development Classes

Beginning Sign Language

Jan 30-Mar 13	#0305B	Tues
6:30-8:30 p.m.	7 weeks	Fee \$40

Intermediate Sign Language

Mar 20-May 8	#0305I	Tues
6:30-8:30 p.m.	7 weeks	Fee \$40
		Book Fee \$35

Tiny Tots Swim

Swimming made fun for the 2-5 year olds. Children must be accompanied by a parent in pool.

Jan 29-Apr 2	#0501	Mon
5:15-6:15 p.m.	10 weeks	Fee \$40

Therapeutic Water Exercise

No swimming skills are needed. Water exercising is terrific for beginners and those who are physically fit.

Jan 29-Apr 2	#0502	Mon
4-5 p.m.	10 weeks	Fee \$40

Beginning Guitar

In these group lessons, you will learn to play chords to accompany your voice. You must have your own acoustic guitar, not electric guitar, with steel strings and tuned before coming to class. Instructional material fee, which will not exceed \$20, is payable to instructor at the first class. Second session may be offered for an additional four weeks. Students must be 16 years or older.

Jan 30-Mar 6	#0308	Tues
6:00-6:45 p.m.	6 weeks	Fee \$20

"CARING FOR YOUR BABY" SERIES



Infant Massage

Massaging your baby has been proven to boost immunity, decrease colic, relax baby, and enhance bonding. If you are a working parent, this class is a must. Please bring a partner and a doll.

Feb 14	#0900	Wed
1 night		Fee \$15

Baby Sign Language

By teaching your hearing baby American sign language, you will increase baby's IQ, enhance bonding, and decrease frustration.

Jan 24-Feb 7	#0901	Wed
3 weeks		Fee \$25

Becoming a "Love and Logic Parent"

Parents will learn how to discipline their children through the use of humor and love as well as help the children learn responsibility and guide them to solve their own problems. This course will be offered by the Tuscola Intermediate School District social workers who are certified by Jim Fay and Foster W. Cline, M.D. Funding Agencies: Department of Education, Department of Community Health, and Family Independence Agency.

May 9-May 30	#0902	Wed
4 weeks		Fee \$30

Infant and Child CPR

Learn how to save your baby with American Red Cross' life saving techniques. Students that pass will receive an American Red Cross Card.

Feb 20	#0903	Tues
1 night		Fee \$15

Babysitter's Training Course

This American Red Cross class teaches safety and safe play, basic care of babies, first aid, and leadership skills to become a great babysitter. Learn how to prevent and manage real-life problems and emergencies and gain tips to find jobs!

Jan 31-Feb 14	#0904	Wed
3 weeks		Fee \$25

Computer Classes

All classes in this area are scheduled 6:15-8:45 p.m unless otherwise noted.

Introduction to Computers

This is where you start! This class is designed for new users with little or no computer experience. You will learn Windows '98 basics and get an overview of other software applications. This course is needed before moving on to the other software applications.

Jan 23-Feb 20	#0102T	Tues
Jan 24-Feb 21	#0102W	Wed
Apr 26-May 24	#0102R	Thurs
5 weeks	No Book Fee	Fee \$80

Surfing the Web

Here's your chance to get on-line and explore the world wide web. Learn how to search topics, bookmark your favorite sites, and view your web history!

Apr 23-May 7	#0105	Mon
3 weeks	No Book Fee	Fee \$30

Microsoft Word (Level 1)

Word processing is the most used software application. Learn to create, save, and edit documents. Your confidence will grow as you learn to copy, cut, and paste text. In no time, you will be formatting your documents and using proofreading tools!

Jan 25-Feb 22	#0110R	Thurs
Mar 7-Apr 4	#0110W	Wed
5 weeks	Book Fee \$20	Fee \$80

Microsoft Word (Level 2)

Learn enhanced word processing skills such as using templates, creating tables, working with columns, and adding graphics to documents. You must complete Word (Level 1) prior to this class.

Mar 5-Apr 2	#0111	Mon
5 weeks	Book Fee \$20	Fee \$80

Microsoft Excel (Level 1)

So what is a spreadsheet? How would I use it in my business or personal life? This class teaches spreadsheet basics including using formulas and functions. You will know how to create, save, and edit spreadsheets within weeks!

Jan 22-Feb 19	#0108M	Mon
Mar 8-Apr 5	#0108R	Thurs
5 weeks	Book Fee \$20	Fee \$80

Microsoft Excel (Level 2)

You say that you just love numbers...Excel (Level 1) just wasn't enough? This is the class for you! Learn advanced spreadsheet skills such as using names, working with advanced formulas and functions, and automating your work. Excel (Level 1) is a must prior to this class.

Mar 6-Apr 3	#0109	Tues
5 weeks	Book Fee \$20	Fee \$80

Microsoft PowerPoint

There is a computer software application that can present a slide show complete with animation, music, and transition effects? Yes, there is, and you can learn to use it. It can be a real plus for any organization or business.

Apr 25-May 9	#0112	Wed
3 weeks	Book Fee \$20	Fee \$50

Microsoft Publisher

Learn to make calendars, cards, signs, and more with this versatile program. Come and give it a try!

Apr 24-May 8	#0113	Tues
3 weeks	Book Fee \$20	Fee \$50

BOB ROSS PAINTING

"Wet-on-Wet" Oil Painting Technique

Now have the opportunity to learn this exciting painting method by attending a workshop taught by a Bob Ross trained and certified instructor. Limit 10.

Jan 29-Feb 12 or	#11001	Mon
Mar 19-Apr 2 or	#11002	Mon
Apr 23-May 7	#11003	Mon
3 weeks	Lab Fee \$20	Fee \$30

Students must use lab materials supplied by the teacher and the fee is payable to the instructor at the first class. Bob Ross publication, products, and supplies will be available for purchase from the instructor.