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Citizens of the Year...

BOB HIRN (above right) receives congratulations from former representative Mike Green (center) and Gary Jones for tapping Citizen of the Year honors. Below, are Junior Citizens of the Year Randy Diebel and Katie Hacker.

Bob Hirn top citizen; Diebel, Hacker honored

Bob Hirn was named Citizen of the Year in Cass City Saturday night, and Randy Diebel and Katie Hacker were chosen Junior Citizens of the Year, highlighting the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet held at the VFW Hall.

Hirn arrived in Cass City in 1964 after receiving his Bachelor's Degree in education from Central Michigan University. It was during Hirn's college days that his conversion from "City Boy" to "Farm Boy" and his "love affair with the farm lifestyle" began to materialize said Gary Jones, Cass City's 2000 Citizen of the Year, who made the coveted award presentation. Hirn graduated from Redford Union High School in 1960.

He taught biology at Cass City High School for 5 years. During the summer months, Hirn volunteered his time working with various sports programs. After he retired from teach-

ing, he was instrumental in establishing the School to Work program at the Tuscola Intermediate School District.

In 1969, Hirn left his teaching position for employment in a local lumberyard. The career change eventually led to management and co-ownership of Caro Building Center in Caro for 26 years.

Like past winners, Hirn has a long and impressive civic record. He spent 18 years as a board member of the Tuscola Intermediate School District and 4 years as a school board member at Cass City.

Hirn is past president and board member of the Progressive Affiliated Lumberman Association and a charter member of the Thumb Area Antique Auto Club. Hirn is also currently on the boards of the Tuscola FIA, the Pinney Foundation, Rawson Memorial Library and Thumb 2-cylinder Club.

A majority of Hirn's time recently has been devoted to

restoration of the Thumb Octagon Barn in Gagetown. He helped organize the first Fall Family Days Festival in 1996. The fund raising event has since developed into a 2-day gala and is in its 6th year. During that time attendance at the event has grown to an excess of 5,000 visitors from all parts of the state. Through his efforts, and others, the festival has raised over \$42,000 toward the Richie Road structure restoration. He serves currently as first vice-president of the Friends of the Octagon Barn Committee and is active in day-to-day activities as well as long range planning which includes efforts with the Department of Natural Resources to acquire adjacent property at the barn site.

He and his wife, Mary Ann, have been married for 36 years. The couple have 3 children: Paul, deceased, Lisa, 32, El Paso, Texas and Mark, 31, New Baltimore and one granddaughter.

JUNIOR CITIZENS

For the 3rd consecutive year, a pair of Cass City High School seniors were named co-Junior Citizens of the Year.

Randy Diebel, son of Randy and Jean Diebel, plans to attend Kentucky Christian College after graduation and pursue a career in ministry.

He has been involved in a wide range of activities including: Bible Bowl Team, Teen Preaching competition, Quiz Bowl Team, Science Academic Games, and National Honor Society.

Diebel's service record includes participating in blood drives, Adopt-A-Highway, guiding at the Octagon Barn Festival, Toys for Tots, and Reading Across America. Diebel has participated in both basketball and baseball during his high school career and has held employment at

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U-W contributions \$20,000 short

United Way of Tuscola County officials say they believe the economic slowdown in Michigan is at least partly to blame for a slump in donations during the organization's most recent campaign, which has come up \$20,000 short of a \$45,000 goal.

The campaign was officially held Oct. 15 through Nov. 15, but the county United Way is still seeking donations in an

effort to support as many groups as possible.

Dawn Prieskorn, allocation chairperson, noted Tuscola

County isn't alone. Both the Saginaw and Bay County United Way organizations have also reported a dip in donations, she said, and layoffs at Walbro have also hurt.

United Way of Tuscola County board members recently had the opportunity to

hear presentations from agencies requesting funds this year. The organization supports a variety of groups ranging from local Little Leagues, libraries and Girl and Boy Scout troops to countywide agencies such as Big Brothers Big Sisters, American Red Cross, Foster Grandparent Program, and Tuscola Homeless Coalition and Tuscola Place for Peace. The United Way of Tuscola

County was formed in 1999 with the merger of the Cass City and Caro United Ways with the Tuscola County United Way. The Reese United Way has also joined the organization.

Donations can be sent to: United Way of Tuscola County, P.O. Box 51, Cass City, MI 48726, or United Way of Tuscola County, P.O. Box 506, Caro, MI 48723.

Co. rejects \$40 million incentive package

Cable closing doors, transition underway

General Cable Corporation officials will begin the process this month of closing the doors to the company's Cass City plant after more than 40 years of operation in the village.

Officials announced the decision to the local plant's 180 workers last week following completion of a feasibility study.

Corporate executives rejected an economic development incentive package worth \$40 million over the next 15 years. Village and Tuscola County Economic Development officials offered the incentives in hopes of convincing the company to stay.

"We did make a decision to discontinue the operation in Cass City. (It) will be moved and operated at an existing General Cable plant in Jackson, Tenn.," said Lisa Lawson, General Cable's vice president of corporate communications.

Lawson said the company plans to move the fiber optic portion of its Jackson operation to another plant in Dayville, Conn., making room for the Cass City operation in Jackson.

"Basically we plan to start the transition in April, but we don't expect to be completed until October."

Lawson said the Tennessee plant manufactures a higher grade data communications product that is increasingly in demand, while some 40 percent of the Cass City's plant's current product is a lower category of data communications product.

During the recent feasibility

study, she continued, a team of corporate executives looked at a variety of factors to determine whether the Cass City plant could keep pace with the demand in a growing data communications market. "The feasibility study looked at everything: manufacturing capability, overhead costs, equipment capability."

The study also considered the investment required to upgrade the local plant, according to Lawson, who noted the facility is one-third to one-half the size of the most efficient plants owned by General Cable and its competitors.

Lawson emphasized the decision to move the plant was based on the company's business interests alone.

"It's not the people," she said, adding the company will be meeting with employees over the next 2 weeks to assist them in the transition. "There will be more discussion with individual associates as far as their severance packages, and the company will provide out-placement assistance at company expense. There may even be opportunities for some people at other General Cable operations."

"I think we're going to try to do just anything we can to make it easier for them."

Cass City officials called news of the closing "devastating."

Village Manager Jane Downing said officials offered the company a combination of tax abatement, Renaissance Zone and other incentives. Village officials

also stressed "the fact that we want to be a partner with them in the success of their business," she added.

In the end, however, General Cable officials indicated the incentive package was simply not enough.

"They mentioned the age of the building, which I believe was built in 1960," said Jim McLoskey, executive director of the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation (EDC). "The comment was pretty clear that they thought it would be virtually impossible to retrofit the building."

"We were told that the major customers of General Cable are in the southeastern part of the country, (and) I think there were other elements that entered the equation," added McLoskey, who declined to elaborate.

McLoskey said he and village officials have already

made contact with the Thumb Area Michigan Works! agency along with local training institutions to locate available programs to help employees make the transition to other jobs.

General Cable is among Cass City's largest employers and contributes more than \$260,000 in taxes annually, including some \$80,000 to the village. With an estimated payroll of \$4.6 million, the closing is expected to have a substantial economic impact.

Downing indicated village officials will now focus their attention on marketing the availability of the General Cable building - which will be the largest vacant building in the county - to prospective businesses that are considering relocating or expanding but aren't in a position to build.

County ready for mosquito battle

Tuscola County Mosquito Abatement is scheduled to begin the annual program of aerial larviciding during the month of April. About 2400 acres of flooded woodlands will be treated between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. Airplane(s) conducting the work can be identified by their yellow color and repetitive flight runs made crosswind over woodlands.

The county contracts with AG-Spraying of Caro to treat

standing water in the woodlots with a naturally occurring soil bacterium called VectoBac G Bti (Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis). Bti is toxic to mosquitoes and other related flies but safe for other life forms. It produces a protein crystal which, when eaten by the young mosquito, dissolves the mosquito's midgut.

This program targets spring "snowmelt" mosquitoes. Please turn to back page.

During annual meet Saturday

Ellington officials okay raises

Ellington Township officials received pay increases during the township's annual meeting Saturday.

The pay hikes, suggested in a letter sent to the board by a former township trustee, were included in a 2001-02 general fund budget totaling \$315,509. Trustees will now

earn \$141 more each per year (\$1,082 annually), while the supervisor will receive \$709 more (\$5,440) and the treasurer and clerk will each earn \$794 more annually (\$6,090).

The increases will cost the township a combined \$2,580 a year, according to Township Clerk Fred Bardwell.

This is the first increase in 5 years, Bardwell said, noting Ellington Township's pay scale has lagged behind other townships with similar populations and valuation. At the same time, he added, the workload has increased significantly.

Bardwell said proposed revenues and expenditures in the new general fund budget "are real close to last year."

The exception, he said, is a fund balance topping \$173,000, which includes some \$90,000 for road work that was supposed to be completed last year. The project - construction on 2 miles of Hurds Corner Road, from Hurds Corner Road south to Shabbona Road - is scheduled for this year.

Bardwell said the fund balance is expected to total \$87,731 at the end of the new fiscal year.

The township's fire fund, meanwhile, is set at \$57,000, including a fund balance of

\$35,238. Property taxes from a new, one-mill levy approved by voters in August will bring in about \$19,000. Bardwell estimated expenses at \$18,000, with a year-end fund balance of \$39,078.

The road budget, supported by a 3-mill tax levy that will generate about \$50,700 this year, is set at \$126,778. Expenditures are set at \$81,000, and township officials are estimating a year-end fund balance of \$45,778.

Ellington Township boasts one of the strongest road improvement programs in the area thanks to its residents, who have repeatedly approved special road millage

requests - two of them for 3 mills for 10 years - over the past 3 decades. "It's paid off, because our roads don't break up like everybody else's," Bardwell said.

He noted the township anticipates spending an estimated \$247,000 on roads in the coming year. The total includes \$166,000 from the general fund.

Aside from the Hurds Corner Road project, officials plan to repave one mile of Dutcher Road, from Hurds Corner to Jacob Road at an estimated cost of \$29,500. In addition, a survey and public hearing will be conducted to improve 2 miles of Little

Road, from Hurds Corner to Keilitz Road (\$4,000 to \$5,000); a survey is planned for gravel and ditch work on Keilitz Road, from Shabbona Road to Severance Road (\$3,000); and crushed gravel and ditch work is scheduled on Jacob Road, from M-81 to East Akron Road (no estimate available).

In a related matter, the board authorized Wilkinson Corp., Mayville, to apply two applications of brine on township roads at a cost of \$8,941.

Bardwell reported 4 citizens attended the annual meeting, which lasted for about 3 1/2 hours.

Village population up 16%

Cass City officials were all smiles Monday after reviewing newly released U.S. Census figures that show the village's population has grown more than 16 percent since 1990.

"We were saying our population was going to be pushing 2,700, 2,800, so we're pretty pleased we were close," Downing said, adding the increase was the largest for an incorporated area in Tuscola County.

According to the preliminary figures, Cass City's 2000 count revealed 2,643 residents compared to 2,275 in 1990.

Downing said she hasn't had an opportunity to crunch the numbers yet, but she's certain the increase in population will translate into more revenue for the village. "Definitely it's going to mean more dollars for Cass City in state shared revenues," she added.

Elkland Township also grew overall, with a 2000 population of 3,659 residents, including the 2,643 people living in the village of Cass City. The 1990 population was about 3,400 residents, an increase of

7.6 percent.

Among Thumb area counties, Sanilac saw the biggest increase in residents - 44,247 compared to 39,928 in 1990 (11.6 percent), while Tuscola County registered a 3-percent increase (58,266 residents compared to 55,498 in 1990), and Huron County saw a modest 3.2 percent increase (36,079 compared to 34,951 in 1990).

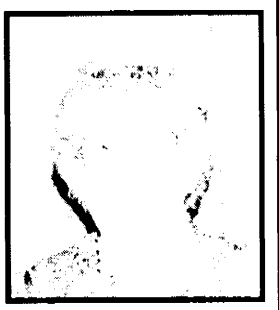
Overall, Michigan's population grew 6.9 percent (643,000 people) over the past 10 years. The moderate growth - Michigan now has a population of 9,938,444 - will cost the state one of its 16 U.S. House seats next year.

Area residents interested in surfing the Internet for additional census information can start by logging onto www.census.gov.

A word of caution, however: Downing said navigating the website requires patience and persistence. "It took me more than an hour on their website to find out where I needed to be," she said. "I'm telling you, it's very complicated."

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 658-2347



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

Allen Farrelly was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Al Salowitz and Kelly at Mt. Clemens.

Bryce and Betty Hagen were Sunday dinner guests of Ben and Donelda Meske at Port Hope and later visited Dan Franzel at the Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe. Other visitors were Mrs. Dan Franzel and Doris Western.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Euchre Club met Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Gracey. After a turkey dinner, cards were played and prizes were won by Mrs. Jerry Decker and Leonard Beulla. Low prizes were won by Mrs. Arnold LaPeer and Jerry Decker. Thelma Jackson won the traveling prize.

The next party will be held at the home of Charlotte LaPeer.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly had dinner at Kentucky Fried Chicken in Bad Axe Tuesday.

Mrs. Curtis Cleland was a Sunday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy,

Jim Lewis and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's Tuesday morning.

Larry Adams of Sebawaing visited Dan Franzel Tuesday at Huron County Medical Care Center in Bad Axe.

Mrs. John Mergyl of Lake Orion spent Wednesday with Mrs. Bob Jackson, Mrs. Jerry Grika and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Adams and Mrs. Bob Jackson visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz Friday afternoon.

Ed Schember of Elkton, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Stuart, Jack and Wayne Kennedy, Jim Lewis, Ron Wolschlag and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Friday morning.

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

Robert and Mary Lou Harris of Gladwin visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meske at Port Hope Thursday and later visited Betty and Bryce Hagen in the afternoon.

Ed Schember of Elkton, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy, Jim Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Stuart, Wayne Kennedy, Ron Wolschlag, Rita Calka and friend had breakfast at McDonald's in Bad Axe Monday morning.

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

Engaged



Rebecca Smutek and Ryan Cumper

Ray and Kim Smutek of Decker announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Victoria, to Ryan David Cumper of Cass City, the son of Bud and Vi Cumper of Sandusky.

Rebecca is a 1995 graduate of Cass City High School and Ryan is a 1993 graduate of Sandusky High School.

A Sept. 1 wedding is being planned.

Fun Fair slated for April 7

Jump out of those winter blues with a day full of fun for the whole family. Celebrate April, the Month of the Young Child, at this year's Children's Fun Fair.

The Fun Fair will be held Saturday, April 7, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Huron Area Technical Center in Bad Axe.

Highlights of this year's Fun Fair include Chris Linn, a magical entertainer who will be performing at 1 p.m. There will also be children's games and activities, door prizes, free hearing screenings, and free information will be available from a wide variety of local organizations. Lunch will also be available for purchase.

This free event is sponsored by Huron County Early On, the CA/N Council, Strong Families/Safe Children, the Huron Intermediate School District, and many other local organizations.

For more information, please call the Huron Learning Center at (517) 269-9274.



Remember those long, dull, blah January days after the holidays that seemed to go on forever? I do. I hated them. And I'd give a lot to have them repeated now.

Because this is a small town weekly, many of our readers know that my husband, Stan, suffered a stroke last week. Believe me, the days have been anything but boring since then.

The humorous column I had prepared in advance for this week didn't really seem appropriate in light of our present circumstances. About the only humorous aspect of our latest experience was how I learned about Stan's fall last week.

I was downstairs getting ready for work, which starts early on Tuesday mornings. He fell getting out of bed, not realizing that his left side wasn't working. I didn't hear his call, so he managed to reach the phone by the bed and call good friend, Al Hutchinson, (whose number he had memorized) and tell Al to call me and send me upstairs.

This all resulted in a 911 call, a rush to Hills & Dales Hospital and transfer to Saginaw St. Mary's. An arteriogram and CT scans revealed that his right carotid artery was completely blocked and the middle cranial artery was also considerably blocked.

Further tests showed a blood clot in the brain with consequent hemorrhaging and swelling.

The CT scans were continued on a regular basis and the results monitored to determine whether surgery was needed.

Once again, this experience has reminded us that there are a lot of good people in this world. Our friends and relatives have rallied around us with concern and support.

It has reminded us, too, that there's also a lot of sorrow and suffering. Every crowded hospital room represents agony and anxiety for a number of people.

We've shared the hospital waiting room with the family of Deputy Curtis Chambers, who was shot in the line of duty, but is making progress toward recovery. The boy in the bed next to Stan's was in an accident a year and a half ago, and has been in a coma since then. Pneumonia and an allergic reaction to some medication have caused his return to the hospital, where family members sit with him around the clock and pray for a miracle.

As this is being written, Stan is still in the hospital and his left side is still paralyzed. We received a good report Monday morning, when the doctor said he may be ready for rehab by Thursday.

Fortunately, the stroke hasn't affected his wit and sense of humor.

He often wisecracks with the therapists who are working with him. One was quizzing him to see if he understood the swallowing lesson she'd been teaching. When she asked pedantically, "Now, do we eat fast or slow?", he told her, "When you get to be my age, you do everything slow."

Right now, we're thankful for each improvement and we're living one day at a time.

A song we used to sing a lot back in our singing days has been going through my head frequently. The chorus goes something like:

Many things about tomorrow I don't seem to understand.

But I know Who holds tomorrow, and I know He holds my hand.



Arthur and Peggy Randall

Randalls mark 38th anniversary

Arthur and Peggy Randall will celebrate their 38th wedding anniversary. Art married the former Peggy Asher April 20, 1963, at New Salem Lutheran Church in Sebawaing.

The Randalls have 2 sons and 3 grandchildren.

Art and Peggy live on Boy Scout Road in Caro. They are members of Watrousville United Methodist Church.

Special service Sunday

Novesta Church of Christ, 2896 N. Cemetery Road, will hold a special Palm Sunday service featuring a choir ensemble and dramatization by Laura O'Dell.

The ensemble will present selections from the cantata, "My Son — My Savior", which speculates how Mary, Jesus' mother, felt as the week prior to her Son's crucifixion unfolded.

The public is invited to this service which begins at 10:45 a.m. A nursery is provided.

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April Showers dance tickets still on sale

Tickets are still available for the Tuscola County Senior "Go-Getters" April Showers Dinner Dance, slated for Friday, April 20, at the Cass City VFW Hall.

Organizers say ticket sales have been phenomenal so far, but there are still a few tickets left and may be purchased by contacting Sandy

Fader at (517) 693-6183 or Hazel Dalton at (517) 823-2358.

Doors will open at 4 p.m., followed by dinner at 5 p.m. and dancing from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Music will be provided by Denny Ewald and the Music Makers.

All proceeds from the event will go to future activities for area senior citizens.

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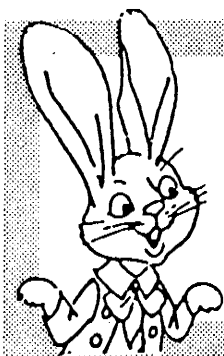
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

Spring-like weather is forecast for the weekend and that means more kids will be out on bicycles. It's not likely that many of them will be wearing helmets.

Parents should take note that, according to Michigan AAA, bike fatalities and serious head injuries could be reduced by 85 percent if riders wore helmets.

Boys are more prone to accidents than girls. Nationwide 88 percent of deaths and 80 percent of bike injuries were by males.

The biggest cause of car-bike crashes for young riders is riding out of driveways without looking.

More post-season honors have come Craig Emmert's way. He was named to the all-state second team by the Detroit Free Press and to the third team by the Detroit News.

Other members of the Greater Thumb West recognized by the Free Press were Isaiah Gainforth, Unionville-Sebewaing, third team; Matt Kitchen, Mayville, fifth team; Kyle Schiefer, Reese, sixth team, and Ryan Fritz, Lakers, honorable mention.

Cass City High School will remain in class C for another year for competition in Michigan High School Athletic Association games. The division between class B and C this year was 488 students.

The official student count for the Hawks was 480 students.

Grants target senior facilities

Building facilities serving senior citizens in Huron and Tuscola counties will receive renovations with help from state grants, state Rep. Tom Meyer announced Friday.

The Human Development Commission in Caro will receive \$10,000 to repair its multi-purpose building parking lot, and the Caseville Retirement Club will receive \$5,000 to repair its parking lot.

"These grants will help improve the services these organizations offer," said Meyer, R-Bad Axe. "Senior groups like these organizations concentrate their efforts on providing the numerous programs and activities that enrich and help people's lives, so they often don't

have the resources for building repairs.

"Fixing a parking lot may seem a low priority to provide assistance for, but there's a lot to be said for having a smooth, level surface underfoot so you don't have to worry about tripping or stumbling."

The state grant program awarded funds to senior and community centers, adult day care programs, congregate meal sites and nutrition service providers to purchase various equipment needs and repair or renovate building facilities.

The Michigan Office of Services to the Aging administers the grant funds appropriated by state lawmakers.

Teen gets probation in November robbery

A Cass City teen was sentenced to 24 months probation for his role in the robbery of a local business last November.

The sentencing, which included an order that Robert E. Damoth, 15, regularly attend school, was handed down Friday in Tuscola County Circuit Court. Court records noted Damoth was sentenced as a juvenile following his plea of guilty to unarmed robbery.

Damoth's brother, Charles E. Damoth IV, 17, was convicted on the same charge and sentenced in February to 2 to 15 years in prison, although the court allowed him to be placed in a special alternative incarceration (boot camp) program.

Both teens were charged in the Nov. 21 robbery of Ackerman's Bike Repair, 6247 Pine St.

In other circuit court proceedings last week:

•Larry E. Lyons, 19, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail and 12 months probation for his plea of guilty to fleeing and eluding a police officer, third degree, Nov. 16 in Ellington and Novesta townships.

Lyons was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$490.

•Shawn P. Jefferson, 39, Vassar, stood mute to charges of maintaining a drug house, possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, and distribution of marijuana without remuneration June 28-March 14 in Vassar. He is also charged with being a habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

Jefferson's bond was revoked by the court, which remanded him to the custody of the sheriff's department. A pre-trial hearing is to be scheduled.

•Michael A. Palmer, 23, Schewaing, was sentenced to 2 to 5 years in prison for his conviction on a charge of probation violation.

•Robert L. Schlosser, 37, Millington, stood mute to 4 counts each of second degree

home invasion, larceny of a firearm and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony Dec. 16-23 and Jan. 17 in Arbel Township, and Dec. 22 and 31 in Millington Township.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered and bond was continued at a combined \$40,000.

•Aaron L. Michalski, 19, Caro, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana on school property Feb. 2 in Kingston. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Rodger A. Nesto, 43, Kingston, pleaded guilty to

being a felon in possession of a firearm Dec. 31 in Koylton Township.

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

•Jeremy L. Lesko, 22, Vassar, pleaded guilty to attempted receiving and concealing stolen property valued at more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000 Jan. 22-24 in Vassar Township.

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

The Haire Net



The name was familiar, the caller was not. Profit is a name that hordes of folks in the Cass City area will instantly recognize. Jim Profit was born in Cass City in 1941 and went to school here

week-long Hodag Country Fest in Rhinelander, Wis. that attract thousands. Fans also come from as far away as Chicago with the Chip-In Casino bus tour to hear the band.



Jim Profit and his 1965 Fender Stratocaster guitar.

for 16 years. He has several friends, relatives and a sister and brother-in-law, the Richard Eastons, living in the community.

It's strange that I don't remember him. Calling from Escanaba, he comes across as a likable, friendly guy. The kind that becomes your friend in very short order.

That's not strange considering Profit is a musician and a composer. Over 30 years ago he wrote "Till Death Do Us Part". The song was originally written about a girl he dated in 1967. After they broke up, Profit didn't sing it anymore and the song went into hibernation.

So did Profit, who for 15 years didn't play professionally. He was urged to start performing by his wife, Jody. A band, the Country Hashbrowns was formed and Profit's long buried song was recorded.

Now local and national radio stations are playing it and there have been nibbles from Nashville.

The Hashbrowns play mainly 50s and 60s country, using material by Merle Haggard, George Jones and Jim Reeves.

Profit plays classic country on a legendary instrument. His guitar, a 1965 Fender Stratocaster, was purchased new in 1965 for \$365 and is now worth several thousand.

Each of the 4 members of the Hashbrowns have been playing for 40 years or more and are now booked for several big shows including the

Because "Till Death Do Us Part" is in the midst of a revival, the Hashbrowns now plan on recording an album this summer.

Country music fans interested in hearing the Country Hashbrowns play or in getting a copy of "Till Death Do Us Part" can write Profit at 318 N. 12th street, Escanaba, MI 49829 or call (906) 786-6894.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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I don't think I'll ever understand biology. I spent years studying wildlife management, but I'm not sure I learned anything.

Just last week I was fishing with a friend who knows more about the birds and the bees than I'll ever master. The fish weren't biting, so we amused ourselves watching groups of water birds paddling near shore.

Suddenly one of the birds emitted a high-pitched whistle. "Do you know what's making that sound?" my friend asked.

"It's that bird over there," I said.

"No, I mean do you know what kind of bird that is? It's a Western grebe," he instructed. "Those are the ones you see skittering across the water in the TV commercials."

"I always wondered what those were," I admitted. "I thought they might be grebes of some sort."

I tend to blame my biological innocence on my background in agriculture. While others see a big flock of geese and marvel at their grace and beauty, I look at these birds and calculate how much wheat they're eating.

When biologists are doing their best to mimic Mother Nature, I'm wondering why they can't do things a little more efficiently.

Habitat improvement for salmon is a good example. Fish biologists have adopted a practice of collecting spawned-out hatchery salmon and scattering them along streams for nutrient enhancement.

Biologists say this imitates the natural cycle of fish spawning and dying, providing nutrients for stream life and future generations of salmon. They call this "science."

I call it primitive. What if farmers operated this way?

What if sheep producers saved up all of their dead sheep and scattered them around the farm for fertilizer? How scientific is that?

Do fish get diseases? Sheep surely do.

I've never tried scattering fish, but spreading sheep is a real headache; I can tell you that. There's just no way to get an even application.

You've got a sheep here, another one over there, and 2 over here. That's why we

invented fertilizer.

What if a fish scatterer throws a salmon toward the stream, and it hits a tree? That fish may never fertilize the streams intended. (Do they go pick it up and throw it again?)

What if your fish hits another scientist? A really big scientist! That might lead to all sorts of fertilizer.

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woods do they get?

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Then when someone asks, "Do you know what's causing that smell?" We won't have to say, "I think it's that rotten fish over there."

Weight restrictions lifted on some roads

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has lifted the weight restrictions on state roadways in some areas of Michigan's Lower Peninsula.

Effective Monday, April 2, full overload permits were allowed on all state highways from the southern state line north to and including I-94 east to I-69, then north on I-69 to US-27, then north to and including M-46, then east on M-46 to Port Sanilac.

Weight restrictions will remain in effect on all state highways in other areas of

the state. Weight restrictions are posted to reduce the amount of damage caused by overweight trucks during the thawing conditions common during the spring.

There are no restrictions for legal loads on those trunklines designated as "all season." All extended permits will be valid for over-size loads only within the restricted area. Permits will not be issued for any loads exceeding 14 feet in width within the restricted area.

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(Recorded at Cass City wastewater treatment plant.)

Correction

In the story last week, the salary raises for Elkland Township were, in part, incorrect. The correct salary increases of 5 percent are: supervisor, from \$7,476 to \$7,850; treasurer, from \$7,177 to \$7,735; clerk, from \$7,823 to \$8,377; trustee, from \$3,310 to \$3,476.

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Tendercare will be holding interactive workshops to promote understanding of the Eden philosophy. The Eden alternative involves moving away from the institutional-type environment to make a resident-centered community. All members of the community are invited to join us and share your ideas. The workshops will be held on the following dates:

Monday, April 23, 12:45-2:45 p.m.

Wednesday, April 25, 8-10 p.m.

Friday, April 27, 7:30-9:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 29, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Monday, April 30, 3-5 p.m.

Wednesday, May 2, 12:45-2:45 p.m.

Thursday, May 3, 3-5 p.m.

Please RSVP to Tendercare at 872-2174 by April 12 so we are sure to have enough room for all who are interested. Thank You.

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Cass City Public Schools PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

Improving Communication via Staff e-mail

In any organization, communication is a key element to success. Here, within the Cass City Public School District, we always want parents and community members to feel welcome within our schools and to feel welcome contacting any of our teaching staff. All of our teachers have an e-mail address, which is accessible via the worldwide internet. This technology offers you another method of contacting them to discuss an issue or ask a question. Any Cass City teacher or administrator can be reached on the internet by e-mailing them as follows.

Use all lower case letters and type staff first name initial, followed by last name and @casscity.k12.mi.us. For example my e-mail address is, kmicklash@casscity.k12.mi.us. To e-mail any teacher or administrator, just use the procedure in the previous sentence deleting my name and inserting the teacher or administrator you wish to communicate with. We hope this will provide our public with yet another method of communicating with our staff for the betterment of our students.

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

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Red Hawk Beat
by Cass City Senior,
Katie Hacker



April fools

This past Sunday was a day that millions dread and a day that others live for; this day is known as April Fools' Day. April Fools' Day is traditionally a day on which people play practical jokes on other people, and the target of the joke is known as the April fool.

A couple years ago, it might have even been in middle school, two classmates of mine pulled the ultimate April Fools' joke. Sara and Tara Sabo are twins in my grade and they decided it would be funny to pull a fast one over the teacher's eyes.

So, the two of them switched places and went to each other's classes and had the teachers thinking they were still the same person. The rest of us in the grade couldn't help but explode into laughter every time they were called on. They even switched glasses, since they had different glasses. This was the funniest April Fools' Day that I can remember!

I hope you all had an exciting and funny April Fools' weekend and remember CC students, only two more days until spring break.

Lautner joins hospital staff

Hills and Dales General Hospital officials recently announced the appointment of Susan Lautner, RN, BSN, to the position of public relations director.

The announcement was made by Dee McKrow, hospital chief executive director, who said Lautner has worked in many areas of the nursing field, as well as being a local business owner and serving as an administrator for a nursing care agency.

Lautner, who resides in Cass City, said she's excited about the prospects of her new position.

"I'm looking forward to the challenges our community hospital faces in the future," she added. "Our assisted living and Alzheimer's unit is just one of many projects I'll be involved with very soon. Working to promote the many fine attributes of Hills and Dales General Hospital will be a pleasure."

A graduate of Saginaw Valley State University and University of Detroit-Mercy, Lautner will be charged with overseeing hospital public relations and marketing activities as well as community education programs.



CASS CITY resident Susan Lautner recently joined the Hills and Dales General Hospital staff. She serves as public relations director and will also oversee marketing activities and community education programs.

2000 payments guaranteed Thumb beet growers working with new co-op

Growers have begun signing contracts to raise sugar beets for a new farmer-owned cooperative, and co-op leaders expect more to follow now that Michigan Sugar Beet Growers Inc. has signed a letter of intent to buy Michigan Sugar Company's processing factories in Caro, Carrollton, Crosswell and Sebawaing.

"The growers are being very receptive," said Carl Bednarski, a Caro sugar beet grower who is a member of the cooperative board and also serves on the Michigan Farm Bureau Board of Directors.

"The fieldmen are signing contracts, and most everybody seems happy because farmers feel like their destiny is back in their own hands."

Prior to the agreement signing, growers were unsure of whether they should plant sugar beets this year and, more importantly, whether they would be paid almost \$20 million owed by Michigan Sugar Company's parent company, Imperial Sugar, on the 2000 crop.

The Texas based-Imperial Sugar Company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in January, citing a loss of \$34.7 million and a 5-percent decline in revenue.

The cooperative's purchase, which is expected to be finalized by Sept. 1, is pending bankruptcy court approval.

Bednarski said the co-op deal guarantees that growers will be paid money owed on

their 2000 crop as long as they contract with the co-op this spring to plant approximately the same number of acres as last year.

He said the co-op's goal is to contract about 125,000 acres. If that goal is met, Michigan Sugar Beet Growers will proceed with plans to purchase the sugar factories. If the acreage falls short of the goal, Bednarski said the co-op will lease the facilities from Imperial, but growers will still contract with the co-op and be guaranteed 2000 payments.

Meetings were recently kicked off to explain the agreement to growers in more detail and to begin signing farmers up for 2001 contracts.

Bednarski said a co-op membership drive will be held later this summer. Shares will sell for \$200 each, and each member will be required to plant one acre for each share purchased.

While raising sugar beets this year is a requirement for receiving payment on the 2000 crop, Bednarski said farmers should feel secure when it comes to being paid for the upcoming 2001 crop because, as a co-op, they will own the business and product.

He noted the venture is not a start-up business like some recently failed value-added ventures. Rather, he said, Michigan Sugar is an existing business with a proven track record and earnings potential. "We know the expenses and incomes, and you have employees who

know their jobs."

Likewise, Bednarski added, the co-op growers will be able to take home more of the net proceeds, whereas before growers received 55.5 percent of the cut and 46.5 percent went to the company.

"Sure, we assume some proceeds will have to be used to pay operational costs. But the company usually made money, and hopefully now that money can go back to the farmer," he said.

And while world sugar prices have plummeted in recent years due to excess supplies, Bednarski is optimistic prices "have bottomed out" and that proposed federal programs to manage sugar beet production will help thwart supply excesses.

Society to meet April 10

The Watrousville/Caro Area Historical Society will meet Tuesday, April 10, at the Caro Municipal Building, 317 S. State St., Caro, at 7:30 p.m.

David Celani will present a program on "Post Marks of Tuscola County". He has a collection of envelopes that were mailed during the period of the 1850s through 1935 in Watrousville and various towns in Tuscola County. Watrousville is celebrating its 150th Year Sesquicentennial in 2001.

Refreshments will be served and the public is invited to attend.

Chemical announces acquisition

Chemical Financial Corporation announced last week that 2 of its banking subsidiaries, Chemical Bank West and Chemical Bank Shoreline, have reached agreement to acquire 4 branch offices from Fifth Third Bank and Old Kent Bank. Chemical Bank Shoreline will acquire the Old Kent Bank branches located at 91 Douglas Avenue, Holland, and 501 Main Street, Zeeland, and will also acquire the Fifth Third Bank branch located at 1600 Beacon Boulevard, Grand Haven. Chemical Bank West will acquire the Fifth Third Bank branch located at 211 W. Main Street, Fremont.

The branches have combined deposits of approximately \$150,000,000; the transaction will also involve the acquisition by Chemical Bank West and by Chemical Bank Shoreline of certain loans associated with the branches.

Foot exams available

Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe, in conjunction with the American Diabetic Association (ADA) will be holding free diabetic foot exams, by appointment only, April 25 for diabetics who have not seen a podiatrist.

Thomas K. Ernst, DPM, will complete the exam, which takes approximately 15 minutes.

For more information or to schedule your appointment, call Huron Memorial Hospital at (517) 269-9521 (ext. 4346).

Letter to the editor

Green: basketball program is bigger than any coach

Cass City Basketball Fans,

I have officially resigned as boys' basketball coach. This decision is something I have thought through for a long time, but I wanted to give myself a little time after the season to really make sure it was the right decision for me.

There are a number of factors that led to my resignation, but 2 stand out. Most importantly are family reasons. With an expectant child in June, I know my life is going to change. My typical day, during the season, of leaving at 7:00 a.m. and returning home at 10:30 p.m. would not be fair to my wife or our child. I know I wouldn't have been able to put in the same effort next season as I have for the last 2 seasons. Furthermore, my competitive nature took a toll. Simply, I was not able to enjoy the wins as much as I dwelled on the losses.

Trust me when I say that the administration, parents, or players had nothing to do with this decision. The people of Cass City have treated me very well. You've been fair and supportive. The players in the program, especially next year's seniors, are hard workers and fine citizens. I will miss them.

The Cass City basketball program is bigger than any coach. There will be a number of quality people interested in the job. I know next year's team will be successful and I hope the community gives the new coach the same type of positive support that I received. Thank you.

Coach Green

Letters to the Editor
The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.
Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper.
Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason.
The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.
We will not publish thank you letters of a specific nature, for instance, from a club thanking merchants who donated prizes for a raffle.




ISD narrows candidates to 3

The Tuscola Intermediate School District (TISD) Board of Education narrowed the field of superintendent candidates to 3 individuals, including 2 current TISD administrators, following interviews with 6 finalists last week.

Interviews of the final 3 candidates, one of whom will be selected to fill the post now held by TISD Supt. John Moore, were scheduled for Monday afternoon and evening.

The finalists are: Carol Socha, TISD assistant superintendent/Career and Technical Education; Roger Thelen, superintendent of Central-Montcalm Schools; and James Walker, TISD assistant superintendent/Special Education.

The other finalists, who were selected from a field of 19 applicants and interviewed last week, were Ken Micklash, superintendent of the Cass City School District; Jacob Helms, superintendent of the Manistee Intermediate School District; and James Kukulski, superintendent of the Menominee Intermediate School District.



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“Family” ties bring Adi Cortes to the Thumb

Adriana Cortes is a typical exchange student. She's tackling the challenge of improving her English, soaking up a different culture and getting to know new people. But the 17-year-old's experience in Cass City wasn't arranged by a Rotary Club or other exchange student program. In fact, the groundwork for her visit was laid before she was even born.

Cortes, who goes by the nickname Adi, is spending several months as a guest of the Rod and Yvonne

Sherman Family, who also hosted Adi's mother 20 years ago.

"Our family thinks of (Adi's) mother as part of our family," commented Yvonne Sherman, a fourth grade teacher at Campbell Elementary School.

Sherman explained that Cortes' mother, Blanca, was invited to stay with her (Sherman's) parents in Ithaca about 20 years ago. "My aunt used to place foreign students," she said, adding her parents offered to host

Blanca. "Adi's mom wanted to come, but not as an exchange student. She wanted to perfect her English because she wanted to be a teacher."

Since then, Adi's mother and grandparents have visited Michigan, according to Sherman, who has also visited Adi's family in Hidalgo, Mexico.

"I have 3 sisters. When Adi was born, we always said that if (Blanca's) children wanted to come, one of us would host them," Sherman

said.

Cortes, who arrived in the states 3 months ago and will reside with the Shermans until November, indicated she was eager to spend some time in Michigan.

"I wanted to practice my English, and when I go back to Mexico I want to study at a college," she said. "I want to study architecture."

Although she is already a high school graduate, Cortes is attending Cass City High School as a senior this year. "I think it's different, (but) the people are very friendly. I have friends," she said. Among the differences, she added, is school size - the private high school she attended in Mexico boasted a population of 90 students - and class schedules are more varied day to day in her home country.

Aside from classes, Cortes is active in the local soccer program, and special arrangements were made with the Cass City High School band program to enable her to share her musical talents as a violinist.

Cortes acknowledged she

misses her family, including her father, Gregario, but computer technology and video conferencing have enabled her to keep in touch with home. Despite a little homesickness, she said the experience has been a good one so far. "It's very easy because this family is very nice."

Small town life has agreed with the teen, who comes from a city of some 20,000 people. "It's smaller here, but it's a nice town. The persons living here are friendly," added Cortes, who has also enjoyed Michigan's winter weather. "I like the snow. I went outside and made snow angel."

The experience has been equally rewarding for the Shermans.


"Our main goal is to just give her an opportunity to experience cultural differences," Yvonne said, noting the family has also planned a variety of activities, from visiting a sugar bush to a camping trip this summer in the Upper Peninsula.

"It's kept us busier," she added. "It's been great. She's adjusted really well."



ADI CORTES keeps in touch with her family in Mexico via video conferencing from the home she shares with the Rod and Yvonne Sherman family in Cass City.

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Library to host antique dealer from Cass City

Past meets present at Rawson Memorial Library Monday, April 9. Gail Smith, a relative newcomer to Cass City and an antique dealer for 32 years, will be appraising glassware and pottery. These are her fields of expertise, although she admits to an eclectic collection at home.

From 9:30 to 11 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Smith will appraise items. All tickets for the April 9 appraisal have been sold, but tickets may be purchased for April 30 when Smith will again appraise items of glassware and pottery. A limit of 2 items of glassware or pottery may be brought for appraisal. Smith is donating her services, but there will be a small admission charge. All proceeds will be used to purchase new antique reference books for the library. If you are bringing items to be appraised, please register in advance.

At 7:00 p.m. Smith will present a humorous retrospective look at 32 years of dealership-life, entitled "Field-Dressing your Antiques." Starting as a "picker," Smith learned her craft from the garage floor up. Today she is a veritable encyclopedia of information about antiques.

A native of Waterloo, Iowa, Smith relocated to Cass City a year ago. She has had shops, a mail order business and appeared at antique shows. She presently has a retail showcase in Cedar Falls, Iowa, and since April 1 has had a retail showcase at the Antique Warehouse in Saginaw. Smith says, "Although I am not a licensed appraiser, my 3 decades of experience in the antique field have given me strong opinions on the origins and worth of antique glass and pottery."

Tickets for the appraisals April 30 and the evening program April 9 may be purchased in advance at the library. Tickets for the evening program will also be available at the door. Call the library at 872-2856 for details.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Elkland Township Supervisor Dave Milligan will be leaving office at the end of the year following a dozen years as supervisor.

Out-state Chrysler Corporation dealers, 150 strong, have pledged to carry the Special Olympics torch in a campaign designed to raise a half million dollars for the program. Among them is Board Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge-Jeep-Eagle in Cass City. Owner Roger Board has announced he will carry the torch April 18. Board will receive the torch from the Sandusky dealership and after he has it for his day it will be run to the dealership in Bad Axe.

Cass City Academic Track team members who have collected 1st place finishes in all 3 of the school's meets are: Cari O'Hara, Andrew Nahernak, Nate Brinkman, Michelle Derfny, Trent Milligan, Ross Sherman, Brad Ypma, Andy Stoeckle, Craig Emmert, Christine Sheppard, Jalal Khoury, Aaron Wiles and Josh Dillon.

The new middle school will open in 2 years or less. When construction is completed, the new, 76,217-square-foot building will provide educational classrooms for all of the district's fifth through eighth grade students.

10 YEARS AGO

High winds last Wednesday night blew down a large tree at the corner of Fourth and Vulcan streets in Cass City. The winds downed power lines and a handful of structures, including an old barn, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Harland Lounsbury, at 5722 E. Cass City Rd.

The memory of Jeannie Rutkowski, a mentally retarded woman who loved to visit and play bingo at VFW Post #3644, Cass City, was honored recently by post members who donated \$132 in her name to Tuscola County Special Olympics.

The theft of 2 vehicles in Caro and Cass City over the weekend are under investigation by Michigan State Police from the Caro post. The first stolen vehicle was owned by Steven Hinderer, of Caro. It was reported missing at 6:30 a.m. Sunday from the Northwood Heights subdivision. Shortly thereafter, police received a report of a vehicle, owned by Rhonda Powell of Cass City, which was taken from a residence about one block from the Charmont. Both vehicles have been recovered.

The Elkland Township Fire Department responded to 4 alarms in 4 days, including one call in which a smoke alarm very likely saved some

lives, fire officials said. That alarm came at 4 a.m. Monday and involved a chimney fire at the Don Warner residence, 7850 E. Kelly Rd. Warner and his wife were awakened by a smoke alarm and called the fire department.

25 YEARS AGO

A furnace explosion destroyed the mobile home of Kris Zarzycki, located on Crawford Road, 10 miles southeast of Cass City, Saturday morning. No one was injured. Damage was estimated at \$10,500.

Cass City Police probed the theft of a citizen's band radio station, a rifle and a quantity of cash from the Janes Lefler residence on Houghton Street Monday. Police also investigated the theft of between \$35 and \$40 in cash from the Quaker Maid Dairy Store Thursday. A cash register and pinball machine were vandalized and a juke box damaged.

Among a group of Chevrolet service managers that enjoyed a 6-day vacation in Puerto Rico in March were Mr. and Mrs. Bud McDonald of Cass City, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kilbourn of Deford.

Almost 1,300 Detroit Edison customers in Tuscola County were without electric service for to 3 to 10 hours Saturday as wet snow played havoc with lines still sagging from the March 2 ice storm.

35 YEARS AGO

An estimated 100 persons attended a farewell party Saturday night at the White Creek Club in honor of Dave Kraft, former Chronicle editor, who will shortly move to Vassar where he is editing the Vassar Pioneer-Times.


John McCormick of Cass City has been appointed the new Elkland Township treasurer to fill the unexpired term of Delbert Profit, who resigned the post.

Every morning, 5 days a week in the winter and 6 days in the summer, Evans Gibbard, who lives 10 miles east of Cass City, along with his neighbors Gaylord LaPeer, Arnie Hendrick and Jack Pelton head for Detroit to work at Brenca Construction, and return home again that night. Gibbard has been driving the 220-mile round trip for 18 months.

The new members of the Cass City Chamber Board are: James Gross, Dick Drews, Barney Hoffman and Fred Leeson. They replace James Ware, Tom Proctor, Mary Leeson and Charles Turner.

Clarence Schneeberger and Mrs. Konrad Konwalski have been appointed to fill vacancies created by members who resigned.

A capacity crowd attended the Father-Son banquet at Cass City Presbyterian Church Thursday night. Highlight of the night was the address of Clinton Jones and Stan Washington, All-American football and track stars from Michigan State University.



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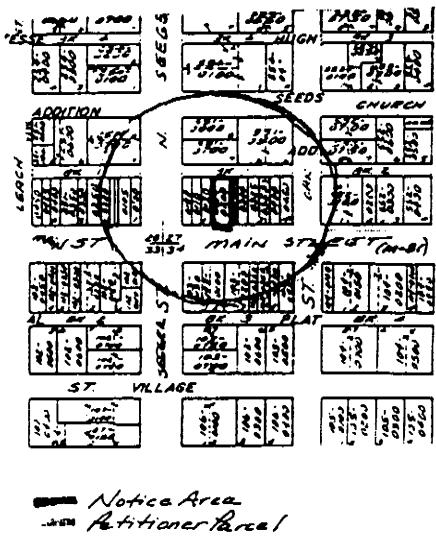
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Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 19, 2001, at the Village of Cass City Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan, for the purpose to hear a Petition for an Appeal of the Village Zoning Ordinance No. 71, as Amended. The Petitioner is requesting an exception to appeal the Village Zoning Ordinance for a proposed use of an Auto Repair Facility to be conducted in the B-1 Community Business Zoning District.

Ten (10) days Notice of the Appeal shall be made to the persons to whom real property within three hundred (300) feet of the premises in question is assessed, and to occupants of dwellings within three hundred (300) feet.

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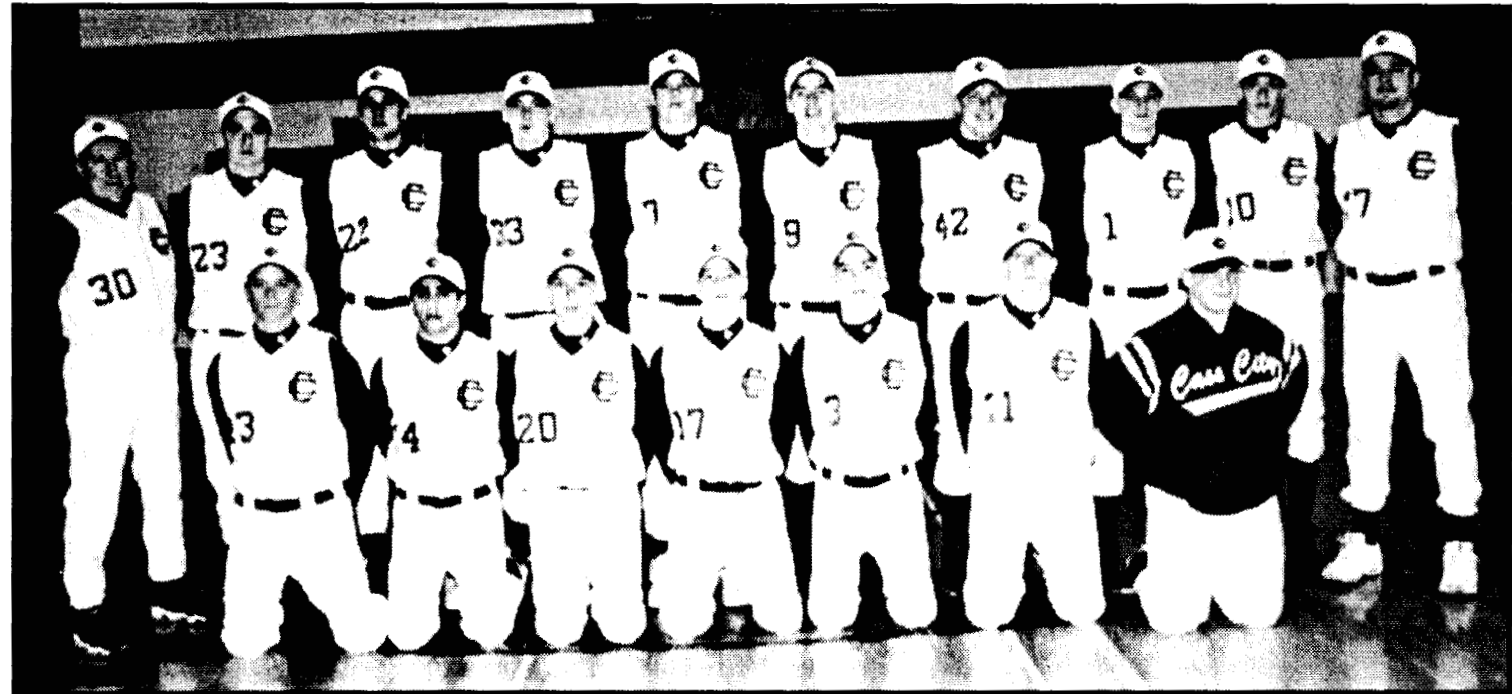
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THE 2001 VARSITY Cass City baseball team members are:(front l-r) Matt Ender, Timothy Khoury, Tyler Bader, Zach Glaspie, Randy Diebel, Nick Turner, David Mayer (back l-r) Assistant Coach Jim Turner, Grant Frank, Dan Vandecar, Bill Thane, Nate Brinkman, Eric Brown, Rob Lowe, Joel Brinkman, Guthry Laurie, Coach Ryan Pritchett.



THE 2001 JUNIOR VARSITY Cass City softball team members are: (front l-r) Monica Wilcox, Paula Fluegge, Heidi Hartwick, Becky Hartel, Alissa Pasant, Courtney Green (middle l-r) Cyndi Henn, Mallory Powell, Alison Emmert, Kristi Fluegge, Megan Toner, Leslie Hacker (back l-r) Assistant Coach Wendy Wright, Krystee Dorland, Aleasha Edwards, Sarah Hobbs, Amy Howard, Mandy Sparks, Coach Sherry Bader.



THE 2001 JUNIOR VARSITY Cass City baseball team members are:(front l-r) Brice Stine, Jonathon Bennett, Matt Stoutenburg, Bryan Warjo, Aaron Diegel, Chris Maharg, Chris Dillon, Tyler Erla (middle l-r) Zachary Sutter, Nate Fisher, Brandon Stec, Scott Regnerus, Craig Holmgren, Justin King, Coach Ryan Walker (back l-r) Cole Mellendorf, Gavin Frederick, Nathaniel Laming, Jacoby Brinkman, Greg Dillon, Eric Hollis, Scott Thane.

Team off to slow start

Cass City softball squad anchored by veterans

Although the Cass City Red Hawks are off to a slow start with just one win in the first 4 games, all on the road, the hopes are high that the Hawks will improve substantially over last year's 14-17 mark.

That's because Coach Dave Hoard, starting his 19th year at the helm, has a team headed by veterans at all but 2 positions.

Included will be the return of 2 pitchers, Deidre Deering and Danielle Guilds, who did much of the mound work for Cass City last season.

The left side of the infield is anchored by Manisha Raythatha who moves in from the outfield where she earned all conference and all district honors. The shortstop is Elise Pasant who has a rifle arm that earned her all-conference honorable mention.

Kayla Wolschlager is at first base and Heidi Hartwick is behind the plate. Becky Bulla returns to the outfield. Katie Hacker returns and is at second.

Missing this year will be Lindsey Gaszczynski, all conference, all district, and Katie Wood, who provided a good glove and speed.

Hoard sees Reese, which has all its team returning, as the team to beat with Bay City All Saints challenging. The rest of the league is balanced.

3 hits and 4 walks to pin the loss on Hendrick.

Pasant led the Hawks with 2 hits in 3 tries.

The Hawks are on the road again this week with games at Deckerville and Caro. Cass City's first home game will be at Marlette at the new

field behind the high school. We owe a debt of thanks, Hoard says, to the many volunteers who helped build it including Doerr Landscaping, Brent Goslin, Bob Kozan and the Cass City Gavel Club which donated the scoreboard.

Pritchett takes helm of Cass City baseball

Although the Cass City Red Hawks lost 2 of their first 3 games, Coach Ryan Pritchett expects his squad to be competitive each time it takes the field.

Pritchett is depending on 5 veterans to lead the Hawks this season. Four of them are seniors. Joel Brinkman is penciled in at center field and will see service on the mound. He was the team batting champ last year. Nate Brinkman will play third and pitch. Randy Diebel is expected to take care of the key-stone sack. Eric Brown will anchor the outfield. Junior Dan Vandecar will be at first and also pitch. Guthry Laurie is at shortstop.

staff. In addition to those mentioned they include southpaw Nick Turner, Tyler Bader and Bill Thane and Rob Lowe.

Pitching was one of the areas in which the Hawks suffered by graduation. Both of last year's starters, Travis Eyer and Dave Sutter, graduated. Other losses include Nick Anthony, a long ball threat; Matt Frappert, Matt Klein and Chad Wolschlager.

In the double bill with Kingston that opened the season, the Hawks split, winning 6-1 and losing, 3-2. In the win, the Hawks collected 5 hits spread among 5 players. In the loss, Cass City was able to collect just 2 singles.

In a single game against North Branch Cass City was edged 4-3. Highlight for the Hawks was a round-tripper by Zach Glaspie.

FIRST GAMES

The Hawks split with Kingston in the season's opener Tuesday. The Cardinals broke open a tight game with a 7-run rally in the third inning on the way to a 10-3 decision in the 5-inning game.

Deering started and took the loss. Hill picked up the win with a 6-hitter. Raythatha with 2 hits led the Hawks and Harp led the winners with 2 hits in 2 trips.

Lindsey Hendrick won the first start in her varsity career in the nightcap. She pitched a 6-hitter to win 10-6. Cass City took advantage of 9 walks and 3 hit batters to win with only 2 hits, one each by Hacker and Raythatha.

North Branch took both ends of the double header Thursday. The Hawks dropped the opener, 9-5. Deering was touched for 10 hits in 4 innings and took the loss. Raythatha collected 3 hits in as many trips and Deering was 2 for 3 to lead the Hawks. Hutchinson was 3 for 3 for the winners.

In the nightcap Cass City rapped out 7 hits, but were unable to punch runs across the plate and lost 7-3. North Branch made the most of its

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5	Caro	There	4:00
17	Ubyly	There	4:15
19	Marlette	Home	4:15
23	Lakers	There	4:15
26	Bad Axe	Home	4:15
30	USA	Home	4:15
May 3	Reese	There	4:15
7	Bay City All Saints	Home	4:15
10	Sandusky	Home	4:15
14	Mayville	Away	4:15
16	Harbor Beach	Home	4:15
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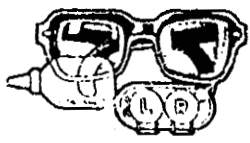
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Whitetail Unlimited Banquet scheduled

Whitetails Unlimited, Inc. is sponsoring the Tuscola County Whitetails Unlimited Banquet. Friday, May 18, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 903 Ryan Rd., Caro. This special event will feature a buffet dinner, auction, door prizes, sporting equipment, limited edition wildlife and outdoor art, and WTU collectibles.

The social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. There is a May 11 deadline for tickets, which will not be sold at the door.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 18, 2001.

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

Lot 320 of Shay Lake Subdivision No. 2, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 111, now being Liber 2 of Plats, Page 1A, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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: April 4, 2001.

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1303
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Ravens 4-4-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Willis T. Bennett and Karen S. Bennett, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Alternative Lending Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated April 25, 1998, and recorded on September 25, 1998 in Liber 751, on Page 170, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Credit-Based Asset Servicing and Securitization LLC, Assignee by an assignment dated April 26, 2000, which was recorded on February 23, 2001, in Liber 822, on Page 386, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT AND 89/100 dollars (\$87,738.89), including interest at 12.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on April 27, 2001.

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

The East 10.01 acres of the North 350.00 Feet of the North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 32, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Fremont Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: March 14, 2001

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jamie T. Chambers and Heather A. Chambers (original mortgagors) to Bank One N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 7, 1999, and recorded on December 3, 1999 in Liber 789, on Page 589, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY AND 36/100 dollars (\$34,770.36), including interest at 9.740% 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 May 11, 2001.

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

Lot 5 and the South 8 feet of Lot 4, Block 16 of the plat of the village of Fostoria, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, Pages 44 to 45, 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: March 28, 2001

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Gators 3-28-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by JOHN E. REID AND TONYA M. REID, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to TMS MORTGAGE INC., DBA THE MONEY STORE, NEW JERSEY Mortgagee, dated September 3, 1999, and recorded on January 18, 2000, in Liber 792, on page 967 TUSCOLA County records, Michigan, on which there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of forty seven thousand four hundred eighty three and 88/100 Dollars (\$47,483.88), including interest at 10.450% per annum, with adjustable rate rider.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 11:00 AM on April 27, 2001.

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

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: March 28, 2001

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy H. Guthrie and Diane F. Guthrie, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Standard Federal Bank, A Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated January 21, 1999, and recorded on February 25, 1999 in Liber 764, on Page 659, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE AND 46/100 dollars (\$102,289.46), including interest at 6.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 18, 2001.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of section 11, Township 10 North, Range 9 East, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, Thence South 0 Degrees 57 Minutes West 1073.63 feet along the East line of said section 11 to the point of beginning. Running thence south 0 Degrees 57 Minutes West 251.0 feet along the East line of said section 11, thence North 89 Degrees 52 Minutes 07 Seconds West 740.0 feet along the North 1/8 line of said section 11 to the approximate centerline of a ditch, thence North 10 Degrees 20 Minutes 46 Seconds West 255.23 feet along the approximate centerline of a ditch, thence South 89 Degrees 52 Minutes 07 Seconds East 790.0 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of section 11, Township 10 North, Range 9 East, Watertown Township, Tuscola County.

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

Dated: April 4, 2001.

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Jaguars 4-4-5

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

DEFAULT having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by WILLIAM D. GARRISON and WANNETTA L. GARRISON, husband and wife, to Thumb National Bank & Trust Co. dated June 7, 1996, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan, on June 25, 1996, in Liber 692 of Mortgages on pages 1181-1186 on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN AND 39/100 (\$39,397.39) Dollars, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative.

Now Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at Tuscola County Courthouse, 440 North State Street, in the Village of Caro, and County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Thursday, May 10, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. in the forenoon of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with 8.25 percent interest, legal costs, attorney fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Lot 4, Block 1, Orr's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 8, now being page 9A, Village of Cass City, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

The period of redemption will be six (6) months from the date of 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: March 27, 2001

Thumb National Bank & Trust Co.
By: Curtis F. Strickland
Its Executive Vice President
Mortgagee

Prepared by:
Michelle P. Biddinger P39162
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Grants target childcare

Two child-care providers in Tuscola County and one in Huron County will enhance

CPR classes on tap

Hills and Dales General Hospital is offering American Red Cross CPR and first aid classes in April.

An adult, infant and child CPR class is scheduled for April 16 from 8 a.m. to noon. This class will enable the participant to recognize and care for breathing and cardiac emergencies in adults, children and infants.

A First Aid Basics class is set for April 23 from 8 a.m. to noon. First Aid Basics include checking an unconscious and conscious victim, recognizing and caring for life-threatening bleeding, sudden illness and injuries.

There is a fee for each class. Pre-registration is necessary. To earn course certification, participants must pass a written exam and all skill checks.

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their services with the help of state grants totaling almost \$10,000, Rep. Tom Meyer announced.

The awards are part of a program to increase the quality and quantity of child care in Michigan, with a special focus on care for infants and toddlers, children with special needs, and providing care during evening and overnight working hours.

"For many people, holding a job and providing for their family hinges on having child care available," said Meyer, R-Bad Axe. "These grants to help support and expand quality day care will allow parents to work with the knowledge their children are safe and secure."

Day camp targets safety on the farm

A Progressive Farmer Farm Safety Day Camp for children ages 8 to 12 is being planned for Saturday, May 19, at the Caro fairgrounds from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event is being conducted by Tuscola County Farm Bureau, Tuscola MSU Extension Service and Tuscola County Farm Service Agency in conjunction with Progressive Farmer magazine.

According to Steve and Diane Foley, coordinators of the event, children often see farm and livestock operations as an exciting playground — providing endless hours of fun and adventure. But these facilities and the livestock and equipment on them also can set the stage for tragedy.

Each year, many children are killed or injured on America's farms. This summer, Foley said, farm safety day camps, such as this one, are being held in 35 states across the United States to teach rural children how to prevent injuries and reduce the risk of farm accidents.

During the camps, children participate in interactive activities that reinforce the importance of taking responsibility for their own safety, respecting parents' safety rules and sharing safety tips with their family and friends.

Hands-on demonstrations teach participants lifesaving first aid techniques and reveal the hidden hazards of farm surroundings. Camp demonstrations focus on farm hazards associated with animals, fire, tractors, lawn mowers, ATVs and more. National and local sponsors of the farm safety day camps

Care providers receiving grants are: Vicky Jane Neuville of Caro — \$3,463 for infant and outdoor equipment and a computer; Lena Mossner of Caro — \$3,500 for fencing and Terri LaFontaine of Caseville — \$2,588 for safety and infant equipment, beds and indoor activities equipment.

The Enhanced Quality Improvement Program (EQUIP) grants are managed by the Michigan Community Coordinated Child Care Association, and were given to 178 applicants that included childcare centers, group child-care providers and family child-care providers.

hope participants will maintain a healthy respect for farm hazards throughout their lives, and that, ultimately, the number of deaths and injuries among rural children will decline.

The camp program allows community leaders to structure a camp that covers basic farm safety issues and first aid, as well as addressing specific local needs. Local farmers, manufacturers, and merchants donate their time and equipment to ensure that each camp is a fun and valuable learning experience.

Parents can register their children to participate in the camp by calling Tuscola County Farm Bureau at (517) 673-4155. Registrations must be received by May 1. A registration fee for the event covers lunch, snacks, a take-home packet and a farm safety day camp T-shirt.

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.

APRIL 6-9-11-13

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Monday - Pork chop suey, rice, oriental vegetables, pudding.

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Obituaries

June Franzel

June V. Franzel, 76, of Argyle Township, died Wednesday, March 28, 2001, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

She was born June 11, 1924, in Sandusky, daughter of Ira and Vera (Holstine) Smith. She married Edward H. Franzel July 5, 1941, in Sandusky. He preceded her in death July 26, 1982.

She attended the Freiburg Country School. She worked at the Deckerville Pickle Factory, Tusco Manufacturing Co., and Lyntex Mfg. She retired in 1984.

She was a parishioner of St. Ignatius Parish since 1941 and a member of the Altar Society.

She is survived by 4 daughters, Penny Guigar and her husband Archie of Ubly, Bonnie Rumpitz and her husband Wayne of Snover, Barbara Guigar and her husband Robert of Ubly, Vicky Walling and her husband Dennis of Ubly; one son, John Franzel of Ubly; 13 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; one sister, Donna Walsh and her husband Mike of Ubly.

She was preceded in death by one grandson, Todd Guigar; 2 great-great-grandsons, Raymond and Cory Osantowski; 2 brothers, Clem Smith and Jay Smith, and one sister, Isma Beaudoin.

Mass of Christian burial was held March 31 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Freiburg. The Rev. Stephen Fillion, pastor, officiated.

Burial will be in the church cemetery in the spring.

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

Irene Kessler

Irene "Inee" Ruth Kessler, 73, of Kingston, died Saturday, March 31, 2001, in her home.

She was born June 30, 1927 in Denmark Township to Adolph "Ed" and Laura Caroline (Riensch) Beneman. She married Maurice "Morris" Baker Kessler March 18, 1954, in South Carolina. He died Dec. 26, 1955.

She attended Mitchell Country School. She was an honor student at Fairgrove High School. She worked for a dry cleaners in Bay City when she was younger. She is survived by her daughter, Colleen Linda Humpert of Kingston; sister, Hildegard Martin of Frankenmuth; brother, Lester A. (Alice) Beneman of Fairgrove; cousin, Dolores "Dolly" Riensch, several nieces, nephews and cousins; dear friends, Vera and Robert Barrons, Sharon and James Brandibur.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Evelyn Dorothy Bechanco.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, April 5, at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, with the Rev. Margaret Passenger of Kingston United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment will be in Gifford Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to

Tuscola County Humane Society.

Anna Klakulak

Anna Klakulak, 92, of Cass City, died Tuesday, March 27, 2001, at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe.

She was born July 26, 1908, in Ostrow Komorowo, Poland, to John and Ignacia (Kujtkowski) Ogonowski. She married Anthony Klakulak Aug. 29, 1925, in Hamtramck. He preceded her in death Oct. 24, 1973.

She attended the Our Lady Queen of Apostles School in Hamtramck and the Whyte School in Detroit. She worked at Borowicz Meat Market in Hamtramck and Ney's restaurant in Bad Axe.

She was a member of the Altar Society at Holy Trinity Church in Smith Corners for 32 years. She moved to Cass City in 1973 and became a member of St. Pancratius Parish of Cass City. She is survived by her children, Rita B. Edwartowski and her husband Joseph of Johannesburg, Joseph J. Klakulak and his wife Bernice of Sterling Heights, Christine P. Nowak and her husband Anthony of Warren, Judith A. Mausolf and her husband Michael of Harbor Beach, John Anthony Klakulak and his wife Hulda of Washington, Mich.; 19 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by 3 sons, John James, Raymond R. and Leonard R. Klakulak.

Mass of Christian Burial was held March 30 at St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City, with the Rev. Paul W. Bala, pastor, officiating. Also concelebrating was the Rev. Thomas Puzio, associate of St. Dorothy Parish in Warren.

Burial was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorials may go to Courtney Manor Activities Department or Friends For Life Hospice of Huron County.

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

Andrew Kozan

Andrew Kozan, 81, of Cass City, died Sunday, April 1, 2001, in St. Mary's Medical Center, Saginaw.

He was born Nov. 10, 1919, in Markage, Saskatchewan, Canada, to George and Mary (Molenaar) Kozan. He married Lula Mae Ashmore July 18, 1938, in Napoleon, Ohio. She died Feb. 20, 1988.

Kozan served in the U.S. Army in Germany during WW II, fighting in the Battle of the Bulge. He worked for Nestles, Walbro and retired from General Motors after 17 years. He worked as a Crossing Guard for the Cass City School District. He was a member of the Fairgrove VFW Post #7486 and was a former commander of the Caro DAV. He served on the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund Board in Caro and the Soldiers and Sailors Relief Fund Board.

Kozan is survived by his children, Andrew L. (Mary)

Kozan of Clinton Township, Margaret A. (Gary) Czekai of Cass City, Randy Lew (Sandy) Kozan of Delton, Robert J. Kozan of Cass City, Cheryl A. (Mark) Dost of Beulah, Frances M. (Carl) Palmateer of Cass City; 16 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; sisters, Annie Endres of Beaumont, Calif., Ethel Salem of Dearborn; brothers, Joseph (Lillian) Kozan of Saginaw, Frank (Barbara) Kozan of Novell Beach, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his sisters, Vera Kaytar, Mary Molnar and Catherine Compton; brothers, George Kozan, Vincent Kozan, Lewis Kozan, Jacob Kozan and Anthony Kozan.

Funeral services were scheduled at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 4, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Joe Robertson of Tawas United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was to be in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City, with military services under the direction of Cass City VFW Post #3644. Memorials may be made to Campbell Elementary School or the American Diabetes Association.

Lucille Lounsbury

Lucille Victoria (Thane) Lounsbury, 87, of Cass City, died March 26, 2001, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

She was born Feb. 23, 1914, in Almer Township to Adelbert and Rosie May (Hartsell) Thane. She married Leslie E. Lounsbury March 16, 1934, in the parsonage of Sutton Sunshine United Methodist Church. He died July 7, 1998.

She graduated from Caro High School in 1932 and from Tuscola County Normal in 1933. She taught at the Hillside School in Elmwood Township November 1933 through January 1935. She and Leslie resided their entire married life on the family farm 3 miles west of Cass City. The farm became a centennial farm in 1985.

She was employed 18 years as a social worker by the Tuscola County Department of Social Services retiring Feb. 27, 1976. She was a member of Sutton Sunshine United Methodist Church, the National Republican Committee, Farm Bureau and a strong supporter of the NRA.

She is survived by her children, Joyce (James) Schad of Lake City, Elaine Bila of Colorado Springs, Colo., Rosemary Lounsbury (Joseph Kompsi) of Mackinac Island, Carl (Ann) Lounsbury of Harrison and Thomas (Virginia) Lounsbury of Cass City; 9 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Joan Marie, in 1937; sisters, Freda Healy in 1971, Sarah McCollum in 1980, and Jessie Rohrbach in 1988; brothers, Melzer Thane in 1961, and E. Carl Thane in 1983; great-grand-

son Larry Thomas Schad Jr. in 1982, and grandson Larry Thomas Schad Sr., in 2000. Funeral services were held March 30 at Kranz Funeral Home, with the Rev. Ray A. Jacques officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Sutton Sunshine United Methodist Church or Rawson Memorial Library.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Lyle Lounsbury

Lyle Arza Lounsbury, 84, of Cass City, died Saturday, March 31, 2001, at his home west of Cass City.

He was born May 29, 1916, in Elmwood Township to Emory and Gladys (Perry) Lounsbury. He married Margaret L. Morse Nov. 26, 1936, in her parents' home in Gagetown.

He was a mechanic and also farmed. He lived in the Cass City area most of his life but lived in Clarkston and Royal Oak in the 50s and 60s. He served as mechanic during WW II. He was a member of Sutton Sunshine United Methodist Church, Tyler Masonic Lodge of Cass City, and Farm Bureau.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret; children Barbara (Alvin) Hutchinson of Cass City, Alice (James) Halsey of Pickford, Sharon (John) Sting of Knoxville, Tenn., and John (Lois) Lounsbury of Yellowstone National Park, Wyo.; 9 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren; brother, Harland (Elenora) Lounsbury of Cass City; sisters, Jessie Goodall of Cass City, Vera (Loren) Brinkman of Southfield, and Carol Streeker of Saginaw, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Leslie, Norris, and Lynn, and sister, Ruth Lounsbury.

Funeral services were scheduled at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 4, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with James Halsey officiating.

Interment was to be in Elkland Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Rawson Memorial Library or Sutton Sunshine United Methodist Church.

Angeline Male

Angeline M. Male, 82, of Cass City, died Saturday, March 24.

She was born in White Lake Township Sept. 4, 1918, the daughter of George and Mary (O'Leary) Dingel.

Dec. 31, 1936, she married Joseph Male in Union Lake. Together they owned and operated a Shell service station, and retired after 30 years of service. Joseph preceded her in death July 1, 2000.

Surviving are their sons, Joseph Male of Millington and fiancée, Inabeth Wood, and Donald (Nevis) Male of Sterling Heights; 6 grandchildren; her sisters, Delores Hartsell of Cass City, Dorothy Rader of Leroy, and Gladys Weldon and Jenny Curtis, both of California, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held March 28 at the Gagetown Funeral Chapel.

Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery.

The family has suggested memorials to St. Agatha Catholic Church or Hills and Dales General Hospital.

Jason Medrano

Jason Brian Medrano, 23, of San Antonio, Texas, died Friday, March 16, 2001, in a car accident.

He is survived by his parents, Juan and Debra (Francis) Medrano; sister, Rachel Medrano; brother, Curt (Jennie) Medrano; niece, Veronica; nephews, Curt Jr. and Spencer Medrano, all of San Antonio, Texas; grandparents, Arcenio and Juanita Martinez of Mercury, Texas, and Elmer and Janet Francis of Cass City; great-grandmother, Manuela Gomez of Seguin, Texas, and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Chapel services were held Wednesday, March 21.

Interment followed in Santo Tomas Cemetery, Seguin, Texas.

Cards may be sent to Juan and Debra Medrano, 7806 Hunter Oak, San Antonio, TX 78233.

Nicholas Miller

Nicholas Benedict Miller, 86, of Decker, died Friday, March 30, 2001, in his home.

He was born Dec. 17, 1914, in Moundsville, W.V., to Peter and Mary (Pastor) Miller. He married Lucy Zito Nov. 26, 1949, in Detroit.

Miller played in a harmonica band during the Depression. He served in the U.S. Army during WW II.

He is survived by his wife, Lucy; son, Joel (Lynn Lowe) Miller of Grand Rapids; one grandson and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a son, Gerard, and his sister, Ann Sulik.

Funeral services were held Sunday, April 1 at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with James O'Brien officiating.

Interment was in Evergreen Township Cemetery.

Kay Rutkoski

Kay Marie Rutkoski, 59, of Cass City, died suddenly Tuesday, March 27, 2001, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

She was born July 9, 1941, in Cass City to Calvin and Velma (Rabideau) Helwig.

She married Herbert Rutkoski Jan. 28, 1960, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City.

Rutkoski went to nursing school and worked for Dr. Yun as a secretary. She worked at Hills and Dales General Hospital in the lab. She was a teacher's aid for the multi-age classes in the Campbell Elementary School for over 15 years.

She is survived by her husband, Herbert; her children, Jeffrey Rutkoski of Cass City; Thomas (Melanie) Rutkoski of Cass City, Mark (Tammy) Rutkoski of Grand Rapids, Brian Rutkoski of Cass City, and Timothy (Carrrie) Rutkoski of Ft. Mitchell, Ky.; 2 grandchildren, her mother, Velma Helwig of Gagetown; brothers, John Helwig of Gagetown, and James (Sally) Helwig of Ithaca, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Calvin Helwig. Funeral services were held March 30 at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, with the Rev. Paul Bala officiating.

Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Campbell Elementary School.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Victoria Taylor

Victoria Sue Foltz Taylor, 59, of Caro, died Wednesday, March 28, 2001, in Covenant Health Care-Cooper, Saginaw.

She was born Jan. 13, 1942, in Dayton, Ohio, to Norman and Rhoda (Winters) Foltz. She married Jerry K. Taylor March 10, 1973, in Findlay, Ohio.

She attended St. Vincent's Hospital Nursing School in Toledo, Ohio, to receive her Registered Nurse Degree. She served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps from 1968 to 1974. She and Jerry met in Rota, Spain, where they were both stationed. They returned to Findlay, Ohio, where she worked as a nurse at Blanchard Valley Hospital until 1980. They lived in Virginia, Kansas City, North Bend, Washington, Philadelphia area, and Detroit before moving to Kingston.

She was a member of the Tuscola County Board of Mental Health, and the Navy Nurse Corps Association. Victoria is survived by her husband, Jerry; son, Jeremy Martin Taylor of Caro; mother, Rhoda Foltz of Findlay, Ohio; brothers, Joseph D. (Peggy) Foltz of Wichita, Kans., Jack W. (Becky) Foltz of Canal Fulton, Ohio.; sister, Valerie Mikenas of Findlay, Ohio; brothers-in-law, Jeff D. (Beth) Taylor Jr. of Smyrna, Ga., Jimmy D. (Debbie) Taylor of Hillard, Fla.; sister-in-law, Debbie of Boise, Idaho, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Norman Foltz; father-in-law, Jeff D. Taylor Sr., and brother-in-law, Joseph D. Taylor.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 31, at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, with the Rev. Margaret Passenger of Kingston United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was near her father's grave in Ohio. Memorials may be made to the Personal Independence Center.

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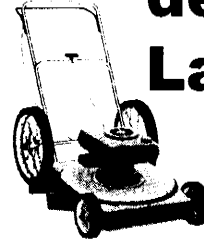
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Showcase of Value!
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UNSUNG HEROS. CHAMBER Board member Bert Althaver (far right) presented Oscar Brooks (center) and Cas Bartnik with plaques during Saturday's annual dinner banquet honoring the pair for a lifetime of community service.

At chamber banquet

Top citizens honored

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Marshall Distributing. Katie Hacker, daughter of John and Marnie Hacker, is planning to attend Central Michigan and enter the Elementary Education field.

Hacker's service record includes working with: Christmas for Kids, Adopt-A-Highway, Build Some Fun in the Thumb playground, United Way, Vacation Bible School teacher, Thumb Octagon Barn guide, Senior Citizen Ball, along with singing at Tendercare.

Hacker has held several jobs while in high school including positions with Self-Serve Lumber, Cass City pool, Hills and Dales Hospital and the Cass City Chronicle.

She has been active with the Student Council serving as secretary, captain of the varsity basketball team, Harvest Dance committee, poster committee, and band.

Hacker has received several honors during her high school tenure including recipient of 2001 Trustee Honor Scholarship, Leader Advancement Scholarship,

and Sam Walton's Wal-Mart Scholarship.

Also honored during the 3-hour program were Junior Citizen of the Year candidates Amy DuQuesnay, daughter of Brian and Linda DuQuesnay, Craig Emmert, son of Chuck and Amy Emmert, Jaime Fluegge, daughter of Richard and Ruth Fluegge, Brent Goslin, son of Brad and Ann Goslin, Johanna Hoelzle, daughter of Larry and Judy Hoelzle.

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Cindy Strickland 1971
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Cass City Floral growing, expanding

In just over a year since James and Debra Kranz became the new owners of Cass City Floral, the long-established flower-gift shop at 6450 Main has been enlarged and expanded with the addition of the Scrapbook Corner.

Now the company is poised to move into new quarters at 6358 Main Street, in the final stages of a complete renovation. It will allow for expanded display space and is completely handicapped accessible with a ramp and an elevator.

The second floor is available for retail sales. Suggestions from our customers on what we should consider adding will be appreciated, Kranz says.

A tentative opening date for the new building is April 23. It will make it easier to continue to provide a quality product at competitive prices

with quality service, say the owners.

In keeping with its policy of providing the best in service, the company hired Eugene Wyman in November. He brings a wonderful ability and knowledge of design of both fresh and silk products. Wyman has been recognized by the FTD as a certified master designer.

He comes to Cass City Floral after working in the area for many years, including recently at the oldest and largest floral shop in Saginaw.

One of the first additions to the business was establishing Scrapbook Corner. The corner has over 400 different paper choices, templates, dimple sheet, gang die cuts, Me and My Big Idea stickers, albums, pens and scissors.

Recently a Scrapbook Party was hosted at the store and

16 people from the area attended. Regular parties will be held starting May 18 and will be continued the third Friday of each month.

Other activities at Cass City Floral include an open house with discounts, prizes and refreshments April 6 and 7 at the present location. A prom open house with prizes and refreshments is scheduled April 9-10 from 6 to 8 p.m.

A representative from Town and Country Bridal Shop, Caro, will be present with tuxedos from After Hours by Tuxedo World for ordering convenience. Single prom corsages with many new ideas will be on display.

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Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, April 4

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

Friends of the Library, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Thursday, April 5

Preschool Story Hour, 10 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Friday, April 6

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

Monday, April 9

Antique Program, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

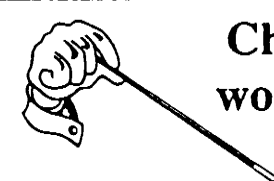
Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 10

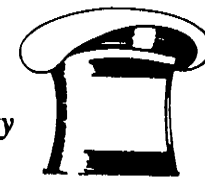
Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.

Tuscola County Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Family Support/Education Group meeting, 1:30 p.m., Adult Day Services building, 435 Green St., Caro. For additional information, please call (517) 672-2273.



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Mosquito battle underway

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which lay their eggs in the spring in moist depressions in the woods. In the spring, when snow melts and spring rains flood these depressions, the mosquito larvae hatch and begin development.

In addition to the aerial treatment, ground crews will larvicide small woodlots with hand equipment.

Homeowners are encouraged to help limit mosquito production on their property by:

- * Eliminating water-holding containers
- * Cleaning out bird baths, eaves troughs and pool covers

- * Cleaning weeds and brush from ditches, catchbasins and pond edges

Residents with questions about the program are asked to call Mosquito Abatement at 672-3748 or visit <http://www.TCMA.com>

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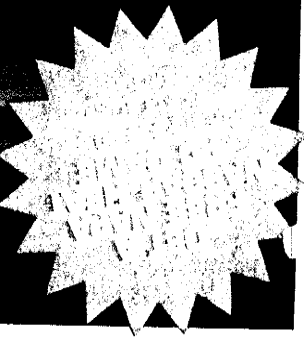
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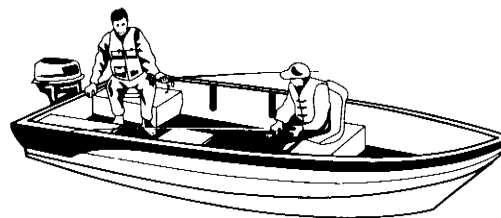
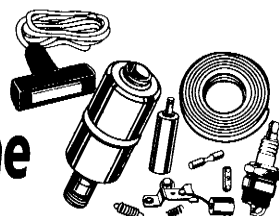
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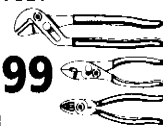
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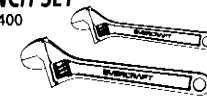
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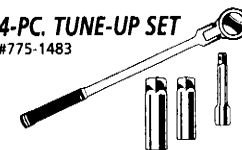


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