



THERE WAS plenty of egg-citement in Gagetown Saturday afternoon as dozens of area youngsters, including Savannah Retzler, 2, took part in a sixth annual Easter egg hunt organized by Nel Wald and Rich Rabideau. Retzler is the daughter of Pam Retzler of Caro. (Related photo, page 12)

6th annual event

Gagetown hunt egg-citing

Nel Wald and Rich Rabideau know how to throw a party.

The pair organize and host an annual Easter Egg hunt at the Gagetown Village Gazebo each year, and each year dozens of youngsters walk away with big smiles and arms full of colored eggs, candy and gifts.

Saturday was no different, although the sixth annual event proved to be bigger and better thanks to the generosity of an entire community.

"These people have gone all out this year to help us," commented Wald, who said among those contributing to the celebration were the St. Agatha Ladies Society, Reva Dillon, Kelly's Market, All Way Stop Market,

Patty Montreuil, Mary Ann Tenczer, Wayne Dillon and Nel's Kitchen.

But it's Wald, of Gagetown, and Rabideau, a Caro resident, who put everything together with one goal: to make sure no child walks away empty handed. In fact, the youngsters leave not only with the colored eggs they find, but also a bag of candy and a gift. A few lucky ones even win special prizes in a drawing at the end of the event. This year's prizes included a new bicycle.

In all, the organizers gave away 90 dozen eggs, 160 bags of candy, nearly 160 gifts, 3 plush bunnies, 2 Easter baskets, 2 Easter buckets and several chocolate rabbits.

In Cass City, Caro, Vassar

Cops putting 'spotlight' on minor booze purchases

If you're under 21 and in the habit of attempting to purchase alcohol in Cass City, or you're over 21 and tempted to buy for a minor, count on meeting a member of the Tuscola County law enforcement community in the near future.

Representatives of the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department, Michigan State Police in Caro and the Cass City and Vassar police departments gathered Tuesday at the sheriff's department to kick off the Spotlight Grant Program 2001, an alcohol enforcement effort that will target the Cass City, Caro and Vassar areas in the coming weeks.

"The program is designed to deter minors from purchasing alcohol, stop adults from purchasing alcohol for minors, and promote community awareness of the laws associated with alcohol, especially for those who work for businesses that sell or serve alcohol," explained Tuscola County Undersheriff Jim Jashinske.

He said Tuscola County is one of 21 Michigan counties to receive grants from the Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP). The sheriff's department's share of the funding totals \$10,000.

"Of the 83 counties in Michigan, the 21 counties selected were found to have a high incidence of traffic crashes involving minors that had been drinking and driving. The ages cited were between 14 and 20 years old, according to 1998 statistics," Jashinske said. In Tuscola County, he noted, there were 3 fatal traffic crashes and 318 personal injury accidents involving minors in 1999.

Jashinske said the Spotlight program effort will involve a number of businesses and coincide with holidays and graduation and prom dates for area schools.

"The program works like this. Officers can pose as store clerks or bar employees to serve as a deterrent to minors who attempt to purchase alcoholic beverages," Jashinske explained. "Undercover officers are also positioned outside the liquor establishments in order to stop adults from purchasing alcohol for minors. The businesses will display warning signs and posters

that serve as a deterrent when officers may not be present in the establishment."

In addition, Spotlight workshops are held with trained members of law enforcement and liquor establishments to focus on alcohol education.

"They discuss effective enforcement programs used throughout the state, how these programs can be

implemented in your community, and how to use these programs to build stronger relationships with the community," Jashinske said.

Anyone under 21 who has been consuming, possessing or purchasing alcohol is subject to arrest in Michigan.

A police officer who suspects a minor has been consuming alcohol will ask him

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O-G's McKenzie: measures cutting into budget red ink

Dan McKenzie hasn't won the war against red ink in his first year as superintendent of the Owen-Gage School District, but he is winning some battles.

McKenzie presented a revised 2000-2001 budget to the Owen-Gage Board of Education Monday, saying revenues simply aren't keeping up with expenditures, which will force the district to continue to dip into fund balance.

"The good news is that we have slowed the rate of fund balance decrease. We will still have projected fund balance of \$332,849," McKenzie told the board. "This is nearly 20 percent of our total revenue. The industry standard is 15 percent. So, there is no need to panic."

"The bad news is that we still need to make some staffing reductions that will bring us back in balance with projected revenues for 2001-2002 and stop the reduction in fund balance," he added.

"Recommendations will be coming in May regarding proposed staffing reductions. The intention will be to maximize our instructional effectiveness in the core curriculum."

McKenzie's budget amendment increases expenditures from \$2.18 million to \$2.3 million. Revenues are now estimated at \$2.22 million, up from \$2.033 million.

He noted the fund balance has steadily decreased in recent years, from more than \$711,500 in 1999 to the projected \$332,849 this year.

The net loss reduction in fund balance this year was actually \$151,625. However, McKenzie said, the district will be receiving a one-time \$45,000 reimbursement from the Huron County Intermediate School District for special education expenses stemming from the recent passage of a special ISD millage.

McKenzie said his budget amendment stems from a number of factors, including a steady decline in enrollment and the district's recently completed gym floor installation, which exceeded budget projections by \$23,000.

The superintendent has already moved to offset the red ink by securing the board's support for recommendations downsizing the district's administrative staff (from 2 principals to one) and by filling a certified counselor's position with a newly-created "counseling coordinator" post.

"While it's clear we're going to need to tighten our belt in the coming year...my congratulations to you for supporting the recommendations made," he said. "We're on the right track."

IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business during the monthly meeting, the board:

• Approved Principal Bill Britt's recommendations for teacher probation and tenure.

Terri Falkenberg, Carol Sattler and Sharada Seurynek were all granted

third year probation, while Amy Maurer, Michelle Schuette, Don Starks and Kathy Sutton were granted fourth year probation. Teacher Connie Sutter was granted tenure.

• Met in executive session to discuss annual evaluations of Britt and McKenzie. "Generally, the evaluations were favorable for both of these gentlemen," Board President

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Biddinger seeks Cass City seat

There will be no school board races in Cass City this summer, but the board will welcome a new face.

Monday marked the deadline for school board candidates to file nominating petitions.

In Cass City, incumbent trustee and current Board Vice-President Danny Haag filed along with newcomer Michelle Biddinger, a Cass City attorney. Incumbent Scott Richards opted not to seek reelection.

In the Owen-Gage School District, meanwhile, only the incumbents filed by Monday's deadline. Both Walt Swiastyn and Tom Mellendorf will seek reelection in the annual school election, which is slated for Monday, June 11.

Auten ready to enjoy retirement

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Bev Auten might have been a teacher if she hadn't followed her first love back in the early 1970s.

In the end, she devoted years to both healthcare, as a registered nurse, and to education, as a longtime member of the Cass City Board of Education.

And she's still giving, although Auten recently retired from nursing after more than 25 years.

"I'm a people person. I enjoyed it," Auten recently commented at the Greenland Road home she shares with husband Les. "There have been a lot of changes. It was hard work, but I loved it."

The Cass City native recalled the road to her nursing career had a few twists and turns.

"I wanted to be a nurse in school, but I couldn't get Latin - that was a requirement back in the 1950s," Auten said, adding she decided to pursue a career in elementary education. She began taking classes in Bad Axe and Caro through Central Michigan University, but friends and her family encouraged her to reconsider nursing.

Auten recalled her mother was a big supporter of the idea, offering to watch her children - Julie, then 6 months old, Russ, 4, Paul, 8 and Les, 10 - so she could begin attending classes at

Delta College in 1973.

It was a challenge, acknowledged Auten, who pointed to her husband, smiled and added, "I had a lot of help."

Auten graduated from Delta 2 years later with an associate's degree. That same fall she was hired as a nurse at Hills and Dales General Hospital.

Auten, who earned her bachelor's degree through Saginaw Valley State University in 1986, worked her way up to a supervisory position - in-patient care coordinator - at Hills and Dales. She remained at the Cass City hospital until her position was phased out in 1995. She then took a supervisory position at the former Caro Regional Center until her retirement.

"The mental health nursing is like going into another culture. There's little hands-on nursing. You treat more of the behavioral aspects," she said. "I enjoyed it, too, but I liked my hospital nursing the best."

Auten recalled a host of changes in nursing since she started. The changes range from attire (crisp white uniforms and caps have been replaced by scrubs) to medications (many drugs administered via injections or pills years ago are now routinely administered intravenously).

The length of hospital stays is much shorter today, Auten observed. Surgery to remove

the appendix or gall bladder used to involve a hospital stay of 3 to 5 days, and today patients are going home the next day. Auten said new techniques, such as laproscopic surgery, have made a real difference, although she believes shorter hospital stays are largely attributable to insurance companies.

There have also been big improvements in patient transport, according to the grandmother of 10, who recalled accompanying a few patients when Littles owned the local ambulance service.

Auten, who was among the first Hills and Dales nurses to earn Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) certification, indicated working in a small, rural hospital has its positives and negatives.

"I think it's harder, because you treated everything, but it also kept your knowledge focus-based. It kept you on your toes," she said, adding rural hospital nurses must be prepared to deal with cases of all types, from obstetrics to cardiac cases. "Another thing is, you know the people you're treating. They get attached to you and you get attached to them."

While Auten has many good memories, she said there were times when nursing was a very difficult job. "Getting called to the emergency room and having a child in code (cardiac arrest). I think that was the worst," she

added.

Aside from juggling a career and her roles as a mother and wife, Auten

added "school board trustee" to her resume in

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LES AND BEV Auten are looking forward to some travel and more time at their cottage in Oak Beach following Bev's retirement from nursing after more than 25 years. She continues to be active in the Cass City Schools as a board of education trustee.

Deputy released from St. Mary's

Tuscola County Sheriff's Deputy Sgt. Curtis Chambers is recovering at home from a gunshot wound he suffered in a shootout with an armed robbery suspect last month in Vassar.

The Tuscola County Sheriff's Department reported Chambers was released from St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw Friday, 2 days after being taken out of the hospital's intensive care unit.

"I saw him Saturday and he's well aware of the incident and what happened. That in itself is a miracle," said Undersheriff Jim Jashinske. "He's in good spirits considering everything."

The Michigan State Police are continuing their investigation into the shooting, according to Jashinske, who added reports from the State Police Crime Lab in Bridgeport are expected to come back sometime this week.

Jashinske said it's too soon to say whether Chambers will return to duty in the future. "We really haven't gotten that far," he added.

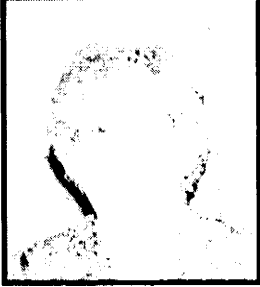
Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern said the sheriff's department and Chambers' family appreciate all those who have sent cards or called to ask about the deputy following the March 21 incident.

Chambers was struck above the left eye with a .45 caliber bullet, and the suspect, Shayne Eric Cripps, 34, of Atlanta, Mich., was killed during an exchange of gunfire after Chambers and his partner, Deputy Steven Anderson, stopped a vehicle driven by Cripps near the intersection of Plumb and Water streets in the city of Vassar.

Anderson, who was not injured, returned to work Friday, March 30, according to Kern.

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
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Betty and Bryce Hagen were Sunday guests of Ben and Donelda Meske at Port Hope. Other afternoon guests were Dennis and Sharlene Hagen and Clint and Melissa Hagen and Dylan.

Rita and Ray Depcinski flew to Winterhaven, Fla., where they spent 3 weeks with Tom and Flora Prill and rode home with the Prills, arriving home Sunday evening.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Berle Otto in Cass City Monday.

Gary Wills of Port Austin was a Monday evening guest of Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Gordon Farrelly, Allen Farrelly, Bill Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Talaski and Ron Wolschlagler met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Wednesday morning for breakfast.

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

Doris Western and Allen Farrelly took Dan Franzel to the Cass City stockyards for dinner Tuesday.

Kevin Sweeney of South Lyon spent a few days with Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

Mike Moorman entertained Bryce and Betty Hagen, Dennis and Sharlene Hagen and Brad, Mary Hagen and friend Jim, Dorene and Jim Hagen, Nick and Jenny at a birthday dinner for Ellen Moorman at the Bryce Hagen home Sunday for pizza, ice cream and birthday cake.

Gary and Ann Andersen of Brighton were Monday and Tuesday guests and Fred Britt of Johannesburg was a Tuesday and Wednesday guest of Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford, who spent the winter in Cape Coral, Fla., returned home Friday, and Monday came to visit Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol

Laming for a few days.

Bob Jackson and Thelma Jackson were among a large crowd who went to the Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City to pay respects to Kay Rutkoski.

Jim Foster of Caseville, Dan Franzel, Allen Farrelly and Doris Western went to the Franklin Inn in Bad Axe for dinner Wednesday.

Melvin and Charlotte Particka came home Sunday after spending 3 months in Holiday, Fla.

Reva Silver, Mrs. Gerald Wills and Thelma Jackson were Tuesday supper guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy, Rick Stuart, Jim Lewis and Allen Farrelly had breakfast at McDonald's in Bad Axe Monday morning.

Fifteen members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at Franklin Plaza Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill next week.

Pat and Sally Bell, Lauren and Katelynn of Cheboygan, Mary Kay and Beth Ritter of Elkton and Eric and Heidi Sweeney, Brandon, Nicole and Brett were Thursday night dinner guests of Jim and Kay Sweeney.

Doris Western and Allen Farrelly took Dan Franzel to the Franklin Inn for dinner Friday.

Errer earns top rating

Josh Errer, a junior at Owen-Gage High School participated at the State Solo/Ensemble Festival in Grand Blanc March 24.

He received a high rating of "1" and a blue medal for his trumpet performance. Errer has been a member of the Owen-Gage Band since the fifth grade.

Engaged



Kristie Parrish and Russell Speirs

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Parrish of Gagetown announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristie Marie, to Russell Robert Speirs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Speirs of Cass City.

A June 2 wedding is planned.

N. Dale completes training

Marine Corps Pvt. Nathan R. Dale son of Gail J. McCreedy of Gagetown and Eugene D. Dale of Attica recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Dale successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.


Dale is a 2000 graduate of Owen-Gage High School.

Cass City Social Items

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David Erla, Jerry Romzek and Jerry Tuckey were Thursday evening supper guests of Charlotte LaPeer.

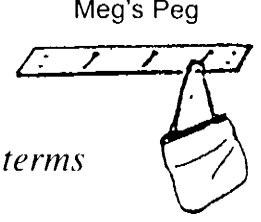
Beverly Frank, Shelley Bootz and children, Chelsey, Jessica, Sammy and Benjamin, Richard McClorey, Mary Damm and Onalee Crawford visited Marion McClorey Sunday afternoon.



Meg's Peg

Tech terms

by Melva E. Guinther



For those interested in my husband's progress following his stroke, he was transferred to the Marlette Rehabilitation Center last Thursday, to begin therapy in earnest this week. He is still paralyzed on the left side, a condition that we're hoping and praying will improve with work and time.

Thanks to modern technology, our children have been able to be with us since the stroke. Our son was here for a week, keeping up with his work in California via computer and phone, and our daughter is still with us, telecommuting to her job in Ohio.

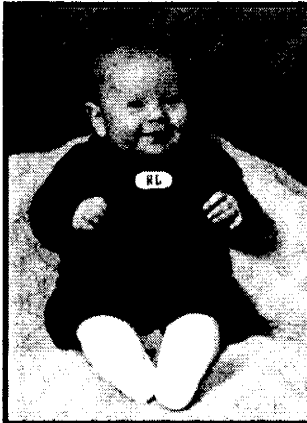
This has been a tremendous help and encouragement for both Stan and me. I doubt I've ever appreciated computers and cell phones more than I have these past 2 weeks.

Speaking of technology, these "New Axioms of the 00s" came from the You Make Me Laugh website:

- > Home is where you hang your @.
- > The e-mail of the species is more deadly than the mail.
- > A journey of a thousand sites begins with a single click.
- > You can't teach a new mouse old clicks.
- > Great groups from little icons grow.
- > Speak softly and carry a cellular phone.
- > CA is the root of all directories.
- > Pentium wise; pen and paper foolish.
- > Don't put all your hopes in one home page.
- > The modem is the message.
- > Too many clicks spoil the browse.
- > The geek shall inherit the earth.
- > A chat has nine lives.
- > Don't byte off more than you can view.

- > Fax is stranger than fiction.
- > What boots up must come down.
- > Virtual reality is its own reward.
- > Modulation in all things.
- > A user and his leisure time are soon parted.
- > There's no place like http://www.home.com.
- > Know what to expect before you connect.
- > Oh, what a tangled website we weave when first we practice.
- > Speed thrills.
- > Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach him to use the net.

It's a girl!



Sayge Halle Lax

Tammie and Gerry Lax announce the birth of a daughter, Sayge Halle Lax, Oct. 19, 2000. She weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. She was born in Bad Axe Huron Memorial Hospital. Dr. Tsai was the delivering doctor.

Paternal grandparents are Bob Lax and Lieschen Trippe.

Maternal grandparents are Al and Ann Wright.

U-M women meet

The United Methodist Women met April 2. Group 2 prepared and served the dinner. The co-chairmen of the group were Margaret Czekai and Judy Profit.

President Joan Merchant opened the meeting with an Easter reading.

May 12, a Mother/Daughter banquet will be held with a potluck salad dinner. Pam Powell is the chairman. Amy Emmert gave an interesting program on the

Novesta Church's Mission trip to Haiti.

Marge Dickinson announced that through the Detroit Annual Conference we will be sending health kits from Cass City United Methodist Church to Haiti.

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Engaged



Heather Woidan and Richard Kessler

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Woidan and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Kessler announce the engagement of their children, Heather M. Woidan and Richard K. Kessler.

Woidan is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Roeske of Kingston and Mr. and Mrs. John Crosby of Gladwin.

Kessler is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Profit and the late Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Paplinski.

The bride-to-be and the groom-to-be are 1998 graduates of Cass City High School.

A June 30, 2001, wedding is planned.

Dean Sheckles on 6-month tour

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Dean P. Sheckles, son of Marion J. Sheckles of Philadelphia and Robert Smith of Kingston, recently returned from a 6-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln, home ported in Bremerton, Wash.

During the deployment, Sheckles's ship was on station in the Arabian Gulf supporting U.N. sanctions of the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq and participating in maritime interception operations.

Sheckles's squadron also visited cities in Australia, Tasmania and the United Arab Emirates.

While in Dubai, Sailors from Sheckles's ship landscaped and donated materials to the Dubai Center for Special Needs. While in Hobart, Tasmania, the USS Abraham Lincoln clown troupe entertained residents of a children's home and patients at a children's hospital.

During the visits, sailors also had the opportunity to shop, sightsee and enjoy the local culture and cuisine.

Sheckles is a 1987 graduate of Kingston High School. He joined the Navy in March 1988.

Community service Friday

Good Friday, April 13, the annual community church service will be held at the Evangelical Free Church of Cass City 1 p.m. Area churches will combine for a time of hymn singing and special music. Pastor Todd R. Gould will bring the message as Christians remember Christ's suffering at the cross.

The Evangelical Free Church is located at 6430 Chestnut Blvd., across from the high school. All are invited. For more information call 872-5060.

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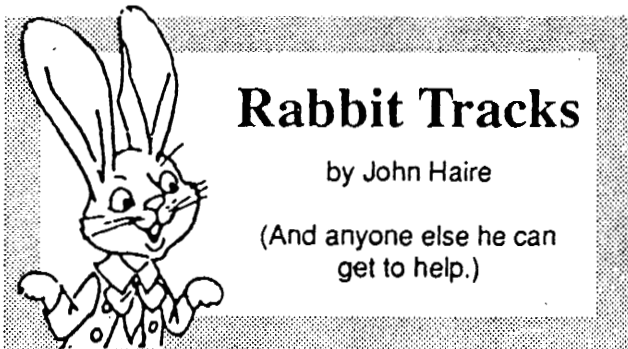
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11:00 a.m. Worship

April 12 - Maundy Thursday
7:00 p.m. Communion

April 13 - Good Friday Service
1:00 p.m. Evangelical Free Church
Rev. Todd Gould, speaker

April 15 - Easter Celebration
7:00 a.m. Early Worship
7:30 a.m. Sunrise Breakfast (proceeds to CCUMC's camp fund)
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. Worship

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Over the years the Chronicle has been favored with many outstanding students working as co-op employees or columnists. The list includes valedictorians and junior citizens of the year.

This year we are fortunate to have 2 more that fit the mold. Katie Hacker, columnist, was recently named co-junior citizen of the year. Shaun Engler has already earned 22 college credits as he approaches high school graduation.

We have learned from our association with these young people and we trust they learned from us.

The boating season is fast approaching. Boat owners can learn about proper safety procedures and boating rules at a free seminar, "Safety at Sea", scheduled April 28 at Handy High School, 601 Blend Street, Bay City.

Sponsored by the Saginaw Bay Power Squadron and the U.S. Coast Guard, Saginaw River Station, the all day seminar starts at 8:15 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. Lunch is available for advance registrants for \$7.50.

Mail checks to Saginaw Bay Power Squadron, 12693 Ithaca Rd., Saint Charles, MI 48655. For more information call (517) 865-9655.

It's not unusual to have hunters question the validity of the Department of Natural Resources estimates of the size of the deer herd.

Whitetails Unlimited, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of deer and other wildlife hunting, mailed 440,000 questionnaires last fall and over 15,000 replied.

By a 2 to one margin they wanted more older bucks by restricting the harvesting of young bucks and killing more does.

The huge sampling also validated the accuracy of the random sample used by the DNR. The results of the Whitetails Unlimited survey was almost identical to the DNR projections.

Roscommon jazz band coming here

Area jazz enthusiasts will want to mark Friday, April 20, on their calendars.

That's the date set for a jazz concert featuring the combined talents of the Cass City and Roscommon high school jazz bands. The event will begin at 8 p.m. at Cass City High School.

Cass City band Director

Marc Palma said members of the Roscommon band will arrive in Cass City Thursday. The groups will rehearse together, and Cass City band members will host the Roscommon students Thursday night.

Prior to the concert April 20, the musicians will present an assembly at Cass City Middle School at noon.

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Autry gets jail time

A Cass City man will spend some time in jail following his plea of guilty to 2 charges, including attempted possession with intent to deliver marijuana Dec. 23 in Cass City.

Matthew F. Autry, 27, was sentenced Friday in Tuscola County Circuit Court to 270 days in the county jail and 24 months probation. Autry, who also pleaded guilty to resisting and obstructing a police officer Dec. 23 and unlawfully driving away an automobile Jan. 14 in Cass City, was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$760.

In other circuit court proceedings last week:

State lifts road/weight restrictions

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

Full overload permits are now allowed on all state trunklines from the south state line north to and including M-46, from Muskegon to Port Sanilac, in the Lower Peninsula. Full overload permits also are now allowed in the Upper Peninsula, south of and including US-2 from the Mackinac Bridge to the Wisconsin state line in Dickinson County.

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 overweight loads only within the restricted area. Permits will not be issued for any loads exceeding 14 feet in width within the restricted area.

For weight restriction information, please telephone 1-800-787-8960.

Seedlings ready to pick up

It is time to pick up your tree seedlings.

If you recycled your Christmas tree in January, you received a certificate for a free tree seedling. Stop at the Tuscola County Recycling Center Wednesday, April 11, or Thursday, April 12, with your certificate to pick up your tree for planting.

The Tuscola County Soil Conservation District donates the tree seedling each year for the Christmas Compost Project. Tuscola County recycling is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will be closed Friday, April 13.

•Wallace P. Falker II, 33, Millington, stood mute to a charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance, third offense, Nov. 22 in Arbelia Township.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case and bond was continued at \$1,000.

•Larry J. Wilson, 42, Millington, pleaded no contest to attempted possession with intent to deliver marijuana March 11 in Arbelia Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Richard A. Sturgeon, 39, Lapeer, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Feb. 17 in Almer Township.

A pre-sentence investigation

was ordered, bond was continued at \$7,500 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•David D. Roskey, 18, Imlay City, stood mute to charges of first degree home invasion and assault with a dangerous weapon Jan. 21 in Mayville.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$15,000.

•Daniel J. Graves, 30, Caro, stood mute to charges of first degree home invasion, resisting and obstructing a police officer (2 counts), tapping/cutting telephone wires and malicious destruction of a building March 17 in Caro.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$35,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

The Haire Net



A little of this and that as seen from the corner of Oak and Main. How it is or how it should be.

Speaking strictly from the biased view as a resident of the Cass City School District and a fan of Cass City athletic teams, there is good news and bad news.

It's good news for Cass City Schools that Supt. Ken Micklash will not be leaving the district. In his tenure here the superintendent has kept the district in sound financial condition.

Granted in recent years he has had many more dollars to work with than the district had before the state assumed the majority of the financing. Still, many schools are still in dire straits at the time when hundreds of thousands of dollars from the general fund were used at Cass City for capital improvements.

That's impressive, sure, but not as great as other areas where Micklash shined. In keeping the financial boat riding high, Micklash had the advantage of previous skip-pers. Don Crouse and Willis Campbell left a lean operating machine before he arrived.

His greatest achievements were the ability to make tough financial decisions without alienating the persons affected. The closing of Evergreen School comes immediately to mind.

He deserves high marks for his rapport with the teachers. New contracts in the past have been routinely signed with a minimum of trouble. Signed while keeping the district in the mainstream of salaries for the Thumb.

That's it for the good news. Now the bad news. Basketball Coach Jim Green has resigned after 2 years. His record was very good with a district and conference championship, but that's only part of the reason why it is bad news for Cass City fans.

He started with some talented players and no one wins without them. What made him outstanding is that the team played together.

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The back forty

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by Roger Pond

My long-standing belief that cats won't do tricks is challenged by a story in a Canadian farm paper. The story's author says cats can learn to sit, sit up, shake hands, and wave if given the proper encouragement.

These are good tricks to be sure, but I'm not sure they would work for our kitty. Our cat is more accustomed to "Come in!" "Get out!" "Off the screen!" and "Scream!"

My kitty would be horribly confused by commands like, "Sit," "Shake hands," and "Wave."

I'm not saying other cat owners shouldn't teach these stunts. I'm just suggesting we consider the past when planning our cat's education.

I've never been a fan of the command, "Sit," for example. Spaniel trainers long ago adopted the word, "Hup," when they want these dogs to sit.

Anyone who misses straight-away pheasants knows there are too many words that rhyme with sit.

The same goes for "sit up." A cat hears this and thinks he's coughed-up another hairball.

Shake hands and wave are good tricks for a kitty, though. These are simple and easy to teach.

Shake hands is taught by touching the cat's paw and commanding, "Shake." The cat should instinctively raise her paw.

Then, the owner grabs the cat's paw and pretends the animal has learned something.

This trick depends upon the cat's previous training and experience, also. The command, "Shake," should only be taught with a dry cat in the beginning.

We can teach our kitty to wave by holding a treat in front of her nose, just out of reach of her front paws. Move the treat back and forth while commanding, "Wave." The cat will reach for the food and appear to be waving.

It's important that we gauge the size of our cat before teaching any of these tricks. A cougar, for example, will respond to the command, "Wave," by biting your hand off and not appear to be waving at all.

I've found the most effective program for training cats is to learn what the ani-

mal wants to do and then command it to do so. If the cat grabs a finger with his paw, we should say, "Shake hands."

If he swats at the Christmas tree bulbs we command, "Wave." If the cat is lying in the driveway we say, "Play dead."

If he doesn't get up, we bury him.

Readers should remember

treats are given each time the cat obeys a command, considers obeying, or refrains from climbing the curtains. This means a well-educated cat is going to be extremely fat.

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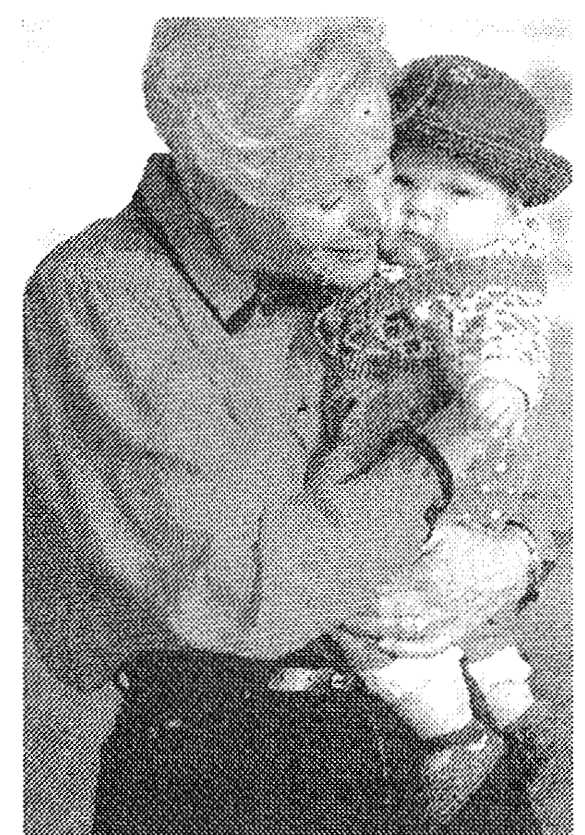
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Red Hawk Beat
by Cass City Senior,
Katie Hacker



Easter spirit

The Cass City High School student council helped bring in the Easter spirit this past Friday for the 1st grade classes. The student council executive board and class presidents went to the elementary school Friday afternoon and conducted an Easter egg hunt for the 1st grade classes. Unfortunately, rain prevented holding the egg hunt outside, but it still went well for having it in the cafeteria.

Each student could find 2 eggs and some of them were filled with Easter candy. Twelve lucky 1st graders opened their egg to find a piece of white paper, which meant they got to pick a prize. The prizes consisted of stuffed Easter bunnies, Easter cups, bunny ears, and more. The kids had a lot of fun running around trying to find eggs and the student council had a blast hiding the eggs and handing out prizes.

With spring break this week, school is steadily coming to an end for Cass City students. Yearbooks are being sold at the high school, but with the end of the school year approaching, the number of books available is decreasing.

The yearbook staff has already put an order in, but there will be books to sell that haven't been reserved yet. So if you are a high school student or a parent of a student(s), make sure you get your book reserved as soon as possible.

The price is now \$50.00, but you can put a down payment of \$10.00 to reserve one. The yearbook is titled "A Wave of Memories" and the staff has been working diligently to make an incredible yearbook.

I hope everyone is enjoying their spring break and I hope all the Cass City students who went to Florida with Youth for Christ are enjoying the warm weather.

I wish everyone a Happy Easter!



UBLY BPA members are (front row, from left) Lindsay Messing, Bobbie Sierzputowski, Stacey Helewski, Dawn Young, Laura Puvalowski, (back row, left) Kevin Smalley, Kyle Walsh, Jenna Zulauf, Lesley Pionk, Scott Smalley, Marjo Jaroch, Leslie Peters and Melissa Duncan.

Red Hawks saving acres of rainforest with shirts

Cass City students are once again taking some lessons in conservation and transforming what they've learned into a hands-on project that will literally help to save acres of rainforest.

Local high school and middle school students are taking part in a special Rainforest Adopt An Acre project being conducted simultaneously in more than 10,000 schools across the country via a special network of educators who have formed Earth Foundation.

By selling T-shirts, Cass City students are raising funds that will help protect countless species of rainforest, as well as marine plants and animals in the Osa Peninsula of Costa Rica.

High School biology teacher Nancy Weippert noted students will be selling the T-shirts for \$13.50 each over the next several days.

Weippert said Cass City students have helped to save more than 240 acres of rainforest with T-shirt proceeds over the past 6 years.

Students chose to get involved in the project after learning about the importance of rainforests.

According to the Earth Foundation, a Houston-based environmental education organization, rainforests really do need rescuing. At present, half of the world's rainforests have been burned and bulldozed. What remains is being destroyed at an alarming rate of 78.8 million acres a year - which translates into 150 acres a minute.

At that rate of destruction, experts say, tropical rainforests will vanish within 30 years.

In the balance lie thousands of plant and animal species, indigenous tribal groups, and the health of the planet. Rainforests play an essential role in the weather, prevent global warming, reduce erosion and provide a bounty of riches, including hardwoods, rubber, food and medicines.

Earth Foundation officials say they believe the next generation is bringing hope for rainforests, and the organization is working to provide educational materials that teach solutions such as the Adopt An Acre program and sustainable uses of the rainforests that do not require deforestation.

Students also learn about the impact of consumer choices on rainforests, how recycling helps, and ways to express their concerns and opinions to governmental leaders and corporations.



CASS CITY High School juniors (from left) Elise Pasant, Chuck Keiser and Tanya Woidan display some of the T-shirts students are selling to help save acres of rainforest in Costa Rica.

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Students' work on display during youth arts fest

Artwork produced by a trio of Cass City High School students will be on display during the 39th annual Michigan Youth Arts Festival, slated for May 10-12 on the campus of Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo.



Jesika Ferris



Johanna Hoelzle

The students include junior Jesika Ferris, daughter of Ray and Bonnie Ferris of Deford. She will display a

collage entitled "Memories in the Bottles". Another junior, Emma Witkovsky, daughter of Karl and Donna Witkovsky of Cass City, will display a foil tooling entitled "The Detested Pink Line". In addition, a linoleum print/mixed media work entitled "My Rose", created by senior Johanna Hoelzle, daughter of Larry and Judy Hoelzle of Cass City, will be on display.

The Michigan Youth Arts Festival features a host of activities, including an opportunity to participate in workshops with professionals in their art fields.

Participants and chaperones will be housed on the WMU campus for the weekend.

The public is invited to attend art exhibitions, dance performances, video/film presentations and a variety of concerts that will be presented during the festival, which is endorsed by the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals.



Emma Witkovsky

Prescriptions meet topic

Three state legislators from the Thumb and Blue Water area will sponsor informational town hall meetings on the Elder Prescription Insurance Coverage program.

State Reps. Tom Meyer, R-Bad Axe; Lauren Hager, R-Port Huron, and Steve Ehardt, R-Lexington, are inviting area senior citizens to the meetings. The gatherings will include:

- Monday, April 16, 2 p.m., Bad Axe Dining Center, 45

Westland Drive, Bad Axe, and

- Friday, May 11, 10 a.m., Deckerville Community Center, 3415 South Main, Deckerville.

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Dear Editor,

My name is James Iseler and I was a summer intern at the Chronicle in 1980. I have many fond memories of that summer, including my spacious apartment above Schneeberger's, many evenings spent at the movie theater, and all the fine people at the Chronicle: John and Dorothy Haire, Mike Eliason (the editor at the time) and everyone else whose names have escaped me over the years.

Among my various duties that summer was covering the annual July Fourth Festival. Some of the pictures that I took at that event got mixed in with my personal photographs and I recently came across them.

I am sending them to you with a suggestion for a bit of fun for your readers. Since I have no idea of the people's identities in these photos, I thought it might be fun if you wanted to have a contest in which people could try to identify the subjects. As you can see, most are of children that I shot at a painting exhibit in the park. The Scottish band was brought in to perform at the Festival and in the parade, as I recall, and the elderly man in the patriotic garb was just too good to go unphotographed. The kids are probably in their mid-20s now.

Hopefully, they'll bring back some fond memories for some of the people who see them.

The Chronicle was a great learning experience, and served me well in my career, which included jobs at the Midland Daily News and the Jackson Citizen Patriot, where I am currently a copy editor and page designer. I'll always remember that summer and wish the best of luck to everyone at the Chronicle.

Sincerely,

James Iseler



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Women's spring retreat April 25

The Thumb Zone of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League/Lutheran Women in Mission will hold a spring retreat at the Bay Shore Camp in Sebawaing April 25 and 26. The theme of the retreat is "Walking the Rainbow of Life."

Guest speakers for Thursday will be the "Christian Clowns" from Frankentrost.

Bible studies, skits, craft table and surprises will be the agenda for Wednesday evening.

Cost of registration is \$37 for Wednesday and Thursday, \$24 for Thursday only, or \$13 for Wednesday only.

The retreat begins Wednesday, April 25, at 5:30 p.m. To register or for more information, you may contact L. Holzward (517) 674-2917 or L. Souva at (517) 874-5658.

The Thumb Zone of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League/Lutheran Women in Mission will hold

a spring rally April 17, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Port Hope. The theme of the rally is "Butterflies are Free."

The Rev. Albert Bahr of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Sebawaing will be the speaker. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m.

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Caro captures doubleheader at Cass City

Hawks suffer tough defeats

CARO GAMES

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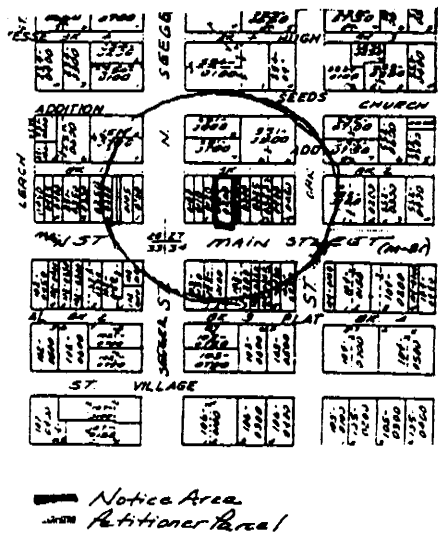
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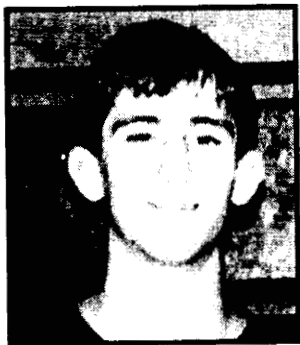


Hawk soccer season opens with pair of road setbacks

The lady Red Hawk soccer team opened its season, the first as a varsity sport in Cass City school history, suffering a pair of road losses.

Emmert honored

The Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan has selected Cass City senior Craig Emmert among the participants in this year's all-star contest scheduled for June 23 in Brighton.



Craig Emmert

Emmert, the state's career shot block leader, will join the top players from around the state for the prestigious event.

Valley Lutheran handed the Hawks their first conference loss Wednesday with a lopsided 10-0 win.

"(Valley Lutheran) is a deep, talented and very quick squad," said Coach Chuck Reed.

Reed credited keeper Emma Witkovsky for holding the hosts in check during the initial half as Cass City failed to generate any offense.

"The girls were never really in the game and again lack of experienced substitutes made it a short afternoon," said Reed.

The Hawks were mercied with 10 minutes remaining on the clock in the final half when play was halted.

Monday the Hawks traveled to Lakeville for their season opener in non-conference play.

An early goal by senior forward Stacy Sullins and strong keeper play by Witkovsky put the visitors on top until late in the first half, when Lakeville surged for 3 goals.

The final half was a defensive struggle, with the hosts netting 2 more goals on de-

flections to make the final 5-1.

Reed was pleased with the play of junior Crystal Sattelberg and sophomore Laura Auten on defense.

Ferris State announces dean's list

Seven area residents are among 2,076 students named to the dean's list at Ferris State University, Big Rapids, following the fall 2000 semester.

The area students, who earned grade point averages of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, are: Aaron J. Barrigar, Nathan D. Klein and Andrea R. Speirs, all of Cass City; Jeremy J. Powell, Deford; Wesley D. Kempa and James R. Mallory, both of Kingston; and Lisa M. Warack of Owendale.



THE MEMBERS OF Cass City's lady soccer team are (front l-r) Adriana Cortes, Emma Witkovsky, Megan Powell, Erica Delamarter, Heidi Cheng, (back l-r) Stacy Sullins, Nicole Drinkard, Rebecca Rockwell, Laura Auten, Crystal Sattelberg, Tara Bryant, Talisa Taleski, Coach Chuck Reed. Missing are Allyson Bell, Kaylee Bell, Jesika Ferris, Johanna Hoelzle, Laura Laming, Sandra Teixeira.

Lady thinclads continue to roll

Cass City Red Hawk girls' track teams continue to roll along undefeated Wednesday in a triangular meet with North Branch and Hemlock while the Hawk boys bowed to these teams in the competition at North Branch.

The girls used domination in the relays to win with 65.5 points. Second was North Branch, 54.5 points, and Hemlock was third with 44 points.

Top individual performer was Jaime Fluegge who won 2 dash events, the 100-meter (12.38) and the 200-meter (26.53).

In addition, she ran legs on two relays, the 800-meter and the 400-meter. The Hawks won the 400-meter (54.42) with Stacy Sullins, Jessica and Jennifer Tenbusch and the 800-meter (1:51.63) with Holli Cooper, Tenbusch, and Sara Homakie.

Running with the winning 1,600-meter relay team were Amy Howard, Cooper, Ashley Ouvry and Homakie. Other firsts were registered by Homakie in the 400-meter dash (61.42) and Cooper in the high jump (4 feet, 8 inches).

BOYS' MEET

Hemlock dominated the boys' competition, winning with 82 points. North Branch just edged out Cass City for second place 41 to 40 points. Hemlock won 7 first places including the 1600 and 3200-meter relays.

Cass City and North Branch each placed first in 5 events, but the Broncos depth proved decisive.

The Hawks won the 400-meter relay (47.76) with Aaron Dorland, Matt Stoutenburg, Zac Toner and Paul Balk. Other firsts registered by the Hawks were by

Stoutenburg in the long jump (17 feet 10 inches), Jason Barrigar, shot put (41 feet, 4 1/4 inches), Kyle O'Dell, 110-meter hurdles (15.87) and Noah Gould, 300-meter hurdles (43.30).

HOME OPENER

Cass City hosted its first track meet of the season Monday in a triangular meeting with Unionville-Sebewaing and Caro.

The lady Red Hawk thinclads dominated the meet with 108 points, followed by Caro with 73 points, and Unionville-Sebewaing's 50 tallies.

Coach Scott Cuthrell received 11 first place finishes, out of 17 events, to emerge victorious in the Red Hawks' home opener.

Cass City's Kristy Dorland was the lone winner for the hosts in the field events and captured the long jump with a leap of 13' 10 1/2".

Other individual winners for Cass City included Jaime Fluegge, Annjea Tanton, Sara Homakie and Holli Cooper.

In the boys competition, Caro recorded 97 points to easily defeat the Patriots and host Hawks, who tallied 74 and 73 points, respectively.

The hosts were led by Jason Barrigar's first place finishes in the shot put (41' 9 1/2") and discus (130' 4").

Cass City also recorded a pair of top finishes in the hurdles from Kyle O'Dell and Noah Gould. O'Dell won the 110-meter hurdles in 15.64, while Gould posted a winning time of 43.20 in the 300-meter hurdles.

Workshop scheduled

The Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center is now accepting applications for their Spring Volunteer Training Workshop. Especially needed are individuals who care about others, are willing to develop empathetic listening skills, and those who can help with problem solving.

Assault Crisis Center Staff will be conducting a 3-day volunteer training workshop April 26, 27 and 28. Trainings will be held Thursday and Friday evenings and during the day Saturday. Times and locations will be made available to those who apply.

To register or for more information, please contact the Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center at 1-800-292-3666.

The Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center is a program of the Human Development Commission, and provides services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac, and Tuscola Counties. These services include a 24-hour crisis phone line, emergency shelter, support groups, advocacy, and more.

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23	Sandusky	Home	5:00
26	Swan Valley	Home	5:00
30	Valley Lutheran	Home	5:00
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3	Lakeville	Home	5:00
7	Cros-Lex	There	5:00
9	Bad Axe	There	5:00
14	Lakers	Home	5:00
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Obituaries

George Charter

George Wesley Charter, 86, of Largo, Fla., died Saturday, March 10, 2001, at his home under the care of Hospice of the Florida Suncoast.

He was born in Cass City, March 1, 1915, to Herman and Grace Charter.

He graduated from Cass City High School in 1932 and received a degree in Business Administration from Michigan State University in 1938.

In 1942, during World War II, he entered the Air Force

as First Lieutenant, serving in various posts in the United States. Feb. 18, 1944, he married Maxine Scott from Newton, Ill. and lived in Alexandria, Minn. A few months later he served in the China-Burma-India Theater where he remained until the end of the war. He continued to serve his country as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Army Air Force Reserves.

Charter was a marketing representative for Auto Owners Insurance Company for 34 years, receiving the designation of C.P.C.U. in 1964. He was awarded

Fieldman of the year in 1957, 1972, 1977 and 1979 as well as Mr. Mutual Fieldman in 1977. He was past president of the Toastmaster's Club of Alexandria, Minn., and Clearwater, Fla.

He belonged to the Rotary Foundation of Seminole, Fla., was a Paul Harris Fellow and a benefactor of the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International Endowment for World Understanding and Peace and the past president of the 1952 Club and Blue Goose Club, both marketing associations.

He was a 40-year member of First United Methodist Church of Clearwater, Fla., and remained active in the Men's Club and golf group until 1995.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Maxine; 2 daughters, Carol Tennant of Largo, Fla., and Jo Ann Alexander, of Oviedo, Fla.; 3 grandchildren; a sister, Retta Charter of Farmington Hills; a nephew, David Charter, of Miami, Fla., and a grandnephew, Michael Charter of Bay City.

A memorial service was held at the Sylvan-Abbey Memorial Chapel in Clearwater, Fla., Sunday, March 11.

Interment was in Sylvan-Abbey Memorial Park.

Harrisonburg, Va., Donald (Sandy) Hunt of Webberville, Mary Lawson of Deford; daughter-in-law, Martha Hunt of Shawnee, Okla.; 12 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; brothers, Wilbert (June) Nieman of Goessel, Kans., Clayton (Donna) Nieman of Freeland; stepfather, Andrew Donnelly, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by an infant son, Larry J. Hunt, son, Tom Hunt, and her mother, Hannah Donnelly.

Funeral services were held April 6 at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Chuck Emmert of Novesta Church of Christ officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Huron Memorial Hospital or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Harrison Stine

Harrison H. Stine, 81, of Cass City, died Friday, April 6, 2001, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

He was born April 21, 1919, in Novesta Township to George Herman and Mabel (Gleasure) Stine. He married Roberta F. Romig Nov. 16, 1945, in the Ugly Presbyterian Church.

Stine was a dairy and beef farmer all of his life. He retired in 1993 when he and his wife moved into town. He was a member of Fraser Presbyterian Church and the Cass City VFW Post #3644.

Surviving are his wife, Roberta; 2 sons, David (Jean) Stine of Saginaw and Dennis (Susan) Stine of Sanford; 4 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; a brother, Bruce (Otilia) Stine of Seattle, Wash., and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 9, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Mark Morningstar of Sandusky Presbyterian Church officiating.

Military rites were provided by Cass City VFW Post #3644.

Memorials may be made to Fraser Presbyterian Church or Cass City VFW Post #3644.

Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

When the Cass City School Board met last week, Principal Dorland Kuntz presented a plan for detecting drugs in school buildings and in cars on school property that requires the use of specially trained dogs to sniff out tobacco, liquor and other drugs.

A second vote failed to open the Owen-Gage Junior/Senior High School campus in Owendale, but a compromise of sorts apparently has been reached. Supt. Manuel Thies met with class officers and student council members and offered to allow students to spend their lunch hours outdoors, in a grassy area on the west side of the high school.

Hills and Dales General Hospital officials attended a "Mortgage Burning Celebration" Wednesday. The hospital's 1986 mortgage of \$975,000 is now paid in full. Brian C. de Beaubien, MD, a former resident of Cass City, is opening an orthopaedic practice in Bad Axe and Cass City.

Demolition of the former Wesley Milk Plant building in Cass City began April 2 by a crew from Dore Contracting, Bay City. The work will cost Farmer Jack, which owns the building, more than \$28,000. The milk plant closed in September 1989 after more than 40 years of operation in Cass City.

10 YEARS AGO

Army Spec. Ed Hewitt, 24, returned home March 30 for a 24-day leave after serving nearly 6 months with Operation Desert Shield/Storm in Saudi Arabia and Iraq.

A new steeple was installed Friday at the Salem United Methodist Church in Cass City. The 20-foot fiberglass structure, weighing some 800 pounds, replaces a steeple that was taken down several years ago.

Cass City residents whose homes border Rose Street between Ale and Oak streets won't have to pay for the curb and gutter scheduled to be installed this summer. Initially, the owners of 9 residences along Rose Street were told they would have to pay a combined \$8,000 for the curb and gutter.

This week's High Rollers at Charmont are Ken Martin and Evelyn Butler. Martin rolled a league high 244 game and posted a 618 3-

game series. Butler tossed a 476 series that included a high game of 174.

25 YEARS AGO

Cass City Police investigated between \$400 and \$500 damage at the park facilities building this week. Vandals smashed 4 mirrors in both of the building's restrooms and ripped out metal louvers in both doors. Two signs next to the doors were also smashed.

Valedictorian of the Owen-Gage High School class of 1976 is Barbara Jean Goslin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Goslin of rural Unionville. Salutatorian is Mark Schwartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schwartz of Gagetown.

Nineteen women were present Monday evening when Salem United Methodist Church Women met at the home of Mrs. Newell Harris. The members voted a \$50 contribution to Charles R. Tuckey, who will be doing missionary work in Korea this summer.

Planning continues for Deford's bicentennial celebration set tentatively for June 26. Spearheading the celebration are Miss Jeanne Daley, Mrs. Pat Allen and Mrs. Sandra Nicholas.

New smoking policies went into effect last month at Hills and Dales General Hospital. Changes include a ban on smoking by all visitors and establishment of no smoking areas, including the main entry.

35 YEARS AGO

The annual Chamber of Commerce banquet was held Tuesday night at the Cass City High School. Selected citizen of the year was Mrs. Lucile Bauer. Bob Rabideau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rabideau of Cass City, was chosen junior citizen of the year.

Fr. Arnold Messing, pastor of St. Pancratius Church, his

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Messing of Ruth, and his sister, Miss Marie Messing of Saginaw, were scheduled to take off from Detroit Sunday by jet to Europe, where they are scheduled to have an audience with the Pope April 20.


Otto Goertsen, 79, was instantly killed when he was struck by an auto on M-53 Monday as he attempted to cross the road in front of his home. Goertsen was honored at a farewell party at Walbro Corporation in August, 1965, when he retired after 10 years with the company.

The First Baptist Church in Cass City has a new parsonage located on Houghton Street. Because volunteer help was extensively used, the building was under construction some 10 months before being occupied by the Rev. Richard Canfield and his family. The old parsonage next to the church is now the new Sunday School annex. General building contractor was Elwyn Helwig. Carpenter work was handled by Helwig, William Ewald and Mack MacAlpine. Veron Gingrich supervised the plumbing and heating, and the wiring was under the direction of Cecil Brown.

Historical society meet set

The Cass City Area Historical Society will hold its regular meeting Monday, April 16, at 7 p.m. in the Rawson Memorial Library. The program for the evening will be on the rural schools of the area. A panel of former rural schoolteachers will tell us "the way it was."

Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited. Bring your pictures and your memories and join us!



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BACK TO THE 50s

Ila Hunt

Ila Jean Hunt, 67, of Deford, died Tuesday, April 3, 2001, in her home after a long illness.

She was born April 10, 1933, in Cass City to Albert and Hannah (Gotts) Neiman. She married Harold S. Hunt April 14, 1951, in Cass City. They would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this month.

Hunt worked for Walbro retiring after 40 years. She was a member of the Cass City VFW Auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband, Harold; children, Jerry (Carol) Hunt of Meeker, Okla., Daniel Hunt of

The Tuscola SCD will have its tree distribution Wednesday, April 11, and Thursday, April 12, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Caro Fairgrounds. Cleanup will be Friday, April 13, from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

If you do not have an order you may still purchase white pine, Colorado blue spruce, and a limited amount of a variety of pines and spruce seedlings. Red Oak, Green Ash and Black Walnut hardwoods; Roselow Crabapple and Ninebark shrubs are available. Colorado blue spruce, Norway spruce and Austrian pine super huskys and Norway spruce, white spruce and white cedar transplants are also available.

Pheasants Forever will have their seed available at the Caro Fairgrounds Wednes-

day and Thursday during the same hours.

Persons who participated in the Christmas tree composting program may turn in their certificate for a Colorado blue spruce seedling at Tuscola County Recycling at 1123 Mertz Rd., Caro, Wednesday and Thursday.

For further information, please contact the Soil Conservation District at 517-673-8174 (ext. 3).

61 donate blood in Cass City

Sixty-one pints of blood were donated in the blood drive at the VFW hall in Cass City April 3.

First-time donors were Nancy Wright and Stephanie Stevens.

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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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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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Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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 to 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:

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.

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 Attorney for Mortgagee 4431 S. Seeger Street Cass City, MI 48726 Tele: (517) 872-5601

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

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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 cover 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

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O-G honor roll

The third marking period honor roll for Owendale-Gagetown Elementary and Jr./Sr. High School has been announced.

10TH GRADE

Amy Aldrich, Derek Bucholtz, Stacie Dorsch, Amanda Faist, Lucas Powell, Samantha Radabaugh, Katie Rhodes*, Stephen Roemer, Kelsey Schuette.

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Lea Aldrich, Courtney Lester, Joshua Starks, Joshua Volk, Matthew Volk.

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Kaylee Anderson*, Andy Dronsella, Mindy Errer, Aaron Gaeth, Kendra Guilds, Joshua McLaren, Amber Pillsbury, Alec Powell*, Becky Schmidt, Jason Seibel.

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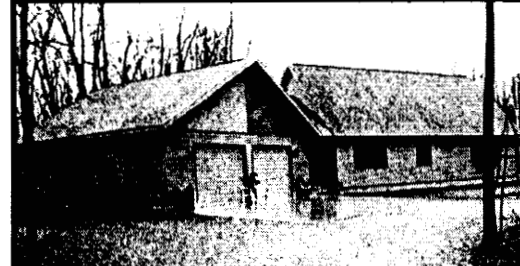
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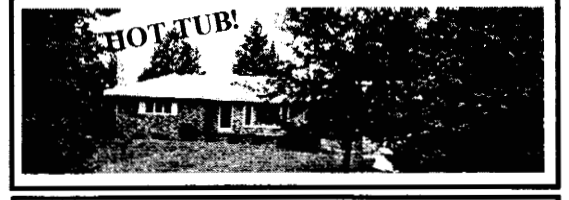
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Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, April 11

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

Book Discussion Group 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Dorcas dinner, CCUM Church, 12 noon.

Thursday, April 12

Preschool Story Hour 10:00 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Friday, April 13

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

Tuesday, April 17

Thumb Area Parkinson's Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., Hills and Dales Hospital.

AYSO board meeting, 7 p.m., Walbro.

Thursday, April 19

Cass City Area Historical Society meeting on Rural Schools, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Huron County Chapter of Right to Life fundraising dinner, 6 p.m., social hour; dinner at 7 p.m. For information call 517-269-9027 or 517-658-8701.

Wheat producers have voted to turn down an effort to establish the Michigan Wheat Industry Program, a checkoff program intended to fund promotion, research and market development of the Michigan wheat industry.

The program's adoption required that more than 50 percent of voting wheat growers, representing more than 50 percent of production volume, approve the referendum.

According to Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) ballot results released Thursday, 2,428 ballots were valid of the total 2,617 ballots received. The 189 ballots deemed invalid were disqualified for various reasons ranging from no signatures to not meeting the \$800 sales requirement.

Of the valid ballots, 1,281 producers voted no represent-

ing 6,999,386.91 bushels, or 53 percent of producers and 54 percent of production volume.

Voting yes were 1,147 growers representing 5,876,355.53 bushels, or 47 percent of producers and 46 percent of production volume.

Michigan Farm Bureau supports the opportunity for farmers to vote on whether to establish a checkoff program for their commodity, said

Bob Boehm, manager of MFB's Commodity and Marketing Department.

"The wheat growers have spoken, however, with the rejection of the program, producers will probably have to work harder to find profitable markets for their product and will have fewer resources at their disposal to address issues, impacting the wheat industry," Boehm said.

The checkoff proposed a maximum assessment of up

to one-half of one percent (.5 percent) of the value of red and white wheat sold during each marketing year.

An MDA-appointed Tem-

porary Michigan Wheat Marketing Committee had estimated that if the checkoff were in place last year it would have collected about

\$300,000 to help improve Michigan wheat producers' profitability. That estimate was based on 2000 production and prices.

Auten retiring

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1986.

"I had just gotten my bachelor's degree and I wanted to get involved in the community," she recalled.

adding she called former trustee Ben Hobart and asked him to toss her name into the hat. "I figured if God wanted me to serve, it would happen."

Since then, she has been reelected several times and continues to serve. The wonderful thing about local school boards is each member brings their own perspective and ideas to the table, according to Auten, whose contributions include a suggestion that school staff members utilize the time and talents of community volunteers.

Her efforts haven't gone unnoticed. In 1999 Auten was among the first Michigan board of education trustees to be honored by the Arlington, Va.-based National School Board Association for making "a significant contribution to the advancement of education as evidenced by leadership at and beyond the local level."

Although Auten isn't retiring from the school board, she said her decision to leave nursing was based on a desire to spend more time with family.

"Life's too short - you've got to do some of the things you enjoy," she added, noting Les retired from Active Industries 4 years ago after 30 years of service, and the couple has always wanted to do some traveling. The couple also plans to spend time at their cottage in Oak Beach.

The sunrises over Lake Huron are spectacular, according to Auten, who laughed and added, "I haven't gotten up to watch one yet, though. It's so nice not to have to set an alarm."



STANDING BEHIND just a few of the goodies given away during Saturday's annual Easter egg hunt in Gagetown are organizers Nel Wald (far left) and Rich Rabideau along with his wife, Marcia, and the couple's children, Cody, 9, and Dominique, 7. (Related photo, page one)

Owen-Gage cutting red ink

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Randy Howard said after the board returned from the 65-

Spotlight on booze sales, minors

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or her to submit to a breath test. If that test reveals a blood alcohol level of .02 (one drink), the individual will be charged with being a minor in possession (MIP), which is now a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, will result in a criminal record.

The penalties are: \$100 fine and other penalties for the first offense, \$200 fine and driver's license suspension for the second offense, and a \$500 fine and driver's license suspension for the third offense. In addition, police are required to notify the parents of minors under the age of 18.

Jashinske noted that anyone over 21 who is convicted of furnishing alcohol to a minor faces a maximum penalty of 60 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

minute session.

•Approved a low bid of \$53,000 from Commercial Equipment Co. for 3 copiers. The bid was recommended by the board's technology committee, and the money will come from the district's technology bond fund.

•Approved spending \$2,672 for the purchase of a dishwasher hood at the elementary school.

•Recognized a student in each grade who has been nominated as best exemplifying the district's April "adult role focus" of having a positive self-image.

The students, in grades K-12, respectively, are: Michael Mandich, Christin Harris, Ashley Deeg, Erin Seibel, Mariah Francis, April Nowaczyk, Kaylee Anderson, Michael Edler, Cheluis

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.

Monday - Ham, escalloped potatoes, peas, pineapple.

Wednesday - Barbecued ribs, baked beans, winter blend vegetables, Jell-O salad.

Friday - Meat loaf, escalloped potatoes, green beans, oranges.

Krug, Raymond Dutcher, Jeremy Kady, Amy Pawelski and Melissa Ziehm.

•Approved the nomination of Matthew Rogers as "senior student of the month."

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