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CASS CITY Village Council members quizzed trustee candidates (foreground, from left) Matt Prieskorn, John Maharg, Dawn Hollis and Debbie Abell before appointing Prieskorn and Maharg to fill 2 vacancies on the council Monday night.

Boyfriend charged in shooting

A Millington man faces 4 charges, including assault with intent to murder, in the weekend shooting of his ex-girlfriend's new boyfriend. The victim, identified as Bart Wayne Stevens, 31, of

Burton, suffered gunshot wounds and was transported to St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw following the incident, which was reported at 10:51 p.m. Saturday. Stevens was listed in serious

but stable condition. Tuscola County Sheriff Jim Jashinske said deputies were dispatched to a residence at 6944 Caine Rd. after the suspect, Eric Sean Draper, 28, entered the home

of Christina Lynne Best. "The suspect rammed the victim's car and then went into the residence and shot the victim," Jashinske said. "The suspect fled the scene on foot and was located by (Michigan State Police) troopers... approximately one mile from the scene.

Draper faces 2 counts of assault with intent to murder, a felony punishable by up to life in prison. He also faces charges of first degree home invasion, which carries a maximum penalty of up to 20 years in prison and/or a \$5,000 fine, and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, which is punishable by an additional 2 years imprisonment consecutive to any felony conviction.

Draper's bond was set at \$750,000. He remains lodged in the Tuscola County Jail.

Sheriff's deputies are continuing their investigation. They were assisted at the scene by troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro and officers from the Millington Police Department.

Fritz, Warack named top graduates at O-G

Nicholas J. Warack and Danielle D. Fritz top the list of 2001 graduates at Owen-Gage High School, school officials recently announced. Warack, this year's valedictorian with a perfect 4.0 grade point average, is the son of Joseph and Diane Warack, Sebawaing. Fritz, who achieved a near-perfect 3.98 grade point average, was named salutatorian. She is the daughter of Dave and Linette Fritz of Owendale.

Warack has participated in various sports through high school, including football, basketball and baseball, and he has won numerous awards. He was also selected as last year's 2000 homecoming king.

As a sophomore, Warack served as class treasurer, and as a junior he was elected student council vice-president. He currently is president of the student council

and president of the senior class.

Warack has been a member of the 3.0 Honors Club since he was a freshman. He has also been active in the National Honor Society. His other activities have included drama, math club, Quiz Bowl, prom committee and Kids for Sportsmanship. He is currently a member of the school newspaper/yearbook staff and works as an office aide.

Warack plans to attend the University of Michigan to study criminal justice. He also plans to serve in the Army Reserves.

Fritz has also been active in athletics as a member of the school's basketball, volleyball and softball teams, and she has earned a number of sports awards. She is also a member of Kids for Sportsmanship.

As a junior, she served as class vice-president and as a D.A.R.E. role model to elementary school students. Fritz is a student aide this year and works on the school's newspaper/yearbook staff.

Fritz has been a member of the 3.0 Honors Club throughout high school and a member of the National Honor Society since her sophomore year. She has also been active in the math club and prom committee, and was crowned Owen-Gage's snowball queen last February.

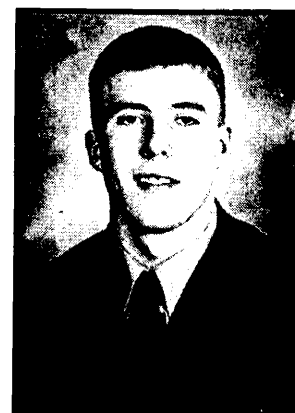
Her future plans include attending Saginaw Valley State University, where she will major in physical therapy.

Other Owen-Gage seniors graduating with honors this year are:

Cory D. Fritz, son of Douglas and Valerie Fritz; Ryan N. Fritz, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Fritz; exchange student Tazkia Gritiani, daughter of Alhilal Hamdi



Danielle Fritz



Nick Warack

Hollis also nominated

Council appoints Maharg, Prieskorn to vacancies

Cass City officials Monday welcomed former veteran Trustee Matt Prieskorn back to the Village Council and appointed a new face - local business owner John Maharg - to fill a second vacancy.

The appointments were approved following brief interviews with Prieskorn and Maharg along with residents Debbie Abell and Dawn Hollis, who also expressed an interest in serving on the council following the announced resignations of trustees Joe VanAuken and Sandra Haley.

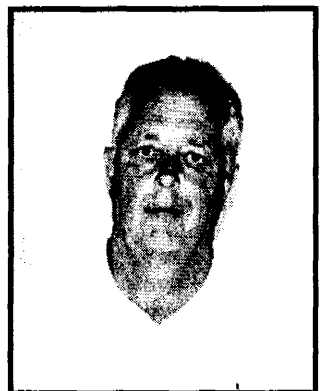
ness revitalization and promotion, as well as exploring activities for youths should be priorities for the council over the next several years.

Prieskorn, a self-employed businessman, is a lifelong Cass City resident who served on the council from 1988 until last year, when he lost his bid for the village president's seat to Karr.

Maharg, also a lifelong resident of the village, owns and operates Rolling Hills Golf Course.



Matt Prieskorn



John Maharg

Church Street storm sewer project on hold

A major storm sewer project planned for this summer in Cass City was postponed for a year after bids for the project came in at nearly double the figure estimated by the village's engineering firm.

The Cass City Village Council Monday formally rejected all bids received for the project and agreed to set aside the \$200,000 budgeted for the work.

"Our recommendation at this time is to reject all bids and consider the project for next year's Capital Improvement Program (CIP)," Village Manager Jane Downing said. "This will allow us to take the monies budgeted for this year and combine with monies to be set aside during the FY 2002 and CIP planning process."

"We also believe that particularly with the ordering and purchase of the extensive amount of concrete pipe required for this project - 1,245 lineal feet - we should be able to receive a much better pricing by ordering during the non-peak construction season."

Village officials initially set the total project cost at \$180,000 to \$190,000 based on engineering estimates. However, contractors recently submitted bids totaling about \$345,000.

The project will involve re-

placing a major storm sewer system along Church Street, from Nestles Street to Brooker Street. The existing concrete box culvert sewer is

The refinancing involves \$191,000 borrowed from Thumb National Bank to finance construction of a third water well in 1997. The bal-

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**--Jane Downing
village manager**

collapsing due to age, which has already caused portions of some street to collapse.

The council also rejected all bids received for the refurbishing of 2 primary settling tanks at the wastewater treatment plant.

"Bids received for this project (also) came in at almost twice what had been budgeted and projected for this project," said Downing, who recommended the council consider the project for next year.

LOAN REFINANCING

Turning to other matters, the council approved a plan to refinance an existing loan and borrow additional money to pay for the purchase of water meters and renovations to the village's water tower.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business during the monthly meeting, the council:

- Learned the village's growth over the past decade translates to dollars and cents in the form of a bigger share of state shared revenues.

The 2000 census revealed Cass City population has Please turn to back page.

Work underway on new bathrooms at fairgrounds

Construction is underway on 2 handicap accessible bathroom facilities at the Tuscola County Fairgrounds in Caro. The men's and women's buildings, which will include showers, are being built at the east and west ends of the fairgrounds - one near the sugar factory entrance and other near the Brentwood entrance.

Total cost of the project is estimated at \$180,000. Completion is slated for June 15.

The project has been 3 years in the making, according to fair board officials, who noted the support of former State Rep. Mike Green and State Sen. Joel Gougeon was key in securing a \$150,000 state arts and culture grant.

Several others have also had a hand in making the project a reality.

Tuscola County Fair groups for 2 years cooked their own celebration dinners, collected 10-cent returnable beverage cans door-to-door, and donated equipment for auctions that generated \$30,000 in matching dollars. In addition, the large livestock organization raised \$7,500, the 4-H Council raised \$7,500 and the fair board contributed \$7,500.

In the past, fair officials provided restroom facilities during the annual fair by renting Port-a-Johns, only one of which was barrier-free, and those facilities had to serve the fair's average attendance of 35,000 people.

Fair board member Jerry Vandemark noted this year's fair will be held one week later than usual - July 22-29 - due to a switch in carnival companies.



WILLARD KROPP and Al Nim, both with Shetler Plumbing and Heating, Pigeon, enjoyed last week's sunny weather as they worked on one of 2 new restroom facilities under construction at the Tuscola County Fairgrounds. The project, estimated at \$180,000, will be completed by mid-June.

Holbrook Area News

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FARM BUREAU MEETING

The Young Ideas Farm Bureau group met at the home of Joe and Hilda Sweeney Friday evening.

Dewey Holz led the discussion on organic farming. After watching a video, cards were played and high prizes were won by Rita Depcinski and Joe Wolschlagler. Low prizes went to Dorothy and Stanley Heleski.

The next meeting will be at the home of Joe and Josephine Wolschlagler.

A lunch was served by the hostess.

Mrs. Gerald Wills and Thelma Jackson were Monday supper guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Jim Foster of Caseville, Doris Western and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel had supper at the Cass City Stockyards Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard were Wednesday evening guests of Lloyd Barber at Deckerville.

Olive Derpenhaus and friend Pearl of Iron Mountain spent a few days with Mrs. Hiram Keyser.

Delphine McEachin, Pat Heleski and Mrs. Martin Sweeney attended the East Region Catholic Women's meeting and luncheon at the Peck St. John's Catholic Church Wednesday.

Allen Farrelly was a sponsor for his granddaughter, Katie Koroleski, at a confirmation and First Holy Communion at the Bad Axe Sacred Heart Catholic Church Sunday and later was a dinner guest of Julie Koroleski at her home. Other guests were Mark and Delores Farrelly and boys.

Edith Jackson was a Wednesday guest of Mr. Curtis Cleland.

Carol and Bradley Osantoski, Susan Krozek, Ryan and Samantha, Charles and Therese Depcinski, Shawn and Nicole, and Leona Depcinski were Thursday guests of Ray and Rita Depcinski, where they celebrated Rita Depcinski's birthday. Carol Osantoski made and decorated the birthday cake. Rita received a call from Bob Krug in Florida wishing her a happy birthday.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Mrs. Polega at the Huron County Health Center in Bad Axe Sunday.

Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Knapp of Walled Lake, Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cleland Jr. and family in honor of A.J. Cleland's 8th birthday Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel and Allen Farrelly attended the wedding of Lee Ann Meredith and Brent Morell at St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Argyle Saturday. A reception followed at the Cass City VFW Hall.

The Extended Homemakers group met at J.J. Jamoke's at Caro Thursday. They will meet at Marilyn Rosenberger's for a salad luncheon next time.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Jim and Virginia Sweeney Thursday morning. Eight members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at Stafono's in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Franklin Inn in Bad Axe next week.

Mrs. Bob Anderson of Livonia spent a few days with Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Ray and Rita Depcinski had dinner Sunday at the Peppermill in Bad Axe for their birthdays and later went to the home of Susan and

Greg Krozek and family in Fillion.

Gary Wills of Port Austin visited Mrs. Gerald Wills Tuesday evening.

Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford went home Saturday after spending several days with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming. They celebrated Mrs. Cleland's birthday Friday with birthday cake and ice cream.

Dan Franzel went home Monday after spending some time at the Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe.


Late Easter dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Gibbard Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Taylor and Brian, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Moore and family, Theresa Laming and Dan Gibbard. Other afternoon guests were Mr. and Mrs. O' Bert Regal and Nancy Spooner and girls of Plymouth.

Jack Kennedy, Jim Lewis, Ron Wolschlagler, Rick Shuart, Ed Schember, Bernard Morley and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's for breakfast Monday morning.

Mrs. Hiram Keyser was a Thursday afternoon guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Tim Bailey of St. Charles was a Wednesday forenoon guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

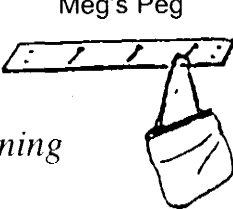
Allen Farrelly spent Monday in Detroit.



Meg's Peg

Learning

by Melva E. Guinther



We were bound to learn a few things after spending much of the past 3 months in hospitals and a rehab center.

Since my husband suffered a stroke, or brain attack, March 27, we've become more aware of how truly amazing and complex the interaction between the human brain and the rest of the body is.

A "simple" act such as swallowing involves myriad separate functions, which can be hampered when brain cells die.

We also learned that you should not thump a person on the back who's choking and coughing, something we've done since Hector was a pup. Doing so could cause the person to inhale what he's trying to expel.

We were told that as long as the person is exchanging air (coughing) he's probably okay. If not, the Heimlich maneuver should be used.

Speaking of learning, this poem by Grace E. Easley that appeared in a church bulletin is worth sharing.

I'M LEARNING HOW

Every day I'm learning how
To walk a straighter mile.
I've even found a way to greet
A sadness with a smile.
I have discovered inner strength
I knew not I possessed,
A quiet peace that flutters
Like a dove within my breast.

I've learned what is reality,
And what is make-believe.
And that it isn't smart to wear
One's heart upon one's sleeve.
I've learned to be more tolerant
With others and myself,
And that one cannot truly give
Until one gives himself.

I'm learning to appreciate
The days that hurry by,
To be content and know that there
Are none so rich as I.
I've found my true vocation,
What I was meant to do.
And when life mocks, to smile and say,
"I'm merely passing through."

New books at the library

A Girl Named Zippy by Haven Kimmel (nonfiction): This is the story of Haven Kimmel who was born in the small town of Mooreland, Ind., in 1965. Nicknamed Zippy because she was always on the move, this little girl was always small for her age and had big eyes and even bigger ears. Kimmel takes readers back to a small-town America that is hard to find anymore. It was a time when people helped their neighbors, went to church Sunday and it was not uncommon to find barnyard animals in their backyards. Zippy tells the story of the pet chicken she dearly loved and complains about evil Edythe who lived across the street. The entire book is a look at the oddity of the adult world seen through the eyes of a precocious child.

Mind Siege by Tim LaHaye and David Noelbel (nonfiction): Authors Tim LaHaye and David Noelbel are sounding the alarm for Christians to wake up and defend their right to believe in God and obey His teachings. They believe that the conflict is between biblical Christianity and Secular Humanism. This is a battle for people's minds, a war to decide whether thoughts will be shaped by the wisdom of men like Marx, Darwin, Freud and Nietzsche or by God's wisdom shared through Moses, the prophets, the apostles and Jesus. Dr. LaHaye says, "This book examines and explains Secular Humanism in simple terms so that the man on the street and in the pew can both understand its danger and be motivated to oppose it."

Mercy by Jodi Picoult: Police chief Cameron MacDonald is forced to arrest his cousin Jamie when the man comes to him and confesses to killing his terminally ill wife out of mercy. A heated murder trial ensues and Cameron, aiding the prosecution against Jamie, suddenly finds that his wife Allie is very unhappy with him. She is enthralled with the idea that a man could love his wife so much that he could not deny her every wish, even the wish to die. And when a strange attraction leads to a shocking betrayal, Allie faces the question of when does love cross the line of moral obligation? And what does it mean to truly love someone?

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Art show set May 7-12

The 11th annual art show is set for May 7-12 at Rawson Memorial Library. Local artists will present work in a variety of mediums including oils, watercolor, acrylic and pen and ink. Members of the community are invited to come to the Pinney Room during regular library hours to view the exhibit.

The Friends of the Library will sponsor a reception for the artists Wednesday, May 9, at 7 p.m. This is an opportunity to meet the artists and learn more about their work. Come to the library and find out how many talented artists we have in the Cass City area.

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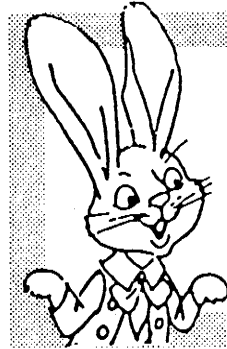
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

There will be a new priest this summer at St. Pancratius Church. New to the parish, but not new to the community. The priest is Steve Filion. He grew up in Cass City and attended Cass City Schools.

Single ladies, 18 to 24 years old, are invited to compete for the title of Michigan Bean Queen to be crowned at the 53rd annual Michigan Bean Festival. The winner will receive a \$1,500 scholarship and \$400 travel expenses. For information call Donna Cramer, bean queen coordinator, 4304 Beach Street, Akron, MI 48701 or call 989 691-5335.

Here's the latest scam foisted on senior citizens. An Arizona firm calling itself Senior Benefit Associates contacts potential marks by asking if they want to avoid receiving calls from telemarketers. They promise to block all telemarketing calls or remove your name from telemarketing lists. If you say "yes", they ask for a credit card number and you will be billed for anywhere from \$250 to \$500. And you continue to receive telemarketing calls.

May 6-12 is Arson Awareness Week. The Michigan Arson Prevention Committee is sponsoring the week to call attention to the cost of arson. Arson and suspicious fires account for about 22 percent of the total number of fires reported annually and cost more than \$160 million annually. That doesn't include costs such as medical care, funeral expenses, temporary shelter, business interruption, demolition, fire investigations, prosecutions, jail time and increased premiums. Arson does burn everyone.

Prison employee faces charges

A Camp Tuscola employee charged with having sexual contact with a prisoner faces a preliminary examination Friday in Tuscola County District Court. Shari L. Alexander, 30, of Unionville, was charged with 10 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct, a felony punishable by up to 15 years in prison. Bond in the case was set at \$10,000.

Court records state the offenses allegedly took place in January and March in Indianfields Township. In other recent felony arraignments, Tara F. Board, 24, Cass City, was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, April 9 in Wells Township. A preliminary exam was to have been held Tuesday. Bond was set at \$1,000.

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Red Hawk Excellence Award 4 students honored

Four students, one from each of the Cass City school buildings, were honored last week when they were presented the Red Hawk Award of Excellence.

The awards are presented 4 times each school year and only 16 students can earn the honor.

The awards are based on leadership, service, outstanding citizenship and scholastic achievement.

Selected from Deford Elementary School was Lukas Schenk, son of Kathy and Jim Schenk, Cass City. His teacher, Kelly Ball, says Lukas is a good citizen and always willing to assist a classmate or staff member in need. His fine attitude and spirit of cooperation is reflected in his work. It has been a real pleasure to work with such a conscientious, well-mannered child.

Selected from Campbell Elementary School was Kyle Kausch, son of Kevin and Laura Kausch of Deford. His teacher, Mary Jo Mantey says Kyle is a class leader who is a worthy role model and is well liked and respected by his peers.

He was a representative from his school at the Tuscola County Spelling Bee. He also works as a security guard in Campbell's Junior Banking Program.

Trey Helwig, son of Joan and Craig Helwig, Cass City, is the honored student from the middle school. The fifth grader works very hard to always do his best, principal Jeanne Lohela reported, and is very involved in classroom discussions and adds a little humor and a lot of insight with his comments. He is kind and thoughtful to all his peers.

Katie Hacker, senior, the daughter of John and Marlene Hacker, was selected from the high school.

She has been active in a host of community and school activities. The long list includes F.E.T.C.H., Christmas for Kids, Adopt-A-Highway, blood drive, United Way, Vacation Bible School teacher at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and counselor at Bay Shore Christian Basketball Camp.

She was captain of the varsity basketball team, vice-president of student council, foreign language club secretary, and active member of many school committees.

She worked at Hills and Dales General Hospital and was a valued column writer for the Cass City Chronicle.


She has received the 2001 leader advancement and trustees' honor scholarships from Central Michigan University.

Read Meg's Peg



DISPLAYING THE RIBBONS and certificates earned by their selection for the Red Hawk Award of Excellence are, from left, front row: Kyle Kausch and Lukas Schenk. Back row: Katie Hacker and Trey Helwig.

The Haire Net



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

The Cass City School Board ignored its own written policy when it granted an exception to the attendance policy for 3 youths last week. Letting the kids off the hook was a decision that was right for all practical purposes.

The students were excellent and were exempt from taking final exams. Making them sit around and pass up the opportunity to compete in a Bible Quiz Bowl leading possibly to scholarships is hard to defend.

The mistake is in the policy. It was adopted after long discussion and several revisions to create the best method of seeing that the students get all they can out of school by laws that reward attendance and penalize absences and tardiness.

There is no leeway. Now that it has been breached what's to prevent a student with a story not as convincing from demanding the same right?

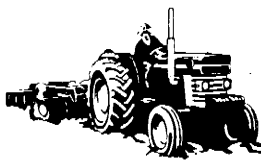
Maybe the policy should contain a disclaimer? Something to the effect that an exemption could be granted if agreed to by at least 5 members of the 7-member board.

Ray Donaldson is a recent arrival in Cass City. He has taken an active interest in the affairs of the community judging by his letters to the editor. That's great. We hope that all recent arrivals will become active in the community.

It would be even greater if he not only shared his views of what Cass City needs, but became involved in making it so.

The Chamber of Commerce is always in need of people willing to devote time and energy to help in its quest to make this a better Cass City. There are never-ending

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The back forty by Roger Pond

This is the age of technology. So many things we learned as youngsters are now obsolete or performed by machines.

Even more disheartening is the thought that ethics and responsibilities drummed into us by our elders have somehow lost their value. This is what struck me recently as I was preparing to clean a paint brush.

All of my life I have thought it's important to clean the brush when you finish painting. We are supposed to put the brush in some paint thinner or gasoline and then work on it until it is nearly as good as new.

My wife, on the other hand, was raised on the belief that you can put a paint brush in a soup-can full of gasoline, and it will go away sooner or later. She's right! Hers have all gone away.

I thought about this as I was painting my boat. I put my brush in a container of paint thinner. Then waited a few days and threw the whole thing away.

In 4 days of painting I discarded 6 brushes. Why should I clean paint brushes. Nobody else does.

It hurts to admit it, but the modern throw-away paint brushes have eliminated one of the few skills I was able to master as a youth. Nowadays, folks just buy a little sponge on a stick and when they're done painting, they toss it into the trash.

The same day I threw my brushes away, I read about a "futurist" who says almost none of what kids are learning today will be of any value to them a number of years down the road.

This caught my attention because it is exactly what my kids used to say. There's really no point in learning history or math or chemistry if you are never going to see this stuff again.

It's fair to assume most high school students would agree with the futurist. On the other hand, test scores would show many of these youngsters have little to worry about. They aren't learning enough to hurt them in the long run.

Futurists say we need to change our educational system and forget about the outmoded values taught in the family. The world is changing so fast that what we learn

today will be out of date tomorrow.

They claim we shouldn't be learning how to paint a boat and then clean the brush. The day is fast approaching when we will throw away the boat as well as the brushes.

Change is inevitable. We didn't even have futurists

when I was a kid. There were lots of folks predicting things like the weather, or how long it would be before the world exploded; but there weren't any bonafide futurists.

We did have teenagers, though. And as far as I can tell there's not a whole lot of difference.

The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	52	29	.04"
Wednesday	62	43	0
Thursday	69	41	.05"
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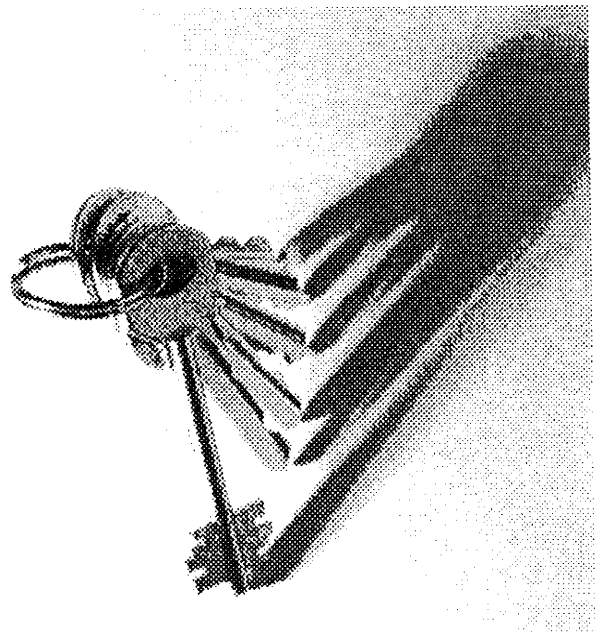
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Red Hawk Beat

by Cass City Senior,
Katie Hacker

Castle in the Sky



The junior class has been planning and preparing the biggest night for seniors (besides graduation) and that special event was Prom 2001.

Prom 2001 was this past Saturday, April 28, at Ubyly Heights. The prom has been held at Ubyly Heights for the past 3 years because the people there are willing to work with the junior classes and sponsors.

This year's prom theme was "Castle in the Sky" and the dance floor was decorated with a castle sitting in a cloud made of balloons. The ceiling was covered with blue and white gossamer, which gave it an in-the-sky effect.

Prom started at 6 p.m. with a greeting from Kerry Shagene and Danielle Guilds, the junior class president and vice-president. Couples could get their picture taken as soon as they walked in the door. Rick Sattler from Caro took the prom pictures this year. He had a backdrop that went along with the theme and used various poses for each couple.

After a majority of the students were there, each table was dismissed for dinner. Dinner was awesome. The menu included roast beef, chicken strips, honey glazed ham, mashed potatoes, dress-

ing, vegetables, and desserts. Everyone thought the meal was excellent and a lot of people went back for seconds.

The dancing began as the tables were cleared and the lights went out. The DJ was also very good. He played a variety of music and mixed the fast and slow songs together.

The prom court was announced after a while of dancing. Kerry Shagene and Jason Gangley were crowned Prince and Princess, and Chris Zeihm and Tara Lenhard were crowned King and Queen.

After the prom court danced, everyone gathered on the dance floor to listen to the class of 2001 prophecy. Josh Dillon and Andy Dale read the prophecy and did a great job. They were funny but didn't hurt too many people.

After the prophecy, the slide show was delayed due to technical difficulties with the projector. Luckily after some help from Larry Hoelze and Mr. Kuntz, the projector was up and working. Holli Cooper, who spent endless hours working to make the best slide show for our senior class, put the senior slide show together. It was made with the help of the KICK program's scanner and various computers. Seniors or parents can purchase a slide show that includes about 18 years of our life for only \$10.00. Holli did an extraordinary job putting the slide show together and it brought tears to some seniors' eyes.

After the slide show the DJ played a couple more songs and then Prom 2001 was over at midnight. The clean up crew went to work after everyone left to spend the rest of his or her 2001 prom having a blast.

Thank you to the junior class and the junior class sponsors (Mrs. Weippert, Mrs. Bitzer and Mrs. Kilbourn) for making Prom 2001 a memorable one.

Movish, Warchuck top Ubyly graduates



Heather Movish



Dennis Warchuck

Ubyly Community School officials have announced the honor students of the Class of 2001.

Topping the list are Dennis Warchuck, valedictorian with a grade point average of 3.949, and Heather Movish, salutatorian with a grade point average of 3.841.

Warchuck, son of Randall and Deborah Warchuck of Ruth, has received many honors during his high school career. They include the All Conference Scholar Athlete Award, Greater Thumb Conference Honorable Mention, Gus MacEachin Defensive Players Award, and Honorable Mention All State Academic Football Team.

He was named "student of the month" last September and has been awarded medals in wood shop, mechanical drawing, biology, physical science, chemistry, algebra, integrated math, pre-calculus/advanced math, health, physical education, U.S. history, economics/government and advanced computers.

Warchuck has received certificates in business education, advanced biology and American literature, along with the Certificate of Honor for Academics.

He has also been active in extra-curricular activities, including National Honor Society, football, and the re-designing/updating of the school's web page. A member of St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ruth, he volunteers as a student aide/tutor, works at athletic events and helps out in the community.

Warchuck is currently dual enrolled at St. Clair County Community College. Upon completion of his senior year, he will have completed 3 college courses. He is also employed at Kirsch Farms. He plans to attend Kettering University (formerly GMI) in Flint, where he will major in mechanical engineering.

Movish, daughter of Lewis and Kelly Movish, has been

daughter of Roger and Denise Bonnemai; Scott Romzek, son of Dennis and Paula Romzek; Elizabeth Prill, daughter of Raymond and Roseanne Prill; Andrea Osentoski, daughter of Henry and Ruth Osentoski; Andrew Duemling, son of Richard and Beverly Duemling; Nathan Prill, son of Alex and Theresa Prill; Jessica Pollum, daughter of Danial and Cynthia Pollum; Danielle Lautner, daughter of John and Debra Lautner; Alicia Jevahirian, daughter of Lois Jevahirian; Brian Wyrick, son of John and Mary Wyrick; Nicholas Messing, son of Michael and Joyce Messing; Gina Morell, daughter of Lynn and Maureen Morell; Katie Kubacki, daughter of Michael and Ann Kubacki; Kyle Maurer, son of Richard Maurer and Gloria Maurer; Andrea Kolar, daughter of Richard and Patricia Kolar; Erin Oberski, daughter of Calvin and Luann Oberski; MacKenzie Kerr, daughter of Julie Chappel-O'Connor and Thomas O'Connor; Jenni Butch, daughter of Kevin and Barbara Butch; Jonathan Brown, son of David and Lennea Brown; Leslie Peters, daughter of Patrick Peters and Nancy Peters; Carrie Dekoski, daughter of Terry and Debra Dekoski; and Bobbie Sierzputowski, daughter of Robert Sierzputowski and Annette Sierzputowski.

Hot dog debut

Hot dogs were first introduced to the public at the St. Louis World's Fair in 1904. But they were called "red hots," and they didn't come on a bun. Instead, a pair of white cotton gloves came with each one to keep fingers cool while eating.

Letter to the editor

Free papers a real mess

Developing waterfront great idea for village

As a lifelong resident of Cass City, I would like to share some ideas I have of what might perhaps make our town prosperous and vital for all citizens. Perhaps many people have more ideas they would share and our council could look into the feasibility of all our ideas.

I believe we should investigate creating a man made lake in the area. I believe, if possible, our town would become unique, and a possible theme, which we have searched for, could be (ex) "Cass City the Family Fun Town."

I walked down the walking trail this weekend. It is such a nice walk and the sound of the river water so relaxing from the pavilion. What a wonderful resource we have in the river. Bay City has regenerated itself by using its waterfront in new and enterprising ways.

It has been mentioned before about canoeing being promoted commercially. I believe this would bring people into the area for fun and enjoyment. If the water isn't high enough year round, think of a nature path for hikers and families along the river bank. Some people would like to walk the river instead of canoeing. There could be resting places, and canoe pick up sites where picnic areas are created.

There are several area gravel pits with lots of water in them. Perhaps a study could be conducted on development of a lake on one of these sites. Camping, boating, swimming, ice fishing, snowmobile races, winter fun fest, water shows, music shows on the water front, moonlight cruises around the lake. I believe the possibilities are encouraging, and should be looked into. All the people coming would be spending money in our stores. I know when I camp I always need food to cook, we also eat out, I buy pillows, clothes, medicine, whatever the situation calls for or whatever I have forgotten. Gas is always necessary.

Camping has always been a particular joy for our family. Sharing nature in a fun and affordable way builds positive family structure. The people of Cass City have always tried to support each other and the community. We are a family oriented town.

All existing business would benefit from the flow of people a lake would create. New business would be attracted and all the changes to existing buildings that has been discussed, possible themes for our town, and brick sidewalks, would evolve naturally with time, commitment and prosperity.

I know everyone wants privacy, which has been discussed before when we talk about the river and camping. But functional economy affords us the means to have privacy. I believe we can have both. We need the revenue here. The river is an existing resource we already have. If a lake could be made, Cass City would be able to offer Families, Singles, Seniors, Everyone all kinds of activities.

I think the community would get behind this and I think we can create a team of

young people who want to show their self esteem, talent, commitment to community they have and will help to build a safe, fun place for their future also. We don't want the youth to think they will automatically have to move from here to make a living.

I also would like to mention something which is a bit of a thorn in my side. The free flyer papers that are thrown in yards and on porches. I called the city twice about the mess and litter these create. The problem has gotten better, maybe our problem was worse than some because we live on a corner and get double, sometimes I think triples, but I still don't want these papers.

They go from the yard directly into the trash at my house. This is a real waste. I really don't appreciate or want them. We should, "I believe," have the choice of receiving them or not. I had suggested putting them in the Municipal Building or the Post Office, or having them at sights in stands where the residents who want them can pick them up. It is intrusive to have them forced upon us.

I thank the Chronicle for allowing me to share something I don't want and something I don't want. I encourage others to write. I am sure there are many good ideas that people feel shy about sharing which might help to improve the economy of our city that can be accomplished. Maybe they can't be, but sharing them can't hurt. I am sure we are a strong community which can show some strength and ingenuity even after the loss of General Cable and become even better.

Louise Wright

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.

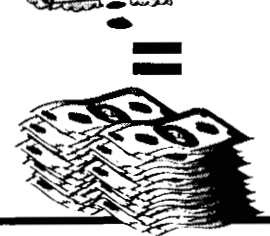
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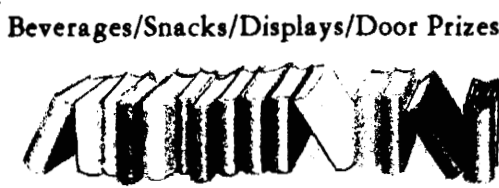
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May 6-12

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- 1:30-2:00 pm Video (A Day Away From Stress)
- 1:00-3:00 pm Free Massages
- 1:00-3:00 pm Blood Pressure Screenings
- 2:00-3:00 pm Body Fat & Grip Strength Analysis
- 3:00-3:30 pm Exercise Class - Walk n Tone
- 3:30-4:00 pm Exercise Class - Sculpt



TUESDAY, MAY 8

- 8:00 am - 8:00 pm Scholastic Book Sale
- 12:00-1:00 pm Banana Split Sale



WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

- 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Silent Auction (Place bids for miscellaneous office and hospital items.)
- 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Scholastic Book Fair
- 1:00-1:30 pm Bingo (Win Prizes)
- 1:30-2:00 pm Video (Alternative Medicine)
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- 1:00-3:00 pm Blood Pressure Screenings
- 2:00-3:00 pm Body Fat & Grip Strength Analysis
- 3:00-3:30 pm Exercise Class - Low Impact Aerobics
- 3:30-4:00 pm Exercise Class - Totally Tubular



THURSDAY, MAY 10

- 9:00 am Hospital Tour HEAR THE DOCTORS
- 10:00-10:30 am Dr. Aqil (Importance of Cancer Screening)
- 10:30-11:00 am Dr. Aly (Importance of Well Baby Visits)
- 11:00-11:30 am Dr. Asghar (Diabetes Mellitus)
- 11:30 am - 12:00 pm Dr. Quddoos (Risk for Heart Disease)
- 12:3 - 1:00 pm Dr. Jilani (Osteoporosis)
- 1:00-1:30 pm Dr. Murray (Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease)
- 2:00 pm Hospital Tour



FRIDAY, MAY 11

- 9:00 am 12:00 pm Bake Sale
- 2:00 pm Employee Recognition Tea





ALL SMILES ARE Dee McKrow, Hills & Dales CEO, and Ed Fox, pool chairperson, who pose with Rotary Club president (center) Pat Curtis. The Cass City civic club has committed to donating \$35,000 towards the Hills & Dales Hospital assisted living project and another \$25,000 towards the community pool project.



CASS CITY elementary, middle and high school art students' work is on display throughout Rawson Memorial Library through Friday. Above, seniors Heather James (left) and Amy DuQuesnay display just 2 examples of the local students' talent.

Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, May 2

Duplicate Bridge, 7:00 p.m. at Charmont. Everyone welcome. April 18 winners: John Haire and Bill Dupuis. April 25 winners: (tie) Wally Taylor and Wendell Wood, and John Haire and Bill Dupuis.

Thursday, May 3

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

Friday, May 4

Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.

Monday, May 7

Art Show at Rawson Memorial Library, May 7-12 during regular library hours.

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

Tuesday, May 8

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.

Wednesday, May 9

Reception for artists 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Rose among sailors aboard Eisenhower

by Jane E. Lucas

After traveling to the far corners of the world with a nuclear power plant below, an airport above and a "floating city" around them, the 5,000 plus sailors on board USS Dwight D. Eisenhower are no strangers to excitement, adaptation and hard work.

Aboard the Eisenhower, one of the Navy's 9 nuclear-powered aircraft carriers and one of the largest ships in the world, Navy sailors have the opportunity to experience in a day what many people may never in a lifetime.

In addition to the thousands of tons of ordnance and as many as 125 aircraft that the Eisenhower carries on board, there is an enormous crew of hard-working sailors who have a city to run and specific jobs to do 24 hours a

day, 7 days a week. Among these reliable sailors is Jamie C. Rose, son of Cliff Rose of Cass City.

Rose graduated from Standish-Sterling High School in 1992 and joined the Navy in April of 2000.

"I joined the military so that I could see the world, serve my country and earn money for college," he said. "I chose the Navy over other branches of the military because the Navy has the best schools."

Working aboard an aircraft carrier, Rose is always busy. "I work as a machinist mate. The ship runs on steam and I make sure that the steam system is working," said the fireman. "If something is broken, my division makes sure that it gets fixed."

Being stationed aboard Eisenhower, Rose has seen many things during his tour. "I think that visiting overseas was the most exciting thing for me. Seeing how other countries welcomed Ameri-

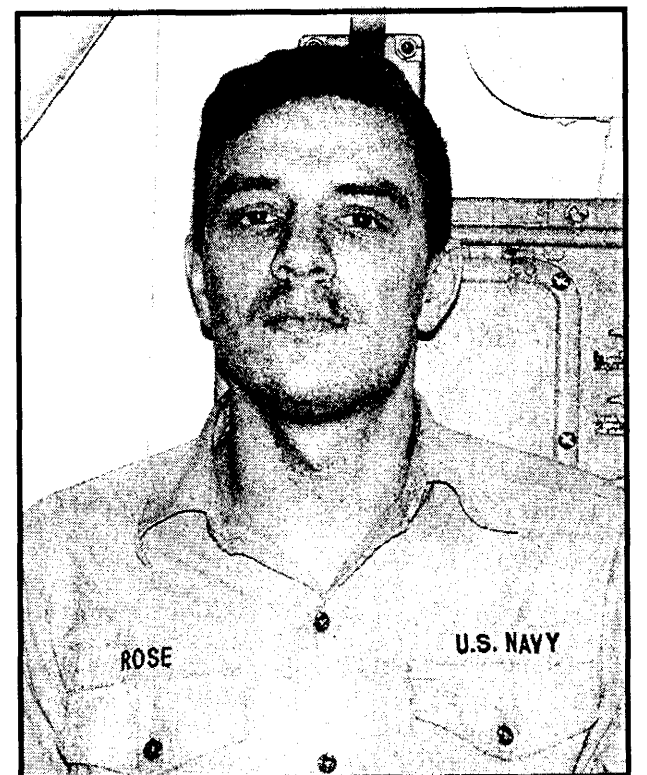
cans was a blast."

Rose has learned a lot from the Navy and is making plans for his future.

"I've learned that each job is important to the overall mission of the ship. If a communication problem exists between 2 divisions, it can lead to complications in reaching a common goal. Teamwork is something the whole crew needs to practice in order for the ship to run smoothly," he said. "After my enlistment in the Navy, I would like to become an elementary school teacher. The Navy has been very good to me."

Whatever his future holds, Rose will look back on this time of his life with fond memories. He'll also have the pride that comes with serving in a Navy uniform.

Jane E. Lucas is a journalist assigned to the Public Affairs Center in Norfolk, Va. Official U.S. Navy photo taken by Rusty Black.



Jamie C. Rose

Pain at the pump

AAA offers drivers tips to ease prices

To help ease the "pain at the pumps," AAA Michigan has re-released a set of fuel-conservation instructions for motorists seeking to save fuel.

AAA's energy conservation guidelines, contained in the booklet "AAA Gas Watcher's Guide" are available from AAA Michigan and in abbreviated form online at www.aaamich.com. AAA recognizes the steep increase in gasoline prices brought on by tight supplies has created a hardship on millions of American motorists.

AAA previously issued fuel conservation guidelines during World War II, the 2 oil embargoes of the 1970s and the Persian Gulf War in 1990. The Gas Watcher's guide will be helpful to all motorists.

The guide is a 12-page brochure that covers a variety of ways motorists can save fuel

and money, while driving safely and protecting the environment.

The advice contained in the Gas Watcher's Guide encourages motorists to systematically rethink their approach to day-to-day driving. Some of the key tips contained in the guide are:

- Change driving attitudes. Make fuel conservation top-of-mind when choosing which vehicle to drive, the distance of the destination, and what trips and errands to run.

- Consider driving style consequences. Save fuel by slowing down, maintaining steady speeds and avoiding rapid acceleration and sudden stops. Leave plenty of time to reach destinations and don't let the engine idle.

- Don't be foolish. Shop for the lowest gas prices locally, but don't drive excessive miles hoping to save a few

cents per gallon.

- Practice good vehicle maintenance by making certain tires are properly inflated, the air filter is clean, the engine and chassis are properly lubricated and spark plugs are in good condition.

- Check your vehicle owner's manual to make certain the grade of gasoline being purchased is the correct one. Most vehicles are designed to operate on lower cost regular gasoline.

- Save money by considering car pools and public transportation as a form of commuting. Car pools for school and children's activities can also cut fuel costs.

Effective use of energy is learned behavior, says AAA. To conserve, motorists must slow down and find ways to do more with less. The benefits of fuel conservation are a healthier environment, financial savings and improved safety on our roads. Through careful trip planning, motorists should be able to meet their daily business and leisure travel needs.

For a free copy of the "Gas Watcher's Guide," stop by your local AAA Michigan office or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Public Relations, AAA Michigan, 1 Auto Club Drive, Dearborn, MI 48126.

Announce scholarship

The Michigan Sugar Queen Selection Committee has announced it will offer a \$2,000 scholarship to the young lady selected to represent Michigan's sugar beet industry as the 2001 Michigan Sugar Queen.

Applications are currently being distributed to local high schools, colleges and universities for candidates interested in becoming queen.

The Michigan Sugar Queen and Court represent the sugar and sugar beet industry at statewide events, including appearances in parades, festivals and special corporate functions. The queen will be in the media spotlight in newspaper, television and radio features of the sugar industry.

The Michigan Sugar Beet Growers, Inc., and Michigan Sugar Company (MSC) sponsor the scholarship program. Two court members will each receive \$750 scholarships, in addition to the \$2,000 scholarship for the queen. The scholarships can be used toward the cost of tuition and books at any accredited college or university.

Members of the Michigan Sugar Queen and Court are also offered the opportunity to enhance their leadership, self confidence and communication skills.

"It was a unique experience to represent the Michigan Sugar Company, its growers and the local communities throughout the past year. It gave me an opportunity to learn new things about the industry and surrounding communities. I had a chance to meet many new and interesting people throughout the state and share the things I have learned about the sugar industry and its growers. The scholarship also helped me with the expense of my college education," said Nicole Kinde, a court member from Sebewiang.

Women age 18 to 23 are encouraged to request an application from Michigan

Sugar Company by calling (517) 799-7300 and asking for the communications department or writing to the Michigan Sugar Queen Selection Committee at 4800 Fashion Square Blvd., Saginaw, MI 48604. The application deadline is May 28.



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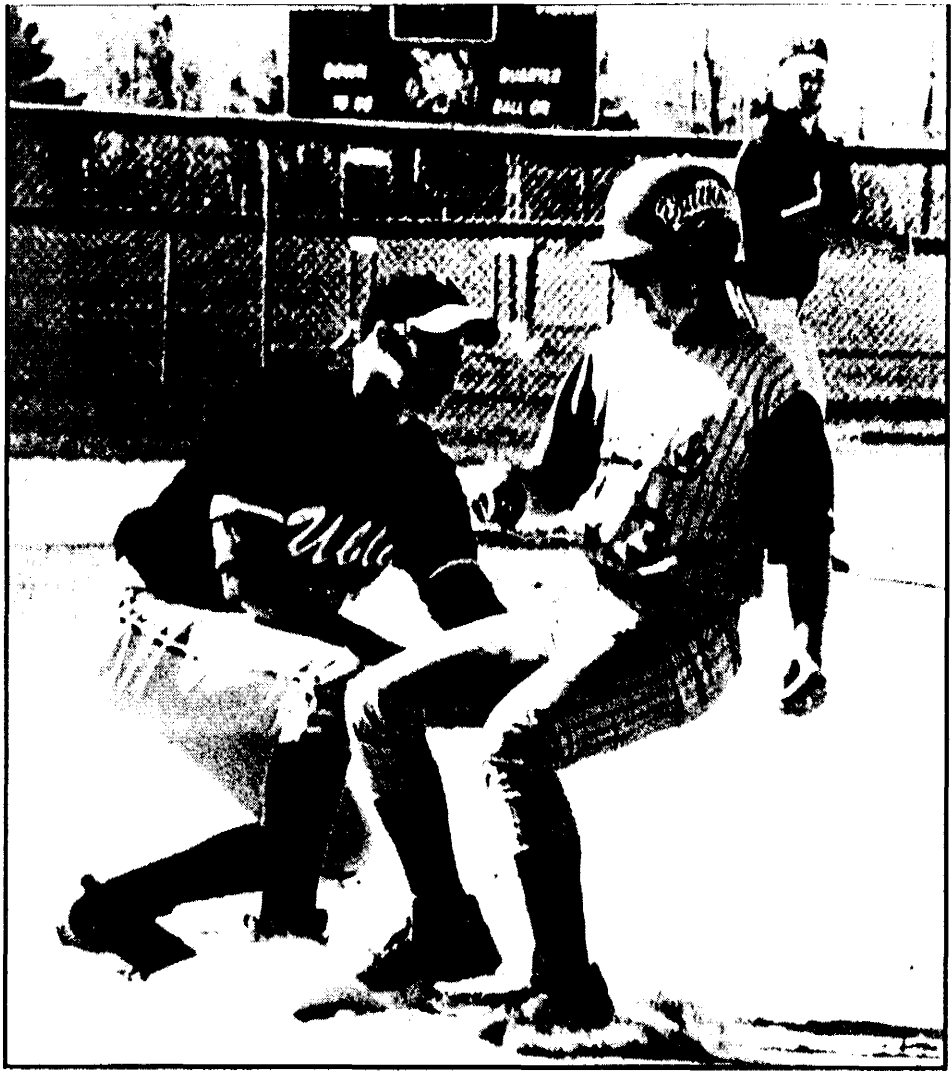
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UBLY FIRST BASEMEN Adam Klee applies a tag in vain to Owen-Gage's Corbin Swiastyn Saturday during a qualifying game for the Huron County Invitational tournament. The guest Bulldogs recorded an 11-2 win.

At Akron-Fairgrove tourney

O-G tumbles to Caseville, whips Vikings Saturday

Owen-Gage traveled to Akron Saturday and returned home with a 1-1 record during the Akron-Fairgrove Invitational softball tournament.

Coach Barb Adams' Bulldogs were handed a 3-1 setback in the opener against Caseville, who went on to capture the tourney title with a 10-0 decision over North Huron in the finals.

The Bulldogs were able to rebound from the defeat against the Eagles with a 16-1 rout over host Akron-Fairgrove. The Vikings lost to the North Huron Warriors in their opening round tilt.

Against Caseville, hurler Katie Quinn held the Bulldogs scoreless for 5 innings en route to a 3-1 victory.

Quinn fanned 8 and surrendered 4 hits while besting Owen-Gage's Kelly Zaleski. Zaleski went the distance and struck out 3, while allowing 4 hits.

"We struggled at the plate against Katie. The girls needed to be swinging much more than they were, espe-

cially against Quinn. She throws 90% strikes," said Adams.

Ashley Adams led the Bulldogs at the plate with 2 singles. Erin Salcido, who scored the lone Bulldog run, added a single, as did Melissa Ziehm.

AKRON-FAIRGROVE

The Bulldog bats came alive against host Akron-Fairgrove and led the visitors to a 16-1 victory during the contest that lasted only 3 innings.

Ziehm was on the rubber for the winners and collected the win. She struck out 3 and issued 3 free passes.

Ziehm and Dee Fritz led Owen-Gage's 11-hit attack, each collecting 2-base safeties.

NCTL GAMES

Owen-Gage traveled to Peck Thursday and recorded a pair of one-run decisions.

The visitors sneaked out a 9-8 win in game one with 2 runs in their final 2 at bats and then held on to escape with a 13-12 victory in game

2. Erin Salcido was the pitcher of record in both games for the winners.

Leading 7-6 in the initial game, Salcido relieved starter Zaleski for the final 2 frames and held the hosts to just one run to earn the win.

Zaleski led Owen-Gage at the plate with a pair of doubles. Shannon Pitcher chipped in a single that produced 2 RBIs, while Ziehm added an RBI single.

In the nightcap, Owen-Gage took a 13-10 advantage into the final frame and escaped with a one-run win, thanks in part to an outstanding play from catcher Dee Fritz.

"Fritz ended the game with an awesome catch when she dove for a pop," said Adams.

Salcido went the distance for the visitors and fanned 4, despite being tagged for 13 hits.

Owen-Gage received 2 hits from Fritz and Zaleski to lead a 13-hit attack. Adams delivered a double that resulted in 2 RBIs for the guests.



CASS CITY'S TIM Khoury slides under the tag of Bad Axe's Nick Eisinger during Greater Thumb West conference play Thursday at the high school. The visiting Hatchets captured both ends of the doubleheader.

Bulldogs advance in Huron County Invite

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs visited Ugly Saturday and disposed of the Greater Thumb East Bearcats 11-2

during a qualifying contest for the Huron County Invitational baseball tournament. The victory pits Owen-

Gage against North Huron this Saturday in a semifinal meeting in Bad Axe. The winners will face the victors

of a Harbor Beach and Laker clash for the tourney crown.

Both schools squandered scoring opportunities in the opening frame, where the Bulldogs grabbed a 1-0 lead.

With one run across, the winners were looking for more when Ugly picked off a Bulldog base runner with 2 outs and the bases full.

The Bearcats also blotted an opening frame scoring chance after a lead off triple was wasted. Solid fielding by the Bulldogs thwarted the scoring opportunity.

Leading 6-2, the visitors

scored 5 runs in the final inning to remove any doubt from the contest's outcome.

Starter Shane Mellendorf and reliever Nathan Kain handled the pitching chores for the Bulldogs. Mellendorf whiffed 2 and allowed 3 hits over 4 innings of work, while Kain fanned 5 over the final 3 innings.

Cory Fritz had a banner day at the plate for the winners, recording 3 hits in 4 trips to the plate, including a 2-run homer. Earl McKee doubled for the Bulldogs, while Kain and Jeremy Kady each recorded 2 singles.

Owen-Gage sweeps twinbills over Pirates and Blue Stars

Owen-Gage opened its defense of the North Central Thumb League baseball title in high fashion, recording a pair of mercy rule sweeps over Peck and Port Hope.

The Bulldogs traveled to face the Pirates Thursday and quickly disposed of the hosts while running their conference mark to a perfect 3-0. Coach Chad Mellendorf's gang pounded out 18 runs during an abbreviated 3-inning contest in the opener and then registered a 15-1 decision in the nightcap that was halted after 5 frames.

Mellendorf will be looking for the same type of offensive effort this Thursday when Kingston evades Owendale, followed by a Monday meeting at North Huron against the Warriors.

Ace Shane Mellendorf handled the pitching duties in

game one at Peck and received all the runs he would need in the initial frame when the visitors tallied 8 markers.

Mellendorf fanned 6 and allowed one hit to collect the win.

Owen-Gage added 7 more runs in its next frame and the rout was on.

Junior Corbin Swiastyn and Matt Gaeth each doubled for the winners, while Zack Fritz added a single.

In the nightcap, Owen-Gage broke open a 1-0 game with 6 runs in the 3rd inning en route to a 15-1 victory.

Nathan Kain was on the rubber for the guests and collected the win. Kain tossed a no-hitter for the winners and whiffed 5.

At the plate, Mellendorf and Earl McKee each doubled for the winners, while Ryan Fritz

chipped in a pair of singles.

PORT HOPE

Owen-Gage handily defeated visiting Port Hope Monday in its NCTL home opener and posted a 19-0 win.

Mellendorf worked just 2 frames to collect the win as the game was decided by a 16-run outburst by the hosts in the first stanza.

Mellendorf was too overpowering for the Blue Stars and struck out 5 without allowing a hit.

The hosts had Matt Gaeth with a triple and double. Ryan Fritz pounded a double and single, while Mellendorf and Zach Fritz combined for 5 singles.

After the Bulldogs scored 11 runs in the first frame of the nightcap, the contest was postponed due by inclement weather.



RED HAWK MANISHA Raythatha holds Bad Axe's Sara Ney tight at 3rd base during Thursday's Greater Thumb West contest. The visiting Hatchets split the twin bill.

Hatchets sweep doubleheader over hosts Cass City

The Cass City Red Hawks face an uphill battle this week in their quest to break the season-long losing streak in the Greater Thumb West. Monday they were to face USA and then meet powerful Reese Thursday on the road.

While the Hawks lost a double header to Bad Axe Thursday, neither loss was a runaway for the visitors. Cass City lost the opener 5-2 and the nightcap 6-3 in a game called after 5 innings.

Lakers drop Cass City

The Cass City Red Hawks failed to break into the win column in the Greater Thumb West Monday, dropping a double header at Laker High. The scores were 10-1 and 7-5.

For a while it appeared as if Cass City might break its losing streak against the Lakers. The Hawks led, 5-4 after 6 innings, but the Lakers rallied for 3 runs in the last inning to take the win.

Cass City scored 4 times in the third inning by bunting 3 of their 5 hits. The key blow was a home run by Joel Brinkman. It followed an opening walk to Zach Glaspie and hits by Guthry Laurie and Nick Turner. Turner went the distance and allowed 7 hits. Voss came on in relief to take the win for the Lakers.

The Hawks were never in it in the 10-1 loss, called after 5 innings. Fritz pitched a neat 2-hitter for the winners. Nate Brinkman took the loss. Coach Ryan Pritchett said that errors hurt the Hawks.

In the opener the Hatchets staged a 3-run rally in the fourth inning to break a 2-2 tie for the victory. Cass City scored both of its runs in the second when Nate Brinkman opened with a walk and Matt

Ender and Tyler Bader singled.

Bader took the loss. Bad Axe collected 10 hits well scattered. Ulfing allowed just 4 hits to get the victory.

In the nightcap, Cass City

was just one timely base hit away from finally having a great opportunity to crack its losing streak. In the second inning the Hawks combined 2 hits and 4 walks, scored 2 runs, but left the bases

loaded.

The rally tied the score until the fourth when the Hatchets scored 4 times on a pair of hits and 2 walks.

Dan Vandecar gave up 7 hits to take the loss.

LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF
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Please Take Notice that the regular school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 11, 2001.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2001, IS MONDAY, MAY 14, 2001. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 14, 2001, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

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CLOSING THE GAP is Cass City's Noah Gould (right) during Saturday's Gavel Club relay.

Bulldogs set 3 new marks

Yale wins 11th annual Gavel Club relays

Yale captured the 11th annual running of the Gavel Club's Jack and Jill Relays Saturday and set 3 new meet records on the way to the victory. The Bulldogs, with 120 points, ended with a comfortable lead over second place Bay City John Glenn, 90 points.

Cass City was a strong third with 82 points. Others finished in the following order: Bad Axe, 67; Durand, 56; North Branch, 54; Marlette, 52; Millington, 32; Deckerville, 24; Royal Oak 11.

One of the 3 records set by Yale erased its own mark of 2:33.24 in the Gavel Relay set last year. The new standard is 2:32.14. In the 4x300, Yale's time of 2:46.07 topped the record of 2:50.03 set last year by Cass City. In the shuttle hurdle, the Bulldogs' time of 1:07.58 topped the time of 1:10.3 set by North Branch in 1997. Yale now holds the meet record in 6 events. The high jump (22-

4); 4x200 (1:41.74); sprint medley (2:12.75); Gavel relay, shuttle hurdle and 4x300.

John Glenn set a new record in the 4x600 with a time of 6:33.73, breaking the 6:44.56 set by Frankenmuth in 1997.

The meet was held in perfect weather, one that more than made up for the years when rain and cold weather had to be endured.

Cass City placed first in the 4x100. Other winners were: Discus, Durant, 426 feet; high jump, Yale, 21 feet 10 inches; pole vault, John Glenn, 34 feet, 6 inches; shot put, Millington, 145 feet, 1 1/2 inches; long jump, John Glenn, 65 feet, 6 3/4 inches; shuttle hurdle, Yale; odd middle distance, John Glenn, 9:38.86; sprint medley, Yale, 2:11.10; distance medley, John Glenn, 13:03.34; 4x300, Yale; gavel relay, Yale; 4x600, John Glenn; 4x200 John Glenn, 11:42.27; even middle distance, Yale, 8:22.74.

Cass City point winners on the afternoon included:

Pole Vault (5th) 20'6" - Ryan Thornton, Erika Karavas, Krystee Dorland

Discus (3rd) 375' - Jessica Covarrubias, Aleasha Edwards, Chris Ziehm, Jason Barrigar.

Long Jump (5th) 61'7 1/2" - Erika Karavas, Amanda Sullins, Matt Stoutenburg, Zack Toner.

Shuttle Hurdle (2nd) 1:13.45 - Jessica Tenbusch, Jennifer Tenbusch, Kyle O'Dell, Noah Gould.

4x100 (1st) 49.63 - Aaron Dorland, Sara Homakie, Matt Stoutenburg, Jaime Fluegge.

Odd Mid Distance (3rd) 10:04.72 - Holli Cooper, Ryan Thornton, Charles Maxwell, Annjea Tanton.

Sprint Medley (5th) 2:21.64 - Erika Karavas, Aaron Dorland, Kyle O'Dell, Jaime Fluegge.

4x600 (3rd) 6:42.85 - Matt Stoutenburg, Ashley Ouvry, Holli Cooper, Noah Gould.

Distance Medley (3rd) 13:53.76 - Kyle O'Dell, Charles Maxwell, Liz Hoyt, Annjea Tanton.

4x200 (3rd) 1:45.23 - Sara Homakie, Zack Toner, Jaime Fluegge, Aaron Dorland.

4x300 (2nd) 2:50.59 - Holli Cooper, Sara Homakie, Paul Balk, Kyle O'Dell.

Even Mid District (5th) 9:03.29 - Noah Gould, Ashley Ouvry, Amy Howard, Charles Maxwell.

Gavel Relay (3rd) 2:42.74 - Jennifer Tenbusch, Matt Stoutenburg, Noah Gould, Jaime Fluegge.



RED HAWK Ashley Ouvry (right) battles for position at the 11th annual Gavel Club relay. Ouvry helped the Hawks to a third place finish.

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Lady Hawks register win over Swan Valley

The Lady Red Hawk soccer team opened play of a 5-game home stand on the new high school soccer field with a pair of strong showings against Sandusky and Swan Valley.

Against a relatively inexperienced Swan Valley team Thursday, Coach Chuck Reed's squad earned a 1-0 victory.

Play was up and down for the entire game with shots on goal hard to come by for both squads. Coach Reed credited midfield play by Kaylee and

Allyson Bell and defense from Laura Auten and Crystal Sattleberg for keeping the ball out of the Cass City end. Reed also praised the efforts of Stacy Sullins, Becca Rockwell and Jesika Ferris, who combined to keep pressure on the guests' offense.

A strong run by senior Laura Laming resulted in a Swan Valley foul in the penalty area and the penalty kick by Sullins produced the game winner.

Again, Cass City reserves Nicole Drinkard and Sandra

Teixeira, along with first time starter Erica Delamarter, played well for the winners, as did senior defender Megan Powell, according to Reed.

Earlier in the week, on Monday, the hosts played to a 1-1 deadlock against Sandusky.

Cass City came out strong and moved the ball well throughout the first half, getting more shots on goal than in all its previous games combined. Strong defensive play by the Redskins kept the game scoreless at the half.

But following a half hour weather delay, the game resumed under cloudy skies and high winds. Sandusky scored early and despite pressure from Laming, Sullins and Becca Rockwell, the goal looked like it would hold up.

However, Laming came to the rescue with a goal in the last 10 minutes to tie the game.

The Hawks', 2-4-1 overall, next game is scheduled for tonight (Wednesday), when they play hosts to Marlette.



Kaylee Bell



Laura Laming



Megan Powell



Stacy Sullins

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Petroglyphs program scheduled for May 12

Discover the mysteries of the Sanilac Petroglyphs and learn more about Michigan's Thumb region at "The Lay of the Land: Geology and Geography of the Petroglyphs," a special program scheduled for Saturday, May 12, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Sanilac Petroglyphs, east of Cass City.

Harold Neitzke of Burton will lead participants on a tour of the Petroglyphs, and share lessons and stories about the geology and geography of Michigan's Thumb region. Stories and lessons will include:

- An interpretation of the local environment and ecology.
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- Stories on why Native Americans may have created the Petroglyphs.

Located east of Cass City, the Sanilac Petroglyphs are among the most important prehistoric sites in Michigan. Dating back 300 to 1,000 years, the petroglyphs are a series of figures carved into a sandstone outcrop.

Archaeologists suggest that Native Americans seeking to improve their hunting success or recording their visions may have created the Petroglyphs.

To reach the park, turn east off M-53 onto Bay City-Forestville Road and drive 2 miles to Germania Road. Turn south of Germania Road and drive approximately one-half mile. The

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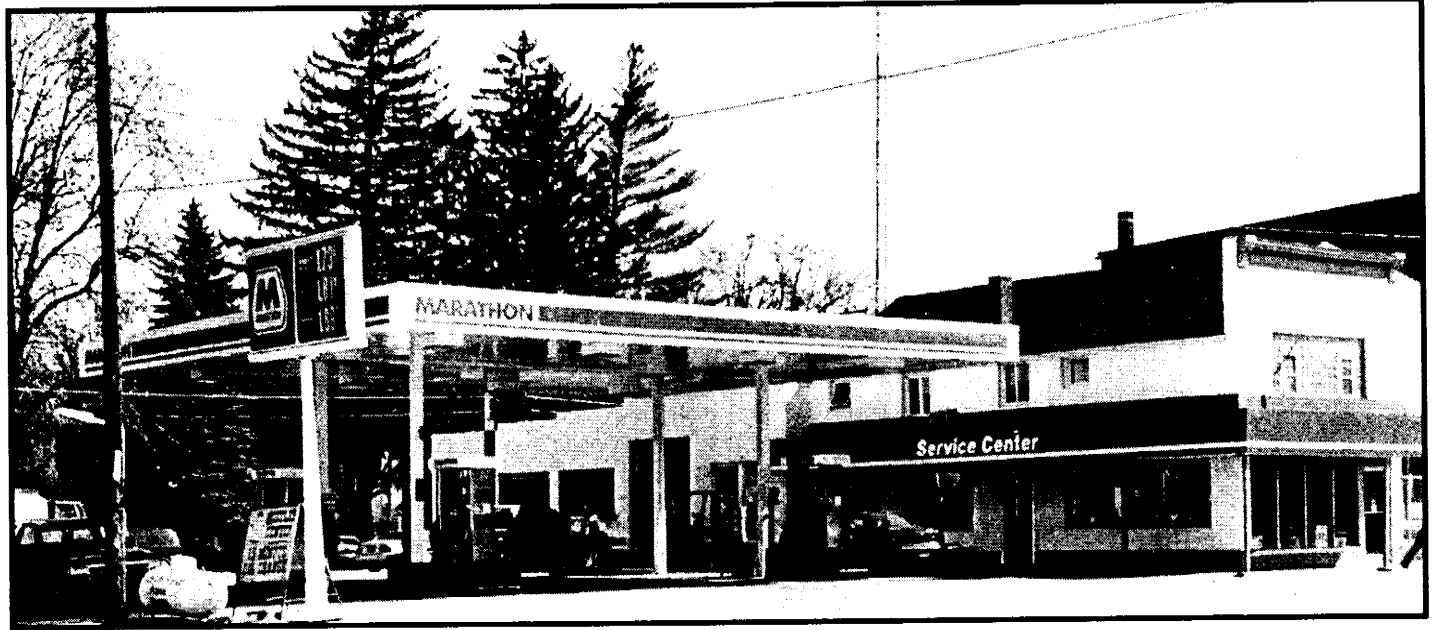
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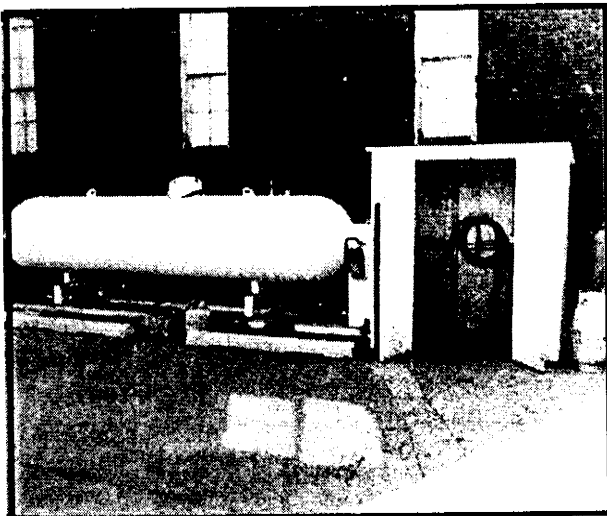


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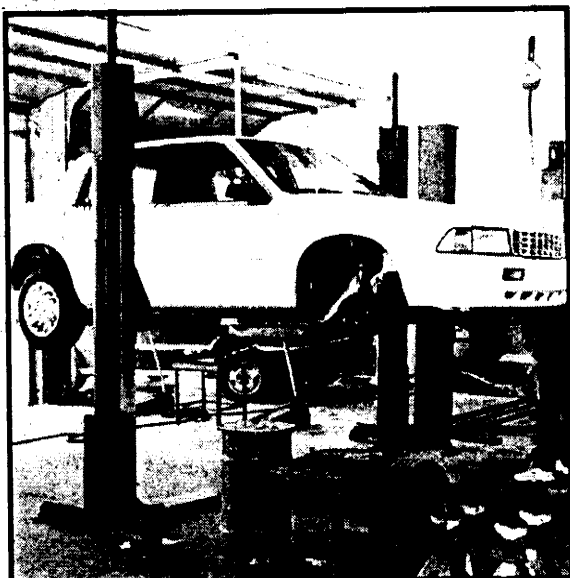
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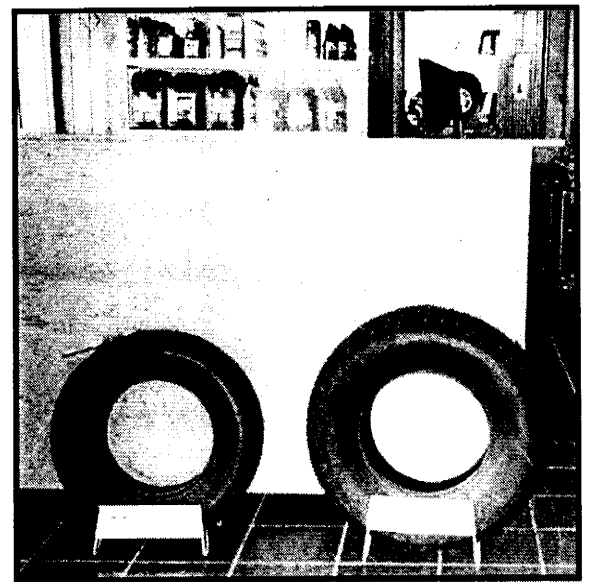


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CROP WALK slated for Sunday

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The short walk will be 2.2 miles and the long walk will be 6.4 miles. Both will begin and end at the Caro United Methodist Church, 670 Gifford Rd., Caro.

Organized locally, the CROP WALK has set a goal of recruiting 100 walkers and raising \$5,000 to help stop

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The Thumb Area CROP WALK is one of some 2,000 CROP WALKS taking place around the country this year.

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Dated: April 18, 2001

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Dated: April 25, 2001

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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.

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

Lot 107 Oak Grove Subdivision No. 1, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 44, Tuscola County Records.

Dated: April 25, 2001

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MORTGAGE SALE

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Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on June 8, 2001.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the North-west 1/4 of Section 20, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point South 00 degrees 07 minutes 23 seconds West, 1108.39 feet from the North 1/4 corner of Section; thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 23 seconds West, 219.87 feet along the North-South 1/4 line; thence South 89 degrees 50 minutes 42 seconds West 1323.22 feet, thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 04 seconds East 223.45 feet; thence East 1322.72 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to that part used as Helen Road and any of that easements and/or rights-of-way of record.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgage can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: April 18, 2001

FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE:
Assignee of Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgagee

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
For information please call
(248) 540-7701

Dated: April 25, 2001

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee of IMC Home Equity Loan Trust 1998-1 under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of March 1, 1998.
As Assignee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000
File No. 193.0005

4-25-5

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 P. GUE III to FIRST FINANCE, A MICHIGAN CORPORATION, Mortgagee, dated May 14, 1998, and recorded on May 20, 1998, in Liber 739, on page 1409 TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, and assigned by MESNE assignment to FIRST UNION

NATIONAL BANK, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, by an assignment dated November 28, 2000, and recorded on March 26, 2001, in Liber 826, on page 094 TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty one thousand sixty seven and 59/100 Dollars (\$51,067.59), including interest at 13.100% 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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 11:00 AM on May 25, 2001.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF CASS CITY, TUSCOLA County, Michigan, and are described as:

EXHIBIT A

LAND SITUATED IN VILLAGE OF CASS CITY, ELKLAND TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN:

Commencing at a point 518 feet West of intersection of North line of Garfield Street and West line of right of way of Pontiac, Oxford and Northern Railroad now Grand Trunk Western Railroad, running thence North 30 rods more or less along the boundary line of General Cable Corporation property to the North 1/8 line, thence West 5 rods 2 feet, thence South 30 rods more or less parallel to General Cable Corporation boundary line to North line of Garfield Street, thence East 5 rods 2 feet to point of beginning. Being part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East.

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

Dated: April 18, 2001

FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE:
Assignee of Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgagee

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4-18-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Alfred J. Palmer and Patricia Palmer husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Mac-Clear Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 7, 2000, and recorded on July 12, 2000 in Liber 805, on Page 1278, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the CitiMortgage, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated July 7, 2000, which was recorded on July 21, 2000, in Liber 806, on Page 937, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX AND 35/100 dollars (\$67,766.35), including interest at 10.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 8, 2001.

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

Lot 13 Block 24 of the plat of the Village Now City of Vassar according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Plat Liber 2 Page 93 Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: April 25, 2001

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
248-593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200115935

Dolphins

4-25-5

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

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

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

4-4-6

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey R. Bakewell and Rochelle L. Tanks-Bakewell husband and wife (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated August 13, 1998, and recorded on August 17, 1998 in Liber 747, on Page 1457, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated May 23, 2000, which was recorded on June 20, 2000, in Liber 803, on Page 1370, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-ONE AND 52/100 dollars (\$105,791.52), including interest at 8.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10 AM, on June 8, 2001.

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

Part of the Northeast quarter of Section 15, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point on the East Section line that is North 00 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds West 1139.72 feet from the East quarter corner of Section 15; thence continuing along said East Section line North 00 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds West 200.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds West 220.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds East 200.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds East 220.00 feet to the point of beginning. Right of Way for Edward Road over the Easterly side thereof.

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 25, 2001

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
248-593-1311
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200115218

Jaguars

4-25-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Deborah Johnson, a single woman and Alfred N. Johnson, a married man (original mortgagors) to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated January 15, 1996, and recorded on February 1, 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.

1999, and recorded on January 25, 1999 in Liber 761, on Page 067, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, A New Jersey Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated July 10, 1999, which was recorded on August 12, 1999, in Liber 779, on Page 474, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY-THREE AND 51/100 dollars (\$69,243.51), including interest at 8.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 25, 2001.

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

Parcel B - Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the South Section line that is North 89 degrees 28 minutes 0 seconds East, 984.75 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 33; thence North 0 degrees 32 minutes 0 seconds West, 417.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 28 minutes 0 seconds West, 100.00 feet; thence North 0 degrees 27 minutes 32 seconds West, 338.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes 0 seconds East, 275.88 feet; thence South 0 degrees 26 minutes 0 seconds East, 755.00 feet; thence along said South Section line, South 89 degrees 28 minutes 0 seconds West, 175.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Obituaries

Wilfred Kramer

Wilfred "Fritz" Kramer, 78, of Palms, and former owner of Kramer Implements of Palms, died Monday April 23, 2001, at his residence under hospice care.

He was born Aug. 13, 1922, in Palms, son of Bernard and Sophia (Morell) Kramer. He married Shirley J. Thompson Oct. 21, 1950, at St. Patrick Church of Palms. She preceded him in death Aug. 1, 1993.

He was a graduate of Snay Country School. He owned Wilfred H. Kramer Sales & Service, Minneapolis Moline White Dealership from 1953 to 1975. He had Belarus Deutz Tractor Dealership from 1975 to 1985. He continued servicing Minneapolis Moline Antique Tractor Repairs and collecting until October 2000.

He was a life-long member of the Ruth Knights of Columbus Council #3823, was an usher at St. Patrick Church and a member of the Men's Club. He was a member of the Prairie Gold "Rush" Antique Club and a member of the Minneapolis Moline Collectors Club. He attended the club meetings annually and attended Tractor and Antique Shows throughout the United States.

He is survived by 2 sons, Steven J. Kramer and his wife JoAnn of Deckerville;

Scott B. Kramer and his wife Charlene of Ruth; one brother, Alden Kramer of Ruth; 2 sisters, June Creguer and her husband Dougle of Minden City, Kathryn Cleland of St. Clair, and 8 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Orville E. Kramer.

Mass of Christian burial was held Thursday at St. Patrick Church of Palms. The Rev. Steve Gavit, pastor of St. Peter and Paul of Ruth, and Sister Theresa Carlow, pastoral-administrator of St. Patrick Church of Palms, officiated.

Burial was in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Smielski Funeral Home, Minden City.

Zetta Osborne

Zetta Osborne, 82, of Kingston, died Friday, April 27, 2001, at McLaren Medical Center, Flint.

She was born Nov. 19, 1918, in Columbiaville to Rev. Wilbur and Lena (McCart) Traver. She married William Osborne Aug. 9, 1975, in Snover. He died May 7, 1978.

She graduated from Spring Arbor College, Greenville College and Owosso College with a ThB degree. She was a professor of sociology, theology and psychology for 30 years, 23 years at Owosso

College. She was also president of Calvary Life Fellowship in Nebraska for 10 years, moved to California and worked with the Free World Prison Ministry, and retired in Michigan after her husband's death. She was a member of the Kingston Wesleyan Church.

Surviving are 2 brothers-in-law, Rev. Kenneth Boileau of Kingston and Dr. Herbert (Arlene) Sebre of Clinton, Iowa; a sister-in-law, Dorris Traver of Vicksburg, and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by 2 sisters, Agnes Sebre and Loretta Boileau, and a brother, Verian Traver.

Funeral services were held Monday at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, with the Rev. Ken Sandefur officiating.

Interment was in Kingston Cemetery, Kingston.

Manuel Southgate

Manuel T. "Frog" Southgate, 84, of Unionville, died Thursday, April 26, 2001.

He was born in Akron Township Dec. 29, 1916, the son of Walter and Mary (McLaren) Southgate. Jan. 9, 1937, he married Anna Elizabeth Herman. She preceded him in death Dec. 8, 1997.

Southgate was a member of Wisner United Methodist Church. He had been a commercial fisherman, was employed with Eaton Manufacturing Company, the Autolite Corporation, and had farmed until his retirement.

Surviving are his children, Ronald (Noreen) Southgate of Saginaw, Philip Southgate of Bay City, Carol Schairer of Schewaing, and Marilyn (Walter) Latimer of Unionville; 6 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren, and a brother, Alvah Southgate of Caro.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Norma Furst.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Wisner United Methodist Church with the Rev. Mark Karls officiating. Interment was in Wisner Township Cemetery.

The family has suggested memorials to Wisner United Methodist Church or Bay Shore Camp.

Arrangements were made by the Unionville Funeral Chapel, Unionville.

Spring planting off to a great start in state

Spring planting already is abuzz in many Michigan farm fields, and lots more action is expected in coming weeks as the state's farmers head into the heart of their planting season.

"It looks like sugar beets are off to a real good start," said Bob Boehm, manager of the Michigan Farm Bureau Commodity and Marketing Department. That's good news considering sugar beets traditionally are the first major crop planted, followed by corn, soybeans and dry beans.

According to crop reports filed last week, farmers have already planted more than half of the state's sugar beet acreage. Michigan sugar beet growers expect to plant 180,000 acres, according to the Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service (MASS).

While overnight frosts could damage some sugar beets and force replanting, Boehm said growers are ahead enough that any replanting would not cause major disruptions to planting schedules.

For instance, at this time last year, only 48 percent of the sugar beet crop was in the ground. And on average, only 10 percent of the crop is normally planted by now.

Michigan's timely start sharply contrasts the sugar beet industries in Minnesota and North Dakota, where sugar beet planting is stalled due to cool, wet weather and localized flooding.

Boehm said Michigan farmers likely will have a significant portion of the corn crop planted by May 15 - the optimal timeframe - so long as forecasts for dry and warmer weather hold true for the next few weeks.

MASS estimates the state's corn growers will plant 2.15 million acres this year. Meanwhile, soybean producers are expected to plant 2.15 million acres - a record high, and dry bean producers are expected to plant 200,000 acres - a record low.

Mother Nature, however, isn't the only hurdle agricultural producers face. Farmers have known for months that natural gas supply crunches would likely im-

part markets for nitrogen fertilizer, a critical nutrient for corn and wheat.

Nitrogen fertilizer is now selling for \$100 to \$150 more per ton, increasing from \$300 to \$350 a ton last year to \$400 to \$450 a ton this year.

"Certainly nitrogen costs and availability have been a concern, but a lot of farmers had that budgeted and lined up their supplies last fall," Boehm said, adding, "At this point, we're still confident we're going to have sufficient fertilizer supplies to meet demand."

One "bright spot" for farmers' pocketbooks could be a price increase for winter wheat scheduled for harvest in July or August, said Boehm, who could not estimate just how big an increase might be. This week, Michigan wheat was selling for about \$2.30 a bushel, with prices varying depending upon location in the state.

Boehm said crop reports filed Monday indicate Michigan winter wheat planted last fall is rated in good to excellent condition. That compares to national rankings that show only 42 percent of the wheat crop in good to excellent condition during the same period. A year ago, 61 percent of U.S. winter wheat was rated good to excellent.

"We've had back-to-back record wheat yields in Michigan, but when you look around the country, there's a lot of concern about abandonment of acreage in Kansas and parts of Oklahoma due to a late crop last fall, dry planting conditions, winter kill and so forth," he said. "So from a fundamental perspective, wheat has some upside potential of the 3 major crops - corn, soybeans and wheat - to have a price increase as we move toward harvest time."

Overall, Boehm said Michigan is "off to a good start and planting date is an early indicator of yield potential."



CASS CITY'S KLICK program celebrated girls week recently at the middle school and recognized the following contest winners: (l-r) Libby Doerr (creating a theme Park), Jaime Ryan (creating a Sims family), Brandi McKee (web page design), Brandy Brown (digital video productions), Ashley Deel (computer aided house design), Danielle Johnson (overall winner). In the background are Jeanne Lohela, representing the AAUW, who donated prizes, and Kevin Green, instructor.

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Spay Day success

Officials at the Humane Society of Tuscola County say it's time to get your pet spayed or neutered if you haven't done so already.

Spay Day USA was Feb. 27 and in honor of the event the following veterinarians agreed to participate in a special promotion in cooperation with the Humane Society through the end of March: Dr. Reid and Dr. Laursen at the Caro Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Link of the Vassar Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Ferstl of the Millington Veterinary Clinic and Dr. Galka of Companion Animal Care in Caro.

Because of these veterinarians, a total of 23 dogs and cats were spayed and neutered during the month of March.

According to national statistics, one female cat and her

offspring can produce 420,000 cats in 7 years. One female dog and her offspring can produce 67,000 dogs in 6 years. Based on these projections, the local Spay Day USA accomplishments are as follows:

5 cats X 420,000 = 2,100,000.

18 dogs X 67,000 = 1,206,000

This prevented a potential total of 3,306,000 puppies and kittens from being born within the next 6-7 years, but the problems continue, officials say.

According to the Humane Society of the United States, the average household has an average of 2.1 cats per home and 1.6 dogs per home.

Every year U.S. shelters euthanize between 11 and 19 million cats and dogs.

Cass City Middle School Student Spotlight

for the month of March

Teachers select students who possess the following:

- 6 Pillars of Character: *Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, Citizenship*
- Good grades
- A positive attitude
- Regular attendance
- Shows improvement (academic and/or behavior)

Front - (L-R): Christopher Binder, Andrew Bock, Amanda Bolton, Justin Clemens, Ashley Deel, Michael Green, Kim Guthrie, Timmy Vogel.
Row 2 - (L-R): Rebecca Bennett, Elizabeth Burk, Amber Hadd, Kati Hill, Whitney Kirn, Deric Murphy, Adam Nerkowski, Jessica Pachla, Andy Peruski, RacheWhittaker, Tyler Whittaker. Absent: Andrew Devine & Eric Romain.
Row 3 (L-R): Caitie Barnes, Renee Czekai, Sammie Risdon, Shaun Thornton, Jessica Chappel, Adam Czekai, Patrick Reed, Steven Steeley.

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VILLAGE OF CASS CITY PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROVISIONS OF THE WEED ORDINANCE

TO: All owners, occupants or possessors of land in the Village of Cass City

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Ordinance Numbers 51 and 142 of the Village of Cass City. All noxious, poisonous or injurious weeds, or other weeds, grass or brush exceeding a height of (12) inches upon any property, in the Village of Cass City shall be cut down, destroyed or removed, as the case may be, to prevent growth in excess of (12) inches.

In the event the owner or occupant, or any person; persons, agent, firm or corporation having control or management of any lot, place or parcel of land within the Village of Cass City shall fail, refuse or neglect to comply with the above mentioned noxious, poisonous or injurious weeds or other weeds, grass or brush exceeding twelve (12) inches to be cut down, destroyed or removed.

A charge of \$40.00 per hour shall be charged for cutting, destruction or removal of same and will be levied and collected against such property in the manner provided by Local and State Law. Property Owners **shall not be notified** prior to the Village taking action to maintain the property. All charges assessed shall be considered a lien on such property.

This provision for weed control shall be in effect from **May 22, 2001** through and including **October 1, 2001**. Such weeds must be cut by the property owner, tenant, or occupant of the property on or before **June 1, 2001**, and again thereafter on or before **August 15, 2001**.

In accordance with Village Ordinances, property owners must maintain their properties at all times.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the following lands shall be exempt from the provisions of this section provided that the owner of the land petitions for exemption from the provisions of this section in writing to the Village Manager of the Village of Cass City.

- (1) Undeveloped wooded areas where tree growth is in excess of ten (10) feet in height.
- (2) Undeveloped parcels of four and one-half (4 ½) acres or more in non subdivision areas.
- (3) Lands where occupied lots have been developed without removing the original natural cover.

Jane Downing, Village Manager



AWARD WINNERS FOR Cass City's Middle School Academic Track team included: (l-r) Kyle Swanson, Courtney Rabideau, Jenna Timko, Sarah Langmaid, Sammy Glaspie, Luann Laming.

Academic Track winners

Eighty-eight Cass City Middle School sixth, seventh and eighth graders took part in the Academic Track meets this year. In March, the students competed with Caro, Millington and Vassar in 27 events which included testing, art and stage performances.

Forty-eight of those students qualified for the All-Area Academic Track meet held at Bridgeport Middle School April 10. In the testing area, the following honors were awarded: 1st place in Speech and Theater, Jenna

Timko, daughter of Mark and Wendy Timko. She also received an honorable mention in Arithmetic; 2nd place in Word-O-Clock, Sammy Glaspie, daughter of Kim and Jackie Glaspie; honorable mention in Word-O-Clock, Luann Laming, daughter of Louis and Anna Laming.

Students placing in the top 6 in the performance category performed at Arthur Hill High School. Cass City performers were: 2nd place in Vocal Solo, Kyle Swanson, son of Mark and Ann Swanson; 3rd place in Interpretive Reading, Sarah Langmaid, daughter of Jerry and Marlene Langmaid, and honorable mention in Keyboard Solo, Courtney Rabideau, daughter of Rick and Teresa Rabideau.

Academic Track was coordinated by Kathy Milligan and was supported by the middle school staff, who gave much of their time to coach and help out at the meets.

Several appear in circuit court

The following people appeared in Tuscola County Circuit Court last week on various criminal charges:

•Scott Periso, 17, Deford, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of attempted second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim under the age of 13 years in April and May 1999 in Novesta Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$50,000 and the defendant was remanded to the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Matthew R. Sage, 26, Millington, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, March 10 in Vassar.

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

•Jeffrey S. Phillips, 41, Fostoria, stood mute to charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, driving while his license was suspended or revoked (subsequent offense), and possession of an open

intoxicant April 23, 1998, in Watertown Township. He also is charged with being a habitual offender (3 prior felony convictions).

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$50,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Michelle R. Burch, 30, Akron, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail (deferred without a date) and 6 months probation for her plea of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana Sept. 8 in Akron Township. She was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$440 plus a \$150 forensic fee.

•Richard M. Ortiz, 27, Cass City, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, second offense, and unlawful use of a motor vehicle.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Clifford T. Hill, 27, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, and fleeing a police officer, third degree, Feb. 4 in Cass City.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,160 and restitution of \$105.

•John L. Roesler, 49, Saginaw, pleaded no contest to possession of marijuana, second offense, and carrying a concealed weapon April 5 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$3,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Shawn P. Jefferson, 39, Vassar, was sentenced to 12 months in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana June 28 in Vassar, and delivery/manufacture of a firearm by a felon Oct. 11 in Vassar.

Jefferson was also ordered to undergo substance abuse therapy/counseling and pay \$2,060 in costs and fines plus a \$150 forensic fee.

•Shaun C. Parker, 38, Vassar, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 365 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, and resisting and obstructing a police officer Nov. 3 in Vassar.

Parker was also ordered to pay \$2,260 in costs and fines, a \$150 forensic fee and restitution of \$85.

•Clifford Hill, 50, Caro, was sentenced to 8 years and 6 months to 20 years in prison for his plea of guilty to 3 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim under the age of 13 years between May 1, 1999, and Sept. 20, 1999, in Novesta Township. He was also convicted of being a habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

•Gary L. Foster, 53, Vassar, pleaded no contest to attempted assault with a dangerous weapon and resisting and obstructing a police officer Jan. 7 in Arbela Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$50,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Mark R. Hawken, 42, Reese, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 180 days in jail, with work release and worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Jan. 13 in Columbia Township.

He was also ordered to undergo substance abuse therapy/counseling and to pay \$2,860 in costs and fines.

•Dean S. Yanna, 31, Essexville, pleaded guilty to absconding or forfeiting bond and no contest to fleeing and eluding a police officer, fourth degree, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at a combined \$55,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Karl E. Traster, 37, Caro, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 91 days in jail for his plea of guilty to absconding or forfeiting bond May 26 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$900.

Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Cass City and the Thumb lost one of its most respected and revered citizens Sunday. Dr. H.T. Donahue, 91, of Cass City, died Sunday, April 28, at Hills and Dales General Hospital after a brief illness.

Sharon Loeffler was sworn in Thursday as the new Deford postmaster.

Elkland Township fire fighters were called to the Elmer Francis residence on Church St. Saturday afternoon after a gas line was accidentally cut. The fire department stood by until a Southeastern Michigan Gas Co. crew could arrive to shut off the line.

Four Cass City girls, Kara McLendorn, Lindsay Maharg, Janis Mastie and Shelly Ulfig, advanced with their team to state finals in the Girls' AAU Basketball Tournament in the 15 and under class.

Gerald and Matt Prieskorn and John and Clarke Haire returned Thursday night after spending a day steelhead fishing on the Muskegon River.

10 YEARS AGO

The Village Council, during its regular monthly meeting, voted to spend \$27,500 to purchase 3 lots located behind Parkway, just southeast of the intersection of Ale and Church streets. The lots will provide an additional 75 parking spaces.

The first women's auxiliary in the history of the Elkland Township Fire Department was recently organized. Sue Pawloski was elected president; Cheryl Osentoski, vice-president; Barb Kirn, treasurer, and Kim Guilds, secretary.

A lot of people are praying for Judy Orton, 29, of Gageton, who underwent a liver transplant March 18. The organ came from a 28-year-old man, but Orton knows little else about the donor.

Land values in Tuscola

County will increase in 1991 for the third consecutive year. The SEV increase per unit for 1990 to 1991 is 8.25%.

The Chronicle staff remains in a state of shock following the unexpected death Tuesday, April 23, of Dorothy Haire, 66, at Hills and Dales Hospital.

25 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Evelyn MacRae was named Citizen of the Year in Cass City Thursday night, and Ann Hobart and Sue Pobanz were named Junior Citizens of the Year in the highlight event of this year's Chamber of Commerce banquet held at Colony House.

Cass City Police Chief Gene Wilson tossed his badge in the ring this week when he announced his candidacy for Tuscola County Sheriff.

New officers of Hills and Dales Hospital Auxiliary are Jeanne Auten, president-elect; Beverly Little, president; Ruth Whittaker, vice-president; Betty Greenleaf, treasurer, and Dorothy Taylor, secretary.

About an inch of snow fell on Cass City Sunday.

Things are booming in Cass City. Major new additions to the community are under way just outside the east and west village limits of town and there is not one empty building available on the main stem. Parseh's Store building is not open ...but not empty either, and is not for rent.

35 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Norman Deneen of rural Cass City was still listed in critical condition Tuesday evening at Hills and Dales Hospital after she was thrown through the windshield of her car in an accident Saturday.

Jack Stahlbaum was critically injured in an oil tank explosion 3 weeks ago. His wife has reported that things look brighter at St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw. Doctors say that Stahlbaum will be at

St. Mary's for at least 2 more months before he can start recovering at home.

The new Wash King Laundry will be open for business Monday. It is located in the former IGA Building.

The remodeling of the Cass City IGA has added about 200 more square feet of floor space, owner Harry Lenda reported this week.

Five-year-old Denise Osentoski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Osentoski Jr. of New Greenleaf, returned home last weekend on the road to a rapid recovery from a heart problem. The good news was reported by her mother after the results of heart surgery at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit were definitely determined to be successful.

Epilepsy topic of meeting

"Feelings in Color" is the topic of the next Huron County Epilepsy Support Group meeting. The challenges of epilepsy, personal growth and openness to change will be discussed.

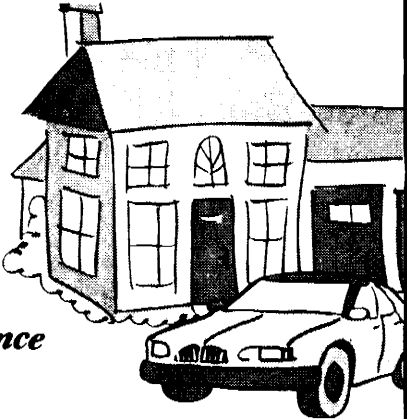
The meeting is at the Harbor Beach High School, May 14 at 7:30 p.m. Access to the meeting is through the east door off Third Street.

The group is open to those who experience seizures and their families, from throughout Huron County and Sanilac and Tuscola counties. Meetings are about 90 minutes to 2 hours in length. The meetings include both an educational presentation and an opportunity to learn from one another.

The Huron County Epilepsy Support Group meets regularly the second Monday of each month. For more information, call Claudia at 517-479-9100, or Debbie at 517-479-6765.

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The fair is free of charge to children and their families.

Some of the fun activities planned include the Caro Fire Department's Fire House, a police officer with a patrol car, a clown with balloons, story time, the new book mobile from Vassar Library, a free gift bag to all children and 20 plus family centered agencies informational booths.

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Household Sales

GARAGE SALE - Friday, May 4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, May 5, 9-12 noon. 4534 Downing Street in the alley. 14-5-2-1

GARAGE SALE - Thursday and Friday, May 3-4, 9:00-5:00. 4770 Koepfgen Rd. Gingrich. 14-5-2-1

GARAGE SALE - Thursday, May 3, 12 noon-6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m.-? 4830 Hospital Drive. Israelson. 14-5-2-1

GARAGE SALE - Wednesday and Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 2 and 3. Antiques and collectibles, 2 Singer sewing machines, household items too numerous to list. 6839 Herron Dr., Cass City, MI. 14-5-2-1

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Eleven Boy Scouts participated in the annual Scouting For Food gathering. Cass City Cub Scout Pack #3594 passed out the food bags during the week and Cass City Boy Scout Troop #594 collected the bags Saturday. They gathered approximately 1700 items which were then donated to the Living Word Church of God Food Pantry, to help needy families in our area.

If anyone was missed in the annual event and would like to make a donation, please call Rita Hanby at 872-5026 or drop off your non-perishable donation to Scott Mills at Knight Insurance in the Erla's parking lot.



PARTICIPANTS IN THE Scouting For Food Saturday included, front row, Andre Bock; middle row, l to r: Scott Mills, scoutmaster, Kurt Hanby, Derrick Mallory; back row, l to r: Pat Reed, Michael Zmierski, Jeff Wills, Gavin Mills, Matt Bock.

Storm sewer work on hold

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swelled by more than 16 percent, from 2,275 residents in 1990 to 2,643 residents last year.

Downing estimated the village's state shared revenues will increase from \$310,461 last year to \$344,329 in 2001 and to

\$367,250 in 2002.

Scheduled a special joint meeting with the local Economic Development Corporation to adopt resolutions necessary for the village's participation in construction of Hills and Dales Healthcare Corporation's \$5.1 million Alzheimer's-

assisted living facility.

The meeting, set for Monday at 5 p.m. at the municipal building, will address several areas, including resolutions to approve the project area and scheduling of a public hearing on the project plan.

In a related matter, the

council scheduled a public hearing to consider a special assessment district that will lay the groundwork for the Alzheimer's-assisted living facility to repay up to \$200,000 the village will spend on public infrastructure improvements for the project.

The hearing will be held Tuesday, May 29, at 7:30 p.m. at the municipal building.

Approved contributing \$4,000 towards the cost of purchasing new electronic scoreboards for the Little League diamond in the village park. Several groups have already undertaken improvements at the facility, including construction of a new concession/announcement building that will allow Cass City to host tournaments.

Rescheduled the next regular council meeting from May 28 (Memorial Day) to May 29 starting at 7 p.m.

Acknowledged an annual donation of \$250 from Sanilac County's Evergreen Township. The money was earmarked for parks and recreation programs.

Approved a resolution in support of World No Tobacco Day, May 31. The observance promotes awareness of the dangers of second-hand smoke.

Approved a slate of 2001 village appointments to local boards and commissions.

Wood: ag challenges can turn into opportunities

Many of the perceived threats to Michigan's agricultural livelihood can be made into opportunities, according to Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) President Wayne Wood, who recently returned from a study tour of Mexico with 26 Farm Bureau members, legislators and agricultural leaders.

The 9-day trip revealed that Mexico is a country mired in poverty in some areas and enjoying prosperity in others. "Imagine watching a farmer break a new tract of ground with a 7-bottom plow, and a mile down the road, a farmer is plowing with a donkey," Wood said. "Some farmers were cutting hay with a mower, and others were using a scythe and piling it up to dry."

Despite that huge disparity between the "haves" and the "have nots," Mexico is concerned about many of the same things Michigan farmers worry about.

"They're concerned about NAFTA the same as we are," he said. "They feel that maybe U.S. goods are going there more freely than their goods are coming here. A strong concern of theirs is that their good workers come here, and they're left with the poorer workers. I saw people there working for \$6 to \$10 a day for a 9-hour day. Their labor situation will require a higher level of mechanization in the near future."

Farmers also are leaving the country.

"A few years ago the government broke up their large farms and gave small parcels, about 5 hectares (2.47 acres per hectare)," said Wood. "But there are few loan opportunities, so they have to work very hard to be sure they can live off it. They're very much subsistence farmers. But Bolivia is luring their farmers away because they're giving them land. So the best farmers are leaving."

Many small farmers are joining a union in Mexico that runs more like a cooperative, but times still are tough.

"The president of the union said that for a small farm to succeed, it needs 4 sons, 3 of whom work in the states and send money home," Wood recalled.

But even with Mexico's economic and social challenges, there are plenty of opportunities for Michigan farmers.

"I think there's a real opportunity for Michigan apples," said Wood. "Washington state seems to have a hold on that market now because it has been able to meet Mexico's requirements on phytosanitary procedures. But we have to explore that

market."

"Wood added he believes there is a "great opportunity to set up a system with our universities to continue Mexican workers' agricultural education while they work in the United States."

"As the majority of Mexican consumers see an improvement in their discretionary income, an opportunity for non-subsistence food products will emerge," he said. "That'd be beneficial since value-added, upscale food products in Mexican supermarkets tend to originate in the USA."

While Michigan deals with its bovine tuberculosis problem, 60 percent of Mexico's dairy herd is TB positive, according to Wood, a fourth-generation Sanilac County dairy farmer.

"TB is rampant, but they still seem to get good production," he said. "They get some government assistance with testing, but it appeared to me that there was no indemnity program."

The MFB leader said he came back from the trip with 3 areas of trade in mind that could become lucrative opportunities for Michigan farmers.

"Michigan's apple industry has been working on ways to break down barriers to imports into Mexico, and we need to continue those efforts," he said.

Wood said there also are tremendous opportunities for Michigan's Christmas tree growers. "They're begging for our Christmas trees."

Thirdly, value added dairy products represent a good potential market.

"New Zealand is eating our lunch as far as putting dairy products in there," he said. "Every pad of butter has New Zealand printed on it. I think our products like ice cream represent a real marketing opportunity for us."

Overall, Wood said he was impressed with the technological advances Mexico has

made since he visited 5 years ago. Still, Mexico is an extremely poor country where research and technological advancements seem to have reached a level limited by lack of capital and educational resources, he said.

"As a result of this, Mexico is very dependent on their neighbor to the north for technological improvements necessary to their continuing evolution as a trading partner," he said.

"People there are either very wealthy or very poor. There doesn't seem to be a middle class. Most people are working hard just to put the next meal on the table. The trip was enlightening and educational, but it sure makes me appreciate the opportunities and conveniences we have back home."

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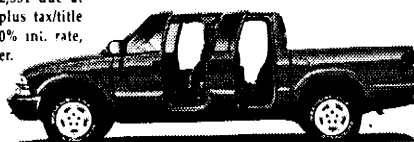
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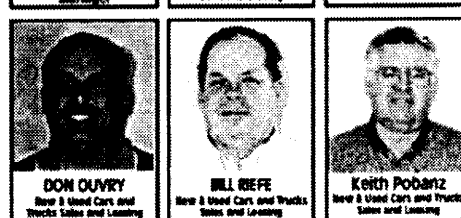
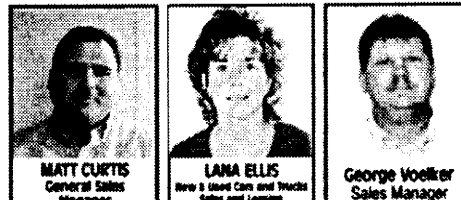
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36 months, 36,000 miles, \$1500 down, \$2100 due at signing, plus tax/insurance and license, 15¢ per miles over.

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