

# Council taps Sheridan for manager post



**THE CASS CITY Village Council interviewed 4 candidates during a marathon special meeting Saturday. In the end, council members settled on Francis "Frank" Sheridan, who is currently assistant city manager in Wixom.**

## Owner, manager sentenced

## Pot farm defendants face prison

Two more defendants have been sentenced to lengthy prison terms in connection with the biggest ever marijuana growing operation uncovered in Sanilac County.

The investigation dates back to Oct. 31, 1996, when Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies investigating a complaint of horses running loose discovered that a 75-acre farm on Argyle Road in Evergreen Township had been converted into a sophisticated marijuana growing and processing operation.

Sentenced last week in U.S. Federal District Court in Bay City were Marcus Robinson of Tennyson, Ind., the owner of the Argyle Road farm, and Dennis Miles of Loretto, Ky., who served as on-site manager of the operation during

the 1995 growing season.

U.S. District Court Judge David M. Lawson sentenced Robinson to 10 years and 10 months in prison for conspiracy to manufacture and/or possess with intent to distribute more than 1,000 marijuana plants. He was also sentenced to 5 years in prison for each of 3 counts of interstate travel to promote an illegal activity. All the prison sentences are to run concurrently.

Following completion of the terms of imprisonment, Robinson will serve 5 years on supervised release.

Robinson was also ordered to pay a \$17,500 fine to the federal government, and to forfeit \$210,000 in cash and assets to the U.S. Justice Department - the Argyle

Road farm, a 10-acre farm/residence/used car business in Dale, Ind., and \$30,000 in cash.

Miles was sentenced to 10 years and one month in prison for conspiracy to manufacture and/or possess with intent to distribute more than 1,000 marijuana plants, and 10 years and one month for manufacture/possession of more than \$1,000 marijuana plants. Both terms are to run concurrently.

Miles will also spend 5 years on supervised release after completing his prison sentence.

In all, 10 suspects were charged in the investigation. Five of them entered guilty pleas prior to trial and 5 oth-

ers were found guilty on all charges following a 5-week trial that ended July 14.

Six of the defendants, including Robinson and Miles, have already been sentenced to various terms of imprisonment. Three of the defendants are awaiting sentencing in federal court and one in an Indiana court.

According to Bill Gray, director of the Sanilac County Drug Task Force, all of the suspects had left the Argyle Road farm by the time police discovered the operation.

"The investigation led task force deputies 600 miles south through Ohio and into south central Kentucky where the farms' managers and marijuana growers lived," he said. "The trail next led deputies 600 miles southwest to Evansville, Ind., where the farm's owners were discovered to be large-scale distributors of marijuana."

"The investigation disclosed that the farm was purchased by the Indiana men in February 1995 and immediately converted into the large-scale marijuana growing/processing operation," Gray continued. "More than 14,000 marijuana plants were grown and processed in 1995. Almost 19,000 marijuana plants were grown and processed in 1996."

A barn at the scene had more than 11,000 square feet of drying racks, enabling the growers to process the marijuana on-site, according to investigators, who said nearly 15 migrant workers from Kentucky were housed and worked in the barn during the height of the operation.

"All of the marijuana was transported back to Kentucky and Indiana for wholesale/retail distribution in those areas," Gray said.

"The high potency marijuana was sold by the distribution organization at prices ranging from \$1,600 to \$4,000 per pound based upon the quantity purchased. The group is believed to have generated several million dollars in sales proceeds during its 2-year operation."

The Cass City Village Council selected a new village manager following a daylong session of interviews Saturday.

The council hired Francis "Frank" Sheridan, who has served as assistant city manager in Wixom, a city of 13,263 residents, since 1997. Sheridan verbally accepted the council's salary offer of \$61,000 plus \$1,000 for moving expenses.

Sheridan previously held the title of vice president of operations for Sorensen Associates Inc., a market re-

search firm in Troutdale, Ore. Before that, he served in the U.S. Navy from 1986 to 1992, retiring as an inspector general.

Sheridan has a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Widener University, Chester, Penn., and a master's degree in public administration from Portland State University, Portland, Ore.

Sheridan was one of 4 finalists for the village manager position, vacated by Jane Downing in August. The other candidates were: •Stephen M. Guile, execu-

tive director of the Westland Downtown Development Authority, Canton, Mich.

•Michael J. Moran III, trial court administrator, family division, Berrien County, Mich.

•Michael J. Nagy, village administrator-safety coordinator, Pioneer, Ohio.

The interviews began at 8:30 a.m. and concluded at 3:15. Council members then deliberated for about 90 minutes before agreeing on Sheridan as their top choice.

"We had 4 very good candidates and the decision was

really tough, actually. Lots of good talent there," said Village President Les Karr, who indicated he's confident in the selection of Sheridan. "I think the council felt that way, too. It was a unanimous vote."

Karr said he's anxious to bring the new manager on board, although it's likely Sheridan won't start for another 3 or 4 weeks.

"We've got a lot of projects to get going," Karr added. "Hopefully we can have him there for the October council meeting."

## Cass City man among 3 charged in Ecstasy sale

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Young people call it the "hug drug" or "love drug" because it heightens the senses of touch and sight.

But "Ecstasy," a new and popular party drug, especially in more urban areas, has proven to be nothing but trouble for a trio of Tuscola County men, including a Cass City area resident, who have been charged with bringing the controlled substance to the rural Thumb.

The suspects are Gary J. Periso, 39, of Cass City, Ronald R. Mouton, 38, of Caro, and Bron E. Bastian, 26, of Kingston.

The defendants have been arraigned in Tuscola County District Court on charges of delivery of a controlled substance, which is punishable by up to 7 years imprisonment and/or a \$10,000 fine, and conspiracy, which carries the same penalty with the exception of the fine, which can total up to \$20,000.

All 3 men face preliminary examinations Friday. Their arrests stem from a

lengthy Thumb Narcotics Unit (TNU) investigation. TNU Director Detective Lt. Mitch Krugielki said the trio delivered 60 Ecstasy tablets to an undercover officer June 22 in Wells Township.

"The reason it took so long (to charge the suspects) is we were trying to investigate it up the chain and find out where it came from," Krugielki noted, adding the suspects have refused to cooperate.

"The Caro post arrested a kid, probably 17 or 18, a month or 2 months prior to that for possession with intent to deliver" 10 tablets of Ecstasy, he continued, but investigators have not been able to link the arrests.

Krugielki said the number of tablets involved with the latest investigation was significant for the Thumb area, although, he added, "I think it's probably been in our area longer than we'd like to think."

Krugielki said educational programs in schools would go a long way towards cut-

ting down on the use of Ecstasy, which hasn't yet earned the stigma of drugs such as heroin and cocaine.

"There's no medical use for Ecstasy. These (tablets) are made in back yard barns and houses," he said. "Kids think it's safe. The reality of it is, most of what goes into Ecstasy is other drugs. They really have no idea what they're putting into their body."

Ecstasy, also called MDMA, can cause hallucination and result in a sharp increase in body temperature leading to kidney-system and cardiovascular system failures.

One of the problems, Krugielki explained, is that Ecstasy comes in many colors and forms, depending on who is manufacturing the drug.

But there are telltale signs among users, including thirst. Ecstasy shuts down the body's ability to sweat, so users tend to keep a water bottle or other liquid close by, according to Krugielki, who said users also tend to

grit their teeth and will typically keep something with them to suck or chew. The heightened sense of sight caused by the drug makes neon and old-fashioned black lights a favorite among users, he added.

Krugielki, whose unit was assisted in the investigation by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) office in Saginaw, predicted it will be some time before Periso, Mouton and Bastian deliver Ecstasy again, provided the suspects are convicted.

"I've got a feeling that Tuscola County is probably going to take these guys to task because it's new, and it's something I think the prosecutor's office is going to want to send a message that this will not be tolerated," he said.

## Family in hot water over pot

Police are seeking charges against a Wells Township couple and their 18-year-old son after seizing marijuana - a small quantity of processed and several plants - at the family's residence last week.

Thumb Narcotics Unit (TNU) Director Detective Lt. Mitch Krugielki said officers also seized a pickup truck and a riding lawn mower at the home on Murray Road near Bevins Road.

## Police received several tips regarding marijuana growing on the property.

Krugielki said police received several tips regarding marijuana growing on the property. The 2-week investigation resulted in a search warrant, which officers from TNU and the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department served Sept. 25.

Krugielki said officers found a quantity of processed marijuana and some scales inside the residence. More than 30 plants, ranging in size from 6 inches to 5 feet, were discovered growing in pots behind the property. Some of the plants were stored in the back of the pickup truck, and the father admitted to using the lawnmower in the growing operation, he noted.

Krugielki said TNU intends plans to file forfeiture proceedings against the property, including the home and about 10 acres.

## Enrollments dip in Cass City, Owen-Gage, Ubly

Cass City School officials reported an enrollment decrease of nearly 40 students compared to a year ago following last week's statewide student count.

The loss reflects a shrinking kindergarten enrollment as well as a general decrease in student numbers in the elementary grades, according to school Supt. Ken Micklash. "We went down 37 students from our September count," he said.

"People ask why, and I say I don't know. When you lose a company that has 200 employees, I don't know what impact that had, but it's probably not a positive one," he said, referring to the closing of General Cable Co. over the summer.

Last week's tally revealed 479 students in the high school, 548 in the middle school, 496 at Campbell Elementary School and 74 at Deford Elementary School for a total enrollment of 1,597. The total a year ago was 1,634 students, with 1,609 students counted last February.

In other area school districts:

•Owen-Gage School officials reported 113 elemen-

tary students and 151 junior-senior high students for a total enrollment of 264, a loss of about 24 students compared to a year ago. The district counted 273 students last February. School officials noted a significant decrease in kindergarten numbers - this year's class totals just 13 students, compared to an average of 20-22 students.

•Ubly Community School officials reported an enrollment of 899 students - 455 in elementary, 132 in junior high and 312 in high school. The total represents a decrease of 12 students compared to last fall. The district's February count was 906 students.

Micklash noted Cass City's enrollment has remained relatively stable over the past several years. In 1984-85, the student population totaled 1,663, he said, adding the numbers have since ranged from a low of 1,587 in 1990-91 to a high of 1,683 3 years ago.

Even with the loss of 37 students, the district's net enrollment decline will be smaller because of the formula state officials use to tabulate enrollment.

On top of that, Cass City

Schools stands to collect \$500 more per student - some \$800,000 in additional funding - from the state this year provided the scheduled increase escapes the budget axe in Lansing.

Enrollment has been a key factor in school funding throughout Michigan since voters approved Proposal A, which put the lion's share of local funding in the hands of the state for distribution to individual districts. State dollars accounted for 88 percent of the Cass City Schools' revenue this year.

Schools receive the majority of their funding in the form of a state foundation allowance, which is applied to the number of students enrolled in each district. The enrollment is determined by "blending" 2 separate student counts; one conducted in September and the other during the previous February.

In the past, the counts were blended based on a ratio of 60 percent of the September tally and 40 percent of the February count. However, the ratio has since been revised, making the September count worth 80 percent of the blended total.

## Young patriot does his part



**ALEX VARNEY, 8, a student in the third and fourth grade multi-age class at Campbell Elementary School, approached teacher Brenda Fulcher with the idea of organizing a penny drive following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States. Varney, the son of Kathy and Ben Varney, started with a 2-pound coffee can and has since graduated to a large dishpan he can barely lift. The money — \$74 collected so far — will benefit victims of the attacks.**



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CELEBRATION

Around 150 people attended the Greenleaf Township Hall 100-year anniversary. A representative from Jim Barcia's office and John Merriman of Deckerville gave talks and Jack Esau talked about the way it was at Old and New Greenleaf years ago. Joe Merchant entertained with music. Hamburgers and hot dogs, coffee and pop were served with the potluck lunch. Several old cars were on display and a hayride on the Wright farm and visiting was enjoyed.

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Jacqueline Goretzki of St. Clair Shores spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pelton.

Ray and Rita Depcinski returned home Sunday from a 3-day trip to Renfro Valley with the Port Hope retirees. While there they saw the Nashville Jubilee mini show and had dinner at the Boarding House where they saw and talked to Little Jimmy Dickens and saw the Jimmy Dickens show and stopped at McDonald's restaurant in Detroit on the way home.

Reva Silver was a Wednesday afternoon guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Anita Iseler, Karen Rutkowski and Elaine Laming took Alice Depcinski out for dinner in Bad Axe Wednesday to help Alice celebrate her birthday.

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

Jack and Wayne Kennedy, Bill Smith, Bernard Morley, Jim Lewis, Steve Provantz and Allen Farrelly met Friday morning at McDonald's in Bad Axe for breakfast.

Ed and Carol Peters of Bad Axe, Mary Kay and Dan

Ritter, Alex and Beth of Elkton and Kay and Jim Sweeney were Sunday guests of Eric and Heidi Sweeney and family for birthday cake and ice cream to help Brett Sweeney celebrate his second birthday.

WEDDING

Mrs. Ken Osentoski, Bob Cleland Jr., Phyllis Pelton, Karen King, Judy and Dick Wallace attended the wedding of Stacie Noveteny Cleland and Dennis Lehman at the First Congregation Church on Clarkston Road Saturday. A reception was held at St. George's Cultural Center on Woodward Avenue at Bloomfield Hills. Lori Cleland sang, "I Believe," and "The Gift," at the wedding.

The bride and groom left Monday morning for a week's honeymoon trip to Braut Island. On their return they will make their home in Waterford.

FARM BUREAU

The Young Ideas Farm Bureau group met Thursday evening at the home of Stanley and Dorothy Heleski. Joe Sweeney led the discussion about Farm Bureau. A video was shown on wild turkeys. After the meeting cards were played and high prizes were won by Delores Bouchard and Joe Wolschleger. Low prizes were won by Rita Depcinski and Russell Bouchard.

The hostess served a lunch. The next meeting will be held at the home of Dewey and Lorraine Holz Oct. 18.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dean Adams, Mrs. Jerry Grifka, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson and Thelma Jackson were Sunday afternoon and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs.

Clarence Rumpitz.

Allen Farrelly was a Saturday evening guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Goronowich.

Steve Provantz who had spent 3 months in Bad Axe returned to his home in Florida Friday.

Barbara Salowitz and Julie, Jim Foster, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel.

Mrs. Bob Harris of Gladwin was a Tuesday overnight guest of Bryce and Betty Hagen.

Irene Kappen of Port Huron and Lennie O'Hara and a friend from Shelby, Ind., visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland Saturday and attended the 100-year celebration of Greenleaf Township Hall.

Rita and Alice Depcinski visited Violet and Sonny Holdwick and Rosaline Messing at Harbor Beach Tuesday.

Mrs. Bob Damm of Pigeon visited Thelma Jackson Friday.

Ron Wolschleger, Bill Smith, Jim Lewis, Bernard Morley, Jack Kennedy and Allen Farrelly had breakfast at McDonald's in Bad Axe Monday morning.

Mary Vandemark of Marquette left Thursday morning after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Cieslinski.

Melvin and Charlotte Particka were Sunday evening guests of Archie and Penny Guigar.

Mrs. Robert Harris of Gladwin and Betty Hagen visited Ben Meske at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe and Donelda Meske at Port Hope Tuesday.

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

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kotel of Madison, Wis., a 9-pound, 2-ounce son, Peyton. Grandmother is Kathryn Wozniak and great-grandmother is Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

Thirteen members of the Traveling Breakfast club met at Big Boy in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill in Bad Axe next week.

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THE OWENDALE Lions Club recently presented an \$1,800 check to Gagetown area residents Janice and Gary McKellar of Gagetown to assist Janice with rehabilitation after suffering a stroke. Presenting the check (above left) is Lion's President Jim Roe. Also pictured are Region Chairman Fred Sullivan and club Treasurer Ron Good.

Auxiliary hosts speakers

The Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary met at the Charmont in Cass City Sept. 24.

Their first guest speaker was Gary Bernhardt of Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt & Doran, P.C. Bernhardt gave a thumbs up on the audit done for the auxiliary financial report. Diane Ewald, administrator of

Tendercare in Cass City, spoke on the "Eden Experience."

The auxiliary welcomed new members, Sally Siegel and Joanne Smithson. Kerry Brown, BSW, social worker/discharge planner and head of Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary, was honored on her birthday with cake after the luncheon. Paula Pobanz, RN, administered annual flu shots.

Barcia aide to host meetings

An aide to U.S. Congressman Jim Barcia will hold constituent hours in Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties in October.

Anyone with questions or concerns about issues before the U.S. House of Representatives or who has a problem with any federal issue is encouraged to visit.

The aide will meet with constituents: Huron County Courthouse, Wednesday, Oct. 3, 10 a.m. to noon; Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, Office Courthouse Annex, 207E Grant St., Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2 to 4 p.m.; and Sanilac County Conference Room, 37 Austin St., Friday, Oct. 5, 10 a.m. to noon.



Having worked for a newspaper, I realize how tricky it can be to write a concise headline that not only conveys the gist of a story but also fits in the meager space allotted. I've always admired Editor Tom Montgomery's ability to do so.

Some writers unfortunately end up with heads that are confusing, if not hilarious. Here are a few of them:

Cold wave linked to temperatures  
Enfields couple slain; police suspect homicide  
Red tape holds up new bridge  
Deer kill 17,000  
Typhoon rips through cemetery; hundreds dead  
Man struck by lightning faces battery charge  
New study of obesity looks for larger test group  
Astronaut takes blame for gas in spacecraft  
Kids make nutritious snacks  
Chef throws his heart into helping needy  
Arson suspect is held in Massachusetts fire  
British union finds dwarfs in short supply  
Ban on soliciting dead in Trotwood  
Lansing residents can drop off trees  
Local high school dropouts cut in half  
New vaccine may contain rabies  
Man minus ear waives hearing  
Deaf college opens doors to

hearing  
Air head fired  
Steals clock, faces time  
Old school pillars are replaced by alumni  
Bank drive-in window blocked by board  
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Include your children when baking cookies

And here are a few tongue-in-cheek examples of "Biblical headlines if written by today's 'liberal media'" from Pastor Tim's Clean Laughs:

On the Red Sea crossing: Wetlands trampled in labor strike. Pursuing environmentalists killed.  
On David and Goliath: Hate crime kills beloved champion. Psychologist questions influence of rock.  
On feeding the 5,000: Preacher steals child's lunch. Disciples mystified over behavior.  
On healing of the Gadarene demoniac: Madman's friend causes stampede. Local farmer's investment lost.  
On Elijah on Mt. Carmel: Fire sends religious right extremist into frenzy. 400 killed.  
On healing the 10 lepers: Local doctor's practice ruined. "Faith Healer" causes bankruptcy.  
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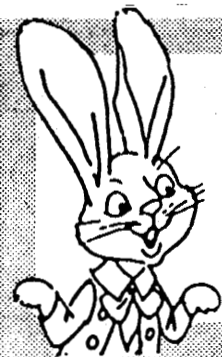
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## Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

It's deer hunting season again and the deer are moving, often right in the path of your car. The sobering statistics are that there were 65,006 car-deer crashes in 2000, that is about 15 percent of the total vehicle accidents in Michigan counties.

That's not too bad? It depends on where you live. In the Thumb, your chances of a deer-car accident skyrocket. It's 41 percent (917) in Tuscola County. That's the lowest percentage in the upper 3 Thumb counties. Sanilac's figures are 55 percent (1,722) and Huron's 54 percent (966).

Be careful, we don't need to set any new records this year.

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Each year about 100 people are killed and another 9,000 injured in animal-vehicle accidents. Nation-wide these crashes cause about \$1 billion in damages.

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The airlines are in trouble because of the terrorist attacks, but it didn't appear to affect the trek north by weekend vacationers. Saturday, at about 2 in the afternoon, traffic was backed up for about 10 miles on U.S. 23 heading north.

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What a difference 3 years make. Taking pictures of school kids as freshmen, they usually try to appear nonchalant about the whole thing, but often their actions betray them.

By the time they are seniors, it's strictly old hat and the veterans line-up for photos almost without being told the best way to do it.

## The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday .....	46	38	1.09"
Wednesday .....	51	43	.06"
Thursday .....	53	47	.18"
Friday .....	60	41	.02"
Saturday .....	67	37	0
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## "Falling Leaves Festival"

# Art lovers gear up for 4th annual fall festival

Art lovers throughout the Thumb and beyond will gather in the Kingston area this weekend for a unique art show that has gained popularity since it was established just a few years ago.

The fourth annual Falling Leaves Art Festival is scheduled for Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 5855 S. Cemetery Rd., which is adjacent to the home of artist and festival founder Ruth Ann Mersino.

Mersino's scenic, 20-acre spread is located southeast of Kingston, about 1.2 miles north of West Marlette Road and 4.6 miles south of M-46.

This year's show promises to be bigger and better, with nearly 3 dozen artists gearing up to participate.

"Every year it gets more and more attendance, and even with the rotten weather last year we were down only 200 (people) from what we expected," Mersino said, noting attendance topped 1,000 last fall.

Mersino said the show is unique in that the artists handle all of the arrangements, marketing and adver-

tising themselves. The popularity of the event also stems from the wide variety of artwork, ranging from water colors and oils to carving and furniture to ceramics and jewelry. "There are so many unique things, it's hard to list them all," she added.

"The group's goal is to provide excellent quality and a variety of artistic pieces to the potential customer while enjoying the freedom of individual expression in their work. Each artist/crafter is preparing works especially for this show."

A special feature this year will be artist Mikann Thompson of Brown City, who crafts early American musical instruments and will be greeting guests with her talents.

The Falling Leaves Festival also enjoys an international flair, with artists such as African artist Dr. Stephen Uche, and artist Ganna Brace, a Ukraine native who now resides in the North Branch area and creates sun catchers and decorative boxes.

Mersino, a Lake Orion native, is an accomplished

wildlife artist and art instructor whose work has been featured on the covers of Michigan Outdoors and Waterfowl USA magazines. She has also been a featured artist in Ducks Unlimited.

She was a driving force in establishing the Kingston area art show. Mersino recalled discussing the idea with her friends, Debbie Keene and Theresa Politowicz.

"The whole idea is to come together and enjoy each other's company," she said. "The artists' purpose is to enjoy their freedom of expression with no stringent rules to conform to. They will be free to express themselves tastefully."

Admission to the show is still \$2, which includes the opportunity to participate in hourly gift certificate drawings. Light refreshments will be served, and an area girls youth group will be running a food booth.

Additional information is available by visiting Mersino's website at [www.fallingleaves.8m.com](http://www.fallingleaves.8m.com), or by calling (989) 761-7758.

## The Haire Net



One of the hot topics facing Michigan and the nation, before it was placed on the back burner Sept. 11, forged back into the limelight last week when the United States Supreme Court decided to hear challenges to a school voucher program in effect in Cleveland.

If the court approves vouchers it will mark a further weakening of the traditional separation of church and state.

Most of the vouchers in Cleveland have been used to pay tuition at private and parochial schools. Supporters say that the tax enables parents to remove students from dangerous public schools. They say it also is a lever to give parents more control over the way public schools operate.

Opponents include the majority of Democrats and teachers' unions. Spokespersons for teachers' unions point out that vouchers siphon money from the neediest schools. Representatives of the National School Boards Association also feel that vouchers are not the answer for improvement of public schools.

The majority supporting vouchers envision taking the money and sending their kids to a private school or a Christian parochial school.

Undoubtedly most vouchers would be used for just that. But what check would there be on a school that is founded and taught by atheists? Or by pacifists that teach fighting for any reason including the defense of this country is wrong? Could outlaw groups take vouchers and send terrorists to flight training school?

It's possible that controls over non-public schools could solve or at least ease

these problems. You don't like the curriculum, try somewhere else. But that's not the whole story.

In Michigan, vouchers could create major financial problems for all public schools. That's because financing from the state is determined by the number of students in the school. In Cass City, for instance, 88 percent of the funds come from state payments based on \$6,500 per student.

More important than the effect on schools is stopping the dilution of the law separating church and state.

It has worked well since this country was formed and we hope that the courts will keep it as it has always been.



## The back forty

by Roger Pond

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The stock market has been in a bit of a tizzy the past year or so. Even investment counselors are beginning to notice that stocks can go down even more quickly than they go up.

I would like to remind folks that I saw this slump coming. I knew the market was overvalued back in 1995; so I sold mutual funds and bought certificates of deposit.

Readers will recall the market kept right on rolling for 5 years after that! This qualified me as the dumbest man in the world for several years.

While I'm still not the smartest person around, the recent down turn brings me back to average intelligence at least. That's me: Always ahead of my time.

I've noticed the market gurus have all gone into hiding. Folks who claimed 15 percent was a reasonable return on investments are now implying they never said any such thing.

One financial writer suggests young people need to make conservative investments even more than older folks do. This is contrary to conventional wisdom the past few years.

This fellow uses the example of a young lady who invests \$2,000 in an aggressive mutual fund. The fund goes up 25% the first year and her \$2,000 becomes \$2,500.

A second young lady invests \$2,000 in a conservative fund that only grows 7%, but she adds \$30 to her fund each month.

The writer explains the second investor has \$2,503.92 after one year while the first has \$2,500. And the second investor has much less risk.

Wait a darn minute here!! Is this the Beardstown Ladies or what? What if the first investor freshened the pot with 30 bucks a month like the second investor did?

Readers may recall the famous Beardstown Ladies investment club. These ladies consistently beat the market with their investments.

Then, they wrote a book explaining how they did it. If we read their book closely we find they weren't counting their dues as part of the investments — even though the dues money was going in with everything else.

A lot of folks play the lot-

tery that way. They'll say, "I won \$1,500 last month."

"How much have you spent on the lottery the past few years?" We might ask.

"Oh, I don't count that. That's recreation."

I'm reminded of the days when every farm had a few chickens. The chickens produced more eggs than the family could eat, so we would

sell some in town. This resulted in "egg money."

Farm women always made money on the eggs. Dad furnished the feed, so he lost money.

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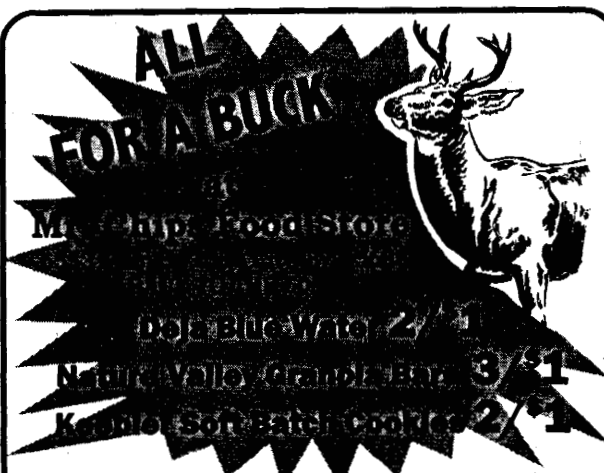
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This regulation is important for the overall beautification of the Village and your cooperation is appreciated.

Please contact the Village Offices during normal business hours for more information, questions, or concerns at (989)872-2911, Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan 48726.

Aaron LaPonsie Zoning Administrator



## Cass City Public Schools PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

### GENERAL POOL QUESTIONS

Recently, some questions have been asked which relate to the indoor pool project. I wish to take this opportunity to provide answers to the following inquiries.

#### 1. How much money has the committee raised to date?

Answer - Approximately \$320,000 has been pledged or donated from the community or interested individuals, community services clubs, businesses and industries. So, this amount with the \$500,000 original donation and the \$250,000 from the Pinney foundation brings the grand total to about \$1,070,000. This is quite an outstanding amount, in view of the fact that the committee has only been working on this project for a few short months, but a significant amount of funding is still needed.

#### 2. When is the end of the fund drive campaign?

Answer - The fund drive committee is working under one final timeline extension, which is November 30, 2001. If funding is inadequate at that time the fund drive is over.

#### 3. What will happen to the money that has been raised if the fund drive falls short?

Answer - Though the vast majority of funding raised to date have been pledges, the cash donations which have been received will be returned to the individual that provided the original donation. The out of pocket cash donations which are unable to be tracked, will be donated to a community service club, very possibly the Cass City Boosters Club.

#### 4. If funding falls short will a millage be asked for to build the pool?

Answer - The answer to this question is NO. The pool committee has taken a unanimous position to not request the Cass City Board of Education for an election to raise money for the pool. Again, if fundraising efforts fall short, a millage request will not be asked for.

#### 5. Will the pool have a shallow end?

Answer - Yes. The shallow end is planned to be on the end of the pool where the entrances to and from the shower rooms are located.

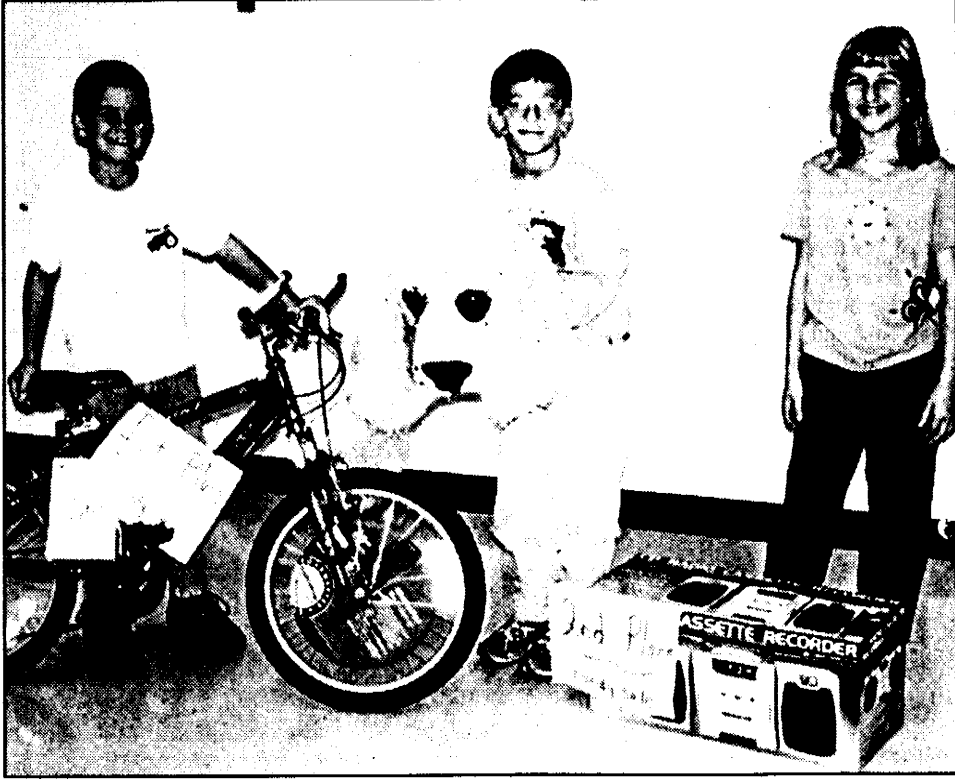
#### 6. Will the water be too cold for children?

Answer - We certainly hope not. The water may be a little cooler than that of an outdoor recreation pool in the middle of summer, but the temperature certainly should be maintained at a level appropriate for children and adults of all ages to use.

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

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THIS YEAR'S candy sales winners at Campbell Elementary School were (from left) Alan Leslie, who sold a whopping 12 boxes to take first place, Ashley Stilson, who sold 9 boxes, and Codey Anker, who sold 7 boxes. The fundraiser netted more than \$10,000 which will be used for school activities and equipment.

## Bill targets safer, fresher milk

Milk in Michigan is safer and fresher and farmers are better protected financially under legislation recently

approved by the House to update the state's dairy laws. House Bill 4820, sponsored by Rep. Tom Meyer, requires bovine milk to be picked up from farms within 72 hours to increase freshness and maintain quality, provides programs to measure and avoid drug residue in milk and decreases the likelihood of farmers experiencing financial losses as they did when a Pinconning plant went out of business. It also adopts new federal standards.

- HB 4820 also:
- Institutes record keeping and testing of violators, and increases penalties for drug residues found in milk;
  - Clarifies requirements on handling of milk from a TB-infected cow;
  - Simplifies existing laws regarding non-pasteurized milk consumption;
  - Increases oversight of facilities where milk tank trucks are cleaned, and
  - Expands enforcement options for violations.

The updates affect all Grade A milk products, including drinking, whipping and sour cream, half-and-half, eggnog and yogurt. Lawmakers and the Michigan Department of Agriculture's Food and Dairy Division worked with dairy farmers, milk haulers, processors, Michigan State University and industry organizations to develop the changes.

# Letters to the editor

## Auditorium on her wish list

Dear Editor,

Today I received a letter from the Cass City Community Pool Committee. They are asking for donations to help finance the building of an indoor pool to be used by the schools and attached to the middle school. Perhaps my perspective is slanted somewhat, due to the fact that I have never been athletic, but does the "well rounded" education and opportunities being provided to our students seem unbalanced to anyone else? I am thinking the scales of public support and funding tip rather heavily toward sports and sports related expenses.

I understand, according to the letter from the Cass City Community Pool Committee, that the anonymous alumnus donor of \$500,000 specified the money was to be used toward the building of an indoor pool. I suppose donors of a half million dollars should have the right to specify how it is spent. If I had a half million dollars, no one would tell me how to spend it, or what to spend it on either. I would not, however, spend it on an indoor pool! If I had a half million dollars I would spend it on something that would help to "even the scale." I would spend it on something that would promote and encourage the fine arts department of our school, as well as be a benefit to our community. What would this project be

you ask? It would be...a NEW AUDITORIUM!!

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Someday, maybe some anonymous alumni donor will give \$500,000 to create such a place. Maybe, someday my ship will come in, so-to-speak, and I will be that donor. Until then, I'm afraid the scale will continue to tip in the same monotonous direction. Until then, all those whose talents and interests rest in places other than the gym or ball field will go on "making do" with the unbalanced system currently shaping our community.

I have 2 questions to ask before I climb off of my soapbox for a while. They are: #1. The letter from the Cass City Community Pool Committee stated: "The pool will be built with donations only." I am wondering... where will the money to staff and maintain the pool come from? Will the pool be self-supporting? I'm thinking that our pocket books will be affected sooner or later, whether we donate or not. #2. Are there any other class "C" schools in our area with indoor pools and swim teams for our students to compete with? How far will our prospective swim teams have to travel in order to participate in swimming events?

I close this letter with the fear that what I have just shared with you will return

to slap me in the face one day. I am envisioning our daughter - 4 or 5 years from now - standing poolside, sporting a maroon swimsuit (one-piece, no bare midriff — of course) preparing to

swim her heart out for the Cass City Red Hawks Girls Swim Team. I'd be their biggest fan.

Thank-you, Lord, for the freedom to express my opinions, and for those who sac-

rificed their lives that it might be so.

Respectfully,

E.A. Manwell  
Cass City

## Youths should be allowed to help in time of crisis

Dear Editor:

As everyone knows, a tragic event took place in our nation Sept. 11, 2001, and if you look at the date 9-11-01, 911 we truly have an emergency. Radio stations have raised over \$150,000. The Red Cross has a surplus of blood and is taking donations. I know that I and most people are trying to help in one way or another.

To me, everyone should try to help. I do not understand why some people would prohibit one person or a group of people from helping in our nation's time of need.

A few people from the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts in our local area wanted to hand out ribbons they had made and take donations to help those people who have been affected the most, but they are not allowed. The United Way sponsors the scouts and they are taking donations. If those who are the sponsors are taking donations, why can't the scouts of Cass City?

When certain people who head the Girl Scouts were asked why the girls couldn't help, they were simply told that girl scouts cannot stand out on the street in uniform and take donations. Why on Earth not? That was the only explanation received.

To me the girl and boy scouts represent the youth of America. Why should they be prohibited from helping just as everyone else is trying to help? Is it because certain adults want to try and protect their children from what they feel may harm them? Are parents or adults being too protective? Children are going to hear about what has been going on in

our nation. If they do not hear about it at home they will hear about it in school.

You cannot shield children from everything. By being allowed to collect donations and drop off what they were able to get donated at the Red Cross would really give them the feeling that they have done something for their country. This is their country just as much as it is ours. We all live in this country and each one of us, child or adult, feel love for their country and fellow men and women. Not only were adults killed in this horrible event, but children died as well. When a child looks at the front page of the Detroit News and sees all the faces, adult and children, of those who have died, those kids feel something too. It is a scary thing for a child to deal with and most

would love to have the opportunity to help those who need it.

As a group they could raise more money and get more donated then if they were to go out individually. People of this country look at the scouts and in the faces of those children they see our nation. We are all one nation and we need to stand together in these hard times.

I wish the best luck to those children who want to help our nation. I just hope that they are allowed to do so, instead of being told that no, you can't help. You are only a child and how much do you really think you could donate, just go sell more cookies, etc. Best of luck to our young Americans.

Melissa Myers

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A ROMANIAN girl wears her "helmet of salvation", created with balloons, during a Bible school program organized by the missions group in the town of Bazna.



GYPSIES ARE a common site at the marketplace in Medias. "They didn't speak English, they just held their hands out," Rev. Wigand said.



ROMANIA HAS its share of natural beauty, according to the missions group — (from left) Tony and Rodica Stroia, John and Deb Forshee, and the Rev. Ron and Leah Wigand.



KINGSTON Elementary School Principal John Forshee, pictured above at the podium during a church service in Medias, and his wife Deb joined the Rev. Ron and Leah Wigand of Caro and Tony and Rodica Stroia of Lake Orion for a mission trip to Romania in July.

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Helping others to learn is at the heart of John Forshee's career as principal at Kingston Elementary School, but the Caro area resident found himself on the receiving end of an education during a unique mission trip over the summer.

Forshee and his wife, Deb, along with the Rev. Ron and Leah Wigand and Tony and Rodica Stroia spent 2 weeks together in Romania in July. "We were interested in finding out how we could help the orphans there and how we could impact the churches," Forshee explained.

The trip came about largely because of the couples' friendship with the Stroias, who reside in Lake Orion.

"He (Tony) escaped communism - Romanian communists - in 1969," Forshee said, noting Stroia left 4 brothers and 3 sisters behind.

"Tony went back 2 years ago and had said something about if he went back again, we should go back with them," added Rev. Wigand, who serves as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Caro. "I told him I would only go if I had the opportunity to minister."

Forshee said he and his wife also have a friend in Grand Rapids who is active in setting up pregnancy education resource centers in Romania, where abortions are readily available and cheap (the cost is only \$18, and the state subsidizes \$12 of that). He told of one woman who, at the age of 45, had already had 30 abortions. "Abortion is their primary method of birth control, so education is a huge, huge need."

The couples traveled to Stroia's village, Bobohalma. Forshee described the town as a peasant village right out of the musical, "Fiddler on the Roof."

"It's just like that. No pavement, no toilets, no running water. But they're a beautiful bunch of people," he said. "They are a very giving people. They'll give you the shirt off their back."

"I would say they fed us with resources they really needed themselves. We left them money after, but they didn't know we were going to do that."

Despite an average monthly income of just \$65, the Romanians proved to be gracious hosts, butchering chickens and even hogs - an expensive delicacy in their country. Forshee said the typical Romanian fare includes bread, vegetables, soup and chicken.

"Most people have gardens. This is even in the bigger cit-

ies," Leah Wigand noted. "They raise most of their own produce."

During their stay, the couples ministered in several different ways.

"I spoke in 5 different churches and we had evangelistic meetings 2 nights in a cultural center in Bobohalma," Rev. Wigand said. He added the meetings couldn't begin before 9 p.m. because "they had to wait for their livestock to return from the pasture and to do chores."

Although there was a language barrier - the pastor relied on translators - the people were very warm and welcoming. "You sense a deep spirituality among the people in the churches," he said.

The ladies in the group, meanwhile, organized 3 Bible school events for children, and the couples worked together to purchase and donate fabric for sheets and diapers, as well as formula and detergent. "We were able to help a children's hospital and one of the orphanages," Forshee said.

The orphanage buildings, like many other structures in Romania, are in a state of disrepair. "This country's been on deferred maintenance for 30 years," he added, referring to the communist rule. "The buildings are old and they show it."

At the same time, the children are not neglected, according to Rev. Wigand. "The orphanages are definitely understaffed because of a lack of funds, but the people really cared for them (children)."

Leah Wigand recalled seeing a doctor walk into a room at one orphanage, where she was greeted by children with upraised arms and calls of "momma". "So you know there's some real affection there," she said.

Sadly, many gypsies depend on the Romanian government to take and care for their infants until the age of 3 or so, when they can begin to learn how to beg in the streets. "They don't really care to raise them," said Forshee. Adults that have contact with their children once in 6 months are considered "active" parents by the

government, he explained. "But they're trying to change that."

The couples encountered gypsy children everywhere during their stay. "Some of the parents maim their children so they're more effective in begging," Rev. Wigand noted.

The trip included visits to several churches, some sightseeing and even a stop at what is known as Dracula's Castle. The couples stayed in Medias, a city of about 65,000 people located 30 miles from Bobohalma.

They also visited with a foster care family in Bazna, a village of about 1,000 people. The couple has 5 children of their own and 7 foster children, according to Rev. Wigand. "We probably will continue to help them as a church," he said.

Foster care in Romania is a far cry from similar programs in the United States, Forshee said. The families receive none of the financial support available here, but they take on the responsibility

and are held accountable by the government, he explained.

Although the standard of living in Romania pales in comparison to the United States, the people seem satisfied with their way of life,

the couples agreed.

"They're not an unhappy people," Leah Wigand observed.

"The people seem content with life," Rev. Wigand added. "People really didn't complain."



DEB Forshee gives a banana to a gypsy girl in Medias.

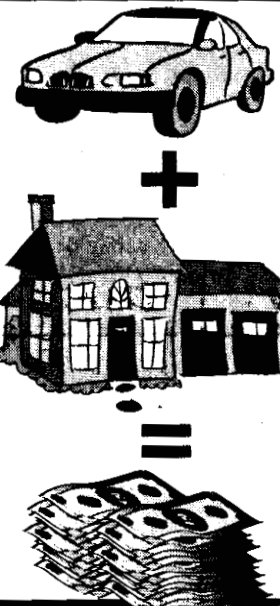
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Wild John's	10
Cass City Tire	4

Team High Series & Game:  
Loren's Lawn Care 3013 (1071).

High Series: L. McCarty 543, S. Hutchinson 505, R. Linzner 473, M.A. Opanasenko 474, D. Mathewson 472.

High Games: J. Stevens 188, M. Gussell 175, S. Hutchinson 194, D. Gornowski 189, M. Opanasenko 188, R. Linzner 191, L. McCarthy 209, R. Finkbeiner 186.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MERCHANTS

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Hair-n-More	4

High Series & Games: T. Kuck 684 (236-245), M. Lutz 649 (215-232), M. Jackson 636 (213-247), E. Herek 634 (223-224), M. Gettel 632 (224), B. Kupiec 628 (278), V. Winters 625 (210-255), S. Nauka 625 (256), R. Koch 620 (223-258), C. Mauer 620 (211-232), S. Summers 617 (225), J. Finkbeiner 599, M. Zawilinski 588 (227), L. Morgan 588 (215), R. Salcido 586 (229), T. Davis 585, C. Rieman 584 (220), J. Krol 581 (213), L. Prime 231, C. Anthes 225, B. Hereim 218, B. Rutkoski 216, J. Gorkoski 216, T. Lis 214, L. Wenzlaff 214, M. Frappart

213, R. Hull 213, R. Ewald 212, D. White 211.  
High Team Series & Game:  
Charmont 3178 (1090).

### THURSDAY NITE TRIO As of Sept. 20

Martin Electric	8
Mycogen Seeds	7
Schmaltz Construction	5
Thumb Auto Wash	4
Rivers Bend	4
Kelly & Co.	4
Osentoski Farm Equip.	4
Chemical Bank	4
Marlette Oil & Gas	3
Wickes	3
Cass Tavern	2
Marlette RV	0

Individual High Series & Games: Doug Hyatt 681 (267-217), E. Schmaltz 635 (232-223), Doug O'Dell 635 (213-223), D. Roth 626 (258-216), J. Enos 624 (232-211), W. Laming 618 (218-232), S. Osentoski 609 (243), D. Beecher 609 (237), J. Churchill 608 (221), B. Blaylock 591 (221-211), K. Pichla 222, R. Doerr 212.  
High Team Series & Game:  
Schmaltz Construction 1840 (652).

### THURSDAY NITE TRIO As of Sept. 27

Mycogen Seeds	10
Martin Electric	9
Thumb Auto Wash	7
Osentoski Farm Equip.	6
Schmaltz Construction	6
Cass Tavern	6
Rivers Bend	6
Kelly & Co.	6
Marlette Oil & Gas	6
Chemical Bank	5
Wickes	3
Marlette RV	1

Individual High Series & Games: D. Hyatt 681 (267), J. Enos 669 (225-233-211), J. Krol 655 (211-245), R. Root 604 (226), E. Schmaltz 602 (211-214), D. Burkel 235, D. Beecher 218, W. Laming 217, D. Dickinson 217, D. Roth 213, P. Regnerus 213, J. Hacker 211.

High Team Series: Cass Tavern 1837.

High Team Game: Thumb Auto Wash 644.



**NO EASY BASKET** for Tessia Zawilinski, left, as she is challenged by Terri Walker for Bad Axe. Watching the play is Sara Homakie.

## Lack of numbers hurt O-G during NCTL loss to Tigers

A big last quarter propelled C-PS to victory last week over the Owen-Gage

Bulldogs, 46-34. The Tigers used 12 players in the game and the depth paid off. Owen-Gage obviously tired in the last quarter with only 6 players available for the game.

Prior to the final period the game was close. In the low scoring first quarter the visitors emerged with a 2-point, 8-6 lead. At the intermission the Bulldogs had charged back to go in front, 16-15.

The Tigers quickly overcame that lead with a 10-6 advantage in the third quarter. Five of the 6 Bull-

dog points in the period were netted by Kayla Zaleski who counted a triple and a pair of free throws on her way to 10 points in the night.

Liz Aebel, with 9 points, and Courtney Watson, with 6, led the last period barrage for C-PS as their team netted 21 points in the final period to take the North Central Thumb League game.

Sarah Rievert shared scoring honors for the Bulldogs with 10 points. In double figures for the Tigers was Aebel with 19.

### BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Team	W	L	W	L
Mayville	3	0	7	1
Cass City	2	1	7	1
Laker	2	1	6	3
Reese	2	1	3	4
Bad Axe	2	1	3	5
Valley Lutheran	1	2	1	5
USA	0	3	2	6
BCAS	0	3	0	8

Team	W	L	W	L
Marlette	3	0	7	2
Harbor Beach	3	0	5	3
Deckerline	2	1	7	1
Udby	2	1	4	3
Sandusky	1	2	4	4
Cros-Lex	1	2	2	3
Yale	0	3	2	6
Brown City	0	3	0	8

Team	W	L	W	L
Peck	7	0	8	2
North Huron	5	1	7	2
Kingston	5	1	6	3
Crownville	4	4	5	5
CPS	3	3	3	4
Owen-Gage	2	4	3	5
Port Hope	1	6	2	8
A-Fairgrove	0	8	0	9

**TUESDAY'S GAMES**  
Bad Axe at Uby  
Deckerline at Cass City  
Brown City at USA  
Valley Lutheran at Harbor Beach  
Mayville at Sandusky  
North Huron at Peck  
Port Hope at Owen-Gage  
Cros-Lex at CPS  
A-Fairgrove at Reese

**THURSDAY'S GAMES**  
Bad Axe at Laker  
Reese at Valley Lutheran  
Cass City at USA  
Uby vs. Deckerline  
Mayville at BCAS  
Brown City at Yale  
Harbor Beach at Sandusky  
Marlette at Cros-Lex  
STA at NCTL Crossovers (TBA)

## Red Hawks hit high gear in victory over Hatchets

The Cass City Red Hawks bounced back from an upset defeat at Laker High to register a pair of wins last week. One of the wins was over the Bad Axe Hatchets Thursday in Greater Thumb West competition, keeping the Hawks in the thick of the league title race.

The win over the Hatchets was a run and gun affair and the Hawks had the most ammunition winning, 84-59.

Cass City jumped into an early lead in the first quarter, despite many turnovers, with an 8-2 run to lead 12-5 after 4:20 minutes of play. The Hatchets then staged their best flurry of the night to tie it with 1:40 left in the quarter.

Cass City then scored the next 5 points to lead 17-12 and the Hawks were never seriously threatened after that.

Bad Axe stung Cass City with numerous fast breaks all during the first half and the breaks accounted for the majority of their points. The Hatchets missed many good shots in the period. Using balanced scoring, the Hawks stretched the lead to 27-17 midway through the period. Bad Axe rallied briefly and by the half the lead was 34-26.

Sara Homakie and Ashley Ouvry combined to remove all doubt about the outcome in the third quarter. Homakie cashed 3 hoops and 3 of 4 free throws for 9 points and Ouvry hit 2 baskets and 3 of 6 charity tosses.

The scoring spree coupled with better defense against the fast break put Cass City in front 57-37 going into the final 8 minutes.

Cass City used some excellent passing to break the Hatchet press to provide easy shots. Ouvry cashed a bucket and 4 free throws as she posted her best career night with 19 points.

Bad Axe received some excellent post play from Amy Sutherland who scored 14 points, 10 in the last half.

Cass City had 4 players in double figures. Besides Ouvry's 19 points, Homakie netted 14, Elise Pasant 12 and Deidre Deering 10.

Ouvry picked off 13 boards and Lindsey Hendrick and Homakie each grabbed 6. Deering helped the defense

### Milk production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 480 million pounds of milk during August, down one percent from a year ago, according to the Federal/State Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service.

The daily rate per cow was 51.3 pounds, down .5 pounds from 2000. The dairy herd was estimated at 302,000 head for August, unchanged from a year earlier.

with 6 steals.  
The Hawks were guilty of

24 turnovers. Nine of the 12 players on the squad scored.

## Cass City slips past talented Sandusky

Coach John Maharg calls it one of the best teams that Cass City has faced all year and certainly it produced the best individual performance by a Hawk opponent.

The Hawks registered a hair-raising one point, 50-49, decision over the Sandusky Redskins last Tuesday.

Keeping Sandusky in the game was Liz Mavis, a 5-foot, 5-inch dynamo who scored 25 of her team's 49 points.

The game was non-conference as was Tuesday's game in which the Hawks faced a veteran powerful Deckerville quintet. Thursday the Hawks return to GTW competition at USA before returning home to battle Reese next Tuesday in another league contest.

The game was close all the way. Deidre Deering's 3 baskets in the first quarter was matched by Mavis and Cass City was in front 10-9 at the end of the period.

Sara Homakie started her scoring spree in the second period with 6 points on her way to a very productive 20-point evening. Mavis kept Sandusky in the chase with 7 points and at the half Cass City was in front, 27-25.

The Hawks stretched the lead to 3 points in the third quarter on balanced scoring and then held on to register the win as the Redskins posted a 13-11 advantage in the final 8 minutes.

Homakie took charge of the

game on the line, netting 8 of the 11 points Cass City counted in the fourth quarter.

Cass City converted 20 of 47 shots for 43 percent and was excellent from the charity stripe with 10 of 14.

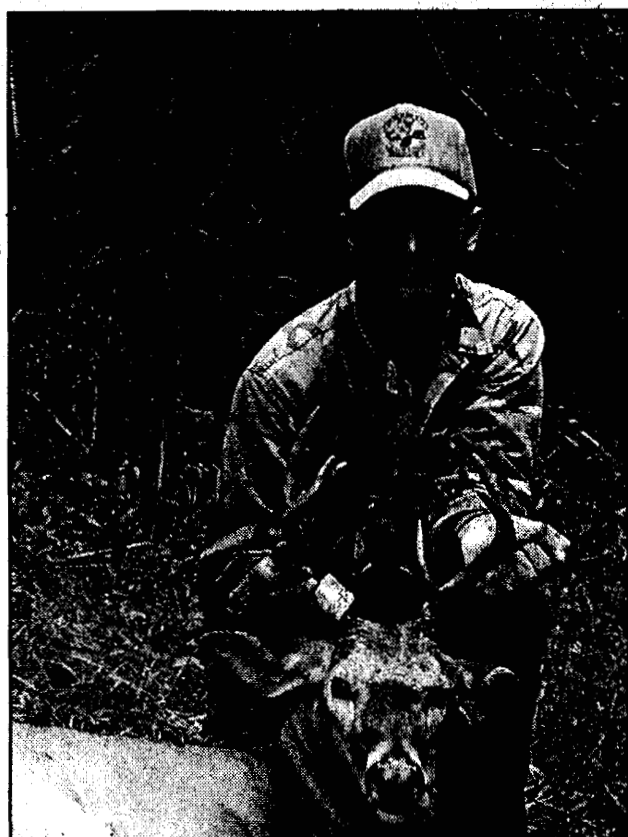
The Hawks were guilty of 24 turnovers. Amy Howard and Deering each made 3 steals.

**CASS CITY** - Zawilinski 1-0 (0-0) 2; Homakie 8-0 (4-5) 20; Howard 2-0 (1-3) 5; Hendrick 2-0 (3-4) 5; Deering 6-0 (2-2) 14; Ouvry 2-0 (0-0) 4.  
**TOTALS - 20-0 (10-14) 50.**

**SANDUSKY** - Hicks 1-0 (0-0) 2; Mavis 9-1 (4-5) 25; Paape 1-0 (0-0) 2; Marston 2-0 (2-2) 6; R. Gerstenburger 3-1 (1-2) 10; Kritzman 2-0 (2-4) 6.  
**TOTALS - 17-2 (9-13) 49.**

**CASS CITY** - Pasant 5-0 (2-2) 12; Zawilinski 0-0 (3-4) 3; Homakie 5-0 (4-6) 14; Howard 2-0 (1-2) 5; Hendrick 4-0 (0-0) 8; Hartel 2-0 (0-0) 4; Deering 5-0 (1-2) 11; Ouvry 5-0 (9-14) 19; Zimba 2-0 (4-5) 8.  
**TOTALS - 30-0 (24-39) 84.**

**BAD AXE** - McDonald 5-0 (2-3) 12; Males 3-0 (0-5) 6; Ferris 2-0 (1-2) 5; Walker 3-0 (2-6) 8; Ney 1-0 (4-6) 6; Sutherland 6-0 (2-4) 14; Meredith 3-0 (0-0) 6; Lawrence 1-0 (0-0) 2.  
**TOTALS - 24-0 (11-26) 59.**



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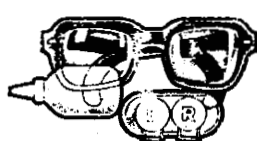
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# Homecoming Friday

## USA shuts down Red Hawk offense in GTW gridiron win

In the first series of downs it appeared as if the Cass City Red Hawks were ready to play a great football game against Unionville-Sebewaing, after Tim Khoury stopped the first USA advance with a great tackle when the Patriots were a yard short of a first down.

But it was all downhill after that for Cass City as the USA defense throttled the Hawk offense on its way to a 36-0 decision.

Coach Scott Cuthrell said his charges just didn't play well and if they don't start playing together as a team it's going to be a very long season. It would be great if the team came together this Friday in Cass City's homecoming game against Valley Lutheran, a team that has also

struggled this season.

While the Patriots' forte has been its ground game, it was the aerial game that paced the early attack. Josh Hoppe hit Adam Gainforth in the left flat and he simply out-ran the defense to score from 67 yards out with 5:34 left in the quarter.

In the second quarter the roof fell in for Cass City as the Patriots scored 3 touchdowns to lead at the half, 28-0. Passes set up the second marker for the visitors as a pair of passes ate up 60 yards for a first down on the Cass City 11 from where Scott Travis busted off tackle for the score.

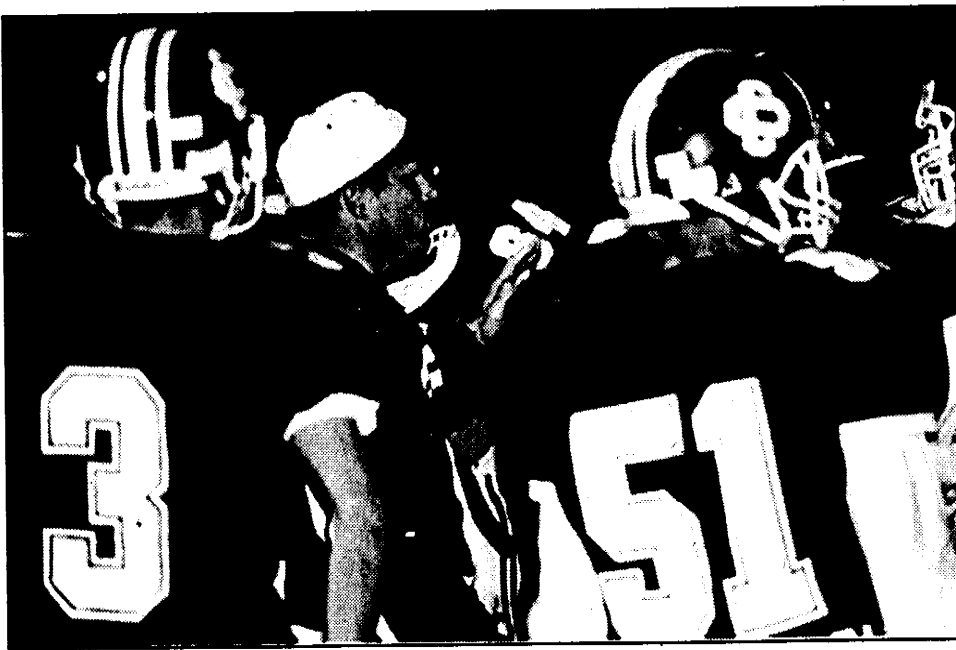
A fumble on the Hawk 15 was recovered by Jason

Hahn and 43 seconds after the second touchdown the Patriots scored again. Nicholas Nguyen went over from the 2 and the run for points was good.

There was just 1:23 left in the half when USA struck again. This time a well executed screen pass on the left flat enable Tyler Smith to ramble 24 yards behind perfect blocking to score. The extra points run was good.

The Hawks regrouped in the last half allowing just one touchdown, but by then the outcome had been decided.

The Hawks were held to a meager 77 yards on offense, with just 40 yards on 26 rushing attempts. Smith gained 115 yards in 9 attempts for USA. Travis Jensen led Cass City with 24 yards.



COACH SCOTT CUTHRELL had good reason for showing his concern as his charges were bowing to USA in a game he feels they did not play well.

## Hawk golfers continue roll

The Cass City High School golf team continued to pile up dual match wins last week with victories over Harbor Beach Monday, Laker High Wednesday and Vassar Thursday.

Playing in ideal golfing weather Thursday, Cass City tied a course record at Rolling Hills, shooting 154 to top Vassar that scored 186.

Leading the assault was medalist Nick Chappel with a one over par 36. Other scores counted were Chris Maharg, 38, Derek Bellew, 39, Matt Ender, 41. Non-qualifying scores were posted by Zach Bliss, 44, and Nick Swanson, 55. JV player Cyndi Henn shot 59.

Vassar's best was 43 by Tom Kennard. Other Vulcan scores: Josh Koch, 48, Nick Jablouski, 46, and Trevor Perry, 49.

The scores were affected by the cold, windy, wet day as the Hawks defeated Harbor Beach at Verona Hills Golf Course, 173-188.



Nick Swanson Co-medalist  
Co-medalists, each with 42, were Cass City's Nick Swanson and Pirate Neil Schock. Cass City's other

scores were 43 by Chris Maharg and 44 by both Nick Chappel and Derek Bellew. Scores by Matt Ender, 49, and Zach Bliss, 45, did not count as the best 4 of 6 posted scores determine the match score. Junior varsity player Cyndi Henn scored 56.

The Hawks returned to Rolling Hills Golf Course Thursday to post a 167-194 decision over Lakers in cold, windy weather.

Ender returned to form, shooting a 38, for medalist honors. Bellew shot 42, Maharg, 43 and Bliss, 44.

Dan Azarovitz led Lakers with a 45. Other Laker scores: Jimmy Bieri and Cole Armbruster, each with 49, and Brody Beachy and Brian Vieschulz, each with 50. Andrew Rowe posted a 58.

## Bulldogs bow in triple overtime thriller at CPS

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs made a gallant effort to register their first North Central Thumb league victory of the year Friday while losing to CPS in triple overtime, 12-6. Bulldog fans hope that the team will remain focused during Friday's homecoming game against Akron-Fairgrove.

The teams will be playing for pride only and a chance to move out of the league basement. Both are winless in league action. A-F is winless this season, while the Bulldogs opened the season with a non-conference victory.

Owen-Gage was forced to

come from behind in the last quarter of regulation play to force the game into overtime. C-PS scored in the second quarter when Nik Falcon capped a drive to score from one yard out.

It was a one-yard run by Earl McKee that tied the score.

Neither team scored in the first and second overtime. The game was decided when Falcon passed to Markus Steeb for the marker.

The Bulldogs picked up 146 yards in 50 rushing attempts and 19 yards in 2 for 12 passing completions.

## Owen-Gage golfers defeat Port Hope

The Owen-Gage High School golf team racked up another victory Wednesday, defeating Port Hope. The Bulldogs won the stroke play, 178-232, and the match play, 6-0.

Four Owen-Gage golfers

were in the 40s. Corbin Swiastyn was medalist with a 40. Jeremy Kady shot 45, Earl McKee, 46, and Josh Powell, 47.

Paul Glotzhober's 52 was best for Port Hope.

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## Bulldog Royalty



VYING FOR the title of homecoming queen and king are Owen-Gage seniors (front row, left) Rebecca Hartman, Ashley Adams, Amy Pawelski, Sarah Sturtevant (back row, left) Josh Error, Corbin Swiastyn, Ken Kady and Zach Fritz.



OWEN-GAGE Homecoming class representatives are (front row, left) freshmen Josh Leinweber, Wendy Error, Kayla Kady, Aaron Faist, (second row, left) sophomores Justin Rogers, Laura Enderle, Hope Hunt, Tim Kain, and (third row, left) juniors Scott Kundinger, Jennifer Kinney, Bridget Stirrett and Warren Hunt.

## TOURNAMENT STANDINGS AND RESULTS

GREATER THUMB WEST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Bad Axe	5	0	6	0
Reese	5	0	6	0
USA	4	1	5	1
BCAS	3	2	4	2
Laker	2	3	2	4
Valley Lutheran	1	4	1	5
Mayville	0	5	0	6
Cass City	0	5	0	6

GREATER THUMB EAST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Deckerville	5	0	6	0
Harbor Beach	4	1	5	1
Marlette	3	2	4	2
Uby	3	2	4	2
Yale	3	2	4	2
Cros-Lex	1	4	1	5
Sandusky	1	4	1	5
Brown City	0	5	0	6

NORTH CENTRAL THUMB				
Team	W	L	W	L
Peck	4	0	6	0
Kingston	3	1	3	3
North Huron	2	1	4	2
CPS	2	1	3	3
Owen-Gage	0	4	1	5
A-Fairgrove	0	4	0	6

FRIDAY'S RESULTS GTW				
Bad Axe 47, Mayville 0				
USA 36, Cass City 0				
Laker 60, Valley Lutheran 0				
Reese 42, BCAS 0				

GTE				
Deckerville 46, Sandusky 18				
Harbor Beach 46, Brown City 14				
Uby 28, Yale 14				
Marlette 27, Cros-Lex 0				

NCTL				
Kingston 28, North Huron 14				
CPS 12, Owen-Gage 6 30Ts				
Peck 31, A-Fairgrove 6				

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## Fabulous Five's Fearless Forecast

	John Haire	Clarke Haire	Tom Montgomery	Doug Hyatt	JoAnn Rasmussen
<b>Friday, October 5</b>					
Akron-Fair, at Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
Reese at Bad Axe	Reese	Reese	Reese	Bad Axe	Reese
B.C.A.S. at USA	USA	USA	USA	USA	USA
Birch Run at Vassar	Vassar	Vassar	Vassar	Vassar	Vassar
Marlette at Brown City	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette
Caro at Millington	Caro	Caro	Caro	Caro	Caro
C-PS at Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
Valley Lutheran at Cass City	Cass City	Cass City	Valley Lutheran	Valley Lutheran	Valley Lutheran
Cros-Lex at Sandusky	Sandusky	Cros-Lex	Cros-Lex	Sandusky	Cros-Lex
Deckerville at Frankenmuth	Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville
Garber at Yale	Garber	Garber	Garber	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach
North Huron at Peck (10-6)	Peck	Peck	Peck	Peck	Peck
Mayville at Lakers	Lakers	Lakers	Lakers	Lakers	Lakers
Last week's results	10-5	9-6	10-5	10-5	10-5
Season's results	(50-21) 71%	(51-20) 72%	(48-23) 68%	(48-23) 68%	(48-23) 68%

## Tire collection dates scheduled

"Tuscola County Recycling will host its fall tire collection of the year," announced Sharon Mika, recycling coordinator.

"We will be accepting tires Thursday and Friday, Oct. 18 and 19, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 20, from 9 a.m. to noon. Residents must stop at the office to pay for tires before unloading Thursday and Friday."

The cost for recycling tires is \$1 per car/pickup truck tire, \$4 per semi-truck tire and \$15 per tractor tire. Rims are O.K.

The tires are being recycled by Environmental Rubber Recycling, Inc. of Saginaw (ERR Inc.). Environmental Rubber Recycling, Inc. has been processing tires into various size chips since 1991. The tires are shredded into 2-3 inch chips and granulated into various size particles.

ERR Inc. is the largest processor of scrap tires in the state of Michigan. The company recycled over 2.3 million tires in 2000.

The largest amount of these tires was used as a tire derived fuel for co-generation power plants. Crumb rubber is also used for applications such as cattle mats, artificial golf tees for driving ranges and par-3 courses, turf enhancement for athletic fields and golf courses, climbing wall safety protection, playgrounds, and asphalt paving sealant. The tires collected by ERR Inc. have all been from Michigan creating a 100 percent diversion rate for the tires.

The tire collection will be held at Tuscola County Recycling, located at 1123 Mertz Rd. (M-24), one mile south of the village of Caro.

Tires have become a concern for many townships with people disposing of tires along the roadways. Many townships are sponsoring tire collections for their own communities to provide a place for residents to properly dispose of tires. The county has been providing an annual tire collection since 1995. When purchasing tires, ask the company to recycle your old tires. Tire piles can become a breeding ground for mosquitoes and a fire hazard. If you need to store tires, keep them inside or covered.

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# Drought conditions affect corn yield

Drought conditions affect corn differently, depending on when they occur during the growing season.

This year's growing season has not only been the driest in more than a decade, but it will also produce varying yields. Farmers may want to estimate yield before harvest.

"The interesting thing about this year is we had disparity across the state," says Kurt Thelen, Michigan State University Extension specialist. "Some parts will have real good yields and other places the corn didn't develop ears. There are even disparities within counties, where you have very good and very poor yields."

Thelen points out that drought affects corn differently when it strikes at different points in the growing season.

Four consecutive days of drought during the vegetative growth stage can reduce potential corn yield by as much as 10 percent. If a drought hits during the reproductive

phase, tassels emerge too early for the silks and there is very poor pollination. This leads to cobs with very poor patterns of kernel set.

"If you have 4 days of severe drought during pollination, you can lose up to 50 percent of yield — and we had that in some parts of Michigan this year," he notes.

If a drought is severe during the grain fill period after pollination, kernels die on the cob. They usually begin dying from the tip, forming "nub" ears.

"You'll have less of a grain fill, smaller kernels, and if you had good conditions through the growing season but dry at end, kernels are wrinkled, which will hurt your test weight," Thelen says.

There are 4 steps in estimating yield. First, measure off 1/1,000 of an acre. For corn grown in 30-inch rows, this is 17 feet, 5 inches. For corn in 22-inch rows, measure 23 feet, 9 inches. Next, count the number of ears in that length of row, pull every fifth ear and count the number of kernel rows.

Average the number of kernel rows and then count the number of kernels per row (not including tiny kernels). Multiply the number of ears by the number of kernel rows and multiply that number by the number of kernels per row. Divide by 90 to get the estimated yield in bushels per acre.

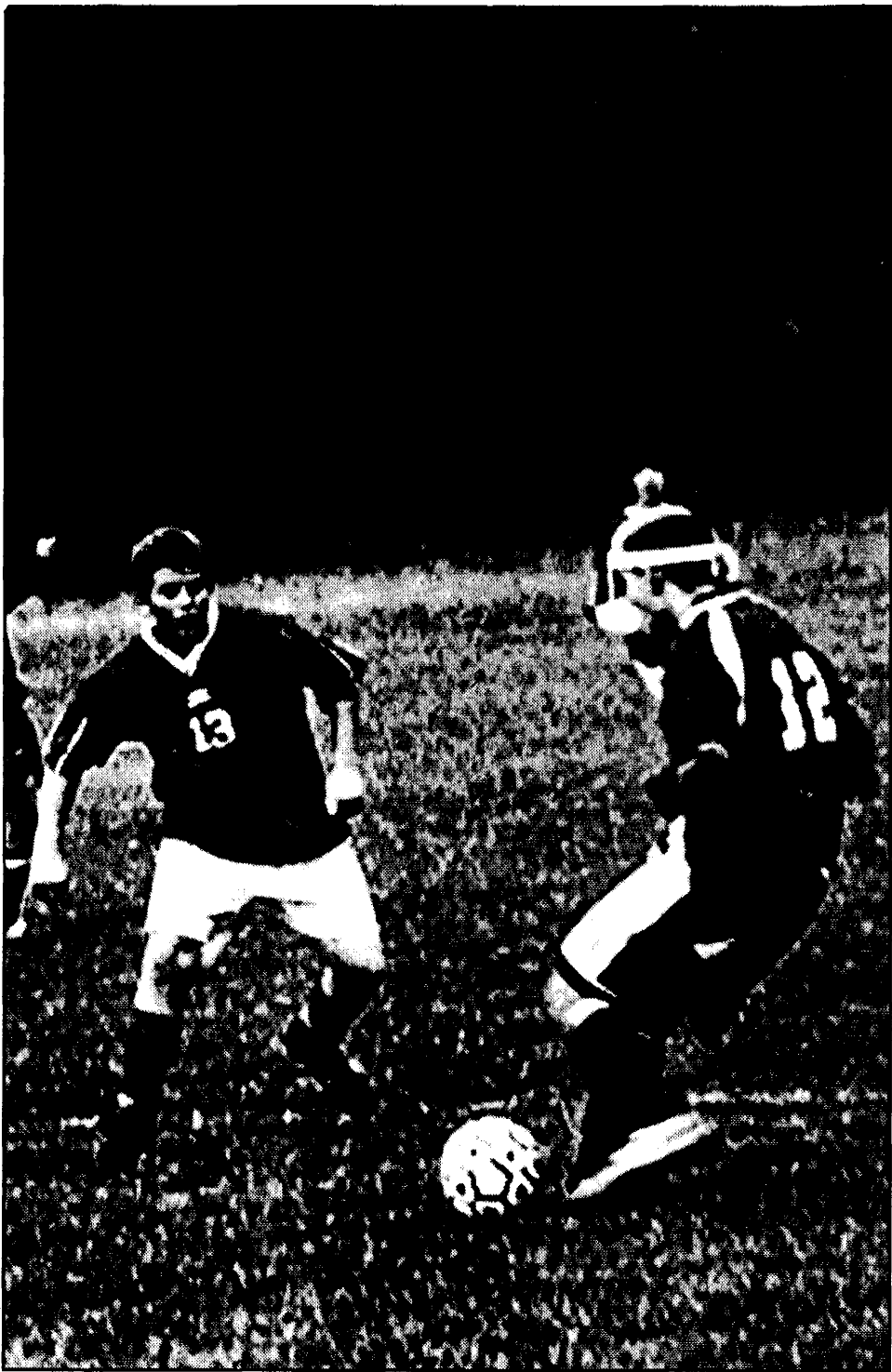
For more information about the effects of this year's drought or about estimating corn yield, contact your county MSU Extension office for a copy of the Field Crop Advisory Team Alert drought issue.

## Sheriff: beware of scam

Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern is warning residents to be aware of a possible scam during a legitimate fundraiser.

"Apparently, some Tuscola County citizens are receiving calls (requesting) huge sums of money, stating they are calling on behalf of the sheriff's posse," Kern said.

"The sheriff's posse has a legitimate fundraiser going on at this time, which is their annual fall country and western show. Those tickets are \$12 per person or \$30 for a family ticket."



RED HAWK SEAN McFarland (13) battles for a ball in Thursday's 4-1 loss to visiting Bad Axe.

# Red Hawk soccer squad still looking for first win

Cass City failed to break into the win column in 3 games played last week. Coach Chuck Reed was disappointed in a rescheduled game against Sandusky, a team in which the coach feels the Hawks match up well with.

The Redskins won, 6-0, in a game played in extremely wet, cold conditions. The Hawks failed to score on several good opportunities and when Sandusky first scored, they were rejuvenated and quickly added to its victory total.

The last half was dominated by the weather, Reed reported.

The weather was no better against USA, but Cass City played better in a loss to USA. The Patriots scored a breakaway goal late in the first half and pushed USA in front, 3-1, at halftime.

The temperature dropped and the rain continued in the last half. Josh Wark scored for the Hawks with an assist from Amanda Sullins. Cory Rickett played well in goal.

Good weather and good play by the Hawks returned in a game that Bad Axe won, 4-1. Reed reports that his charges out shot the Hatchets which has a deep, experienced squad. But excellent goal keeping kept the Hawks from scoring until late in the game. Josh Windsor scored with an assist from Steve Slosser. Defense was strong with

fine efforts from Jarred Glaza and Jake Piaskowski. Caleb Hanby played well in goal. Sullins and Sean McFarland played their best games of the year. Sullins constantly beat defenders off

the dribble and McFarland played a physical game at midfield.

Although the Hawks did not win, Reed said it was still a game for Cass City to be proud of.



JOSH WARK (14) applies pressure during Cass City's GTW contest with the visiting Hatchets.

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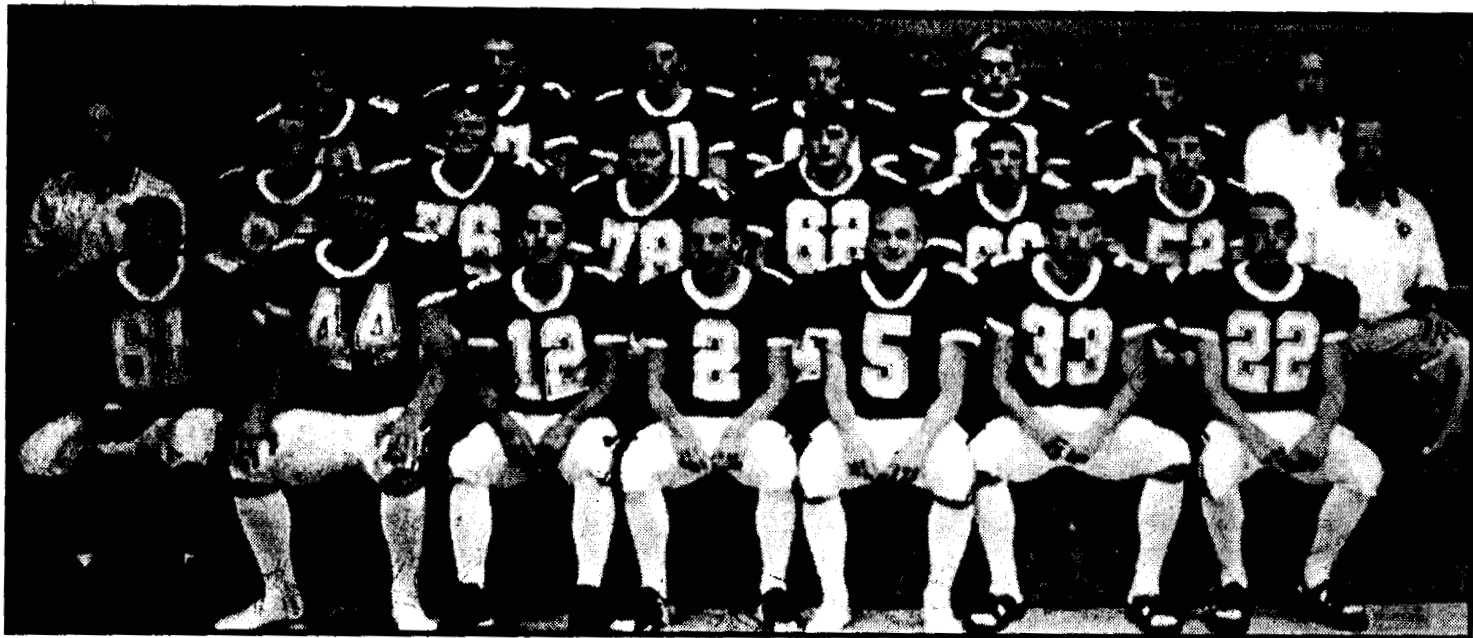
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# Homecoming 2001

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## RED HAWK VARSITY FOOTBALL



CASS CITY RED HAWK varsity is looking to improve on its 2-7 mark last year. Front row, left to right: Rob Havens, Bill Thane Jr., Timothy Khoury, Matt Stoutenburg, Nick Turner, Aaron Dorland, Nathan Laming. Second row, left to right: Coach Stern, Joel Hessler, Jason Barrigar, Jeremy Schulz, Travis Jensen, David Mayer, Joe Lounsbury. Third row, left to right: Tyler Harp, Nathan Izydorek, Cason Harris, Aaron Diegel, Grant Frank, Joe Nauka.



THE KING AND QUEEN candidates for the 2001 Cass City High School homecoming have been elected. The winners among these seniors will be announced at halftime of Friday's game. Front row, from left: Mike Jaafar, Chelsee Zimba, Sara Homakie, Kari Lowe. Second row: Kerry Shagene, James Kilbourn, Ashley Ouvry, Jason Ganley. Back row: Rob Havens, Jeff Storm.



THE HOMECOMING king and queen court. Front row, from left: Tara Sherman, Keith Truemner. Second row: Erika Karavas, Jonathon Bennett. Back Row: Ashley Froede and Jordan Glaza.

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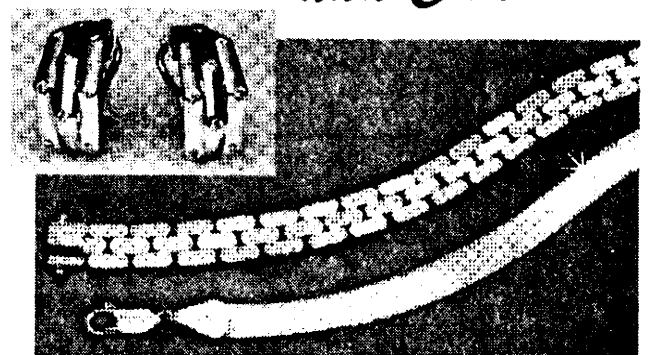
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The Ubly Community Schools Business Professionals of America (BPA) Chapter volunteered its time Sept. 15 to work on the Habitat for Humanity house located in Kinde.

Seventeen BPA members along with the 2 advisors, Deb Osentoski and David Jaroch, spent their day volunteering. Members helped with building the porch, nailing the sub-floor down and nailing together and putting up the south wall.

The Ubly BPA Chapter also volunteers its time to Special Olympics, and members are known for their chessball sales in the fall/winter.

They compete in various business competitions during the school year. Regional Competition is held in January at Baker College in Flint, State Competition is held in March at the Renaissance Center in Detroit, and National Competition is held in May with locations changing every year. This year Nationals will be in Chicago, Ill.



**MEMBERS OF the Ubly Business Professionals of America Chapter include (front row, left) Brooke Bensinger, Dawn Young, Marjo Jaroch, Ashlee Klee, (middle row, left) Jill Butch, R.J. Brady, Becky Rumpitz, Julie Roberts, Bill Lackowski, Kelley Smithers, Kyle Walsh, Brandy Weltin, Amanda Sullivan, Erin Cleland, Greg Gliniecki, (back row, left) Kala Briolat, Coray Symonds and Advisor David Jaroch.**

## Circuit court proceedings

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

•Jeffrey S. Phillips, 42, Fostoria, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, April 23, 1998, in Watertown Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered for the defendant, who was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Richard L. McLaren Jr., 25, Vassar, pleaded guilty to fleeing and eluding a police officer and resisting and obstructing a police officer Dec. 26 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Mark L. Raymond, 42, Millington, pleaded no contest to a charge of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving personal injury and the use of force or coercion March 29 in Arbelia Township.

The plea was taken under advisement by the court, which ordered a pre-sentence investigation and continued bond at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Anthony J. Churcott, 26, Vassar, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while

under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 28 in Vassar.

The plea was taken under advisement. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$1,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Russell B. McLeod, 34, stood mute to charges of unlawfully driving away an automobile or receiving and concealing stolen property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 Aug. 28 in Caro; operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, resisting and obstructing a police officer and operating a motor vehicle without a license Aug. 28 in Mayville; to being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at a combined \$10,000, and McLeod was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Larry Jenkins, 51, Silverwood, stood mute to 6 counts of forgery and 6 counts of uttering and publishing involving checks of \$350, \$200, \$600, \$120 and \$1,200 drawn on Independent Bank last April; larceny in a building, larceny of a firearm, possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony and receiving and concealing a firearm. He is

also charged with being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$20,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Roger W. Bearinger, 22, Cass City, stood mute to charges of larceny of \$1,000 to \$20,000 and larceny in a building July 28 in Gagetown.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$20,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Jacquelyn J. Ruth, 18, North Branch, pleaded guilty to malicious destruction of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000, and third degree

home invasion May 11-15 in Dayton Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$1,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Joshua D. Humes, 22, Caro, pleaded guilty to attempted forgery and attempted uttering and publishing involving a check for \$286.24 drawn on Wells Fargo Bank, South Dakota, June 15.

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

## Road work scheduled

Continuing its record \$1.54 billion road and bridge program for 2001, the Michigan Department of Transportation will be resurfacing 7 miles of M-19 between M-46 and Deckerville Road in Moore and Argyle townships in Sanilac County.

During rehabilitation, one lane of traffic will be maintained in alternating directions via traffic regulators. Access to businesses and residences will be maintained.

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## Down Memory Lane

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### 5 YEARS AGO

An estimated 60 firefighters from 6 departments worked to extinguish a blaze that destroyed Grant Apartments in Owendale Monday morning. Residents of the complex were left homeless, but there were no injuries.

Seniors Matt Oesch and Gia Mellendorf were crowned homecoming king and queen during half-time festivities Friday night. The pair was crowned by last year's king and queen, Dan Sherman and Jill Wright.

Friday's tailgate party, held prior to Friday night's homecoming game in Cass City and sponsored by Thumb National Bank, is expected to become an annual event. Bank employees handed out hot dogs, chips, drinks and ice cream to a crowd estimated at 475 to 500 people.

Cass City United Way officials are looking for good things as they prepare to kick off their 1996 campaign next week. The local United Way board of directors recently set this year's goal at \$25,000, an increase of \$5,000 over last year.

Club champions at Rolling Hills Golf Course were crowned Sunday. They included John Maharg - 1st flight, Jerry Toner - championship flight, and Mark Kubacki - 2nd flight.

### 10 YEARS AGO

In the annual Fourth Friday count, the Cass City Schools picked up an additional 28 students over the year before. School Supt. Ken Micklash said officials counted a total of 1,650 students Friday — 40 in the high school, 122 at Deford Elementary School, 538 at Campbell Elementary, 514 in the intermediate school and 36 in adult education.

Damage has been estimated at \$30,000 in a grain elevator fire in Snover Thursday that prompted the evacuation of several families living nearby.

The Cass City Red Hawks won their first football game of the year Friday when they defeated Marlette, 30-22.

The Michigan Sire Stakes is the top race of the year for Michigan bred 2-year-old trotting fillies and the winner was "Skeeter Torch", bred by Ed Fleming at Fleming Stock Farm on Crawford Road, south of Cass City. Fleming will receive 10 percent of the \$100,000 purse.

The undefeated Cass City Red Hawk basketball team defeated the Marlette Red Raiders Thursday, 45-42, in a key Blue League battle. Jenny Storm was high scorer with 26 points.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Sherri Little, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Little of Cass City, faces a long road to recovery from injuries in an auto crash last week. Sherri now can move only her arms and has feeling in her toes. Other than that she is paralyzed. She is hospitalized at St. Luke's Hospital.

Volunteers in Cass City will attempt to raise \$500,000 needed for Hills and Dales General Hospital. New hospital regulations and new government rules has decreed many of the changes that will be incorporated into the changes at the hospital.

Rick Szarapski, 15, of Cass City was one of the rare successful bow hunters to bag a buck. The trophy was shot on the Szarapski farm on Kelly Road. Szarapski bagged the deer with a 10-yard shot from a perch in a tree. He was taught bow hunting by his

father, Richard, who also had a shot at a trophy, but missed.

Playing at the Cass Theater Friday, Saturday and Sunday - 2 adult sizzlers!!! "I Will" with Elliott Gould, Diane Keaton and Paul Sorvino, and "Wild Party" starring James Coco and Raquel Welch.

### 35 YEARS AGO

The Cass City area is entering the final stages of the harvest season with crops described as the best in the last 3 years.

John McCormick, Elkland Township treasurer, this week announced his resignation to the town board just prior to tax collection time. McCormick is under doctor's orders to reduce his work load and for this reason was forced to resign.

Monday, Clair Auslander started cutting 50 diseased trees in the village, mostly ruined by Dutch Elm disease. County Agricultural Agent Alfred Ballweg said that the oldest of the trees cut Monday was about 100 years, after examining the trees' rings on the stump.

Bill Bader, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bader, is recuperating at home after he hit a rock while riding his bike on loose gravel and tipped over, Sept. 24. He suffered a fracture to his left side and injuries to his forehead and nose. He was hospitalized for 3 days.

Members of the Cass City American Legion this week announced that new rules for membership in the organization have been adopted at a recent meeting of the national convention. Now soldiers serving in the Vietnam War will be eligible to join.

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## Habitat applications available

Applications to apply for a Habitat For Humanity home will be accepted through the month of October.

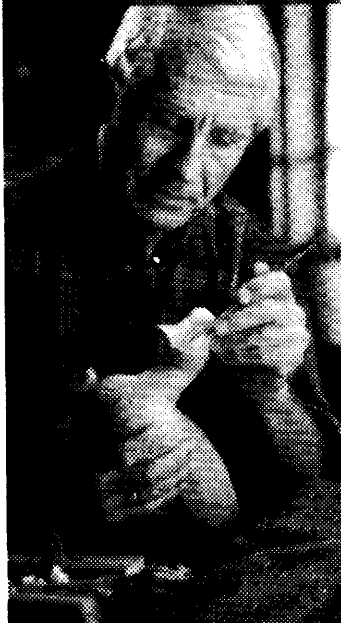
On Oct. 20 at the United Methodist Church of Vassar (113 North Main) and at the Presbyterian Church of Caro (215 N. Almer), volunteers will be available from 1 until 4 p.m. to answer questions about applying for a home or to assist with filling out the application.

The 3 criteria for obtaining a habitat home are: need for adequate shelter, willingness to partner and the ability to pay for the home.

Applicants must currently be living in substandard housing, are required to work 250-400 hours or more on a Habitat project and have sufficient income to make payments on a no-interest home mortgage.

Brochures will be available in libraries and newspaper offices in Cass City, Caro and Vassar. Families will be selected for the towns in which Cass River Habitat For Humanity expects to build homes in 2002.

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Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Johnson Potato Farms, L.L.C., to Michigan National Bank. The Mortgage is dated June 25, 1998 and was recorded on September 9, 1998 in Liber 749 on pages 711 through 720 of the Tuscola County Records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now One Million Seven Hundred Eighty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Five and 33/100 (\$1,787,685.33) Dollars.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held November 9, 2001 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front entrance of the Court House in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan which is the location of the Circuit Court for Tuscola County, Michigan.

The following property to be sold is located in Akron and Dayton Townships, Tuscola County, Michigan, and is more specifically described in the Mortgage as:

PARCEL 1: Part of the West 1/2 of fractional Section 18, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West line of said fractional Section 18; said point being along said West line South 01 degree 52'01" West, 280.00 feet from the West 1/4 corner of said fractional Section 18; thence continuing along said West line South 01 degree 52'01" West, 1034.68 feet to the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of the South-west 1/4 of said fractional Section 18; thence along said South line, South 88 degrees 40'45" East, 1133.55 feet to the East line of said West 1/2; thence along said East line, North 01 degree 35'36" East, 1623.94 feet; thence North 88 degrees 24'24" West, 50.00 feet; thence North 01 degree 35'16" East, 164.07 feet; thence North 88 degrees 24'24" West, 45.87 feet; thence South 62'14" West, 132.00 feet; thence North 01 degree 35'36" East, 165.00 feet to the centerline of State Highway M-25; thence along said centerline South 62 degrees 14' West, 412.00 feet; thence South 02 degree 05'22" West, 373.84 feet; thence South 01 degree 52'01" West, 285.84 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07'59" West, 554.00 feet to the point of beginning. EXCEPT an undivided 1/2 interest in and to all oil, gas and other minerals given to Cecil K. Bates as set forth in Liber 232 of Deeds, page 16 and any interest in subsequent instruments pertinent thereto

PARCEL 2: Part of the West 1/2 of fractional Section 18, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West line of said fractional Section 18, said point being along said West line South 01 degree 52'01" West 165.0 feet from the West 1/4 corner of said fractional Section 18; thence continuing along said West line South 01 degree 52'01" West 115.0 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07'59" East 554.0 feet; thence North 01 degree 52'01" East, 285.84 feet; thence North 02 degrees 05'22" East 373.84 feet to the centerline of State Highway M-25; thence along said centerline South 62 degrees 14' West, 83.26 feet; thence South 01 degree 50'40" East 379.95 feet; thence North 88 degrees 44'15" West, 226.69 feet; thence South 01 degree 52'01" West 121.97 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07'59" West, 281.00 feet to the point of beginning. EXCEPT an undivided 1/2 interest in and to all oil, gas and other minerals given to Cecil K. Bates as set forth in Liber 232 of Deeds, page 16 and any interest in subsequent instruments pertinent thereto.

PARCEL 3: The West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, EXCEPT commencing 757 feet East of the South 1/4 corner of Section 27; thence East 230 feet; thence North 245 feet; thence South 230 feet; thence South 245 feet to the point of beginning

PARCEL 4: The West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, EXCEPT beginning at a point on the South Section line, East 500.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 25; thence continuing East 823.22 feet to the East line of said West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4; thence along said line, North 0 degree 22'08" East, 565.01 feet; thence South 824.82 feet; thence South 0 degree 12'21" West, 565.00 feet to the point of beginning. ALSO EXCEPT the East 439.33 feet of said West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 EXCEPT the South 565 feet thereof.

The redemption period will expire One (1) year from the date of the sale.

Dated: September 26, 2001

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9-26-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James T. Chambers, a married man and Heather Chambers, his wife (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated September 14, 1998, and recorded on September 23, 1998 in Liber 750, on Page 1028, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated June 1, 1999, which was recorded on June 8, 2000, in Liber 803, on Page 007, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX AND 83/100 dollars (\$51,866.83), including interest at 6.950% 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 10:00 a.m. on October 26, 2001.

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

Lot 5 and the South 8 feet of Lot 4, Block 16, Village of Fostoria as per the recorded

plat in Liber 1, Pages 44-45 of 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: September 12, 2001

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Jaguars

9-12-5

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 Michael M. Sagash IV A Single Man (original mortgagors) to G.L. Byron and Company, Mortgagee, dated March 2, 1999, and recorded on March 4, 1999 in Liber 765, on Page 165, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Standard Federal Bank as set forth in the Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated March 2, 1999, which was recorded on March 4, 1999, in Liber 765, on Page 173, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY-THREE AND 30/100 dollars (\$37,343.30), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on November 16, 2001.

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

The north 16 1/2 feet of Lots 1 and 2, and all of Lot 6, Block 4 of H.C. Marvin's Plat of the Village of Unionville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 38, now being Page 49A, 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: October 3, 2001

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Cougars

10-3-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David W. Duncan III, a married man and Alisa A. Duncan, his wife, as mortgagor (original mortgagors) to Quicken Loans, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 29, 2000, and recorded on March 6, 2000 in Liber 795, on Page 984, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated February 29, 2000, which was recorded on September 25, 2000, in Liber 811, on page 397, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-THREE AND 08/100 dollars (\$140,843.08), including interest at 9.500% per annum.

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

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

Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, running thence East 440 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 990 feet; thence West 220 feet; thence North 990 feet; thence East 440 feet; thence South 1980 feet; thence West 220 feet to the point of beginning. Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: September 19, 2001

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Mustangs

9-19-5

MORTGAGE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Donald H. Finkbeiner, a single man, and Edward Hill, a single man, to First National Bank of America, f/k/a First National Bank of Michigan, dated June 29, 1995 and recorded on July 18, 1995 in Liber 676 page 356, Tuscola County records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$1,507.09.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Thursday, October 18, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. local time, at front steps, Tuscola County Courthouse, Caro, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, to-

gether with interest at 12.95 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in the Township of Elkland, Tuscola County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:

A parcel of land commencing 35 rods East of West quarter corner on the East and West quarter line of Section 34, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, running thence south 165 feet, thence East 66 feet, thence North 165 feet, thence West along said quarter line 66 feet to point of beginning. The redemption period will be one year from the date of sale.

Date: September 13, 2001

Joseph B. Backus, attorney for mortgage holder  
P.O. Box 794, East Lansing, MI 48826  
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9-19-4

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 Dawn Rumbold, a single woman (original mortgagors) to American Financial Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 18, 1999, and recorded on August 11, 1999 in Liber 779, on Page 450, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated June 18, 1999, which was recorded on April 17, 2000, in Liber 798, on Page 1291, Tuscola County Records, and re-recorded on May 14, 2001, in Liber 831, on page 1065, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE AND 59/100 dollars (\$61,581.59), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

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

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 36, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, described as: Commencing at a point which is North 89 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds East, 36 feet from the Northeast corner of Lot 1, Block 1 of the Plat of the Village of Mayville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 3, Page 35; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds East, 94.88 feet; thence South 00 degrees 13 minutes 43 seconds West, 148.5 feet; thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds West, 94.9 feet; thence North 89 degrees 14 minutes 15 seconds East, 148.5 feet to the Point of Beginning. 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: September 26, 2001

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Mustangs

9-26-5

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 Roscoe E. Hulz, a married man and Jo Ann Hulz, a married woman, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 9, 1999, and recorded on July 27, 1999 in Liber 777, on page 1218, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Citic Mortgage, Inc. as successor buyer to Source One Mortgage Corp., Assignee by an assignment dated July 9, 1999, which was recorded on July 27, 1999, in Liber 777, on Page 1228, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN AND 91/100 dollars (\$100,237.91), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

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

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 10, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, described as: beginning at a point on the North section line that is North 89 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds West, 209.42 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 10; thence South 0 degrees 0 minutes 45 seconds West, 208.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds West, 209.42 feet; thence North 0 degrees 0 minutes 45 seconds East, 209.00 feet; thence along said North section line, South 89 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds East, 209.42 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: September 26, 2001

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## Enacted Oct. 1, 1999

# Repeat Offenders laws reducing traffic crashes

Since the state's tough Repeat Offender laws were enacted Oct. 1, 1999, more than 38,000 license plates have been confiscated and 7,100 vehicles have been immobilized, Secretary of State Candice S. Miller recently announced.

"People who drive while drunk are a serious threat to themselves and other motorists," said Miller. "In the last 2 years, law enforcement has made more than 120,000 arrests for drunk driving in Michigan. The problem is real; it is out there, and we must remain vigilant if we are to lower the number of alcohol-related injuries and deaths on our roads."

Miller said she is pleased the number of serious injury or fatal alcohol-related crashes in Michigan dropped from 2,363 in 1999 to 2,100 in 2000, a decline of more than 11 percent. Rates for the 6-year period from 1995 to 2000 reflect a decline of more than 34 percent, dropping from 3,198 to 2,100.

Since Oct. 1, 1999, the courts, law enforcement, and the Secretary of State have:

- \* Revoked or denied 23,977 driver licenses
- \* Issued 95,809 additional

- driver license suspensions
- \* Ordered 4,903 ignition interlocks installed in vehicles
- \* Confiscated 38,347 license plates
- \* Immobilized 7,136 vehicles, with an additional 7,264 vehicles sold in lieu of immobilization
- \* Ordered 90 vehicles forfeited
- \* Processed 335 child endangerment convictions

Under the Repeat Offender laws, motorists who repeatedly drive while drunk or with a suspended license will have their license plate confiscated and their vehicle immobilized. Alcohol-related repeat offenders who are approved for relicensing must have ignition interlocks installed in their vehicles to ensure they are sober behind the wheel.

The laws also prohibit the Secretary of State from registering any vehicle owned, co-owned, leased, or co-leased by certain repeat offenders. The Secretary of State established a registration denial database, which can be accessed by touch-tone telephone or through the department's web site. The

database allows auto dealers to check the registration status of potential buyers.

Prompted by the tragic 1997 limousine crash involving members from the Red Wings' hockey team, 2 new Repeat Offender crimes were established that make it a felony to cause injury or death while driving with a suspended license.

In addition, the Repeat Offender laws provide additional penalties for those who knowingly provide vehicles to repeat offenders and those who drive impaired or drunk with children in the vehicle. Anyone allowing another person to drive with a suspended license resulting in an injury or death can be charged with a felony.

Individuals convicted of child endangerment, or driving drunk with a child under age 16 in the vehicle, can be charged with a felony and have their driver license revoked.

The University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute is conducting a 3-year study to evaluate the effectiveness of the Repeat Offender laws and is expected to publish its results in 2002.

# Bills approve funding for ethanol, sugar co-op

Two pieces of legislation that would help finance ventures for Michigan sugar and ethanol processing await Gov. John Engler's signature.

Meanwhile, Michigan is the recipient of federal funding that includes \$500,000 for agricultural promotion and \$3.75 million allocated specifically for specialty crop

research, promotion and inspection.

The first bill awaiting the governor's signature is Senate Bill 551, which was recently approved in the state House. The bill calls for a \$5 million, zero-interest, 5-year loan to Michigan Sugar Beet Growers Inc., the Saginaw-based cooperative purchasing 4 bankrupt Michigan Sugar Co. sugar processing facilities from parent company Imperial Sugar.

The second piece of legislation on its way to the governor's desk is Senate Bill 291, a supplemental state funding bill that includes a \$5 million grant to help the start-up of the Michigan Ethanol LLC ethanol processing plant now under construction in Caro.

The grant had been stripped from the bill as part of \$20 million in cuts made by the House Appropriations Committee. Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) members and staff, along with fellow ethanol supporters, lobbied for the grant money to be restored in the final bill, which passed out of the full House.

"The willingness of our senators and representatives to approve funding sources for sugar and ethanol processing shows that Michigan lawmakers remain committed to not only keeping agriculture as Michigan's second leading industry but also improving the state of the agricultural industry," said Ron Nelson, manager of the MFB State Governmental Affairs Department.

"We're lucky to have a

group of sugar beet producers leading the charge to prevent 4 sugar plants from becoming idled memories," Nelson added. "And with Michigan now being a total importer of ethanol as a gasoline additive, it makes sense for the state to back an ethanol processing facility."

Senate Bill 291 also contains provisions for Michigan's acceptance of \$4.25 million in federal funding. The funding is part of a \$159.4 million agricultural economic assistance package signed into law Aug. 13 by President Bush.

The package calls for each state to receive a one-time allocation of \$500,000 for agricultural promotion efforts, as well as money for specialty crops based on the value of the state's specialty crop sector in proportion to the national value of specialty crop production.

Michigan's total allocation for specialty crops is \$3.75 million. Senate Bill 291 calls for this allocation to be distributed in the form of grants for specialty crop research, promotion and inspection activities. Specialty crops include commodities such as fruits and vegetables but exclude traditional program crops, such as corn.

"Michigan is second only to California in its diversity of crops," said Nelson. "So this funding is extremely beneficial, since the majority of the state's approximately 125 commercially grown commodities are considered specialty crops."

## Calendar of Events

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

### Wednesday, October 3

The Cass City Bridge Club meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the Charmont Restaurant. Everyone welcome.

### Thursday, October 4

Friends of the Library, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.  
Preschool Story Hour, 10 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library.  
God's Little Helpers food card pick-up, Kingston Town Hall, 3-5 p.m.; food pick-up Sat., Oct. 6, VFW Hall, Kingston, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. 8,000 to 10,000 pounds of food to be distributed.

### Friday, October 5

Alcoholics Anonymous, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.

Dare to Dream Again Christian Singles Dance, 8 p.m.-midnight, Lapeer County Center Building, DJ David Hodge, Top 40 music, admission \$8, no alcohol.

### Saturday, October 6

Marlette Hospital Auxiliary 21st Annual Fall Home Tour, 1-7 p.m.; buffet luncheon, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., St. Elizabeth Hall, 6817 W. Marlette Rd., Marlette.  
4th Annual Falling Leaves Art Festival, Oct. 6 & 7, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Oct. 7 11 a.m.-4 p.m., 5855 S. Cemetery Rd., Kingston, (989) 761-7758.

### Monday, October 8

VFW & VFW Auxiliary Post #3644 meets at 7:30 p.m., 4533 Veterans Drive, Cass City.

Cass City Athletic Boosters Club meeting, 7 pm., Cass City High School Library.

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

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, October 9

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, call (989) 672-2273.

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# Obituaries

## Naomi Bush

Naomi J. Bush, 77, of Kingston, died Monday, Sept. 24, 2001, at Tendercare in Cass City.

She lived in Kingston since 1984 and was formerly from the Brown City area.

She was born Jan. 16, 1924, in Royal Oak, daughter of Abbie and Evelyn (James) Negus. She graduated from Marlette High School in 1941. She married Lloyd Bush Nov. 22, 1941. He preceded her in death Nov. 19, 1984.

She was the former organist for the Bethel Church of C.M.A. for many years and also sang in the choir.

She is survived by sons, Lyndon Bush of Kingston, Mark and Twila Bush of Jenks, Okla.; daughter, Luella Sexton of Sexton, Okla.; 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and brother, L.J. Negus.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Sept. 27, in the Marsh Funeral Chapel in Marlette with Pastor Gary Butterfield of the Lamotte Missionary Church officiating.

ing.

Burial was in the Marlette Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the United Hospice Service or the donation of your choice.

## Alma Kosal

Alma A. Kosal, 92, of Minden City died Wednesday morning, Sept. 26, 2001, in Sunny Acres Nursing Home.

She was born March 12, 1909, in Minden City to John P. and Alma (Broadbeck) McCoy. She married Joseph M. Kosal June 8, 1940, at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ruth. He preceded her in death May 8, 1992.

She was a graduate of Harbor Beach High School. She also graduated from Michigan Normal College in Ypsilanti in 1928 with a life-long teaching certificate. She retired from teaching in 1975 after 43 years. She taught in the Thumb area with her last 6 years at Uby Community Schools. She was a lifelong member of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Ruth as well as a past mem-

ber of Sts. Peter and Paul Christian Mothers. She was active in the Minden City Boy Scouts as well as the Minden City Senior Citizen Group.

She is survived by one son, Michael J. Kosal and his wife Barbara of Cass City; 2 grandchildren; 5 brothers, Dr. William McCoy and his wife Olive of Bad Axe, Joseph McCoy and his wife Gloria of Minden City, Frank McCoy and his wife Loraine of Marlette, Patrick McCoy and his wife Sara Mae of Port Huron, Richard McCoy and his wife Bertha of Redford; 2 sisters, Helen Bennett of Applegate, and Mary Swigert and her husband Ed of Centerline.

She was preceded in death by 4 brothers, John, Robert, James and Thomas McCoy, and one sister, Olive Higgins.

Funeral mass for Alma Kosal was held Monday, Oct. 1, at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of Ruth. The Rev. Steve Gavit, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in the church cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Smigielski Funeral Home, Minden City.

Deford United Methodist Church.

## Ella Thorp

Ella F. Thorp, 93, of Caro, died Friday, Sept. 28, 2001, in Caro Community Hospital, Caro.

She was born Sept. 21, 1908, in Wells Township to John F. and Wilhemina (Froede) Curry. She married Paul Thorp Aug. 21, 1930, in Saginaw. He died Jan. 8, 1983.

Ella lived within miles from where she was born. She worked for Ripleys in Cass City, WN Clark in Caro, as a sales lady for Dobbies, Thumb Laundry in Caro and as housekeeper at Active Homes. Ella attended Kingston Wesleyan Church. She was a former member of the Tuscola County Farm Bureau.

Ella is survived by her children, LaVerne P. "Jim" (Barbara Jean) Thorp of Davison, Richard "Dutch" (Nila) Thorp, Gerald (Sharon) Thorp and daughter-in-law, Eileen Thorp, all of Caro; 11 grandchildren and their spouses; 15 great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Laura Thorp, Hetty Curry; brother-in-law, Cecil Osgerby, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Douglas W. in 1995; brothers, John W. "Bill" Curry, Carl Curry, George Curry; sister, Lela Parsons; sisters-in-law, Susie Francis, Lillie Curry and Nelda Osgerby.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Oct. 2, at Kingston Wesleyan Church with Pastor Kenneth Sandefur of Kingston Wesleyan Church and the Rev. John K. Price of Onaway Community Church, officiating.

Interment was in Kingston Cemetery, Kingston.

Memorials may be made to Kingston Wesleyan Church, Caro Community Hospital Foundation Expansion Project of the charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Althea Kritzman

Althea B. Kritzman, 89, of Cass City, died Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2001, in Tendercare Nursing Facility, Cass City.

She was born Oct. 13, 1911, in Deford to Howard D. and Edna B. (Bruce) Malcolm. She married Norman Kritzman April 24, 1954, in Ohio. He died March 6, 1960.

She retired from the State of Michigan after working at the Caro Regional Center for 11 years. She also worked for a short time for the Cass City Hospital. She was a life member of the Deford United Methodist Church.

She is survived by her children, Shirley M. (Robert) Bills of Bunker Hill, Ind., Howard C. Kelley of Cass City; 5 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; a brother, Bruce (Edna) Malcolm of Grand Rapids, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Kathleen Dalton; daughter-in-law, Gerry Kelley, and grandson, Kevin Guth.

Funeral services were held Friday, Sept. 28, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Terry Butters of Deford United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

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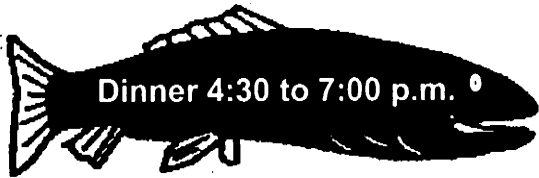
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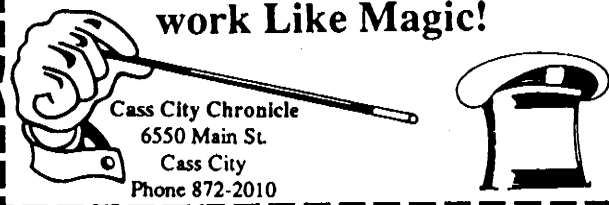
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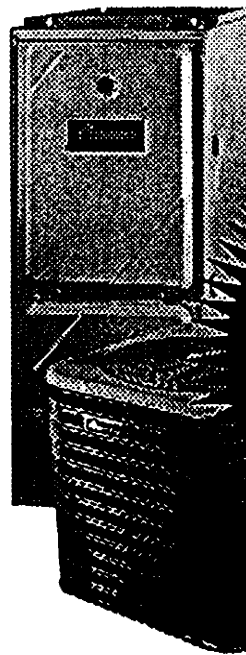


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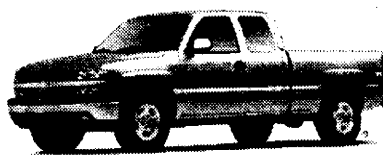
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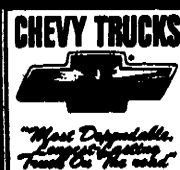


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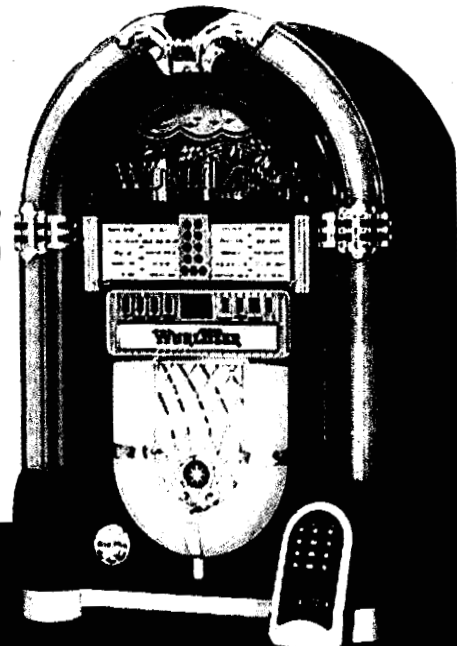


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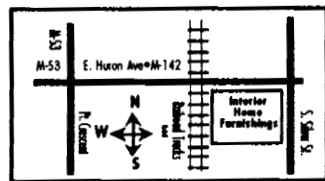
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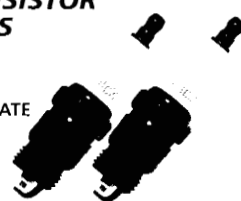
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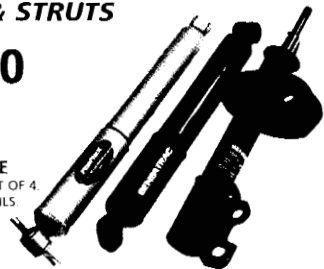
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