

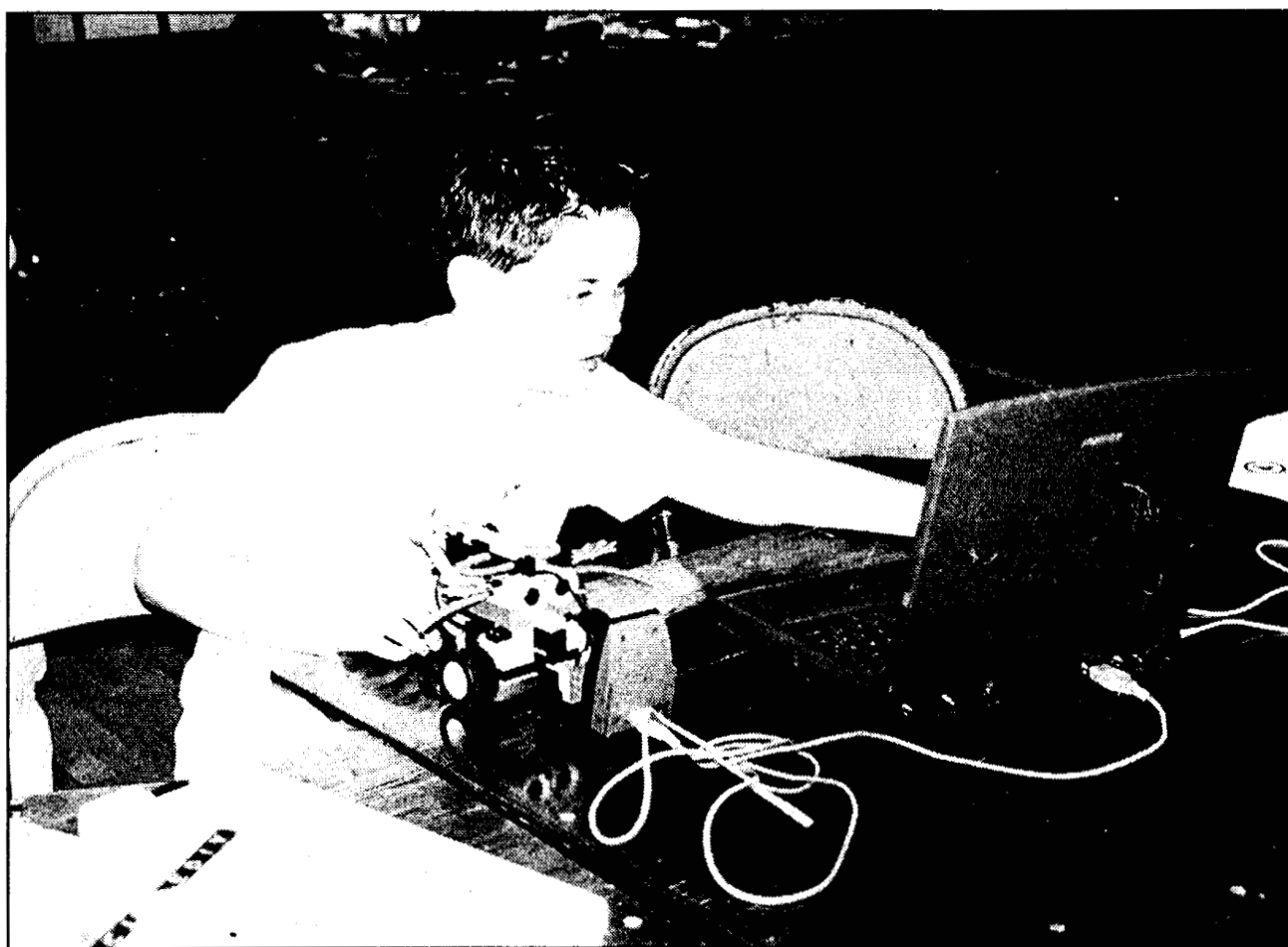
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## Robo Mania

CASS CITY'S Brad Hanby downloads information from a laptop computer to the robot he and teammate Josh Woodruff built for the Robogames competition, held Friday and Saturday in the Cass City Middle School gymnasium. The pair combined efforts to capture first place in 2 out of 3 competition areas.

## Local kids flex brain muscle

Cass City Schools is known for having a number of strong programs over the years — basketball, golf, track, debate and quiz bowl among them.

Kevin Green is laying the groundwork for the local district to become a powerhouse in another area of competition: robotics. Judging by his success to-date, it won't take long.

Green, Cass City's KLIICK site coordinator, was all smiles after watching his fifth grade students flex some serious brain power at the Robogames Friday and Saturday at Cass City Middle School. Cass City fielded 3 novice teams, which combined efforts to capture first

place in 2 of 3 competition areas as well as third place overall.

"It was fantastic. Our kids were the youngest kids there - most of the other teams were seventh and eighth graders. 'I was really proud of how our kids did,' Green said. 'I was proud of all the teams. It was a friendly competition. 'This was our first time (hosting the Robogames),' Green noted. 'Last year was the first year we did Robogames, and that was at Amelia Earhart Middle School in Detroit. Our teams took first and third place. After that, we really started getting into robotics.'"

Robogames are relatively new, with the 2-day event in

Cass City being just the sixth event held statewide. The weekend competition was also the biggest success so far, drawing twice the attendance of any previous Robogames. In all, Cass City hosted 15 schools and 58 students competing in 2-person teams. The visitors included 2 teams from Savannah, Ga.

Green explained that the competition kicked off Friday with students learning how to program their robots. Some of Green's more advanced students, including Ivan Peruski, Andrew Peruski, Alex Hiatt, Brandon Hartwick and Tyler Tomlinson, along with high school assistant Eric Hanby, were on hand to answer ques-

tions and assist all of the competitors.

The competition itself took place Saturday.

"There are several objectives. One is they're learning team building skills. There are also several math building skills and engineering skills," Green said.

Students prepare for the competition by building their own robots with 716-piece Lego kits that include a small computer. The next task is learning how to program the robots utilizing infrared transmitters, which are plugged into laptop computers. The goal, Green said, is to program light sensor readings into the robot's computer.

## Elkland board approves budget, pay increases

The Elkland Township Board Monday approved a new budget that includes 5-percent pay increases across the board for all township officials and employees.

The board adopted a proposed 2002-2003 general fund spending plan totaling \$328,500, an increase of \$52,400, or about 19 percent over estimated actual 2001-2002 expenditures.

The township's fire fund is set at \$95,166, up from \$75,925 in 2001-2002, and the cemetery fund is set at \$61,500, up from \$56,570.

Township officials noted a significant spending increase in fire fighting expenses in the coming year - about \$20,000 - to purchase new air packs.

The pay increases, meanwhile, will cost an additional \$11,733. The new pay rates are: supervisor, \$9,743; clerk, \$10,495; treasurer, \$9,862; trustees, \$1,825; sexton, \$17,620; fire chief, \$7,166; firemen, \$7.35 per hour; board of review members, \$78.75 per day; zoning ad-

ministrators, \$1,260; and zoning board members, \$36.75 per meeting.

Township Clerk Norma Wallace noted some of the pay rates, including those for supervisor, treasurer and clerk, include \$120 per month, up from \$100 per month, for township-related expenses.

"We used to get an allowance for office expenses, but we have put that into our salaries. It used to be you didn't have to pay tax on that, but now you have to," she said, adding the additional \$25 was approved to offset taxes.

"We still are low," Wallace said of the salaries compared to other townships. "We're not the top one in the county even though we are the second (highest) populated one."

Township officials plan to spend nearly \$70,000 on road improvements in the coming year, including resurfacing of Koepfgen Road, from M-81 south to Elmwood Road; heavy gravel on Spence Road, and patching gravel on Milligan Road. Also planned is a study/survey for future improvements to Elmwood Road, from Doerr to Koepfgen.

In other business during the township's annual meeting, the board heard from resident John Ryba, who expressed concerns regarding what he called a lack of enforcement of the township's junk and dismantled car ordinances.

"This has been going on for over 12 years," Ryba said, adding he has contacted a number of township officials and zoning administrators over the years, as well as the road commission and DNR.

"I understand the junk ordinances are tough to enforce, (but) visibly, I don't see any of them cleaned up."

Supervisor Dan Erla said the township recently sent

notices out to 5 residents. If they don't clean up their properties by the township's deadline, he added, "we're going to end up in court."

waste hauling company that has agreed to provide a dumpster free of charge.

Ryba asked the board to consider setting up a fund of

*"I understand the junk ordinances are tough to enforce, (but) visibly, I don't see any of them cleaned up."*

**-Resident  
John Ryba**

Ryba, who himself has picked up and disposed of some 150 tires over the years, told the board he is in the process of garnering support for an "adopt a country road" program. He said he is in contact with local Scouting and 4-H groups as well as the National Honor Society at Cass City High School.

Ryba has also contacted a

\$250 to offset the cost of disposing of tires. Board members voiced concern over such a fund, saying it might result in more tires being dumped in the township. However, they agreed to consider Ryba's request next month.

"I know it's a project," Ryba said. "I'm willing to do my part, but I need your support."

## Vassar woman killed in crash

A fatal traffic accident claimed the life of a 60-year-old Vassar woman Friday in Fremont Township.

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the scene of the crash, M-46 and Chambers Road, at about 10:37 a.m.

Investigators said the victim, Louise Ann Ollila, pulled onto M-46 into the path of an eastbound semi-truck and was struck from behind. The impact caused both vehicles to slide eastbound some 600 feet to the shoulder of the westbound lane of M-46.

The driver of the truck was identified as Robert E. Hosenfeld, 57, of Richmond, Ind. Deputies said Hosenfeld was driving a truck owned by Spring Lake Farms Trans Inc., Oklahoma City, Okla., and was enroute to Sandusky to pick up a load of peat. He was not injured and was wearing a seatbelt.

Ollila was also wearing a seatbelt. She was pronounced dead at the scene, according to deputies, who said Caro fire fighters used the Jaws of Life to remove her body from the car.

Deputies were also assisted at the scene by the Tuscola County Road Commission, Michigan State Police motor Carrier Division and the Tuscola County Sheriff's Victim's Advocates, who assisted in notifying Ollila's family.

## Illuzzions

### Drew Carey look-alike opens tattoo, body piercing shop



TATTOO ARTIST Megan Gottschalk of Port Austin puts the finishing touches on a half moon and stars tattoo requested by Bobbie Steff, 22, of Kingston, Saturday afternoon at the newly opened Illuzzions tattoo and body piercing business in Gagetown.

Walk into Wayne Coulter's tattoo and body piercing shop in Gagetown and chances are good you'll think that comedian Drew Carey is living a double life.

Coulter bears a striking resemblance to the television sitcom star - horn rimmed glasses and all - so much so that he even fooled a television studio security guard during a trip to Hollywood a few years ago.

So what is the Auburn Hills native doing in Gagetown?

"I've had this going - April 1st will be 2 years," Coulter said of his tattoo and body piercing business, which he opened in the former Eagle Dancer Café last October. "I was renting in Caro, and I got tired of renting, and I know the people who had the Eagle Dancer."

Appropriately, Coulter named his business Illuzzions.

"Business is pretty good. It seems to be getting better," Coulter said, noting the move from Caro, where he ran a similar business for about 18 months, hasn't deterred prospective clients. "Whether you are tattooing or piercing, they'll drive," he added.

"We've got a clean, sterile facility, and we treat people decently. The customer's always number one in my books."

Coulter said he believes his prices are more reasonable than those charged in cities. A tattoo can cost anywhere from \$25 up to hundreds of dollars or more depending on the design and detail. Piercing prices also vary depending on the customer's request and what they select in the way of body jewelry.

Coulter's staff includes Megan Gottschalk of Port Austin, and Sebawaing area resident Richard Werschky. Werschky is a veteran tattoo artist with some 20 years of experience, while Gottschalk has been doing tattoos since she completed training at a specialized school about 6 months ago.

Coulter, who shares his business with a junior partner and unofficially adopted son, Robert Arnold, 15, of Sebawaing, also specializes in special order 12-volt auto accessories, including neon lighting, speakers and other equipment.

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WAYNE COULTER's face has drawn plenty of doubletakes from people who mistake the area business owner for comedian and sitcom star Drew Carey. Coulter recently opened a tattoo and body piercing business in Gagetown.



# Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson  
Phone 658-2347



The Euchre Club met Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Gracey. Cards were played and high prizes were won by Jerry and Helen Decker. Low prizes were won by Charlotte Lapeer and Jerry Romzek.

The group had supper at Cousins in Bad Axe. They will meet at the home of Charlotte Lapeer on April 20th.


Allen Farrelly visited Dan Franzel at the Huron County Medical Center in Bad Axe

## 170 attend picnic

The 42nd annual Huron County Picnic was held Feb. 16 at Sun-n-Fun in Sarasota, Florida.

170 people were present. The oldest guest was Lillian Davis. The longest married couple was Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ender, 62 years. Recognition was given to Jim and Bess Champagne, who were celebrating their 50th anniversary that day.

### Wedding Announcements



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**MAR. 25-26-27**

**Monday** - Swedish meatballs over noodles, Scandinavian blend, cole slaw, fruit.

**Tuesday** - Spanish rice, winter blend vegetables, roll, tossed salad, pudding.

**Wednesday** - Pork chops, mashed potatoes, applesauce, yogurt. Closed Good Friday

### It's a boy!



### It's a girl!



Friday afternoon and in the evening went to see the senior play at Ubyly High School. Mr. and Mrs. Mark Farrelly and sons also attended.

Pat and Sally Bell, Nicole and Katelynn of Cheboygan, Wayne Sweeney of Saginaw, Mary Kay and Dan Ritter, Alex and Beth of Elkton, Jim and Kay Sweeney, Eric and Heidi and Brandon Sweeney attended the funeral of Patrick Garety at St. Rock Catholic Church at Caseville on Saturday, March 9.

Claud Mestack, Ed Schember, Jack Kennedy and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Friday morning.

Clarence and Leone Depcinski were Saturday evening guests of Ray and Rita Depcinski.

Martha Keyser was a Thursday supper guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Rita Depcinski attended the over 50 Club potluck dinner and meeting at Oswald Hall in Bad Axe on Tuesday.

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

Jack and Wayne Kennedy, Jim Lewis and Allen Farrelly met at Burger King in Bad Axe Monday morning.

Pat and Sally Bell, Nicole and Katelynn of Cheboygan spend the weekend with Jim and Kay Sweeney.

9 members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at Stephanos for breakfast Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill in Bad Axe next week.

Mary Catherine Franzel of Mt. Pleasant, Jim Foster of Caseville, Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly had supper with Dan Franzel at the Huron County Medical Care Center in Bad Axe on Tuesday evening.

Ray and Rita Depcinski were Sunday supper guests of Greg and Susan Krozek and family in Filion where Greg is recovering from surgery on a knee that he hurt while snowmobiling.

The Greenleaf Extended Homemakers met Thursday at the home of Charlotte Lapeer for an Irish day theme where they enjoyed an Irish stew dinner. Martha Keyser will be in charge of the next meeting in April.

### Nathan Alan Szarapski

Nathan Alan was born Jan. 18, 2002 to Brent and Liisa Szarapski of Traverse City. He weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces. His big sister, Matija is 3 1/2 years old.

Grandparents are Richard and Norma Szarapski of Cass City and Glen and Eeva Peroceschi of Traverse City.

### It's a girl!



Victoria Eleanor Truemmer

Susan and Gary Truemmer announce the newest member of their family.

Victoria Eleanor Truemmer was born March 5, 2002 at 10:19 a.m., weighing 12 pounds, 4.8 ounces and measuring 22 7/8 inches long.

She was born at William Beaumont Hospital in Troy. She joins a sister, Morgan, at their home in Washington.

Grandparents are Ms. Marilyn Truemmer, Mr. Dana Truemmer and Ms. Diana Zagorski, all of Cass City.

### Cass City Social Item

Charlotte LaPeer joined a group of people on the Parrots Tour to Windsor, Canada, March 5th for the St. Paddy's Day Show with Dave Hoy on Ragtime Piano.

The whole show was an Irish Theme - of all Irish dress and singing at the Ciociaro Ballroom with a full course dinner served at each table.



### Meg's Peg

Leave it to kids

by Melva E. Guinther



Kids can always be counted on to come up with the unexpected, often embarrassing, and usually honest, comments. Here are a few examples:

"Da-ad! I'm thirsty. Can you bring a drink of water?"

"No, you had your chance. Lights out!"

Five minutes later: "Da-ad! I'm thirsty. Can I have a drink of water?"

"I told you NO! If you ask again, I'll have to spank you!"

Five minutes later: "Daaa-aad!"

"What!"

"When you come in to spank me, can you bring me a glass of water?"

At the end of the day the policeman parked his van in front of the station. As he gathered up his equipment, his K-9 partner, Jake, began to bark and he saw a little boy staring at him.

"Is that a dog you got back there?" he asked.

"It sure is," he replied.

Puzzled, the boy looked at the officer and then toward the back of the van. Finally he said, "What'd he do?"

## Senior movies slated

Rawson Memorial Library senior citizen movies are scheduled for Friday, March 22 at 1:30 p.m.

**I Bet You Never Looked at it that Way:** The famous Russian comedian Yakov Smirnoff performs at "What a Country Theatre" in Branson, Missouri. This video is raucously funny; from Russia with laughs. The comrade knows funny. (60 minutes)

**Lake Superior-Hiawatha's Gitchie Gumee:** Join the crew of the Driftwood as they travel on a 3 year, 25,000 mile adventure along North America's historic waterways. In this marvelous series you'll rediscover the remarkable spirit of North America through the fascinating people who live, work and play along its waterways. This episode takes the Driftwood through the sometimes violent waters of the largest freshwater lake in North America - Lake Superior. Its ice-cold depths shelter shipwrecks from many years of lake travel. (55 minutes)

Refreshments will be served. This older adult program is offered free of charge.

## Holy Week services scheduled

Holy Week services are scheduled at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church beginning with Palm Sunday, March 24, at 9:30 a.m.

A potluck dinner is set for 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday followed by a worship service in the church at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday worship is at 1:30. Sunrise service is at 7 a.m. Easter morning following by a breakfast served by the youth of the congregation. The second worship service will be at 9:30 a.m.

The community is invited to attend these services.


## Owen-Gage students compete

Twelve high school band students from Owen-Gage participated in the District III Solo/Ensemble competition at Caro High School Feb. 16. All participants received I and II ratings.


Two students, Josh Errer and Julie Howard, will be participating in State Solo/Ensemble competition which will be held at Grand Blanc March 23.

The high school band participated in the District III Band Festival at Caseville High School Saturday.

### It's a girl!



### It's a boy!



### Abbey Nichole Salcido

Abbey Nichole Salcido was born Nov. 6, 2001 at Covenant Harrison, Saginaw to Rick and Michelle Salcido of Cass City.

Grandparents are Tom and Dale Kelly of Cass City and Joe and Regina Salcido of Gagetown.

Great-grandmothers are Pauline Kelly and Kathleen Auvil, both of Cass City.

## Parrish receives ovation

Roger Parrish, of Cass City, was recently honored with a standing ovation when he played his new original piano solo entitled, "Rhapsody of Angels" on a talent program in Sandusky at the Community Church of Christ, which is the new worldwide name of the former R.L.D.S. denomination.

The program included presentations of piano and vocal solos, an instrumental duet, original poetry readings, and comic sketches.

Parrish's original 10-minute rhapsody composition consists of contrasting movements reflecting celestial angelic music of harps, angel choirs, movement of angel wings, jubilant rhythms, and concludes with a trumpet type fan fare.

The invitation to play was extended by friend, David Smith, minister of the church. Refreshments were served before the program.

McKee has been on the honor roll and a member of the 3.0 Honors Club each year. He has been a member of the National Honor Society since his sophomore year. As a senior, McKee serves as a teacher's aide, is a member of the school's newspaper and yearbook staff, and is class representative to the Student Council.

Other activities that McKee has been involved with throughout high school are the Academic Quiz Bowl Team, Kids for Sportsmanship, the prom committee, and a volunteer at the elementary's "Fun Fair" He also has been a "focus" student, a homecoming representative as a sophomore, and a 2002 Snowball king candidate.

McKee is the son of Mac and Bonnie McKee of Gagetown. He plans to attend Albion College in the fall.



### It shouldn't take good luck...

Colleen Langenburg and Barb Irler

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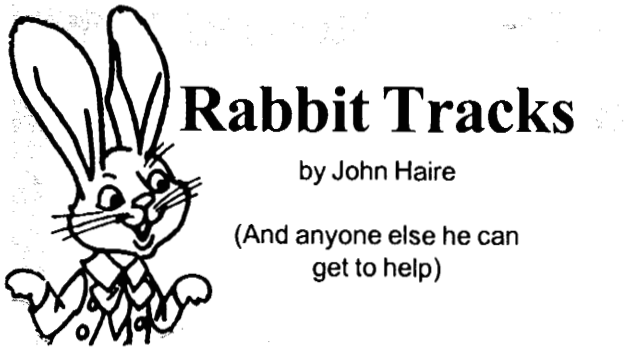
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## Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Helen Jezewski, Cass City, had every right to think that she was the first to report spotting a robin this year. She saw the traditional harbinger of spring just after the paper went to press last week and just missed by a few hours winning the robin-spotting derby this year.

First place went to Martha Emmons of Gagetown, but second place, Helen, ain't all that bad.

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Wildlife observers report that the eagle population is increasing. Last year the majestic bird was sighted several times near the Cass River where it crosses Cemetery Road. If it returns, the area will have at least 2 birds.

Deb Severance, Decker, reported an eagle in the Snover Road-M-53 area. It was a thrill, she said, because I was close to the bird when I saw it.

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For several years the Michigan Citizens for SmokeFree Air has published a guide to restaurants that do not allow smoking. Each year the number grows. In 2001 the book now lists 3,039 that have eliminated smoking in their restaurants.

Fast food chains have jumped on the bandwagon, including Burger King, Dunkin Donuts, McDonald's, Wendy's and Dairy Queen among them.

I suspect, but can't prove, that there are scads of independents that have joined the no-smoke parade but aren't listed.

When no-smoking areas were first coming into prominence the no smoking section was usually just a small space tucked away in the far corner.

Today no-smoking sections are usually larger than those where smoking is allowed and often is full when the smoking sections have room to spare.

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## Read Meg's Peg

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### In Cass City

## St. Jude Bike-a-thon scheduled for May 11

This year's St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Bike-a-thon in Cass City will be more meaningful to participants who know 2 local youths who are fighting cancer at this time. Alison Emmert, 16, and Ryan Storm, 14, are each battling the disease.

Officials at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital recently announced that

Linda Derfny, Cass City, has again agreed to coordinate the local bike-a-thon.

This year's event will be held May 11 in the parking lot at Walbro Corporation, Garfield Avenue. The bike-a-thon is sponsored by 4 local churches: First Presbyterian, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Cass City United Methodist and St. Pancratius.

Any other churches, orga-

nizations or individuals who would like to help are urged to contact Derfny at 872-2069. Pledge sheets for riders will be available at the sponsoring churches and at Rawson Memorial Library after May 1.

Last year, 28 local riders raised a combined \$2,078 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, which is located in Memphis, Tenn.

Founded by entertainer Danny Thomas, the hospital opened in 1962 with the goal of combating catastrophic diseases that afflict children.

Scientists and physicians work side by side, seeking not only a better means of treatment, but also the causes, cures and prevention of leukemia, Hodgkins disease, sickle-cell anemia and other diseases. All findings and information gained at the hospital are shared freely with doctors and hospitals all over the world.

In Michigan, 136 children and their families have gone to St. Jude Hospital and received medical care. Thousands of others, including Emmert and Storm, have benefited from the research findings that have resulted in better and more successful treatment methods.

## The Haire Net



A little of this and that as seen from the corner of Oak and Main. How things are and how they should be.

There has been a trickle of interest in Michigan to lengthen the times that politicians can serve. Under the current law in Michigan senators can serve 2 4-year terms and House members 3 2-year terms in their lifetimes.

The law also limits the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general and secretary of state to no more than 2 4-year terms.

Supporters of extending the term limits would like to get the proposal to the voters this year or next with a petition drive or get the legislature to vote to put it on the ballot. They want to get voters to at least consider lengthening the time lawmakers can serve.

The term-limit law was passed in 1992 and after 10 years if I were asked to vote today it would be a coin-flip.

When the state is run by mostly inexperienced men and women I can appreciate that by necessity they will lean more heavily on the advice of lobbyists which are paid to promote not our interests, but the interests of the company that signs the paycheck.

On the other hand, after a decade in office the old-boy syndrome has a better chance of flourishing, sometimes to the detriment of the state at large.

Really it's a Hobbism's choice.

It's beginning to look like folks in the immediate Cass City area have lucked out big time in the weather de-

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## The back forty

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by Roger Pond

The new drug, Botox, is giving fresh meaning to the old saying "Don't she look natural?" News reports say women who are concerned about facial wrinkles will be lining up for Botox injections as soon as the FDA approves the drug for removing these creases.

Nobody knows how long the lines will be, but a cost of \$200 to \$400 every four months is likely to discourage all but the most insane. Botox is a purified form of the deadly botulism organism. Dermatologists have learned the drug can be injected in very small doses to paralyze muscles that create facial wrinkles, such as crow's-feet and furrows-of-the-forehead.

The principle is the same as those hairdos that were popular back in the '50s. Readers will recall the old hairstyles in which women would insert a pin or a stick in their hair and then twist it. This pulls the hair back into a taut, little bun, much like one tightens the wire on a corner post.

Those hairdos were death on wrinkles. Some women had so much tension on their facial muscles their eyes would slam shut when they pulled the pin on the hairdo.

Botox has side effects, too. Dermatologists say these treatments make frowning nearly impossible, and a person may find herself smiling cheerfully while the kids dismantle the dog.

Even worse, Botox patients may have trouble batting their eyes, and napping at the desk is pretty much out of the question without some type of goggles. Folks need to think about these things before they run out to get their face tightened.

I'm surprised nobody has considered men as a market for wrinkle removers. I know I look in the mirror each morning and think about those funny, little dogs the Chinese used to raise.

The hazards from having your skin tightened are not to be taken lightly. I remember a radio program some thirty years ago during which the winner of a liar's contest described a sow he used to own. (If I knew who he was, I would give him credit.)

Hogs were raised outside in those days, and this man's sows had access to the barn as well as a small lot outdoors. Soon after the pigs moved in they built a nice mud hole just outside the barn and began wallowing around in it most of the day.

One day the farmer noticed one of his sows had begun to collect mud in the switch on the tip of her tail. That's pretty common, so he didn't think much about it.

A few days later he noticed

the mud ball had grown and was almost as big as an orange. The sow weighed nearly 500 pounds, however, so he still didn't think much about it.

The mud continued to accumulate on that sow's tail all summer until by fall the mass of mud was as big as a bowling ball! Finally, the glob of mud on that sow's tail got so big, and pulled her skin so tight, she couldn't close her eyes.

The poor thing died from lack of sleep.

## The Weather

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## Cass City Public Schools PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

### CASS CITY SENIORS NET \$187,500 THIS YEAR FROM MERIT AWARDS

This year's senior class will be receiving a record amount, \$187,500, from the Michigan Merit Award program. This award is based upon the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) or ACT or Work Key test results. Each of the 75 students, who qualify to date, is eligible for the \$2,500 grant, but must attend an approved post secondary educational institution.

This is the third year of the program and during each of these years our student's performance results have steadily improved. The following shows you the number of students who have qualified each year and what the total grant award has been.

YEAR	QUALIFYING STUDENTS	TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT
1999-2000	40	\$100,000
2000-2001	60	\$150,000
2002-2002	75	\$187,500

Our entire staff, again wishes to congratulate this group of students on their outstanding academic achievement.

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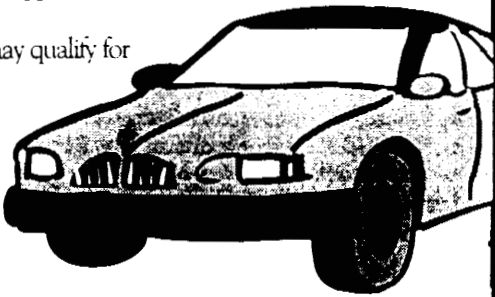
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by Alissa Pasant



What does it feel like to ride in an airplane? What are people like in other countries around the world? These are a couple of questions that have been asked at Cass City High School in the last few weeks. Students there are getting ready to go across seas to Europe during spring break. While in Europe the students will be seeing some highlights of different countries in Italy, France, and Spain on a cultural tour provided by Educational Tours.

Starting their freshmen year, students have the opportunity to take foreign language classes offered through the school. The languages differ each year depending on how many people sign up for that language. The choices are French and Spanish and are taught by Foreign Language Club advisor, Mrs. Trisch. Anyone in the foreign language classes can be part of the Foreign Language Club. The club does a fundraiser every year to raise money for the trip to Europe. The trip takes place every three years. The only fundraiser that the club does is selling candy bars. This helps offset the cost of the trip. Since the total cost of the trip is \$1,789, every little bit of money helps.

The trip only happens every three years so this year anyone who is a sophomore, a junior, or a senior is welcome to go even if they haven't taken a foreign language. There are 37 participants planning on going during spring break this year. This consists of 25 students and 12 adults from school staff and community.

On Wednesday, March 27, a bus will be leaving from the high school at 6:00 A.M. The bus will be taking the Europe trip participants to Detroit Metro Airport. From there they will fly to Atlanta, Georgia, and then catch a flight to Rome, Italy.

Since the group flies into Rome, they will visit that country first. While there the tour group will be visiting the Coliseum, Catacombs, the Sistine Chapel, and St. Peters Square. In Florence, Italy, they will experience the work of Michelangelo, Renaissance Sculptors, and painters work. After Florence, the group will go to Assisi and see the St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral. The last stop in Italy will be Pisa. The participants will visit the Tower of Course. The next part of the trip is in France. In Nice they will visit the French Riviera. Then in Monte Carlo they will visit Monaco. Spain is the final country that the tour group will be visiting. Here the group will go to Barcelona and then end up in Madrid. After the group tours Madrid, they will go to the airport there and start their return flight. From Madrid, they will fly to Atlanta and then back to Detroit. The group will arrive back in Cass City on Sunday, April 7.

The purpose of the trip is to experience a cultural tour and for students to learn outside of school. Some experiences that the students should get out of the tour are history, foreign languages, different religions, architecture, government, and arts. Another purpose for the trip is for the students to have and opportunity to practice the language that they have learned in class. Mrs. Trisch said, "I just hope everyone has fun and gets as much as they can out of this cultural tour." "I'm excited about the airplane and to see how other people live in different parts of the world," said Jessica Nicol. Tyler Harp said, "I'm really looking forward to this trip. I hope that it will expand my knowledge about other countries around the world."



**VISITING WITH State Rep. Tom Meyer above are (from left) Thumb delegates Sarah Bernia, Nicole Whalen, Elyse Vigiletti, Tim Wheeler, Yvette Wissner, Tina Kincaid, Jill Baranski, Dan Nowiski, Kelly Kincaid, Lisa Strozeski, Stephanie Roestel, Kelly Phillips and Ryan Kramer.**

## Thumb FFA delegates meet their legislators

Thumb area FFA delegates were among those attending the 74th annual FFA Convention March 5 in Lansing, where they were the special guests of the Michigan Legislature.

The Thumb delegation included Sarah Bernia, Elyse Vigiletti and Yvette Wissner of Unionville-Schewaing, Tina Kincaid and Kelly Kincaid of Ubly, Jill Baranski and Kelly Phillips of North Huron, and Dan Nowiski and Ryan Kramer of

Harbor Beach.

As part of the event, delegates had the opportunity to visit with State Rep. Tom Meyer, R-Bad Axe.

In an unprecedented move, the Michigan Senate broke from its session and suspended its operating rules to allow 220 FFA members donning blue and gold jackets to convene on the Senate floor. Sen. George McManus introduced the FFA state officers and then presented FFA State President Kendra But-

ters of Homer with a Senate Resolution in the organization's honor.

The first-ever event, held in conjunction with the 3-day FFA Convention on the campus of Michigan State University, was designed to familiarize Michigan's future agricultural leaders with the Capitol, provide a forum for discussion between legislators and FFA members from their regions, and to help identify with the organization, which is devoted to leadership and agricultural awareness.

FFA delegates attending the event represent more than 5,000 Michigan FFA members from across the state and are part of the nation's largest student organization. The annual convention includes a host of inspirational and educational events designed to build leadership.

FFA students across the country represent the future of agriculture, according to Scott Everett, director of the American Farmland Trust, which along with Michigan Agri-Business President Jim Byrum partnered with the 2002 FFA State Officer Team to organize the event.

"Today, there are very few legislators who have an agricultural background," Everett said. "As Michigan's second largest industry, it is becoming increasingly important to education policy makers on Michigan's ever-changing agricultural industry and the future it may hold for generations to come."

Prior to the Senate floor ceremony, FFA students hosted a reception in the Capitol rotunda where FFA delegates met with their respective legislators and special guests Secretary of State Candice Miller and Jeff Armstrong, dean of the MSU College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

This year's FFA theme is "Lighting the Fire." "As state officers, it is our goal to help them become effective leaders and encourage communications by lighting the fire in our members," said Butters. "This legislative event provides an exposure to policy makers while opening a line of communication."

## Letters to the editor

### Landowners and hunters deserve pat on the back

Congratulations to the hunters and landowners of Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac counties. You have loudly spoken for yourselves and your neighbors with your returned surveys to the DNR regarding the proposal from the Thumb Quality Deer Management Association.

This proposal would have severely restricted your right to harvest what is now a legal buck in this 3-county area.

The Thumb branch of QDMA has stated they were going to educate people in this area, and educate us they did. Enough so that we banded together, in a hurry, and soon found ourselves up against a well financed organized and very powerful special interest group. All we had going for us was a deep love of hunting and a strong belief in standing up for what was right. David and Goliath, you bet.

I believe hunters are by nature a non-confrontational group and are really uneasy speaking in public. Even about something that is truly an ingrained part of our lives, hunting.

But as our much needed education continued we found ourselves talking to friends and neighbors, anyone that would listen and some of us found ourselves

sitting in front of the Natural Resources Commission telling about our lives and ideas. We delivered 4,500 signatures from others who felt the same way.

Along the way we learned that having money doesn't always make you right, and that having large pieces of land to plant to deer food plots makes you fortunate, but doesn't give you the right to impose your will on others. We also learned that in our hunting community there were actual people who thought taking something from so many to benefit so few was just fine.

This getting educated is great, isn't it? TQDMA needed 66 percent of the surveyed hunters, as well as 66 percent of the surveyed landowners, for passage, what they got was 36.4 percent from the hunters and 38.8 percent from the landowners, far short of what was needed.

Good common sense country folks that actually live here stood up and said "this is wrong, you'll not tamper with my hunting heritage," man I love living here.

QDM stated "As we educate more hunters," I sure hope so, we really need more of their education, you see we've come a long way but we've still got a ways to go.

I would like to thank all

those that gave so much of themselves, we passed the hat and you filled it. We asked for hours of your time and you gave it. We asked for future commitment and you said you'll be there. Thank you one and all.

Robert Walker, Kingston  
Board Spokesman for  
United Sportsmen's Alliance

### Way to go, Red Hawks!

Way to go Hawks!

We would like to congratulate the Red Hawks on their season this year. They did a great job and had a really good attitude. We are losing a lot of seniors and we are really going to miss them, but we have a lot of talent coming up.

We need to mention the freshmen and JV teams. The freshmen won 15 and lost only 3. JV won 16 and lost only 4. They did a super job. The coaching was great for all the teams.

So congratulations for a great season. We are proud to be Red Hawk fans.

Clyde & Pat Wells

#### Letters to the Editor

The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper.

Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason.

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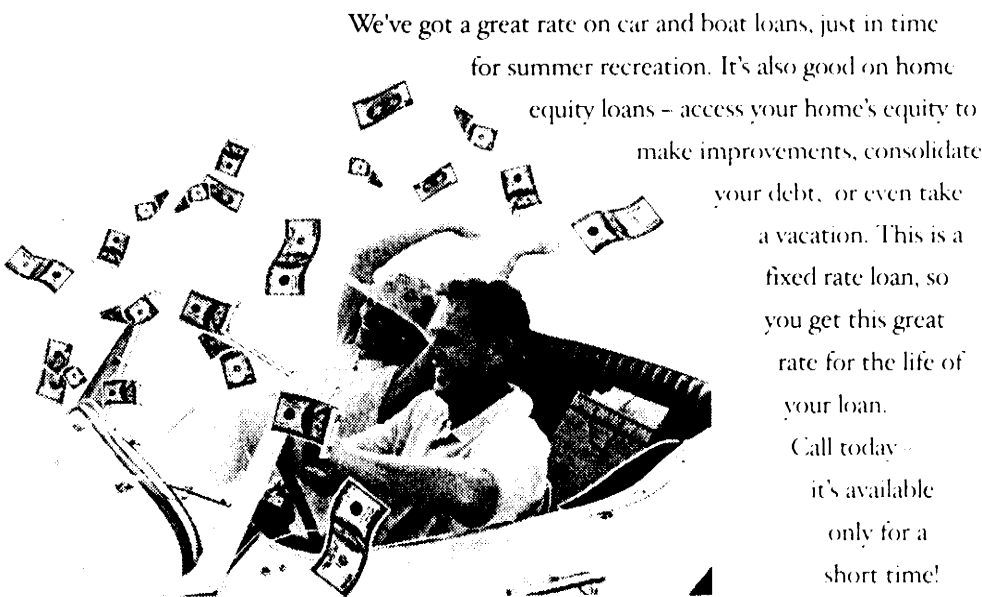
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## Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

### 5 YEARS AGO

Area townships served by the Elkland Township Fire Department will pay a little more for the service beginning this year. The Elkland Township Board last week approved increasing standby fees by \$25, boosting the fees from \$275 to \$300 per township section.

The violent, senseless deaths of 4 people at a Comerica Bank branch in northeast Detroit last week hit home, tragically, for a Cass City area family. One of the victims, bank branch Manager Stanley R. Pijanowski, 52, of Bloomfield Hills, was the grandson of the late John and Genevieve Erla.

Elkland Township is joining a host of other Thumb municipalities that have made the switch to high-tech voting equipment. The township board last week voted to participate in an effort to incorporate the new optical scan voting machines throughout Tuscola County, township Clerk Norma Wallace said.

It isn't official yet, but interim administration appointments at Hills and Dales General Hospital are expected to be made permanently, with a third veteran hospital employee joining the leadership team. The posts of chief executive officer and chief financial officer have been offered to Dee McKrow and Kathy Rowe, respectively. In addition, Jean Anthony has been named chief operational officer.

### 10 YEARS AGO

The Cass City School Board

voted unanimously, at its regular meeting Monday night at the high school, to offer teachers with 10 or more years service in the district a bonus of \$16,000 if they retire. Whether or not any teacher will take advantage of the offer is not known. The retirement bonus is open to any teacher or administrator meeting the length of service qualifications.

An estimated 25 persons crowded into the boardroom at Cass City High School Monday night to lobby successfully for the adoption of pet projects by the school board.

Tuscola County motorists beware: law enforcement officials are beefing up traffic patrols, with plans to issue plenty of citations to those who aren't on their toes in the driver's seat. Project P.A.U.S.E. (Preventing Accidents through Unified Selective Enforcement) was kicked off Thursday.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Think small. That was the word Cass City Village Council received Tuesday night from an official of the Farmers' Home Administration who told trustees meeting in regular session at the Municipal Building their application for \$350,000 to develop the industrial park had been turned down.

While Michigan Thumb Producers Railroad Corp. is poised to begin operating track currently owned by the Chessie System from Port Austin to Crosswell, the future of its plan to take over part of the Grand Trunk line serving Cass City is still in doubt.

A capacity crowd attended a special meeting of Echo

Chapter OES held March 16. The OES grand officers were guests and exemplified the degrees of the Order for two new members. Guest of honor for the evening was Ruth Ann Whittaker of Echo Chapter, who is serving as Grand Marshall this year.

### 35 YEARS AGO

Despite threats and outbreaks of violence in various parts of the state, the National Farmers Organization's hold up of milk to the market has had little effect on supplies available to consumers. In Cass City a check of various stores late Tuesday afternoon revealed an ample supply of milk on hand.

With the deadline just two weeks away, the Tuscola County Board of Supervisors is racing to beat a deadline for reapportioning themselves to comply with the State's "one man, one vote" ruling.

Plans were completed for a drive for money for additional park land in Cass City at an open meeting held Thursday night at the Cultural Center in Cass City. An estimated 20 persons heard suggestions of the park committee presented by Chairman Dick Wallace and then hammered out an action program.

The Tuscola County Road Commission plans to spend an estimated \$700,000 on county and township roads during 1967, a decrease of some \$150,000 over the amount spent last year. A total of 166 miles of roads is slated for attention this year and the mileage represents about 10 percent of the roads in the county, according to Robert J. Wellington, county highway engineer.

## Martin crowned Grand Champ at 2002 derby

Cass City Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts and Webelos's competed in their annual Pinewood Derby Saturday in the Cass City Middle School cafeteria.

The scouts enjoyed a brand new track this year courtesy of the Cass City Gavel Club, which donated the materials. In addition, Jim Baker and Dick LaValley volunteered their time to build a new track stand.

Awards presented Saturday included "Best Design" to Carl Nicol and "Best Paint Job" to Collin Mason.

Winners for the Wolf Den were: Morgan Erla (first), Austin Vincent (second) and Kyle Hanby (third).

Winners for the Bear Den were: Cody Pringle (first), Joey Doerr (second) and Tom Brinkman (third).

Winners for the Webelos were: Paul Martin (first), Andrew Knight (second) and Ian Wynn (third).

Winners for the Tiger Cubs were: Paul Verhines (first), T.J. Hull (second) and Justin Summers (third).

In addition, Paul Martin was crowned this year's Grand Champion.

## Bill would hike unemployment pay

Michigan workers will receive increased unemployment benefits starting the week they are idled under legislation approved by the House last week.

State Rep. Tom Meyer in-

troduced an amendment to House Bill 5763, increasing unemployment checks from \$300 a week to \$375.

"Jobless workers will receive more money while they are out of work, and that is always good news," said Meyer, R-Bad Axe. "While unemployment benefits are increased to help families through tough times, the system is protected so it doesn't go billions of dollars in debt like it did 20 years ago."

The \$75 adjustment reflects a significant improvement in unemployment benefits. Based on inflation rates during the last 6 years, cost-of-living increases would have totaled only \$62.

The bill also rewards employers without layoffs by allowing reductions in unemployment tax payments.

The measure now goes to the Senate.

## Story hour scheduled

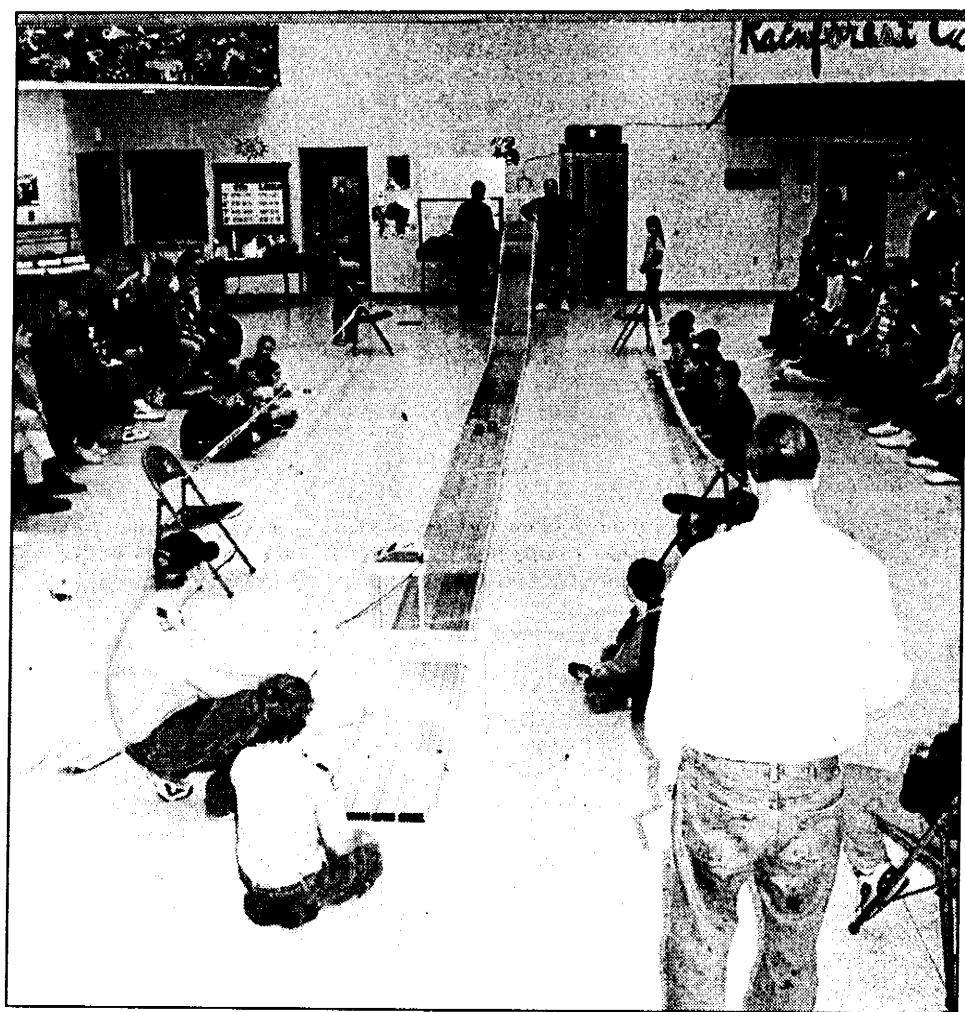
Spring preschool story hour is set for 10 a.m. on Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25 at Rawson Memorial Library.

Children age 3-5, but not yet in kindergarten, are invited to attend. Children will listen to stories and make a simple craft to take home.

There is no charge for this program, but children must be pre-registered. Parents may register their children beginning March 25. The registration deadline is April 2.



THESE SCOUTS kept a close eye on the competition during the annual Pinewood Derby, held Saturday in the Cass City Middle School cafeteria.



DOZENS OF local Scouts and parents gathered Saturday in Cass City for the annual Pinewood Derby. This year's event was particularly special thanks to the Cass City Gavel Club and some volunteers, who provided a brand new track for the competition.

## Grant targets elevator site

Two buildings on the Pinnebog Elevator site in Huron County will be demolished as part of an environmental cleanup program in Michigan. State Rep. Tom Meyer announced last week.

A \$75,000 grant from the Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI) fund will be used to remove the structures and conduct a study to determine if further action is required.

"The elevator site has been

in need of attention for some time," said Meyer, R-Bad Axe. "The Clean Michigan program will help remove a risk to the environment and community, and possibly pave the way for redevelopment and reuse of the property."

The grain elevator at 2980 W. Kinde Rd. went out of business in the late 1970s and the buildings have since

partially collapsed, although they still house bags of chemicals, spraying equipment and other liquids.

The CMI funds are used for environmental response activities at contaminated sites that threaten public health or the environment. Actions include treating or removing contaminated soil or concentrated wastes and replacing contaminated water supplies.

## Cass City Area Church Directory

### TOO BUSY TO PRAY?

The Bible tells us that whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it and you will. And, whenever you stand praying, forgive if you have anything against any one so that your Father, who is in heaven, also may forgive you for your trespasses (Mark 11:24, 25). Sometimes we expect God to grant us all of our worldly desires, even when we seem to be too busy to go to Him in prayer. We may feel that if God knows all of our needs and what is best for us, He should just take care of us, and that there is no reason to go to Him in prayer. The fact is, He does take care of us and supplies our needs even when we don't always acknowledge Him. It may be hard for us to fathom the love that our Heavenly Father has for us. In a similar way, most of us probably never truly appreciated as children all of the good things our parents were doing for us. Showing love and appreciation is more important for the giver than the receiver, and more importantly, it draws us closer to each other. God is like a good parent who always wants the very best for His children. He will never leave us or forsake us. When we go to Him in prayer, we can approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need (Hebrews 4:16).



Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart. N.I.V. Psalm 37:4

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# Obituaries

## Eunice Dafoe

Eunice Dafoe, 90, of Decker, died Friday, March 8, 2002 at Community Hospital in New Port Richey, Florida.

Dafoe was born Oct. 11, 1911 in Deford daughter of the late Frank and Augusta (Fick) Krueger. She married Wilfred G. Knapp, he died Sept. 6, 1968, re-married Lawrence Dafoe on Oct. 23, 1973 in Decker.

Dafoe was member of the Decker Methodist Church and Moose of Caro.

She is survived by her husband Lawrence, of Decker, two sons: Charles (Peggy) Dafoe of Flint, James (Rhonda) Dafoe of Fountain; sister Beatrice Dafoe of New Port Richey, FL; 4 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and 4 step grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 19 in the Marsh Funeral Chapel in Marlette, with the Rev. Fred Becknell officiating.

Interment was in the Moshier Cemetery in Hemans.

Memorials may be given to the donation of your choice. Arrangements were made by Marsh Funeral Chapel, Inc., Marlette.

## Floyd Ellis

Floyd R. Ellis, 83, of Gagetown, died Thursday, March 14, 2002 at his residence. He was born in Grant Township November 11, 1918, the son of Wilbert and Gladys (Duffield) Ellis. On December 1, 1945, he married Betty May King in Akron.

During World War II, he served with the US Army Air Corps in the European Theatre, and was highly decorated, earning the Purple Heart for bravery. He had been a factory worker, and had worked in the construction industry as a carpenter, electrician and plumber.

Surviving along with his wife Betty are their sons, Terry (Sandra) Ellis of Charlotte, Iowa and Richard (Sharon) Ellis of Unionville, 6 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are a brother, W. Fred (Violet) Ellis of Rose City and a sister, Grace (Charlie) Young of Elkton. He was preceded in death by a brother, Lyle and 2 sisters, Edna Ellis and Ilene Nutt.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 18 at Unionville Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. Glenn Heintzelman officiating.

Memorials may be directed to the wishes of the family.

## John Gillis

John D. "Jud" Gillis, 82, of Minden City, died Saturday, March 16, 2002 at Autumnwood of Deckerville.

Gillis was born Jan. 20, 1920 in Uby, son of the late Malcolm and Mary (Holshoe) Gillis. He married Ila M. Noble on May 1, 1943 at St. Peter & Paul Church of Ruth. She preceded him in death Jan. 18, 1978.

He was a graduate of Deckerville High School in 1937. He farmed in Sanilac County (Palms area) until 1956. He then became the owner of the Gillis Hotel in Minden City. He has been a parishioner of St. Mary Church of Parisville since

1970. He is a former member of the Table Topper Association, a life member of the Minden City Lions Club, a former Village Council member, a member of the Ruth Knights of Columbus Council #3823. The Minden City Athletic field is named after "Jud". He established Little League in Minden City and was sponsor and founder of Babe Ruth and softball teams in Minden City.

He is survived by his special friend, Florence Bismack of Minden City; 7 daughters: Mary (Don) Hassler of Waterford, Barbara (Jerry) Piazza of Mt. Morris, Marge (Leo) Bennett of Waterford, Lou Ann (Bob) Reinelt of Snover, Sheila (Ben) Edwards of Bad Axe, Lisa (Paul) Bischer of Portage, Laura (Tim) Klee of Uby; 4 sons: John Gillis, Jr. of Bad Axe, Jerry (Linda) Gillis of Deckerville, Jim Gillis of Minden City, Joe (Carie) Gillis of Sandusky; 31 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; a half sister, Laura Klee of Minden City; and a half brother, Clayton Woolner (Marian) of Milan.

He was preceded in death by his grandson, Jeff Kowalski, his brother, Norman Gillis, his sister, Virginia O'Steen and half brother, Arthur Woolner.

Funeral mass was held at St. Mary Church of Parisville. The Rev. Charles Hammond, pastor, officiated.

Burial will be in St. Patrick Cemetery of Palms in the spring.

## Ellen Good

Funeral services for Ellen May Nordland Good, 91, of Bedford, Iowa, were held Jan. 13, 2002 at the Bedford Methodist Church.

Interment with full Military rites was Jan. 14 in Aurora, Neb.

Good leaves 2 daughters, Major Karen (Dan) Good Goedken of Minnetonka, Minn., LTC Kathryn Good of Litchfield Park, AZ; 2 granddaughters; and several nieces and nephews.

## Delia Grigg

Delia W. Grigg, 98, of Cass City, died Tuesday, March 12, 2002 in Hills & Dales General Hospital, Cass City. She was born Dec. 12, 1903 in Portsmouth Township, Bay County to Herman and Anna (Jonas) Mielens. She married Earl E. Grigg Oct. 5,

1927 in the Immanuel Lutheran Church Parsonage in Bay City.

Grigg was a former member of Trinity St. James Lutheran Church in Munger, where she was also a member of the Ladies Aid. In 1948 they bought their farm in Cass City. She was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Grigg is survived by her husband, Earl; children: Lyle (Pauline) Grigg of Munger, Neal (Sharon) Grigg of Munger, Betty (Darrell) Fuller of Caro; 9 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Grace Grigg of Saginaw; sister-in-law, Grace LaBrenz of Bay City; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a son, Eldon; brothers and their wives: infant, Otto Mielens, Paul (Emma) Mielens, Herman (Cora) Mielens, Arthur (Linda) Mielens, Albert (Dorothy) Mielens; sisters and their husbands: Hulda (William) Kleinert, Anna (August) Kleinert, Clara (Paul) Wispinter, Laura (Louis) Reichle, Helen (Oscar) Felske, Elsie (Phillip) Bubblitz, Irene (Oscar) Englehart; brothers-in-law: infant, Elmer Grigg, Morley Grigg, Herman LaBrenz; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 16 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City with the Rev. Gerald Meyer officiating.

Interment is in Floral Gardens Cemetery, Bay City.

Memorials may be made to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Eric Little

Eric Lee Little, 38, of Traverse City, died Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2002 at his residence.

Little was born Oct. 11, 1963 in Saginaw, the son of the late Evangeline Bruce Little and Roger Little of St. Charles, MO. His mother preceded him in death.

He worked in painting and construction and was a well-known lead guitarist in northern Michigan.

Little is survived by a son, Kiefer; his father and step-mother, Roger and Beverly Little of St. Charles, MO, formerly of Cass City; 2 brothers, Mark (Jenise) Little of Rapid City, Michael Little of Rancho Cordova, CA; step-

brother, Donald (Laura) Galbraith and step-sister, Janet (Hal) Delcambre of O'Fallon, MO; a number of nieces and nephews; and an uncle, Richard Little of Cass City.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 26 at St. Luke's Church in Bellaire, with the Rev. Mary Brown officiating.

Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery, Bellaire.

## Alice Meinke

Alice Louise Meinke, 79, of Deford, died Friday, March 15, 2002 in Hills and Dales General Hospital. She was born Sept. 10, 1922 in Detroit to Floyd and Grace (Pratt) Russell. She married Ernest W. Meinke June 2, 1939 in Detroit. He died February 13, 1998.

Meinke is survived by her children: Carolyn (Robert) Kropog of Allen Park, Lyle Meinke of Wyandotte, Gloria (Charles) Firestone of Macomb, Bill (Judy) Meinke of Harrison Township, Ronald (Kim) Meinke of Deford, Larry (Paula) Meinke of St. Clair Shores; 11 grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 16 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City with the Rev. Gerald Meyer officiating.

Interment is in Floral Gardens Cemetery, Bay City.

Memorials may be made to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

preceded in death by her brother, Raymond Russell and sister, Lois Murray.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 19 at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City with Pastor David Edwards of Cass City Missionary Church officiating.

Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Clifford Richardson

Clifford "Pete" S. Richardson, 86, of Port Charlotte, Florida, formerly of Uby, died Tuesday, March 12, 2002 in the Charlotte Regional Medical Center in Punta Gorda, Florida.

Richardson was born July 25, 1915 in Traverse City, son of the late Carl and Florence (Page) Richardson. He married Rose Bays on Dec. 22, 1943 in Ypsilanti. She preceded him in death on April 2, 1988. Richardson married Elsie Scott in Oct. 1989 at the Uby Presbyterian Church.

Richardson graduated from a country school in Traverse

City. He farmed in Traverse City and the Uby area. He was a deliveryman for Carl Stank Oil and Coal and a driver for John Nugent Used Cars in Uby. He worked 26 years at Thumb Electric Company as a power plant operator retiring in 1979. Richardson was also a member of the Uby Presbyterian Church for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie, of Port Charlotte, Florida; daughter, Brenda (Marshall) Osentoski of Uby; two sons, Carl (Lana) Richardson of Allen Park, Gary (Susie) Richardson of Port Charlotte, Florida; 5 grandchildren; 2 step-grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Marie Ritola of Traverse City, Laura Meredith of Traverse City; two sisters-in-law, Ann Richardson of Bad Axe and Lillie Reed of Kentucky.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Florence Jean; a stepdaughter, Anna Dee; and a brother, Walter Richardson.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 16 at the Zinger-Smigielski Chapel of Uby. Hubert Howell of the Uby Presbyterian Church officiated. Burial will be in Valley Cemetery in the spring.

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# Storm, Frank earn GTW dream team recognition

Cass City placed 2 seniors, Jeff Storm and Grant Frank on the Greater Thumb West all conference first team basketball squad. Sophomore Jake Brinkman received honorable mention.

Storm played 4 years on the varsity and was a terror on the boards, often against much larger players. He was Cass City's top scorer. Frank became steadily better all year, handled the point much of the time and was a scoring threat inside or on the perimeter.

Steve Cramer, USA junior, had the capability of taking a game over which he frequently did for the Greater Thumb West and district tournament champs. Brad Ruhanon, Reese, was a tough defender and excellent ball handler and helped his team win the district and advance to the regional finals.

Jon LePage was the go-to guy for the Lakers and Josh Meckes paced Valley-Lutheran.

## SECOND TEAM

Members of the second team are: Josh Craven, Bad Axe;

## Hawks land 4 players on GTW volleyball all-conference teams

Cass City senior Sara Homakie was placed on the first team all-conference Greater Thumb West volleyball team by league coaches. The Hawks also placed junior Becky Hartel and sophomore Amy Howard on the second team and Krystee Dorland on the honorable mention list.

Bad Axe and Lakers dominated with 2 selections on the first team. Two Laker seniors selected were Jessica Rokicki and Jody McKenzie. From Bad Axe junior Amy Sutherland and senior Brooke Bator were selected. Sutherland was the only non-senior to be named. Rounding out the first team were: Melinda Buckmaster, Mayville, and Staci Gaeth, USA.

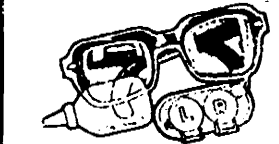
## SECOND TEAM

Rachelle Bryant, VL; Liz Lieber, Mayville; Chrissy Smith, Bad Axe; Tiffany Steinman, Lakers; Amy Radka, Reese; Hartel and Howard, Cass City.

## HONORABLE MENTION

Brianne Francis, Lindsay Eurich, Jessica Rieffel, Julie Glowiak, all of BCAS; Dorland, CC; Heather Kunisch and Katie Lundberg, both of Lakers; Ashley Rupp, Reese; Molly Helmeich, Amanda Chisholm, Amanda Fitch, Crystal Sebold, all of VL; Jenny Patterson, Mayville, Kayla Warack, Ashley Winter, Jessica Fiebig and Ashley Ewald, all of USA; Terri Walker, Shelly Guigar, Bad Axe.

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Wild John's 50	Stafonos 15.5	Individual High Series: S. Hutchinson 562, R. Finkbeiner 542, M. Opanasenko 531, B. Ware 516, M. Horne 491, M. Haley 480.	Individual High Games: C. Smith 208-165, J. Morell
Dee's Girls 42	Charmont Motel 15	Team High Game: Cass City Tire, 1021.	
Cass City Tire 42	Lee Morgan Painting 15	Team High Series: JB's Crew, 2961.	
JB's Crew 38	R & H Body Shop 14.5		
Cable ettes 38	Trisch Septic 12		
Loren's Lawn Care 38	Anthes Mover (Points to be adj.) 11.5		
	Hair-n-More 10		
	Locust Hill Farms 10		
	Sebewaing Concrete (Points to be adj.) 10		
	Muffler Man 9		

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As of Mar. 3

Chemical Bank Pinheads 14  
Been There Done That 13  
Inn-Laws 13  
Somtimers 13  
Par-T-Ranch 9  
Old Geezer's +2 9  
Finkbeiner & Ertman 9  
Damn Near Last 9  
Harris-McHalpine 9  
CB's 8  
Spannagel-Prime 7  
We'll Get Back To You 7

High Individual Games & Series: J. Baker 248 (587), B. Montgomery 217-241 (603), T. Potrykus 224 (614), B. Brown (613), J. Matthewson 223, R. Pringle 227, K. Champagne 235 (572), B. Watson (518), L. McHalpine (500), B. Potrykus 222.

Team High Game & Series: Been There Done That, 790 (2165).

## THURSDAY NITE TRIO

As of Mar. 14

Riverbend 34  
Kelly & Co. 33.5  
Osentoski Farm Equip. 26.5  
Martin Electric 25.5  
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Chemical Bank 20  
Cass Tavern 17

Individual High Games & Series: R. Finkbeiner 279-279-234 (792), Doug O'Dell 254-213 (666), D. Doerr 253-216 (666), D. Beecher 233 (626), E. Schmaltz 223-226 (619), G. Smith 224-214, T. Summers 213-226, S. Osentoski 215, P. Regnerus 215, D. Miller 213.

Team High Game & Series: Riverbend, 629 (1830).

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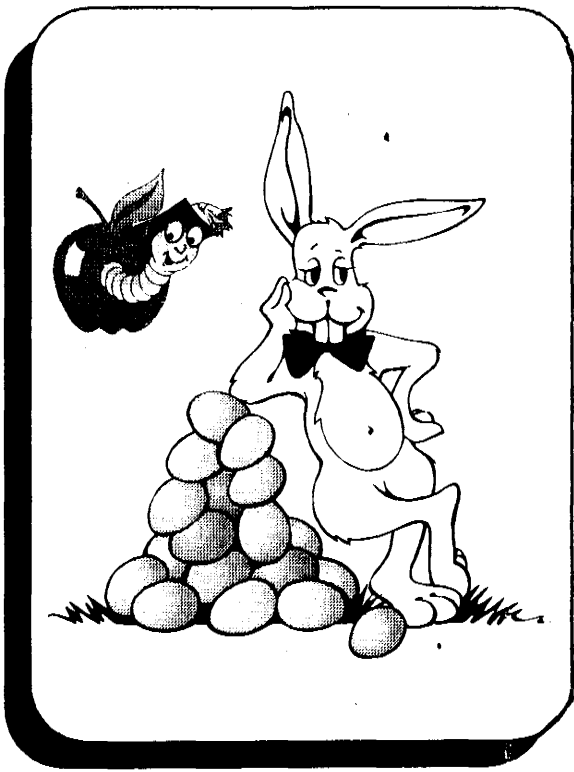


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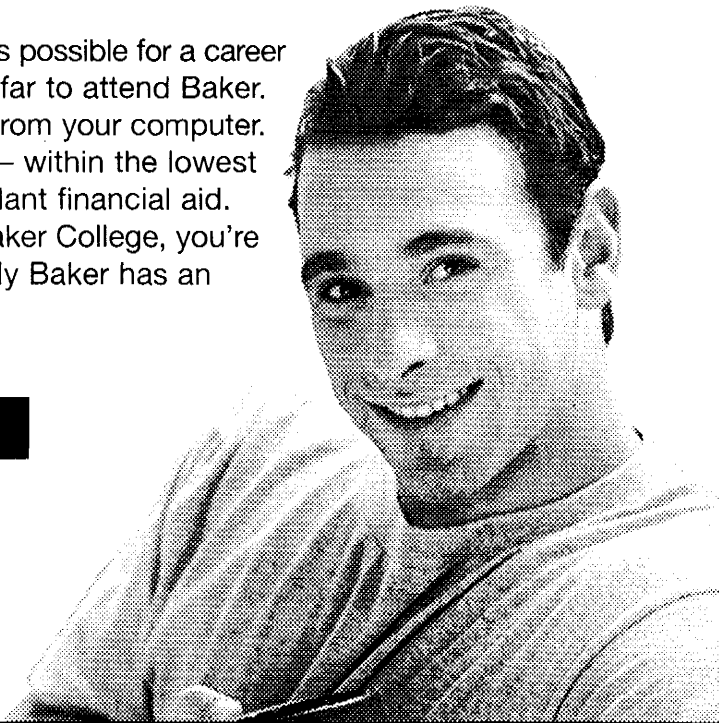
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# F.B. members lobby in Lansing

With the zero-interest loan bill on the books, Tuscola County Farm Bureau members continued to lobby for key agricultural issues during Michigan Farm Bureau's Lansing Legislative Seminar.

County members, including Greg Ackerman, Don and Dorothy Keinath, Greg Daily, Myron Ortner, John Somerville, Anthony Bierlein and Diane Ballard discussed with legislators issues such as water diversion, state appropriations and the grain indemnity fund.

The 3 issues discussed originated from county Farm Bureau policy development committees, where county members submit agricultural policy they feel is worthy of legislation. Policy passed at the county level is taken to the Farm Bureau state annual meeting, where more than 450 delegates vote on policy that directs the organization for the upcoming year.

Nearly 400 Farm Bureau members representing 60 county Farm Bureaus took advantage of the opportunity to meet and lobby their state senators and representatives in Lansing recently. The seminar is held annually, enabling producers to learn more about key issues affecting agriculture and giving them the opportunity to explain those issues to their respective legislators.

"This year, we had nearly 50 legislators and aides attend the reception and talk to producers firsthand," said Ron Nelson, Michigan Farm Bureau's State Governmental Affairs manager. "This was an ideal opportunity for elected officials to hear their constituents' concerns about the agriculture industry."

## Circuit court proceedings

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

- Bradley D. Topham, 42, Lapeer, stood mute to charges of prison escape Jan. 18 from the Camp Tuscola Correctional Facility in Indianfields Township, and being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).
- Court records state Topham has been convicted of several felonies, including armed robbery, assault with intent to rob, burglary, larceny, receiving and concealing stolen property, unlawfully driving away an automobile, forgery and possession of counterfeit currency. He now faces up to life in prison if convicted.
- A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case, bond was continued at \$100,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.
- Amy L. Allen, 32, Reese, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of attempted forgery involving checks for \$30 and \$60, both drawn on Bank One between Oct. 19 and Nov. 21.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- Stacy J. Wright, 27, Gagetown, was sentenced to 36 months probation and 270 days in the county jail, with work release and worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Nov. 29 in Dayton Township.
- Wright was also ordered to enter residential treatment and pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,840 plus restitution of \$85 and a \$150 forensic fee.
- Raymond L. Philo, 34, Davison, was sentenced to 4 to 15 years in prison for his plea of guilty to assault with a dangerous weapon and possession of a firearm by a felon March 11 in Millington, and to being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).
- Lee E. Neal Jr., 40, Gagetown, was sentenced to 329 days in jail and 24 months probation for his plea of no contest to possession of a firearm by a felon July 21 in Gagetown and Cass City.
- He was also ordered to undergo substance abuse therapy/counseling and pay \$920 in costs and fines.
- Shawn D. Ellesin, 31, Caro, was sentenced to 3 to 14 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to forgery and uttering and publishing involving a \$200 check drawn on Team One Credit Union March 29-30 in Caro, and to breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny April 7 in Fairgrove Township.
- He was also ordered to pay restitution of \$1,697.51.
- Ellesin also pleaded guilty to unlawful use of a motor vehicle April 8 in Wells Township, and attempted larceny in a building April 7 in Caro.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at a combined \$1,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- Luke M. Spohn, 19, Caro, pleaded no contest to attempted breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny Dec. 17 in Caro.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be set.

TUSCOLA COUNTY Farm Bureau members attending the 2002 Lansing Legislative Seminar include (front row, left) Greg Daily, Diane Ballard, Don Keinath, Dorothy Keinath, (back row, left) John Somerville, Greg Ackerman, Myron Ortner and Anthony Bierlein.

## Calendar of Events

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

### Friday, March 22

Senior Citizen Movies, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.  
Alcoholics Anonymous, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8:00 p.m.

### Monday, March 25

Hills & Dales Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 12 noon, Northwood Meadows.  
Cass City School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.  
Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

## Notice of ANNUAL MEETING

for  
Ellington Township

will be held

### MARCH 30

1:30 p.m.

Proposed 2002-2003 Budget  
Proposed 2002-2003 Road Work  
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### MARCH 30

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Budget Hearing

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**Evergreen Township Hall, Shabbona**

Arthur Severance, Clerk



# Legal Notices

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy Graves, a single man (original mortgagor) to DMK Financial Services, INC., A Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 11, 1999, and recorded on March 12, 1999 in Liber 765, on Page 1217, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation. Assignee by an assignment dated July 1, 1999, which was recorded on August 30, 2000, in Liber 809, on Page 767, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY AND 04/100 dollars (\$56,140.04), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on April 5, 2002.

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

The South 50 feet of the Lot 6, Block 1 of Montague and Wilmot's Addition to the Village of Caro, also beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 1, Block 1 of Montague and Wilmot's Addition to the Village of Caro, running thence North 50 feet, thence East 80 feet, thence South 50 feet, thence West 80 feet to the place of beginning to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 18, now being page 18A.

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

Dated: February 20, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Stallions 248-593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200212001

Stallions 2-20-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lillie Rosa Lester (original mortgagors) to WMC Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated September 10, 1999, and recorded on September 22, 1999, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Bank One, N.A. /a/ The First National Bank of Chicago, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of September 30, 1999, Series 1999-A, without recourse. Assignee by an assignment dated December 19, 2001, which was recorded on February 1, 2002, in Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT AND 55/100 dollars (\$22,628.55), including interest at 10.875% 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 April 12, 2002.

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

Subs 369 and 370, Shay Lake Heights Subdivision No. 3, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 21, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated February 27, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Tiggers 248-593-1302  
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Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200129405

Tiggers 2-27-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David H. Hall and Cheryl A. Hall (original mortgagors) to Greenstone Farm Credit Services, FLCA, Mortgagee, dated January 24, 2000, and recorded on February 10, 2000, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Bank of America, N.A., Assignee by an assignment dated September 16, 2000, in Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-ONE AND 52/100 dollars (\$181,641.52) including interest at 8.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 AM, on May 3, 2002.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 3, Town 11 North, Range 8 East described as: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Northeast 1/4 which is North 00 Degrees 22 Minutes 56 Seconds East, along said East line, 615.13 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 3; thence continuing North 00 Degrees 22 Minutes 56 Seconds East, along said East line, 614.72 feet to the South line of the North 40 acres of said Northeast 1/4; thence South 89 Degrees 52 Minutes 28 Seconds West along said South line, 2667.98 feet to the West line of said Northeast 1/4; thence South 00 Degrees 12 Minutes 57 Seconds West, along said West line, 615.94 feet, thence North 89 Degrees 50 Minutes 51 Seconds East, 2666.21 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: March 20, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Hawks 248-593-1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200214819

Hawks 3-20-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Elwyn J. Bradley and Katherine N. Bradley (original mortgagors) to AMRESCO Residential Mortgage Corporation, a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 14, 1999, and recorded on May 21, 1999 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, Assignee by an assignment dated January 8, 2002, which was recorded on February 7, 2002, in Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETEEN AND 02/100 dollars (\$72,919.02), including interest at 10.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 AM, on May 3, 2002.

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

Lots 24 and 25 of Block 5, Montague and Wilmot's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 49, now being Page 18A of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: March 20, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Mustangs-B 248-593-1306  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200132786

Mustangs-B 3-20-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roger Gannum and Debra Gannum, Husband and Wife (original mortgagors) to Alternative Lending Mortgage Corp., dated June 30, 1998, and recorded on October 26, 1998 in Liber 753, on Page 1387, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and re-recorded on April 2, 2001 in Liber 826, Page 1263, Tuscola County Records and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., as Custodian or Trustee Assignee by an assignment dated June 30, 1998, which was recorded on January 27, 2000, in Liber 793, on Page 388, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY-NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE AND 81/100 dollars (\$89,975.81), including interest at 12.550% per annum

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on April 5, 2002.

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

Part of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of section 30, town 11 North, range 8 East described as: beginning at a point on the South line of said Southwest 1/4 which is South 89 degrees 49 minutes 31 seconds East along said South line 489.07 feet from the Southwest corner of said section 30; thence continuing South 88 degrees 49 minutes 31 seconds East along said South line, 192.00 feet, thence

North 01 degree 54 minutes 59 seconds East parallel with the West line of said Southwest 1/4, 330.03 feet, thence North 88 degrees 49 minutes 31 seconds West parallel with said South line 192 feet, thence South 01 degree 54 minutes 59 seconds West parallel with said West line 330.03 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: February 20, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
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File # 200026209

2-20-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Corney D. Bailey and Christopher D. Bailey, Wife and Husband (original mortgagors) to Mortgages Co., Mortgagee, dated January 31, 2000 and recorded on February 1, 2000 in Liber 793, on Page 761, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-SIX AND 55/100 dollars (\$136,896.55), including interest at 8.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on April 12, 2002.

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

Parcel D - Part of the North 625 feet of the West 698 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 14, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the North line of said Southwest 1/4 which is South 87 degrees 48 minutes 20 seconds East, along said North line, 498.01 feet from the West 1/4 corner of said Section 14; thence continuing South 87 degrees 48 minutes 20 seconds East, along said North line, 200.00 feet, thence South 02 degrees 33 minutes 27 seconds West, parallel with the West line of said Southwest 1/4, 625.01 feet, thence North 87 degrees 48 minutes 20 seconds West, parallel with said North line, 200.00 feet, thence North 02 degrees 33 minutes 27 seconds East, parallel with said West line 625.01 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless an affidavit of occupancy or intent to occupy is recorded in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(d) and given to the mortgagee, in which case the redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 27, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Gators 248-593-1310  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200119109

Gators 2-27-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David W. Duncan III and Alisa A. Duncan (original mortgagors) to Quicken Loans, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 29, 2000, and recorded on March 6, 2000 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated February 29, 2000, which was recorded on September 25, 2000, in Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHT AND 23/100 dollars (\$148,308.23), including interest at 9.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 AM, on May 3, 2002.

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

Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 34, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, running thence East 440 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 990 feet, thence West 230 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 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 20, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Mustangs-A 248-593-1306  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200022798

Mustangs-A 3-20-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeanette M. Smalley, a single woman, to Choice Mortgage Company, mortgagee, dated January 26, 2000 and recorded February 8, 2000 in Liber 793, Page 1403, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Old Kent Mortgage Company (now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Bank), by assignment dated January 31, 2000 and recorded on February 8, 2000 in Liber 793, Page 1411, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Ninety-Eight and 29/100 Dollars (\$173,098.29) including interest at the rate of 9.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 12, 2002.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 30, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 30, which is North 50.00 Feet from the West 1/4 corner of said Section 30; thence continuing along said West line, North 238.00 Feet, thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 50 seconds East, 174.47 feet, thence South 41 degrees 37 minutes 30 seconds East, 318.10 Feet to the northerly right-of-way line of the Michigan Central Railroad, South 89 degrees 51 minutes 50 seconds West, 385.50 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 6, 2002

ORLAND ASSOCIATES, PC  
Attorneys for Old Kent Mortgage Company (now by various resolutions duly known as Fifth Third Bank)  
As Assignee  
2501 Rochester Court  
Troy, MI 48063  
(248) 457-1000

File No. 200.0191 3-6-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Raymond P. Einfeld and Tonya Einfeld (original mortgagors) to Mac-Craig Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee dated December 22, 1998, and recorded on December 28, 1998 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned my mesne assignments to Fidelity Bank, a Federally Chartered Savings Bank, Assignee by an assignment dated August 2, 2000, in which was recorded on September 8, 2000, in Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO AND 59/100 dollars (\$96,862.59), 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 April 19, 2002.

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

Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 34, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, thence South 0 degrees 30 minutes East 1117.80 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning. Running thence South 89 degrees 11 minutes 39 seconds West, 208.71 feet, thence South 0 degrees 30 minutes East, 208.71 feet, thence North 89 degrees 11 minutes 39 seconds East, 208.71 feet, thence North 0 degrees 30 minutes West, 208.71 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning. Being part of the Southwest 1/4 section 34, Town 10 North, Range 9 East.

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

Dated: March 6, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Cougars 248-593-1301  
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Attorneys and Counselors  
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Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200212702

Cougars 3-6-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Garey D. Boyd and Cheryl S. Boyd (original mortgagors) to Advanced Innovative Mortgages, Inc. Mortgagee, dated November 2, 1998, and recorded

on December 1, 1998 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Flagstar Bank, FSB, as assignee by an assignment dated November 6, 1998, which was recorded on December 1, 1998, in Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY-ONE AND 18/100 dollars (\$51,391.18) including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 AM, on May 3, 2002.

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

Lot 10, of Cooper Subdivision, except the North 150 feet thereof, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2, Page 25, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: March 20, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Hawks 248-593-1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200214849

Hawks 3-20-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert E. Atkinson and Beckie L. Atkinson, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to American Mortgage Management Corporation, Mortgagee, dated December 16, 1993, and recorded on December 28, 1993 in Liber 651, on Page 1197, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to GMAC Mortgage Corporation, A Pennsylvania Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated July 1, 1999, which was recorded on May 24, 2000, in Liber 801, on Page 1110, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT AND 09/100 dollars (\$30,528.09), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on April 5, 2002.

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

Lot 2 of Goodwin Creek Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, part of the Northwest fractional quarter of Section 19, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: February 20, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Wolves 248-593-1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200027067

Wolves 2-20-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donnie Huzar, A Single Man, to Equifirst Corporation, mortgagee, dated May 2, 2000 and recorded June 14, 2000 in Liber 803, Page 574, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Provident Consumer Financial Services by assignment dated February 22, 2002 and submitted to and recorded by Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Two and 1/100 Dollars (\$82,432.01) including interest at the rate of 12.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on May 3, 2002.

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 8, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at the intersection of the West line of Section 8, Town 11 North, Range 8 East with the South line of West Saginaw Road (M-38); thence Easterly along said South line of West Saginaw Road 242.00 feet; thence Southerly at right angles to West Saginaw Road and along an existing wire fence to the North line of the C & O Railroad right of way; thence Westerly along said North Right-of-way line to the West

line of Section 8, Town 11 North, Range 8 East; thence Northerly along the West line of said Section 8, Town 11 North, Range 8 East to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 20, 2002

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC  
Attorneys for Provident Consumer Financial Services.  
As Assignee  
2501 Rochester Court  
Troy, MI 48063  
(248) 457-1000

File No. 210.0373 3-20-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Stanley E. Schmidt and Carol A. Schmidt (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated September 26, 1997, and recorded on October 6, 1997 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as assignment dated June 1, 1999, which was recorded on June 8, 2000, in Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE AND 97/100 dollars (\$53,595.97), including interest at 7.950% 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 to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on April 19, 2002.

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

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of Section 35, Town 11 North, Range 11 East.



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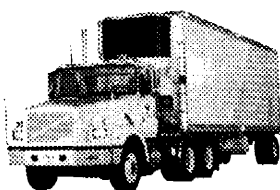
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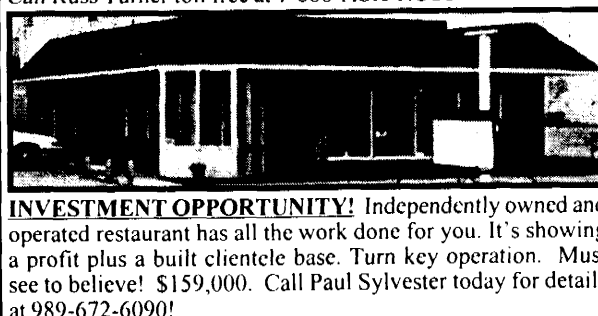
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# Illuzzions new tattoo business

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**DREW WHO?**

Although Coulter has made a name for himself in the tattoo business, it's his likeness to Carey that draws stares and doubletakes just about everywhere he goes.

Ironically, Coulter didn't even know who Carey is until a co-worker pointed out the resemblance in 1997.

"I was living in Alabama at the time and I was working at the Olive Garden restaurant in Birmingham," he recalled. "I went into work one day and the bartender told me, 'hey Wayne, come here a minute'. She said, 'you look like someone'."

The bartender couldn't think of Carey's name right away, but it came to her later. Coulter was astonished when he saw Carey's face on the cover of a television guide. "I said, 'wow, who is he?' I tuned into the show and I could not believe my eyes."

Coulter decided then that he wanted to go to Hollywood and meet Carey.

A week later, a violent storm tore away the awning on Coulter's home, and he packed his bags after receiving an insurance check to cover the damage.

"I found out where the show was filmed - Warner Brothers - and I drove into gate number 2," said Coulter, who was surprised when a security guard at the gate signaled him through. "I pulled over," he added. "I got out and by the time I got out, he saw my Alabama license plate."

Coulter and the guard began talking. "He said he had to get me in to see the show. He called up and got me put on the VIP list, and it almost got him fired," he said. "So, I got in to see the show."

Coulter was later surprised again when Carey came out on stage and publicly welcomed Coulter as the "Alabama Drew".

After the show, Coulter had an opportunity to talk to Carey and his co-stars. "He said, you coming over to Dalt's (Bar and Grill)?" I said, 'sure'. He said, 'you know, you really spooked me'."

A lot of people really did think I was him out in Hollywood," Coulter continued, noting he also met Mel Gibson and was hired as an extra for an X-Files movie during his stay.



UNIONVILLE resident Angela Armstead, 23, shows off the cat tattoo she recently received at Illuzzions in Gagetown. "I just called one day and made the appointment," Armstead said of her decision to get the tattoo - her first. "I've always wanted one."

## Robo

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Hanby and Josh Woodruff, took first place in the shuttle race with a time of 7.11 seconds, edging a team from Bay City Handy, which posted a time of 7.12 seconds.

Hanby and Woodruff also captured first place in the balloon challenge, while the Lady Robo Red Hawks, composed of Sarah Reed and Whitney Laurie, took second place in the "follow the leader" competition (Munger Middle School, Detroit, won the event) as well as third-place team overall.

Also representing Cass City were Brittney Loomis and Sarah Howard.

Cass City's success isn't limited to the beginners. Green also has a robotics team that finished 9th overall in a state competition hosted last year by Lawrence Tech University in Southfield. His students were also regional champs in the First Lego League last year.

Those achievements say a lot for the KLICK program, now in its fifth year at Cass City Middle School. KLICK, which stands for Kids Learning In Computer Klubhouses, was initially implemented in 9 sites in Michigan, including Cass City. Today, there are 20 sites in the state along with one in Georgia.

"We are really considered the elite program in Michigan for KLICK," Green said, adding Michigan State University officials recently selected Cass City for a pilot program involving an advanced robotics curriculum. "The curriculum will be used for future competitions and all the KLICK sites in Michigan."

Green pointed out that competition is only a small part of what KLICK is about. The program, he explained, was designed as an after-school program to give youths, especially those in rural and poorer school districts, a place to go and feel safe, as well as a place to learn technology skills.

KLICK also provides community support by offering free services to local businesses, including website production and desktop publishing. The program offers support to school teachers and staff as well.

Green, who runs a one-week "boot camp for the brain" summer camp for students in grades 4 through 7, is optimistic about the future of KLICK and its impact on students. He's already planning to expand the robotics program to the high school next year.

# Poison Prevention Week on tap

Children act fast...and so do poisons!

In an effort to raise awareness of the dangers of accidental poisonings and to encourage people to take preventative measures, March 17-23 has been designated as National Poison Prevention Week.

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"Children Act Fast - So Do Poisons" is the slogan for the 2002 Poison Prevention Week to remind everyone to keep potentially harmful substances out of the sight and reach of children. Each year, the state's certified regional poison control centers receive more than 100,000 total calls. Many of these calls would not have to be placed by following some basic rules regarding substances around the home:

- \* Keep medicines in child-resistant containers.
- \* Never call medicine candy.
- \* Store household cleaners, bug sprays, medicines, etc.,

out of the sight and reach of children.

- \* Don't transfer a poisonous substance to a food or drink container.
- \* Put a product away immediately after using it.

But should a poisoning occur, it is important to know what to do and be prepared to take the appropriate steps.

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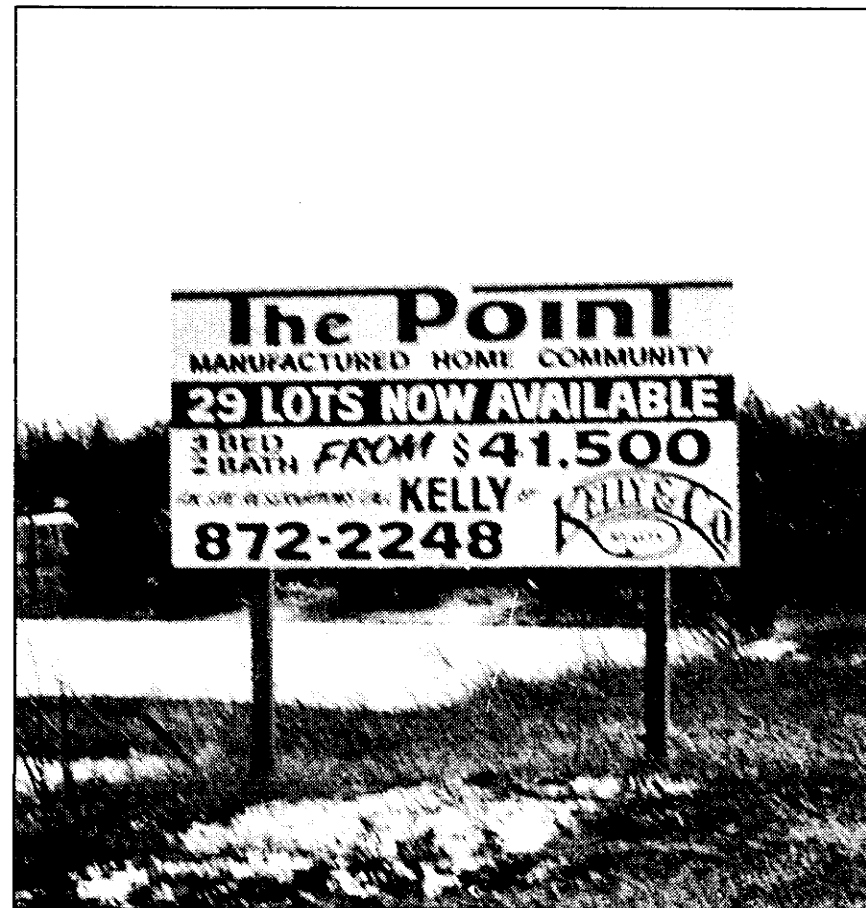


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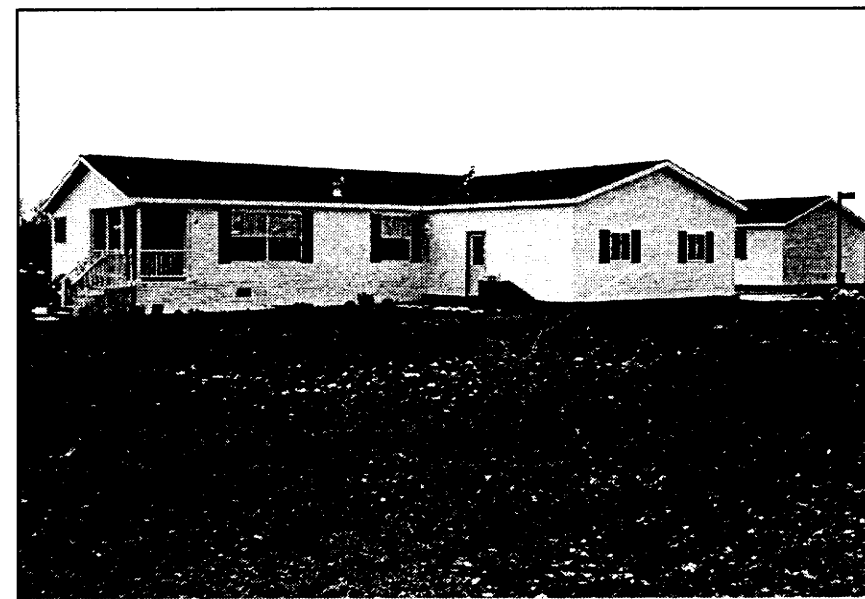
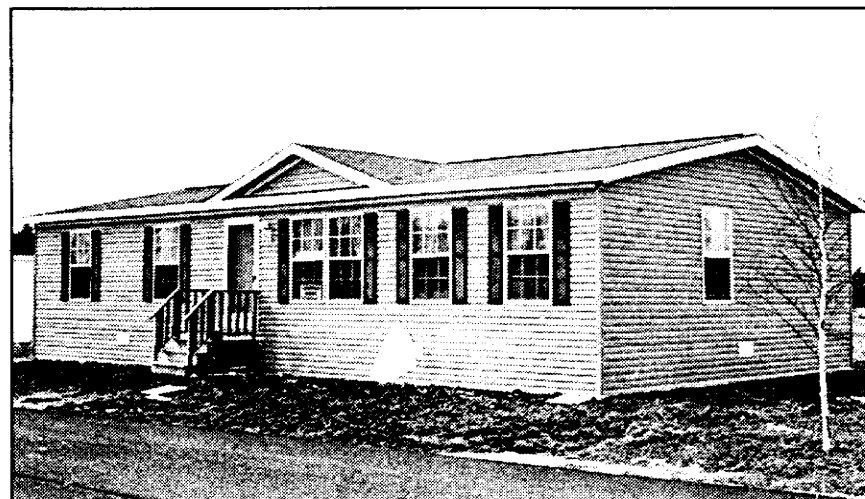
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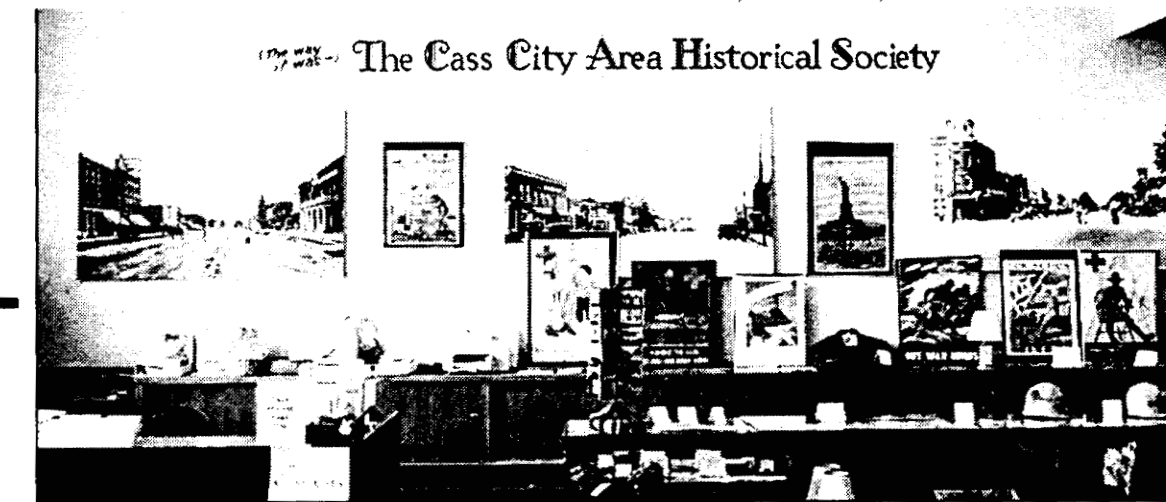
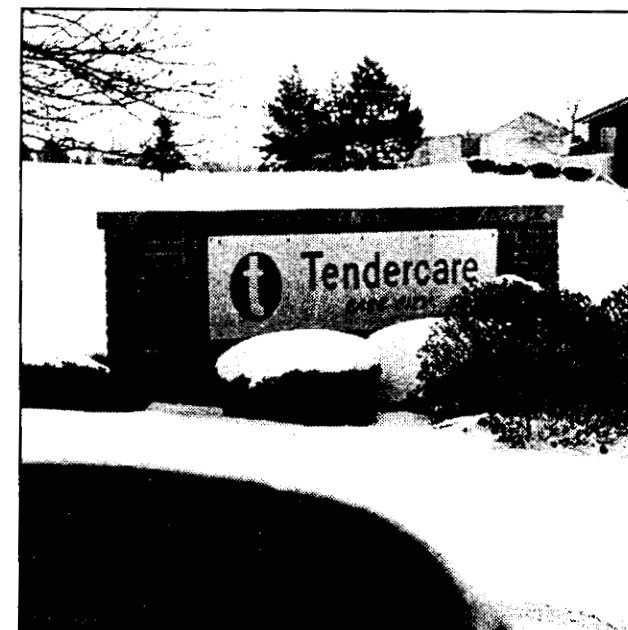
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dents, employers, incoming employees and many others.

The local community is kept up to date with the Chamber's bi-monthly newsletter - Chamber Chat. Editor Frank Kemp has done an excellent job of producing an extremely professional publication.

The Chamber continually strives to support and promote not only the local businesses, but also the entire community. They are the organization behind the very successful Summer Mania and Christmas in the Village promotions. Both events exceeded all expectations this past year and provided a great opportunity to showcase Cass City when visitors came from all over.

The 12 person Chamber

Board of Directors meets monthly to keep this growing organization on track. A new committee structure was adopted this past year that should gather strength from the Chamber's numbers. Each committee is chaired by a director, but will consist of several other people from the membership at large. Imagine the enthusiasm and ideas that could surface!

The Chamber kicked off 2002 with an immediate success. A gathering for the entire membership was held at Northwood Meadows on January 17th. Businesses shared information; people took tours of the beautiful new facility; and networking opportunities abounded. And that's only the beginning of what looks to be a

very exciting year.

The Annual Community Dinner will take place on April 13th at Northwood Meadows. Once again the wonderful tradition of recognizing and honoring a Citizen and Jr. Citizen of the Year will take place. Good food, good entertainment, and good fellowship will be on tap for the night.

There is talk of putting on a spring community wide open house and Summer Mania plans are well under way. The Christmas in the Village event will return this year too.

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## Knight Ins. - moving, growing

The Knight Insurance Agency has undergone many changes since its beginning in November of 1988 and now another major change is in progress. The agency is moving its office to 6468 Main St., which used to be the "Fort's Store" and more recently, "Pampered Pets", right next door to the Cass Theatre.

Knight Insurance Agency began as the Kico-Inbody Agency in 1988 when Alan Kico and Mary Inbody first opened an office. Alan and Mary successfully operated Kico-Inbody Agency for over 12 years. In November 2000 the Kico-Inbody Agency became Knight Insurance Agency.

In the fall of 2000, Alan's wife, Marilyn, joined the agency assuming the ac-

counting and bookkeeping responsibilities. Previously, Marilyn was employed at Walbro Engine Management Corporation for 29 years in various positions including payroll and accounts payable. Alan and Marilyn have three children who attend Cass City Middle School.

Alan has been an insurance agent since September of 1972 and received a degree in Insurance Sales and Management in 1974. He has served the Thumb area as an agent for the last 28 years. Alan is currently a member of Cass City Rotary and Knights of Columbus. You may have seen him around town involved in the Playscape, Christmas for Kids, and the 4th of July festivities. Alan, Marilyn, and their children are involved at St. Pancratius Catholic

Church.

Scott Mills was hired as an agent in February 2001 to help with the production and service of new and existing business. The insurance business is a second career

for Scott who recently completed a business degree while working in the mental health field for 20 years. Scott is currently involved in the Cass City Chamber, Compassionate Friends, Knights of Columbus, and the community Thanksgiving dinner. Scott, his wife Janeen, and their children are active members of St. Pancratius Catholic Church.

Clara Gaffney has helped at Knight Insurance Agency for five years. She works part-time in a clerical position. Clara is a member of the Cass City Women's Club and is a member of the Cass City United Methodist Church.

The most recent of the current staff is Amy Peters, Alan's daughter, who joined the agency in March of 2001. Amy works in the reception area as a customer service representative. Amy and her husband, Virgil, both grew up in Cass City and attended school here. Four years ago they moved back to Cass City with their two children. The Peters family is presently enjoying being a host family to Kiko, the exchange student from Japan. Amy and Virgil attend Novesta Church of Christ.

The Knight Insurance Agency is a family business, not just because 3 of the 5 employees are related, but also because it's one of the few hometown agencies left in Cass City. The owners and

employees all live here. They send their children to Cass City Schools, attend local churches and are active in local civic organizations. This is what makes this agency a family business. They not only know their clients, but they know their clients' families as well.

The move to the downtown location will provide another way for the agency to be more active in the community. Although an insurance agency isn't a retail business, this agency plans to participate with the retailers to help with the down-

town special events such as Summer Mania and Christmas in the Village. The agency plans to offer cold refreshments during the summer events and hot refreshments in front of the fireplace during the winter events.

As the needs of their clients have grown, so have the number of kinds of companies represented by Knight Insurance Agency. In order to provide total coverage for their clients, Knight Insurance Agency offers personal auto, home, rental, life, disability, and health insurance as well as full commercial packages. Knight Insurance Agency was instrumental in obtaining from three insurance companies (Auto-Owners, Allied, and Michigan Millers) an additional 10% credit on home and auto to all Chamber members and their employees. The agency has proven their commitment to be a full-service agency to its clients and the community.

## Gettel: one stop for all auto needs

As the only automotive dealership to carry 9 American-made brands of cars, trucks, vans and SUVs, Gettel Auto Mall is truly the only Thumb area destination for all your vehicle needs.

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A staff of approximately 50 is on hand to guide customers from the time of purchase of a new or used vehicle from the expansive showrooms and dealer lot to the service department, which offers all Big Three state certified auto technicians and a state-of-the-art body shop. Gettel Auto Mall has been awarded the Ford Blue Oval certified designation, recognizing the dealership's commitment to customer satisfaction.

Jim Gettel, president, Jim Schafer, general manager, and all of the employees strive for the highest level of customer satisfaction through the development of long-term customer relationships. Now in their third decade of doing business, Gettel Auto Mall has sold and serviced vehicles to its second generation of customers.

Customers can use the Internet. "Cruise the Internet and visit us at [www.gettelautomall.com](http://www.gettelautomall.com) and you'll find photos, specs

and price information on hundreds of vehicles, says Schafer.

Adding to customer convenience is the Gettel Quik Lube, offering a Pennzoil 10-minute oil change right next to Gettel Auto Mall. It opened in 1998.

When a customer brings in a vehicle for an oil change, it includes up to 5 quarts of Pennzoil, a new Pennzoil oil filter and will be checked for all fluid and air filter levels, headlights, tire pressure, wipers and serpentine belts - all in 10 minutes.

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Jeff Doerr has literally grown up in the electronics business. I can't remember when I wasn't involved in computers, he said, and despite his young age he has been working with them for 15 years. His partner is Dave Keller, a life-long friend and a native of Cass City.

It's been a period of rapid change and we have done everything we can to bring the latest in equipment and service to the Cass City area, Doerr said.

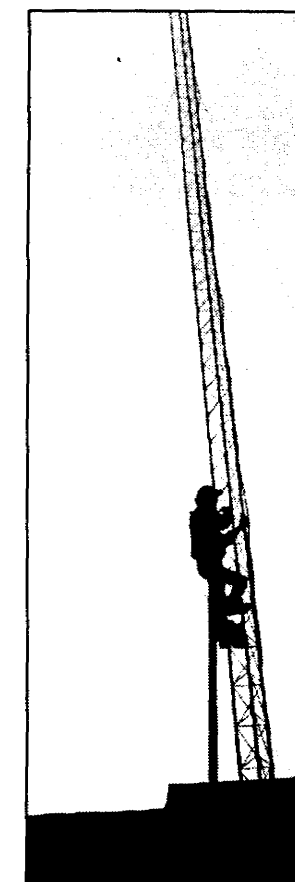
Right now Cass City Internet, now known as TotalCom to better reflect what the company has to offer, is in the midst of bringing broadband to the area, the first to offer this service here.

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TotalCom is celebrating its first year in Cass City and Doerr points out quickly that his support from the community has been phenomenal. We really do appreciate and are thankful for that and will do everything possible to provide Cass City with a service that can be depended on, he said.



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Erla's Food Center is celebrating 50 years of serving the Cass City and Thumb area. The Erla family and their staff are grateful to the community for the support that they have been given.

Since Erla's first started, it has always been a family operated business with an interest in doing whatever they can to help make the community grow.

We have gone through some changes, particularly in the last few years,

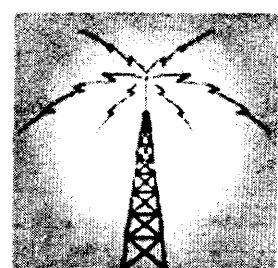
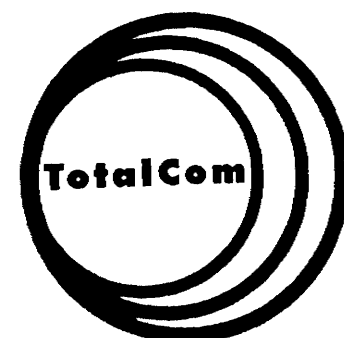
trying to give our customers the convenience they want with the lowest prices that we can give them.

Erla's is planning special sales and promotional events this year to celebrate their 50 years of serving the Cass City community. Please stop in with suggestions of products that you would like to see carried, or just to say hello.

Char Krueger, store manager, and the entire Erla's staff will try and meet your requests.



**THE ERLA FAMILY** works together to provide the community with the best service and prices possible. From left: Chuck Erla, Agnes Erla, Dan Erla, Arnold Erla and Clark Erla. They are thankful for the support received from the community for the last 50 years.



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(NAPS)—The innovative thinking of Clarence Birdseye (1886-1956)—known as the father of frozen food—resulted in one of the most significant innovations in the food industry and forever changed the way people prepare and serve meals.

In the early 1920s, Birdseye, then a U.S. government field naturalist, noticed that freshly caught fish froze quickly in Arctic temperatures but tasted fresh when thawed and eaten later. The company carrying his name has led the frozen food industry since 1930 when the first frozen foods were introduced—26 different products, including vegetables, fruits, fish and meats. Today, frozen foods are a \$27 billion industry and Frozen Food Month in March recognizes the industry's accomplishments. Check out these highlights from the history of frozen foods:

**March 6, 1930:** The frozen food industry is born with the first line of frozen foods at a Springfield, Mass., retailer.

**1934:** Birds Eye introduces an inexpensive freezer display case that is leased to retailers, aiding those that couldn't afford the new appliance during the Depression.

**1941-45:** A tinplate shortage creates a greater demand for frozen food and large quantities are shipped to military personnel in World War II. Working women demand foods with easy and speedy preparation.

**1944:** National distribution of frozen food gets easier as the first insulated railroad cars are leased.

**1946:** The frozen french

fry is introduced.

**1948-49:** The first frozen food ads appear on television.

**1949:** Frozen pizza arrives along with the first home dishwasher.

**1950s:** Consumer interest in frozen food brings a multitude of new products including fish sticks, baked stuffed potatoes, onion rings and waffles. Frozen food sales top \$1 billion.

**1953:** As television enters more American homes, the TV dinner is born.

**July 1969:** The popularity of frozen food skyrockets. Upon their return from the first moonwalk, the Apollo astronauts eat prepared frozen entrees and side dishes.

**1970s:** The broad introduction of the microwave oven brings food from the freezer to the dinner table in record time.

**1980s:** Birds Eye introduces custom cuisine, the first low-calorie line of vegetables and sauces.

**1990s:** With consumers increasingly on the go, demand for frozen meals increases.

**1998:** The home meal replacement category hits the freezer case when Chicken Voila!, the first all-in-one complete meal in a bag, is launched.

**1999:** Total retail sales of frozen foods in the United States reaches a record \$25 billion, according to the American Frozen Food Institute.

**2001:** Simply Grillin', the first line of perfectly seasoned vegetables that go directly from the freezer to the grill or oven is introduced.

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Tapson work in the sales department of Coach Light Homes. They would be happy to discuss your home purchase anytime. Their offices are open Monday through Saturday from 9-5 p.m. Watch for their open house in May.

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## Family owned Osentoski celebrating 50 years in Thumb

Osentoski Realty and Auction Service is one of the Thumb's premier family-owned businesses, but the reputation of the firm extends well beyond the Thumb.

The auction business was started in 1950 by Ira Osentoski and the realty business opened in 1972. Ira could never have imagined that over 50 years later the firm would be such a success and involve his wife, 3 sons, and his grandchildren the way it does today.

Ira passed away in 1994, leaving behind his name and his business, both with a solid reputation and character.

Today the company is run by Ira's wife Marie, sons, David, Martin and Ken Osentoski, and all of their children. The family guarantees personal, quality service from one of the oldest and largest auction services to ever operate in the Thumb.

"Nothing too large or too small, from households to farms, estates to antiques,"

sums up the services offered. Auctions have been held from Escanaba to Ecorse, and all points between.

Osentoski Realty was started by David Osentoski. At the age of 18 he began working for Alexander Realty out of Bad Axe. After obtaining his broker's license he opened a small satellite office in the weathered front porch enclosure of his parents' farm on M-53.

Having worked with his father in the family-owned auction service, David saw the opportunity to expand services. In 1972 the first Osentoski Realty Company was opened and run from the same porch enclosure.

Business was prosperous and over the course of 7 years, 5 more offices were opened at Port Austin, Bad Axe, Caro, Cass City and Caseville. In the 1980s the Unionville office came along. Deerfield opened in 1994 and the newest addition, Kingston, in March 1998.

Much like the auction service, the Osentoski family is very involved in the real estate business. David and his wife, Barbara, brothers Martin and Ken, mother Marie, and many grandchildren are very active sales agents.

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**THE CHEMICAL BANK staff in Cass City. From left, front row: Michele Pohlod, Kim Vincent, Judy Hulburt. Back row: Orvil Beecher, Carol Wright, Samantha Farver, Carolyn Westerby and Sherryl Seeley. Missing are Kathy Rosenberger and Richard Ypma.**

## Marlette Community Hospital opens Seton Cancer Center

The long awaited opening of the new Seton Cancer Institute at the Marlette Hospital became a reality March 4. The first phase of the Marlette Community Hospital's 12-million dollar

expansion renovation has been completed.

Visitors are invited to inspect the new facility at 2780 Main Street in Marlette. The Seton Cancer Institute is expected to come in under bud-

get.

"To have the project come in under budget and a little ahead of schedule is a tribute to all the tradesmen," said an elated CEO Dave McEwen.

The new center will allow cancer patients needing radiation treatments to do so in a more familiar environment without a lengthy drive. Three new medical oncologists will join the staff, Dr. Bikkina from Lapeer, Dr. Bartnik from Saginaw and Dr. Ahmad, a radiation oncologist, who will be directing the radiation therapy program.

"There are over 100 cancer cases diagnosed every year in Sanilac County," said McEwen. Roughly half of these patients will benefit from radiation or chemotherapy or some combinations."

And thanks to the new center, they will be able to do so from their own back yard.



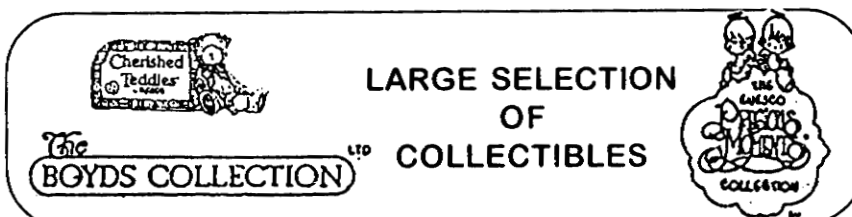
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## Curtis earns top awards

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In Caro, Curtis is one of 100 dealers nationwide to earn Master Cadillac status. It is also one of the top 2 percent to earn Oldsmobile elite status. The awards are based on customer satisfaction surveys.

All of the technicians are Automotive Service Excellence certified, the top licensing available, and reflect the continuing education individually and at schools that they received. Computers play a dominant

role in assuring customer satisfaction. The inventory is computerized and the parts locator can search the inventory throughout the United States. Our state of the art computerized alignment system and our specialized tools required for GM and Chrysler cars assures that we can service your car right, Dan Curtis said.

Especially noteworthy is the modern Pat Curtis body shop. It includes the DuPont-Smart Scale Paint Mixer that has eliminated mixing paint from the can. Operators enter the VIN number and paint code and the paint comes out a perfect match.

The Blowtherm downdraft-bake spray booth is computerized and bakes the paint at 155 degrees to assure a great paint job every time.

The Chief E-Z Liner frame machine straightens a vehicle frame or unibody and

helps get cars back on the road quickly and safely.

Many services are offered to make it easy for the customers. The computerized estimating system makes estimating fast and easy for the customer. The doors open automatically into the estimate bay where the Reznor clean air system operates to keep the air clean and healthy. Drivers can stay in the car or go to the clean customer lounge while detailed estimates are being made.

Curtis is connected to 6 major insurance companies in a direct repair program that allows vehicles to be repaired with fewer hassles.

The next time your vehicle needs service, come in and let Curtis get your car back on the road quickly and safely with a minimum of trouble and guaranteed workmanship.

## Jason's Outdoor Power

## Top service key to company's progress

When Jason McCallum established Jason's Outdoor Power in the former Rabideau Farm Equipment building in Cass City he said that service would be the key to success.

Now a year later results confirm that he was right. Despite the economic slow down his reputation for service has propelled the business forward.

McCallum is the sales manager and helps with the repair work. He is well qualified because he was parts manager for Gettel and Com-

pany in Sebawaing for 7 years, where he worked with agriculture and lawn and garden machines and parts. He also has experience with motorcycles and ATVs.

Shop manager is Randy Woodward. He has 15 years in mechanic repair. For 26 years he has been involved with motorcycles, winning several awards including Enduro Champion district 14 with the 4-stroke class for 2001. He's always willing to help other amateur riders compete. Emily Bennett is the business manager.

Jason's also employs 2 students, Jarod Chard and Josh Sherman, from Cass City High School.

The staff is prepared to make small engine repairs, including string trimmers, motorcycles, 4-wheelers, snowmobiles, lawn mowers and chain saws on site.

The company has added to its product line. In addition to Briggs and Stratton, Ingersol lawn tractors, and Deines lawnmowers it now carries Stihl chain saws and lawn and garden equipment. Also added were Fox clothing and accessories.



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## Cass City Floral

### Company moves to new, larger location

Almost a year ago, Cass City Floral moved to the new location of 6358 Main Street.

Much has changed in this time in a larger, brighter building. Nine showrooms are now open and filled with merchandise, with plans to expand into 3 more rooms in the near future.

Our upstairs is open and is accessible by a beautiful open oak staircase or an elevator. Christmas year round

is on the second floor, 9 Christmas trees are decorated with merchandise and are ready for your year-round shopping.

Also new at Cass City Floral are gourmet coffee, tea, cheese ball mixes and various dips. Cookie cutters, acrylic cutting boards, aprons and matching oven mitts are a few of the gift items offered.

The new greenhouse is overflowing with green tropical plants, potting soil,

stepping stones, and garden statues. Geraniums for your yard are started and doing well.

The scrapbook area is always changing with new papers and ideas.

Colonial at Home candles are available in 28 fragrances, new simmer pots are in and candle toppers are new also.

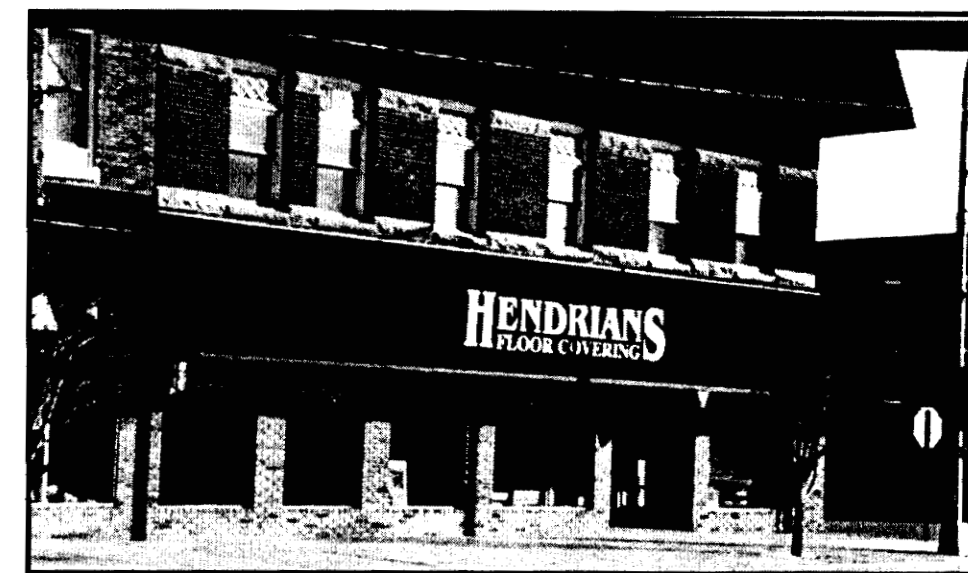
Jelly Belly gourmet jellybeans are being featured in 36 different flavors, and also bulk candy in 9 varieties are available.

Fresh cut flowers are abundant in many varieties, all displayed in our walk in cooler, where you can touch and choose your own selection.

A spring open house is planned and will be held on March 22 and 23 with lots of new spring merchandise in.

Manager Eugene Wyman and designers Amie White and Sharon Kickland along with sales associate Angie Thane invite you to stop in and enjoy spring. Refreshments, drawings, and balloons will be available.

CASS CITY FLORAL and Scrapbook Corner is loaded with gifts and flowers to show at its open house Friday and Saturday. Displaying some of them are manager Eugene Wyman and Amie White.



HENDRIAN'S dedication to top service for customers has enabled the company to expand into the former Kritzman's building in Cass City.

## Hendrians appreciate customers' support

The employees of Hendrian's Floor Covering, 6447 Main Street, would like to thank all of its customers for their support in making 2001 a great year.

Our business is based on service, Scott Hendrian, owner, said. We pay attention to detail to make the job come out just right for the cus-

tomers. He said that he has great customers and that they want good service.

Scott has been in floor covering in the Thumb for over 18 years. He went to work in Frankenmuth for a master installer, Harry Worden. He worked there for 2 years and then returned to Cass

City to start his business.

As the business grew, he expanded by purchasing the Kritzman building. Scott's father was in service in the Thumb for over 40 years.

Good service builds a customer clientele and we continually strive to give the best.

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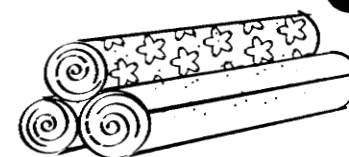
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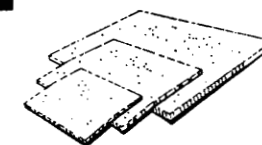
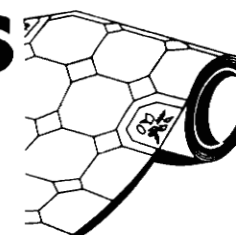
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March 5, 2002

## TO THE CITIZENS OF CASS CITY:

Overall, 2001 was a good year for the Village of Cass City.

The economic downturn that has affected our nation has been felt in Cass City. The move of General Cable to another state hurt the overall economic climate; however, it was a disturbing but not a devastating blow. General Cable building was sold in December to a local firm, which has begun renovation in preparation of an expansion of its manufacturing operation.

The terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 were shocking and a reminder of the security and safety we enjoy in our community. Our Holiday Season was an expression of that. We were more aware of the spirit of the Season. There was a marked increase in the seasonal activities along with an increase in local shopping.

The Hills and Dales Health Care Corporation finished the construction of its Assisted Living facility. It is a beautiful facility and answers a need in our region.

The Village of Cass City remains committed to the delivery of quality municipal services. Improvement of the public infrastructure continues to be a top priority of the Village Council and Administration. This is an important factor to retain commercial and industrial businesses in the Village.

The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) are implementing actions to assist in the overall development of the community. The EDC sponsored the municipal bonds to pay for the construction of the Assisted Living Facility. They are also involved in recruiting new businesses to the Village. The DDA is working on maintaining and improving the downtown. They have continued their successful program of low interest loans for façade improvement. The DDA and EDC, along with the Chamber of Commerce, share the services of one employee. Each activity has greatly benefited from her enthusiasm and dedication.

The Village staff continues to work hard to supply the best services possible. We shall remember the Year 2001 for its national events and we shall recall the community spirit those events sparked.

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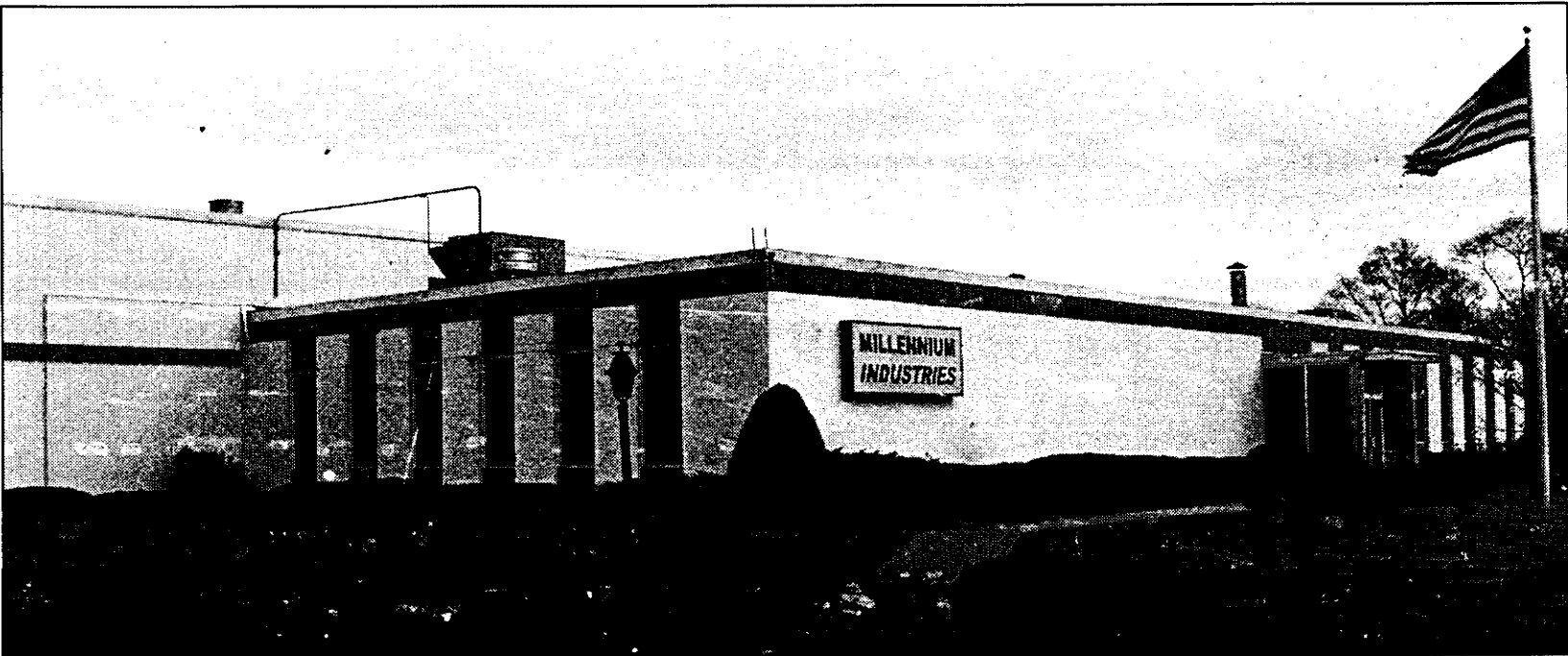
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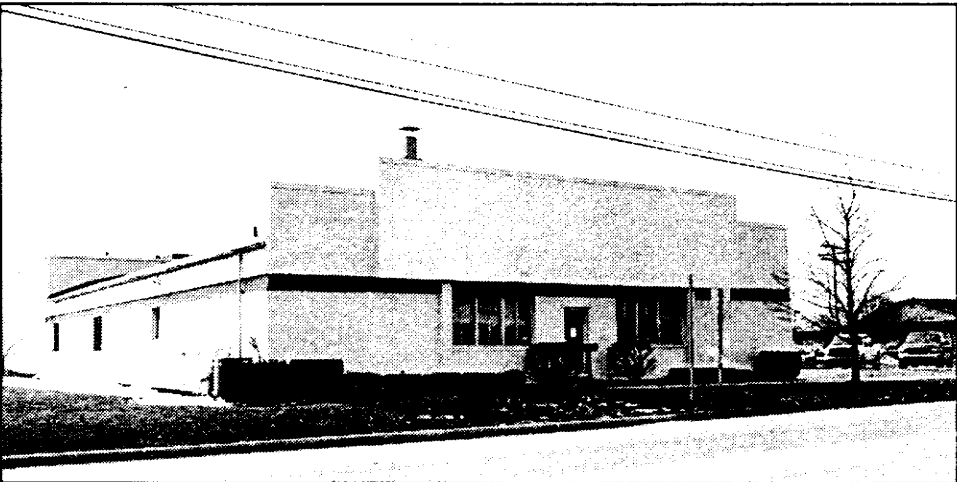


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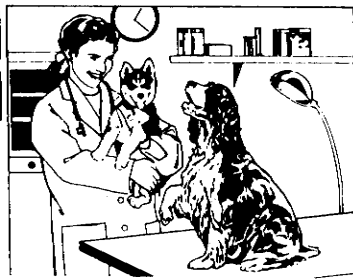
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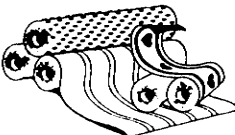
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## Richard's TV stresses service after the sale

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Richard's TV & Appliance, 1223 East Caro Rd., may not be the largest television and appliance dealership you will find, but it may very well be the one that offers the best service after the sale you will ever find. "Many stores sell only at low prices and when you need service you're on your own," founder and owner Richard D. Jones said. "Look around. There aren't many electronic repair stores left. The big guys only want your money, not your service."

Established in November 1969 in Cass City as a TV sales and service business, Richard's expanded into appliances and furniture. Eventually, furniture was dropped from the inventory and greater emphasis was placed on TVs and appliances.

Jones' son, Richard Scott Jones, joined the business and specialized in car stereo sales and installation before expanding into the satellite dish business in 1983. He was one of the first trained big dish C Band satellite technicians in the Thumb area.

In 1985, the business moved to its present location near Caro and continued to be one of the leading C Band dealers in the area with both sales and services. In 1994, Richard's entered into the 18-inch digital satellite business, selling both DirecTV and Dish Network.

Custom electronics installing and pre-wiring of new homes for in-wall ceiling speaker and telephone systems and complete home video and audio systems was added to the business in 1996. Today, Richard's offers a complete line of brand name televisions, VCRs, DVDs and stereos, as well as home theater systems, speaker systems, entertainment centers, satellite systems and antennas and tower installation and accessories.

The family-owned business remains as the only C Band

sales and service affiliate in the area. "We pride ourselves on offering quality brand name products but, more importantly, with providing service after the sale," Jones said.

In the future, Jones and his son hope to expand their electronics department, including adding a big-screen, HDTV department.

"We want to be a one-stop shopping center for electronics and two-way Internet service," Jones said.

In the fall of 2001, Richard S. Jones and Kenny Pendland formed a company called Big Tube Wireless to serve the Thumb area with high speed wireless Internet service with no more waiting - instant connection speeds to fit your demand.

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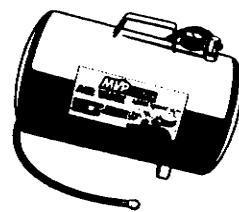
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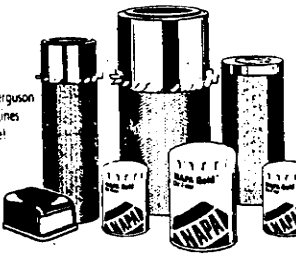
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## Unique, tasteful gifts at Lota's Corner cupboard

Residents are turning more and more to Lota's Corner Cupboard in Caro for home decorating help and furnishings, in addition to its reliable source for unique and tasteful gifts.

Home decorating service, including selection of florals, curtains and tableware, can add the finishing touch to decorating the home. You are invited, says owner Lota Hartel, to come in and see the many new items added to the lodge area, wedding room and garden room.

This year, Hartel adds, we plan to expand our selection of bridal accessories, includ-

ing bridal bouquets, cake tops, unity candles and other items for the wedding. We also plan to offer more home decorating ideas and furnishings. Expanded, too, will be the selection of pictures, florals, custom curtains and wallpaper borders.

Corner Cupboard has a bridal registry. Layaways are welcome and free delivery is available to hospitals and funeral homes in Cass City and Caro.

The Corner Cupboard was founded in 1993 and has steadily grown, due to appreciated support from residents looking for decorating and gift ideas.


## In Caro

### Crowley Chiropractic opens new office

Crowley Chiropractic is very proud of its new clinic to be opened at 1120 Cleaver Rd. Dr. Mark White, who has joined our staff and currently works at our Cass City office, will be working on his own in Caro to establish premium care for the people of Tuscola County.

Dr. White is a 1986 graduate of Palmer University and is going to live in the area and eventually own and operate our Caro office. The area is in need of many good chiropractors and we are more than happy to relocate Mark to a community as open as Caro.

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## New look at Auto Color NAPA



There is a new look at the NAPA store in Cass City. We have painted, cleaned and re-organized the store, the owners report. Additional shelving has been set in place to accommodate the large amount of inventory that has been purchased to better serve you the customer.

The DuPont automotive paint line is in the process of being added in the store. Customers will be able to come in, look over paint chips and decide on a color. Store hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Right now the farm filter sale is going on through March, company officials pointed out, and we have special prices for all your farming needs.

Farmers are reminded that NAPA in Cass City

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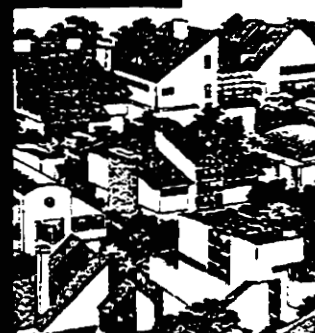
You can trust NAPA to have the part you need. Farmers rely on the NAPA brand to plant their crops. Busy moms that need to keep the minivan running to meet her family's hectic schedule and the college student who shops at NAPA to get the most for his dollar turn to NAPA with confidence.

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## Anonka's Witch Museum

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Merry Meet.

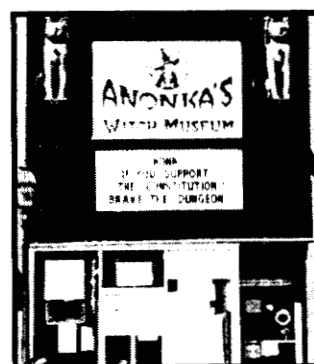
My name is Anonka, my daughter and I have Anonka's Witch Museum in downtown Caro. Some people have voiced their duplicity on what they assume I may be like.

I am a free thought advocate, so I guess you could say I am an atheist, for I hold no religion and no religion holds me. I give my regards to anyone whether they are bound to a religion or not. I stand firmly on the platform where our forefathers stood, an iron clad constitution with a staunch separation of church and state.

Read the reading window in the front of the museum, it shows other supporters. We all live in religious freedom and freedom from religion, but there are dangerous zealots that are forcing their own brand of moralistic dogma on us all. The radical extremist are in our schools and in our government and right next door. The ranting of far right so called conservatives are working to lay waste to all our freedoms and rights. These control based fanatics are taking every opportunity they can seize, to sneak in their own agenda of ideology, or idiotology.

You don't have to have a religion! Matter of fact, you're better off if you don't subscribe to any religion! Religions come from Pagan myths anyway. Nothing wrong with that, as long as you don't teach that it's a proven fact. That would be like forcing people to believe in Santa or Loony tunes.

Any person that places or wants a religious idol on or in a government ground or building is definitely in contempt of USA. If you let religion in the government we will lose our freedoms and be like the Afghanistan and other religious-run countries. We must stay America the free.



When a person takes deeply to drink, they can become addictive to it and consequently it distorts reasoning. When a person takes deeply to religion, they can become addictive to it and consequently it destroys reasoning. Did you ever try and reason with a religious fanatic?...impossible isn't it? That is why religion is so harmful to the over-all well being in our public schools because we need reliable reasoning and if they have conflict with facts they become rebellious. A student has to either be a puppet or a rebel. All our great thinkers were rebels of some sort. Einstein said, "Great minds have always experienced opposition from mediocre minds."

Hitler got the Jews together and he said that God approved of how he was handling the Jews. He hated the Jews because he was raised an inflexible Christian, that's why he shaved their heads like the Christian church did to their innocent victims.

So if you keep religion out of our public schools completely, teach don't preach and let the students have some choice about looks and clothes and such, we will have better public schools.

To all you good people, religious or not, I wish the very best to you. But to those that have sent me nameless, hate letters and hatred phone calls I have one thing to say...return to sender.

We have a dungeon that guides you back to the bloody history of the Christian church, feel the agony of the innocent and the cries of the young. See what can

happen when you mix politics with religion.

I will proceed to explain the craft, the oldest most gentle

religion, is the wiccan religion. But it is a religion and I am not a Wiccan, as far as religions go, it is a good religion. Please be it known that every religion has something good in it.

Then there is the Natural Witch, it is not a religion and this I work with. The word witch means wise woman and the word wizard means wise man. The word magic means change, the word fortune teller means chance teller. A good spell means when someone says "have a good day" or "best of luck to you" or the like. A bad spell means when someone says "I hate you" or "I wish you were dead". A ritual is a wedding or a birthday party or the like.

Most of your wizards were chemists, scientists, explorers and archeologists. While most of your witches were physicians, mathematicians, herbalists and writers. It's not much different today. They encompass common sense.

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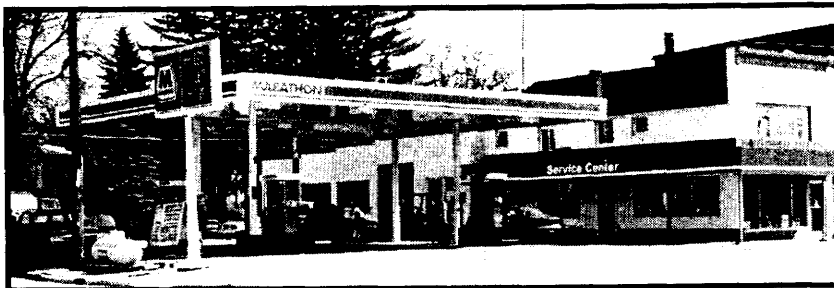
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Totally Free Checking is one example of the many competitive products that Independent Bank offers. Last year, Independent Bank customers opened over 4,300 new checking accounts and each customer who opened a new checking

account received a free gift. This program continues to be well received by consumers because of the variety of checking accounts that are offered. "Each of our seven checking accounts are designed for a specific type of account user," stated Gaymer. "We recognize that everyone has different needs when it comes to checking accounts or other financial products and our focus is to supply products and services that facilitate building a successful financial future for our customers." Totally Free Checking has no minimum balance requirements, no monthly service charges, and no per check fees. It's a great value for any consumer.

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The Division has evolved over the past 50 years, from a very small "Service Department," to today's organization that ships replacement and repair parts all over the

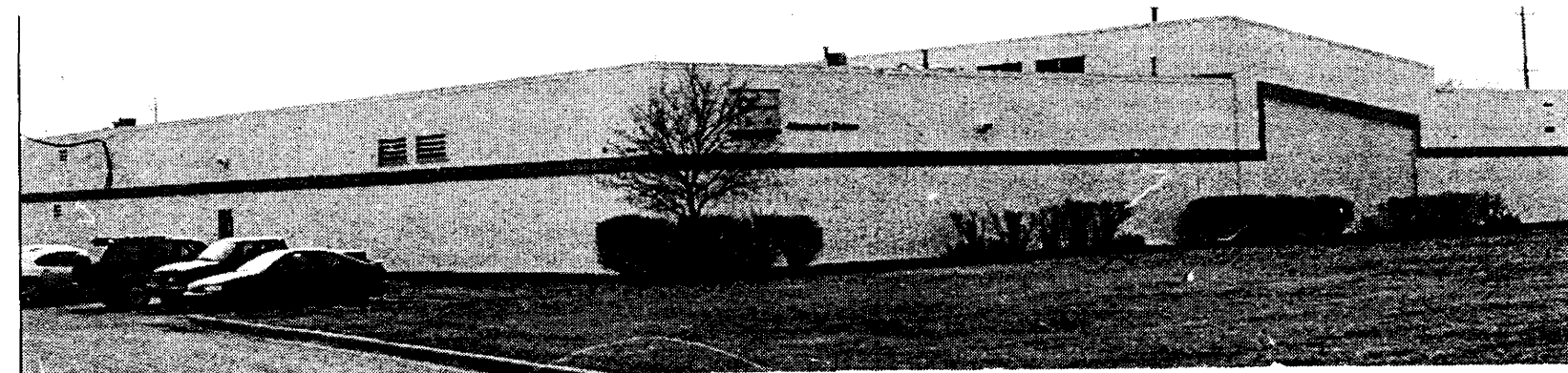
world. Some products are sold to engine and equipment manufacturers, packaged with the customer's logo, bar code information and part number identifica-

tion. Others are sold in Walbro brand packaging to independent Authorized Central Warehouse Distributors, who in turn sell it to the Small Engine Dealers and Repair Shops.

In order for the mechanics to know what parts are needed for repairing any product produced by Walbro for the past 50 years, a full set of Parts and Service Manuals are maintained and made available for world-wide distribution. Tool and Training materials are also available to keep the mechanics' skills current with the latest technology in fuel systems.

While none of the current employees have been with Walbro for the full 50 years, several Aftermarket Division personnel have in excess of 30 years experience with the company (and quite a few more have over 20 years).

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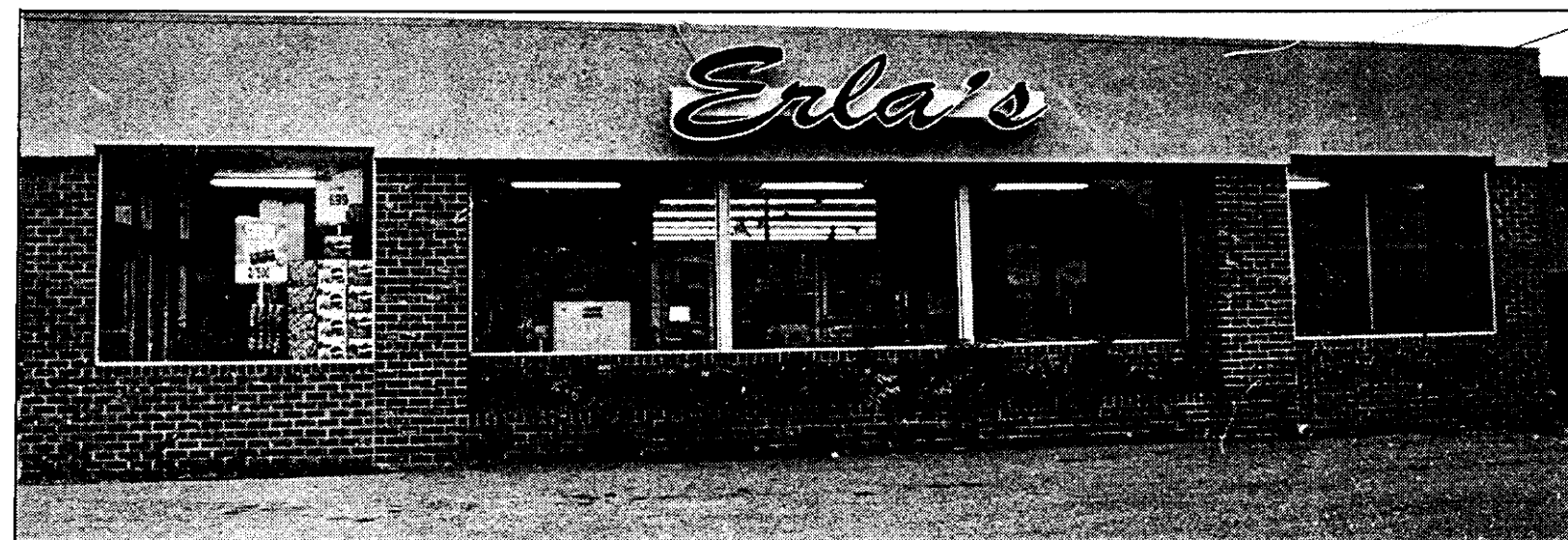
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THE PRODUCE DEPARTMENT was expanded in 1999. Helping customers there is manager Jean Tobias. Others in the department are Rob Carpenter, Gloria Card and Jenna Krueger.



THE DAIRY DEPARTMENT is under the management of Ruth Hoppe. She is assisted by Kathy Whittaker, Tom Armstead and Mike Schiable.



ERLA'S DELI was established in 1992 and customer demand required an expansion with hot foods added in January. It has flourished with the help of a friendly work staff. From left: Mavis Parker, co-manager Mary Lou Thick, co-manager Carol Gaffney, Carol Gray, Erika Sherman. Missing is Judy Sproll and Jesse McDonald.



MOST CUSTOMERS are unaware of the major help that Erla's night crew provides, unloading trucks, cleaning and restocking shelves. The crew, left to right: Rita Hanby, manager Michael Britt, David Sheufelt, Dennis Rienstra, Clint Sheufelt, Eldon Stilson, Ron Pitcher and assistant manager Sam Mousseau. Missing are Larry Masterson and Rod Krueger.

# Thank You

Cass City & Thumb  
area folks for  
your support



THE FROZEN FOOD department, expanded in 1999, is under the direction of manager Garry Gamet.



ERLA'S EXPANDED into full pre-packaged meats from new cases in 1998. From left: Marilyn Szarapski, Jim Root, Clark Erla and manager Bob Tschirhart.



CASHIERS PLAY an important role in the operation of the store. From left, front row: Yvonne LeValley, Jeremy Timm, Brad Hueter and James Smitty. Back row: Michelle McMahon, Joanne Steadman, Nancy Cummins and Atalie Marshall. Cashiers not pictured are: Joyce Messing, Gloria Froede, Kris Russell, Tom Bartle, Tessia Zawilinski, Sarah Putnam, Kayla Wolschlager, Betty Palmer, Lona Fox, Heather Vella, Karen Spencer, Molly Stock and Kim Case.



THE BAKERY was added to the store in 1992. The wide variety offered daily is prepared by an excellent staff. From left: Susan Pitcher, Robyn Brummitt, Terry Prosowski and manager Sharon Cummins. Other staff members not pictured are: Shirley Matson, Melissia Sproull, Jessica Smith, Agnes Deo, Deb Hill, Angela Shores, Terry Hockstad, Lois Roy and Heather Lowman.



HANDLING THE OFFICE work for the store are, from left, Agnes Erla, store manager Char Krueger, Angie Gruber, and Cathy Erla.

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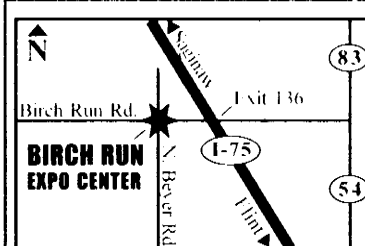
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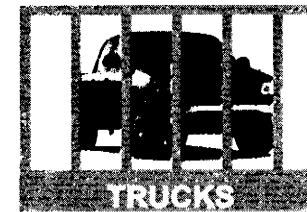
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