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A WILLINGNESS TO hang on during the tough times, including a price collapse just a few years ago, has paid off for Dave and Keith Little, who say the business has since proven profitable in spite of fluctuating prices. Above, Dave Little feeds hogs in an outdoor pen at the family's Kelly Road farm.

Perseverance

Surviving tough times pays off for Littles

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Editor's note: This is the third in a series of agriculture stories the Chronicle is publishing in cooperation with the Michigan Farm Bureau's Adopt-a-Farm program, which pairs members of the media with local farmers. The goal is to give readers a close look at "life on the farm" through stories that track the ups and downs of agriculture through the eyes of a single, local farm family.

In the following story, father and son Keith and Dave Little, who farm 1,300 acres in northern Novesta Township, discuss their farrow-to-finish hog operation that turns out 1,000 to 1,200 hogs annually. The Littles also offer an update on how they are progressing with planting this spring.

When hog prices plummeted to 10 cents a pound about 3 1/2 years ago, Keith and Dave Little faced an important decision along with a host of other producers across the country; either throw their hands up in the air and give up, or stick with it.

They decided to weather that storm, and it proved to be a solid move. "We hung on. A lot of guys didn't," Dave recalled. "All our stuff was paid for, and we figured we'd make money if we hung on. And the last couple of years we've made pretty good money."

According to Keith, the price collapse drove some 230,000 hog producers, largely smaller operations, out of business. Today, packers are producing perhaps two-thirds of the country's pigs.

Although the Littles have survived the lean times, there have been plenty of bumps in the road, including unpredictable prices over the past 3 years.

"Last year, in the middle of May, I got 50 cents a pound. Yesterday, I got 27 1/2 cents a pound - that's less than the cost of production," Dave noted. "I guess our break-even point would be 32 to 34 cents because corn's cheap and soybeans are cheap."

The hog operation is an integral part of the Littles' farming operation. Each day's chores begin in the early morning hours with feeding. The days begin particularly early in the spring, when the father and son are scrambling to complete their field preparation and planting. But the work doesn't end there.

Dave explained they typically have 18 sows that give birth over a 3-week period. It's a cycle that is repeated about every 7 weeks. "We used to farrow every other month, then we went to farrowing every 5 weeks," he said, adding that schedule proved to be too much. "Everything's really got to go smoothly."

Each sow gives birth to a litter averaging more than 8 piglets after a gestation period of less than 4 months, according to Dave, who said the young females, or gilts, will be sexually mature in just 7 to 8 months.

The piglets, which average 2 to 3 pounds when they're born, reach market weight - 240 to 280 pounds - very quickly, Keith added, "so the cycle repeats itself pretty fast. You can increase very rapidly with hogs compared to cattle."

"When I graduated from high school, the market weight was 200 to 230 pounds," said Dave, who added the maximum market weight limit today is 299 pounds.

Dave regularly transports hogs to market, but he pointed out that the process of selling the livestock has changed.

"You used to have an auction, so you had several packers bidding. Today there's no auction," he said. "Now, you're at the mercy of the packer."

He explained producers can earn premiums based on the quality of hogs - low back fat and loin size, for example. Dressage percentage is another factor (hogs must

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Kern planning bid for Meyer's seat

Tom Kern has devoted more than 30 years of his life as a law enforcement officer - the past 14 years as sheriff - in Tuscola County.

Now, the Deford area resident is setting his sights on serving residents of both Tuscola and Huron counties as a state representative.

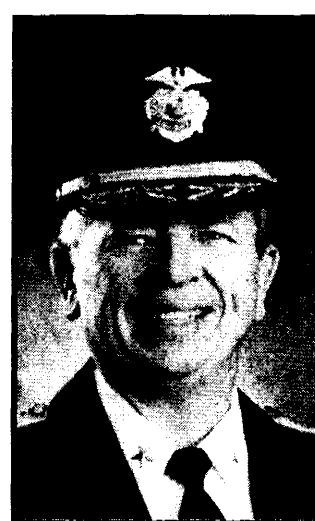
Kern, who has won election to 4 terms as sheriff as a Democrat, recently announced he will challenge first-term incumbent Tom Meyer, a Bad Axe Republican, for the 84th District Michigan House of Representatives seat.

"I didn't plan on running for sheriff again," Kern said. "I've kind of maxed out here. I've given it all for 14 years."

Kern, 58, said he made the decision to run over the past few weeks after weighing the advantages and disadvantages. "The fact that Jim Barcia is coming back to run for the senate also had an impact on me. Jim has been really well received in the Thumb," he added.

Barcia, 50, a U.S. Congressman representing the 5th District since 1992, recently announced he plans to leave Washington to run for the Michigan Senate seat now held by Sen. Joel Gougeon, R-Bay City, who is being forced to leave office because of term limits. Barcia, a Bay City native, is a Democrat.

Barcia is expected to face former Tuscola County commissioner and State Rep. Mike Green, a Republican



Tom Kern

from Mayville, for the 34th State Senate seat in the November general election.

The seat represents Bay, Arenac, Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac counties.

Kern said he believes Barcia's return to the state political scene bodes well for his own chances as a Democratic candidate. But the sheriff also believes his qualifications and reputation speak for themselves.

"I'm a hands-on kind of guy and I think I can do a lot for the district. I really respond to the citizens and I think I can do a good job," he said. Kern added he's confident the residents of Tuscola County know that. "I just need to get up in Huron County and let the people know I'm interested in representing them."

Kern said his background qualifies him for the post, particularly in terms of focus-

ing on issues such as homeland defense and efforts to fund related measures by getting more dollars back into the hands of local governments.

"I think I've got a really good cross-section of (experience)," he continued, noting he grew up on a farm in the Reese area and has been employed in a shop setting as a toolmaker in addition to his years as a law enforcement officer.

Kern joined the sheriff's department in 1970 and was first elected sheriff in 1988. During his years as sheriff, Kern said he has made a

point of making promises and keeping them.

Those promises include establishing a TRIAD organization, which focuses on cooperation among the sheriff's department, local police agencies and senior citizens in an effort to provide crime prevention programs for seniors; implementation of professional hiring practices and uniform promotional procedures; expansion of educational programs for young people; equipment upgrades in patrol cars, and a remodeling project that added 2 dozen beds to the county jail.

Caro man killed in Friday crash

A Caro man was killed and a Snover woman injured in a 2-vehicle accident Friday night in Wells Township. Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies identified the victim as Donald Gene LaJoie, 46, Leix Road.

According to reports, LaJoie was killed when his vehicle was struck broadside in a collision that occurred at the corner of Murray and Bevens roads at 11:38 p.m. He was the only occupant in his vehicle.

Investigators said LaJoie was southbound on Murray Road and that he pulled into the path of a westbound vehicle driven by Tammy Vansickle, 30, of Snover. She was also the lone occupant in her vehicle.

Vansickle was transported to St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw by FlightCare Helicopter. She was listed in good condition Monday, according to a hospital spokeswoman.

Deputies were assisted at the scene by the Michigan State Police, Caro Fire Department and MMR Ambulance. The weekend accident marked the fifth involving a fatality this year in Tuscola County.

State EDC honors McLoskey

Anyone who has talked with Jim McLoskey will tell you the Caro area resident has the deep, smooth voice of a radio personality.

At one time, McLoskey earned a living doing just that, but a suggestion from a Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation Board member and Cass City resident changed all that 16 years ago.

McLoskey gave up a career in journalism in April 1986 to serve as director of the EDC, and he has since proven himself to be more than capable in a job where success means prosperity for residents and businesses throughout Tuscola County.

That success hasn't been overlooked by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), which recently awarded McLoskey the economic developer award during the organization's fifth annual Business Success Celebration in Lansing. The award recognizes individuals on the local level who serve as the initial contact point for companies considering expansion or looking for a site for a new facility.

"This celebration recognizes the significant achievements of Michigan's leading businesses and organizations," said Doug Rothwell, president and CEO of the MEDC. "Leaders like Jim help strengthen the state's economy and work every day to convince other businesses to expand or locate in Michigan."

McLoskey, who oversees an annual budget of \$145,000 and 2 staff members, is quick to note he didn't earn the honor alone.

EDC board members have

their own areas of expertise, and "they've been more than willing to share that," he said, adding co-workers Glen Roth, who serves as office manager, and Work Force Development Specialist Sheila Conely also deserve credit.

"Even though the award has my name on it, I certainly want to give credit to the entire staff and board of directors. I definitely think this is a team effort."

McLoskey, 46, began a career in broadcasting after earning his bachelor's degree in telecommunications at Michigan State University in 1977.

"My real interest was in journalism, and initially I didn't emphasize print journalism," he said, adding he worked at a campus radio station for 2 years and then, after graduating, served as news and public affairs director at WKYO-WIDL in

Caro. "Along the way, I got to work at the (Cass City) Chronicle and was a stringer for the Saginaw News and Bay City Times."

It was during McLoskey's brief tenure at the Chronicle when he made the decision to switch careers.

"It all goes back to the day I was slaving away at the Chronicle," he joked.

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TUSCOLA COUNTY EDC Executive Director Jim McLoskey (center), pictured above with co-workers Sheila Conely and Glen Roth, was recently honored with an economic developer award from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

McKrow honored with Gettel Award

Dee McKrow, president and CEO of Hills and Dales Healthcare Corporation in Cass City, was recently honored with the 2002 Loren O. Gettel Award at the fifth annual Rural Health Conference in Mt. Pleasant.

McKrow's peers from Scheurer Hospital, Huron Medical Center and Marlette Community Hospital nominated her for the award.

The Loren O. Gettel Award recognizes individuals who have contributed outstanding leadership and commitment to the health improvement of rural Michigan.

McKrow's contributions in the Thumb include facilitation and collaboration with other hospitals to establish a regional dialysis center and a rural MRI facility, both in the Cass City area, in an effort to provide central coverage for all surrounding residents.

In 1997, McKrow led a grant initiative with the area hospi-

itals that brought high-tech videoconferencing to the Thumb, establishing a Global Classroom for distance learning to healthcare professionals and the community. Today, the teleradiology section of the grant is improving access to healthcare through storage, retrieval and transmission of diagnostic images to a consulting specialist.

In addition, McKrow's focus on the needs of senior citizens who live in a rural area and need assistance in daily living, as well as the need for specialized dementia care, played a key role in construction of the 34,000-square-foot Northwood Meadows facility in Cass City. The facility is the only one of its kind in a 100-mile radius.

Officials said McKrow was selected for the award because of her spirit and devotion to expanding healthcare services to rural residents.

Holbrook Area News

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Betty Meyers of Gladwin, Ray and Rita Depcinski, Carol Osantoski, Greg and Susan Krozek and Ryan, and Therese Depcinski attended a dance recital at Laker's high school Saturday to see Samantha Krozek, Nicole Depcinski and Heather Depcinski.

Arthur and Penny Guigar were Saturday dinner guests of Melvin and Charlotte Particka.

Jack Kennedy, Bernard Morley, Jim Lewis, Tom Talaski, Sr., Alvin Peruski and Allen Farrelly had breakfast at McDonald's in Bad axe Friday morning.

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

Mrs. Jim Hagen is a patient in Huron Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western, Jim Foster, Ron Wolslager and Allen Farrelly had supper at the Cass City Stockyards restaurant Tuesday.

Rita Depcinski attended the funeral of Helen Toro at the Sacred Heart Church in Bad Axe Saturday.

Lee Horton visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland Monday evening.

Kay Csercs, Callie and Melanie of Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Henley of Clay, and Ray O'Henley of Ruth were Sunday guests of Mrs. John O'Henley.

Jack Kennedy, Bernard Morley and Allen Farrelly spent Monday forenoon at McDonald's in Bad Axe.

Joy Armstrong of Bad Axe was a Tuesday lunch guest of Lila Maurer.

Ray and Rita Depcinski, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Depcinski, David and Sherry Mitchell, and Marge Alent were Sunday dinner guests of Bob and Jardine Zurek at their cabin.

Donelda Meske of Port Hope is a patient at the Huron County Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe.

Chester O'Parka, Sr., Lyle Rochefort, Ron Wolslager, Jim Lewis and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Wednesday morning.

18 members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Franklin Inn in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill next week.

Lila Maurer was among a group of 16 relatives who met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hill and family of Ruth where they helped Adam Hill celebrate his 15th birthday Sunday.

Edith Jackson was a Thursday guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Bernard Morley, Jack Kennedy and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Saturday morning.

Betty Meyers of Gladwin and Ray and Rita Depcinski were Saturday supper guests of Bob and Carol Osantoski and family in Bad Axe.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Bouck of Elkton were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Bouck.

Mrs. Hiram Keyser was a Tuesday supper guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Peruski and Allen Farrelly met at Parkside Café in Uby Thursday for lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hind were Tuesday evening guests of Mrs. Gerald Wills.

Brown, Maharg graduate

A pair of local residents were among this year's graduates at Hope College, Holland, where commencement exercises took place Sunday.



Lori Brown



Lindsay Maharg

Cass City residents Lori Brown and Lindsay Maharg both earned Bachelor of Arts degrees with majors in social studies.

Brown is the daughter of James and Judy Brown, and Maharg is the daughter of John and the late Kally Maharg.

Society to meet

The Watrousville/Caro Area Historical Society will meet at the Juniata Township Hall, 1971 S. Ringle Rd., Watrousville, Tuesday, May 14, at 7:30 p.m.

Please bring old recipes and cookbooks and/or cooking utensil to share with the group. Some cookbooks are known to contain some interesting stories of the past.



by Melva E. Guinther

The amount of "stuff" a person accumulates is in direct proportion to the size of the house and the length of time one has occupied it. Add on, build a garage or storage shed and you immediately have enough stuff to fill it.

We have 10 rooms plus 8 closets, a basement, garage, storage shed and storeroom and we've lived here about 35 years. That amounts to a whole lot of stuff.

Some people are able to toss things out without a qualm. A tiny hole, chip or stain and out it goes! I suspect those people have never been poor. Those of us who were raised to be frugal have a harder time getting rid of anything. Those old clothes that have hung in the closet for 10 years could very well come into style again, and if we just let the seams out a little, we might be able to squeeze into them.

That cracked teapot is really pretty and wouldn't it look fine filled with the right flower arrangement if you turn the crack to the wall? We've been reasoning like that for at least 3 years.

"Keepers" are convinced that as surely as they part with an item, they'll find they need it the next day. In truth, that happens maybe one time in a thousand. More often we tuck it away for another 10 years, then wonder why in the world we're saving it.

You can often recognize a female "keeper" by the size of the purse she carries. Keepers tend to be prepared for any occasion. You need a safety pin? Go to the woman with a purse the size of a suitcase. Ditto for a lint remover, aspirin, scissors, tape measure or ZIP code book. You never know when those things might come in handy.

The urge to get rid of clutter waxes and wanes among us frugal folk. When it waxes, we must act quickly. The best thing to do is haul stuff away immediately, before we have second thoughts that the grandkids might have fun with the old flour sifter with a broken handle.

Unfortunately the urge has usually waned before we find

ish de-cluttering the first room.

The last time the urge struck our house, we decided to put the stuff aside for a garage sale. That's a less drastic method of getting rid of junk. You're not really throwing it away. You're letting somebody else store it.

We've done the garage sale thing a few times and frankly, it's an awful lot of work for the 25 cents you might get for most of the items.

Nevertheless, there are boxes in the basement full of things for the garage sale that never happened.

They really have to go. We simply must put an end to the clutter that's completely out of hand.

We have to get rid of our stuff because the garage sales are starting up again and we need space for the stuff less frugal people are getting rid of cheap.

Jeremy Klinkman enlists

Cass City resident Jeremy Klinkman recently enlisted in the U.S. Navy for guaranteed training in nuclear propulsion.

One of more than 60 available career fields, the Navy's Nuclear Power Program is the world's leader in the development of safe operation of nuclear power plants.

A graduate of Cass City High School, he will report for basic training at Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill., Jan. 7, 2003.

After technical training, Klinkman, son of Frederick and Cheyenne Klinkman, will be assigned to one of the Navy's ships, squadrons or duty stations located around the world.

K. Hale resigns

Kathy Hale, MSU Extension educator in Sanilac County, has accepted the position of County Extension director in St. Clair County effective June 1.

Hale has been employed in the Sanilac County MSU Extension office for 17 years, providing direction for programs in Family and Consumer Sciences. She has taught numerous parenting programs and classes and nutrition education program to many Sanilac County families over those 17 years.

"It has been a rewarding experience working in Sanilac County MSU Extension - so many friendships, so many memories - it was a really tough decision to change counties - but I'm looking forward to some new challenges at this point in my career," she said.

Hale started her career in Sanilac County as a part-time home economist. She then went on to partner with Community Mental Health to work part-time as the prevention coordinator for the

fledgling County Human Services Coordinating Body while continuing to deliver educational programs for MSUE.

"Those were crazy years - raising a family, working 2 full-time jobs, my calendar was insane," Hale recalled.

After working with the Sanilac County HSCB, she began writing grants to fund prevention programs in the area of parenting education to help prevent child abuse and neglect.

For more than 10 years, Hale has successfully garnered grant dollars to establish parenting and nutrition education programs to assist families in the county.

"Parenting Education is for everyone. I have always felt that all parents need support and help at one time or another while they raise children. It can be a difficult job today," she said.

Hale also has been active in the Sanilac County Child Abuse Prevention Council and hopes to continue on as a volunteer.

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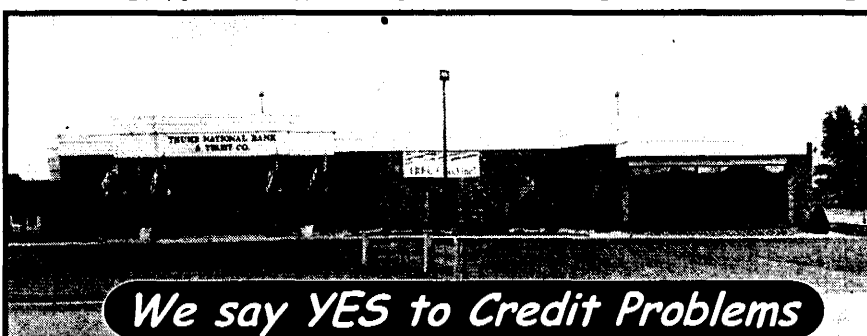
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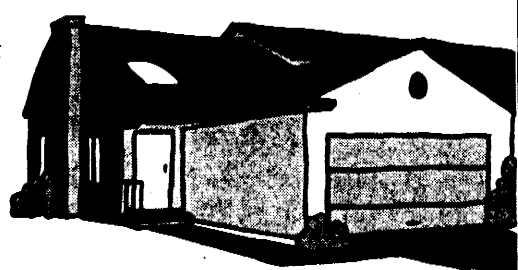
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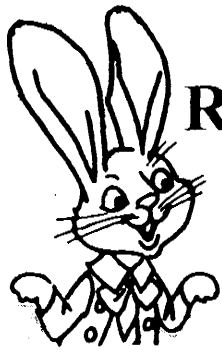
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

The athletic director at Freeland High School will have his work cut out for him if a story I read is accurate.

The powers that be at Freeland have declared that only full-time teachers in the system can be head coaches of varsity athletic teams.

In Cass City the majority of the head coaches are not full-time teachers in the system. Under the rule at Freeland, new head coaches would be needed for boys' and girls' soccer, boys' and girls' cross-country, boys' and girls' basketball and gymnastics.

It's doubtful if enough teachers could be found to fill these vacancies and it's certain that if enough could be cajoled into taking the jobs, not all would be qualified to do the job.

Coaching isn't rocket science, but it does require experience and the willingness to devote long hours without extra pay to do the job right.

The latest scam to hit my desk came from someone that calls itself "Nigerian Ports Society". They have a cock and bull story that says, in essence, that there is \$45 million floating around and they want to transfer the money to my account because they can't do it on their own.

For simply holding this money, I get 30 percent.

All I need to do is furnish my company name and address, bank name and account number, telephone and fax numbers.

It's hard to imagine that anyone would fall for an "Urgent & Confidential Business Proposal" like this, obviously designed to get financial data to relieve us of any quick cash available.

Visited the Lindenhof in Bay City for the first time in a while to see if it's the same as it was when I last ate there. There is one change; the price for the buffet has increased to \$9.95.

Where the restaurant stands out is the variety in the soup, salads, and desserts. If anything, it is slightly larger than previously and it was large then. It takes 3 big sections to hold the 4 different kinds of bread and just about any of the standard salad bar selections. Included are several items not seen at many salad bars. That includes pickled herring, my favorite. Another bar is needed to house the desserts.

There are 5 different meats, 2 kinds of potatoes, vegetables and fish available in the dinner portion of the meal.

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GOV. JOHN Engler congratulates State Rep. Tom Meyer (left) at the signing of Public Act 80 of 2002, which updates the 63-year-old Michigan Grain Dealer's Act.

Sponsored by Tom Meyer

Engler signs grain act

Michigan farmers and grain handlers will have more transaction options under legislation recently signed into law that updates the Grain Dealers Act.

Public Act 80 of 2002, sponsored by Rep. Tom Meyer, modifies the 1939 law regulating the storage, buying and selling of farm produce, specifically dry edible beans, soybeans, corn, small grains and cereal grains.

"Guidelines and rules in the current grain act no longer reflect how today's marketplace works and the business options available," said Meyer, R-Bad Axe. "The state Department of Agriculture, Michigan Farm Bureau and Michigan Agri-Business worked together on these updates to bring the grain laws into the 21st century."

"Farmers and grain handlers are given more flexibility and security in their transaction choices."

The Grain Dealers Act ensures farmers who deliver their grain to market but do not sell it immediately are treated fairly.

The 3 primary changes to the act are:

- * Allow for new transaction types to be used - such as price later agreements, basis contracts and future contracts - to reflect current marketing practices and options;

- * Increase security for producers by raising the grain dealer minimum asset requirement from \$20,000 to \$50,000; and

- * Allow the state to impose administrative fines for violations in addition to the current authority to revoke or suspend licenses.

The act takes effect in April 2003.

The
Haire
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I learned a couple of things in a quick 3-day trip to Solon, Ohio, to visit Margaret, the younger of my 2 older sisters, and her husband, David. One is trivial, the other worth noting. First the trivial. I learned that she is a better bridge player than I am. Together we mesh well at the card table, winning (hold your applause) the duplicate match that she hosted.

Incidentally, in playing off and on with and against my sister for 50 years this is the first time I acknowledged her superiority. Can't figure out what got into me.

But I digress. The second, not so trivial, thing I learned will be of interest to graybeards and their offspring although it might not brighten their day.

It's the cost of assisted care facilities. My sister researched them in and near Solon. Solon is an upscale suburb of Cleveland.

All of them are expensive, a couple of them out-of-this-world for all of us that dimly can remember the hard times prior to World War II.

The first requires a payment of \$40,000 to get in the door. After that the fee is in the neighborhood of \$3,000 a month. If death occurs before 5 years pass, the deposit for whatever years are left is refunded on a prorated basis. After 5 years it's *sayonara* to the deposit. It should be noted that this money buys nothing but a place to stay. You can't sell your membership.

Believe it or not that arrangement is real special compared to the second facility visited.

To join this exclusive enclave, the entrance fee right away eliminates all the peasants. Couples with a paltry quarter million dollars or so shouldn't waste their time.

To get in the door the non-refundable fee is \$157,000 for a single, \$27,000 more if it is for a couple. Before being accepted residents must

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The back forty

by Roger Pond

I hope everyone did something green on Earth Day. I certainly did. I went turkey hunting.

Turkey hunting may not sound green to some folks, but it is. By pursuing a wild turkey I was avoiding the domestic poultry industry and all of its anti-environmental connotations.

Wild turkeys are non-polluting, you see. They wear diapers.

Or they might, for all I know. I never get close enough to tell.

The concept of choosing foods according to their environmental impact is the latest thing, I'm told. I love it! This concept lets me justify nearly anything I want to do.

Deer hunting, fishing, looking for mushrooms; the green food thing is a hunter-gatherer's dream. The only drawbacks are the threat of starvation and the healthy dose of gullibility it seems to require.

I read recently that students at Washington State University are petitioning to have "shade-grown" coffee served in cafeterias and coffee bars around campus. They believe beans grown in the shade is more environmentally friendly than coffee grown in fields.

That's because these beans are grown in the midst of a tropical rain forest, so the land doesn't have to be cleared. And the trees help protect the coffee plants from birds and insects, so fewer chemicals are used. (Ah, to be young again.)

Eco-friendly reasoning goes like this: Meat has a high impact on the environment because it is said to be produced on an "industrial scale". (Tell that to the cowboy with the hoof prints on his back.)

Wild salmon is low-impact. Mostly because it tastes good; but also, like wild turkeys, these fish wear diapers. (How would I know?)

Organic asparagus is low-impact, too. Chemicals are

forbidden in organic food production. This raises the cost, and we can feel better buying the more expensive product.

A newspaper feature says a bakery manager is working with farmers to develop an environmentally friendly wheat variety that can be planted into stubble from the previous crop. Apparently no one has told him agricultural universities and farmers have been trying this for 40 years, and variety isn't the problem!

Of all the fun I had on Earth Day, the best part was learning how to conserve and recycle. I started with a list of ideas the green folks provided and added a few of my own.

* We can conserve paper by writing on both sides, for

example. (That's right, editor. Turn this page over and see if you can read the other side.)

* We should do our best to reduce the waste stream. When the trash man picks up your stuff, ask him to leave something to replace it. Folks who go to yard sales should take some of their own junk along and try to trade.

* Take your own bag to the grocery. This keeps the grocer from killing trees to make more bags. (If you don't have a bag, take a tree that is already dead.)

* If the cat dies, have it stuffed. That way you won't have to get another one.

* Most importantly, eat friendly, and don't drive your car. Unless you're going turkey hunting, of course.

The Weather

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Tuesday	58	32	.0
Wednesday	63	35	.41
Thursday	52	34	.0
Friday	55	30	.0
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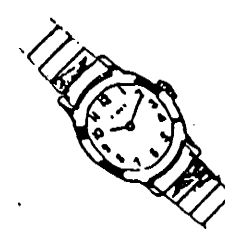
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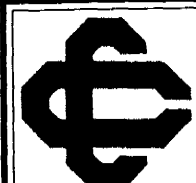
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Cass City Public Schools PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Recently, a few questions have been asked of me that I wish to provide responses to.

Question 1 - When is the playcape going to be resealed?

Answer - This Saturday, May 11th is the day that the playcape is going to be resealed. Volunteers are welcome and will be needed throughout the day. The maintenance committee appreciates any and all support that they receive.

Question 2 - What are the details relating to the upcoming early release and delayed start of school?

Answer - Because there have been no delayed starts or early releases of school this year, due to the weather, and because extra hours were built into the schedule for this purpose, the Board of Education approved the following schedule adjustment. On Friday, May 24th, elementary and middle school students will be dismissed at 11:45 a.m. while the high school students will be dismissed at 11:55 a.m. Then on Tuesday, May 28th, the day after Memorial Day, school will begin for the elementary and middle schools at 12:05 p.m. and the high school at 12:10 p.m.

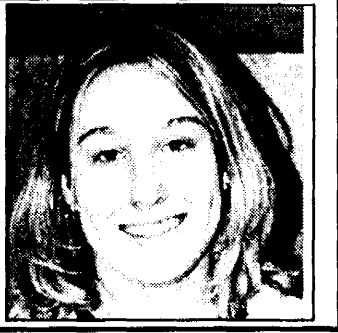
Question 3 - If the school is now talking about a budget shortfall for next year, what happened to the money that was going to be used for the maintenance of the swimming pool, if that would have been built?

Answer - First of all, the discussion regarding the possible construction of the pool began in the fall of 2000, nearly one and a half years ago. At that time we had about 40 more students enrolled than presently and the school was budgeting \$300,000 for capital improvements. \$100,000 of that amount was to be allocated for the pool maintenance. As time moved along, things changed. Our student enrollment decreased and our country experienced a down turn in the economy which affected funding for Michigan schools, though it now appears that both our state and country are rebounding. If the pool project would have been successful, our school was committed to its maintenance. Possible ways that this would have occurred could have been through reallocation of funds in other areas, possible outside grants for pool maintenance or other ideas not yet identified. Additionally, there was the possibility that the new pool facility would have attracted new students to our school, hence creating additional revenues. One can continue to debate this issue, but in my opinion, it is now time to put this behind us and move forward to address future challenges that face our school and community.

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

Alissa's Article

by Alissa Pasant



Tobacco sting nets only 5 violators

National Honor Society is an organization at Cass City High School that strives to recognize students who represent the highest qualities of scholarship, leadership, character, and service. To be accepted into the National Honor Society you must have at least a 3.0 GPA, be a junior or senior, and be evaluated by a nomination committee. The nomination committee looks at the student's service hours that they have performed throughout the community, what their leadership role is in their classrooms, and the character that they display.

The students with grade points of 3.0 and higher receive a letter at the beginning of the year. Then it is the students' responsibility to fill out the forms in the envelope if they would like to be a member. The forms that the students have to fill out are leadership and service. On these forms prospective NHS members record all of their service hours that they have performed in high school and any ways in which they are a leader of their class.

The student also has to choose 3 non-family members to fill out a form for them. This lets the advisors of NHS, Mrs. Nancy Folk and Mrs. Marilyn Walsh, know how people in the community feel about them. The forms that the non-family members fill out are mailed up to the school and the student does not see them.

Then the nomination committee meets and decides who should be a member of NHS. On November 15, 2001 at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Cafeteria there were 23 new members inducted. This now brings the total of NHS members to 40.

This year's officers of NHS are President Guthrie Laurie,

Vice President RJ Klaus, Secretary Nick Chappel, and Treasurer Sara Homakie. About once a month the NHS members meet to discuss an event that they will be working on. This year some of the events that NHS has been a part of are the Octagon Barn Fall Family Days, Adopt-A-Highway, Blood Drive, Benefit Dinner, and the St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon. For the Octagon Barn, members have an opportunity to give tours of the farm and be involved in a day of fun at the Fall Family Days to benefit the cause to preserve the Octagon Barn. In the fall and a day last week, members clean the road side of the last mile of M-81 and the first mile of M-53 North of M-81. The NHS Red Cross Blood Drive was held on March 7. About 50 pints of blood was collected. This was right around the goal that was set by the members. The NHS helped organize this event and most of the donors were students and faculty. The Benefit Dinner to help raise money for two local teens battling cancer was held on April 7. The NHS members helped collect items from local businesses for the silent auction and helped out at the dinner that day. The St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon is scheduled for Saturday, May 11. The NHS members will be helping to mark cards for the kids riding in an effort to aid those who suffer from Multiple Sclerosis. Also, after Baccalaureate for the seniors, the NHS will be providing cookies and drinks.

Besides the well-known events that the NHS helps at there are many small jobs that members help with. Some of these include tutoring, helping the elderly, and participation in community activities. The year is almost over, but the members are still going strong. Many members jump at the opportunity to help out people in need. Guthrie Laurie, president of NHS, said, "National Honor Society is an excellent chance for those who excel in school to come together as a group and perform services that allow us to give back to the school and community."

About three-quarters of the Tuscola County businesses targeted in a recent "tobacco sales to minors" enforcement operation passed the test with flying colors.

The enforcement effort has been made possible by over-time grant monies from Thumb Behavioral Health Systems, according to Tuscola County Undersheriff Jim Jashinske.

"This grant involves sending a 'minor decoy' into a business and attempting to purchase tobacco products," he explained, adding deputies will be going into businesses throughout the county.

The most recent operation took place April 26 and involved nearly 20 businesses at various locations in Caro, Fairgrove, Unionville and Akron.

Businesses that were in compliance were: Admiral Petroleum, Bill's Foodland, Caro Wine Shop, Lucky's Kountry Korner, Ralston's Party Mart, Rite Aide Pharmacy, Speedway and Wal-Mart, all in Caro; Fairgrove Oil Company, Fairgrove Market, Gale's Bait and Tackle and McGee's Convenience, all in Fairgrove; and Hale's Quik Stop and Village Mini Mart, both in Unionville.

"Unfortunately, there were 5 businesses in the Caro area who sold tobacco products and were issued citations," said Jashinske, who did not name the offending businesses.

"Sheriff's deputies and Thumb Behavioral Health Systems will be continuing enforcement throughout the county," he added.

Check Out These Web Sites:

Shriners Hospitals for Children at www.shriners.org.
Birds Eye Simply Grillin' recipe ideas at www.birdseye.com.
Wolman Wood Cleaners at www.wolman.com.
For information about menorrhagia, visit www.controlheavyperiods.com.
T-Fal Avante toaster at www.t-fal.com.
HairClean 1-2-3 at www.quantumhealth.com.

Letters to the editor

Turner clarifies board action

Dear John,

Over the years, I have written letters to the editor several times in order to try to assure that the most accurate information is presented regarding Cass City School Board business. Therefore, I am writing regarding a letter to the editor in last week's paper entitled, "Trustees Took the Public Out of School." The letter states that a motion was made to air a public meeting on the issue of the current method used by the school to calculate grade point average and class ranking.

The motion made by Michelle Biddinger and seconded by Teresa Rabideau actually proposed that a board committee be formed to review the issue. If this motion had passed, a committee of no more than three board members would have been given the task of reviewing the issue and providing their recommendations, if any, to the board as a whole for possible consideration. The motion was defeated, as stated in the article, by a vote of 4 to 2. Instead, the board decided to make this issue an agenda item for a future meeting or meetings. Supt. Ken Micklash was asked to arrange a presentation regarding the history of the school's decision to calculate grades and class ranking as is currently done.

School board meetings are open to the public. The Cass City Board regularly schedules its meetings at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month. The meetings are held in the Board Room at Cass City High School. Dates and times are posted at the entry of the

Superintendent's Office. Due to the Memorial Day holiday this month, the meeting will be conducted at the usual place and time on the

third Monday.

During each meeting, time is provided for anyone not already on the agenda to address the Board on anything

related to the school. In addition, all school board members, as the district's elected representatives, are available for contact regarding

this issue or any other school related issue.

Sincerely,
Jim Turner, President
Cass City School Board

Cancer advice distressing

Dear Mr. Haire,

I am writing to you to express the great distress I felt reading "Mammograms important" in the April 24 edition of the Chronicle.

The first 2 lines of the article stated... "How much do you know about cancer?"

The answer is probably, "not enough." The same thing can be said of the person that wrote this article. I would like to share some of the latest information with your readers.

The number one risk factor for developing breast cancer is being female. The stan-

dard practice in the medical field is to...

1. Start monthly self-exams at age 18.
2. Have a breast exam done by a physician at your annual physical.
3. Every woman needs to have a baseline or first mammogram done at age 35.
4. Starting at age 40 EVERY woman needs to have an annual mammogram. Every year no matter what. This annual mammogram should be compared to previous mammograms so changes can be detected earlier.

I turned 40 in September 2001. I had my physical followed by a mammogram in December. I did not have any family history of breast cancer and had no reason to expect breast cancer. On December 21, 2001, I got the pathology report that stated I had 2 different kinds of cancer in one breast. I had surgery in February and I am now cancer free.

My cancer was found at pre-stage one because I followed the guidelines and had my mammogram at age 40, NOT 50. The chances of me having one type of cancer at age 40 was one in 6,000 and I had 2. The point is someone is going to be the one in 6,000 and no one knows if it is them unless you have the mammogram and do not delay it for any reason.

My cancer showed up as dots the size of grains of salt. It had not spread so I did not need chemo or radiation.

The goal is to find all breast cancer at stage one or less. That is what will save lives. I have been a registered x-ray technician with a second registry in mammography for over 20 years. In that time I have never heard an acceptable reason to not have regular mammograms done. The technology is there to save lives. Now we need to use it.

Breast cancer should not kill so many special people each year. The truth is if I had waited until age 50 for a mammogram, my cancer would have spread and I would not get to see my girls grow up.

Anyone wishing more information on this topic should contact the American Cancer Society.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky (Whittaker) Rasdale
ARRT (R)(M)

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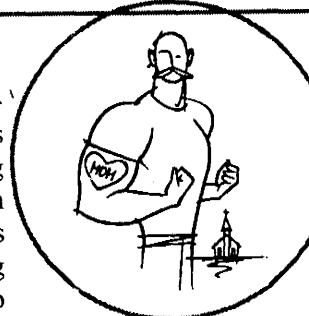
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Cass City Area Church Directory

A Mother's Influence

The Bible tells us that we should do what our father tells us and never forget what our mother has taught us (Proverbs 6:20). This is an interesting passage because it seems to tell us that we learn the observance of laws from our fathers, but it is our mothers' patience, understanding and teaching that influence our good qualities. Mothers seem to possess that special something which is passed on to their children that makes them better individuals. When children hurt themselves, they instinctively call out to their mothers. Even when watching sports on television, as the camera zooms in on the players, we often hear them say "Hi Mom!" I can't ever recall hearing a player say "Hi Dad," although I'm sure their fathers mean a great deal to them. Mothers are the "heart" of the home. Their love is unconditional and they ask for nothing in return for all that they do for their families. Jesus had a great love for His mother, and He wants us in turn to love, respect and honor ours.

Let your father and mother be proud of you; give your mother that happiness.
Good News Bible Proverbs 23:25



Cass City Church of Christ

6743 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726
Building phone 872-5440
Contacts 872-2367 or 872-3136
Worship Service Sunday 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study Sunday 10:00 a.m. & Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Cass City Church of the Nazarene

6538 Third St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-2604 or 872-5201
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study & Children Activities 7:00 p.m.
Pastor - Rev. Darold Ward

Cass City Missionary Church

4393 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726
872-2729
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
Pastor: David Edwards

Cass City United Methodist Church

5100 N. Cemetery Rd., P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726
872-3422
Worship Service 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m.
Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon)
Pastor - Dr. Philip Rice

Evangelical Free Church of Cass City

6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726
Phone: 872-5060 Fax: 872-8855
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Midweek Bible Studies
Biblical Counseling
Pastor - Rev. Todd R. Gould

First Baptist Church

6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726
989-872-3155
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study, Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church

6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-5400
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Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Pastor - Dave Blackburn

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726
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Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 a.m.
Pastor - Gerald Meyer

Living Word Worship Center

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Wed. (Family Training hour) 7:00 p.m.
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Novesta Church of Christ

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872-3658 or 872-1195
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Sunday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Minister - Chuck Emmert
Youth Minister - Brad Speirs
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Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church

Corner of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726
872-5186
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Pastor - F. Robert Tucker

St. Pancratius Catholic Church

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Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
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Michigan Sugar elects officers

Michigan Sugar Company, a grower owned cooperative, held its first meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors April 18 at its corporate offices.

The following officers were elected: Thomas Zimmer of Unionville, chairman of the board; Richard Maurer of Ruth, vice chairman; Wayne Hecht of Richville, secretary; and Chris Grekowiec of Harbor Beach, treasurer.

John Tagget of Saginaw was appointed as the fifth member of the executive committee. Other members of the board are: Loren Humm, Ithaca; Carl Bednarski, Caro; William Herford, Elk-

ton; Robert Lutz, Sebawaing; Marty Lewis, Croswell; and Brian Fox, Dover Centre, Ontario.

Board Chairman Thomas Zimmer thanked the 13 members of the interim board for their many hours dedicated to the Michigan Sugar Company buyout.

Michigan Sugar Company annually produces over one-half billion pounds of pure and natural Pioneer Sugar at its 4 factories located in Caro, Carrollton, Croswell, and Sebawaing, Michigan. In February of this year Michigan Sugar Company was acquired by 1,000 area growers.



KNIGHTS OF Columbus Treasurer Ken Zdrojewski (center) presents a \$500 check to Cass City School Supt. Ken Micklash (left) and Campbell Elementary Principal Jody Miklovic. The funding, raised during the group's Tootsie Roll Drive, will be used for special education programs in the district.

Circuit court proceedings

The following people recently appeared in Tuscola County Circuit Court on criminal charges:

- Shane K. Orton II, 28, Caro, was sentenced to 8 months in the county jail and 36 months probation for his pleas of guilty to attempted forgery July 28 in Gageton and to being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).
- He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$480 and restitution of \$2,075.
- David M. Thane, 49, Cass City, was ordered to serve 90 days in jail and pay \$120 in costs and fines for his plea of no contest to preparation to burn property (house) Aug. 23, 2000, in Ellington Township.
- Gary D. Campbell, 35, Mayville, was sentenced to 9 months in jail and ordered to pay \$120 in costs and fines for his plea of no contest to attempted resisting and obstructing a police officer Oct. 3 in Mayville.
- Russell B. McLeod, 34, Caro, stood mute to a charge of jail escape while awaiting trial on a felony Oct. 25 in Caro, and to being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions)

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

- Charles S. Roe II, 26, Cass City, received a one-year delayed sentence for his plea of no contest to resisting and obstructing a police officer Aug. 25 in Indianfields Township.
- He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$930 plus \$766 in restitution.
- Amy L. Allen, 32, Reese, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 90 days in jail, with work release, for her plea of guilty to 2 counts of attempted forgery involving checks of \$995 and \$60, both drawn on Bank One between Oct. 19 and Nov. 21 in Arbela Township.
- She was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,260.
- Larry Jenkins, 51, Silverwood, was sentenced to one year in jail and 60 months probation for his pleas of guilty to forgery involving a \$350 check drawn on Independent Bank and uttering and publishing involving a \$200 check drawn on Independent Bank, and larceny in a building in April

2001 in Dayton/Fremont townships.

He was also ordered to pay \$4,020 in costs and fines plus restitution of \$5,545.

- Kenneth L. Wood, 40, Kingston, was sentenced to 2 to 5 years in prison for his pleas of no contest to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, resisting and obstructing a police officer, and resisting an officer serving process Jan. 24 in Juniata Township/Caro.
- He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$620.
- Matthew J. Schumacher, 24, Utica, was sentenced to 180 days in jail and 36 months probation for his plea of guilty to larceny in a building Dec. 26 in Denmark Township.
- Schumacher, who was given the option of entering residential treatment in lieu of jail time, was also ordered to pay costs and fines of \$2,160 plus restitution totaling \$1,586.91.
- Corey A. Brandmair, 24, Caro, pleaded guilty to obstruction of justice Nov. 14 in Wells Township, and no contest to a misdemeanor charge of malicious destruction of property valued at less than \$200 Sept. 1 in Wells Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at a combined \$15,000. Sentencing is to be set.

Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5YEARSAGO

Going without television for a whole week is difficult. Or not so difficult. Cass City School students and staff accepted the challenge to stay away from TV for an entire week in conjunction with the Third Annual National TV-Turnoff Week!, April 24-30. The local project was spearheaded by Yvonne Sherman's fourth grade class.

New business and industry may not be stampeding into Elkland Township right now, but when a new firm considers locating in the area, land zoned for their needs will be available. Ensuring that the township has enough properly zoned parcels was the driving force behind a recent updating of the Elkland Township zoning map, according to zoning board Chairman Roger Root.

Catherine Parteka celebrated her birthday last week with the usual birthday cake, a few balloons and the company of her family. But the birthday celebration was anything but usual. Parteka, a native of Huron County and resident of the Tendercare nursing home in Cass City for the past 9 years, turned 107 last Wednesday.

forecasters Monday were calling for little in the way of precipitation this week, although temperatures were expected to remain below normal, with highs only in the 50s and lows in the 30 to 40-degree range.

25YEARSAGO

A bill introduced last week in the U.S. House of Representatives by eighth District Congressman J. Bob Traxler (D-Bay City) could keep Grand Trunk Western trains rolling into Cass City whether or not the Interstate Commerce Commission approves GTW's request to abandon the line.

Elkland Township Supervisor Edwin Karr is expected to step down from his post within the next month, following his appointment Tuesday as an appraiser by the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners.

The pipeline of students from the Owen-Gage School District to neighboring districts may have been shut off under guidelines of Section III of the State School Code, it was learned at Monday night's Owen-Gage school board meeting at Owendale. Supt. Rohald Erickson said

Section III guidelines approved by the State Board of Education last week mandates that students go to school in the district in which they live.

When the Cass City High School Band takes the field this fall they will be decked out in spanking new uniforms if quoted delivery dates prove accurate.

35YEARSAGO

School pay for substitute teachers was boosted Monday by the school board in its regular session. Substitutes are now paid at the rate of \$20 daily for substitute teaching. Under the new plan, long-term substitutes will receive more money.

John Oswald, coach at Cass City High School for three years, resigned Monday to accept a position as head basketball coach at Walled Lake High School.

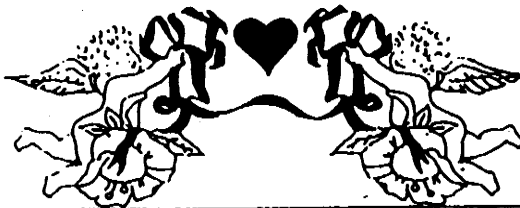
Recently designated a centennial farm by the Michigan Historical Commission, the land now owned by Floyd and Esther Werdeman, four miles west of Cass City on Cedar Run Road, may remain in the family for many more years. At least it will if the present owners have their way.

10YEARSAGO

General Cable Company could receive a generous tax break on additional equipment installed at the Cass City plant if village officials okay the company's request for status as an Industrial Development District. If approved, the local business could, for a set number of years, seek exemption from as much as half of the local millage rate, including \$6,150 to \$8,200 in village taxes, applied to the new equipment.

The card catalog will soon be a thing of the past at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City. Instead of poring over card after card in search of a specific book, library patrons will be able to locate the material they want - even if they're not certain of the exact title, author or subject - by simply punching a few computer keys.

The weather outlook was somewhat improved this week for area farmers anxious to get into their fields after another unusually wet April delayed planting. Weather



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TEAM WORK. 12-year-old KATI HILL took her first turkey hunting with her dad, Kim Hill, who called the 21-pound bird within shooting range. The bird had a 9 1/2" beard and 7/8" spurs.

Kingston sweeps Owen-Gage in NCTL softball match-up

Kingston scored early and then rode the arm of Kayla Diegel to a pair of critical North Central Thumb League wins Thursday over guests Owen-Gage.

With the wins, the Cardinals improve to 5-1 in conference play. The Bulldogs, meanwhile, slip to 4-2 and 12-3 overall. Coach Barb Adams' Bulldogs will travel to face Carsonville-Port Sanilac Thursday.

In the opener, the hosts tallied all the runs Diegel would need in the initial frame, where they recorded 4 tallies. The Cardinals then added 2 insurance markers, in both the 2nd and 4th innings, en route to a 9-1 victory.

Diegel surrendered just 3 hits while fanning 5 and walking one, besting Kayla Zaleski. Zaleski worked 3 innings, fanning 4, but walking 6. She allowed one hit.

At the plate, Owen-Gage had Laura Enderle with a pair of singles, while Kelly Zaleski provided the Bulldogs' lone extra base hit resulting in a double.

Kingston had Brittni Hill and Melissa Hill each with 2 hits.

In the nightcap, Diegel went the distance and collected the 8-3 win. She yielded 8 hits, whiffed 2 and issued a solo free pass.

Kelly Zaleski opened on the rubber for Owen-Gage

and was tagged with the loss. She allowed one hit and walked one in 2 innings of duty.

Katie Swiastyn provided a pair of singles and was the lone Bulldog to collect more than one hit. Ashley Adams and Stephanie Dorsch each added a single for the visitors.

The winners had Melissa Hill with 3 hits and Brienne Ross with 2 knocks.

PORT HOPE

Earlier in the week, on Monday, the Bulldogs traveled to Port Hope and returned home with a pair of NCTL wins.

The Bulldogs' bats came alive and slugged out wins of 20-3 and 16-0 over the Blue Stars.

Kayla Zaleski was the pitcher of record in both wins for the Bulldogs. In game one, she tossed just one frame

and walked 4.

"The team played very well. Everyone knew their job and went ahead and did their job very well," said Adams.

At the plate Owen-Gage had Swiastyn with a home run, while Dorsch added a triple.

In game 2, Kayla Zaleski went the distance and tossed a one-hitter while fanning 8.

The Bulldogs took a 1-0 edge into the 2nd frame and broke open the contest with 6 markers.

Kelly Zaleski led a 10-hit Bulldog attack with 3 singles, while Amy Pawelski added 2 singles.

Bulldogs defend title at Huron County tourney

The Owen-Gage juggernaut just keeps rolling along, powering its way to the championship of the Huron County Baseball Tournament and 4 more wins in the North Central Thumb League last week while stamping itself as the top team in the Upper Thumb.

The Bulldogs rolled to the tourney title with an opening game win over Ubly and followed it with a victory over Lakers in the championship game.

The Owen-Gage wins were marked by some lusty hitting. Both teams fired away, almost at will, in the Ubly game, but in the end the Bulldogs had more ammunition and walked off with a 22-19 decision.

The bombing started in the first inning. Owen-Gage opened with a 3-spot only to have Ubly come back with 6 runs to go ahead.

Owen-Gage got back to within a run in the second and took the lead in the third with a 3-run spree.

Ubly went back in front in the fourth, 9-8, before Owen-Gage added 3 runs in the fifth and 8 big tallies in the sixth and appeared to have the decision sewn up.

Ubly bounced back in the sixth with 7 runs and the Bulldogs needed one of the 4 runs scored in the top of the seventh to assure the win.

Corbin Swiastyn started for Owen-Gage and went 5 innings to get credit for the win. Matt Gaeth pitched the final 2 innings in relief. Shane O'Connor took the loss.

The Bearcats slammed 19 hits and the Bulldogs had 15, including circuit blasts by Nathan Kain and Aaron Faist. Faist also collected 2 singles and a double.

Also with a multi-hit game were Earl McKee, 2 singles and a double and Cody Howard, 3 singles. Kyle Recker paced Ubly with 3 singles, a double and 3 RBIs.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

A grand slam by Jeremy Kady in the sixth inning proved to be decisive as the Bulldogs defeated the Lakers, 18-11. Going into the sixth Owen-Gage was in front, 12-8, in a see-saw game that was tied after 3 and with the Lakers ahead briefly in the fifth when they scored 4 times.

The Bulldogs answered that splurge with a 6-run rally to lead, 12-8, going in the last inning.

Leading the Bulldog attack were Swiastyn with a single and double, Kain with 2 singles and Gaeth, 3 singles.

For Lakers, John LePage cracked a single and double; Josh LePage notched 2 singles and a double, and Papkey, 2 singles.

PORT HOPE GAMES

The Bulldogs merited Port Hope in both ends of a doubleheader in NCTL action. Owen-Gage scored in every inning to ring up a 14-2 decision in the first game.

Earl McKee pitched the win with a 3-hitter. He was helped by errorless play behind him and the Bulldogs' 14-hit attack. Tom Norton took the loss.

Everybody hit for O-G, with 6 Bulldogs posting multi-hit games. Kain rapped 2 doubles, a single and an RBI; Howard, 2 singles, a double and 2 RBIs; Gaeth, 2 singles; Kady 2 singles, and Faist, a single and double. McKee ripped a 3-RBI homer.

In the nightcap, Kain, who pitched the first 2 innings and held Port Hope scoreless, and Swiastyn, who pitched the final 3 innings in relief, had an easy time defeating the out-manned Blue Stars, 14-1. Mike Joy was the loser.

Owen-Gage laced out 12 hits and Port Hope collected 5 hits.

Swiastyn had 2 singles and a double. Kain, 2 doubles and a single to go with 3 RBIs. McKee's 2 singles produced 2 RBIs and Howard contributed a single and double to the attack.

KINGSTON GAMES

In sharp contrast to the games played with Port Hope, the Bulldogs logged a pair of wins in 2 well-played, low-hit games with Kingston.

Earl McKee threw his best game of the season and needed it to edge Dustin Wilmot. The Bulldogs won, 2-1, and McKee allowed 2 hits and walked 3. Wilmot allowed 3 hits and walked 2. Neither team allowed an earned run.

The Bulldogs trailed 1-0 after 4 innings. In the fifth, a combination of Cardinal errors and good O-G base running pushed a pair of runs across to decide the issue.

Coach Mac McKee said that his team played great.

In the nightcap, O-G scored the only runs of the game in the first 2 innings. In the first inning, McKee provided all the firepower needed to give Kain a victory. He lashed a 2-run circuit clout and O-G posted the win, 3-0.

The only other run in the game came in the second when Gaeth scored on a sacrifice fly by Faist.

Kain allowed 2 hits and walked 4. Justin Diegel allowed 5 hits and walked 2.

We are at the top of our game right now. Nathan shut them down and they couldn't get started, McKee said.

With the wins, O-G is undefeated in the NCTL (6-0) and 12-4 overall.



CASS CITY'S Laura Auten (16) makes a play for the ball Monday against visiting Imlay City. The Hawks suffered a 3-0 loss.

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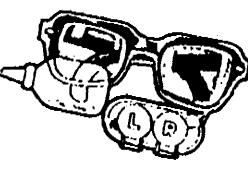


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VILLAGE OF CASS CITY

Hawks win Yale Invite with victories against Clintondale and Yale

The Cass City Red Hawks won the Yale Invitational Saturday with wins over Clintondale and Yale.

In the first game Clintondale topped Yale, 10-5, to meet the Hawks in the second game. Cass City won that game, 18-14, in extra innings. In the round robin format the Hawks then played Yale in the third game and won, 6-5.

Cass City used 3 big innings to get the win against Clintondale. The Hawks scored 5 runs in the second, 2 runs in the third and 7 runs in the fourth and then went

scoreless until the 8th when they scored 4 times to put the game in the win column.

Tyler Erla started and was relieved by Tyler Bader with 2 out in the fourth. He finished the inning. Bill Thane pitched 2 innings to get the win. Guthrie Laurie pitched the 8th. Knocking out 2 hits each for Cass City were Jake Brinkman, Nick Turner, Matt Ender and Laurie. Parsons led Clintondale with 3 hits.

It took just one big inning for Cass City to post the win over Yale. For the first four innings the Bulldogs appeared to have the game un-

der control and entered the fifth with a 3-0 lead.

In the fifth, the Hawks exploded for all of their runs and the 6 tallies were just enough to get the win. In the rally, Cass City cracked 3 of its 5 hits in the game and took advantage of 3 walks and Yale errors. Yale scored 2 runs in the last inning, but left the potential tying and winning runs on base.

Chris Maharg allowed 7 hits and went the distance to get the win. Cass City's 5 hits were scattered among 5 players.



SUCCESSFUL HUNT. Mike Prosowski (left) bagged his first turkey Friday morning hunting south of Cass City on private land. The bird tipped the scales at 20 pounds and sported a 8 1/4" beard with 1/2" spurs. The tom was called in by Dennis Little.

Ubly boys take Reese Invitational Friday

Ubly won the boys 12-team Reese Invitational track meet Friday with a one-point victory over Frankenmuth, 89 to 88. Freeland dominated the girls' competition with 123 points while Ubly was second with 79 points.

Cass City boys finished sixth with 33 points and the Hawk girls were third with 69 points.

Other girls' teams in order of finish: USA, 74; Frankenmuth, 42; New Lothrop, 39; Valley Lutheran, 34; Reese, 29; Harbor Beach, 17; Akron-Fairgrove, 10; Sandusky, 6; Lakers, 5.

Other boys' results were USA, 82; Reese, 71; Valley Lutheran, 40; Freeland, 26; Harbor Beach and Lakers, tied, 21; New Lothrop, 19; Akron-Fairgrove, 15; Sandusky, 13.

Cass City's Lindsey Lowery finished first in the pole vault with a jump of 8 feet, 6 inches and Sara Homakie won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:27.39. Cass City finished second in the 3,200-meter and the 1,600-meter relays.

Freeland won both of these relays, ordinarily one of the strongest events for the Hawk girls. Freeland also edged the Hawks in the 800-meter relay. Freeland won all of the relay events on the way to a big victory. The champions also won the 3,200-meter, 1,600-meter and the 400-meter dash.

The Ubly win was a true team victory. The Bearcats' only firsts were by Keith Longuski in the 1,600-meter

(4:38.61) and the 3,200-meter (10:21.56. Cass City's Noah Gould won the 110-hurdles (15.66) and the 300-hurdles (40.70).

Frankenmuth won the 800-meter relay, the high jump and the 400-meter relay.

Lady Hawks shine at Hatchet Invite

BOYS' COMPETITION

Cass City girls finished second to Cros-Lex in the 5-team invitational Monday at Bad Axe. The Patriots notched 134 points and Cass City ended with 75 points. Other teams finished in the following order: Bad Axe, 59; Lakers, 56; and Marlette, 22.

Lindsey Lowery was a double winner for Cass City, taking the long jump (161.5 feet) and the pole vault (8 feet, 9 inches). The Hawks also finished first in the 3,200-relay (11:10.71) and Annjea Tanton won the 3,200-meter with a time 13:02.24.

Cros-Lex placed first in 8 of the 17 events. Shinn was a double winner, taking the 100-meter in 13.14 and the 200-meter in 27.65. Also winning 2 events was O'Connor in the 800-meter (2:38.67) and the high jump, 5 feet, 2 inches. Cros-Lex won the 800, 400 and 1600 relays. Spangenberg took the 400-meter run with a time of 1:04.18.

Bad Axe won 3 events: Davis won the shot put, 33 feet, 6.5 inches; Males won the 100 hurdles, 16.99 and the 300-hurdles, 50.53.

For the Lakers Rokicki won the 1,600-meter in 6:00.39 and Kurzer took the discus.

Bad Axe won the boys' competition decisively with 98 points. Cros-Lex with 78 points was second. Third place went to Lakers with 75 points. Cass City, 56.5 points, was fourth and Marlette was fifth with 45.5 points.

Cass City's Noah Gould won the 110 hurdles in 15.57. Bad Axe took 6 events. Gebauer was a double winner taking the 100-meter dash (11.78) and the pole vault (15-feet). Other Hatchet winners were: Shedd, high jump (6-2); Messing, 1,600-run (4:55.74); Pionk, 300-hurdles (42.69) and Neeb, discus (143 feet).

Cros-Lex posted 3 first place finishes: Shell, 800-meter (2:09.88); Mason, 3,200 meters (11:01.95) and the 3,200 relay team (9:04.14).

The Lakers won 3 relays, 800-meter, 1:38.07; 400-meter, 47.53; and the 1,600-meter, 3:43.47. Yoder took the 400-meter, 55.51, and Howell, the 200-meter, 23.87, for the Lakers.

Marlette's wins were by Bohms in the shot (43 ft. 2.5 inches) and Shadley in the long jump (20 feet, 6 inches).

Bad Axe downs visiting Cass City

The Cass City Red Hawks made a valiant attempt to chalk up a come-from-behind win over the Bad Axe Hatchets before losing the Greater Thumb West game, 8-7.

Going into the final inning the Hawks trailed 7-4 and pushed 3 runs across to tie the game.

It all proved to be for naught for Hawk fans as the Hatchets pushed the winning run across in their half of the inning. The loss was charged

to Tyler Bader who came on in relief of Guthrie Laurie to pitch the final inning. Laurie went 6 innings and allowed 4 earned runs.

Eisinger went the distance to grab the win.

Bad Axe rapped out 10 hits, the Hawks had 7. Leading the Hatchet attack was Wolschlagler with 3 hits. Brown and Lasceski hit back-to-back home runs in the sixth inning.

Bill Thane paced Cass City with 2 hits and an RBI.

USA wins pair over Cass City

The Cass City Red Hawks lost a doubleheader to powerful USA, won a game and tied another with Bad Axe in Greater Thumb West softball action last week.

The Hawks won the first game of the twin bill with Bad Axe and the second was suspended because of darkness. The games couldn't have been any closer.

Cass City won the first game, 9-8, and the game was in doubt until the final out. Bad Axe entered the last inning trailing, 9-6, scored twice and had the tying and winning runs on base before it ended.

Becky Hartel went the distance for the win, giving up 11 hits, striking out 5 and walking 2.

Tessia Zawilinski had a banner day at the plate. She had 3 hits, including a home run, and 3 RBIs. Jennifer Tenbusch also cracked a round tripper and was 2 for 3 with 3 RBIs.

The nightcap game stretched on and on for 9 full innings before it was suspended due to darkness with the score tied at 4-4.

On the mound for the Hawks was Deidre Deering, returning to action for the first time since suffering an injury late in the fall basketball season. She pitched the first 5 innings, allowed 2 runs, 3 hits and walked 6. Lindsey Hendrick relieved and allowed 2 runs in 4 innings, 3 hits and struck out 2.

Bad Axe's 6 hits, all singles, were divided among 6 players. Deering slashed 3 hits and Alissa Pasant had 2 hits and drove in 2 runs for Cass City.

USA TAKES A PAIR

Unionville-Sebewaing powered to a pair of wins Thursday. In the opener behind veteran Stahl the Patriots cruised to a 10-1 decision. Cass City was held to 4 hits. The Hawks' only run

came in the first inning when Zawilinski was safe on an error and cruised home on Kayla Wentworth's double.

The winners scored 3 runs in the first, fifth and sixth innings. Ewald was 3 for 4 and Gremel lashed a homer for USA.

Hendrick was the losing pitcher, allowing 9 hits and walking 3.

The Patriots took the second game, 6-3. Hartel took the loss, giving up 7 hits. Schulz allowed 7 hits. Two of the hits, a walk and an error put Cass City on top with 2 runs in the first inning.

But after that runs were hard to come by. Wentworth slashed a double in the third inning and came in on a pair of Patriot errors.

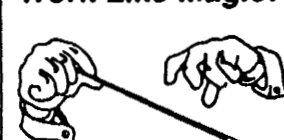
That was it, Cass City didn't score again. The Hawks were coasting along nicely with a 3-1 lead before USA exploded in the fifth inning and scored 5 times. Three hits combined with 3 errors ruined what had been an excellent pitching performance by Hartel.

Markel had 2 hits for USA and Krystee Dorland, Wentworth and Alissa Pasant each had 2 hits for the Hawks.

Cass City was scheduled to meet number one in the state Reese Monday at home and then play away games at Whittemore-Prescott Tuesday and Sandusky Thursday.

Cass City's season's record is 8-8 overall and 4-3-1 in the league.

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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 10, 2002.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2002, IS MONDAY, MAY 13, 2002. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 13, 2002, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

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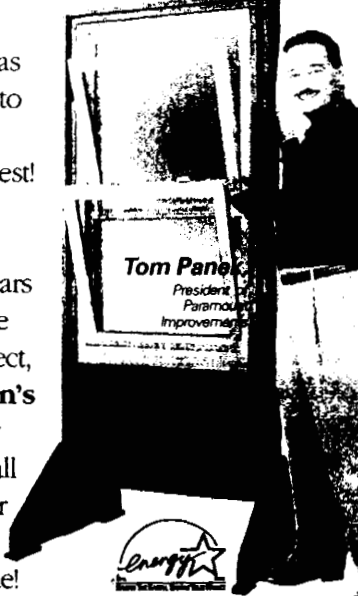
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Barcia planning to run

Congressman Jim Barcia, D-Bay City, has announced he will run for the State Senate in Michigan.

Barcia made the decision after reapportionment resulted in Michigan losing one of its 16 Congressional seats and new lines were drawn that effectively eliminated the 5th District, which

he now represents.

"I have devoted my life to public service," Barcia said. "I know that where you serve, whether in Congress or the State Senate, matters far less than what you do when you get there."

"Hopefully, my extensive legislative experience in Lansing and Washington,

D.C. will go a long way in improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the process and in bettering the lives of working families across the state," he added.

In the coming weeks, Barcia plans to unveil an ambitious legislative agenda he will pursue and promote in Lansing to improve the lives of working families in Michigan. In particular, he will focus on agriculture, education technology, funding for school infrastructure improvements, better health care and prescription drug coverage, transportation issues and tax relief. At the core of his agenda will be promoting the needs of hard working family farms, agribusiness and issues of concern to the entire agricultural community.

"I am profoundly grateful for the loyal support and trust voters have placed in me over the years. I tried hard to represent their views accurately and vigorously," said Barcia. "Now, I hope to take the ideas cultivated during my legislative tenure and put them to work once again in Lansing."

Barcia also expressed disappointment at the partisan gerrymandering that will mean a local resident will no longer represent the Saginaw Bay region in Congress for the first time in 119 years.

"I don't like it, especially for the voters who I've gotten to know so well over the years, but it's not in my nature to focus on the negative," Barcia said. "The fact is, barring some unforeseen and immediate judicial intervention, my political opponents seem to have accomplished with redistricting what they couldn't with the ballot."

Notes from Northwood Meadows

By Becky Barn, Activities Coordinator/Receptionist

Anxious to welcome the arrival of spring, our adopted girl scout troops along with most of our residents dug right into seed planting. We can hardly wait for the colorful blooms to arrive.

A few of our residents went on a field trip to the Rawson Library in Cass City to see a video on the *World Trade Center* (prepared prior to September 11, 2001). The film covered the building of the complex from its inception in 1962 until its completion in 1974. Also offered was a video titled *Hopi Songs of the Fourth World: A compelling study of the Hopi Indians that captures their deep spirituality and reveals their integration of art and daily life.*

It seemed that Euchre was the hot card game in April. For those quieter moments there were plenty of puzzles being put together in the neighborhood! Our "Meshing Around" project featured illuminating candles in colorful glass, draped with painted screen meshing, and wrapped with a transparent ribbon. What a beautiful glow!

Even though we lost an hour of sleep with the onset of daylight savings time, the extra sunlight allowed our dementia unit residents to have great fun with "Hoop Time", bowling, dancing, and participating with "Bubbles Galore".

At Northwood Meadows we love to say "you can never have too much cake", and with that in mind it was a real treat to help John Marshall celebrate his birthday in April.

We have many fun projects planned for May and I'll bring you all the details in my next report.

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Larry Britt

Larry W. Britt, 56, of Burkburnett, Texas, died unexpectedly Saturday, April 13, 2002, at Sheppard Air Force Base Hospital in Wichita Falls, Texas.

He was born Sept. 9, 1945 in Bad Axe to Willard and Geraldine (Kelly) Britt. He attended Ublly Community Schools. He married Jacqueline Allison Sept. 16, 1978 in England.

Britt retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1985 after 22 years of service. He was a Vietnam veteran. He was the current Federal Fire Protection Inspector at Sheppard Air Force Base.

He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline Britt; one daughter, Larissa Parkey; one son, Gareth Britt, all of Burkburnett; his parents, Willard and Geraldine Britt of Bad Axe; two brothers, Richard (Patricia) Britt, of Cass City and James Britt of Sandusky.

Services took place at the Sheppard Air Force Base Chapel.

Information was supplied by MacAlpine Funeral Home of Bad Axe.

Robert Kingsland

Robert D. Kingsland, 55, of Gagetown, formerly of Lincoln and Harrisville, died Monday, April 29, 2002 at Bay Medical Center, Bay City.

He was born July 28, 1946 in Bad Axe, he was raised there moving to Lincoln in 1960, Harrisville in 1964, graduating from Alcona High in 1965.

During the Vietnam War, he served in the Navy from 1965 to 1969, then moved to Gagetown. He was a journeyman electrician and employed in Sebawaing for many years.

He was a member in Tuscola County Conservation Club, Tuscola County Archers, Vassar Golf and Country Club, Pace International Industrial Union, Local 60111 and was an avid bowler.

Kingsland is survived by a son, Daniel Kingsland of Cass City; his mother, Flossie Matuzak of Harrisville; five sisters: Carol Franklin of Lincoln, Mary (David) Gedro of Caro, Julie Matuzak of Mt. Clemens, Bonnie (Larry) Gildea of Gobels, Melinda (Tom) Romero of Alpena; a brother, David Lee (Carol) Kingsland of Greenbush; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Edward "Bud" Matuzak and a brother, Frederick Amos Kingsland III in 1965.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 4 at Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln with the Rev. Hays Wiltshire officiating.

Interment was in Twin Lakes Cemetery, Lincoln.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist building fund or American Heart Fund.

Robert Lefler

Robert "Buck" E. Lefler, 64, of Cass City, died at home Friday, May 3, 2002.

He was born July 10, 1937, at home in Decker to Aaron and Violet (Janek) Lefler.

He married Doris M. Miller May 15, 1965, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe.

Lefler was a self-employed master carpenter. He was a cabinetmaker and also a mason. He served in the U.S. Army after the Korean War, and was a member of the National Rifle Association.

He is survived by his wife, Doris; a son, Aaron Lefler of Mayville; 4 grandsons; brothers, Clinton A. (Sally) Lefler of Columbus, Ohio, Everett W. (Marcia) Lefler

of Rochester Hills, Aaron Ernest Lefler of Clear Lake, Fla., James (Beth) Lefler of Cass City, and Richard (Darlene) Lefler of Auburn Hills; sisters, Marie Ulatowski of Cass City, Irma I. (Bill) Steed of Hudson, Fla., Virginia Lefler of Birmingham, and Anna M. (Robin) Abbey of Lapeer; a sister-in-law, Norma (Frank) Kolsaa of Williamston; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 8, at the Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City, with the Rev. Dale Mitchell of the Pleasantview Free Methodist Church, Mayville, officiating. Military rites will be directed by Cass City VFW Post #3644.

Interment will be in Johnson Cemetery, Lamotte Township, Sanilac County. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Eugene Longuski

Eugene Longuski, 79, of Cass City, died Tuesday, April 30, 2002 in his home. He was born Nov. 18, 1922 to Bruno and Bernice (Braiza) Longuski in Detroit. He married Marion Winter June 18, 1949 in St. Columbkille Catholic Church Rectory.

Longuski served in the U.S. Army in Europe during WWII. He was a carpenter for 15 years; then farmed, including 30 years of growing strawberries. He was a musician years ago, playing violin, banjo and guitar.

He is survived by his wife, Marion; children: Dennis (Patsy) Longuski of Cass City, Daryl (Gayle) Longuski of Sterling Heights; 4 grandchildren; brother, Jerome (Linda) Longuski of Bad Axe; sisters: Gladys Pickering of Bad Axe, Florence Vogler of Bloomfield Hills, Eleanor (Cyril) Landra of Homosassa, FL; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Marvin (Janice) Winter of Cass City, many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in

death by his brother, Bruno Longuski, Jr. and brothers-in-law: George Vogler and Warner "Tim" Pickering.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 3, 2002 at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with retired clergy Rev. Robert Garrett officiating.

Interment was in Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Sanilac County Humane Society or American Heart Association.

John Nickens

John J. Nickens, 78, of Kingston, died Saturday, May 4, at his home.

Nickens lived in the Kingston area for 50 years. He was born Sept. 21, 1923, in Decatur, Ala., son of the late John Sr. and Myrtle (Puckett) Nickens.

He married Joan Dawson June 12, 1947, in Lake Orion. Nickens served in the U.S. Army during WWII, receiving the Bronze Star for his action in the South Pacific.

He worked 10 years for General Motors Truck and Coach, 11 years for Active Homes Corporation and Guerdon Industries in Marlette, and several years for Marvin Wilcox. He was a member of the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Marlette.

He is survived by his wife, Joan; 3 sons, Jack (Cathy) Nickens of Marlette, Al (Lottie) Nickens of Kingston and Jan (Kim) Nickens of Marlette; 3 daughters, Terri (Al) Czernick of Sebawaing, Penny (Terry) Simpson of Mayville and Billie Jo Nickens of Kingston; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Mary Jo Kasdorf; and brothers William and Frank Nickens.

Funeral services were held Monday at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Marlette, with Father Richard Bokinskie officiating.

Burial was in the St. Elizabeth Cemetery, Marlette.

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Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14

Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.
Tuscola County Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Family Support/Education Group meeting, 1:30 p.m., Adult Day Services building, 435 Green St., Caro. For additional information, call (989) 672-2273.

Wednesday, May 15

Book Discussion Group, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.
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Drop-in center receives Wellwood Award May 1

Tuscola Place for Peace (TPP), a Consumer-run drop-in center in Caro, received the Richard Wellwood Award May 1, at the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards Annual Spring Conference. Michigan Department of Community Health, in honor of Richard Wellwood, gives the award. The criterion for the award is based on the relationship that a Consumer-run drop-in center has with their local community mental health board. The Department of Community Health staff members, in conjunction with Consumers from other communities, selected Tuscola Place for Peace due to their positive and effective relationship with Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems (TBHS).

Richard Wellwood is the founder of Justice in Mental Health Organization, JIMHO. Wellwood founded the organization after he experienced a mental breakdown. He had the vision for Consumer-run organizations to work together and share experiences that they have encountered in the community. The concept is that all individuals deserve to be treated with rights, respect and dignity.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Chad Schember and Connie J. Schember, husband and wife, to Advanta National Bank, mortgagee, dated March 6, 2000 and recorded March 10, 2000 in Liber 796, Page 157, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., As Custodian Or Trustee by assignment submitted to and recorded by Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Eighteen Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Eight and 5/100 Dollars (\$18,758.05) including interest at the rate of 8.75% 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 16, 2002.

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of Section 28, Town 15 North, Range 8 East, Township of Akron, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning North (assumed) 1796.50 feet along the West section line from the Southwest corner of said Section 28, thence said place of beginning, North 126.99 feet along said Section line; thence South 83 degrees, 42 minutes 00 seconds, East 221.34 feet; thence South 102.70 feet, thence West 220.00 feet 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: April 10, 2002

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., As Custodian Or Trustee As Assignee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000

File No. 209.1252

4-10-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard A. Brown (original mortgagors) to GE Capital Mortgage Services, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 4, 1997, and recorded on January 22, 1998 in Liber 728 on Page 915 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE AND 87/100 dollars (\$82,739.87), including interest at 9.300% 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 31, 2002.

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

Part of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Koyhton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Section 34, thence along South Section Line, North 88 degrees 51 minutes 0 seconds West, 628.50 feet, thence North 1 degree 24 minutes 22 seconds East, 827.80 feet, thence South 88 degrees 51 minutes 0 seconds East, 628.50 feet, thence along East Section Line, South 1 degree 24 minutes 22 seconds West 827.80 feet to the Point of Beginning, Township of Koyhton, Tuscola County, State of Michigan.

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

Dated: April 17, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Dolphins 248-593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200216802

Dolphins

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Damm, A/K/A James M. Damm and Cindy Damm (original mortgagors), to Aames Funding Corporation, DBA: Aames Home Loan, Mortgagee, dated October 23, 2000, and recorded on November 1, 2000 in Liber 814 on Page 977 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A. in Trust for the benefit of the holders of Aames Mortgage Trust 2000-2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2000-2, Assignee by an assignment dated October 25, 2000, which was recorded on January 22, 2002, in Liber 858 on Page 303, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-TWO AND 49/100 dollars (\$33,892.49), including interest at 13.749% 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 30, 2002.

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

The West 268 feet of that part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, Town 11 North, Range 8 East lying North of M-38, 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: April 17, 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 # 200128852

Mustangs-A

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jackie W. Schlagel and Chrystal M. Schlagel, husband and wife to AA Mortgage & Financial Corporation, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 27, 1997 and recorded March 11, 1997 in Liber 706 Page 1018, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: First Union National Bank, as Indenture Trustee by assignment dated May 20, 1998 and recorded June 14, 1999 in Liber 774 Page 060, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty Six Thousand Three Hundred Forty Five and 49/100 Dollars (\$56,345.49), including interest at 13.45% 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 o'clock a.m. on Thursday, May 23, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wisner, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing 313.2 feet South and 162.7 feet West of the East Quarter corner of Section 29, Town 14 North, Range 7 East, Thence South 181.5 feet; thence West 95 feet; thence North 181.5 feet; thence East 95 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: April 10, 2002

First Union National Bank, as Indenture Trustee, Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potosivo & Associates, P.C.
3610 Dequindre Rd., Ste 620
Sterling Heights, MI 48310
(586) 795-4400 Ext. 110
Our File No: 7168.601

4-17-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has occurred in a mortgage made by William Tune and Teri Tune, husband and wife, to First National Bank of America, dated September 14, 2000 and recorded on October 16, 2000 in liber 813 page 185, Tuscola County Records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$26,963.64.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Thursday, May 23, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. local time, at the front steps, Tuscola County Courthouse, Caro, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 14.75 percent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

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

Lot 82, of Oak Grove Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Record 2, Page 40, Tuscola County Records, Township of Arbelia, 1979 Suncrest Mobile Home, Serial N3489H.

The redemption period will be six months from the date of sale, but if the property is abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days.

Dated: April 18, 2002

Joseph B. Backus, attorney for mortgage holder
P.O. Box 794, East Lansing, MI 48826
517-337-1617

4-24-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DALE EUGENE CUMMINGS, A MARRIED MAN AND JUDY ANN CUMMINGS, A MARRIED WOMAN, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, to VIRGIL INC. DBA LENDING FACTORY, MORTGAGE BANKER, A MICHIGAN CORPORATION, Mortgagee, dated March 14, 2000, and recorded on March 24, 2000, in Liber 797, on page 169 TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, and assigned by MESNE assignment to LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE UNDER THE INDENTURE DATED AS OF 6-01-00 SERIES 2000-2, by an assignment dated March 29, 2000, and recorded on March 21, 2000, in Liber 870, on page 1495 TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ninety eight thousand three hundred sixty six and 33/100 Dollars (\$98,366.33), including interest at 13.625% 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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 11:00 AM on May 30, 2002.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 32, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence S00deg, 30'E, 296 feet along the East section line to the point of beginning, running thence S89deg, 47'30"W, 864 feet; thence S00deg, 30'E, 231 feet; thence N89deg, 47'30"E, 864 feet; thence N00deg, 30'W, 231 feet along the East section line to the point of beginning, being part of the Northeast 1/4 of said section 32, above parcel being known as parcel 3 of a survey recorded in Liber 1 of Survey, page 507 and 508, Tuscola County Records.

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

DATED: April 24, 2002

LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE UNDER THE INDENTURE DATED AS OF 6-01-00 SERIES 2000-2 Assignee of Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgagee
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
For Information, please call:
(248) 540-7701

4-24-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Erich K. Gennrich and Catherine C. Gennrich, his wife, to NovaStar Mortgage, Inc., a Virginia Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 2, 2000, and recorded on March 20, 2000 in Liber 796 Page 916, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Four and 79/100 Dollars (\$165,654.79), including interest at 9.990% 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 o'clock a.m. on Thursday, May 23, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wells, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 22, Township 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence North 00 de-

grees, 30 minutes West, 659.85 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning, running thence North 00 Degrees, 30 minutes West, 324.0 feet along the East section line; thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes 53 seconds West 1365.92 feet; thence South 02 degrees, 03 minutes, 12 seconds East, 324.0 feet along an old fence (apparent West line of East half, Southeast Quarter); thence North 89 degrees, 43 minutes 16 seconds East 1357.24 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the Southeast quarter of Section 22, Township 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, Subject to easements and rights of way of record.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 3, 2002

NovaStar Mortgage, Inc., Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potosivo & Associates, P.C.
36150 Dequindre Rd., Ste 620
Sterling Heights, MI 48310
(586) 795-4400 Ext. 110
Our File No: 7052.190

4-17-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Bernard A. Boyne and Vickie Boyne, husband and wife, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated August 11, 1999 and recorded August 17, 1999 in Liber 779, Page 1020, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Citibank N.A., as Trustee by assignment dated September 15, 1999 and recorded on November 14, 2000 in Liber 815, Page 896, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Seven and 87/100 Dollars (\$164,757.87) including interest at the rate of 10.25% 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 16, 2002.

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

Commencing at the West quarter corner of fractional Section 3, Town 13 North, Range 11 East, thence North 01 degrees 07 minutes 55 seconds East 1417.69 feet along the West line of Section 3 to the point of beginning; running thence North 01 degrees 07 minutes 55 seconds East, 588.87 feet along the West line of Section 3; thence North 60 degrees 05 minutes 15 seconds East 219.02 feet along the apparent centerline of the main channel of the Cass River; thence South 31 degrees 57 minutes 40 seconds East, 510.73 feet; thence South 01 degrees 07 minutes 55 seconds West, 330.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 00 minutes West 330.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 45 minutes West 387.80 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest fractional quarter, Section 3, Town 13 North, Range 11 East.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such 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: April 10, 2002

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Citibank N.A., as Trustee, As Assignee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000

File No. 209.1240

4-10-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael T. Potrykus and Dora Potrykus, husband and wife, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, mortgagee, dated September 28, 1998 and recorded October 5, 1998 in Liber 751, Page 1314-1324, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Washington Mutual Bank, its successors and assigns by assignment dated August 3, 2001 and recorded in Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Three and 45/100 Dollars (\$73,623.45) including interest at the rate of 11.875% 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 10, 2002.

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, described as: Beginning distant S00deg30'E, 422.58 feet along the West Section line and N89deg30'E, 899.75 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 13, thence, from said place of beginning, continuing N89deg30'E, 154.70 feet, thence S00deg30'E, 481.23 feet to a point on a 1241.50 foot radius curve concave Southwesterly, thence N76deg38'54"W, 165.88 ft along a sub chord of said curve and producing an arc length of 166.00

feet, thence 00deg19'28"E, 441.56 feet to the place of beginning. Right of way for Red Oak Drive over the Southerly side thereof.

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: April 10, 2002

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Washington Mutual Bank, its successors and assigns, As Assignee
2501 Rochester Court
Troy, MI 48063
(248) 457-1000

File No. 221.0174

4-10-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by JUDY L. DONNELLY, A SINGLE WOMAN to MORTGAGE AMERICA (IMC), INC., a Florida Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 4, 1999, and recorded on August 12, 1999, in Liber 779 on page 643, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to ALTEGRA CREDIT COMPANY, by an assignment dated August 4, 1999, and recorded on June 19, 2000 in Liber 803 on page 1249, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy five thousand six hundred ninety nine and 37/100 Dollars (\$75,699.37), including interest at 11.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 11:00 AM on June 13, 2002.

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

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VASSAR, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN:

Commencing at the intersection of centerline of highway and South line of Section 29, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, which is S87°19'59"E, 1290.22 feet from the Southwest corner of Section 29; thence N29°46'10"W, along centerline of highway, 107.82 feet; thence along centerline 390.44 feet on a curve to the left (having a radius of 122.778.40 feet a delta angle of 0°0'10"56" and a chord bearing and distance of N29°51'47"W, 390.44 feet); thence N76°17'37"E, 311.28 feet to a point on the West, North and South 1/8 line, South 508.06 feet, N87°19'59"E, 42.48 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: May 8, 2002

ALTEGRA CREDIT COMPANY
Assignee of Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgagee
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
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(248) 540-7701

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald E. Hansen and Robin L. Hansen (original mortgagors) to Standard Federal Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated April 1, 1999, and recorded on May 3, 1999 in Liber 770 on Page 151 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TEN and 26/100 dollars (\$73,410.26), including interest at 7.125% 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 June 7, 2002.

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

The West 330 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 34, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated April 24, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200217221

Cougars

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AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-5459 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Brian K. Powless and Vicki L. Powless, husband and wife of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Flagstar Bank, FSB dated the 24th day of March, A.D. 1999, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 12th day of April, A.D. 1999, in Liber 768 of Tuscola County Records, on page 555, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$109,074.76 (one hundred nine thousand seventy four dollars and seventy six cents) including interest thereon at 8.75% (eight point seven five)

Legal Notices

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rose Marie Cook and Harry J. Cook (original mortgagors) to Equivantage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 10, 1998 and recorded on December 11, 1990 in Liber 758 on Page 297 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by me assignments to Credit-Based Asset Servicing and Securitization, L.L.C. Assignee by an assignment dated October 15, 2001, which was recorded on April 25, 2002, in Liber 875 on Page 1109, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX AND 85/100 dollars (\$53,556.85), including interest at 10.950% 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 June 20, 2002.

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

Commencing at a point 443 feet East of the Southwest corner of the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 24, Town 14 North, Range 10 East, running thence North 180 feet; thence East 190 feet; thence South 180 feet; thence West 190 feet to the point of beginning, 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: May 8, 2002
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jimmy W. Bills and Gladys Bills (original mortgagors) to ARN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 28, 2000 and recorded on November 9, 2000 in Liber 815 on Page 630 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY AND 46/100 dollars (\$62,660.46), including interest at 8.750% 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 June 20, 2002.

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

Part of the Northwest fractional quarter of section 21, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, described as beginning on the North line of Section 21 at a point of South 88 degrees, 26 minutes, West 929.98 feet from the North 1/4 corner of Section 21, thence South 01 degrees, 18 minutes, 30 seconds, East 330.00 feet, thence North 88 degrees, 26 minutes, East 100.00 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: May 8, 2002
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Sheriff urges caution regarding telemarketers

Hundreds of annoying telephone solicitations continue to plague the citizens of Tuscola County, according to Sheriff Tom Kern, who said his office receives numerous complaints from both residents and businesses regarding telemarketers.

Kern reminds citizens that his professional organization, the Michigan Sheriff's Association (MSA), does not conduct telephone solicitations, nor do the Michigan Chiefs of Police or the Michigan State Police.

"It is important for citizens to know that these groups are not solicitors and do not endorse any type of telephone solicitation," he said.

"Two governmental agencies provide protection from abusive and deceptive telemarketing sales practices; the Federal Communications Commission with the Consumer Protection

Act, and the Federal Trade Commission with the Telemarketing Sales Rules," Kern explained.

He noted the law makes it illegal for telemarketers to:

- Call you if you have clearly stated that you want to be added to their "Do Not Call List".
- Call before 8 a.m. and after 9 p.m.
- Tie up your home telephone line with auto-dialed and pre-recorded messages.
- Neglect to tell you their company name and what they are selling at the beginning of the call (prizes and promotions must be disclaimed, saying no purchase or payment is necessary to enter or win).
- Misrepresent any information.
- Ask for payment before telling you the total cost of goods, whether a sale is final or non-refundable, the odds of winning a prize, and any restrictions/conditions on getting the prize.
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Plant sale on tap


Saturday, May 18, has been set for the first annual plant sale by the Master Gardeners of Huron County.

Local gardeners will have their choice of perennials, ornamental grasses, hostas, asparagus crowns and more. Also available will be free growing information on a variety of plants.

Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer gardening and growing questions. The sale will be held at the Bad Axe City Park Pavilion, next to the Bad Axe Public Library. The sale will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., or when all plants are sold, whichever comes first.


Master Gardeners are gardening enthusiasts who volunteer in their community to share knowledge and encourage others in their love of gardening. If you are interested in plants and gardening and are willing to share your knowledge with others, consider signing up to become a Master Gardener.

For more information on the sale, call Master Gardener Theresa Woodward at (989) 269-2574. For more information on the Master Gardener program, call the MSU Extension office at (989) 269-9949.



FREE THINGS TO SEND FOR

(NAPS)—With its versatility and delicate flavor, American lamb can be a tasty option for weekday dinners, ranging from hearty stews to light yet sustaining pasta dishes. For more information on delicious, fresh American lamb, or for recipe ideas, call the American Lamb Information Center's hotline at 877-747-4566 or log onto www.lambchef.com.



A drug called Neovastat shows promise in increasing the survival time of some kidney cancer patients. Cancer patients or physicians interested in clinical trial participation, can get information about current trials by calling (888) 349-3232. To learn more about Neovastat and other anti-angiogenesis drugs or Aeterna laboratories, which makes the drug, visit www.aeterna.com.



LILY CHENG was the winner of a National Library Week drawing held recently at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City. Cheng's prize was a Curious George afghan and book.

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It's Hospital Week at Hills & Dales General Hospital!

Monday, May 13 - Friday, May 17, 2002

Activities Happening All Week		Ambulatory Care Clinics
Hospital Tours	10 a.m. & 2 p.m.	
Scholarship Book Sale	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Internal Medicine Physicians
Drawings/Refreshments	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Cardiac Services and Sleep Lab
MARC-Cass City Tours & Grip Tests	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Community Education
MARC-Caro Tours & Grip Tests	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Rehabilitation Services
Daily Highlights		Specialty Physicians
Monday, May 13th		Laboratory
Northwood Meadows Tours	2 p.m. & 4 p.m.	Podiatry Clinic
Call 872-8131 for more information		Respiratory Therapy
MARC-CC, Fat Analysis	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Community Health Clinic
Lasik Surgery Presentation	Noon in the DLC	Community Education
Dr. Krebs, Ophthalmologist		Community Physicians and Surgeons
Tuesday, May 14th		Occupational Health Services
Respiratory/Sleep Room Open House	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Thumb Area Home Care Agency
Pulse Oximeter Testing		Emergency Room with 24-hr physician coverage
Meet new ER/CHC physicians	10 a.m. & 2 p.m.	Radiology Imaging Department
MARC-CC, Fat Analysis	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Sleep Diagnostic Lab
Wednesday, May 15th		Assisted Living and Dementia Care Facility
Pakistan Culture Presentation	Ublly Clinic	
Dr. Qudus, Internal Medicine	Call 658-9191 for time	
Blood Sugar Analysis	8 a.m. - Noon in the DLC	
Northwood Meadows Tours	2 p.m. & 4 p.m.	
Call 872-8131 for more information		
MARC-CC, Fat Analysis	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	
Thursday, May 16th		
Nuclear Medicine Open House	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.	
Meet our new Dietitian: Q&A	8 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m.	
MARC-C, Fat Analysis	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.	
Friday, May 17th		
Employee Recognition	2 p.m.	
MARC-C, Fat Analysis	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.	

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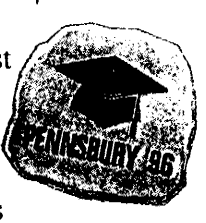



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Household Sales

GARAGE SALE - May 9-10, 9-5 p.m., 2 1/4 miles east of Cass City on M-81. 14-5-8-1

YARD SALE - May 10, 10-6 p.m. and May 11, 10-4 p.m. 4406 Woodland. 14-5-8-1

GARAGE SALE - Thursday & Friday, May 9-10, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 4376 Doerr Road, Cass City. Clothes, toys, king sized waterbed, washer, electric dryer, Low, low prices. 14-5-8-1

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NOW OPEN - Vassar Farmers' Market - every Friday, 11-4 p.m., at T North Pavilion behind Betty Lou's Restaurant. For more information, phone 989-693-6375. Vendors being accepted. 5-5-8-1

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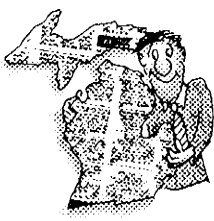
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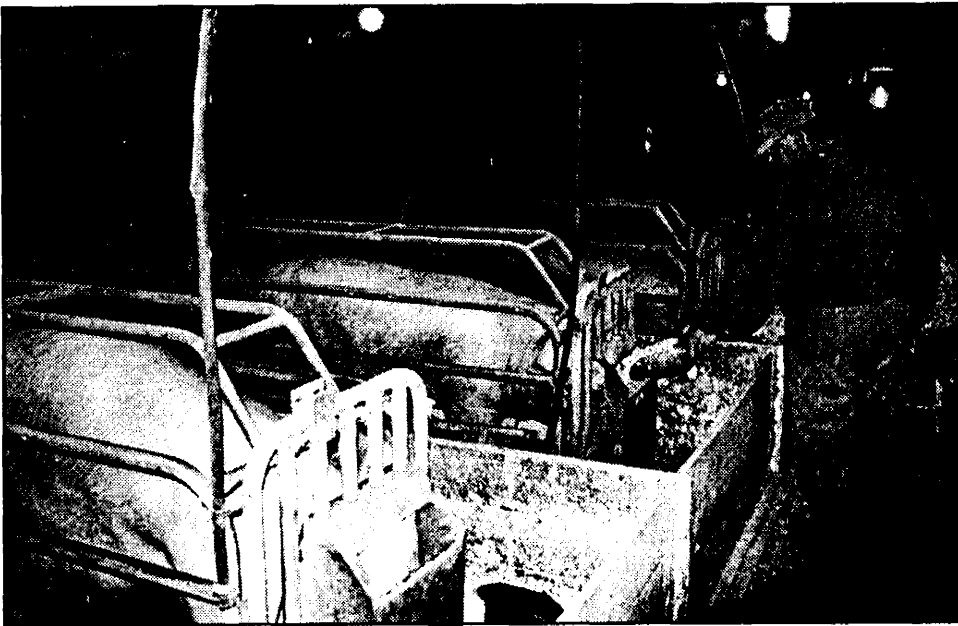
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DAVE LITTLE handles feeding chores in the farrowing barn, a heated facility where sows give birth and nurse their litters.

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dress out at a minimum 74 percent of total weight).

"And, they have to be 49 percent lean," Dave continued. "If it's (percentage) above that, you get a premium. We've had pigs as high as 56 percent, but most of them run 52 to 53 percent lean."

Unfortunately, he noted, the premiums often are only enough to cover transport costs when hogs are sold to a livestock yard that, in turn, ships the livestock off to another state.

However, while the Littles sell a considerable number

of hogs at the United Producers Inc. (formerly Michigan Livestock Exchange) yard east of Cass City, they also take advantage of other opportunities.

"Anymore I sell a lot of pigs to Caro Packing, so I don't get out to the yard every week," Dave said, adding he sells 300 to 400 pigs a year to the Caro company.

Success in producing top quality hogs depends on several factors, including nutrition. The Littles feed

their hogs high moisture corn along with a protein supplement. They also buy the best quality boars possible for breeding.

"We try to keep the sows that do the best job of raising their litters, and we keep gilts from those litters," Dave explained. He said they usually have 4 boars on hand and keep them for an average of 2 years. Breeding sows also remain on the farm for 2 or 3 years after 5 to 6 farrowings.

PLANTING UPDATE

The Littles' planting season is well underway, although things are not progressing quite as quickly as they would like thanks to a lack of warmth.

"We've probably got about 270 acres (of corn) planted now. That's not too bad, really, but I wish we had a few soybeans in the ground," Dave said. "We're ahead of a lot of guys."

"We started planting 2

weeks ago today (Thursday), and it's not up yet," he added, noting he and his father began planting around April 21 last year and the crop was emerging a week later. "But last year, when it started getting warm it stayed warm."

The Littles are taking it day by day, with hopes of getting the remainder of their corn crop planted by the end of this week so they can move on to the next job. "I think we're going to start soybeans real quick here," Dave said.

In Sanilac County

Fundraising targets new center

A concerned group of Sanilac County citizens is continuing to pursue funding for the new Sanilac County 4-H Dairy and Expo Center at the fairgrounds.

This facility currently houses dairy and small animals during the Sanilac County Fair and also provides a show ring for a variety of uses during the fair. The facility also houses the new ice skating rink that was used for the first time in March 2002.

The rink will be used during the winter by the community hockey program and the general public. The facility is also available to serve the general community for a variety of other purposes throughout the year.

One of the fund raising activities, of the groups involved (Sanilac County 4-H Dairy Committee and the Sanilac County 4-H Small Animal Committee) will be the fourth annual Sanilac County 4-H Dairy & Expo

Center Golf Outing.

The golf outing will be held Saturday, June 15, at the Woodland Hills Golf Club in Sandusky.

The outing will start with a free buffet breakfast at 9 a.m. sponsored by Michigan Milk Producers Association. The outing will follow a 4-person scramble format and start at 10 a.m. sharp. There will be plenty of prizes, drawings, and auctions. Cost of the outing is \$65/person (\$55 for WHGC members)

which includes golf and cart on the day of the outing plus a free 18 hole practice round any day up to one week before the outing and a certificate for a free 18 holes of golf at a later date.

All proceeds will benefit the building of the new Sanilac 4-H Dairy & Expo Center.

For more information and entry forms, contact the Michigan State University Extension office at (810) 648-2515 and ask for Craig Thomas.



DAVE LITTLE plants corn in an 80-acre field near the corner of Dodge and Kelly roads last week. He hopes to have the 425-acre crop in the ground by the end of this week.

State EDC honors McLoskey

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"Geraldine Prieskorn walked in the office and asked if I would ever consider applying for the job of director of the Tuscola County EDC."

McLoskey recalled his first reaction was that he didn't have the background or experience needed for the job. Still, he decided to give it a shot, and he was hired after interviewing with the EDC board.

"I guess you could say I just fell into the position," said McLoskey, who added board members knew he was "green," "but they saw that I had a real interest in Tuscola County."

According to Prieskorn, a former longtime county EDC member who still serves on the Cass City EDC board, there were several things that made McLoskey stand out.

"He has such good PR skills, with his radio voice and background," she said. "Those are good skills to have, and he was always such a likeable person. He could relate to people."

"He's served us very well," Prieskorn added. "I think it's been good for him. He's traveled around the state and met a lot of people. I think he's well regarded."

McLoskey recalled the job wasn't exactly what he expected.

"I thought it would be more deal-making and talking to bankers every other hour," he said. "But at this level, it's communication and being prepared for when you get that phone call that an ethanol plant is looking for a location."

McLoskey was referring to

Michigan's first value-added ethanol plant now under construction in the Caro Industrial Park. Michigan Ethanol, LLC, is building a \$55 million, 40-million-gallon ethanol processing facility that will utilize an estimated 14.3 million bushels of corn annually.

"It's probably the one project that's going to have an impact on 90 percent of the businesses and (many) residents in Tuscola County," McLoskey said. "It certainly has been a very rewarding project."

The road to closing the deal was a rocky one. Talks with Michigan Ethanol began in mid-December 2000, and the effort met stiff resistance. McLoskey calls it a propaganda campaign - in Vassar Township, where company officials initially wanted to build.

While attracting new business is an integral part of McLoskey's job, he's also involved with assisting businesses to relocate and expand. "We (also) try to make retention calls to all of the manufacturing firms in the county."

McLoskey's tools include knowing how to access local, state and federal incentives, including tax abatements and Renaissance Zones.

He acknowledged even the best efforts sometimes fall short. In Cass City, for example, McLoskey along with state and local EDC officials put together a \$4 million incentive package in an effort to convince General Cable to keep its Cass City plant open, but the corpora-

tion rejected the proposal and closed the doors last year, putting nearly 200 people out of work.

But success followed. The efforts of state, local and county EDC officials, including McLoskey, helped to secure Renaissance Zone status for the General Cable building, paving the way for Millennium Industries officials to move in with plans to create 100 new jobs over the next 5 years.

Success doesn't always happen that quickly. The key, McLoskey said, is preparation.

"I see my job as trying to get Tuscola County and the local units of government as

prepared as possible for the opportunities that may not land on our doorstep today, but may end up on our doorstep tomorrow," he added.

Aside from his job, McLoskey likes to take an active role in the community. A husband and father - he and wife Colleen have 2 daughters, Stephanie, 11, and Carolyn, 9 - he has volunteered with the Thumb Area Big Brothers Big Sisters since 1977 and currently serves as board secretary.

He is also active at First Baptist Church in Caro, the Thumb District of Boy Scouts of America, and Tuscola County Right to Life.

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