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LOCAL, COUNTY and state emergency response personnel and officials gathered in Cass City Saturday morning for a simulated disaster exercise involving a mock collision and a deadly mixture of farm chemicals.

Just a test

Disaster simulations test emergency agencies' readiness, response plans

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The scene in the parking lot behind Cass City High School Saturday morning was grim.

A pickup truck had backended a cargo van, and chemicals were leaking from the rear of the van, sending billows of poisonous gas into the air. A passenger in the van was already dead, and several others, including bystanders, suffered chemical burns and related injuries.

A Cass City police officer is the first to respond, but he, too, succumbs to the gas and dies.

The scene was make-believe, but the purpose of simulating such a disaster was very serious - to expose emergency response personnel to potentially deadly scenarios that could occur at anytime locally.

"It's very valuable," Elkland Township Fire Chief Ron Pawloski said of the training sessions, including Saturday's 2-hour exercise focusing on chemical hazards. "It was an excellent training session as far as I'm concerned.

"It's invaluable," agreed Sue Kappen, safety director at Hills and Dales General Hospital and chairperson of the local disaster committee.

From the hospital's perspective, Kappen explained, the simulations enable officials to target weaknesses and test policies, such as a relatively new decontamination policy. "This helps demonstrate a need, basically.

"From my personal point of view, I think everybody did an outstanding job, given the scenario, and what they had to work with," she added.

"We don't - knock on wood - have situations like this that come up on a yearly basis," Pawloski said. "It doesn't happen, but we know it's out there, and we know there's a potential for it to happen."

The simulated disaster was a cooperative effort involving Hills and Dales General Hospital, the Elkland Townships and Elmwood-Gagetown fire departments, local, county and state police departments, Tuscola County Emergency Management officials, MMR ambulance, Cass City Village officials, the Red Cross, and an area ham radio group.

Also participating were a number of emergency management officials from other counties, who served as evaluators, and a host of Cass City and Kingston high school students who volunteered to act as "victims".

"We sat down - I'm going to say - 4 months ago to start planning this. It takes a lot of planning," Pawloski said.

Saturday's exercises focused on the inherent dangers involved in transporting some common agricultural chemicals (in this case, copper sulfate crystals, diazinon and gramoxone).

It's a very common practice in the Thumb, according to Pawloski. "You can haul up to so many gallons, I think it's 5 gallons, and they don't need to be placarded (labeled on the outside of the vehicle)," he said. "When you get all 3 of those chemicals mixed. . .that's what we were looking at.

"The biggest (danger) is the bystanders and everybody coming into contact with the chemicals. There's curiosity. They're (bystanders) going to go out and see what happened, and see what they can do."

After arriving near the scene - fire trucks were parked several yards away from the "accident" — fire fighters set up a command post and 2 firemen, wearing air packs, walked to the vehicles to assess the situation and injuries. Ambulance crews, meanwhile, waited near the fire trucks.

"Today, you can't just go busting in there. You have to survey the scene, check

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FIRE FIGHTERS assist several "victims", played by Cass City and Kingston high school students, in the parking lot behind Cass City High School.

Study: new laws cut accidents

A study of the state's Repeat Offender laws conducted by the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute (UMTRI) reveals that the number of crashes involving repeat offenders with multiple alcohol convictions has decreased 39 percent since the laws were enacted.

Official results from the 3-year study are expected to be published in November, but Secretary of State Candice S. Miller said the initial news is heartening.

"The results of this study provide empirical evidence to support much of what we've been seeing all along - that the Repeat Offender laws are having an impact in reducing drunk-driving crash rates and the injuries associated with them," Miller said.

The Michigan Department of State, UMTRI and the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning identified 14 research objectives for the study, which was required under the laws. Rates for crashes, injuries, fatalities, and violations were analyzed and compared before and after Oct. 1, 1999, the date the laws went into effect. Among the findings are:

- The crash rate for drivers with 2 or more alcohol-related convictions decreased 39 percent, resulting in a 40 percent decrease in injuries.
- The crash rate for drivers under suspension or revocation decreased 30 percent, resulting in a 37 percent decrease in injury rates and a 13 percent decrease in fatalities.
- The number of drivers with 2 or more alcohol-related convictions dropped 5 percent, while the number of drivers with 3 or more alcohol-related convictions dropped 18 percent.

That's good news, but business remains brisk in Tuscola County District Judge Kim Glaspie's courtroom.

In that regard (fewer crashes), there's a greater awareness and a greater sense of responsibility on those who drink and drive," Glaspie said.

At the same time, he added, there's no lack of first-time and repeat offenders who drink and drive or violate license restrictions.

"I haven't gone through our caseload, but our number of alcohol-related offenses hasn't changed significantly, although there may be a change in terms of the repeat offenders," said Glaspie, who typically sees 350 to 450 drunk driving cases annually.

Glaspie said one of the most significant aspects of the new laws involves the ability to immobilize the vehicles of repeat offenders.

"We're doing more of that, but half the time these people aren't driving their own vehicles anyway," he added. "I don't think that's been that great of a deterrent. The reality of it is, people who are suspended typically need to drive to go to work, so they take that chance."

The Repeat Offender laws were implemented to strengthen legal consequences for repeat alcohol offenders, aid law enforcement in separating multiple offenders from their vehicles and provide uniform licensing actions and treatments.

Under the laws, motorists arrested for drunk driving a second time or driving on a suspended license a third time will have their metal license plate confiscated. If convicted, their vehicles can be immobilized up to six months. Drivers whose license is revoked for 3 or more drunk-driving or 4 driving-while-license-suspended convictions cannot register a vehicle until they are re-licensed.

The laws also called for new sanctions including vehicle immobilization and forfeiture, ignition interlocks, and mandatory substance abuse treatment. The laws created the new felony crimes of driving-while-license-suspended causing injury/death, allowing another person to drive while suspended causing injury/death, and driving drunk with passengers under age 16.

The study noted that sanctions permitted under the laws were under-utilized, including vehicle immobilization, license plate confiscation, and ignition interlocks for drivers returning to the

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Caro woman faces exam in robbery

A Caro woman faces a preliminary examination Friday morning in Tuscola County District Court on charges stemming from a recent armed robbery at the Caro branch of Independent Bank.

Alicia Lynn Bailey, 21, was arrested following the morning of the robbery and has been charged with armed robbery and 2 counts of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Bailey is being held on a $500,000 bond.

The robbery was reported Saturday, Oct. 26, at about 8:45 a.m. at the bank, located at 1111 W. Caro Rd. The suspect was described as driving a white, 300M 2001, 4-door Chrysler automobile, according to Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark Reene, who said the suspect was armed with a large knife and wore a mask and dark colored hood.

"An undisclosed sum of money was taken from the ATM machine located outside the bank where 2 bank employees were working," Reene said.

The incident remains under investigation by the Caro Police Department and the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department.

Anyone who may have seen the suspect car in the Caro area during the morning hours of Oct. 26, or who has any information related to the case, is asked to contact the Caro Police Department at (989) 673-2402.

A CASS CITY area man was the winning bidder in the auction sale of an Argyle Road farm that housed a large marijuana growing/manufacturing operation in the mid-1990s. The property, which was later forfeited, sold for $170,500.

Cass City bidder pays $170,500 in farm auction

A Cass City area man was the winning bidder in the auction of an Argyle Road farm that served as headquarters of a sophisticated marijuana growing and processing operation in the mid-1990s.

The U.S. Marshal's Service auctioned the 74.5-acre Evergreen Township farm via the Internet late last month, just one week shy of the anniversary of the start of a Sanilac County Drug Task Force investigation that led to the conviction of 10 suspects from out of state.

There were 30 bids in all, and the winning bid totaled $170,500.

"I know the winning bidder and another bidder, so I know there were multiple bidders. I suspect there were a half-dozen or so, at least initially," said Sanilac County Drug Task Force Director Bill Gray.

Gray wouldn't name the winning bidder, but said the man and his brother and one of their sons purchased the property together. "I was told they're buying it for hunting, primarily," he said.

The Sanilac County farm was ordered forfeited to the U.S. Justice Department and the Sanilac County Drug Task Force, which will receive the lion's share of the sale proceeds.

After the auction costs are deducted, 20 percent of the net proceeds will be retained by the U.S. Justice Department, while the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) will retain 12 percent. The remaining 68 percent will go to the Sanilac County task force.

"It's probably going to be, I would think, $100,000 or more," Gray said. "This will be Sanilac County's largest amount (from a forfeiture). It's a substantial chunk of money for a unit such as ours. It would be a huge amount for any rural area."

Gray noted the unit typically takes in $25,000 to $30,000 annually through property seizures and forfeiture proceedings.

Gray doesn't expect to receive a check for another 18 months to 2 years, but he said the money is already earmarked for expenditures that will enhance drug enforcement activity in the county.

"This will give us the ability to buy equipment we need but can't afford," he said. Possible examples, he added, are improved computer programs, night vision equipment, and training for law enforcement agencies in the county. He noted the drug task force recently used forfeiture money to provide a grant match to purchase 17 bulletproof vests for Sanilac County Sheriff's Department road patrol officers.

Although the money will be welcome, Gray said it won't cover the actual costs - from tens of thousands of man-hours to travel expenses - the unit spent investigating the marijuana operation for a 6-year period.

The operation was discovered Oct. 31, 1996, after neighbors reported horses running loose at the farm, located at 5647 Argyle Rd.

Responding officers se-

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Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 658-2347

Weekend guests of Mrs. Mary Beardsley were Ms. Rose Wills, Mr. and Mrs. David Beardsley Sr. and daughter, Trinity, and Mrs. Jan Shotwell of Dryden, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wills Sr. and son, Joe Jr. of Cadillac, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Wills and sons, Thomas and Michael, Ms. Debra Wills and son, Nicholas, of Fruitport, and Dawn and Les Dyer of White Lake.

The Young Ideas Farm Bureau group met at the home of Ray and Rita Depcinski Thursday evening. Joe Sweeney led the discussion and showed a video on television. After the meeting, cards were played and high prizes were won by Clarence and Pat Heleski, low prizes were won by Hilda Sweeney and Joe Wolschlager. The next meeting will be held at the home of Clarence and Pat Heleski on December 6th.

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

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

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumptz, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rumptz, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Adams, Mrs. Jerry Grifka and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson had dinner at the Dutch Kettle in Pigeon Friday.

Ray and Rita Depcinski attended the ham and sausage dinner at St. Anthony's Catholic Church at Helena Sunday.

Dick Wallace visited Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming on Wednesday.

Mrs. David Hacker spent Thursday with Mrs. Earl Schenk.

Don Rackhoff, Margaret Cook, Doris Western, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel and Allen Farrelly had dinner at the Stockyards Restaurant in Cass City on Tuesday.

11 members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill Thursday morning. They will meet at the Big Boy Restaurant next week.

John and Fran Krozek, Bob Krozek and friend and Aunt Edna of Kinde, Betty Myers of Gladwin, Nancy Carpenter, Michael, Jessica and Timothy of Caro, Carol Ostantoski of Bad Axe, Richard and Cindy Depcinski and Brooke Depcinski, Ray and Rita Depcinski were Sunday afternoon guests of Greg and Susan Krozek and family at Filion for pizza and cake for Samantha Krozek's 7th birthday. Carol Osantoski made and decorated the birthday cake.

Claud Mestack, Ron Wolschlager, Allen Farrelly, Jack Kennedy and Jim Lewis met for breakfast at McDonald's in Bad Axe Thursday morning.

Visitors at the home of Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Lyle and Jean Clark, Lee Horton, Mrs. Hiram Keyser, Mrs. Gerald Wills and Thelma Jackson.

Michelle and Ethan Reid of Clinton Township spent the weekend with Melvin and Charlotte Particka.

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

Allen and Alice Depcinski, Tom and Linda O'Henley and Paul, Elaine and Dale Laming, Kevin, Tracy, Gary and Lisa, Albert and Ann Depcinski, Steve, Andy and Heather, Karen and Randy Rutkowski, Brian, Julie and Amy, and Ervin Depcinski attended the wedding of Sheila Iseler and Jeremy Maschke at 3 o'clock at the Port Hope Methodist Church - a reception followed at the Port Hope Amvet Hall on Saturday.

It's a boy!

Ian James Davis

A son, Ian James, was born to Jennifer and Tim Davis of Pellston Sept. 5, 2002 at 2:11 a.m. at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

He weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces.

Grandparents are Alan and Kathy Milligan of Cass City and John and JoAnne Davis of Harbor Springs. Great-grandparents are James and Stella Ballagh of Ubly and Anna Davis of Petoskey.

It's a boy!

Trevor Stanley Wallace

Stan and Marla (Goslin) Wallace of Lake Orion announce the birth of their son, Trevor Stanley Wallace.

He was born Sept. 24, 2002 at Crittenton Hospital in Rochester Hills. He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Francis and Evelyn Goslin of Gagetown and paternal grandparents are Penne Wallace and the late Stanley Wallace of Adair.

Campbell students on the honor roll

Campbell Elementary School announces the first marking period honor roll.

Brittany Asher-Lynch, Jeffrey Bliss Jr., Brittany Brown, BJ Carter, Jeffrey Crandall, Daniel Deering, Austin Deering, Joey Doerr, Cameron Dunnuck, Lesley Eberline, Taylor Forrest, Kendra Grady, Chelsea Green, Brooke Hartwick, Angela Janssen, Zuni Jilani, Nicholas Karavas, Troy Kausch, Justin Ketterer, Michael Lange, Channing Langenburg, Jeffery Leslie, Rebecca Leslie, Thomas LeValley, Aaron Magiera, Colin Mason, Tony McArthur, Logan Mika, Michael Milligan*, Brandon Montgomery, Eric Montreuil, Jessica Mulrath, Katie Nizzola, Mitch O'Dell, Austin Osentoski, Rowland Parr, McKensie Parrish, Hayley Peters, Caitlin Reed*, Kelsey Russell, Robby Simpson, Vicki Spencer, Mariah Tabar, Rob VanAuken, Alex Varney*, Shawn Wentworth, Bradley Whittaker, Thomas Woodruff, Dallas Woodward, Jeremy Wright, Molly Wynn, Lauren Zdrojewski.

*Denotes all A's

In response to a column about memories of Parrott's Dairy Bar, Thelma (Sickler) Gaeth of Leesburg, FL, wrote to tell me about her experiences working at the dairy bar back in the 1940s. She said she got 20 cents an hour and all she wanted to eat.

Although these instructions don't apply to soda jerks per se and were obviously before the ERA era, Thelma might be able to relate to this excerpt from the July 1943 issue of "Mass Transportation", informing male supervisors on how to cope with female employees.

(Can you imagine the lawsuits if these suggestions were printed today?)

*Pick young married women. They usually have more of a sense of responsibility than their unmarried sisters, they're less likely to be flirtatious, they need the work or they wouldn't be doing it, they still have the pep and interest to work hard and to deal with the public efficiently.

*When you have to use older women, try to get ones who have worked outside the home at some time in their lives. Older women who have never contacted the public have a hard time adapting themselves and are inclined to be cantankerous and fussy.

*It's always well to impress upon older women the importance of friendliness and courtesy.

*General experience indicates that "husky" girls - just a little on the heavy side - are more even-tempered than their underweight sisters.

*Retain a physician to give each woman you hire a special physical examination covering female conditions. This step not only protects the property against the possibilities of lawsuit, but reveals whether the employee-to-be has any female weaknesses which would make her mentally or physically unfit for the job.

*Stress at the outset the importance of time - the fact that a minute or 2 lost here and there makes serious inroads on schedules. Until this point is gotten across, service is likely to be slowed up.

*Give the female employees a definite daylong schedule of duties so that they'll keep busy without bothering the management for instructions every few minutes. Women make excellent workers when they have their jobs cut out for them, but they lack initiative in finding work themselves.

*Whenever possible, let the inside employee change from one job to another at some time during the day. Women are inclined to be less nervous and happier with change.

*Give every girl an adequate number of rest periods during the day. You have to make allowances for feminine psychology. A girl has more confidence and is more efficient if she can keep her hair tidied, apply fresh lipstick and wash her hands several times a day.

*Be tactful when issuing instructions or in making criticisms. Women are often sensitive; they can't shrug off harsh words the way men do. Never ridicule a woman - it breaks her spirit and cuts off her efficiency.

*Be reasonably considerate about using strong language around women. Even though a girl's husband or father may swear vociferously, she'll grow to dislike a place of business where she hears too much of this.

*Get enough size variety in uniforms so that each girl can have a proper fit. This point can't be stressed too much in keeping women happy.

Earl and Doris Hendrick

Hendricks mark 50th anniversary

A surprise 50th anniversary dinner for Earl Owen and Doris Lewis Hendrick was held Saturday, Oct. 26 at Ubly Heights, after which everyone returned to their home for an enjoyable evening.

They were married Oct. 25, 1952 at the Colling Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Alvin Richards officiating.

The only bridesmaid able to attend was Eldonna Evans Schrader and her husband Lee.

Their children present were Terry and Debb Hendrick and Charles and Kelli Hendrick and their grandchildren Lindsey, Ashley and Carley.

Guests were from Vassar, Mt. Morris, Houghton Lake, Chesaning, Kalamazoo, Caro, Cass City and Decker.

Parent-teacher conferences set

Owendale-Gagetown Schools will be having parent/teacher conferences Thursday from 1 to 7 p.m.

Elementary conferences will be held in the Gagetown gymnasium, and the junior/senior high school conferences will be held in the Owendale cafeteria. Information and school calendars will also be available.

All parents/guardians are invited and encouraged to attend.

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Scrapbooking Soars

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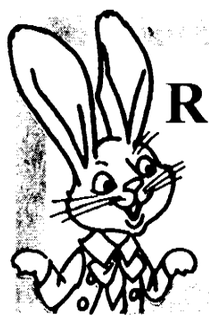

Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Allen Jahovic spread a little sunshine over me and the staff at the Chronicle. He called from his home at Grand Terrace, Calif. to say that he enjoys reading the Chronicle more than he does another area paper.

He made the sun really shine when he then ordered the Chronicle for his sister who lives in Elkton.

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Ordinarily we don't announce winners of raffles, but the kids twisted my arm so here goes:

There was a double winner in a raffle held at an Owen-Gage basketball game recently. Kathy Champagne took home $42 as the winner of a 50-50 raffle.

The sophomore class pocketed the rest to take care of coming class expenses.

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We were all ready to announce that Halloween this year was the quietest ever and it still might have been, but——

At our house we had a total of 7 trick or treaters, as compared to the usual 35 to 50. Doug Hyatt reports that he had only 4. There were oodles of free candy for kids left at Mr. Chips.

My theory about the absence of activity was severely tested when Joann Asher said that more visitors knocked at her door than usual. So much so that she ran out of candy.

Too bad I didn't know. I could have helped her with the mountains of goodies left sitting by the door at our house.

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Beet goes on - sugar plants mark 100 years

Michigan Sugar Company is celebrating the centennial anniversary of 3 of its factories located in Sebewaing, Croswell and Carrollton with open houses, tours and historical displays.

The company will kick off celebrations in Sebewaing Friday and Saturday.

"When these factories first opened their doors to the sugar beet industry in 1902, they quickly became an integral part of the community," said Mark Flegenheimer, president and CEO of Michigan Sugar Company. "One hundred years later, we are proud to see that these factories are still going strong, providing economic stability and opportunity to mid-Michigan."

During their first campaign, one hundred years ago, the 3 factories, together, sliced 126,270 tons of beets at an average of 1,804 tons per day, producing 23.1 million pounds of sugar. Today, those same factories produce more than 450 million pounds of sugar out of some 1,750,000 tons of beets at an average slice rate of 12,300 tons per day.

"These factories are a testament to the commitment of our growers and their communities," said Tom Zimmer, chairman of Michigan Sugar Company's board of directors. "Without their support, the Michigan sugar beet industry would never have overcome many challenges, allowing it to span several generations."

In addition to the factories in Sebewaing, Croswell and Carrollton, Michigan Sugar Company also operates another sugar beet processing facility in Caro, and 2 packaging/distribution centers in northern Ohio.

The Caro facility is the oldest operating sugar beet factory in the United States and is in its 102nd year of operation.

Tree research

Studies supported by Michigan's Project GREEN (Generating Research and Extension to meet Environmental and Economic Needs) are researching various planting stock and shearing programs to produce Scotch pine trees in less time.

The tree is popular among Michigan Christmas tree growers because it's easy to grow, responds well to traditional management practices and can be harvested early.

Vandals target businesses, home

Vandals recently targeted a pair of businesses and a residence in Cass City.

According to reports filed at the Cass City Police Department, officials at Cass City Tire and Auto Repair reported someone apparently threw a rock at and broke a window at the business Friday night or early Saturday morning.

In other reports:

•Vincent R. Dillon, Cass City, reported someone threw a small pumpkin at his Seed Street residence Halloween night, damaging a section of siding.

•A Cass City officer stopped a Cass City juvenile at an ATM outside the Cass City branch of Independent Bank, 6241 Main Street, Oct. 27. The boy had tar on his hands and there was tar on the ATM, according to reports, which state the boy was released to his parents.

The Haire Net

Look for improvements at the Cass City walking Rail Trail as Dustin Mallory, 16, works toward earning Eagle Scout rank, the top Boy Scout honor available.

Mallory's project is an ambitious one that will benefit the community, but to do the job completely he will need a little outside help.

Mallory has received permission from the village and the scouting hierarchy for the project. My job is to supervise the project with other scouts and raise the funds needed, he says.

The work includes repairing vandalized signs, cutting back plants to give them more visibility, repairing barricades and cleaning up litter.

Installation of signs on the trail marked to show how far it is from various entry points is on the docket.

Regular walkers will quickly attest to the need for these improvements. They also know that more is needed. The trail from Garfield Street to its end at the Cass River is well defined and in comparatively good condition, although there are a few spots that could stand a little fill. Nothing serious there.

From Garfield north it's a different story. South of Main Street, next to the elevator, there is no trail and it's impossible to tell if walkers should be traipsing through what appears to be the elevator parking lot or trampling the grass in the lot next to McDonald's.

North of Garfield, the trail is nearly obscured as grass and weeds have just about covered the trail.

These aren't major problems, but they do detract from what was planned to make Cass City a little more attractive to visitors and a little better quality of life for everyone.

Providing a walking trail for the community has previously been unsuccessful. Cass City Rotary built one in the woods at Cass City Recreational Park complete with exercise stations. It was vandalized almost immediately, rebuilt by Rotarians, and trashed again.

The Rail Trail is mostly out in the open and probably will stand the test of time. But it does need attention.

Now that the scouts are helping make it better, it seems to be the right time for the village to lend a hand and complete the job.

Dustin Mallory will thank you and so will all of us who trudge the trail.

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The back forty

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by Roger Pond

I see they have another protest going in Eugene, Oregon. I think that town has more protesters per capita than any other place in the world. (Or "More nuts per square mile," as a former Secretary of Agriculture used to say.)

This time it's a homeless guy who moved to Eugene from Los Angeles a few months ago. I'm not sure how a homeless guy moves, but he probably doesn't need much of a van.

This fellow goes by the name of Khi and is the leader of a group called the Homeless Initiative. The group is protesting the city's lack of camping spaces.

Khi plans to sit in a tree in a downtown park until the city provides a campground for him. City officials say they don't plan to do anything to get him out of the tree.

Why not? They could send up some squirrels or something!

A story in The Oregonian quotes the tree-sitter as saying, "We're going to be out here for as long as it takes. I've got 20 years ahead of me and nothing to do but this."

One has to wonder about folks like that. This man would rather spend 20 years sitting in a tree than get a job and do something worthwhile.

A person with those kinds of skills should be able to do something. He could be a night watchman. Up in a tree, he could see everything!

Maybe a biologist? Check the birds' nests and see how they're doing. And there's always room for more pickers in the fruit country.

I've always wondered about folks who work harder trying to get out of work than they would if they had a real job. I'm reminded of a panhandler we saw in Seattle years ago.

My wife and I were traveling with my brother-in-law, John, and his fiancée. We had just dropped the other couple off at Pike Street Market and were waiting at a stoplight.

A panhandler was standing at the pedestrian crossing and hassling everyone who tried to cross the street. This man was quite aggressive, and while I couldn't tell what he was saying he obviously had his spiel well memorized.

The thought went through my head that this fellow might make an excellent used car salesman. He was on his victims in a flash and didn't give up until they insulted him in some way.

He could be a telemarketer. "Hello, Mr. Pond. I'm just calling to let you know you've been approved for our new low interest credit card scam."

Just as I finished analyzing this fellow's employment opportunities, my brother-in-law and his fiancée started to cross the street. John is six feet-five and weighs around 240 pounds.

The panhandler turned around and came eye to eye with the third button on John's shirt. He never said a word; just turned around and started looking for another customer.

See what I mean? This guy could size up clients like nobody's business.

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The depth and complexity of skills tested in math, science, reading, writing and social studies often surprise people once they see the test. Today's students are expected to demonstrate critical thinking and reasoning skills at far earlier ages than we adults typically were.

Cass City community members are cordially invited to the Cass City High School Library on Monday, November 11 at 7:00 p.m. to test their skills with MEAP questions. This event is hosted by Cass City Public Schools and Superintendent Ken Micklash will lead you through representative questions of the test. The session will conclude in approximately one hour. In order for us to estimate the possible number of participants, please call 872-2200 to let us know you plan to attend or if you are unsure please feel free to join us at the last minute, if your schedule allows. Thank you.

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

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Alissa's Article

by Alissa Pasant

On Saturday, November 2, Cass City was involved in a "Disaster Drill." This is a drill to see if ever a disaster happened, how people would react in case of an emergency. The emergency personnel knew that a drill like this was going to take place, but they didn't know exactly when it would happen or what it was.

Hills and Dales General Hospital had a committee, called the Disaster Drill Committee, made up of 6 people. These 6 staff members started planning this drill in June. The scenario for this event was that a passenger vehicle crashed into the back of a chemical truck behind the Cass City High School. The chemicals in the truck were toxic chemicals.

In order to make this drill work, the committee needed help from community members, emergency personnel and high school students. A couple of weeks ago, two members from the committee went to a National Honor Society meeting at the high school to inform the members what would be happening. Here they asked for about 30 volunteers to help out at the drill.

The volunteers could be victims, reporters, or bystanders. The victims had make up put on them to make them look like they had been in an accident. Some victims supposedly had head injuries, bruises, a fractured leg, and burns from the chemicals. The reporters were asked to be nosy about what happened so they could see how the police and other people in charge would handle them. The bystanders were people that just saw what happened and wanted to know what exactly was going on. These roles were played by Cass City High School students and Kingston High School Students.

In all there were 75-100 people that helped to make this drill a success. Besides the students, there were American Red Cross workers, the hospital workers, the ambulance crew, and the fire and police departments. The purpose of this drill was to see how prepared the community is if a disaster really happened. Also, to exercise the established plan that is set up for emergencies and see what works and what needs to be changed.

The actual drill started at 9:00 a.m. when a Cass City student put a call in to 911. When the student called he had to make sure he told them that this was a drill. Within a few minutes, a Cass City officer arrived at the scene. Following him, the ambulance and the fire department came. No one could do anything until the fire department came and checked out the scene, because the chemicals were toxic. If this really happened, in real life, the people exposed to them could die. The drill ended at the hospital where the doctors on duty had to figure out what was wrong with the victims.

Overall, the drill went well. The hospital feels that they got a lot out of it. This was a great way to see how the community will react and what would really happen if there was a disaster.

In circuit court

Several face charges

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

*David A. Samuel, 36, Saginaw, was found innocent of assault with a dangerous weapon Oct. 2, 2001, in Vassar, following a one-day jury trial.

•Aaron E. Miller Jr., 33, Mt. Morris, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Oct. 10 in Arbela Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at $8,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Michael F. Taylor, 19, Silverwood, pleaded guilty to joyriding Oct. 4 in Dayton Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at $8,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be set.

•Ralph D. Englehart, 27, Marlette, pleaded no contest to attempted arson of insured property (truck) Nov. 21 in Koylton Township.

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

•Calvin J. Colman II, 20, Vassar, was sentenced to 23 months to 10 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny Aug. 12 and Aug. 15 in Vassar.

•Jeremy A. Webster, 21, Akron, was sentenced to 45 days in the county jail and 24 months probation for his plea of guilty to cutting phone lines and domestic violence March 18 in Akron.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling $1,520.

•Timothy R. Lemmon, 35, Vassar, was sentenced to 36 months probation and 45 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to third degree home invasion March 10 in Vassar Township.

He was also ordered to complete his high school education and pay costs and fines of $1,120.

•Matthew S. Hollenbeck, 18, Mayville, received a one-year delayed sentence for his plea of guilty to fourth degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years Sept. 30, 2001, in Fremont Township.

He was ordered to serve 12 months probation and pay costs and fines totaling $580.

•Lloyd J. Newsome II, 41, Caro, was sentenced to 18 months probation and 45 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to attempted delivery/manufacture of marijuana July 24, 2001, in Wells Township.

He was also ordered to pay $2,520 in costs and fines plus a $150 forensics fee.

•Michael S. Miller, 27, Cass City, pleaded guilty to possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony March 20 in Cass City.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at $4,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be set.

•Jacob A. Smith, 21, Caro, stood mute to a charge of unlawfully driving away an automobile Aug. 12 in Ellington Township.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at $15,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•James N. Griffin, 24, Auburn, was sentenced to 2 to 5 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to fleeing and eluding a police officer, resisting and obstructing a police officer, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance July 6 in Denmark Township.

He was also ordered to pay $270 in fees.

•Bruce A. Johnson, 33, Millington, was sentenced to 180 days in jail and ordered to pay $120 in costs and fines for his pleas of no contest to resisting and obstructing a police officer and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor Jan. 5 in Vassar Township.

•Jacqulyn E. Herman, 46, Caro, pleaded guilty to forgery and uttering and publishing involving a $1,500 check drawn on Bank One April 1 in Kingston.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at $10,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Adam J. Proctor, 26, Mayville, pleaded no contest to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, April 27 in Fremont Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at $10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Sandra M. Berry, 43, Mayville, was sentenced to 2 years in prison for her jury conviction on charges of possession of cocaine (less than 25 grams), second offense, possession of a firearm by a felon, and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony Oct. 23, 2001, in Watertown Township.

•Sherry L. Sanford, 26, Marlette, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 90 days in jail (deferred to the end of probation) for her plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, March 25 in Ellington Township.

She was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling $1,310.

•Laura J. Wiltse, 24, Caro, pleaded guilty to forgery involving a $4,500 check drawn on Wachovia/First USA Management Services Inc. Dec. 9 in Indianfields Township.

She was also ordered to pay $920 in costs and fines plus restitution of $2,461.47.

•Brent R. Barrons, 21, Kingston, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 180 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor - causing serious injury Nov. 22 in Ellington Township.

He was also ordered to pay $1,120 in costs and fines plus a $150 forensics fee.

Cattlemen's Association recognizes T. Ruggles

This year marks the 20th year of the Top Hand Club program, which recognizes individuals who are building a stronger association through their membership recruitment efforts.

One hundred sixty-three National Cattlemen's Beef Association members recruited 3 or more new members between Oct. 1, 2001 and Sept. 30, 2002 to join the 2002 Top Hand Club.

Michigan Cattlemen's Association (MCA) members Monte Bordner of Sturgis, Maury Kaercher of Kalamazoo, Chuck Markley of Byron and Tim Ruggles of Kingston each recruited 3 or more new association members between Oct. 1, 2001 and Sept. 30, 2002 to become Top Hand Club members for 2002.

"Top Hand Club members are a special group who are active in all facets of the beef industry, from national board and committee members to state leadership," says Kathleen Hawkins, executive vice president of the Michigan Cattlemen's Association. "Only by strengthening the membership base of both MCA and NCBA through recruiting can producers strengthen their own voice, as well as the voice of the industry, in Michigan and in Washington, D.C."

The NCBA Top Hand Club program, sponsored exclusively by Merial, rewards recruiters for their efforts with prizes ranging from NCBA apparel and promotional items to Cattle Industry Annual Convention travel packages. In addition, Top Hand Club members receive red carpet treatment, including preferred seating, at NCBA convention events.

Potluck dinner Nov. 11

The Cass City VFW Post 3644 Veterans and Ladies Auxiliary will be having a potluck dinner Monday, Nov. 11, at 5 p.m. to commemorate Veterans Day.

Please bring a dish to pass. All members of VFW Post 3644 and all post 3644 Auxiliary members and their families are invited to attend.

Letters to the editor

Luths seek vandals

Last weekend we had extensive vandalism to our 2 enter and exit signs at the front of our parking lot. We also had damage to the road sign. The 2 enter and exit signs are not usable and must be replaced.

As you know we do much in the community and with our employees. This type of vandalism will cost our company and will affect our ability to do the things we enjoy doing. These signs cannot be repaired, they must both be replaced.

In the current economic times, insurance costs are rising and our deductibles have also increased. We are certain someone out there knows something; we are hoping that just one individual will have the courage to come forward.

We are asking for your help. If you know of the person or persons who struck our signs, we would like to know. We are offering a reward for information regarding those who felt it necessary to damage our property without regard to our community responsibility or our employees.

At this point, we only want to seek restitution for the cost to replace the signs. However, if the guilty parties do not come forward, we will seek legal and civil action.

Anyone with information that would like to share it with us anonymously, can either leave it on our answering machine at (989) 892-5037 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., or you can write us: McDonald's, Jim and Johanne Luth, 1495 Center Road, Essexville, MI 48732.

If you would like to share in the reward you can:

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Or you can call us at the office at (989) 892-5037, anytime. Remember if you are seeking the reward and have useful information that will help us with our investigation you must give your name and phone number so we can call you back, with details.

A reward will be given to those who come forward with meaningful information that results in the suspects being apprehended.

Thank you for your cooperation and for your support of the business that supports this community.

Lifestyle choice yours by design

Homosexual Truths found in the Bible (a book inspired by God himself).

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor male prostitutes, nor homosexual offenders, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor slanderers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God."

Now these verses describe almost everyone we know, Right? So, who will inherit the kingdom of God?

Continue with verse 11. And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

1 Peter 2:11 Says to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul.

In short, repent (change the way you think) and be washed (Baptized into Christ).

The gift of grace is free for everyone. Is homosexuality a sin? Yes, but it's not the only one. Accept that your sin is wrong, and God will do the rest. If you'll let Him.

The choice is yours by design.

Your sister in Christ,
Darla DeLuyck,
Cass City

Letters to the Editor

The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

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

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

The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

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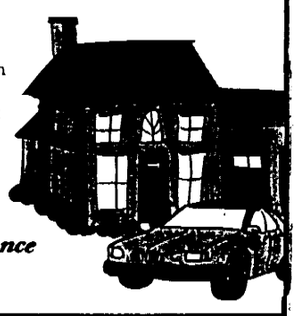

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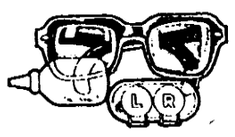

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Village Clerk

READY TO HIT the hole is Tyler Terbusch, son of Heather and Jim Terbusch. Helping with the game are Chris Binder, Lauren Dillon and Danielle Johnson.

ONE OF THE POPULAR events at the Halloween party staged at the Cass City Middle School was face painting. The event was a fund-raiser sponsored by the American Association of University Women last week. The money raised was to fund the RIF book program and the July 4 Festival paint-in. Spokeswomen for the AAUW were not prepared to reveal how much was raised or the number of persons attending. Receiving the full treatment from Dorothy McFarland is Kristen Bradley, daughter of Lisa and Gary Bradley.

King, Nicol, Jamison, Froede earn top honor

Four times a year a student from each of the 4 buildings in the Cass City district is selected to receive the award of excellence for outstanding contributions to the school, or the community.

The students do not necessarily need to be top scholars, although many times they are. Supt. Ken Micklash pointed out that the students can take pride in being one of 16 to earn this honor each year.

Students selected for October were feted by school board members Monday night last week before friends and relatives.

Larissa King, daughter of Mary Lou and Donald King, was selected from Deford Elementary School. In the second grade, her teacher, Kathleen Dorland, writes that she is friendly, trustworthy and leads others as she works through many tasks.

Ethan Nicol, son of Jerry and Karen Nicol, Cass City, was named from Campbell Elementary School. He is in the third grade. His teach, Rebecca Walker, says that Ethan is an exceptional student who seeks out more difficult subject matter. He is always willing to help others.

A good poet, he has written numerous pieces. He is a young businessman, selling chickens and eggs.

Stephanie Jamison, daughter of Jim and Diane Jamison, Cass City, is the Cass City Middle School representative. She was a consensus selection of the eighth grade teaching staff. She is described as being one of several students in the eighth grade that exemplifies what the teachers visualize as a model citizen.

One of her traits, the teachers say, that put her at the top of her class is the ability and effort she puts into working with and helping other students on assignments and other school activities.

Ashley Froede, daughter of Bryan and Gloria Froede of Cass City, is a senior and was selected from the high school. She is a member of the student council, senior class treasurer and head of the calendar committee. She is the secretary of the National Honor Society.

Teacher Garrett Gordon reported that she is a very good student, hard working, conscientious and an excellent role model for the rest of the class.

THE FIRST OF FOUR awards of excellence presented 4 times during the school year went to, from left, front row, Ethan Nicol and Larissa King. Back row, Ashley Froede and Stephanie Jamison.

Shabbona church to host dinner

The Shabbona United Methodist Church will be hosting the first dinner in their new facility Saturday, Nov. 9 from 4 to 8 p.m. Proceeds from the all-you-can-eat turkey dinner will be used to send children and youth to Bay Shore Camp.

The church was moved in August from Shabbona to its present site one mile north of Shabbona at the corner of Decker and Severance Roads.

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There are many good reasons to volunteer our time and talents. Obviously, volunteering helps others who may need our services, but it also benefits the volunteers as well. There is nothing like helping others to take our minds off of our own problems. Most people who are anxious or depressed spend far too much time thinking about their own lives, and would be well-advised to spend some time helping others who are less fortunate than themselves. Furthermore, volunteering gives us an opportunity to try out something that we have always wanted to do, such as tutoring or mentoring "at-risk" students, working with children or senior citizens, or honing our carpentry or building skills. The Bible tells us that we should look out for one another's interests, and not just for our own (Philippians 2:4). We should remember that volunteering isn't limited only to the good work done by organizations such as Habitat for Humanity or the Salvation Army, but can be done less formally in our own "backyards". The various talents that we all possess are gifts from our Heavenly Father, and when we share these with others, we are sharing His love.

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CASS CITY'S Amy Howard works for an inside shot against Laker's Diana Humphrey. Howard led the Hawks with a team high 9 points.

Hawks down Lakers in Monday's GTW cage contest, 41-32

There wasn't much emotion shown by the Cass City Red Hawks Monday as the team moved closer to winning at least a share of the Greater Thumb West title with its 41-32 decision over Lakers.

Undoubtedly the focus immediately turned to Thursday's game with the Reese Rockets where a win would give Cass City its second straight conference championship. In the early going it appeared like the team was paying too much attention to the Reese encounter and not enough to the game at hand.

In the first quarter Cass City looked like anything but a championship team, missing shots and throwing the ball away repeatedly. The Lakers failed to take advantage of the numerous lapses and matched Cass City with errant passes and missed shots. At the end of the stumbling first quarter the teams were tied at 4-all.

Lakers bounded out to its only lead of the game when Julee Swartzendruber opened the second quarter with a basket. Ashley Hendrick tied it with a basket from close-in and Becky Hartel swished one from 3-point land to help the Hawks to a 9-6 lead with 3:47 left. Lindsey Hendrick counted a deuce and Diana Humphrey kept the Lakers close with a 3-pointer.

Cass City was nursing a 22-13 lead with 3:23 left in the third quarter when the team exploded with a 15-5 run and a comfortable 34-19 lead with 5:33 left in the game. The drive was ignited by Deidre Deering's trey followed by a basket by Lindsey Hendrick. Ashley Hendrick converted a pair of foul shots and Sarah Hobbs counted 3 quick baskets. Deering finished the streak with another basket to put the game on ice with the Hawks in front 34-19 with 5:33 left to play.

Although the game was all but decided, the Lakers didn't quit and outscored the Hawks, 11-7, the rest of the way.

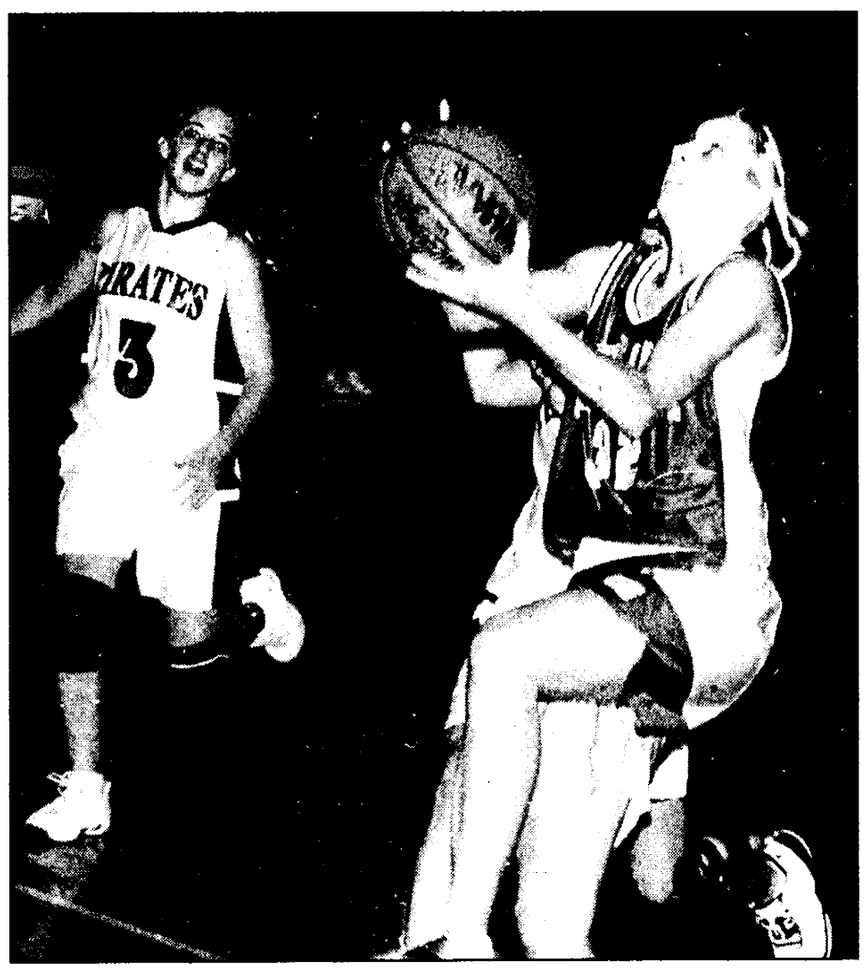
The scoring for both teams was well divided and no player was in double figures. Ashley Hendrick ripped off 10 rebounds with 3 assists. Hartel contributed 5 assists, and 4 steals.

If Reese upsets Cass City, the Hawks could still share the title with a win over Bay City All Saints in the final regular season game Tuesday.

The Laker junior varsity defeated Cass City, 42-27.

CASS CITY - Hobbs 3-0 (0-0) 6; Howard 3-0 (3-3) 9; L. Hendrick 4-0 (0-0) 8; Hartel 0-1 (0-0) 3; Deering 2-1 (0-1) 7; A. Hendrick 3-0 (2-2) 8. **TOTALS 15-2 (5-6) 41.**

LAKERS - Weitzel 0-0 (1-2) 1; Otto 1-0 (0-0) 2; Swartzendruber 2-0 (2-2) 6; Chiotti 0-1 (1-2) 4; Dubs 1-0 (0-0) 2; Humphrey 0-1 (0-0) 3; Kunish 2-0 (3-5) 7; Wrablewski 2-0 (3-5) 7. **TOTALS - 8-2 (10-16) 32.**



OWEN-GAGE'S KELLY Zaleski beats a pair of Peck defenders to the basket during Tuesday's NCTL contest in Owendale. The senior guard recorded a game high 17 points.

O-G records easy win over Port Hope

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs continued to stay on the heels of the North Central Thumb North leader Port Hope with an easy win last week over visiting Peck, 50-25.

But time is growing short as the regular season winds down. To share the title, the Bulldogs must win its last 3 league games and hope that Port Hope is upset in one of the 3 games in the league that it has to play.

In the remaining league games, the schedule favors the Bulldogs. It calls for a game scheduled Nov. 5 against Akron-Fairgrove (0-15), Nov. 12 with C-PS (5-10), and Nov. 14 with Dryden (7-7). Before these league games, AuGres will visit Friday that opened the season with a win over Owen-Gage.

In the win over Peck, the Bulldogs outscored the Pirates in every quarter. Behind Kelly Zaleski, who netted 3 hoops and a free throw in the first period, Owen-Gage bounced in front, 12-7. For the night she netted 17 points.

Stephanie Roles kept Peck within shouting distance of the Bulldogs as she netted 10 of her team high 12 points in the first half that ended with Owen-Gage in front, 23-16.

Whatever doubt about the outcome of the game ended in the third quarter. With Stephanie Dorsch leading the way with 3 hoops and a foul shot, the Bulldogs cruised to a 15-5 advantage and a commanding 38-21 lead going into the final quarter.

Katie Swiastyn continued her fine play with 16 points, including a pair of hoops, to lead a balanced Bulldog attack in the final quarter that saw the team net 12 points spread among 5 different players.

OWEN-GAGE - Kayla Zaleski 1-0 (0-0) 2; Swiastyn 6-1 (1-2) 16; Rhodes 2-0 (0-0) 4; Kelly Zaleski 8-0 (1-2) 17; Glaza 1-0 (0-0) 2; Dorsch 4-0 (1-2) 9. **TOTALS - 22-1 (3-6) 50.**

PECK - Hall 2-0 (0-0) 4; Chandra Lofton 1-0 (0-2) 2; Beth Lofton 1-0 (0-0) 2; Steirhoff 1-0 (3-6) 5; Roles 6-0 (0-0) 12. **TOTALS - 11-0 (3-10) 25.**

Cass City wins defensive battle over host Patriots

Cass City Red Hawks bounced back from a disappointing loss to Harbor Beach with a Greater Thumb league victory at USA Thursday, 33-24, to stay undefeated in the drive to successfully defend its conference title.

The best that could be said about the game for Cass City fans was that it was a victory. Both teams played sloppy ball and turnovers were frequent.

Perhaps Cass City was looking forward to this week's games that almost surely will determine the league champion.

Cass City bounced out to a first quarter lead, 9-4, and remained in front the rest of the way.

In the second quarter Sarah Hobbs opened the scoring with a trey and then scored the final marker before the half. In between Courtnay Green scored a pair and Ashley Hendrick added a hoop and a free throw.

USA stayed within shouting distance as Ashley Winter rang up 5 of 6 free throws. At the intermission Cass City was in the lead, 21-12.

The teams played even in the third quarter as the Patriots stayed doggedly in the game.

Midway through the final quarter the Cass City lead was cut to 29-24 as Brooke Sutherland counted a pair of quick hoops. Coach John Maharg switched his charges into a controlled ball offense that ate up the clock and enabled the Hawks to net a pair of easy hoops by Lindsey Hendrick to settle the issue.

The scoring for both teams was well divided, no player was in double figures. Becky Hartel played a fine floor game with 7 assists, Ashley Hendrick grabbed 10 boards and blocked 3 shots

CASS CITY - Hobbs 3-1 (0-0) 9; Green 2-0 (0-0) 4; Howard 3-0 (1-1) 7; Lindsey Hendrick 3-0 (0-1) 6; Deering 1-0 (0-0) 2; Ashley Hendrick 2-0 (1-2) 5. **TOTALS - 14-1 (2-6) 33.**

USA - Sutherland 3-0 (0-0) 6; Jenkins 0-0 (1-2) 1; Winiecki 1-0 (0-0) 2; Winter 0-0 (7-8) 7; Brandenburg 1-0 (0-0) 2; Sting 2-0 (2-2) 6. **TOTALS - 7-0 (10-12) 24.**

SARAH HOBBS applies defensive pressure to Patriot Kayla Winiecki in the Hawks' 33-24 win.

Cass City Bowling

Sun No Rollers
As of Oct. 20

Out of the Kitchen	15
Chemical Bank Pinheads	10
One-Nighters	10
Been There Done That	9
We'll Get Back to You	8
Par-T-Ranch	8
Fearsome Foursome	8
Damn Near Last	8
Deford Drifters	7
Rolling Thunder	6
CB's	6
Old Geezers +2	1

Individual High Games & Series: G. Silance 262 (590); J. Zdrojewski 223; T. Potrykus 215; D. Silance (519).

Team High Game: Chemical Bank, 700.

Team High Series: Out of the Kitchen, 2005.

Merchants
As of Oct. 30

Charmont	29
Muffler Man	25
Charmont Motel	24
Lee Morgan Painting	21
R&H Body Shop	20
Trisch Septic	20
Locust Hill Farms	16
Stafonos	13
Patrick's Flooring	10

Individual High Games & Series: D. Shannon 213-218-223 (654); T. Pattengill 212-252 (647); M. Lutz 217-232 (640); B. Kupiec 212-214 (623); C. Mauer 234 (618); C. Anthes 214 (601); C. Gruzwalski 212 (596); D. Schulz 215 (594); B. Long 222 (592); N. Berry 211 (592); K. Repshinska 213 (586); T. Lis (585); B. Anthes 220 (580); D. White 255; T. Halas 229; D. Johnson 225; M. Zawilinski 213; R. Wright 212.

Team High Game & Series: Charmont, 1018 actual (2944 actual).

Thursday Nite Trio
As of Oct. 31

Cass Tavern	26
Marlette RV	22
Riversbend	22
Dairy Queen Brazier-Caro	20
Marlette Oil & Gas	19
Kelly & Co.	18
JEBCo	17
Schmaltz Construction	17
Martin Electric	16
Wickes Lumber	16
Osentoski Farm Equip.	15
Mycogen Seeds	8

Individual High Games & Series: G. Robinson 247-233 (660); D. O'Dell 246 (637); S. Osentoski 236 (619); J. Baker 220-210 (608); B. Biebel 216 (577); G. Smith 211 (606); J. Mis 210; D. Roth (600); J. Hacker (587).

Team High Game: Osentoski Farm Equip., 687.

Team High Series: Marlette RV, 1920.

Merchanette League
As of Oct. 31

Osentoski Realty/Auct.	44
The Chiropractors	40
Cablettes	40
Charlie's Angels	36
FBI Gals	35
JB's Crew	34
All Season Video	33
Gagetown Cutting Corners	32
Moffits Corner Store	29
Langenburg Plumb/Heat	23
Thumb Octagon Barn	21

Individual High Games: J. Morell 214-159-151; L. Hanson 210-191; B. Ware 196; C. Davidson 188-153; S. Buschlen 183-169; P. Bauer 182-180-173; C. Smith 182-175; M.L. Burns 173-157; D. Potrykus 172-171-152; D. Williams 170-168-163; R. Diaz 170-161; S. Hutchinson 167-163-157; D. Zdrojewski 161-154; N. Wallace 160; M. Gettel 159-157-152; R. Mallory 158-150; D. Sweeney 156; E. Romain 156; V. Humes 154; M. Sieradzki 151.

Individual High Series: L. Hanson 546; P. Bauer 535; J. Morell 524; D. Williams 501; S. Buschlen 500; C. Smith 498; D. Potrykus 495; S. Hutchinson 487; B. Ware 481; C. Davidson 477; M.L. Burns 472; M. Gettel 468; E. Romain 451.

Team High Game: Osentoski Realty/Auct., 857.

Team High Series: JB's Crew, 2441.

Split Conversions: P. Hellwig 4-7-10; C. Davidson 3-10; J. Morell 5-6-10.

Foul troubles hinder Red Hawks in non-conference loss to Pirates

In recent history Harbor Beach has become an albatross around the neck of Cass City basketball teams, both boys and girls.

Three years ago the Pirates upset a favored Hawks boys' team in the district and last year administered a sound defeat to the girls in the district.

It was more of the same when the Hawks (14-1) entertained the Pirates (12-3) last week Tuesday. Harbor Beach came from behind to post a 61-50 win in the non-league battle.

Cass City jumped off to an early lead in an attack that featured some excellent passing to give the Hawk front court players easy shots.

Using balanced scoring with Deidre Deering, Ashley Hendrick, Lindsey Hendrick, Amy Howard and Krystee Dorland sharing the load, the Hawks rushed in front 17-7 with 2:05 left in the quarter.

That lead held until the early moments of the second quarter when the Pirates went on a 13-4 run as Micki Booms and Laura Messing each scored twice in the drive to close the gap to just a point, 28-27, with 2:22 left in the half.

The Pirates opened the third quarter with a pair of hoops to take the lead for the first time in the game. Howard briefly put the Hawks back into the lead with 3 points as she was fouled while making the basket. Harbor Beach countered that with a pair of free throws and never trailed again. Cass City closed to within 2 points, but that was as close as it got.

With 6:33 left, Harbor Beach was in front, 54-45. Whatever chance Cass City had of coming back went up in smoke as the team started pressing and the passing was as poor as it was good in the first quarter.

Cass City was hurt when Amy Howard and Lindsey Hendrick both spent considerable time on the bench because of foul trouble.

Lindsey Hendrick led the Hawk scorers with 15 points. Laura Messing led the Pirates with 11.

CASS CITY - Deering 3-0 (0-0) 6; Hartel 0-0 (2-2) 2; Lindsey Hendrick 5-0 (5-7) 15; Dorland 2-1 (0-0) 7; Howard 3-0 (2-3) 8; Green 1-0 (1-2) 3; Ashley Hendrick 3-0 (3-3) 9. **TOTALS - 17-1 (7-10) 50.**

HARBOR BEACH - Booms 3-1 (7-9) 16; Wruble 4-0 (1-2) 9; Plester 2-0 (0-0) 4; Maurer 2-0 (4-5) 8; Messing 4-0 (3-3) 11; Braun 0-0 (4-4) 4; Wehner 3-1 (0-0) 9. **TOTALS - 18-2 (19-25) 61.**

THE CASS CITY RED HAWK cross country team qualified for the state playoffs. The team was 25th with a score of 567. Hillsdale was the state champion with a score of 152. From left team members and their individual places and times: Sarah Zawilinski, 225, 23:48.5; Allyson Bell, 238, 27:31.45; Carrie Hillaker, 149, 21:41.0; Liz Hoyt, 110, 21:13.05; Annjea Tanton, 80, 20:51.30.

BASKETBALL CONFERENCE STANDINGS

NORTH CENTRAL THUMB NORTH

Team	W	L	W	L
Port Hope	11	4	12	4
Owen-Gage	10	5	10	6
Caseville	8	7	8	7
North Huron	5	11	5	13
A-Fairgrove	0	15	0	16

SOUTH

Memphis	15	0	16	1
Kingston	12	4	12	5
Dryden	7	7	9	7
CPS	5	10	5	12
Peck	2	12	2	13

GREATER THUMB EAST

Team	W	L	W	L
Sandusky	9	1	14	3
Harbor Beach	7	2	13	4
Mayville	7	2	12	5
Brown City	4	6	6	11
Ubly	3	7	7	10
Marlette	2	8	2	14
Deckerville	1	8	4	13

GREATER THUMB WEST

Team	W	L	W	L
Cass City	9	0	15	2
Reese	8	1	14	3
Laker	4	4	7	9
Bad Axe	5	5	7	10
USA	3	6	7	9
BCAS	2	7	2	14
Valley Lutheran	1	9	3	14

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FIRST BUCK. Tyler Little, Cass City 15-year-old, bagged this trophy 8-point while hunting Oct. 30th with his sister Alecia in Tuscola County. The whitetail tipped the scale at 172 pounds.

Red Hawk trio earn distinction as GTW all star performers

Undefeated Greater Thumb West league champions Lakers dominated the all conference squads elected by the coaches with 6 players on the first team offense and 3 on the defense.

The Lakers' Jon LePage was selected for the first team on both squads, as quarterback and defensive back. Other Laker first team offense players were Nick Reynolds, center, Tim Bruce, backfield, Bucky Rowe, placekicker, Stephen Rathje, guard, and Lance Tibbits, end. Other Lakers on first team defense were Adam Rosenthal, lineman, and Josh LePage, linebacker.

Brice Stine, second team defensive back, and Jake Brinkman, honorable mention, offensive back.

SECOND TEAM

OFFENSE - tackles, Adam Rosenthal, LA, Frank Felice, RE; ends, Adam Gainforth, USA, Ben Kolhagen, RE, Eric Bender, VL and Greg Szczepanski, BCAS; centers, Mike Keenan, BCAS and Kyle Ryan, RE; quarterback, Joe Dost, RE; guards, Adam Clhafee, VL and Tony Histed, RE; backs, R.J. Bolzman, BA and Aaron Melnik, BA; placekicker, Joe Dost, RE.

Coach Scott Cuthrell offers congratulations for a nice job by Cass City players on one of the all-star squads. Nathon Laming, second team linebacker, made over 70 tackles. Brice Stine, second team safety, led all defensive backs with 2 interceptions and 50 tackles. Jake Brinkman, honorable mention running back, rushed for 587 yards. All are juniors, looking forward to their senior year, Cuthrell pointed out.

Rounding out the offensive first team were: tackles, Tom Ahearn, BA and Eric Richardson, USA; end, Brian Kern, RE; guard, Dan Palm, RE; backs, Lance Travis, USA and Bob Saenz, USA.

The defensive first team: linemen, Tom Ahearn, BA, Adam Gainforth, USA, Jesse Apsey, BCAS; defensive backs, Justin Schumacher, RE and Brad Gruehn, USA; linebackers, Ben Kolhagen, RE, Paul Holt, USA, Greg Szczepanski, BCAS and Aaron Melnik, BA; punter, Brian Kern, RE.

Cass City players receiving votes were Nathon Laming, second team linebacker,

Earning honorable mention, offense, were tackles, Matt Sattelberg, VL, Derreck Hacht, RE and Charlie Pike, BCAS; quarterback, Ben Alegnia, USA.

DEFENSE - linemen, Kyle Ryan, RE, Eric Kain, USA and Joe Dost, RE; backs, Brandon Wolf, VL, John Bauer, RE and Luke Herford, LA; linebacker, Dave Wieland, VL; punter, Brandon Wolf, VL.

Honorable mention was received by linemen William Rieffel, BCAS and Joe Bierlein, RE; defensive back, Brent Wolschlager, BA; and linebacker, Matt Papke, LA.

GTW airs soccer dream team

Five Cass City players received recognition on the Greater Thumb West all-conference soccer squads. Caleb Hanby, a sophomore, placed on the first team. Jarred Glaza, a senior, is on the second team. Three seniors, Josh Windsor, Joe Nauka and Hendrik Schmidt received honorable mention.

First team members are Chris Gangler, USA; Aaron Wohlfeil, Josh Meckes, Josh Krueger and Brandon Morgrette, all of Valley Lutheran; Jimmy Baird, Tyler Brown and David Smith, all of Bad Axe; Dan Weidman, Aaron Smith, Bucky Rowe, Shane Valkenburgh and Bryan Anderson, all of Lakers.

SECOND TEAM

Second team members are Matt Ewald and Chris Loeffler, both of USA; Erik Donaldson, Tony Provenzano, Luke Wolfeil, all of Valley Lutheran; Trent Ross and Matt Greyerbiehl, both of Bad Axe; Matt Sneller, Mike Yoder and Mitch Yoder, all of Lakers.

HONORABLE MENTION

Receiving honorable mention were Shaun Eisengruber, Aaron Kuhl and Eric Wienlander, all of USA; David Bringer and Ryan Wood, both of Valley Lutheran; Justin Essian, Mike Knoblock and Garret Mausolf, all of Bad Axe; Eric Wissner and Jackson Maust, both of Lakers.

Notes from Northwood Meadows

By Becky Barr, Activities Coordinator/Receptionist

Just entering Northwood Meadows in October, you got the feeling something special was going on. Festive scarecrows and seasonal decorations were everywhere! Beautiful mums were centerpieced with colorful gourds and bright orange pumpkins. Autumnal fabrics and fall foliage were then cleverly nestled atop straw bales - reminding all who entered of a fall harvest. Our grateful thanks to Bob Joseph for donating and "lugging" all that straw to us. Many many thanks to Eugene and Rita Kaake for the superior pumpkins and gourds that adorned our facility.

Early in the month residents and staff members spent a Saturday afternoon decorating and painting pumpkins. We called on the talented Tom Proctor for assistance. With his help and his accessories - our collection looked outstanding! Thanks Tom!

The Senior Acrobics classes continued to bring a lively energy to the Great Room - thank you Angie Holder of Michigan Athletic and Rehabilitation Center for this terrific gift.

Residents also enjoyed putting puzzles together with our intern volunteer Rene Oberski, and volunteer Eugene Kaake did a spendid job of organizing card games with our residents. He proved to be quite a conversationalist during the lunch hour too!

Lillian Jacoby celebrated her birthday in October - and the cake was fantabulus!

Hills & Dales General Hospital and the Thumb Oilseed Producer's Cooperative Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee sponsored a "Cooking With Soy" presentation here. Participants enjoyed free samples and cookbooks, and learned about the healthful benefits of soy and how to cook with Michigan grown soy products. Thanks to Minnie David and Kathy Dropeski for organizing this event.

The highlight of events had to be our Halloween Party on the 26th. Residents and their families, along with employees' children joined Mrs. Dillon's first grade class and Mrs. Milligan's third grade class for an afternoon of games, fun and food. A day or two beforehand residents did a great job of decorating "spooky" cookies which were a big hit with the young ones. The children arrived in full costume, as did all of the Northwood Meadows staff. Prizes were awarded to the winners of "Pin the Bow-Tie on the Scarecrow," Scarecrow Bean Bag Toss, and the "Freeze Frame" dance. Eyes were bright and smiles were aplenty for the costume parade as all residents applauded. This event proved to be a perfect match for the young at heart for all age groups. We're so thankful to the community for their unending support of our Activities Program, and to the grade school students for the wonderful artwork they prepared and displayed at our facility.

Sadly, we said farewell to two of our most revered residents - Gail Parrott and Pauline Mossman. Each of them were soft spoken with hearts as big as the sky. Now when we look to the heavens we'll see them there.

Lastly (but certainly not least) we welcomed Pastor Holmgren from the Cass City First Baptist Church for his service "Home At Last." An inspiring speaker, he provided residents with words of wisdom and love. And then of course - delicious refreshments!

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After experiencing a total knee replacement four years ago, Mary Hillman of Imlay City did not look forward to having to go through the process of surgery and recovery once again. But the absence of cartilage and the onset of arthritis in her right knee made the prospect of surgery loom in her future.

That is, however, until she once again consulted Dr. John DeSantis at The Knee and Orthopaedic Center in Lapeer.

"I didn't want go through the recovery process again for three to six months," remarked Mary when she visited Dr. DeSantis. What she didn't know at that time, however, was that Dr. DeSantis had something else in mind that could alleviate Mary's discomfort and perhaps prolong the need for surgery.

DeSantis, who had earlier performed Mary's left knee replacement surgery, suggested she try the visco supplementation injection called Supartz. These injections, applied directly into the side of the knee, serve as a lubricant between the joints of the knee. Although not a permanent solution or an alternative to surgery, Supartz can alleviate both pain and discomfort and can also postpone the need for surgery.

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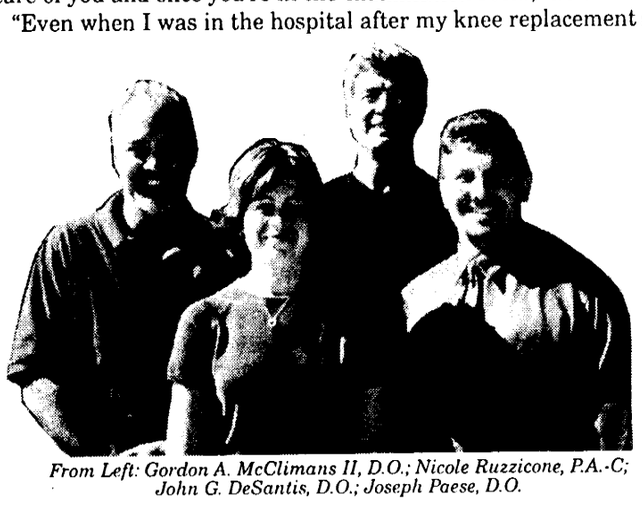
"It's working so far for me," remarked Mary who, along with her husband of 55 years, Howard, lead full and active lives as the parents of three children, the grandparents of seven and the great-grandparents of six... with one more great-grandchild expected to arrive soon.

Now under Dr. DeSantis' care for approximately five years, Mary would recommend The Knee and Orthopaedic Center to everyone.

"They're great," she exclaimed. "Even if the waiting room looks busy, there's never any wait. Everything moves right along. The girls of the staff take great care of you and once you're in the examination room, the doctor is with you within five minutes."

"Even when I was in the hospital after my knee replacement surgery, Dr. DeSantis came to see me everyday and gave me excellent care," she added.



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Obituaries

Viola Coltson

Viola M. Coltson, 95, of Tonawanda, New York, formerly of Cass City, died Friday, Nov. 1, 2002 in Schofield Residence, Tonawanda.

She was born March 13, 1907 in Novesta Township to Clarence and Lottie (Adams) Quick. She married Basil Coltson March 4, 1929 in Cass City. He died Sept. 11, 1994.

Coltson attended Quick School and graduated from Cass City High School. She was a member of the Novesta Church of Christ, Rochester Church of Christ and Palo Verda Church of Christ, Tucson, Ariz. She was also a former Garden Club member.

She is survived by her children: Noreen C. Andrews of Tonawanda, NY and Roger Coltson; 6 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; sister, Beatrice Tewsley of Centerline; and brother-in-law, Elmer Gifford of Green Valley, Ariz.

She was preceded in death by her sisters and their husbands: Lorena (Quincy) Morley, Bernice Gifford, Inez (Joe) Snow and Jack Tewsley.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 5, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Pastor Lyle Clarke of Cass City Church of Christ officiating.

Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Timothy Hill Children's Ranch, Long Island, New York.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Linda Walsh

Linda Mary (Reinelt) Walsh, 52, of Linden and formerly of Argyle, died Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2002 at University Hospitals of Ann Arbor.

She was born Aug. 21, 1950 in Cass City, daughter of the late Gerald and Helen (Kroetsch) Reinelt.

Walsh was a graduate of Deckerville High School. She was a member of A.B.A.T.E. for two years.

She is survived by her son, Jeff Walsh of Argyle; her daughter, Valerie Walsh (John) Watkins of Commerce; two sisters: Diane Best of Sandusky and Nancy Reinelt of Argyle; one brother, Robert (Lou Ann) Reinelt of Argyle; one grandson, Shawn Green of Snover; one granddaughter, Ashli Watkins of Commerce; stepchildren: Bryan, Jeffery and Jayme Park; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and three brothers: William, Joseph and Gerald Reinelt.

Funeral mass was held Saturday, Nov. 2, at St. Joseph Catholic Church of Argyle, with the Rev. T.J. Fleming, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorials are requested to the University of Michigan Cancer Center or the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home, Ubly.

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2002 Cass City Red Hawk Varsity Football

Aug. 29	Sandusky 23, Cass City 20	
Sept. 9	B.C.A.S. 26, Cass City 19	
Sept. 13	Valley Lutheran 6, Cass City 26	
Sept. 20	Lakers 52, Cass City 14	
Sept. 27	USA 30, Cass City 0	
Oct. 4	Reese 52, Cass City 8	
Oct. 11	Bad Axe 33, Cass City 20	
Oct. 18	Ubly 36, Cass City 0	
Oct. 25	Deckerville 63, Cass City 0	

2002 Cass City Red Hawk Girls' Basketball

Aug. 27	Caro 35, Cass City 78		
Sept. 4	Brown City 56, Cass City 62		
Sept. 10	Valley Lutheran 31, Cass City 55		
Sept. 12	Ubly 22, Cass City 42		
Sept. 17	Lakers 38, Cass City 44		
Sept. 19	Bad Axe 39, Cass City 41		
Sept. 24	Marlette 27, Cass City 45		
Sept. 26	USA 24, Cass City 53		
Oct. 1	Mayville 60, Cass City 56		
Oct. 3	Reese 52, Cass City 55		
Oct. 8	Deckerville 44, Cass City 50		
Oct. 10	B.C.A.S. 30, Cass City 49		
Oct. 15	Sandusky 35, Cass City 46		
Oct. 17	Valley Lutheran 32, Cass City 55		
Oct. 22	Lakers	5:00 p.m.	H
Oct. 24	Bad Axe 30, Cass City 38		
Oct. 29	Harbor Beach 61, Cass City 50		
Oct. 31	USA 24, Cass City 33		
Nov. 7	Reese	5:00 p.m.	H
Nov. 12	B.C.A.S.	5:00 p.m.	A
Nov. 18-23	Districts	TBA	TBA
Nov. 25-27	Regionals	TBA	TBA

2002 Cass City Red Hawk Cross Country

Aug. 28	Akron-Fairgrove Invite (HS)	Div. I - 3rd	A
Sept. 4	USA Invite (HS / MS)	4:00 p.m.	A
Sept. 7	Bad Axe Invite (HS)	10:00 a.m.	A
Sept. 14	Holly Invite (HS / MS)	8:00 a.m.	A
Sept. 19	Frankenmuth Invite (HS)	4:30 p.m.	A
Sept. 25	Bad Axe Invite (MS)	4:30 p.m.	A
Oct. 5	Cass City Invite (HS / MS)	9:00 a.m.	H
Oct. 12	Reese Invite (HS / MS)	8:00 a.m.	A
Oct. 15	League Invite	4:30 p.m.	H
Oct. 19	Caro Invite (HS)	11:00 a.m.	A

* HS - High School
* MS - Middle School

Catch the Hawks at Home

BASKETBALL

November 7
Reese

2002 Cass City Red Hawk Boys' Soccer

Aug. 27	Caseville 1, Cass City 0
Aug. 29	Harbor Beach 3, Cass City 0
Sept. 3	Memphis 6, Cass City 2
Sept. 6	Caro 4, Cass City 0
Sept. 7	Bad Axe Invite
Sept. 10	Sandusky 1, Cass City 0
Sept. 12	Marlette 0, Cass City 1
Sept. 17	Valley Lutheran 4, Cass City 0
Sept. 19	Harbor Beach 2, Cass City 1
Sept. 24	USA 1, Cass City 1 (tie)
Sept. 26	Bad Axe 2, Cass City 1
Sept. 30	Lakers 10, Cass City 0
Oct. 3	Valley Lutheran 7, Cass City 0
Oct. 8	Lakers 7, Cass City 0
Oct. 11	Memphis 4, Cass City 0
Oct. 15	USA 3, Cass City 2
Oct. 17	Bad Axe 5, Cass City 0
Oct. 21-26	Districts

2002 Cass City Red Hawk Varsity Golf

Aug. 15	CC Invite	9:00 a.m.	H
Aug. 29	League Invite (9-hole)	4:15 p.m.	H
Sept. 4	B.C.A.S.	4:15 p.m.	H
Sept. 6	Brown City Invite at Woodland Hills	8:00 a.m.	A
Sept. 9	Deckerville	4:15 p.m.	H
Sept. 11	Valley Lutheran	4:15 p.m.	A
Sept. 16	Ubly	4:15 p.m.	H
Sept. 18	Bad Axe	4:15 p.m.	H
Sept. 23	Harbor Beach	4:15 p.m.	H
Sept. 25	Mayville	4:15 p.m.	A
Sept. 26	Frankenmuth	4:00 p.m.	A
Sept. 30	Brown City	4:15 p.m.	A
Oct. 2	Lakers	4:15 p.m.	A
Oct. 4	Vassar Invite	8:30 a.m.	A
Oct. 7	Sandusky	4:15 p.m.	A
Oct. 9	League Invite (18-hole) at Verona	10:00 a.m.	A
Oct. 13	Regionals	TBA	TBA

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It's Girl Scout cookie time

Girl Scouts of Mitten Bay are dreaming of sweet success. That means it's time for Girl Scouts to sell cookies, Nov. 1-11.

Just mention 2 of this area's top-selling favorites, Thin Mints and Samoas, and cookie enthusiasts will ask where they can place their order for their favorites - a sweet show of support for Girl Scouts.

Over 7,800 Girl Scouts from the 21-county Mitten Bay Council in central northeast lower Michigan including Mackinac Island and the Thumb, will sell more than a half-million boxes of Girl Scout cookies during the annual, two-week local cookie sale.

The popular fundraiser kicks-off the first 2 weeks of November with Girl Scouts taking direct orders in person, door-to-door, and by phone to families, friends, neighbors, businesses and interests throughout their communities; cookies are delivered Nov. 26-Dec. 11.

"Cash and carry" cookie booths are set up by local troops at malls, gas stations/ convenience stores and other community sites, Nov. 8-Dec. 7, after the girls have made their individual cookie sales. The cookie booth sales are especially popular in mid-November when Michigan's "army of orange" mobilizes. Deer hunters stock-up on Girl Scout cookies along their route north, especially in the West Branch area.

The Cookie Sale Program provides fun and funds for local Girl Scout troops teaching girls age 7-17 important business and financial principles.

"It's a sweet business for everyone involved," says Zelda Matthews, council product sales specialist.

"Girls enjoy the experience and consumers love the cookies. The benefit to girls is that it's a skill-building exercise. Taking orders, handling money, tallying sales and distributing orders helps to teach and reinforce money management, decision-making, and goal setting. For some girls it's a first-time experience with such disciplines," said the cookie sale program expert.

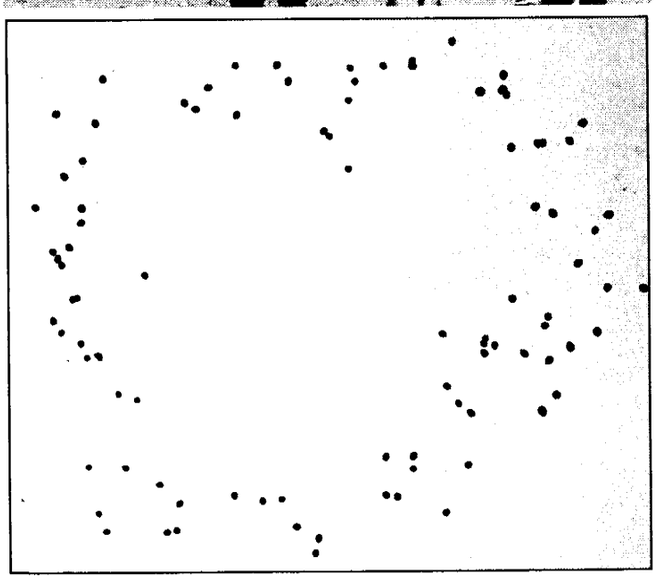
This year's cookie sale theme is "Dream Big," inspiring the Girl Scouts to make their dreams come true and accomplish great things.

For participating Girl Scout troops, their portion of the $3 box of cookies is their major source of revenue. The troops set goals and plan on how to use the money they raise for their troop treasury. Popular activities are adventure field trips, camp outings and service projects.

Additionally, the cookie sale revenue provides support for council-wide programming and services, giving needed financial assistance to make Girl Scouting available to every girl and keeping event and camp fees to a minimum.

To order cookies, contact a Girl Scout troop or the Girl Scouts of Mitten Bay at 1-800-968-1185 or (989) 799-9565 (cookie orders will be designated to local troops), or stop by the service center at 5470 Davis Rd., Saginaw.

JUST VISITING. Former Tendercare resident 90-year-old Adeline Smith (left), Marlette, shares over 30 quilts she made the past winter with friends, including Judy Rocheleau, at the Cass City health provider.



Up, up and away!

OWEN-GAGE Elementary School students pledged to stay drug-free and then launched dozens of balloons with that message inside Thursday morning. The event concluded the school's Red Ribbon Week Celebration.

Farm bill focus of Nov. 20 meeting

All agribusiness, lenders, farm producers, Thumb Cattlemen's Association members and others are invited to attend a meeting regarding "The 2002 Farm Bill and What It Means to You" Wednesday, Nov. 20, at the Franklin Inn in Bad Axe.

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. A $5 admission fee for this meeting will be taken at the door.

Speakers for this meeting include Jim Hilker, MSU Agricultural Economics; Dennis Stein, District Extension Farm Management agent; and Kay Lumsden and Doug Gay from the Farm Service Agency. Facilitators for this meeting are Larry Sheridan, MSU Interim County Extension Director/ Thumb Area beef specialist; and Jim Mantey, MSU Agricultural agent.

For more information or to sign up for this meeting, please contact the MSU Extension Office in Bad Axe at (989) 269-9949.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Four students, one from each of the 4 buildings in the Cass City School District, were honored Monday, Oct. 27, in a special program conducted by Supt. Ken Micklash and witnessed by the Cass City School Board. Micklash explained that the program calls for students to be honored just 4 times a year, meaning that those selected will be in an elite group with just 16 students chosen from the over 1,664 students in the schools. Chosen from the high school was Rachel Hoard; middle school, Tim Khoury; Campbell Elementary, Jeffrey Wills; and Deford Elementary, Brent Becker.

Passed on to Wayne Dillon was a certificate issued as a special tribute of recognition that was given to Cass City Schools by the Saginaw Valley Manufacturers' Association for the special efforts in bringing business and education together. It was given to Dillon for his efforts in coordinating the program. After accepting the certificate from school board president Randy Severance, Dillon said that the results over the previous 25 years proved the value of the program to Cass City students.

10 YEARS AGO

The line formed early and remained long Tuesday morning at the Elkland Township Fire Hall as voters waited to cast their ballots for a host of national, state and local candidates and ballot proposals. A big turnout was expected locally and throughout Michigan, considered a crucial swing state in the presidential race.

Lifelong Shabbona area farmer Arthur Severance, testing a corn sample for moisture, says he can't remember a fall when the corn has been this wet this late. High moisture levels are forcing farmers throughout the area to wait another 2 weeks or so before taking the crop off.

Cass City band students Jessica Frederick, Tara Guernsey, Mandy Deering, Sam Hobbs and Rich Robinson have been selected to perform with the Huron Honors Band Sunday at 3 p.m. at Cass City High School. The event will feature top bandsmen from junior high schools in Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties, all brought together to form the 77-member Huron Honors Band.

25 YEARS AGO

It was moving day last Thursday for the old Bigelow house. With Anthes Brothers of Cass City doing the moving, the home was moved from Main Street, west of Leach Street, to Krapf Road, east of Cass City, about a half-mile south of M-81. The new owners are Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Linderman Jr., who now live in a concrete block house on Greenland Rd. "I just thought I would like to live in a big house," said Mrs. Linderman in explaining why she and her husband decided to buy the structure.

Reva M. Little was honored as "Woman of the Year" Wednesday, Nov. 2, by the Cass City Business and Professional Women's Club. Little has been social and personal news reporter for the Cass City Chronicle for 35 years. She was introduced following the dinner by Mardell Ware. She was presented with an engraved serving tray.

George Rolston decided to try growing some banana squashes this year for the first time. The result was several big squashes, of which a 40-pounder was the biggest. It was harvested the last week in October.

35 YEARS AGO

Sunday the cornerstone of the new Cass City Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd was laid. Leading the ceremony were members of the building committee and the pastor: Frank McComb, Francis Butler, Fred Iseler, Peter Zell, Hazen Guinther and the Rev. Richard Eyer.

Malicious Halloween pranksters burned the small building at the Gagetown Recreational Park Tuesday, Oct. 31, but prompt work by the Gagetown Fire Department saved most of the equipment that it housed. The shed was used to store baseball equipment, playground swings, tennis equipment and other similar gear used in the park program. A false alarm was sounded in the community at 1 a.m. Wednesday by persons unknown, it was revealed.

John H. McKee, USN, shipfitter first class, is serving aboard the fleet repair ship USS Vulcan. McKee is married to the former Miss Capitola Wheeler, Snover. The Vulcan, a floating repair base, is the flagship for Commander Service Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

AREA CHILDREN attending the preschool story hour at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City Oct. 29 came dressed in their Halloween costumes. They made pumpkin windsocks and went "trick or treating" throughout the library.

F.B. lauds ethanol plant

Farm Bureau leaders hope last week's grand opening of the state's first ethanol plant in Tuscola County is just the beginning of more operations that add value to raw farm products.

"On the surface, the ethanol plant is new brick and mortar, but to Farm Bureau, this plant represents the culmination of years of partnering by individuals and organizations to create new markets that will help increase the profitability of Michigan agriculture," said Wayne H. Wood, a Marlette dairy farmer and president of the Michigan Farm Bureau, the state's largest general farm organization.

"To us, the ethanol plant is a concrete example of 'value-added' ventures that should be fostered in Michigan to help sustain agriculture - the No. 2 industry in Michigan, second only to manufacturing," added Wood. "Investments in processing facilities like Michigan Ethanol LLC further enhance agriculture's contribution to the strength, diversity and vitality of the state's economy."

Wood was among hundreds of Thumb-area residents, political leaders, and agricultural representatives who took part in a ceremony and public open house celebrating the plant's grand opening Monday in Caro.

Already accepting corn from local farmers, the plant is scheduled to begin ethanol production next month. Once operational, the facility will produce 40 million gallons of ethanol and 120,000 tons of livestock feed annually from about 15 million bushels of locally growth corn.

The operation, which employs about 40 people, is expected to add 5 to 10 cents to the per-bushel price of corn delivered within a 50-mile radius of the plant and expand the local economic base by $110 million each year.

"Michigan Ethanol LLC is integral to the agriculture industry because it establishes a product that creates local demand for corn and pays growers a premium for their raw commodities," Wood explained. "This helps producers overcome commodity slumps, further reducing their dependence on government commodity programs."

In addition to being a boon for the agriculture industry and local economy, Michigan Ethanol LLC offers benefits for consumers and the environment.

"Michigan Ethanol LLC helps relieve motorists' dependence on volatile foreign oil, and supplies a natural, renewable fuel for a cleaner environment," said Wood. "And with Michigan Ethanol LLC helping to add more ethanol to the supply chain, farmers and consumers alike would reap the benefits of seeing expensive, air-polluting fuels replaced with cleaner-burning ethanol.

"That's why our Farm Bureau members look forward to a producer equity drive to become stakeholders in this truly 'win-win' venture."

MFB and the Tuscola County Farm Bureau have actively supported the plant since its inception. The most recent resolution adopted by the Tuscola County Farm Bureau reads, "Farm Bureau has been very active in supporting the new ethanol plant, ensuring that it was built in Tuscola County. We recommend that the Tuscola County Farm Bureau work with the ethanol plant for a marketing plan and educational meetings."

At the state level, current MFB policy states, in part, that "ethanol and soydiesel are biomass fuels which have proven to be excellent sources of alternative energy. Ethanol fuels and soydiesel contribute to a clean and safe environment through major reductions in vehicle exhaust emissions. Michigan Farm Bureau supports requirements for the use of biomass fuels and fuel additives in areas that exceed the 1990 federal Clean Air Act standards."

November Alzheimer's Month

Ask almost anyone what they fear the most about getting older, and the answer is likely to be Alzheimer's disease.

While there are many disorders that can kill us more quickly, the slow course of Alzheimer's carries a more terrible prospect. What we fear most about the deadly brain disease is that it destroys what we consider to be the most important part of our selves - our mind, memories and personality.

Add to that the heartbreaking effect on the loved ones who must spend years caring for us and the burden is almost unthinkable.

Unthinkable or not, four million Americans now suffer from Alzheimer's disease, and if no cure is found by the middle of the century, that number will skyrocket to 14 million.

Scientists continue to make headway in understanding Alzheimer's, delaying its worst effects and treating some of its symptoms, but so far none of this adds up to a cure. Meanwhile, the disease costs society an estimated $100 billion a year - a cost that will soar as the population ages, placing an unprecedented burden on the younger workers whose tax dollars must finance Medicaid and Medicare.

The U.S. Congress designated November as National Alzheimer's Disease Month in order to raise public awareness of the terrible toll that Alzheimer's takes on individuals and society. Alzheimer's Disease Research (ADR) and the Alzheimer's Family Relief Program (AFRP), 2 programs of the American Health Assistance Foundation, are providing this update as part of their November public awareness campaign.

(Submitted by the American Health Assistance Foundation)

Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, November 7

Friends of the Library 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Friday, November 8

Alcoholics Anonymous, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8:00 p.m.

Diabetic Health Screenings, 12 noon to 5 p.m., Continuous Learning Center, 3270 Wilson St., Marlette.

Saturday, November 9

Cass City United Methodist Bazaar and Lunch, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Shabbona United Methodist Turkey Dinner, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., fellowship hall, 1 mile north of Shabbona.

Monday, November 11

MEAP take the test night, Cass City High School Libray, 7 p.m., public invited.

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

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Potluck Dinner for VFW Post 3644 veterans, auxiliary & families at 5:00 p.m. Bring a dish to pass.

Tuesday, November 12

Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7:00 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.

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

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Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field respresentative at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for the relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made, in writing, and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation Operations, Account Representative
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Boulevard, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

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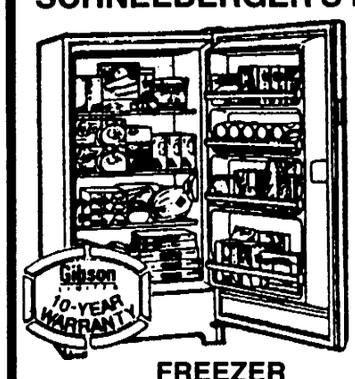

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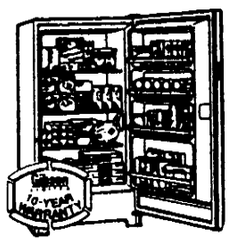

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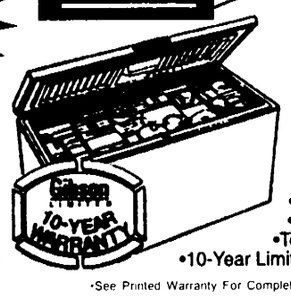

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User's non-payment in full of all unauthorized-use fees itemized in invoice within said twenty- (20) day period for curing default as set forth above under "Terms for Curing Default" authorizes Secured Party's immediate non-judicial strict foreclosure on any and all remaining property and interest in property formerly pledged as collateral by User, now property of Secured Party, which is not in the possession of, nor otherwise disposed of by, Secured Party upon expiration of said twenty- (20) day default-curing period. Ownership subject to common-law copyright and UCC Financing Statement and Security Agreement filed with the UCC filing office. Record Owner: William Earl Westover. Autograph Common Law Copyright 1987. 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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Duane Webster, married to and Sheri Lynn Webster (original mortgagors) to BNC Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 7, 2001 and recorded on May 14, 2001 in Liber 831 on Page 981 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Bank One, National Association, As Trustee for ARC 2001-BC6 Trust, Assignee by an assignment dated May 18, 2001, which was recorded on September 23, 2002 in Liber 895 on Page 250, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWO HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN AND 35/100 dollars ($219,677.35), including interest at 12.550% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on November 21, 2002.

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

The North 363 feet of the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, except railroad right-of-way and also except the East 5 acres of above described property, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: October 9, 2002

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mark N. Lieber and Diane Lieber, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 29, 1998 and recorded on June 3, 1998 in Liber 741 on Page 346 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, f/k/a Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee Under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of January 1, 1999, Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-A, Asset-Backed Certificates Series 1999-A, without recourse, Assignee by an assignment dated July 18, 2001, which was recorded on August 7, 2001 in Liber 840 on Page 530, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-NINE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY-THREE AND 45/100 dollars ($99,193.45), including interest at 9.600% 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 December 5, 2002.

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

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 31, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a Point on the South line of said Southeast 1/4 which is North 90 Degrees 00 Minutes 00 Seconds East along said South line, 280.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 31; thence continuing North 90 Degrees 00 Minutes 00 Seconds East along said South line, 150.00 feet; thence North 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 00 Seconds East perpendicular to said South line, 290.40 feet; thence South 90 Degrees 00 Minutes 00 Seconds West parallel with said South line, 150.00 feet; thence South 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 00 Seconds West perpendicular to said South line, 290.40 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 October 16, 2002

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Deborah Sue McKinney, fka Deborah Sue Smith, fka Debra Smith, fka Deborah Smith, a woman, and Lisa A. Buchanan, a woman, as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship (original mortgagors), to Bank One, NA f/k/a NBD Bank, Mortgagee, dated June 1, 1998 and recorded on June 23, 1998 in Liber 742 on Page 1303 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX AND 90/100 dollars ($34,626.90), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

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

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

Lot 2 of Oak Grove Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Plat Liber 2, Page 40, 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: October 23, 2002

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel L. Hills and Debra L. Hills, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated November 28, 1994 and recorded on November 30, 1994 in Liber 667 on Page 634 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated July 1, 2001, which was recorded on June 24, 2002 in Liber 882 on Page 1382, 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-SEVEN AND 91/100 dollars ($33,897.91), including interest at 8.625% per annum.

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

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

Commencing 804 feet South of the Northwest corner of Section 1, Town 13 North, Range 8 East; thence East 407 feet; thence North 326 feet; thence West 407 feet; thence South 326 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated October 16, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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10-16-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dennis E. Ward and Shelly S. Ward, husband and wife of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to AmeriFirst Financial Corporation, dated the 18th day of December AD 1992 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and the State of Michigan on the 30th day of December AD 1992 in Liber 635 of Tuscola Records on page 454, which said mortgage was thereafter on, to-wit the 9th day of May AD 2001, assigned to US Bank National, as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 1998-RF3-B, thru mesne assignments and recorded on June 11, 2001 in the office of Register of Deeds in Liber 834 for said County of Tuscola Records on page 1191, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of $44,333.10 (Forty four thousand three hundred thirty three dollars and ten cents), including interest there on at 8.50% (eight point five-zero percent) per annum. Said mortgage was modified by the instrument recorded November 3, 2001 in Liber 847, Page 277.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Thursday, the 5th day of December AD 2002, at 10:00 o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Gilford, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Section 13, Town 13 North, Range 7 East, commencing 30 Rods West of the Northeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4; thence West 172 feet South 253 feet 4 inches, East 172 feet, North 253 feet 4 inches to point of beginning.

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The redemption period shall be six 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: October 30, 2002

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.

Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)
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Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
755 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820
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WWR #02732382

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nathan Truax, a single person (original mortgagors), to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2000 and recorded on December 28, 2000 in Liber 818 on Page 377 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETEEN AND 34/100 dollars ($47,419.34), including interest at 11.650% 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, December 19, 2002.

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

Section 35, Township 10 North, Range 9 East. A parcel of land commencing 1711.59 feet East of the South 1/4 of Section; thence East 315.03 feet; thence North 660 feet; thence West 315.03 feet; thence South 660 feet to the point of beginning. Township of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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: November 6, 2002

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James M. Kelly and Patricia J. Kelly, Husband and Wife, Joint Tenants w/Rights of Survivorship (original mortgagors), to Concord Funding Corp. dba Truvalu Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated May 29, 1997 and recorded on June 3, 1997 in Liber 712 on Page 49 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Registered Holders of Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-D, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2001-D, without recourse, F/K/A Norwest Bank Minnesota, Assignee by an assignment dated August 15, 2002, which was recorded on October 4, 2002 in Liber 896 on Page 1234, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE AND 70/100 dollars ($58,621.70), including interest at 8.450% 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, December 19, 2002.

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

Commencing 663 Feet North of the East 1/4 corner of section 13, Town 13 North, Range 11 East; thence North 178 feet; thence West 250 feet; thence South 178 feet; thence East 250 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: November 6, 2002

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Gators

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

Commencing at a point which is 208 feet West of the Northwest corner of the West half of the West half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Town 11 North, Range 10 East; thence West 208 feet; thence South 208 feet; thence East 208 feet; thence North 208 feet to the point of beginning. Right of Way for Phelps Lake Road over the Northerly side thereof.

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Dated: November 6, 2002

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

The North 208.75 feet of the West 208.75 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 19, Township 13 North, Range 7 East.

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Dated: November 6, 2002

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

The North 312 feet of a parcel of land described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence South 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds West, 175.0 feet along the West line of said Section 25 to the Point of Beginning: Running thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds East, 250.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds East, 175.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds East, 658.0 feet along the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 25; thence South 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds West, 626.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds West, 908.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds East, 54.0 feet along the West line of said Section 25; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds East, 305.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds East, 331.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds West, 305.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds East, 66.0 feet along the West line of said Section 25 to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 10 East.

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

Dated: October 9, 2002

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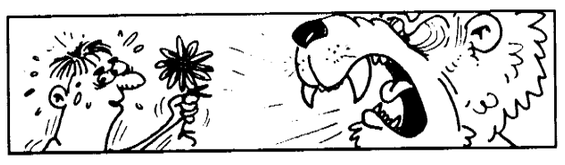

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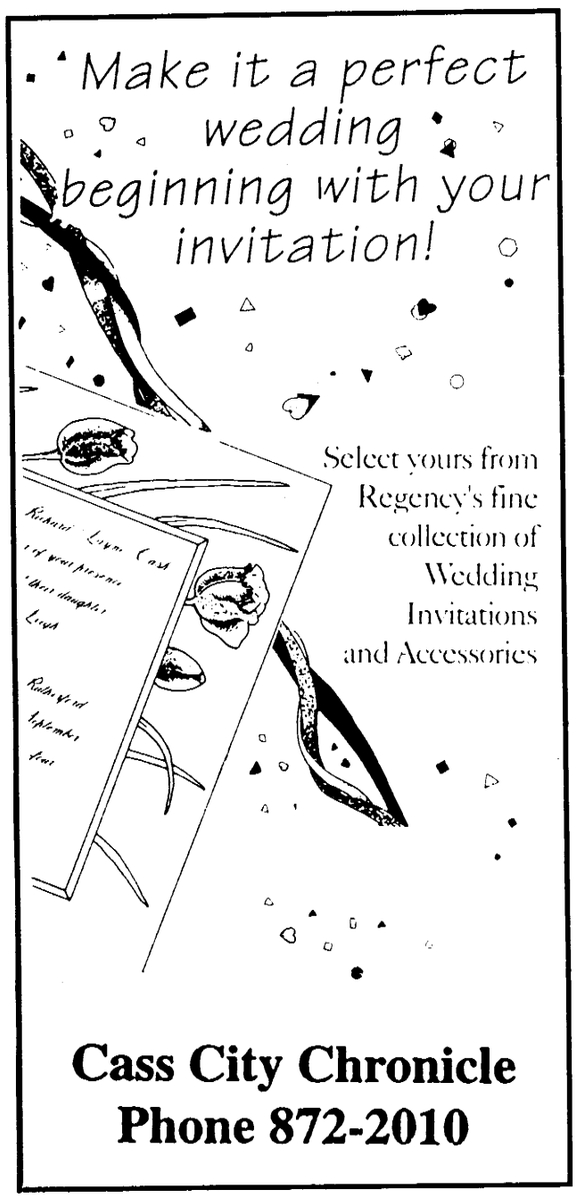

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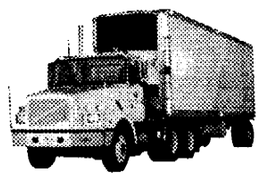

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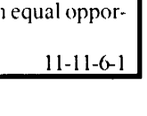
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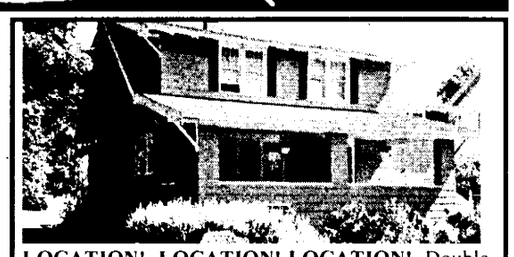
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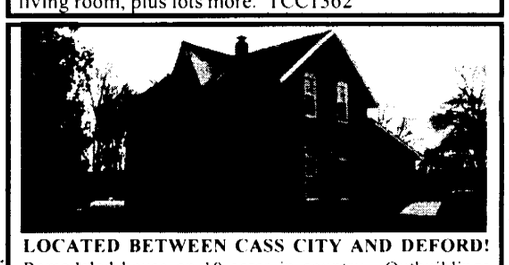
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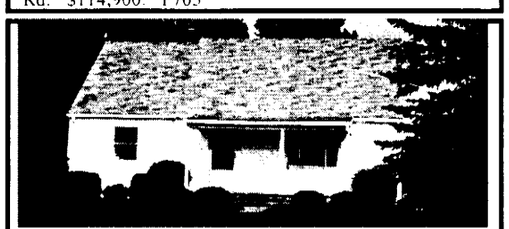
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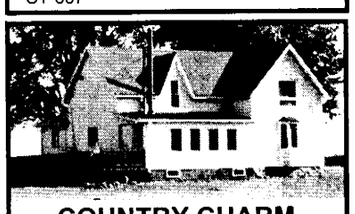
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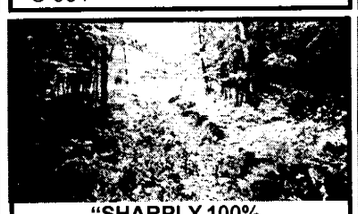
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Area crews tested

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out what you've got," Pawloski said, referring to the distance fire fighters initially maintained from the vehicles involved in the "accident".

Several firemen then returned to the scene to help the injured and transport them to waiting the ambulances. From there, the exercise moved to the hospital emergency room.

Understandably, Pawloski noted, simulated disasters aren't perfect from many standpoints, and Saturday's exercise was no different.

"It's like any simulated disaster we have - we try to keep it as quiet as possible, but it does leak out," he said, noting the element of surprise is lost because many of the participants know what's coming. And, some steps, such as taping off the scene, are eliminated in the interest of cost and time. "Had this been an actual scene, they would have called in more manpower."

On the other hand, the exercise offered an opportunity for local emergency crews to experiment with specially designed portable decontamination shelters. "It's quite the unit, and it only takes a minute to set up," Pawloski said.

Tuscola County Emergency Services Director Patrick Finn said representatives of the tent's Canadian manufacturer, Unifold, were on hand Saturday to explain the equipment's use not only as a decontamination facility, but as a portable command center. He noted the county is planning to purchase 2 of the shelters.

Pawloski said some portions of Saturday's exercise could have gone better, including security at the scene and some aspects of communication, although the fire department enjoyed a solid communication system throughout the simulation.

"There were a lot of mistakes made, not only on the fire department side, but the ambulance and police," he said. "But I've been on here since '73, and I've been involved in a lot of simulated disasters, and through the years they've gotten better.

"All in all, from a fire department standpoint, like I said before, it was an excellent training session," he added.

Finn agreed. "I think overall everything went pretty well," he said. "It was a scenario that could happen, and everybody learned."

Finn attributed the success of the exercise to the participation of local officials representing fire, police, the hospital and the village, and their cooperation with county officials in setting up simulations. "People in Cass City should be proud, proud that their people want to participate in these exercises."

Finn said the bio-terrorism regional coordinator from this district, which covers 14 counties, was in attendance and "was very impressed with how well people worked together.

"Of course, there were mistakes," he continued. "But the goal is for everybody to learn. We had a critique at the hospital afterwards. Everybody that was there said, 'we learned something', and I said, 'that's the name of the game'."

And the learning will continue for some time to come, according to Pawloski.

"Every time we meet now, there's going to be some discussion - we should have done this, we shouldn't have done that. It's a training tool, and it goes on for days," he said. "The biggest thing is that we learn from our mistakes."

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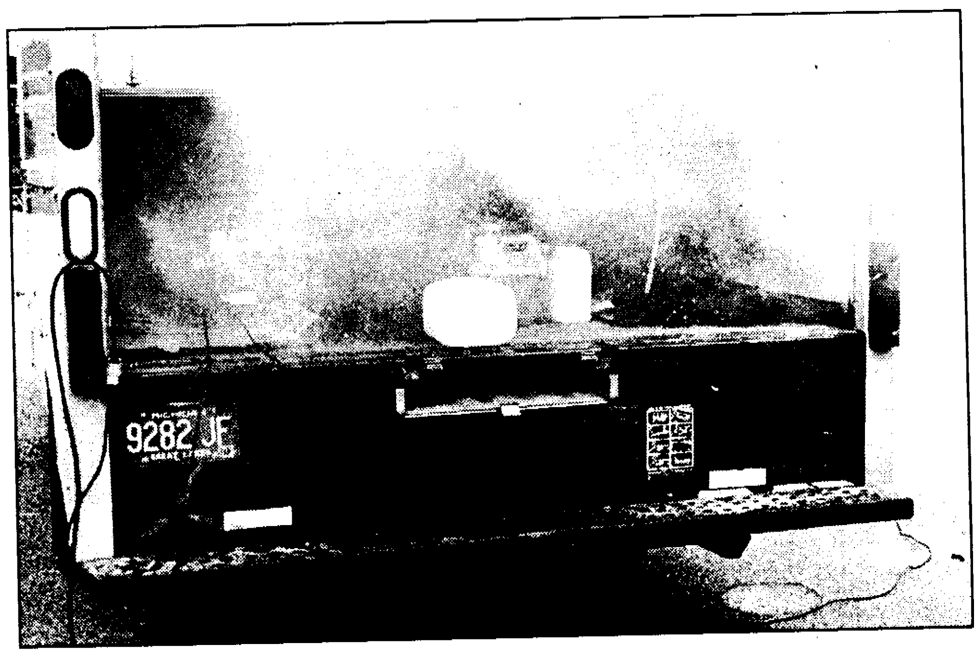

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Limited, V-8, Silver Metallic, AC, ... PW, PL, Tinted Glass, Cass./CD, ... Tire Monitor
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Leather, Heated Seats, Auto, V-6, All The Options
Was........ $30,290.00
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4WD, Leather, V8, Auto, Loaded!!
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Great Recliner, Great Price!

Clean, casual styling with a transitional flair. Three-section back offers plenty of support, while pillow-style arms and a thick seat cushion deliver extra comfort. Available in several colors.

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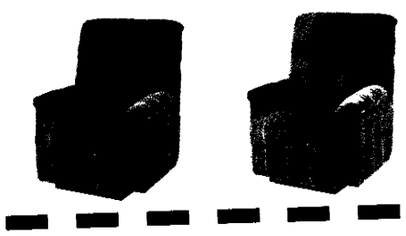

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Reclining Sofa
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Leather Recliner
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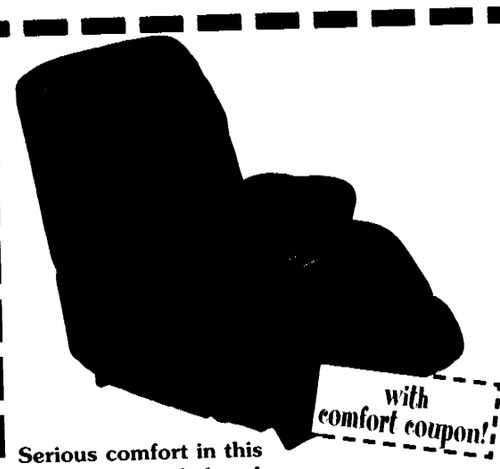
The perfect union of style and comfort. This leather recliner features plush pub back, chaise seating and pillowtop arms.



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Serious comfort in this vertical channeled cushioned recliner. This leather recliner features handle operated reclining and chaise seating.

Your Choice
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Reclining Sofa
$994
Reclining Loveseat $944
Recliner $574

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Reclining Loveseat $1274
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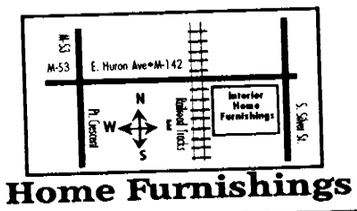

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