

Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

A brief, but violent, storm Sunday knocked out the lights at the Cass City High School, site of Monday's Regular School Election vote. Election official Pat Wells says the power outage wasn't much of an inconvenience, except in one aspect. It's pretty dark when you have to use the bathrooms, commented Wells.

Congratulations to Frankenmuth junior Andrew Dodson who recently set the Division 3 State Finals high jump record at 6' 9" besting the old mark of 6' 7" set in 2000. I was surprised the old record wasn't higher. That's because over 20 years ago, I witnessed 2 underclassmen - Laker's Jeff Smith and Brown City's Dave Snyder - clear 6' 10" during a regional track meet in Marlette.

The Chronicle's weekly weather chart will undergo a major facelift beginning in July. Thanks to the power of the Internet, our new report will include much more information, including a look at the upcoming week's weather pattern for our area, upcoming Moon phases, and sunrise and sunset times, to name a few. We hope our readers enjoy the change.

Caro man charged in April anhydrous theft

A Caro man arrested last spring on suspicion of stealing anhydrous ammonia and possessing precursors used to manufacture methamphetamine stood mute during his arraignment last week. David M. Langley, 31, was formally charged in Tuscola County Circuit Court with operating/maintaining a methamphetamine lab, resisting and obstructing a police officer - causing injury, transporting/possession of an anhydrous ammonia container not approved by law, possession of more than 12 grams of ephedrine/pseudoephedrine, and larceny of property valued at less than \$200. He is also charged with being an habitual offender (3 prior felony convictions).

Driver hurt in crash

A Snover man was injured early Monday morning when the vehicle he was driving left North Sandusky Road and struck a ditch. Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies said the driver, Carlos G. Castillo, 20, was northbound on North Sandusky Road, near Eddy Road, when the 4 a.m. accident occurred. Castillo told officers he fell asleep at the wheel. Castillo was able to escape the wreckage on his own and walked to a nearby house to call 911. He was transported to McKenzie Memorial Hospital, Sandusky, for treatment, according to reports, which indicate he was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash.

Both the suspect and a TNU officer were treated at Caro Community Hospital for minor injuries resulting from contact and inhalation of anhydrous as well as the struggle with the suspect during his arrest. A second suspect was also identified and interviewed, according to Krugielki, who said the suspect is believed to have dropped off the first suspect with a plan to pick him up after he stole the chemical. "When the second suspect's vehicle was searched, lithium strips as well as ephedrine was located and seized," Krugielki said. He noted manufacturing methamphetamine is dangerous and deadly not only to the individuals who make it, but also to the surrounding public and residential areas. "Explosions can sometimes occur during methamphetamine production, gasses can be released and hazardous waste run-off can result from residual chemicals left by meth labs."

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case. Bond was continued at \$20,000. The charges stem from an incident last spring at a cooperative in Fairgrove, where Thumb Narcotics Unit officers had previously set up surveillance operations in an attempt to arrest a suspect(s) believed to be stealing anhydrous ammonia. According to TNU Commander Detective Lt. Mitch Krugielki, officers observed a suspect stealing anhydrous ammonia from a tank located

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play. Money would be found from philanthropic organizations and individuals to pay the way. In small towns, the school and its athletic teams are the activity centers. If the money crunch extends for several years and volunteer coaches are all that are available, Sandusky's program will be decimated. It's likely that the state will be forced to come up with funding as schools across the board are exhausting fund balances to keep operating. Hopefully it will come before Sandusky is forced to adopt the no pay policy that promises to be so disastrous down the road.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

peeled the hood back like someone opening a new can of Spam. "Must have been a tourist," the woman surmised. Soon after that a 50-gallon oil drum went rolling across the runway. I figured the breeze was freshening. Airport personnel suggested it was probably an empty oil drum I saw. "The planes don't fly when the full ones are blowing."

I handed my suitcase to a luggage clerk, and he handed it to the guy behind him. I don't know what that fellow did with it.

I wasn't worried, though. It's pretty hard to lose your luggage when there's only one airplane. The baggage clerk was the same person who took my ticket and ushered me onto the plane. I think he was in charge of security, too, judging from the little badge on his shirt. Those were the days before metal detectors, photo IDs, and \$10 per day parking.

Some folks might like the big modern airports, but I don't. If I had my druthers, I'd still be flying out of Pendleton.

The Weather			
	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	89	70	.03"
Wednesday	85	54	1.02"
Thursday	65	52	.29"
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Nanette S. Walsh
Clerk/Treasurer

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The Haire Net

Hopefully, state will act soon

Sandusky Schools has adopted a school cost-cutting measure unprecedented in the Thumb and may well be the first for any public school in Michigan. Faced with a staggering deficit that has required pink slipping 9 1/2 employees, the school board has voted not to pay coaches for the 2004-5 school year. Work for nothing or don't work. This at a time when coaches for junior varsity, junior high and assistants have been hard to fill, even though they are paid. I would judge that for many sports if a volunteer is found it will be a dad or mom with sons or daughters participating that will fill the void. Even with highly trained coaches, one of the problems is parents who figure that the coach has favorites and that's why their kids aren't getting the playing time they deserve. You can see what's ahead if a son or daughter plays for them, regardless of their ability. Finding money to operate is not unique to Sandusky. Many, many schools are wrestling with the problem. Cass City is fortunate that its program is solid at least for another year. Many schools in a fund bind have established a pay to play policy. The drawback, of course, is that it discourages participation. Sandusky has proven in the past that district residents support the school very well. It boasts one of the finest gyms in the area and has been nicknamed the "Thumb Palace" with justification. Pay to play will eliminate players; the athlete that was coaxed to join a team is gone. I question if charging to play will eliminate a single student who really wants to



play. Money would be found from philanthropic organizations and individuals to pay the way. In small towns, the school and its athletic teams are the activity centers. If the money crunch extends for several years and volunteer coaches are all that are available, Sandusky's program will be decimated. It's likely that the state will be forced to come up with funding as schools across the board are exhausting fund balances to keep operating. Hopefully it will come before Sandusky is forced to adopt the no pay policy that promises to be so disastrous down the road.

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Taj Mahal

Cass City carpentry students create custom hunting blind

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

They call it the Taj Mahal. That's how students in Craig Weaver's carpentry class at Cass City High School referred to the custom deer hunting blind they were asked to build for Mayville area resident Mike Wood.

In the past, the carpentry class has built sheds for interested area residents, who paid for the materials while the students provided the labor in exchange for hands-on construction experience in the classroom.

But Weaver, who took over the class this year, decided to try something different and a little smaller in scale.

He asked the students in his class to build deer blinds, and he put an ad in the Chronicle advertising the project. "They're smaller, 6 by 6, with 2-by-4 construction, OSB sheathing and a shingled roof," Weaver explained, adding the basic blind model sold for about \$275.

"We've sold 2 so far. The big problem is, the price of building materials is so high. I think that scared some people away."

Not Wood, who approached Weaver and asked if his class would be willing to take on a bigger project - a deluxe 8-foot by 8-foot blind.

"Mom (Carol Long of Cass City) told me they were making them, and I wanted to make one for my little brother," Wood recalled. "I was really interested in a blind built to code, and Mr. Weaver was really excited about it."

"I was pretty excited about it, too," Wood added. "And I was really excited for the kids - it's an experience they can take out of the shop class."

"That was perfect," Weaver agreed, adding he knew the project would provide his students with a wider range of construction experience.

Building a blind to code requires more attention to certain details, according to Weaver. "The main thing was the spacing of studs, the framing and the electrical - where they ran the wires. It's just like a real house; real wall construction, siding, electrical, insulation, windows and door."

Weaver's "work crew" totaled 16 in all; Dustin Bitzer, Christopher Brown, Brenden Curtis, Paul Hoelzle, Jason James, Christopher Johnson, Matthew Koepf, Kyle Lowe, William McCreedy, Chad Newton, Justin Owen, Jack Palmer, Thomas Sabo, Frankie Stinson, Jareth Tyson and Scott Woidan.

The class was enthusiastic about the challenge. In fact, on the last day of school, some of the kids who had already finished their classes for the school year returned to help finish the project.

"I love working on stuff like that," said Paul Hoelzle, a member of the class who will begin his senior year in the

fall. "It was pretty elaborate for a hunting blind. This one had actual vinyl siding that a couple of students had to cut to fit," Hoelzle noted. "The thing is 8 feet tall. It's like a Noah's Ark."

In all, it took the class about a month to complete the blind, but it was worth the wait, judging by Wood's reaction.

"I think the kids did a very good job," he said. "I'm very pleased with their work, and I'm ready to have them build another one."

In fact, Wood who previously built 3 similar blinds himself, is planning to ask Weaver's students to con-

struct an even larger blind - big enough to accommodate his family - during the next school year.

Weaver indicated he's ready for the challenge, although he and his students plan to continue offering residents the opportunity to purchase the smaller, basic blinds as well. "I would like to if people are interested in them."

"I think the kids really enjoyed it," Weaver said, adding the project promotes teamwork. "That's the nice part - when you have 2 or 3 kids working on a wall."

"It was a learning experience for them and me."



STUDENTS IN CRAIG Weaver's carpentry class at Cass City High School recently completed a custom, 8-foot by 8-foot deer hunting blind for Mayville area resident Mike Wood. Weaver estimates the blind, built to code, cost about \$2,000.

Several appear on charges

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

•Daniel D. Robinson, 44, Kingston, was sentenced to 157 days in the county jail for his plea of no contest to domestic violence, second offense, and reckless discharge of a firearm Dec. 30 in Dayton Township.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$400.

•Paul S. Pezo Jr., 20, Mayville, pleaded guilty to malicious destruction of

property valued at \$200 to \$1,000 Dec. 13, 2002, in Millington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Jamea McKnight, 44, Caro, stood mute to 6 counts of writing no account checks for \$29.28, \$47.58, \$45.79, \$42.68, \$40 and \$82.50 Feb. 18-25 in Caro.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was set at \$1,000.

•Daniel W. Bailey, 21, Caro, pleaded no contest to aggravated domestic violence, second offense, assaulting a police officer and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor April 10 in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was set at \$250. Sentencing is to be set.

•Daniel J. Graves, 34, Caro, stood mute to charges of first degree home invasion, ethnic intimidation and 2

counts of assaulting a police officer May 7 in Caro.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$7,000.

•Robert W. Browning, 37, Inlay City, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 180 days in jail, with work release, for his pleas of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, and fleeing a police officer, fourth degree, March 22 in Kingston Township.

He was also ordered to undergo residential substance abuse treatment and pay costs and fines of \$2,870.

•Calvin L. Robinson, 48, Saginaw, was sentenced to 111 days in jail for his plea of guilty to attempted possession of burglar's tools June 2 in Denmark Township.

He was also ordered to pay \$120 in costs and fines. Restitution is to be determined.

•Joyce A. Gay, 44, Flint, received a one-year delayed sentence for her plea of no contest to embezzlement of \$1,000 to \$20,000 while employed at Gunnell Inc., March 21 in Millington. She was ordered to undergo mental therapy/counseling and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,100.

car wash all day, arts and crafts tents for the kids, United Methodist Women craft/antique booth, and a mini antique auto show. Fresh strawberry pies will be on sale and there will be a sidewalk café.

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Extravaganza scheduled

The Cass City United Methodist Church will host a Super Extravaganza Saturday, June 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There are a host of activities planned, including a flea market, an auction slated to start at about 4 p.m., a youth

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2004-2005 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 28, 2004, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., at Cass City High School, Cass City, Michigan, the Board of Education of Cass City Public Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2004-2005 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2004-2005 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2004-2005 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

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Michelle Biddinger, Secretary

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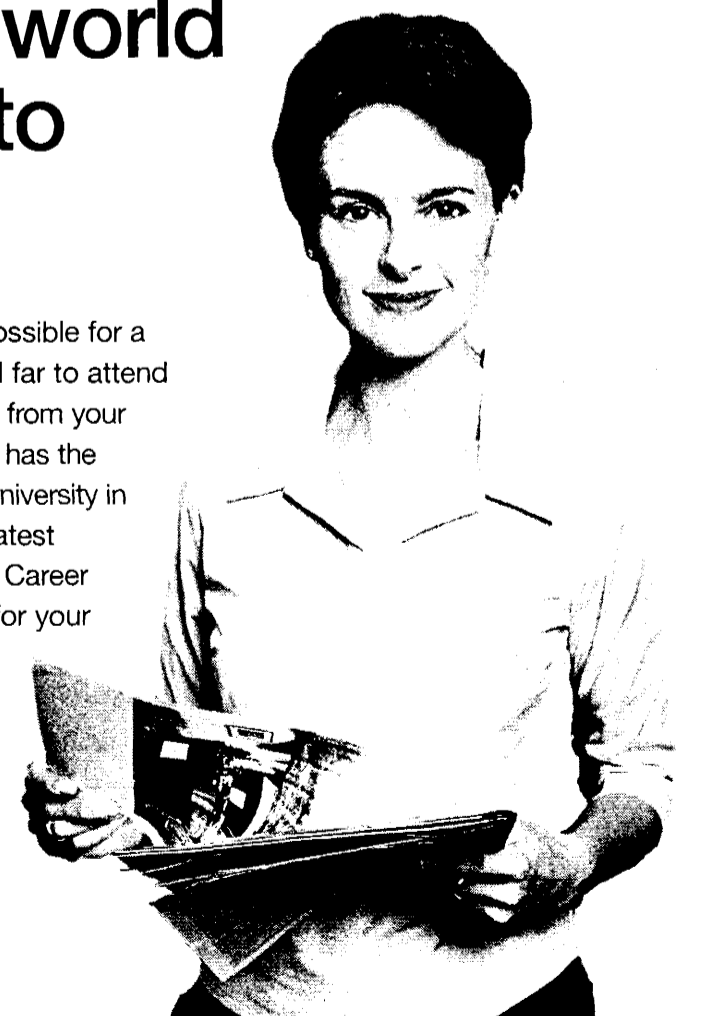
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Red Hawk Langenburg named to Greater Thumb West Conference dream team

Cass City sophomore pitcher Brad Langenburg was the lone member from the baseball co-champion Red Hawks named to the Greater Thumb West Conference first team all-conference squad. Joining the Hawk ace on the elite team was Bay City All Saints (BCAS) pitcher Tom Hine. The first team infielders included: Scott Biskup, BCAS; Mike Siewart, Lakers; Dave Smith, Bad Axe;

Ben Alegria, USA. The dream team outfielders were: Mike Stricter, USA; Matt Papkey, Lakers; Andy Spyhalski, BCAS. Rounding out the squad were a pair of catchers and 2 at large players. The catchers are Alex Smith, Bad Axe; and Drew Gokey, USA; while Justin Schumacher, Reese and Chris Harder, Lakers complete the first team. Chosen to the GTW all-conference 2nd team were Red Hawks Nick Stoutenburg, Jon Bennett and Chris

Dillon (infield) Tyler Erla (pitcher), and Jake Brinkman (outfield). Also earning 2nd team recognition was Tyson Maloney, BCAS; Nathan Licht, Lakers, Jordan Bitzer, USA, and Justin Bell, Reese; Jason Brezinski, BCAS; Brady Beachy, Lakers, Dan Lasceski, Bad Axe, and Bryan Burnell, Valley Lutheran; Joe Heintskill, BCAS, and Sean Squires, USA. Receiving honorable mention accolades were Red

Hawks Jeff Stoutenburg, Mike Havens, Justin Glaza and Nathan Laming. Also receiving honorable mention recognition was Brandon Wolf, Ryan Kunitzer, Jon Kidwell, Valley Lutheran; Dave Feger, Erik Marker, Brandon Schember, James Jackson, Lakers; Peter Hinz, Adam Periard, Valley Lutheran; David Kelly, Kevin Jammer, Reese; Zack Retzler, Steve Koch, USA; Matt Day, Josh Davidson, BCAS; and Jason Iskow, Bad Axe.

Several lady Hawks among all stars

The Greater Thumb West all-conference softball teams included 7 players from Cass City. Named to the GTW 2nd team was Red Hawks Krystee Dorland, Megan Toner (infield), and Mallory Powell (pitcher). Cass City also had Renee Czekai (catcher), Kristi Fluegge (infield), Ashley Barrigar and Ashley


Hendrick (outfield) as honorable mention picks. The GTW first team choices were: Katie Sierocki, Sara Andrus, Reese; Katie Middleton, BCAS; Wendy Geiger, Bad Axe; Kristy Sting, Sarah Alegria, USA; Julie Glowiak, Brooke Drzewicki, BCAS; Deidre Reinert and Kandra Solgot Reese; Laura Fritch, Lakers. In addition to the Red

Hawks, earning 2nd team praises were: Meghan Warein, Valley Lutheran; Brittany Speacer and Lysay Weaver, BCAS; Karina Raul, Ashley Catrell, Valley Lutheran; Marisa Heicht, Reese; Stephanie Gremel, Kala Winiecki, USA. Honorable mention picks included Janelle Swartzendruber, Brianna Gascho, Emily King, Lakers;

Jamie Guigar, Megan Miller, Kati Ney, Lindsay Essenmacher, Bad Axe; Megan Gainforth, Erica Houthoofd, USA; Jessica Killomen and Lysay Weaver, BCAS; Katy Schmiander, Jessica Hayward and Kandra Solgot, Reese; Brittany Krause, Angela Golz, Courtney Campbell, Anna Williams, Valley Lutheran.

Rolling Hills Golf Course League Standings

Cass City Golf League As of June 13					
Flight #1		67	Dennis Meck	51	
Mark Swanson	71	65	Bert Althaver	51	
Ray Fox	67	61	Dave Keller	50	
Rick Salcido	66	60	John Agar	49	
Scott Richards	65	51	Thad Phelps	47	
Rich Tate	63	46	Bob Stickle	46	
Craig Helwig	56	45	Jeff Kindler	25	
Don Ouvry	55	44			
Brad Goslin	49	41	Wednesday Night 2 Man Golf League as of June 9		
Bill Kritzman	46	37			
Don Warner	46	34	Late Division		
Dieter Roth	43	Flight #4			
Chris Maharg	37	71			
John Maharg	33	69	Early Division		
Terry Wiseman	29	65	Burns/Hutchinson	93	
Flight #2		61	Kritzman/Burns	82	
Mike Hawrylo	75	61	Bliss/Baker	82	
Jason Bitzer	74	61	Herron/Tuckey	80	
Rick Coleman	66	58	Henn/Peters	78	
Mike Lowe	60	57	Wallace/Warner	78	
Erik Tamlyn	59	57	Stickle/Iwankovitsch	72	
Daryl Iwankovitsch	56	56	Craig/Knight	70	
Dave Weiler	55	51			
Jim Peyerck	52	51			
Corey Uffig	50	50			
Jim Hobbs	48	50			
Fred Leeson	43	48			
Gary Robinson	39	45			
Craig Bellew	37	45			
Brian Reinhardt	33	45			
Flight #3		45			
Ernie Bellew	74	39			
Clark Erla	73	37			



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LISTINGS WANTED - We have buyers waiting for property.

NEAT CLEAN & NICE - 3 bedroom home close to Cass City on 12 acres. Neutral carpet colors. Fireplace in family room. Well kept and ready to move into. Great hunting area. F-726

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NEW ON THE MARKET - Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1 story home close to downtown. New carpet in living room and bedrooms. 16'x24' garage is only a couple years old. This home would be a great starter home. TCC 1421

JUST LISTED - Beautiful 2 story, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home close to downtown. Almost completely remodeled in the last three years. Master and guest bedrooms have 4'x8' walk-in closets. Kitchen cupboards are hickory. This home is beautifully decorated and ready to move into. TCC 1423

2 BEDROOM w/finished lower level, and nat. gas fireplace. Built in 1996. View of country-side. Many appliances included. TCC 1404

NEW!
SELLER SAYS SELL! Country setting, 3 BR, large living room, formal dining room, full basement, extra room to finish, one car detached garage, asking \$69,900. If you want to purchase the 40'x80' pole bldg. along with the home asking price \$84,900. To be surveyed by seller. CC-511

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SOLD!
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ROOTY-TOOTY We have a beauty! One time offer for these 4 bedrooms w/ 1,400 sq. ft. Also has a mudroom off nice relaxing deck. Park your car inside a 2 car att. garage located on a nice quiet lot in a smaller town. Shoo-bop on over for Marty to show this to you. OW-132

NEW!
JUST ADD FURNITURE! Surround yourself in openness. Included are the 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, large neutral colored kitchen and dining area. Bring ice-tea and enjoy it on a 10'x12' deck all on 1.12 acres. Call Marty to tour this 1,300 sq. ft. ranch today. CC-520

NEW!
HIDDEN TREASURE! Who could imagine this 3 bedroom, 1,850 sq. ft. home, beauty comes with everything. Here are just a few features: interior/exterior remodel, spa room, large insulated and heated garage. 64'x25' pole building on 1.93 acres. Call Marty to be impressed. EPB-143

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Society set to induct 4-H veteran Adams

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sewing, knitting, crocheting."

The Adams' daughters were both junior 4-H leaders, according to Faye. "They were in animal science, crafts,

cooking, and they both went on to the state level, they went to 4-H National Congress and some of those activities," she said.

As adults, the couple's children have gone on to share their experiences by being

active in 4-H or youth programs. And, some of their children are involved in 4-H.

Over the years, the Adams noted, 4-H has evolved and expanded. What was once a predominantly rural program has spread to more urban areas, and 4-H projects now include a wide variety of non-agriculture-related topics, Wayne said.

"It certainly has changed, but the times have changed,"

Faye agreed. "But I don't think the purpose has changed," she said.

Four-H continues to provide valuable lessons to young people, such as responsibility and the right way to approach competition, Wayne said. "The big thing is, you learn to lose as well as to win."

"No matter how hard you work, you may not be number one, and that's not a bad thing. It's learning - what

you gain from it," Faye said, adding 4-H programs reinforce the basic life skills that parents try to instill in their kids.

"Which is a big part of what has kept the Adams involved for so many years.

"We just realize the value of what 4-H does for youth, the opportunities it provides," Faye said. "I think it teaches kids, really, about life."

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Local Girl Scouts give away 1,500 pounds of food

The Girl Scout Food Pantry held Saturday was a huge success.

Jerica Fenningsdorf, Klyn Puterbaugh and Lauren Brzuchowski, all from Senior Girl Scout Troop 1081, opened a food pantry in Cass City to earn their Gold Award.

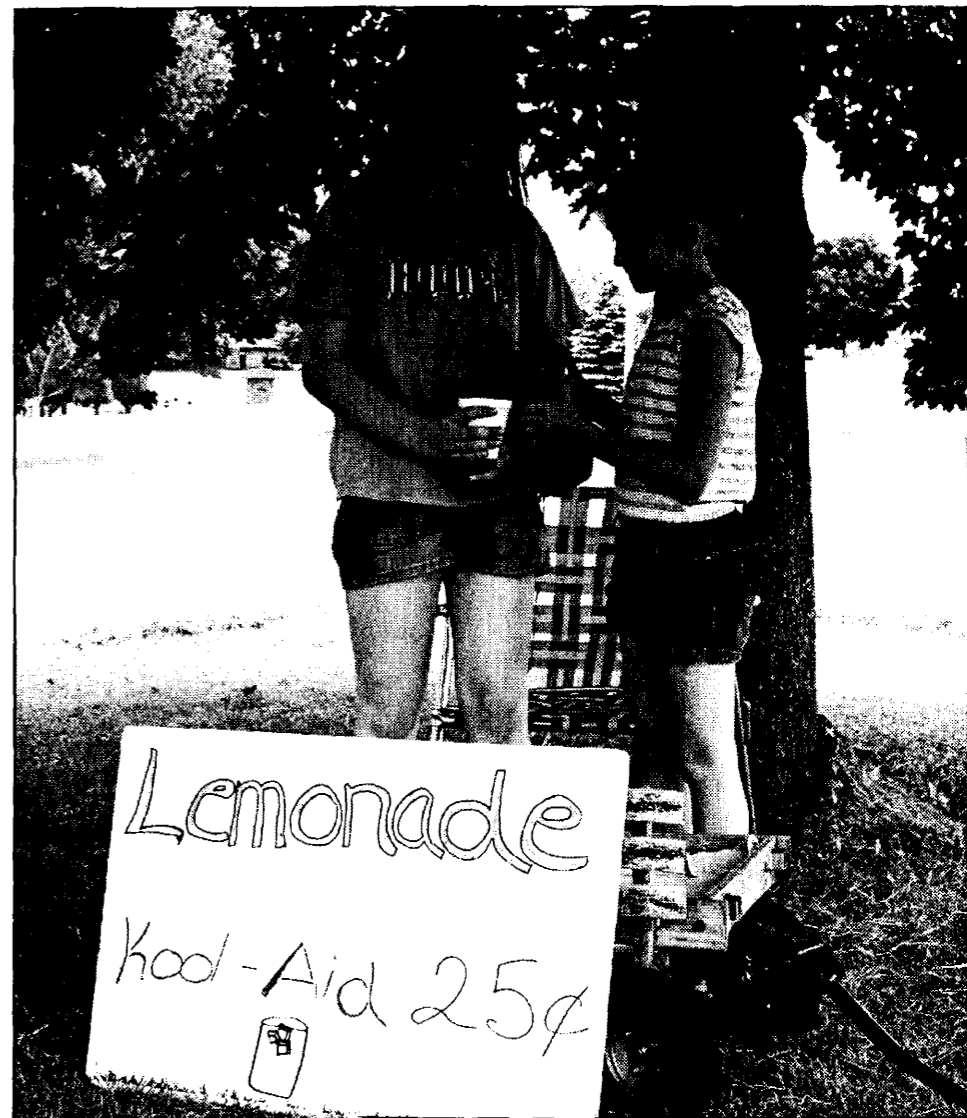
The girls gave away over 1,500 pounds of food and helped over 30 families Saturday.

If anyone else would like to donate, they can send donations to Troop 1081 at: 7711 Germania Rd., Ubyl, MI 48475, or they can drop off

food at Videomation, Chemical Bank, Independent Bank or Thumb National Bank.

The girls plan on having the food pantry open the second Saturday of every month, so the next time it will be open will be July 10, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

On July 10, besides food, there will be free clothing given away as well because the girls received clothing from an anonymous donor who wanted the clothing to be given away to those in need.



BEST FRIENDS Vicki Spencer, 11, and Sarah Burk, 11, both of Cass City, recently spent a day under a nice shady spot beating the heat and picking up a little pocket change at the same time.

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