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CABIN EXCAVATING, LLC bought award winner Adam Osentoski's steer for \$3,350 at this year's livestock auction at the Tuscola County Fair. Osentoski, son of David and Teri Osentoski, won Grand Champion honors in the market beef category and is a member of the Cass City Livestock Club. For more livestock and fair pictures, turn to page 8.

Woman files trip, fall suit

A Benzie County woman has filed suit against the village of Cass City, claiming she suffered serious injuries when she tripped on a sidewalk and fell in front of a Main Street business.

An attorney representing Andrea Neihardt, 54, filed the suit in Tuscola County Circuit Court. The suit is seeking in excess of \$25,000.

According to the suit, Neihardt was walking on a

sidewalk on the north side of Main Street, east of Leach Street, Sept. 6, 2002, when she tripped and fell in front of Kelly and Co. Realty, 6451 Main St.

The suit claims Neihardt fell "when she stepped on a portion of the said sidewalk which was defective in that it contained a raised and/or heaved and/or uneven portion from the surrounding sidewalk."

The suit also states she sustained serious injuries, "including, but not limited to, her left knee, shin, elbow and foot." Neihardt states she had to undergo extensive and serious medical treatment in the past and feels additional treatment and/or surgeries may be necessary.

Cass City Village Manager Frank Sheridan said he could not offer very many details related to the case.

"This is in litigation; it's going to the lawyers," he said. Sheridan confirmed Neihardt filed a claim with the village, which was sent to the village's insurance carrier, the Michigan Township Participating Plan. The insurance company denied the claim in the fall of 2003, he said.

According to reports filed on the incident by the Cass Please turn to back page.

Sugar producers to complete merger

by Benjamin Ray
Staff Writer

Carl Bednarski grows sugar beets in Caro for Michigan Sugar, Co.

He also sits on the Michigan Sugar Board, which discovered last week that farmers from Monitor and Michigan Sugar companies will soon own the company.

Bednarski is among 600 sugar beet grower-owners from Monitor Sugar, Co., which will combine with Michigan Sugar, Co. to form one corporate and cohesive force.

Monitor announced Friday morning they will purchase Monitor Sugar from its parent company, Illovo Sugar Ltd. of South Africa. Monitor has 600 growers while Michigan has 1,000; approximately 200 farmers grow for both companies.

processing plant after Illovo announced it wished to sell in May. However, instead of purchasing four processing plants like Michigan did in 2002, officials decided a merger would be a better idea. "An owner can control their destiny," Flegenheimer said. "I think beets have been

good on the farm as far as returns, and the combination of those two factors will benefit farmers."

The sale price has not been revealed, although Illovo Sugar officials reportedly asked for \$50 million and turned down an earlier offer. Although a \$250-per-acre

price could seem daunting to an average farmer, Bednarski said once farmers see it they will be pleasantly pleased.

Sugar beet farmers purchased four Michigan Sugar plants from Imperial Sugar in 2002, and many had to get loans from banks to finance Please turn to back page.

Groundbreaking set for domestic abuse shelter

Victims of domestic violence in Huron County will soon have a safe haven to turn to without having to travel across the Thumb for help.

Organizers of an effort that began more than a year ago are nearing their goal of building the Huron County SafePlace, a shelter for victims of domestic abuse.

Then we also had a foundation pledge of \$25,000," Kain said. "Since that time we've raised over \$180,000 (including the pledges). It's been just amazing."

In addition, the county has donated a half-acre for the project, and an area architect has donated services. "We have site plans and architectural drawings that are consistent with other shelters that have been built," Kain said.

mestic violence shelter in Huron County is the same as the need in Tuscola and Sanilac counties, both of which have similar facilities.

"We're comparable in our domestic abuse rates to other counties our size," she added. "In 2003, there were 319 victims who sought assistance and in many cases, of course, there are secondary victims - the children."

Members of the Huron County Coalition Against Domestic Abuse plan to break ground for the shelter Wednesday, Aug. 18, at 5:30 p.m. The site is located on Soper Road, adjacent to the MSU Extension building.

The ceremony will mark the culmination of months of planning and fundraising by the coalition.

"It really began back in January-February of 2003. The coalition formed and they became incorporated and we received our 501c3 non-profit status," said Amy Kain, project director for the coalition.

The group held its first major fundraising a year ago, but support for the effort was already in place and building.

"To get us started, there was an (anonymous) individual donor who pledged \$50,000.

The facility will feature 3 large, dorm-style bedrooms that can accommodate 16 people. Total cost is estimated at \$220,000 to \$250,000.

"The big thing is, we're going to have operating expenses every year, and we're hoping people will pledge annually," Kain said. "We've figured it will cost \$140 to house a victim for one night, and that would include their children."

Kain said the need for a do-

Among those 319 victims, 245 were female and 74 were male, 34 cases involved injured victims, and 102 cases - 32 percent - involved secondary victims (children). There has been one proven domestic violence-related homicide in the county and another case is currently under investigation.

The 2003 statistics represent an increase of 42 percent compared to the year before, Kain noted, "so it's an increasing problem in Please turn to page 5.

Summer Mania on tap in village

Summer may be winding down, but the partying isn't over yet in Cass City.

The village's annual Summer Mania Festival is slated for Thursday and Friday, Aug. 5 and 6, and organizers are planning a host of activities for the whole family.

The celebration also offers shoppers some of the biggest bargains of the year throughout the community.

"This great family festival kicks off Thursday with town-wide garage sales, the library's annual book sale, art-craft-flea market, food and retail vendors on the downtown sidewalks, and an awesome kids area with 5 big fun inflatable equipment pieces, snow cones and cotton candy," said Kay Warner, Cass City Area Chamber of Commerce administrator.

Erla's will have its food tent set up Thursday and Friday, and the girls' varsity softball team will be selling hot dogs both days.

Area residents are invited to have dinner downtown and enjoy plenty of local talent, with groups performing in the entertainment tent. Featured Thursday will be the bands Sear Grind, Captain Geech, Savage Henry, and Custom Muskellunge, with Music Club taking the stage Friday.

"Additional events on Friday include a car seat safety check by the Safe Kids Coalition (2 to 5 p.m.)," Warner said. "Also taking place Friday is the first ever 'Meat and Sweet Cook-off Challenge' so look for lots of great food."

The cook-off, slated for 4 to 7 p.m., will feature delicious creations in 2 categories; meats - barbecue pork

rib slabs, and sweets - any type of cookie only (brownies not accepted).

Also on tap is the return of 98 FM KCQ Country Radio at the big Curtis Classic Car Show Friday night, and a live concert by Rich Eddy's Rockin' Oldies Band.

"More live entertainment and some old-fashioned band jammin' will be going on following the car show," Warner said, noting Gilligan's Pub Out-Back Patio/Beer Tent is returning by popular demand, featuring the Snover Bunch. "It's all the fun summer stuff."

The Summer Mania "Business Crawl" also returns this year. During this event, shoppers reach into a container at participating businesses and take a numbered ticket. They then take a "business crawl" (visit each participating business) and check their numbered ticket with the number posted inside each business, and if they have a match, they take both tickets to the municipal building to redeem them for a "Cass City Cash" prize. The cash spends just like real currency at local businesses.

Summer Mania is sponsored by the Cass City Chamber of Commerce, Cass City Downtown Development Authority and local businesses.

Organizers ask all participating crafters, vendors, grillers, bakers and classic car owners to contact the chamber for an application or registration information.

More information is available by calling the chamber office at (989) 872-4618 or toll-free at 1-866-266-3822, or check the community news page on the Cass City website at: www.casscity.org

Changing hands

Purchase of Sutters Bakery homecoming for new owner

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Delores "Dee" Huyge may be new to business ownership, but she's no stranger to Cass City.

Huyge, who is originally from Grand Rapids, recently purchased Sutter's Bakery from Doug and Kathy Kruse, whose purchase of the well-known Cass City business 2 years ago marked the end of ownership by Virginia and the late Tom Sutter. The Sutters opened the bakery in 1969.

"One of the reasons I came back to the area is all my children came back," Huyge said. "I've always loved Cass City."

Huyge's lifelong love of the Thumb began in her teens during visits to her cousins' homes in the area. It was a big change from the inner city environment she called home at the time. At the age of 17, she decided to move to the Cass City area, where she met her former husband, Dave Skiles.

"We were here, I would say, 13 years. All of my children were born in Cass City," said the mother of 4 and grandmother of 6.

The couple left Michigan

after Skiles graduated from Saginaw Valley State University and accepted a job in southern California.

Huyge returned to Grand Rapids 7 years later, and she visited family in Cass City frequently after that.

"Those trips reminded her of some great memories, including working at the former Sommer's Bakery more than 25 years ago. Her visits usually included return stops to Sommer's for their famed "Irish Bread" as well as a stop at Sutter's for a raspberry pie or decorated cake.

Later, she began exploring the idea of opening her own restaurant. She first looked at the vacant Hardee's restaurant building. About 5 months ago, she learned Sutter's would be available for sale.

"I looked at it and just made up my mind that this was the direction I wanted to go - the type of business, the location and the historic value of it," recalled Huyge, who is very familiar with what it takes to operate a restaurant.

"I have 30 years in the restaurant business, so this just fit for me," she said. "I've grilled, I've cooked, I've baked. There isn't anything I haven't done, and I did that

to prepare for this day."

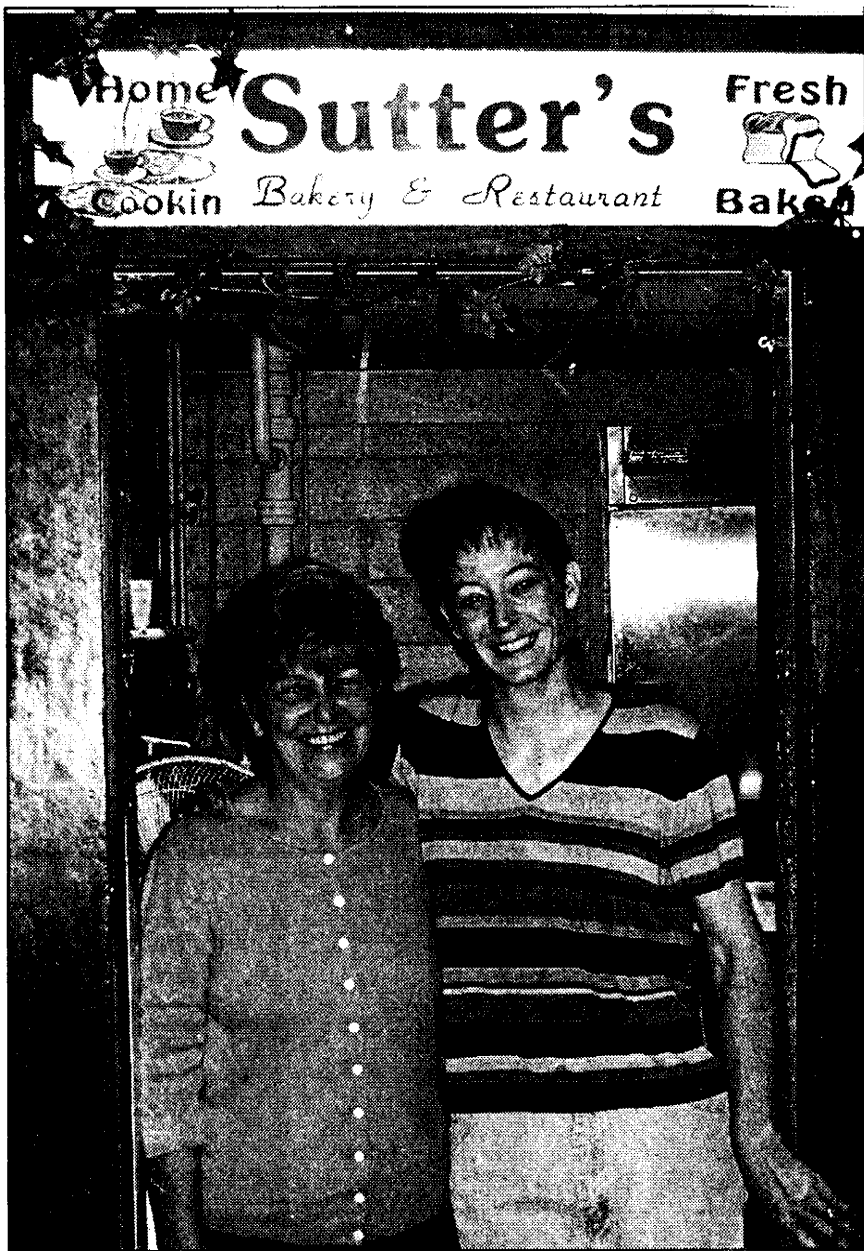
Huyge said she can't wait to get started. "I can't begin to tell you. I'm so much looking forward to it," she added.

"My plans are to continue with the homemade bakery, and to incorporate some new ideas with it," she added, noting she would like to expand the existing bakery portion of the business. "But it's going to have to be such a gradual process. Right now I'm going to concentrate on the restaurant."

One of the big changes coming include a new, smoke-free environment, something Huyge - a smoker herself - has spent time researching and discussing with area residents.

"I've talked to a lot of people on the pros and cons. There's a lot of people who won't come in here because of the smoke," she said, adding she probably won't establish the no-smoking rule until sometime in the fall.

Huyge officially takes over business Aug. 1. "I'm going to be closed one week and re-open a week from Monday (Aug. 9)," she said. "We're going to do a little bit of a facelift, and then the next year, my son is going to Please turn to back page.



KATHY KRUSE (above, left) and her husband, Doug, have sold Sutter's Bakery to Delores Huyge (right), who has 30 years of experience in the restaurant business and recently moved back to Cass City.

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The team last week received the Team of Excellence award for raising an unprecedented \$10,400 during the event, which was held June 12-13. This is the first year in the event's 5-year history that a team raised more than \$10,000, according to Carol Booms, community development director for the American Cancer Society Bay Area Service Center.

"The team did an outstanding job going above and beyond to raise money in the fight against cancer," Booms said. "They were tremendously committed to the cause and their enthusiasm for the event was contagious."


The 24-hour event raised a combined \$73,000, which supports cancer research and local community programs and services.



Meg's Peg

A puzzle

by Melva E. Guinther



An example: SAMPLE
EVIL = BAD AFTERTASTE

1. ERA PULCHRITUDE
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15. YY FELLOW
16. BD ii
17. AIR
THORN

Answers: 1-Age before Johnny, 2-Head over heels, 3-Johnny on the spot, 4-A cut above the rest, 5-Home away from home, 6-Excuse tax, 7-Fly in the ointment, 8-Concerning flight, 9-Reverse discrimination, 10-Passover meal, 11-For once (4 ones) in my life, 12-Heads up, 13-One after another, 14-Backward glance, 15-Wise guy, 16-Beady little eyes, 17-Aaron Burr, 18-Mixed reaction, 19-Once and for all, 20-Pie in the sky, 21-After the ball is over, 22-Wish upon a star, 23-Against all odds, 24-Hi yo Silver, 25-He's between a rock and a hard place, 26-Time after time, 27-Countdown.

Baker College honors lists

Students named to the president's list for achieving a perfect 4.0 grade point average while completing at least 12 credit hours include Darcy Colon, Brandy Hein and Peggy Pitcher, all of Cass City; Suzanne LePage, Decker; Jared Thane, Deford; Trevor Julien, Kingston; and Nancy Booms and Jean Grifka, both of Ubly.

Among those named to the full-time dean's list are Jeannie Beckrow, Tisha Gardner, David Kolacz, Elizabeth Magiera, Anne McFarland, Kimberly Vincent and Shirley Yax, all of Cass City; Amanda Kieltyka, Monica Rushlo and Teresa Webster, all of Decker; Deborah Babich, Lisa Deel, Ruth Kilburn, Mary Klimet and Melissa Woodward, all of Deford; William Engleman, Dawn Prochilo and Kimberly Ratcliffe, all of Kingston; Kelly Langenburg, Snover; and Sabrina Bradley and Raina Howard, both of Uby.

In addition, several area students were named to the part-time dean's list for earning a grade point average of 3.5 to 4.0 while completing 4 to 11 credits during the quarter.

They include Jim Acker, Tamara Bliss, Luzern Dickson, Lourie Johnson, Brooke Mallory, Cynthia Smith, Ashley Swain, Carrie Tabar, Shanna Turnbull, Julie Vargo and Constance Wedge, all of Cass City; Connie Navarro, Decker; Camille Coryell, Gagetown; Brandy Fisher and Jill Geister, both of Kingston; and Jamie Dahlke, Michael Dubs and Rochelle Shaltonis, all of Owendale.

Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, August 5

Book and bake sale, Rawson Memorial Library, during regular hours. (Held Aug. 5-7)

Friday, August 6

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

Monday, August 9

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


Tuesday, August 10

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

Wednesday, August 11

Pork chop dinner with baked potatoes served family style. noon, Cass City United Methodist Church, 5100 N. Cemetery Rd. Take outs are available, call 872-4604.

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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

One of the more popular sports flicks in recent years has been "The Natural", starring Robert Redford. The story centers around the outstanding natural baseball ability of the character played by Redford and how he came back after a long absence from the game.

Well, Cass City doesn't have any baseball stars, but I submit that it does have golf "natural".

He plays in the Monday afternoon league at Rolling Hills and recently posted an outstanding game, similar to many that I have witnessed in the 40 years or so that I have known him. He shot a 33, 2 under par.

That will probably be the best score posted in the league this year. When John Maharg related the story to me, I wasn't at all surprised.

The golfer is Bill Kritzman and that's a great round for anyone. It's a very great round for someone who is 72 years old.

There hasn't been much said lately about the patriotic sign sponsored by the VFW on Weaver Street that is in violation of the town's zoning laws.

The problem is that neither side, including the lawyers, was talking about it. President Lambert Althaver said that conversations have been started again.

If Althaver and the VFW reach an accord it will be a significant achievement and will stop all of the ridicule the squabble has created for the village and the VFW.

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Sheriff joins foundation

Alert targets missing kids

Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern last week announced his department and the Michigan Sheriffs' Association have joined the "A Child is Missing Notification Foundation" (ACIM) in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

The Florida-based nonprofit organization was founded in 1997 because no community-based program existed nationwide for locating missing children, the elderly (Alzheimer's patients) or the mentally/physically challenged.

"ACIM, a public/private partnership, is devoted to assisting law enforcement in the search/early recovery efforts during the initial hours of a person's disappearance via a rapid-response neighborhood notification program utilizing high-tech telephony," Kern explained.

"ACIM's high-tech telephony can place up to 1,000 calls in less than one minute with 180 T1 lines. When a sheriff's deputy relays information on a missing child or vulnerable person to ACIM, an ACIM technician then records a personalized message with case details, asking residents to check their premises for the missing person, and report any relevant information to the local police agency. Answering machines will retain ACIM calls so that residents receive the alert when the missing individual returns home. Unfortunately, unlisted numbers cannot be called."

Only law enforcement can

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activate A Child is Missing Notification, which is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Kern said the program works in concert with Amber Alert, which is designed for stranger abductions.

"This is one more tool for law enforcement to use to inform the public in the event of a missing child/person and to aid the search/recovery procedure," Kern said.

The Haire Net

Sports ruling will be costly



With the ruling last week by a 3-judge panel from the U.S. 6th Circuit Court of Appeals a switch in seasons for girls' basketball, boys' golf and girls' volleyball inched closer. The panel ruled that playing some sports in non-traditional season was in violation of the equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution.

boys play in the high school gym. That arrangement would be logical because of the smaller attendance at girls' games.

As a fan of the girls' and the boys' games I would hate to see this happen, even if it were legal. The popularity of the girls' games is growing, keeping pace with the ever-increasing skill level of the players.

The reason that the case ended in the court is that a parent felt that playing in the fall instead of the winter hurt the daughter's chances of getting a college scholarship. Most other states play girls' basketball in the winter.

It's possible, of course, for the girls to play Monday and

The ruling is almost sure to be appealed, either to the full appeals court or the U.S. Supreme Court, so don't expect traditional schedules to be switched this school year.

Thursday and the boys to play Tuesday and Friday as they do most of the games now. Throw in wrestling and there is a glut of high school sports. With that many games fans will choose and judging by attendance today the girls will end up playing before smaller audiences.

It's sure that the change in seasons has been kicked around at all area schools. Cass City Schools is probably as well equipped to handle the change as any Thumb school. With 2 gyms with regulation floors, handling the practices for basketball can be arranged.

What concerns school authorities under a revised program is finding the coaches and referees for these games. The head coaches have never been a problem, but junior varsity, junior high and 4th and 5th grade coaches are spots sometimes hard to fill under today's schedule.

When it's game time it's a different story. No easy solution there. Following the equal opportunity mandate the girls and the boys must play in the same gym an equal number of times. It would probably be illegal for

Sure, when push comes to shove something will be worked out, but it may well come at the cost of lessening interest and fewer fans of high school sports.

the girls to play in the middle school gym with its smaller seating capacity while the

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I always get a kick out of car salesmen. They are such inventive fellows, you just have to like them.

Most of these folks are just nice people who want to help us buy a car, but once in awhile you get a throw-back to the past: Back to the days when a salesman demanded an offer on your part so he could go plead with his manager to accept your paltry bid. We ran into one of these recently.

This man was determined to sell us a car "today" and seemed offended when I told him I'd have to think about it. I got the distinct impression this fellow considered thinking a waste of time, or even a bad idea.

I should stop to explain that my wife and I always go together when we shop for cars. The idea of buying a car and taking it home to surprise the spouse is not something I want to try. We have too many guns around the house to risk something like that.

This presents a problem, however. Connie always assumes the salesmen are telling the truth, and I figure they are lying until proven otherwise.

Our most recent salesman

was a case in point. He started out with the "Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price" (MSRP)—and we all had a good laugh about that.

The MSRP is the salesman's joking price, it seems to me. It doesn't really mean anything but puts everyone in a good mood for the rest of the conversation.

It's kind of fun to look at the MSRP and wonder what sort of gambit the salesman has in mind. Generally he hopes to convince us we are getting a huge discount if we buy the car today. (They won't last long at that price, you know.)

"Well, I'm sure I could get you a better price if you buy the car today," he said. "You just tell me what color you want, and I'll do a search of dealers to see what we can get you."

His dealer search turned up several of the exact car I wanted, but we still couldn't come up with a price. Our salesman said he would have to call the other dealers to see what the car would actually cost, and he couldn't do that unless I promised to buy the car today.

"That's backwards," I thought. "He's the salesman. I'm not going to sell myself a car!"

That's when I learned this man was such a sensitive fellow. He was deeply hurt each time I asked what the car would actually cost.

I'm reminded of a friend who went to look for a new pickup years ago. My friend and his brother-in-law told the salesman, "Just give us your best deal first, because that's the only one we're going to listen to."

The salesman and his manager finally came up with a price, but it wasn't what the two ranchers had in mind. When they started to drive away the salesman said, "Wait a minute! Let me talk to my manager again and see if we can do better."

This man was still sobbing and whimpering in front of the pickups as the two men drove down the road.

I don't know what to make of all this, but I still plan to buy a car. I won't buy it from anybody who doesn't know the price, however.

Hospital opens new local office

Caro Community Hospital (CCH) Chief Executive Officer William "Pat" Miller recently announced that the hospital is set to open a new medical office in Cass City.

Located at 6230 Hospital Drive, the new facility will provide obstetrics and gynecological services, as well as orthopedic services. Dr. J.C. Gromada, D.O., and Dr. Lawrence Holen, D.O. will provide these services from the site. Their schedules are to be determined soon.

The new office, which will be known as CCH Medical Specialties, will open shortly to serve the public.

Township of Greenleaf Sanilac County, Michigan Public Hearing on Ordinance 04/01

On August 19, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the Greenleaf Township Hall located on Gilbert Road two miles north of Cass City Road, the Greenleaf Township Zoning Board will conduct a public hearing to review ordinance 04-01, which is an ordinance to amend the 1972 Zoning Ordinance affecting minimum lot size, floor area and width of dwellings, storage and/or use of recreational vehicles, requiring compliance with construction codes and requiring certificate of compliance prior to moving and placement of structures.

Copies can be reviewed by contacting the Township Clerk.

The Zoning Board may conduct such other business as may come before it.

Any concerns regarding the requirements of the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act should be brought to the attention of the Greenleaf Township Clerk at (989) 658-8767.

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Township of Greenleaf

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Cass City Chronicle

Aug. 4, 2004

5-Day Local Forecast

Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 73 Low: 53

Thursday
Partly Cloudy
High: 68 Low: 47

Friday
Partly Cloudy
High: 68 Low: 49

Saturday
Partly Cloudy
High: 72 Low: 50

Sunday
Mostly Sunny
High: 77 Low: 53

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies in the morning and afternoon with mostly clear skies in the evening, high temperature of 73°. The record high temperature for today is 94° set in 1988. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 68°. Expect partly cloudy skies to continue Friday with a high temperature of 68°.

Upcoming Moon Phases

Last 8/7 New 8/15 First 8/23 Full 8/29

Sunrise/Sunset Times

Sunrise today 6:25 a.m.
Sunset tonight 8:51 p.m.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Sunday	73	52	80/59	0.00"
Monday	70	45	80/59	0.00"
Tuesday	66	54	80/58	0.00"
Wednesday	81	48	80/58	0.00"
Thursday	79	55	80/58	0.00"
Friday	73	57	80/58	0.00"
Saturday	81	63	80/58	0.00"

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- CCH Health Services, 705 E. Frank, Caro, PH. (989) 673-1670

Letters to the editor

Class reunions important

I am a graduate of the class of 1969.

I grew up in Cass City on Seeger St., walking to and from school with friends who lived in my neighborhood.

My parents moved our family to Midland 4 days before the start of my senior year and it was only then that I realized how important my class was to me.

This class was generous enough to invite me to the reunions even though I didn't walk with them on graduation day. I missed the

senior prom and the class trip, all the special events that made the last year of high school so important, plus those final days that we all look back on throughout the years of our life.

Now I live in a town about 8 hours north, married to a man who grew up here, but he has never attended one of his class reunions.

Why? Mostly it's because some of his classmates still live around town and he can see them anytime he wants.

Unfortunately, he doesn't consider all those he can't

Where is the patriotism here?

It troubles me that my wife and I can travel miles and not see very many U.S. flags flying. What is it with us American people? After the 9/11 attack the stores sold out of American flags. Now the stores have countless flags, but few people are buying them.

Take a drive down streets and highways and count the number of flags displayed. It is disheartening that so few are seen. You don't need a flag pole to raise the flag, you

can buy a flag with its mounting which can be attached most anywhere.

Is anyone in doubt that we are at war? Where is our patriotism? We are not painting a mural on a wall, just raising our nation's colors in a time of war. I ask you, as Americans, have we become too complacent in our safe harbor?

Bernie Parsons,
Cass City

Foundation giving trees

Ten white flowering dogwood trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during August.

The free trees are part of the non-profit foundation's "Trees for America" campaign.

"The white flowering dogwoods will add year-round beauty to your home and neighborhood," John Rosenow, the foundation's president, said. "Dogwoods have showy spring flowers, scarlet autumn foliage, and red berries which attract songbirds all winter."

The trees will be shipped

postpaid at the right time for planting between Oct. 15 and Dec. 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the foundation's colorful bi-monthly publication, Arbor Day, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Dogwoods, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Aug. 31. Or join online at arborday.org.

see, because they don't live here and haven't lived here for a long time.

Doesn't he know how much a reunion means to those who have moved away? Doesn't he realize that for some the most important memories are those of when we are growing up, the memories of friends, going to school and all that goes with it?

That is why I'm writing, to encourage any who may be thinking it's not that big of deal to have a school reunion and may not even care to attend.

Let me say to you that it is important, very important. A town, a school, a class they are important, not just for a while, but for our entire lives.

Please mark Aug. 14 on your calendar and make a point of coming, it will be fun. It is very important to me, and I know there are others who feel the same.

Mary (Ayres) Rulc,
Class of 1969

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. We will not publish thank you letters of a specific nature, for instance, from a club thanking merchants who donated prizes for a raffle.

Reporter's Notebook

Sometimes most educated are the least patriotic

by Benjamin Ray
Staff Writer

It sometimes seems the most educated people in society are the least patriotic. Harsh words? Look at the political climate at any university.

There, you will find professors perched in their offices, surrounded by books and degrees and power. Professors who have lost touch with the real world, who make judgments before they get facts.

As a student at Central Michigan University, I've sat in many classrooms where the professor felt it was his or her obligation to imbue us with faulty knowledge on foreign affairs and liken George W. Bush to Hitler, except Hitler was more humane, they say. Mind you, these are economics and literature professors, not political professors. These are professors who got all their knowledge from a back copy of The Nation or went off what their friends told them.

One of the least-recognized minorities in the world is a conservative on a college campus. The snide comments, the stereotyping, the way professors and liberal students spit out the word "Republican" like it was a disease - it's hard to keep one's sanity on a campus.

The hell of it is, these same liberals who hate also say they love and welcome and tolerate all beliefs. These are the same people who will "accept any viewpoint" unless it is Christian or conservative. I've been attacked by those who say I came from a posh background and have never experienced discrimination. Again, you are assuming facts before you talk to me. I've been through my share of trials and problems, but I don't want anyone to feel sorry for me or throw money at me.

Anyway, after a time, one questions the liberals and their rather silly agenda. Are middle-aged Protestant white men the most evil

people who ever existed? Will universal health care, which has failed everywhere in the world, somehow work in America? I have research to back that up, available on demand. Should every single person be welcomed with open arms, no matter how depraved their personality or practices may be, because God forbid someone somewhere should feel bad?

I still believed no. Surely, sanity must exist somewhere. And I found it in Cass City.

Coming from Lansing to Mount Pleasant was no big stretch - both are teeming towns with lots of people, police, McDonald's, etc. However, I took a job in Cass City this summer, expecting to visit Bay City and Saginaw quite a bit. One gets used to the city lifestyle.

But in this small town exist some of the smartest people I know. Many do not have four Ph.D.'s after their name, which automatically disqualifies them for any meaningful discussion with a professor.

Many Cass City residents have not been invited to speak on Oprah or write 950-page books about how great they are and how they laugh about cheating on their wife (not that I am naming names, but it rhymes with Will Sinton).

The people in this small town believe in hard work, justice and strong families. Most of the residents here - and in many small towns in the Thumb - do not like free handouts, believe in God and hold people accountable for their actions.

My neighbor may not speak

French like John Kerry, but he will gladly carry my couch up the stairs with me.

My apartment-mate may not know every United Nations member since 1947, but she will loan me a chair for a week and talk to me about her life - if I ask. There are book-smarts and common sense smarts, but I've found both in this town. It's too bad some students and professors sacrifice the latter for the former - as if four advanced degrees will make people like your personality anymore.

The point is, my faith is restored in Americans. Part of me wants to stay here, where people know each other, help each other and celebrate the country they live in. In Cass City, "patriot" is not a dirty word. Here, it's ok to fly a flag and support the president. Not so in many places at Central.

The people here don't claim to be better than anyone. In fact - and this will strike fear into the heart of a liberal - they actually admit when they are wrong.

I don't claim to be better than anyone either. Nor am I saying I've acted honorably at all points in my life. I'm just sitting back and watching CMU professors act, and then watching Cass City residents interact with each other. I call it as I see it.

So, who are the more intelligent members of society? Those who look down on everyone else and then claim to represent the middle class, or those who celebrate hard work, accountability, personal faith and freedom?

I think the answer is clear.

Blood supply low, drive set Aug. 17

Cass City area residents can help build up a lagging blood supply by giving the "gift of life" Tuesday, Aug. 17, from 1 to 6:45 p.m. at the VFW Post 3644 Post Hall, 4533 Veterans Dr., in Cass City.

As the American Red Cross in Michigan enters the second week of a second statewide appeal for blood donors, collections have shown a small spike, but continue to lag an average of 10 percent, according to Fred Sterns, CEO of the Michigan Great Lakes Region, which serves 70 hospitals in 63 counties.

"The blood supply is still fragile," Sterns said. "It's incredibly important to maintain steady and consistent blood donations to ensure blood is there to help save the lives of sick and injured people."

The 10-percent decline in blood donors this summer is not unique to Michigan. Blood donations are down

nationwide within the American Red Cross, contributing to fragile supplies in many states. While summer is typically a difficult time for blood collectors, blood shortages are bridging the seasons, with blood supplies attaining safe levels.

Nationwide, about 60 percent of people are eligible to donate blood, but just 5 percent do. Blood donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds, and be in good general health.

As the population ages and medical procedures advance, the demand for blood products will continue to climb. Statistics show that 97 percent of people who live to age 70 will have had at least one blood transfusion in their lifetime.

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Your neighbor says

Animal planning takes time, work

Question: Do you enjoy showing your animals at the Tuscola County Fair each year?

Come one, come all to the 123rd annual Tuscola County Fair!

County residents did just that all week long, especially Thursday during the animal auction, in which businesses and individuals purchased prize-winning animals raised by area kids.



Kids across the county have 32 agriculture organizations to choose from. An animal owner will spend an hour or more each day grooming, exercising and feeding his or her animal to get it in top condition for the show.

Thursday's events revolved around kids showing their poultry, cattle, pigs and sheep to potential buyers. Kerbie Micho, 16, spent her day selling 2 steers and pens of pigs and a cage of geese. She also won Reserve Champion for her roaster chicken pen.

While she was waiting to show off her steer Jorje, Kerbie Micho talked about her hobby.

"I do it because I love taking care of and being around these animals," she said as she brushed Jorje's black coat.

Micho, who will be a junior at Frankenmuth High School this fall, has been showing for 2 years and spends 1 to 2 hours each day taking care of her animals. Still, occasional mistakes happen.

"I do get a little nervous when Jorje gets tangled up in his rope," she joked. "But I plan to show as long as I can."

Vassar resident Kerbie Micho is the daughter of Kirby Micho and Sandra Benureuter. She is a member of the Shooting Stars of Vassar.

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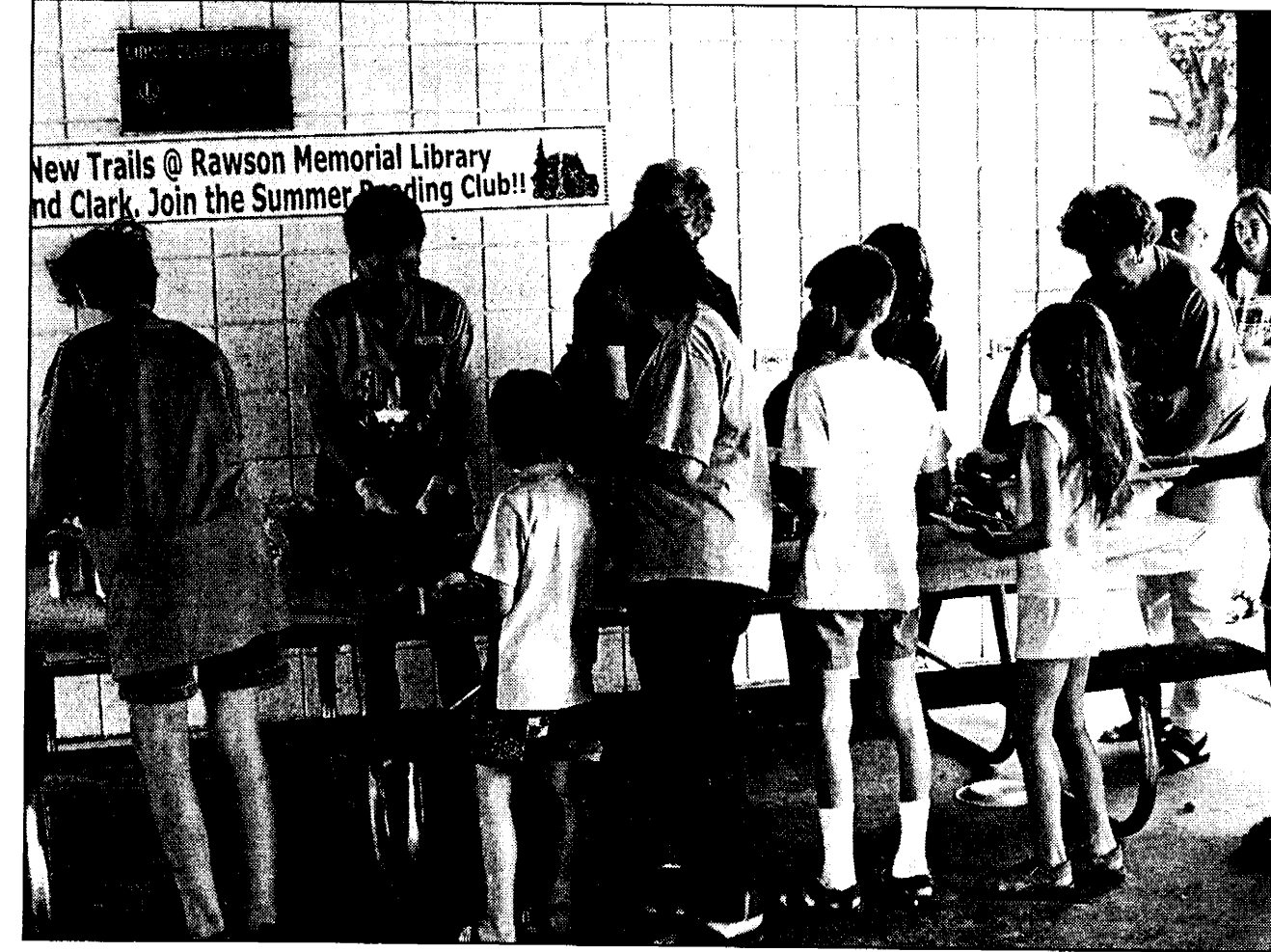
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NEARLY 100 KIDS and adults attended the "Discover New Trails at Rawson Memorial Library with Lewis and Clark" picnic, held Thursday afternoon at the Lions Pavilion in Cass City.



Good food, great time...

ABOVE, ABBY Palmateer, 13, and her brother, Gabriel, 3, the children of Frances and Carl Palmateer Jr., Cass City, enjoy a hotdog during the library's picnic.

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First, I want to thank our "customers". You all will be greatly missed; it was my great pleasure and honor to serve you all.

Unfortunately, we are unable to continue. We will be changing hands of the bakery; July 31st will be my last day. There are plans in the works for another party to take over. She plans on a short closing time for some repair. Then, re-opening with new extended hours. She has 30 years experience in the restaurant business. She is very excited for this opportunity. I hope you all will give her the support, which is needed. We all need to do our part by supporting Cass City businesses as much as possible.

I would also like to take this time to thank the "crew", Joan Navarro, Ilse Roth, LuAnn Graham, Carol Tuckey, Nancy Wright, Mark Goshman, Brandon Turnbull and Derek Suro. A special thanks to the "helpers", Al Graham, Pat Wells, Nina Davis and all the other coffee pourers. I could fill pages on how these people have helped me and touched my life; I can not thank them enough. I would like to single out Joan, Ilse and my mom. They have been there from the start with me. I COULD NOT have done this without them. From all the hard work, going above and beyond and shoulders to cry on; Thank you.

To Ginny Sutter, thank you for the opportunity to attempt, a long time dream and for all the help and thoughtfulness along the way. I wish the best for you.

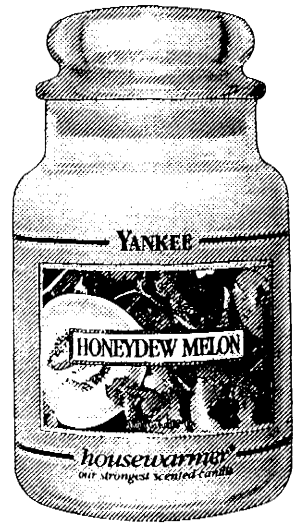
Things don't always go how you would like them to. However, I very much enjoyed the challenge and adventure that the bakery was. I have learned so much and made so many friends in all of you. Thank you again.

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Shelter

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Huron County."

In the past, she continued, victims faced the burden of having to travel to Caro or Sandusky for emergency shelter. But that option didn't meet their needs.

"They might utilize those shelters for a night, but they don't really utilize them enough to get out of their problem."

"We're not in competition with any of the other shelters," said Huron County Prosecutor Mark Gaertner, who serves as president of the Huron County Coalition Against Domestic Abuse Board. "We needed something here."

And, Gaertner added, the county needs a program that not only assists domestic violence victims after a crime has occurred, but also offers services designed to prevent the violence in the first place.

"It's easy to prosecute domestic violence cases. It's a lot harder to prevent them," he said. "This shelter will also be a place where they can go to reach out before something happens."

"The whole goal is to repair families and not tear them apart and make orphans of all the kids."

According to Kain, the coalition expects to have the SafePlace constructed and in business by the first quarter of 2005, thanks to the support of many organizations and individuals in the county.

"The spirit of volunteerism is alive and well in Huron County," she said. "The feedback from the people is that this is truly a worthwhile project and the missing link. Letters of support from area human service agencies have confirmed that a shelter is a much-needed service."

The SafePlace will complete the circle of services provided for victims of domestic violence in Huron County, according to Gaertner, who said the Huron County Sheriff's Department and other county police agencies are fully backing the effort.

"It really is the missing link and it has broad-based support."

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



5 YEARS AGO

There's a warrior living near Deford and he has the scars to prove it. Fifty-four-year-old Ivan Paladi's knees are bruised, cut, and scabbed from hours in the battlefield...an 18' racing canoe. It's a price Paladi gladly pays to remain one of the state's best canoe racers. "These are from rubbing on the sides of the canoe," smiles the long-bearded Paladi, while pointing to several blemishes along both legs.

Forty-eight. Who would have thought? But, it's true. There are 48 applicants for the position of Cass City wastewater treatment plant operator. And in the end, one will stand out. The reason for this astonishing number of candidates for the Cass City position isn't related to unemployment or to the economy. "A good part of the reason is the pay," said Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor Rick Mohr. The outstanding applicant will receive a negotiable pay of \$28,000-\$38,000 a year. It's an hourly wage and overtime is always welcome.

There were some tense moments as thunderstorms sparked by oppressive heat and humidity rolled through the Thumb last Wednesday. Severe thunderstorm warnings prompted the Elkhart Township Fire Department to send out its weather spotters, but it was Chief Ron Pawloski who spotted 4 funnel clouds while standing in front of the fire hall in Cass City. "They never touched the ground. They went back up into the sky," Pawloski said, adding the funnel clouds formed east of the village and were headed in a northeasterly direction.

10 YEARS AGO

Mailbox Mystery: Cass City police recovered 19 mailboxes and one newspaper box from a gravel pit at the end of Koch Rd. in

Novesta Township Friday afternoon. The discovery was reported by Thomas Englewright of PTI Construction Co.

The battle to save the "round barn" continues and the Tuscola 2001 committee has pledged \$3,600 to repair a hole in the roof and there are ambitious plans to turn the barn with the octagon shape into a tourist attraction. Three workers in the campaign, Doris Bang, Rose Putnam and Betty Pattullo, are leading the drive to restore the structure and say that they have had encouraging talks with Department of Natural Resources offices concerning acquiring ownership.

After the nation's farmers finish up the conservation projects they have on file with the federal government, soil erosion on the nation's most vulnerable lands will be cut in half. Average soil erosion will go down from 17.5 tons of soil per acre in 1985 to 6 tons per acre by the end of this year.

25 YEARS AGO

As of this Wednesday, the rules of the road have changed. Drunk drivers will (maybe) still go to jail, but many traffic violations will no longer be criminal charges. Instead, they will be civil violations. The change, approved by the legislature in 1978, will speed up the legal process, according to Tuscola County District Court Magistrate Joan Maki, and relieve the burden on the court.

A Brighton truck driver, who was formerly a Cass City resident, was credited with saving the lives of several motorists after his gasoline tanker hit a guardrail early Sunday, spilled 9,000 gallons of gas and eventually turned the freeway ramp at I-75 and I-94 in Detroit into a sea of flaming gas. Senior Fire Chief Michael Purcell said Roger Ball, 30, of Brighton, would be recommended for a citation for heroism "because he risked his life to warn the other drivers, knowing it (the tanker) would probably ignite." Ball lived in Cass City and drove a truck for Wesley's Quaker Maid Inc. in 1972. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ball of Essexville, who lived in Cass City for a number of years.

One of the disadvantages of a weekly paper is that sometimes (like now) when you read today was written last Thursday. That increases the chances of sounding slightly ludicrous when you discuss topics of the day. When I can get away with it I wait until the first of the week to write about what strikes my fancy for the upcoming issue. Besides that I have always operated under the rule of never doing today what can be put off until tomorrow. (From The Haire Net)

35 YEARS AGO

A top seer stopped in last week to say hello and some nice things about the Chronicle. This fellow doesn't look like a mystic and in fact he isn't...but back some 15 years ago when he was teaching at Cass City he said some pretty mystical things for the times...like a speech he made around town predicting that most of us would see a man on the moon before we died. Harold Oatley teaches in Allen Park these days and there is still something mystical about him...he hasn't changed appreciably in the 15-odd years he's been away. (From Rabbit Tracks)

A \$5,000 remodeling program at the Fraser Presbyterian Church is nearing completion and the Rev. John Nipper said this week that a special dedication service has been tentatively slated for Aug. 24. Work completed included remodeling of the sanctuary. New carpeting has been laid and walls painted.

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Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m.
Pastor - Chuck Carr
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Cass City Church of Christ
6743 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726
Contacts 872-2367 or 872-3136
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Bible Study Sunday 10:00 a.m. & Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Cass City Church of the Nazarene
6538 Third St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-2604 or 872-5201
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study & Children's Activities 6:00 p.m.
Pastor - Rev. Darold Ward

Cass City Missionary Church
4449 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726
872-2729
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
Pastor: David Edwards

Cass City United Methodist Church
5100 N. Cemetery Rd.,
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872-3422
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THE 2004 KALLY MAHARG MEMORIAL Golf Tourney winners are: (from left) Scott Richards, John Maharg, Dick Patnaude and Dick Pauly. The four-some scrambled to a 18-hole score of 60 on the par 70 track.

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County kids shine at livestock auction



KATIE WOOD had a busy day Thursday, what with selling animals, handing out placards to winners and celebrating being named Tuscola County 4-H Queen 2004. Wood is pictured here with her reserve champion cow Daisy, which Dick Coulther of North Branch purchased for \$3.50 per pound.



MICAH LITTLE, son of David and Donna Little, won Reserve Champion home-grown honors for his swine. U-A-P Great Lakes ended up as the high bidder at \$1.50 per pound.

4-Hers reap the rewards of hard work at the fair

by Benjamin Ray
Staff Writer

Chelsea Ruggles is a lot more into animals than her best friend Megan James is.

But, because this is what best friends do, James tagged along with her friend to the Tuscola County Fair Thursday to help with the animals.

Ruggles, 12, spent most of the morning washing and grooming her cow, Dr. Pepper, for the auction later that afternoon. Now in her fifth year showing animals at the fair, Ruggles is used to the nervousness and hard work involved.

"I'm going to do this until I'm too old - which is 19 at the show," she said. "People are very supportive."

Both girls are from Kingston, and Ruggles is a member of the Country 4-H'ers. James helped out with the animals where she could.

"She loves this, so I came to support her," said the 12-year-old James.

The two were among many kids who sold their animals Thursday. Cattle, ducks, pigs, sheep, rabbits and poultry were all bought by county residents and businesses in what has become a popular annual tradition.

For the kids, saying goodbye is not easy, though. Many, such as seventh grader Lee Schriber, spend one or two hours a day feeding, weighing, washing and grooming their animals, and both animal and human form a bond over time.

"You get attached and it's kind of hard to let go," Schriber said. "You have to feed, water and walk every day to build the muscle."

Schriber, 12, said he splits the money he receives at the auction - some goes to a savings account and some goes to purchase more animals.

Of course, some kids just

have fun with the work. Jennifer Angle, 9, has owned her two sheep Sky and Black since last year and loves working with animals.

"It's really fun to show them and work with them," said Angle, who divides her time between Kingston and Deckerville.

However, even she has had some problems with animal independence - or lack thereof.

"Sometimes, when I lead them without a halter, they think they can get away," she said, tugging on Sky's halter.

Adults love the fair as well - not just for the environment kids live in, but the hard work ethic raising animals instills.

"Children that come out of 4-H are productive adults," said Sandra Mitchell, Vassar resident and farmer. "They learn you don't quit a job until it's done."

Mitchell, who farms sugar beets, corn, soybeans and dry beans, said she's been attending the fair for six years.

"This teaches kids how to work with people, not 'it's all about me,'" she said. "A lot of this is about teamwork and sharing."

Just after lunch - which Farm Bureau Insurance and Michigan Farm Bureau generously donated free of charge - 12-year-old Karli Bierlein got back to work on cleaning her pigs Tom and Jerry.

She has owned both since April and has been showing animals for four years.

"I have to clean out their pen, brush them with a bristle brush to get the sawdust out, and then spray to make them shine," said Bierlein, a Reese resident and member of the Tuscola Beetniks. "It's about one, two hours a day, but I like taking them up to this fair and walking around with them."



JIM MERCHANT, member of the Cass City Livestock Club, took home Reserve Champion honors in the individual hog category. Merchant, son of Dan and Deanna Merchant, sold his hog to Dave Milligan for \$1.35 per pound.



Grand champion!

KELSEY RUSSELL, son of Don and Roseann Russell, took home Grand Champion honors for his market geese. Osentoski Trucking bought the geese for \$350.

Benefit set for Cass City family

There will be a benefit for Jalaine Schneeberger and her children, Aug. 6, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., at the corner of Main and Seeger streets in Cass City.

This is being put on by her friends, and the proceeds will go to her and her children.

The group will be selling sloppy Joes, chips, cookies, pop and water.



THESE ROASTER chickens belonging to J.R. Schriber, of the Millington Equestrian Connection, were sold to Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran for \$150.

Posse to host Parton

The Tuscola County Sheriff Department Mounted Unit (The Sheriff's Posse) has announced that Stella Parton will star in this year's annual country music show.

Parton, the younger sister of country music superstar Dolly Parton, has been singing since she was just a child. Among her 25 chart singles are "I Want to Hold You in My Dreams Tonight," "Standard Lie Number One" and "Undercover Lovers". Her hits include both country and gospel songs.

This year the show is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 24, at Caro High School. Tickets are \$12.50 in advance and \$15 at the door. The special family ticket for mom, dad, and all the kids is \$35.

For additional ticket information, call the ticket hotline at (989) 673-3369.



A helping hand

BEST FRIENDS Megan James and Chelsea Ruggles, both 12, give Dr. Pepper a shower as they prepare to sell him in the auction. Ruggles sold her animal later in the afternoon; James said she came along to support her friend's hobby.

Coming in next week's August 11th Cass City Chronicle!
Area businesses and community salute with pictures the efforts of our area 4-Hers at the recently concluded 123rd annual Tuscola County Fair

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TIM MANWELL, a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Cass City, was ordained into the holy ministry following completion of classes at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Ind. Bishop David H. Ritt, president of the English District, served as presiding minister. The Rev. Gerald Meyer of Good Shepherd served as preacher, while the Rev. Daniel Hahn of Immanuel Lutheran in Sebawaing served as liturgist. A luncheon was served by the women of Good Shepherd following the service of ordination. The Rev. Manwell and his wife, Stacey, along with sons, Jared and Caleb, have moved to Butler, Penn., where he will be installed as pastor of Faith Lutheran Church.

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Police arrest 3,105 motorists

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The results were an increase from the December 2003 enforcement effort, which resulted in the arrest of 2,778 motorists for alcohol-related offenses, according to the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP).

The drunk driving crackdown included the July 4 holiday weekend. Preliminary reports indicate there were 10 traffic-related fatalities during the 3-day holiday period, 2 of which involved alcohol. Last July 4 there were 17 fatal crashes, result-

ing in 17 deaths.

"Once again, law enforcement officers across the state proved they have zero tolerance for drunk drivers," said Michael L. Prince, OHSP division director. "And their efforts made for a safer Independence Day on Michigan roadways."

More than 500 agencies participated in the crackdown and according to the 234 agencies reporting statistics to OHSP, 50,306 vehicles were stopped during the 2-week enforcement blitz. This resulted in 821 arrests for felony charges and 4,054 individuals arrested on misdemeanor charges.

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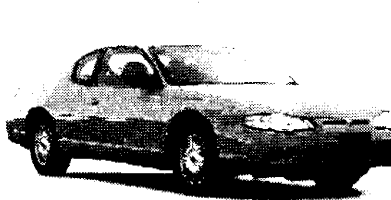
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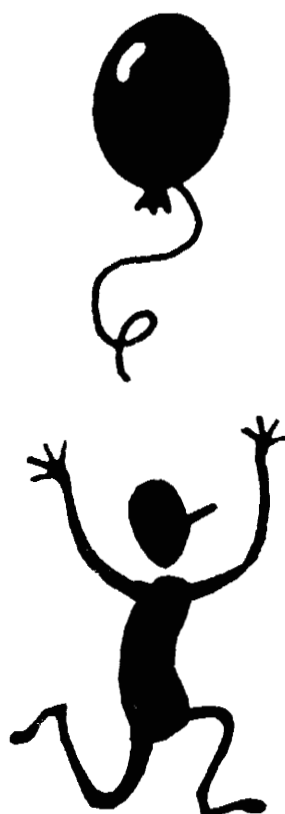


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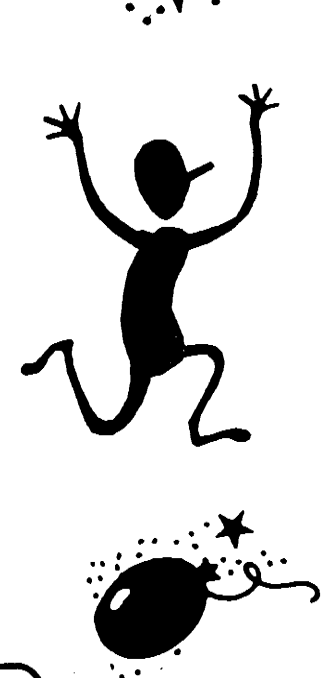
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The event will again feature working antique hit and miss engines and many makes of tractors, which will be used to run threshing machines, stationary balers, a saw mill and a shingle mill. There will also be a flea market, crafts, and a display by the Lapeer Model Railroad Club. For the kids there will be a penny and candy hunt in a straw pile every day, and on Saturday there will be a pedal pull.

Music will be provided by Denny Ewald Friday and Saturday afternoons, the Bob Shafer Band Friday and Saturday evenings and the Dick Rose Dixie Land Band Saturday afternoon.

A jewelry wagon auction will be held on Friday evening. The Caro Rotary Club will again serve food at the concession stand.

This year the association will feature the economy hit and miss engine and the Ford tractor and equipment. Sears and Roebuck sold the Economy engine from 1916 until 1930. This and other types of hit and miss engines were labor saving devices for the farmer and the housewife. They were used to power machinery like the buzz saw, grain mills and the washing machine.

In 1907, Henry Ford invented an experimental tractor called the automobile plow, which was followed by other experimental models, such as the unit frame tractor in 1916. There was another Ford Tractor Company in Minnesota, so Henry Ford adopted the name Fordson and created the Henry Ford and Son Company in 1917. During its production run, 739,977 Fordsons were built, ending in 1928. Then the Fordson production moved to England.

In 1939, Ford began building the 9N in the States, which embodied the Harry Ferguson 3-point system. In 1962, the gray and red colors were replaced by the blue and white colors. Constant expansion of the Ford tractor has followed year-by-year. Today, the New Holland Company has bought out the Ford tractor and equipment production.

This year's show will have many demonstrations of the antique farm equipment by association members and many other exhibitors who will help the younger generation learn how life was, especially on the farm in the late 1800s and the early 1900s.

For more information on the flea market and crafts, call Sherry Will at (989) 673-3430. Exhibitors can contact Richard Witkovsky at (989) 673-2579.

Phyllis Cox

Phyllis M. Cox, 84, of Deford, died Sunday, Aug. 1, 2004 in Marlette Community Hospital.

She was born March 12, 1920 in Shabbona, the daughter of Avon and Margaret (Phillips) Boag.

She married Elmore Caister Oct. 25, 1939. After he died, she married Kenneth Churchill Dec. 16, 1946. He died Dec. 20, 1975. She then married Clarence Cox May 29, 1979 in the Deford United Methodist Church.

Cox worked as a cook and a bus driver for the Cass City Public Schools, retiring after 22 years. She was a member of the Deford United Methodist Church, the Deford Good Neighbors Club, United Methodist Women, and the Michigan Education Employee Retirement. Cox was one of the first women involved in the plumbing and heating business in Cass City, first with Boag and Caister, then with Boag and Churchill. She was one of the first to start the Senior Meal Site in Cass City.

Cox is survived by her husband, Clarence; four children: Ann Smith of Caro, Carol (Jim) Savedge of Clarkston, Charles (Kathy) Churchill of Burlington, Ontario, and Dale (Patricia) Churchill of Deford; a daughter-in-law, Gayle Churchill of Elberon, NJ; a son-in-law, Arnold Leach of Flint; 14 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; a sister, Donna Miller; a brother-in-law, Bill Bird; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a son, Vernon Churchill; a daughter, Janice Leach; a sister, Jean Bird; and two brothers-in-law, Donald Peterson and Henry Miller.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 4, at Kingston United Methodist Church with the Rev. Terry Butters officiating. Interment was in the

Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the Kingston United Methodist Church or the Cass City Public Schools.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Harold Johnson

Harold Cumings Johnson, Lt. Col (Ret), 70, of Traverse City, formerly of Caro, died in his home Monday, July 26, 2004 after a 9-month battle with cancer.

He was born Dec. 12, 1933 in Lansing, to Harold Eugene Johnson and Mary Delight Cumings Johnson.

He spent most of his childhood in Traverse City, where he graduated from high school in 1951. Shortly thereafter, their family moved to Caro where he was a resident during college and his military service. Johnson earned bachelor and master of music degrees at the University of Michigan.

In August 1954, he was married to the late Marion Joyce "Jo" Frye, from Traverse City.

Johnson had a brilliant career as a world class musician: performer, composer, arranger and conductor. A piano virtuoso at an early age, he began performing at the age of 6.

Johnson had a 28 year career in the U.S. Air Force, commanding and directing various Air Force bands in the United States, Europe, and Africa. He specialized as an arranger-conductor presenting music of mass appeal, including concert band music as well as show, dance, and choral music. He appeared as musical director in national and regional productions for CBS and ABC radio and television, Eurovision, the British Broadcasting Corporation, Independent Television, West Germany's Suedwestfunk and ZDF, as

well as the national television and radio service of France, Norway, Denmark, and Yugoslavia. He performed music for every American President from Eisenhower to Reagan.

In one notable example, Johnson's band entertained Nixon and Brezhnev at the signing of the SALT I Treaty in May 1972.

He retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1985 at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. After leaving the military, Hal continued his love for music as an educator in Fairborn, Ohio secondary schoolrooms and as a faculty member at the Sinclair College School of Music in Dayton, Ohio, where he also performed as a keyboardist in numerous jazz and other big band ensembles for the Dayton area.

In 1997, the Johnson's returned to Traverse City where they built and lived in a retirement home on Long Lake Peninsula.

There, he continued his musical works as a pianist for local bands and marked his place as a member to the Traverse City Rotary Club. For seven years running, he composed and arranged the annual Rotary Show, helping to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for the charitable works of Rotary.

Johnson dedicated much of his efforts to support service organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America and the Rotary Club International. He was an Eagle Scout, and in 1949 was one of only 12 Eagle Scouts selected nationwide to meet President Harry Truman at the White House. In the "Strengthen the Arm of Liberty" program, the scouts presented the president with a report describing the organization's civic service goals and achievements. He continued scouting as an adult leader and mentor, and was eventually awarded scouting's highest honor to adult volunteers, the Silver Beaver. He was a Rotarian for over 25 years in Fairborn, Ohio, and Traverse City, and had perfect attendance throughout his tenure. His contributions were acknowledged with the Rotary Club's highest service honor, the Red Rose, in April 2004.

In October 1999, Johnson was widowed after 45 years of marriage. In May 2001, he was married to Thelma Nida. He is survived by wife, Thelma Nida Johnson; two brothers: Dr. Henry Cumings Johnson of Traverse City and Dr. Clark Cumings Johnson of Birmingham; three children: Robin Ann Johnson of Empire, Gary Cumings Johnson of Fairborn, OH, and Gregory Harold Johnson of Houston, TX; and 4 grandchildren.

Memorial services were held Thursday, July 29, at the Presbyterian Church of Traverse City, Traverse City. A family gathering will occur on Thursday afternoon at the Indianfields Cemetery, Caro, where the ashes of Johnson and his wife, Jo, will be interred on the Johnson family grave site.

Friends and family are establishing the "Harold C. Johnson Music Scholarship Fund." Donations are welcome. Checks should be payable to the "Harold C. Johnson Music Scholarship Fund" and mailed to: HCJ Music Scholarship Fund, 328 Bowman Dr., Fairborn, Ohio 45324.

Arrangements were made by the Jonkhoff-Reynolds Funeral Home, Traverse City.

Steve Kamrad, Sr.

Steve Kamrad, Sr., 87, of Gagetown, died Monday, July 26, 2004.

He was born Feb. 5, 1917 in Youngstown, Ohio, the son of Wendelin and Theresa (Keller) Kamrad.

He married Margaret Ramig Nov. 23, 1935 in Gagetown. Kamrad was a member of St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gagetown.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret; three children: Steve, Jr. (Grace) Kamrad of Gagetown, Janice (David) Schobert of Oscoda, and Joann (Ron) Kady of Gagetown; 12 grandchildren; 17

great-grandchildren; a brother; and two sisters. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Margie Kamrad; two grandchildren: Craig Kamrad and Sue Lynn Schobert; a brother; and two sisters.

Mass of Christian burial was held Thursday, July 29, at St. Agatha Catholic Church, with the Rev. Father Steve Fillion officiating.

Memorials may be made to the St. Agatha Catholic Church or the charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements were made by Gagetown Funeral Chapel, Gagetown.

Adveda Otulakowski

Adveda Otulakowski, 70, of Brown City, died Monday, July 26, 2004 in Detroit.

She was born Nov. 24, 1933 in Novesta Township, the daughter of Max and Anna Kruzel.

She married Eugene V. Otulakowski.

Otulakowski was a high school graduate. She worked at Elias Brothers Big Boy in Imlay City for almost 17 years.

Otulakowski is survived by seven children: Charlene (Neal) Gubanche of Brown City, Barbara (Michael) Peake of Marlette, Mike (Deb) Otulakowski of Cass City, Debbie Otulakowski of Brown City, Pat Torres of Irvine, Calif., Bill (Renee) Otulakowski of Sandusky and Angela Otulakowski of Brown City; 15 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers: Bruno and Pete Kruzel; 2 sisters: Bernice Carpenter and Frances Zygmunt; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two infant daughters; and a great-grandson, Thomas Jeffery Guld.

Funeral services were held Friday, July 30, at Carman Funeral Home, Brown City, with Pastor Rick Fledderjohann officiating.

Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Carman Funeral Home, Brown City.

Ralph W. Whittaker

Ralph W. Whittaker, 79, died Sunday, Aug. 1, 2004.

He was born in Sanilac County on Feb. 11, 1925 to Freeman and Janet (Garbutt) Whittaker.

He married Joyce Elizabeth Barber April 3, 1948 in Dearborn. Whittaker served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He was a member of the Church of the Nazarene, St. Johns.

Whittaker is survived by his wife, Joyce; five children: Diane (Dr. James) Schweigert of St. Johns, Dennis (Diana) Whittaker of Broken Arrow,

Okla., Sally (Phillip) Perry of St. Johns, Tim (Carolyn) Whittaker of Grand Rapids, and Jeannie (Dr. Jonathan) Altman of St. Johns; 16 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; a sister, Leona (Marvin) Innes of Decker; and three brothers: Harold (Ethel) Whittaker, Gerald (Ruth) Whittaker, and Wayne (Evelyn) Whittaker, all of Cass City.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister; and five brothers.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 4, at the Church of the Nazarene, St. Johns, with the Rev. Timothy Cockroft officiating.

Burial was in the Mt. Rest Cemetery.

Military graveside services were provided by the St. Johns Honor Guard.

Memorials may be made to the Church of the Nazarene. Arrangements were made by Osgood Funeral Home, St. Johns.

Rex Wilson

Rex William Wilson, 79, of Marlette, died Monday, July 26, 2004 at his home in Marlette Township.

He was born Jan. 16, 1925 in Marlette, the son of the late Russell and Pearl (Keys) Wilson.

He married Ruth Diegel Oct. 23, 1943 in North Branch.

Wilson graduated from Marlette High School in 1942. He was one of the original members of the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church and of Knights of Columbus in Marlette. He served on the church board for several years. Wilson was a 4-H leader in Sanilac County for 25 years. He served on the board of directors for Marlette Oil and Gas Co-op for 27 years. He was a member of the Michigan Milk Producers Association, and a board member of D.H.I.A. and M.A.P.C.

Wilson is survived by his wife, Ruth; a son, Jerry (Elaine) Wilson of Brookland; two daughters: Karen (Joe) Watson of Byron Center and Cheryl (Phillip) Zawilinski of Cass City; a daughter-in-law, Jody (Dale) Kerbyson of Marlette; a sister, Lila (Roy) Dunn of Garden City; 16 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Richard Wilson; a brother, Keith Wilson; and a sister, Mary Almas.

Funeral services were held Friday, July 30, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Marlette, with Father Richard Bokinskie officiating.

Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be donated to the Marlette Cemetery Chapel Fund, United Hospice Service or the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements were made by Marsh Funeral Chapel, Inc., Marlette.

Cass City High School New Student Registration

Date: Tuesday, August 17 (by appointment)

Forms may be picked up in the High School Main Office prior to the scheduled appointment date.

On the appointment date the student must have:

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Call for an appointment between Thursday, August 12 and August 17 at (989) 872-2148 and ask for the Guidance Office Secretary.

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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 at 10:00 AM, on August 26, 2004.

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of Section 8, Town 13 North, Range 11 East, described as commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 8; thence along the South line of said Section 8, North 89 degrees 31 minutes 45 seconds West, 634.12 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along said South line of Section 8, North 89 degrees 31 minutes 45 seconds West, 164.20 feet; thence North 00 degrees 28 minutes 15 seconds East, 437.36 feet; thence South 89 degrees 31 minutes 45 seconds East, 122.07 feet; thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 15 seconds West, 153.03 feet; thence South 89 degrees 31 minutes 45 seconds East, 45.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 15 seconds West, 284.33 feet to the point of beginning.

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Dated: July 28, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kenton J. Howard and Kim Perez, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Iacon Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 5, 2000 and recorded on June 12, 2000 in Liber 803 on Page 296, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, successor in interest by merger and/or name change to Chase Mortgage Company as assignee by an assignment dated June 5, 2001 and recorded on September 14, 2001 in Liber 842 on Page 1288 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Two and 95/100 Dollars (\$69,172.95), including interest at 8.75% 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 at 10:00 AM, on August 12, 2004.

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

Lot 2, Block 1 of Pinney's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 60, now being Page 6B, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: July 14, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC S (248) 593-1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, successor in interest by merger and/or name change to Chase Mortgage Company
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #028707F01

7-14-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jason Schall and Andrea Schall, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to Homeowners Loan Corp., Mortgagee, dated the 16th day of July, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 19th day of May, 2003 in Liber 931 of Tuscola County Records, Page 649, said Mortgage having been assigned to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Twelve and 71/100 (\$87,412.71), and no suit or proceeding 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 statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of August, 2004 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 11.350000% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

Commencing 256 feet North of the West 1/4 Post of Section 33, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, thence North 74 feet, thence East 264 feet, thence South 74 feet; thence West 264 feet to the point of beginning. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 7/21/04

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
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7-21-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Meranda Harper and Timothy Harper, wife and husband (original mortgagors), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 22, 2003 and recorded on July 7, 2003 in Liber 940 on Page 340, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Registered Asset Securities Corporation, Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003-BC8 as assignee by an assignment dated May 27, 2004 and recorded on July 2, 2004 in Liber 999 on Page 161 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred Seven and 32/100 Dollars (\$100,807.32), including interest at 7.85% 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 at 10:00 AM, on August 12, 2004.

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

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 24, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence 50 degrees 26 minutes West 1007.70 feet along West Section line to point of beginning, running thence East 1137.14 feet; thence North 104.0 feet; thence East 200.0 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes West 423.23 feet; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 41 seconds West 1339.16 feet; thence North 0 degrees 26 minutes East 316.0 feet to the point of beginning, being part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 24, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, MI.

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

Dated: July 14, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC J (248) 593-1311
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Registered Holders of the Structured Asset Securities Corporation, Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003-BC8
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #023799F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy Harper, Linda Harper, husband and wife, and Alisa Harper, unmarried, as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship, original mortgagors, to EquiCredit, Mortgagee, dated May 11, 2001 and recorded on August 14, 2001 in Liber 840 on Page 1396 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Eight and 29/100 Dollars (\$73,678.29), including interest at 9.13% 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 at 10:00 AM, on August 19, 2004.

Said premises are situated in City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 9, Block 11 of North's Addition to the City of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 20, now being Page 21A.

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

Dated: July 21, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC R (248) 593-1305
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For EquiCredit
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #029482F01

7-21-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Calvin Michael Sochocki, a single man, Mortgagor, to Investad Corporation, Mortgagee, dated the 17th day of December, 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 22nd day of December, 1999 in Liber 791 of Tuscola County Records, Pages 163-169, said Mortgage having been assigned to Wachovia Bank of Delaware, N.A., 1st/4 First Union National Bank of Delaware by merger with First Union Home Equity Bank, N.A., said assignment dated the 22nd day of December 1999, and recorded with the Tuscola County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Four and 14/100 (\$40,854.14), and no suit or proceeding 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 statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of August, 2004 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 12.49000% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

The East 660 feet of the West half of the Northeast quarter of Section 12, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, JXC141, the North 330 feet thereof. AND ALSO a parcel described as the West 2 Rods of the following described property, to wit: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 12, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, thence West on the North Section line 16 Rods; thence South parallel with the North and South quarter line of said Section, 20 Rods; thence East parallel with the North Section line, 16 Rods; thence North 20 Rods to the place of beginning. Right of Way for Gun Club Road over the Northerly side thereof.

During the twelve (12) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: July 28, 2004

Wachovia Bank of Delaware, N.A.
Mortgagee

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gerald L. Harris and Barbara M. Harris, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to North American Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated April 6, 1999 and recorded on April 12, 1999 in Liber 768 on Page 599 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mortgage assignments to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of May 1, 2000, among Financial Asset Securities Corp., as depositor, Greenwich Capital Financial Products, Inc., as seller, Litton Loan Servicing LP as servicer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, Soundview Home Equity Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2000-1, without recourse as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand-Ninety-Six and 10/100 Dollars (\$90,096.10), including interest at 10.55% 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 at 10:00 AM, on August 26, 2004.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the North line of said Section 28, which is North 87 degrees 37 minutes 12 seconds West, 995.45 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 28; thence continuing along said North line North 87 degrees 37 minutes 12 seconds West, 140.00 feet to a point which is South 87 degrees 37 minutes 12 seconds East, 132.00 feet from the Northwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 28; thence parallel to the West line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 28, South 2 degrees 17 minutes 37 seconds West, 660.00 feet; thence South 87 degrees 37 minutes 12 seconds East, 140.00 feet; thence North 2 degrees 17 minutes 37 seconds East, 660.00 feet to the North line of said Section 28 and the point of beginning. Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: July 28, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC M (248) 593-1306
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of May 1, 2000, among Financial Asset Securities Corp., as depositor, Greenwich Capital Financial Products, Inc., as seller, Litton Loan Servicing LP as servicer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, Soundview Home Equity Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2000-1, without recourse
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #010996F02

7-28-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dane L. Byrd, a married person, and Ladinia M. Byrd, his wife (original mortgagors), to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 13, 2003 and recorded on January 22, 2003 in Liber 911 on Page 1318, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EMC Mortgage Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated November 20, 2003 and recorded on March 3, 2004 in Liber 982 on Page 1031 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-One and 61/100 Dollars (\$127,591.61), including interest at 6.5% 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 at 10:00 AM, on September 2, 2004.

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

The South half of the South half of the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 1, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: August 4, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC H (248) 593-1300
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Attorneys For EMC Mortgage Corporation
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #015414F03

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Edwin McCool and Jessica McCool, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 27, 2000 and recorded on March 31, 2000 in Liber 797 on Page 1144 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Six and 25/100 Dollars (\$122,476.25), including interest at 9.4% 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 at 10:00 AM, on September 2, 2004.

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

Commencing at a point on the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, 135 feet West of the Southeast corner of property described in Liber 280, Page 472 of Tuscola County Records; thence North 225 feet; thence West to the East Bank of Cass River; thence South easterly along the River Bank to a point of beginning; thence East to the point of beginning EXCEPT commencing at a point on the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of 549 feet West of its intersection with centerline of Orr Road; thence North 225 feet; thence West to East Bank of Cass River; thence South easterly along River Bank to the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4; thence East to the Point of Beginning.

More Accurately Described as:

Commencing at a point on the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, 399 feet West of the Point of Intersection of the Centerline of Orr Road and South line referred to aforesaid, thence North at right angles to said South line 225 feet; thence West parallel with said South line 150 feet; thence South 225 feet to South line of Northwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of said Section 2, thence East on said South line to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: August 4, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC G (248) 593-1310
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #030868F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Amy L. Pero and Kirk I. Pero, wife and husband, to Bank One N.A., Mortgagee, dated December 13, 2001 and recorded January 30, 2002 in Liber 860, Page 263, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Credit Based Asset Servicing and Securitization LLC by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Twenty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Seven and 63/100 Dollars (\$23,207.63), including interest at the rate of 10.6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on August 19, 2004.

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

The South 2/3 of Lot 15, Block 26 of North's Addition to the Village (now City) of Vassar, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, pages 21A, Tuscola County Records.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: July 21, 2004

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Credit Based Asset Servicing and Securitization LLC, As Assignee
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(248) 457-1000
File No. 113.0193

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Damm and Cindy Damm (original mortgagors), to Aames Funding Corporation, DBA Aames Home Loan, Mortgagee, dated October 23, 2000 and recorded on November 1, 2000 in Liber 814 on Page 977, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A. in Trust for the benefit of the holders of Aames Mortgage Trust 2000-2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2000-2 as assignee by an assignment dated October 25, 2000 and recorded on January 22, 2002 in Liber 858 on Page 303 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Eight and 78/100 Dollars (\$38,438.78), including interest at 13.749% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on August 19, 2004.

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

The West 268 feet of that part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, Town 11 North, Range 8 East lying North of M-38, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: July 21, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A. in Trust for the benefit of the holders of Aames Mortgage Trust 2000-2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2000-2
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #020883F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kent W. Sayers and Samantha L. Sayers, husband and wife, to HomeAmerica Credit Inc., d/b/a Upland Mtg., Mortgagee, dated June 12, 2003 and recorded June 25, 2003 in Liber 938, Page 662, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. by assignment dated October 9, 2003 and recorded on February 24, 2004 in Liber 981, Page 202, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty and 08/100 Dollars (\$100,376.08), including interest at the rate of 10.99% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on August 12, 2004.

The premises are located in the Village

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YARD SALE - Thursday-Friday, Aug. 5-6, 9-4 p.m. 4372 Brooker. 14-8-4-1

Household Sales

TOWN-WIDE GARAGE SALES going on during Summer Mania, August 5 & 6. Many sales not listed. Please explore our beautiful village while hunting for bargains! 14-8-4-1

CASS CITY VFW Post will join in the village-wide garage sale. Members are encouraged to drop off items starting at noon Aug. 5. Community members may also drop off items (no clothes). Thank you. 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - Friday-Saturday, Aug. 6-7, 8-2 6797 Houghton St. Round oak table, six chairs, several push lawn mowers, and miscellaneous items. 14-8-4-1

ATTN: 2 GARAGES loaded with antiques, collectibles, and miscellaneous. Thursday-Friday-Saturday, Aug. 5-6-7, 9-7 4663 & 4667 Huron St. Glaspie & Strickland. 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - Wednesday, Aug. 4; Thursday, Aug. 5; and Friday, Aug. 6 at 4181 Sherman St., Cass City. 8-5 p.m. 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - 4183 Maple. Aug. 5-6, 9-5 p.m. Many old dolls, doll clothes, collectibles, exercise bike, oven broiler, arts & crafts, angels and many miscellaneous items. 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - August 5-6, 9-6 p.m. 6048 Delong Rd. 3 miles south of light, 1 mile west. 14-8-4-1

HUGE GARAGE SALE - Antiques, household, dining table, end tables, stereo, computer desk, women's dress clothes (16/18), toys, many miscellaneous. Aug. 5-6, 9-5 p.m. 6760 Houghton. 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - next to LaFave Steel on M-53. Satellite, boat, antiques, etc. Thursday-Saturday. 14-8-4-1

LARGE GROUP garage sale - Aug. 5-6-7, 9-6 p.m. 6282 Pine St. Clothing (small to XX large), furniture, books, toys, records, kitchen and household items, crafts and much more. 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - Friday, Aug. 6, 10-5 p.m. 6304 Beechwood Dr., Cass City. Carpet, lots of teen and adult clothing, small appliances, gas grill, miscellaneous items. 14-8-4-1

6-FAMILY GARAGE SALE - Aug. 5-6-7, 8-6 p.m. Dirt bike, clothing, household items, bedroom furniture, comforter sets, and lots more. 1 mile south, 1 mile west, 1/4 mile south on Warner Rd. 14-8-4-1

YARD SALE - Aug. 5-6, 9-5 p.m. 6627 Pine St., Cass City. Lots of household items, antique piano, eagle fish finder, fishing stuff, clothing, antiques. Something for everyone! Rain Date: 8-7-04. 14-8-4-1

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GARAGE SALE - 6204 Lakeside Dr. Thursday-Friday, 9-5 p.m. Plus size women's clothes, baby toys and miscellaneous. 14-8-4-1

A LITTLE BIT OF everything! You will just have to stop by to see what we have. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 13-14, 9-6 p.m. 5979 E. Deckerville, Deford. 14-8-4-2

Household Sales

YARD SALE - Aug. 5-6, 9-4 p.m. 6470 Garfield. Some is old, some is newer. Lots of good stuff. Weather permitting. No early sales! Reva Dillon. 14-8-4-1

MOVING SALE/garage sale - 6417 Church St. Thursday & Friday, 8-8 p.m. 14-8-4-1

ESTATE SALE - Thursday, 9-5 p.m. 4245 Maple St. Household, antiques and lots of old tools. Inside and out. 14-8-4-1

CASS CITY garage sale - Aug. 5-6, Thursday, 8-5 p.m.; Friday, 8-3 p.m. 6645 Garfield Ave. Lots of girls' clothes (0-2T), some toys, paperback books, griddle, misc. 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - Furniture, tools, crafts, kilns, molds, Gymboree clothing, office files, florescent fixtures. 4169 Crane Rd. Aug. 5-6, 9-5 p.m. 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - Saturday, 9-5 p.m. Assorted clothing, shoes, sports equipment, furniture, coats, black leather coat (like new), N64 games, & many other misc. items. 3973 Van Dyke Rd. (1 mile north of Deckerville Rd. or 5 miles south of M-81/M-53 crossroads). 14-8-4-1

GARAGE SALE - Aug. 4-5. Mini bike, tools, bow stands, kids' movies, toys, puzzles, games, microwave, ladies plus size shirts. 6330 Shabbona Rd., Deford (5 miles south of Cass City). 10-6 p.m. 14-8-4-1

CASS CITY 4-family sale - Friday, Aug. 6, 9-2; Saturday, Aug. 7, 9-4 p.m. 4940 Jacob Rd. (1 mile north of Cass City Rd. or Hurds Corner Rd. to Dickerson, 1 mile is Jacob). Brand name clothing - girls' plus sizes, boys' husky, baby boys', girls' 5-6-7, men's and women's; push mower, grill, fishing gear, toys, bikes, tires, sink, door, lots and lots of miscellaneous. 14-8-4-1

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GARAGE SALE - 4135 Cemetery Rd. Aug. 5-6, 8-7 Mellendorf. 14-8-4-1

CASS CITY AREA - 3-family garage sale - 7728 Bay City Forestville Road. Aug. 5-8, 9-? Clothes, knick-knacks, 2 televisions, and more! 14-8-4-1

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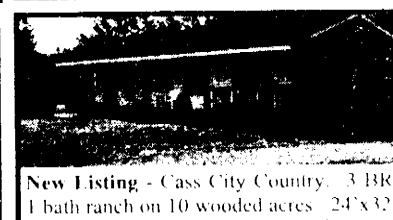
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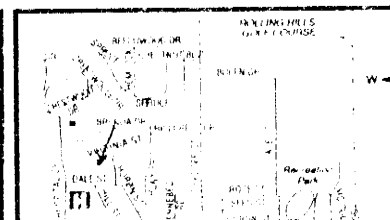
Condominium with 2 Bedrooms, 1 1/2 Baths. 1st floor laundry and a full walk-out basement. This unit is priced to sell. Call today. \$84,900. TCC1424



New Listing - Cass City Country. 3 BR, 1 1/2 bath, 2 story home on paved road. 2 car attached garage plus a 24'x40' pole barn, 3/4 insulated. 1 1/2 acre lot with mature hardwood & fruit trees. Cy2421. \$96,900.



New Listing - 100'x150' lakefront lot, Port Hope, Lakeview Drive. Beautiful view of the lake and lighthouse. Newer homes cottages in the area. WAT209. \$60,000.



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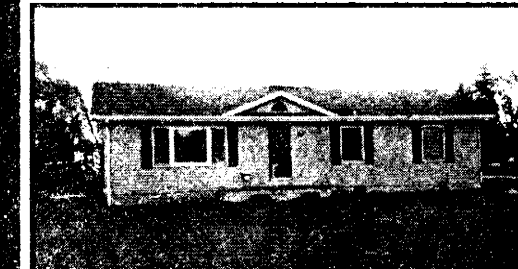
Here it is! The one you've been waiting for. 4.93 acres with TWO pole barns and mature trees. Nice 900 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, and full basement. Great place for animal lovers. Call Marty to see it today. CC-513



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Purchase homecoming for owner

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do some renovations.

"We're going to maintain the historic look and value, but we're going to be doing some renovations to bring it up to code and up to date. It's going to be nice. People are going to like it."

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas

For owner Kathy Kruse, the decision to sell was a bitter-sweet one.

"It's very hard for me just to walk out. I feel really close to these people," she said of the employees and customers alike. "I've made a lot of friends here."

"It was a learning experience," said Kruse, who has learned every aspect of the business over the past couple years, from basement maintenance to decorating cakes. She also learned about her customers.

"I think how quick they bond with someone who smiles at them," Kruse added. "How close I got with customers is what I think surprised me the most," Kruse added. "And, I think the hard work was kind of a surprise - it's a 24-hour deal. "It was an excellent experience. I wouldn't trade it for anything."

Kruse is now looking forward to a new line of work. She had been hired full-time at the Tuscola County

Sheriff's Department, where she will serve as a domestic violence victim advocate.

As for Huyge, she's already

Sugar

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the sale. Bednarski said this time around, banks would understand the situation and may be more likely to help farmers out.

However, if a farmer cannot get a loan, Michigan Sugar may be able to help them get financed if they want to continue growing sugar beets. Any farmer who receives the help must meet stringent requirements, though.

"With three years at Michigan Sugar, I think we've put a lot of doubts to rest," Bednarski said. "The farmers are satisfied and the company profits."

Consumers will not notice a difference in what they pay for sugar.

Once the deal is signed and approved by the Board, Monitor growers will have to buy one share per acre they expect to grow as of 2005. The price is almost identical to what Michigan growers paid in 2002.

Monitor Sugar growers plant about 65,000 acres of sugar beets each year. The Monitor plant at 2600 S. Euclid Ave. will continue operations, as well as the Michigan Sugar plants in Caro, Croswell, Carrollton and Sebawaing.

Illovo is focusing on expanding their cane sugar operations in Africa and hopes to use the funds generated from selling Monitor to expand.

Together, farmers in both companies produce more than 180,000 acres of beet-growing land and five sugar processing plants.

enjoying her new role as business owner. And, as a part of the Cass City community once again.

"It's very, very rewarding already," she said. "The crime rate is very low, I don't have to worry about my family."

"I like the small town, I like the peacefulness. It's just the place to live," Huyge added. "I'm glad to be back."

Lawsuit

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City Police Department, business owner Kelly Smith witnessed the accident, called police and administered first aid to Neihardt, who, when asked if she needed medical attention, "stated she was ok and did not need an ambulance or further medical attention. Neihardt stated she wanted a report in case there were complications because of the fall."

Reports indicate police examined the sidewalk and noted a sidewalk joint was three-quarters of an inch to one inch uneven because the north edge of the joint has dropped.

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The Human Development Commission (HDC) is pleased to present a special luncheon conference with Dr. Ferreira on Tuesday, August 17, 2004, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Cass City. Dr. Ferreira will discuss "Effective Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease: A Caregiver's Viewpoint."

For more information on this wonderful luncheon, or to make a reservation, please call Rita or Kim at HDC at **(989) 673-4121.**

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Assessment and Intervention During Activities of Daily Living

The Human Development Commission (HDC) Caregiver Education Program is please to offer an informative conference for caregivers and professional nursing staff who provide care to patients with Alzheimer's Disease or dementia.

"Assessment and Intervention During Activities of Daily Living" will be held on Friday, August 13, 2004, at Davenport University in Caro from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Reservations are required for this informative session.

"Assessment and Intervention" is approved for 6 contact hours (CEU) by the Michigan Nurses Association, which is accredited as an approver of continuing education in nursing by the American Nurses Credentialing Center Commission on Accreditation.

For more information, or to make your reservation for this conference, contact Kim or Rita at **(989) 673-4121.**

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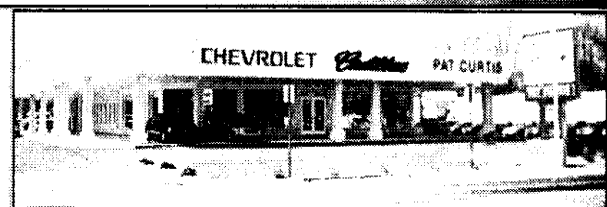
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