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Summer Mania set this week

by Maggie Peterson
Staff Writer

It's time for a weekend of Summer Mania!

The annual event for all ages is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 3 through Saturday, Aug. 5.

Chamber of Commerce President Jim Luth said the event is great for families because it is a chance to get into town and see what it has to offer. "It's really designed around the children with the car seat checks and the inflatables," he said.

Town-wide garage sales Thursday and Friday and the Rawson Memorial Library's annual book sale Thursday through Saturday kick off Summer Mania.

Friday has the bulk of the events, most taking place in or near Rotary Park. Street vendors will be out from 1 to 9 p.m., as well as inflatables, which are free for children.

Plenty of food will be available as well throughout the day. Aside from chicken and hot dogs, there will be a free SnoKone and cotton candy tent and Thumb National Bank is offering free ice cream in the bank's parking lot at 6 p.m.

Apart from the inflatables, other free activities include a clown, bubble stations and photo button fun Friday from 5 to 9 p.m.

Parents are encouraged to go to the car seat safety check from 2 to 5 p.m. A barbershop quartet will be singing its melodies from 5 to 9 p.m. near the KCQ Classic Car Show behind the municipal building. The show goes from 4 to 8 p.m., with registration starting at 4:30 p.m.

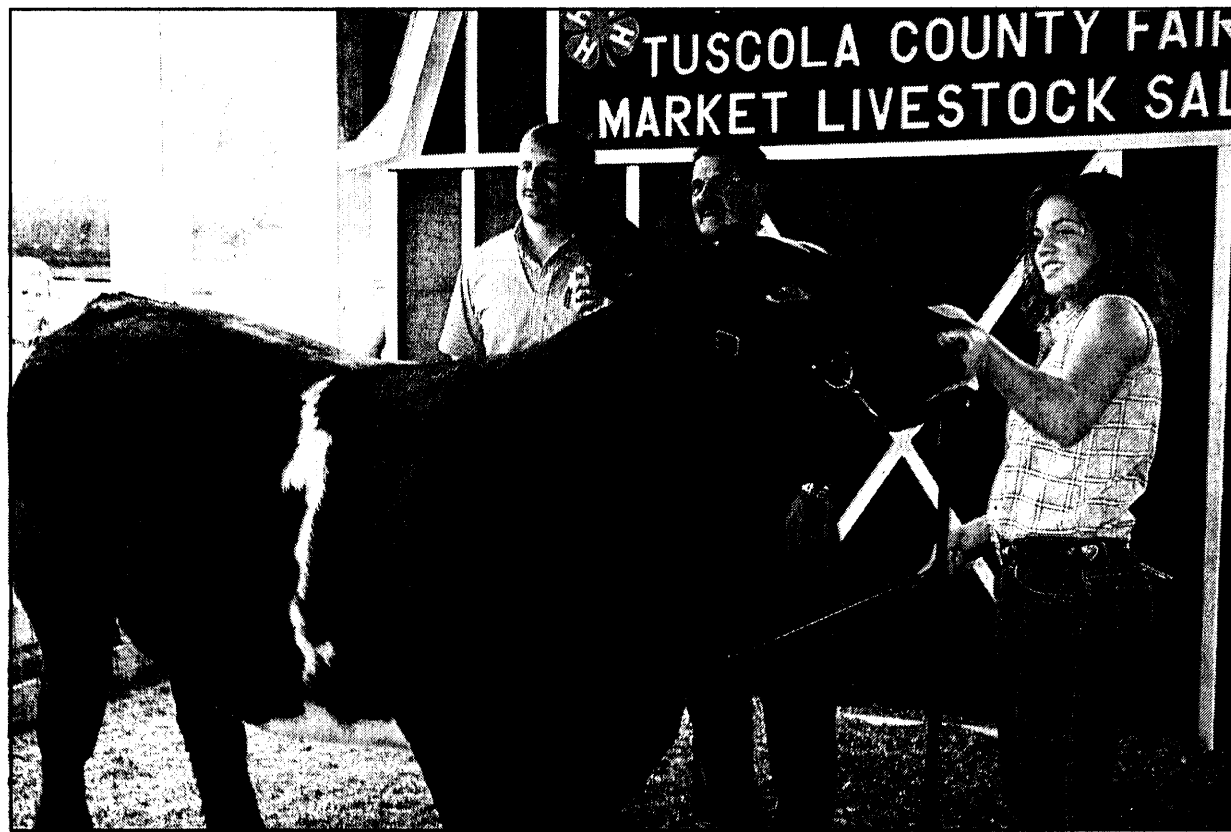
Luth said the car show is one example of an event aimed at parents and older audiences.

"It's (Summer Mania) just a fun event for the parents to ... spend some time downtown," Luth said.

The winner of the 50/50 raffle, which goes from 5 to 8 p.m., will be announced at 8 p.m.

Gilligan's Bar and Restaurant is throwing a Hawaiian beach party Friday and Saturday nights, with the band Hind Sight starting at 9 p.m. The \$3 cover charge goes right back to Summer Mania, said owner Mike Sines.

Also, a basketball tournament at the Cass City Recreational Park sponsored by Magic's Basketball is scheduled to take place Saturday.



CHELSEA RUGGLES' Reserve Champion and Champion Homebred market beef sold to Northstar Bank and United Producers Inc. for \$2,300 at the this year's large livestock sale at the Tuscola County Fair. Ruggles is the daughter of Tim and Julie Ruggles and a member of the 5 Star Livestock Club.

(More photos, pages 6, 7 and 10)

Flyover nets Sanilac pot crops

For more than a dozen years, law enforcement officers have taken to the skies over Sanilac County in late August in search of marijuana plants.

This year the flyover operation took place about 5 weeks earlier, much to the surprise and chagrin of 2 county residents who, Sanilac County Drug Task Force officials say, were cultivating healthy pot crops that would have yielded thousands of dollars worth of marijuana.

Drug task force Director William Gray announced the results of the Operation HEMP (Help Eliminate Marijuana Planting) flyover, saying the Michigan Aviation Cooperative scheduled Sanilac County's allotted flyover time this year for July 25.

"Drug task force investigators, assisted by 3 sheriff's department road patrol deputies, met with 2 Army National Guard helicopter units to conduct coordinated air and ground

searches for marijuana growing activities throughout Sanilac County," Gray reported.

"Although severe storm activity early in the day halted search activity for most of the morning, the mid-afternoon searches in Delaware and Worth townships located 2 active outdoor marijuana grow sites and eventually led to the discovery of an indoor marijuana grow operation, too," he said. "Subsequently, investigators on the ground were able to identify the individuals responsible for both growing operations and obtain search warrants for both suspects' residences."

In Worth Township, officers discovered several marijuana plants growing in a brushy area at the back of a 5-acre residential property.

"Foot paths led away from the growing marijuana out onto mowed and maintained trails that ran the length of the 5-acre property back to the home that was situated near Babcock Road," Gray said, adding helicopter personnel observed several additional foot paths that connected the mowed trail system to clusters of marijuana plants at the rear of the property.

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Tband sold to Air Advantage

Air Advantage, LLC, winner of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Blue Ribbon Small Business Award, has announced the expansion and enhancement of its wireless Internet service by acquiring Tband.net, a division of TotalCom, LLC headquartered in Cass City.

Prior to the acquisition by Air Advantage, Tband provided wireless broadband Internet and dial-up service to customers in Cass City, Deford and the surrounding areas.

Tband customers now receiving service from Air Advantage will get the enhancements Air Advantage offers

its current customer base.

In a statement by Air Advantage President, Scott Zimmer, "This expansion gives our company a strong presence in the Eastern Michigan market. Air Advantage currently serves over 2,500 customers in the 5-county area including, Tuscola, Huron, Sanilac, Saginaw and portions of Bay County. We are extremely pleased with this development in our continually expanding business."

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Local teen donates her prosthetics



by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Monica Stover has never known what it's like to have 2 arms.

Born with a deformed left arm, the 13-year-old Cass City girl has endured her share of cruel teasing from other kids over the years, not to mention stares and whispers from adults who should know better.

But that hasn't stopped her from living a very normal life — she loves video games, writing e-mails and scrap booking.

She's also a very compassionate teen, reaching out to an African boy who lives a world away and faces the same physical challenge.

Monica, an eighth grade student at Cass City Middle School, donated several of her prosthetic arms so the boy, an 8- or 9-year-old Kenya, Africa resident, could experience life with 2 arms.

The decision was sparked more than a year ago during a conversation she had at an annual check-up with her physician, Dr. Virginia Nelson, chief of Pediatric and Adolescent Services in the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

According to Monica's parents, Mark and Brenda Stover, Dr. Nelson makes regular visits to Africa, where she donates her services to needy children in a clinic setting.

"We talked about it for a little while, and I said I would donate my prosthetics," Monica recalled.

"She donated 5 and we kept one - her crawling mitt," noted Mark, who said the prosthetics ranged from a hook to a state-of-the-art artificial arm that utilizes electronic chips to sense muscle movement.

Last February, Dr. Nelson returned to Africa and presented the boy, whose name is Harrison, with his new "arm." She returned with photos of the boy along with stories of her trip for Monica during her last annual check-up in July.

"She's really been keeping in contact with Dr. Nelson on e-mail, and she's (Dr. Nelson) been real faithful about writing her back," Brenda said, adding Monica hopes to maintain contact back and forth with Harrison, although communication overseas is slow at best.

Monica has already initiated contact with the boy by mailing a list of questions about his likes and dislikes, as well as information about herself. "I sent a letter down there and he's supposed to be getting it when he goes to his next check-up," she said. "I think it would be interesting to have a friend from a different place."

Monica has experimented with a variety of prosthetic arms over the years, but in the end decided she enjoyed life more without them, at least for now.

"I can do a lot more without it than with it. I seem to do so much more without it," she said.

"She's used them (prosthetics) and

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Vote Tuesday, Aug. 8

8 vying for Meyer's seat

Term limits have set the stage for a battle over Tom Meyer's seat in Lansing this year.

In all, 8 Thumb residents - 6 Republicans and a pair of Democrats - are running for the 84th District Michigan House seat held by Meyer, a Bad Axe Republican. He cannot seek another term because of the state's law on term limits.

The 84th District is comprised of Tuscola and Huron counties.

The field of candidates will be narrowed to 2 during the Tuesday, Aug. 8 primary election.

Vying for the seat are:

REPUBLICANS

•**Phillip W. Hardy.** Hardy, a Flint native, has resided in Tuscola County (Koylton Township) for the past 15 years. He is a veteran, having served in the U.S. Army for 13 years, including 4 years of active duty.

His background includes ownership of Hilltop Autoparts for 6 1/2 years. Hardy, who describes himself as a Pro-Life candidate, has also worked in sales and marketing, and currently is employed as a real estate agent with Osborne Realty in Caro and as a rehabilitation aide at the Lighthouse Brain Injury Rehabilitation, also in Caro.

•**John Hunt.** A lifelong resident of Huron County's Verona Township, Hunt is owner of J.W. Hunt, based in Bad Axe. He is a 17-year member of the Huron County Road Commission, currently serving as chairman, and also is a member of the Verona Town-

ship Planning Commission and the General Policy for the County Road Association of Michigan.

Hunt sits on the board of incorporators for Huron Medical Center and is a past member of the Verona Mills School Board and of the St. Joseph Parish Council in Rapson.

•**Ken Micklash.** Micklash is a Thumb native who has devoted much of his life to a career in education, both as a teacher and administrator. He recently retired after serving as Cass City Schools superintendent for the past 18 years.

Currently executive director of the Tuscola County Community Foundation, The Cass City resident also boasts a lengthy record of community involvement, including membership on the Hills and Dales General Hospital Board of Directors, Cass City Rotary and Gavel clubs, Cass City Chamber of Commerce, and Cass City Little League.

•**Tim L. Polk.** Polk has also spent

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State rep candidates speak out page 4

Voters to decide millage for library

Area residents who appreciate the resources and convenience offered by Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City will have an opportunity to show their appreciation by approving a millage renewal next week.

The renewal, slated to go before voters in the Tuesday, Aug. 8, election, is a request for .35 of a mill for 4 years, which would raise about \$53,000 in the first year.

Library Director Kate VanAuken has spent considerable time explaining the library's financial need to officials in the library district, which covers Elkland, Elmwood and Novesta townships.

One of the reasons for the extra effort, according to VanAuken, has been to explain the ballot wording, which this year includes a note about a portion of the millage revenue being collected by the Cass City Downtown Development Authority (DDA). The DDA has always captured a small amount of the money within a portion of its district in the village of Cass City - the difference is that Michigan's new election consolidation law requires that the wording be included on the ballot.

VanAuken said the millage renewal is vital because it would enable the library to maintain existing services. Currently, the millage provides roughly 60 percent of the revenue for the library's annual budget, which totals about \$270,000, she said.

The library has other funding sources, including penal fines, but revenue from fines has become increasingly unstable, VanAuken said, and state funding has dwindled to virtually nothing.

The millage provides funding for a variety of programs and services.

They include a community meeting room, free Internet and e-mail, children's services (story hours, summer reading program and Christmas crafts), computer classes, copy and fax machines, adult and young adult book discussion clubs, genealogy and local history resources, services to the homebound, senior citizen movies, products and services for the blind and physically handicapped, interlibrary loan resources, and an Elkland Township Cemetery database.

The local library has some 25,248 books available for loan along with 2,656 magazines, 778 books on tape/CD, 507 DVDs, 155 music CDs and even 12 puppets.

VanAuken noted that library patrons checked out more than 55,000 items last year and accessed another 900 items from other libraries. More than 4,100 people attended special programs, and the library's 11 computers were used some 11,768 times during the year.

The library is staffed by 4 full-time employees and 6 part-time workers. "Because we have that much staff, we are able to be open 60 hours a week," said VanAuken, who added those business hours are above and beyond the typical hours for a facility the size of Rawson Memorial Library.

As for programming, VanAuken has established a number of new offerings, including young adult programs targeting middle and high school students, and shared programs with the local school district.

"We try to encourage these kids just to feel comfortable here," she said. "We've rejuvenated the adult book club, the Ravenous Readers."

"We've tried to do more programming to get more people into the library," VanAuken added. "We want the library to continue to be an integral part of our community."

Renewal requested in Novesta

Novesta Township is seeking to renew its road millage on the Aug. 8 primary election.

"We're not taking it (millage rate) up or anything," said Township Clerk Karen Mozdzen. "It's just a renewal."

According to the Novesta Township Road Millage (Renewal) Proposition, the rate of 1 mill would last for 3 years, from 2006 to 2008, and raise an estimated \$30,400 in the first year.

The funds from the millage would go to maintaining and improving the roads through ditching, grading, graveling and paving.

Long-distance friendship...

MONICA STOVER, 13, of Cass City, looks over scrapbook pages she created to remember a new friend - a boy from Kenya, Africa, who now has a prosthetic arm thanks to Stover's gift, which was passed on by her physician, Dr. Virginia Nelson.

Holbrook Area News

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Claude Mestack, Dave Armstead, Roger Kincaid, June Rutz, Allen Farrelly, Bernard Morley, and Jack and Wayne Kennedy met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Saturday morning.

Melanie Goodell, Laura and Amy of Lincolnshire, Ill., spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka. Mrs. Eugene Cleland and daughter, Karen Sturgill, were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mrs. Ray Depcinski was with the Daughters of Isabelle for the Stations of the Cross at St. Johns Catholic Church in Ubyly Thursday evening. Cookies and coffee were served later at St. Johns Hall in Ubyly.

Mrs. Jim Doerr and granddaughter attended the reunion group of the Community of Christ Church in Lexington last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel visited Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen.

Mrs. Allen Depcinski and Mrs. Ray Depcinski visited their aunt, Florence Depcs of Bad Axe.

Mrs. Richard Bukowski and Sue Mergyl of Lake Orion, Marie Grifka, Mrs. Bob Jackson, and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Adams of Ubyly spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz. There they celebrated Mrs. Rumpitz's birthday. Lunch, birthday cake and cream were brought by Mrs. Mergyl and Mrs. Bukowski.

Jerry Cleland and granddaughters, Stephanie and Amber Weise of Gaylord, were Wednesday breakfast guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Eugene Depcinski is a patient at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe. Mr. and Mrs. Al Walker of Tacoma, Wash., were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sweeney after attending Al's 53rd Ubyly High School graduation reunion at Ubyly Heights.

June Rutz of Sterling Heights and Allen Farrelly were Wednesday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel.

Mrs. Ray Depcinski visited Lois Wolschlagler at the Huron County Health Center in Bad Axe Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cleland of Bad Axe were Thursday supper guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

June Rutz of Sterling Heights and Allen Farrelly had dinner Tuesday at the Cass City Stockyards Restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz.

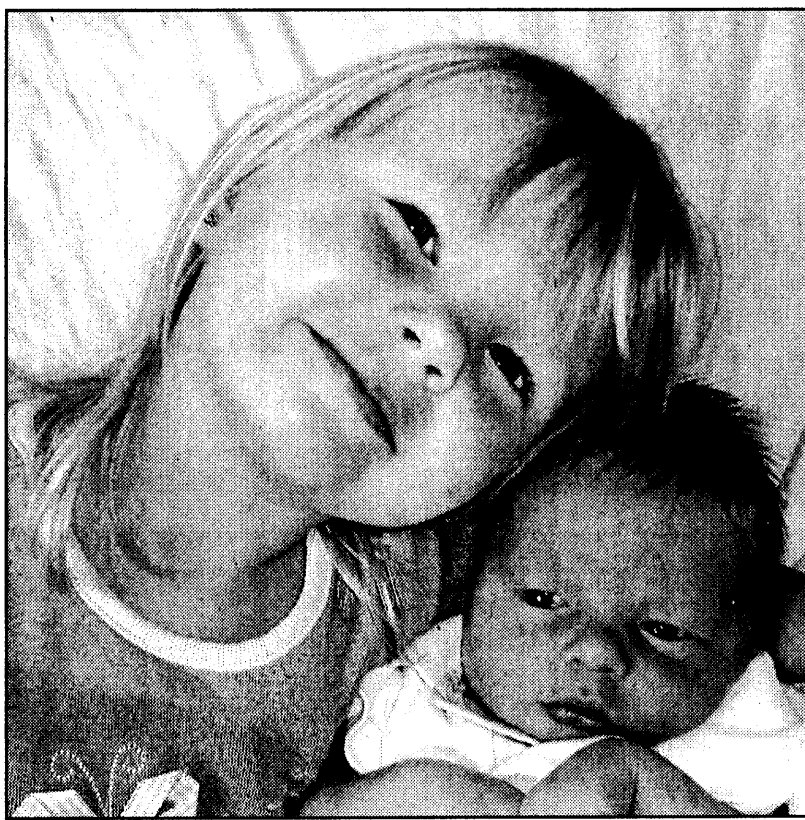
Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen attended the Bell Telephone Retirees meeting at the Franklin Inn Wednesday.

Ten members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at Big Boy Thursday morning. They will meet at the Franklin Plaza in Bad Axe next week.

Renee Puterbaugh and Edith Jackson visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland Tuesday afternoon.

Visitors of Thelma Jackson were Mrs. Ray Depcinski, Mrs. Bill Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hurford, Mrs. Harold Ballagh, Mrs. Gerald Wills, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Filar, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson, and Brian Sweeney.

It's a boy!



Mason Allen Becker

Kailey Lynn Becker announces the birth of her brother, Mason Allen Becker.

Mason was born June 28, 2006 at 8:59 p.m., at Covenant Harrison in Saginaw. He weighed 7 pounds, 10

ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long. Parents are Gary and Chris Becker of Unionville. Grandparents are Alan and Terry Prosowski of Cass City, and Wayne and Marjorie Becker of Unionville. Great-grandmother is Anita Prosowski of Caro.

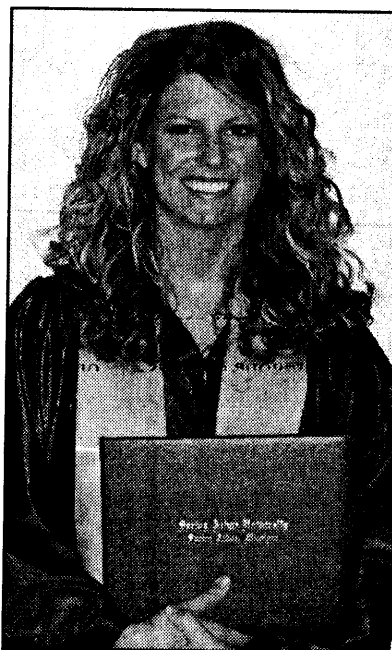
Erin Venema earns her bachelor's degree

Cass City area resident Erin Venema recently graduated from Spring Arbor University, Spring Arbor, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree.

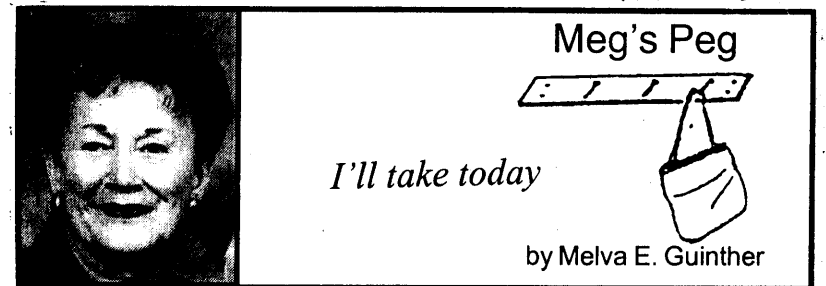
Venema, who majored in special

education, graduated Summa Cum Laude (with highest honors) for achieving a 3.96 grade point average during her college career.

The daughter of Stuart and Brenda Venema, she is a 2002 Cass City High School graduate. Venema is currently employed as a special education teacher at Brandon High School in Ortonville.



Erin Venema



I'll take today

by Melva E. Guinther

There's nothing like a power outage to make us appreciate the conveniences we take for granted most of the time. Reading about how people lived in the past serves the same purpose.

Here are a few tidbits of history from the 1500s. I'm not sure of their veracity, but the accounts sound credible and make for interesting reading. They also explain some familiar phrases you may have wondered about.

*The "annual" May bath was a large tub filled with hot water. The man of the house was privileged to have the first bath in the tub, followed by the rest of the males in the household. The women were next, then the children and the babies.

By the time they had all bathed, the water was so dirty that someone could actually be lost in it. Hence the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

*Houses in the 1500s had thatched roofs - thick straw, piled high, with no wood underneath. It was a good place for small animals to get warm. When it rained, it became slippery and sometimes animals would slip and fall off the roof.

That's where the phrase "raining cats and dogs" came from.

The roofing material allowed various things (Use your imagination) to fall into the house. In order to keep these objects from falling onto the bed, big posts were put in place with a sheet draped over them, and that's the history of canopy beds.

*In those days, the kitchen had a big kettle that always hung over the fire. Every day they lit the fire and added things to the pot. The diet consisted mostly of vegetables, very little meat.

They ate the stew for dinner, leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then started over the next day. Sometimes the stew contained food that had been in the pot for some time.

Remember the old rhyme, "Peas (or pease) porridge hot, peas porridge cold, peas porridge in the pot 9 days old?"

*When people were fortunate to have meat, it was a special occasion. When visitors came, they'd hang up their bacon to show how well off they

were. It was a source of pride that Dad could "bring home the bacon."

The fortunate family would cut off a little to share with their guests and they'd all sit around and "chew the fat."

*Wealthy people had plates made of pewter. Unfortunately, food with high acid content caused some of the lead to leach onto the food, causing lead poisoning death. This happened often with tomatoes and for about 400 years, tomatoes were considered poison.

*Lead cups were also used for drinking ale or whiskey. The combination could knock the imbibers out for a couple of days. Sometimes they were taken for dead and laid out on the kitchen table. Then the family would gather around and eat and drink, waiting to see if they'd wake up. This was the original "wake."

*One more food related item: Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burned bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle and guests were afforded the top - the "upper crust."

Consider yourself informed.

Screenings for children scheduled

The Tuscola County Health Department will be offering free hearing and vision screening for any child who may have missed kindergarten round-up and who will be entering school this fall.

The screening will be done Wednesday, Aug. 16 from 8 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 3 p.m. at the health department, located at 1309 Cleaver Rd. in Caro.

To schedule an appointment, call the health department at (989) 673-8114 (ext. 141).

The purpose of the screening is for early identification of possible hearing or vision problems. These problems can be subtle and difficult to detect, but they can affect a child's performance in school and in other activities.

NOVESTA TOWNSHIP ROAD MILLAGE (RENEWAL) PROPOSITION

The Novesta Township Board is requesting **renewal** of a 1 mill road millage on the August 8, 2006, primary election. These funds are needed to continue maintaining and improving the Township roads.

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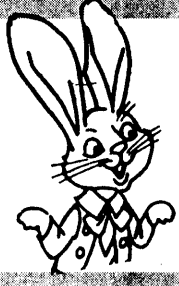
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It's a throw back to earlier days when most homes received a Sears-Roebuck catalog that arrived like clockwork through the mail.

Ikea is that giant home furnishing chain that opened with an ocean of publicity in Canton this spring.

The catalog could have been delivered separately, of course, but that is unlikely and also illegal.

If you have seen or used (to buy a product) the old Sears catalog, notice the difference between today and yesterday.

The good news is that Cass City will have a \$384,105 increase in state aid funds for the 2006-07 school year.

The bad news, Supt. Ron Wilson reports, is that the increases will not be enough to pay the increase in electric and heating costs and the decline in enrollment.

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The back forty

by Roger Pond

Every so often I have to confess I never took a class in journalism. I don't know why I need to confess,

It's like the old minister used to say, "Don't be too quick to confess your sins.

My lack of training explains my difficulty writing good leads for stories.

Thurber's classmate, an agriculture student, had a terrible time coming up with anything interesting to write about.

The professor's instructions were, "This university owns more horses than any other school in the Big Ten.

The ag student did as he was told. He soon returned with a hot story about a disease that was causing blisters on the backs of horses in the university herd.

So what's wrong with that? It reminds me of the frogs around my house.

It seems a person can hardly pick up a magazine or newspaper these days without reading about the demise of the frogs.

Somebody needs to tell my frogs they are going extinct. These frogs are reproducing like crazy.

My frogs have all of their appendages, too. That's because these are little, bitty tree frogs.

I've always considered it a mistake to get too sentimental about frogs, anyway.

I suppose the magazine articles are about particular species of frogs, but there must be similarities between these creatures.

We have all of those things where I live, but we've got frogs coming out our ears.

We have so many I'm thinking about taking them fishing. I bet they'd like that.

The first round of road projects in Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm's "Jobs Today" transportation investment program became a reality last week.

Senator Jim Barcia (D-Bay City) announced matching grants to local communities from the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Barcia said Sanilac County will receive funding for 3 projects, including bridge and approach work over the Black Creek Drain.

Tuscola County, meanwhile, is slated to receive funding for 4 miles of road reconstruction and drainage improvement from Shabbona Road to Akron/Kelly.

Finally, Huron County will be

funded for 4 miles of asphalt resurfacing with aggregate shoulders and pavement markings from Huron Line Road to Sebawaing Road and from Rapson Road to Kinde Road.

In May, the House and Senate approved a measure designating some \$80 million in the state's supplemental transportation budget to help county road commissions and local governments meet federal match funding requirements for federal transportation grants.

Chapter meets Aug. 1

The Kedron Chapter #33 of Caro is scheduled to meet for a regular meeting Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 1 p.m., at the Masonic Temple in Caro.

A lunch will be provided at noon. All members are urged to attend.

The Haire Net

A couple votes could decide it



It was a dozen years or so ago that I learned never to take anything for granted, never reach a conclusion until the ballots are counted.

In the primary election, Democrats and the late Dr. Ed Scollon, a Republican, were vying for the seat.

Surprise! When the votes were counted, Scollon won and won handily and went on to serve on the board for 10 years.

In Tuscola County there have been breaks in the domination. Sheriff Tom Kern is a Democrat.

It's a foregone conclusion for many that the person who wins the GOP primary wins the election for representative and most times, of course, they are correct.

In Tuscola County there have been breaks in the domination. Sheriff Tom Kern is a Democrat.

I confess that it's hard for me to not join the majority and figure that the GOP candidate will prevail.

There's a lot of reading on the page in this issue where the candidates for State Representative each answer questions. The answers should help you learn a little about all of them.

Why? With the outstanding list of candidates on the ballot, your choice for the nomination is more apt to be wrong than right.

Given good weather, the race for State Representative, as well as the contested races for commissioner in Huron County, should bring out the voters.

It's an important election and it's important that you participate.

A close vote for representative is almost assured, be a part of it.

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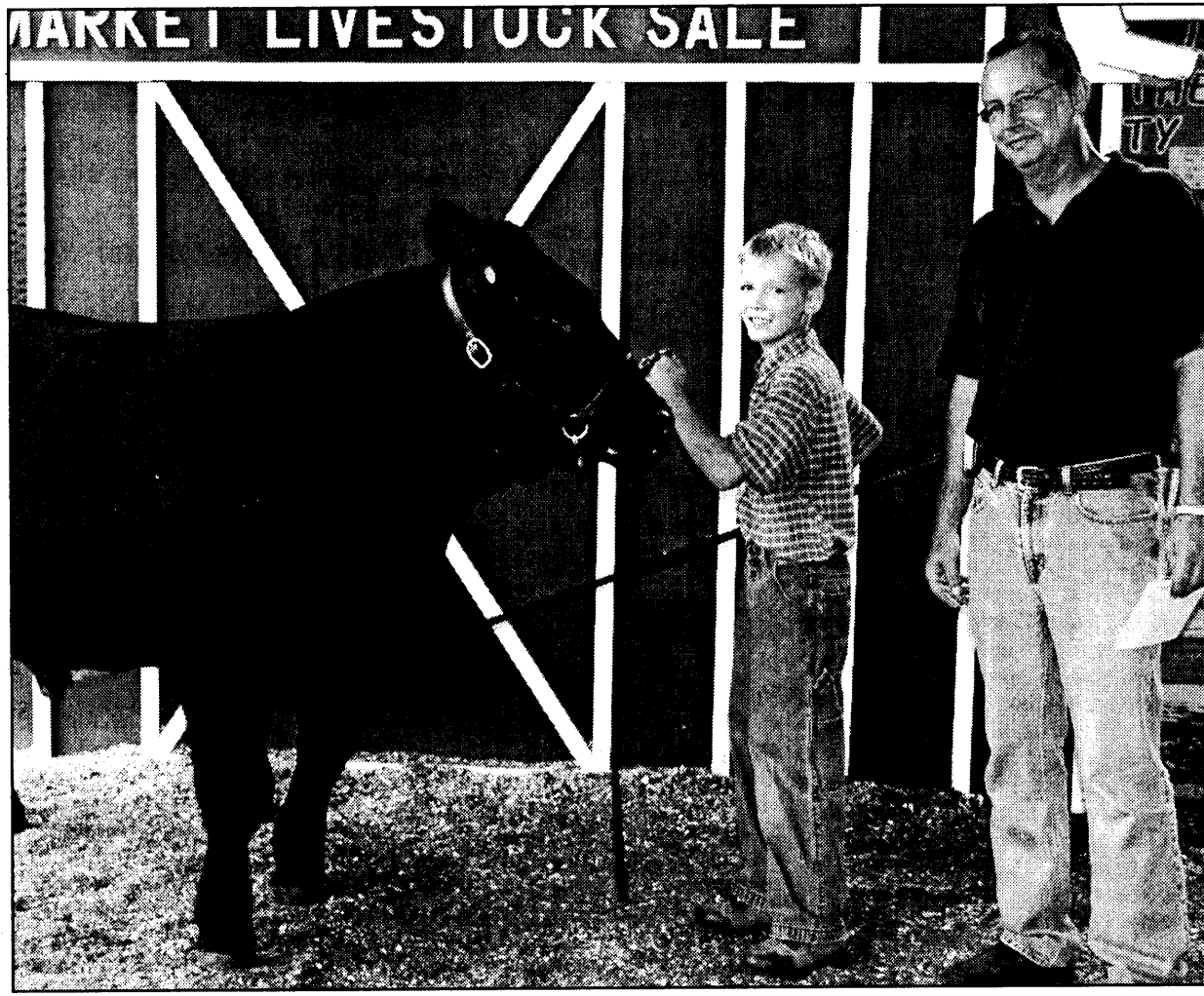
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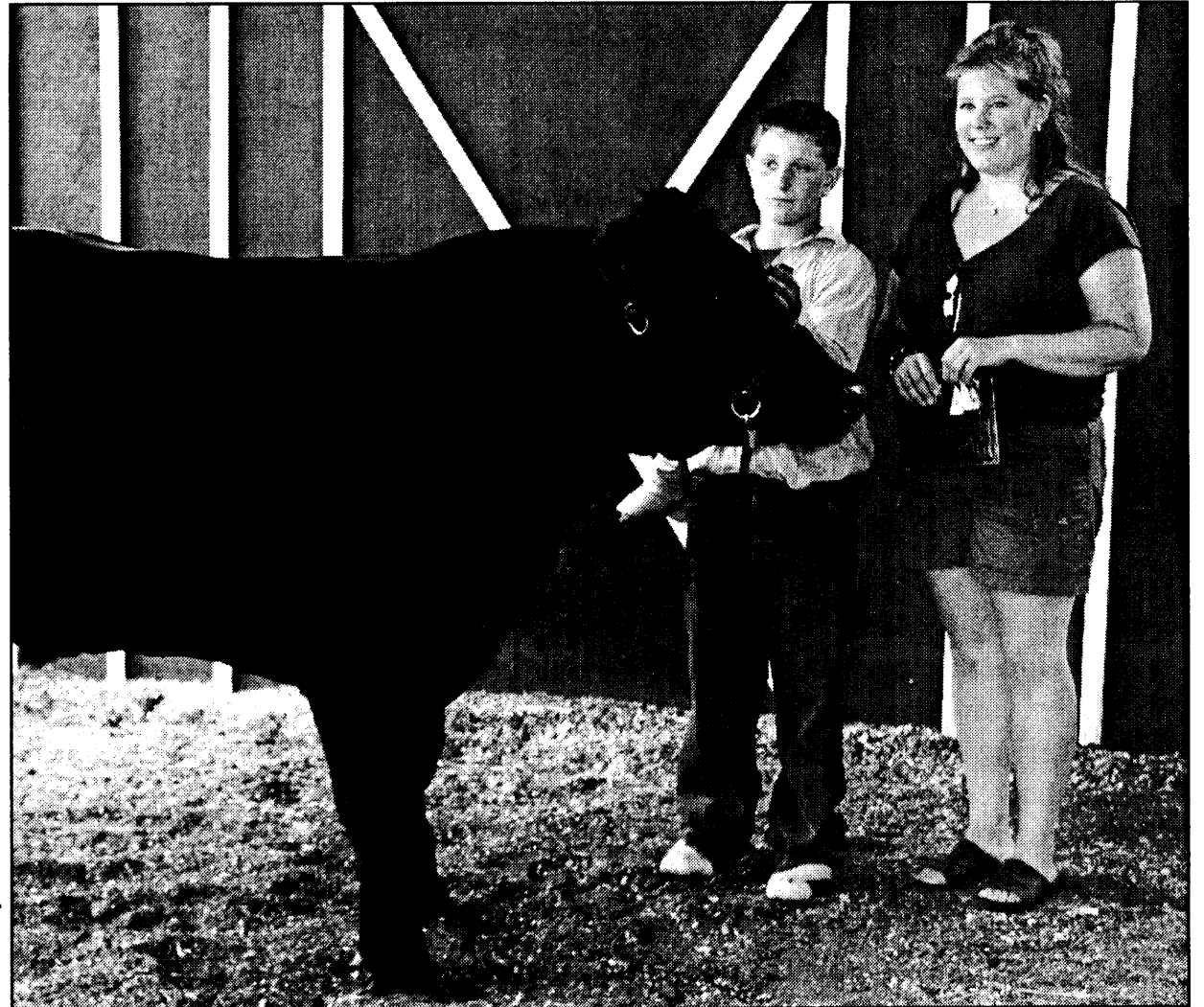


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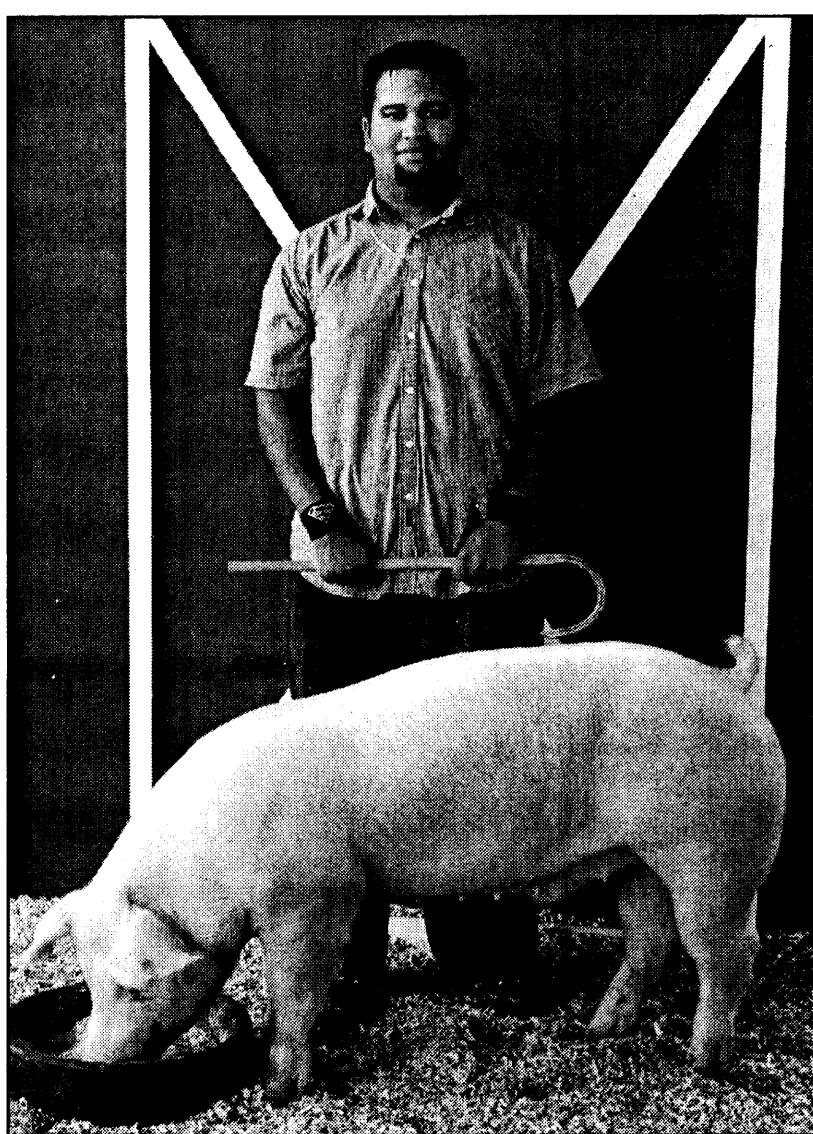
NEWT DELONG, of Kingston, earned \$1,500 for his 1,350-pound market beef from DA Johnston Construction of Vassar. DeLong is the son of Nadeene and Dana DeLong and a member of the 5 Star Livestock Club.



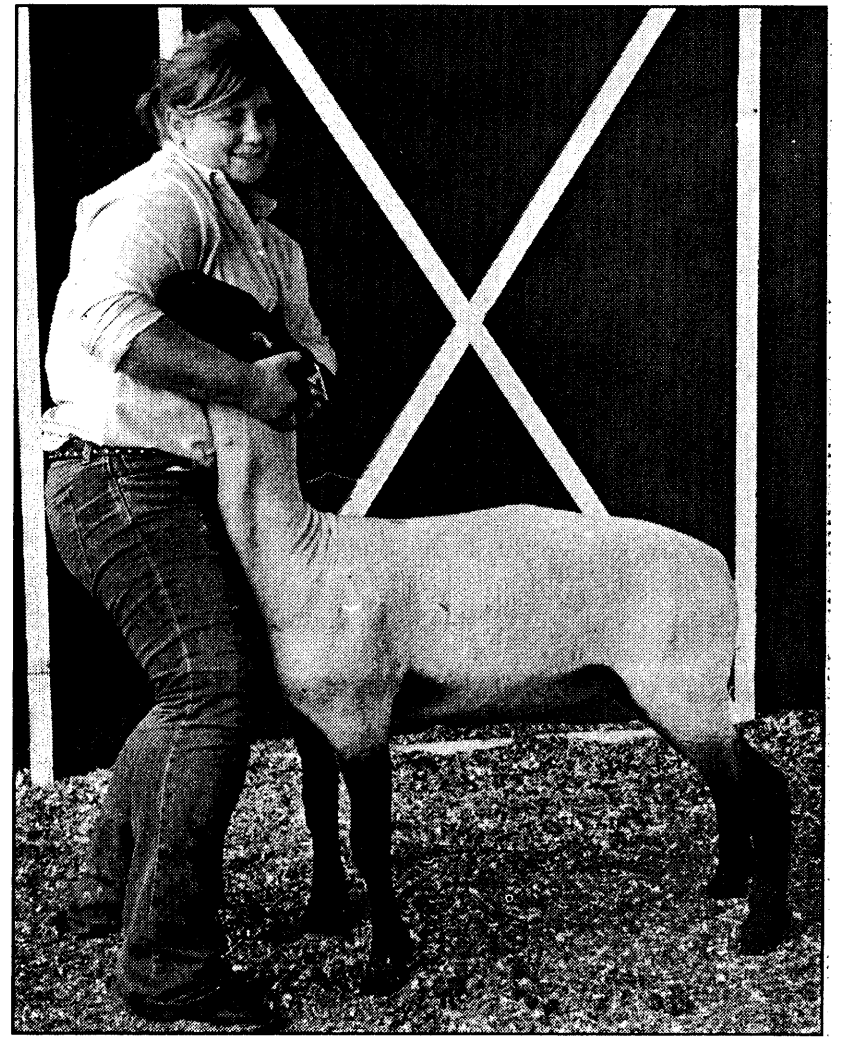
KAPPEN EXCAVATING of Cass City bought Austin Osentoski's 1,237-pound market beef for \$1,600. Osentoski is the son of David and Teresa Osentoski and a member of the 5 Star Livestock Club.



SENIOR SHOWMAN Quinnlin Daily, of Mayville, sold her 490-pound Champion Beef feeder for \$4 a pound to Mike Osborn of Michigan Ethanol. Daily is a member of the 5 Star Livestock Club and the daughter of Greg and Lynette Daily.



MICAH LITTLE, of Cass City, earned \$2.10 for his 238- and 262-pound market swine. Little is the son of David and Donna Little and a member of the Cass City Livestock Club.

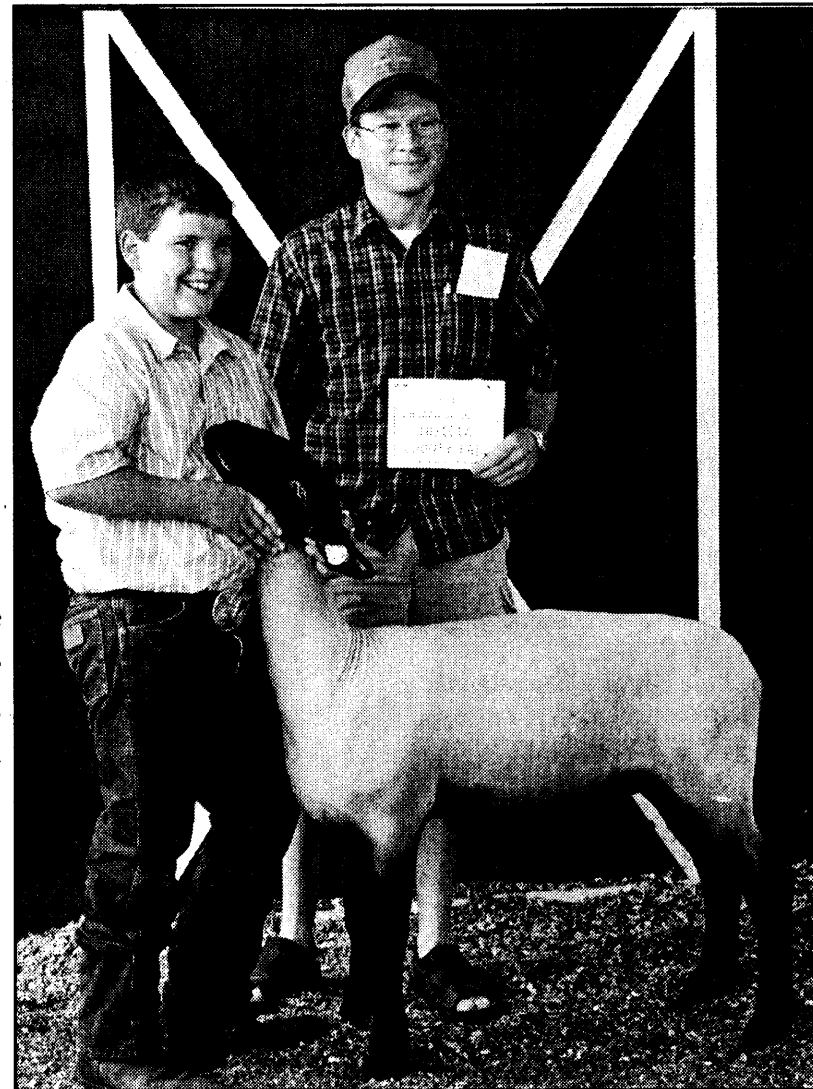


ALICIA OSENTOSKI'S Reserve Champion Home-bred 152-pound market sheep sold for \$3.20 a pound and her 135-pound market sheep earned \$3.10 a pound. Osentoski, daughter of David and Teresa Osentoski, was Reserve Overall Showman and is a member of the 5 Star Livestock Club.

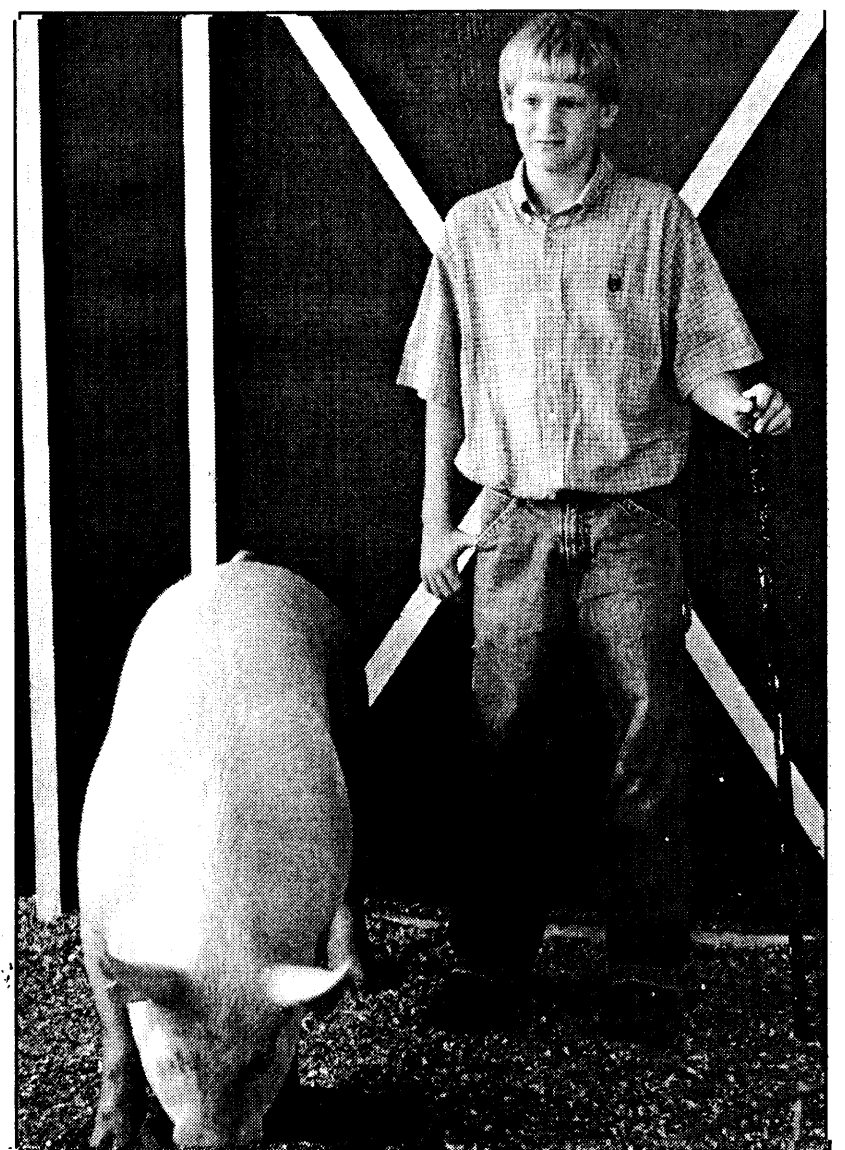


ONE GALLON of milk from Katie Wood's Reserve Champion dairy cow sold for \$700 to Bad Axe resident Bob Brown of Brown Dairy Equipment Co. Wood donated 10 percent of the sale to the Paul DeLong Memorial Scholarship.

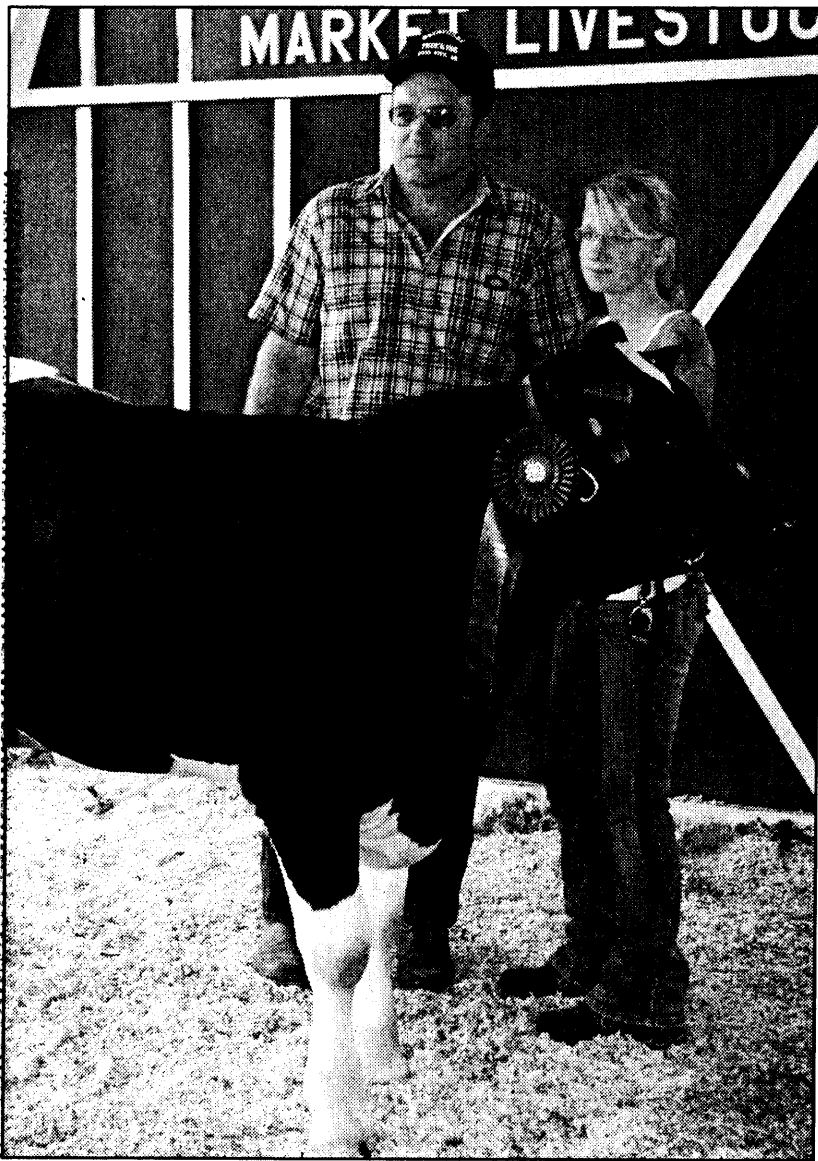
Look for more fair photos in the Chronicle's Aug. 9 edition.



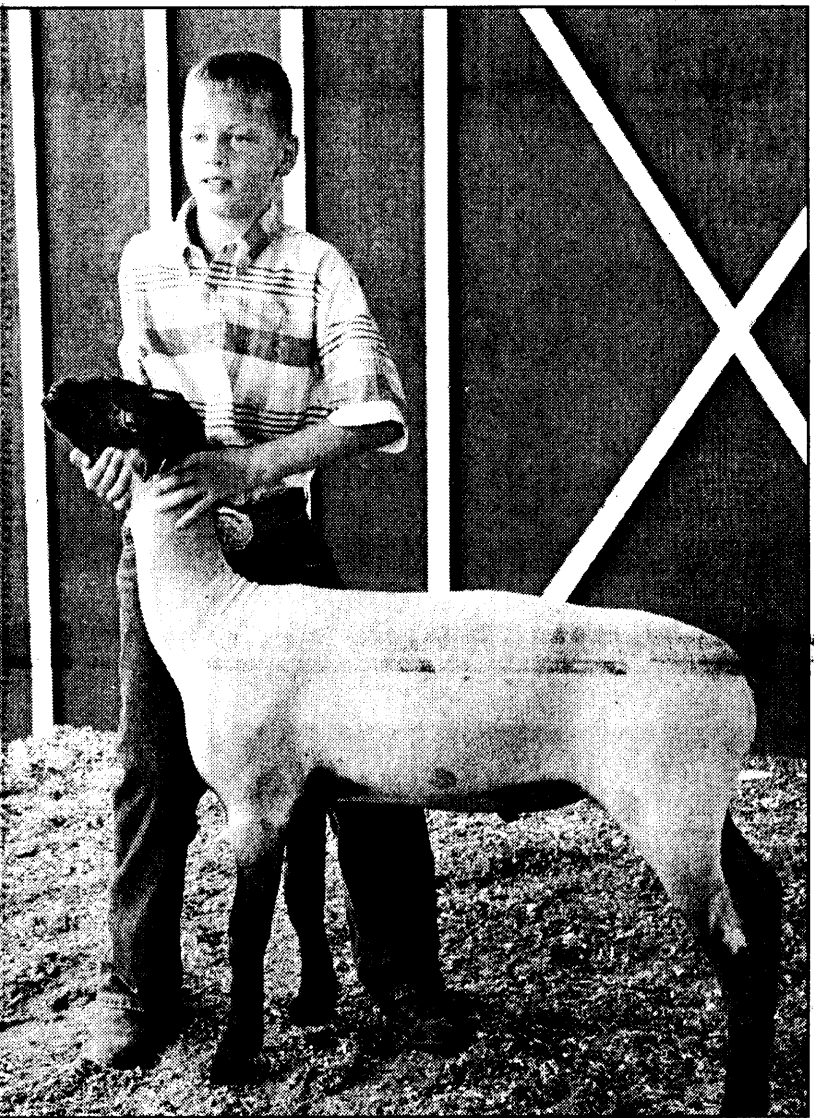
JUNIOR SHOWMAN Clay Daily's 135-pound market sheep sold for \$3.10 a pound to Michael Sahr Crop Insurance of Reese. Daily is a member of the 5 Star Livestock Club and the son of Greg and Lynette Daily.



JIM MERCHANT'S 2 swine, weighing 270 and 242 pounds, sold for \$1.30 a pound. Merchant is the son of Dan and Deanna Merchant and a member of the Cass City Livestock Club.

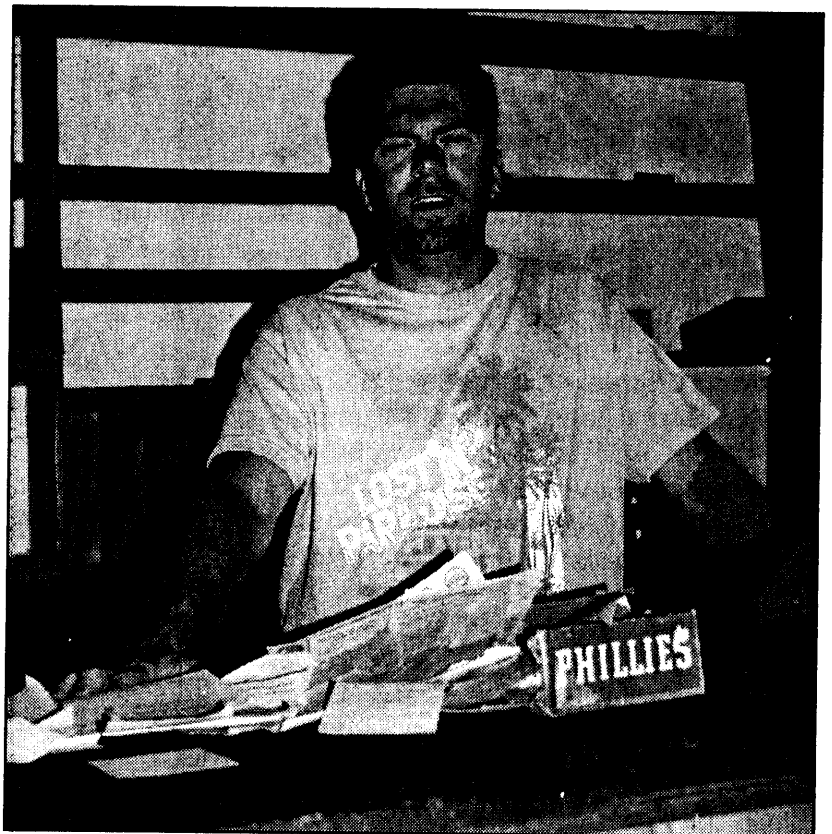


KEN OSENTOSKI, of Cass City's Osentoski Trucking, bought Kelsey Russell's 660-pound Champion Dairy feeder for \$3.05 a pound. Russell is the daughter of Donald and Roseann Russell and a member of the Cass City Livestock Club.



JUSTIN RUGGLES' 117-pound market sheep sold for \$3.20 a pound to Michigan Ethanol. Ruggles is the son of Tim and Julie Ruggles and a member of the 5 Star Livestock Club.

Blast from the pool hall past



SCOTT HENDRIAN, owner of Hendrian's Floor Covering, discovered a cigar box full of approximately 100 old receipts in the building's basement. The receipts, most with dates in 1947 and 1948, were for the pool hall that used to be on the second floor. A Detroit Edison bill from Oct. 22, 1947 totaled \$8.94. Hendrian said he plans to donate the items to the Cass City Historical Society.

Chip Shots

Wednesday Night 2-Man Golf League as of July 26

Division 1 - Early	
Warner/Wallace	53
Dillon/Tonti	52
Iwankovitsch/Stickle	48
Bliss/Baker	47
Chappel/Pasant	46
Berwick/Greenlee	43
Burns/Kritzman	42**
Jones/Marshall	41*
Davis/Leeson	41
Henn/Peters	40**
Burns/Hutchinson	39
Craig/Knight	37
Gaspie/Strickland	35*
Herron/Tuckey	30

Medalists: Individual-R. Tate 37; Team-Chappel/Pasant 77.

**Subs: E. Bellew & R. Tate.

Division 2 - Late	
Biddinger/Smith	60**
Martin/Robinson	49*
Osentoski/Schott	48*
deBeaubien/Patrick	46
Bliss/Krol	43
Hool/Toner	40*
Hartel/Hartzell	39**
Doerr/Haire	37*
Corey/Paul Ulfing	35*
Bellew/Curtis	32
Hillaker/Murphy	29*
Priesskorn/Repshinska	27
Tamlyn/Langley	24*
LeValley/Morgan	19*

Medalists: Individual-G. Biddinger 42; Team-Biddinger/Smith 86.

**R. Doerr & M. Irrer.

*Match not played

Cass City Golf League as of July 30

Flight #1	
Dieter Roth	138
Ray Fox	133
Don Ouvry	119
Craig Helwig	117
Rich Tate	117
Rick Salcido	116
Mark Swanson	115
Mike Falatko	110
Erik Tamlyn	106
Jerry Toner	100
Bill Kritzman	88
Fred Leeson	87
Scott Richards	87
Don Warner	85

Flight #2	
Rick Coleman	151
Daryl Iwankovitsch	129
Corey Ulfing	122
Gary Robinson	119
Jim Peyerk	117
Dave Hoard	116
Dave Weiler	112
Jon Zdrojewski	105
Mike Lowe	101
Jon Langley	97
Clark Erla	97
Jim Apley	94
Craig Bellew	88
Russ Biefer	85

Flight #3	
Dan Curtis	148
Ed Knight	135
Dan Mosher	128
Virgil Peters	123
Jack Hool	119
Jim Hobbs	117
Ernie Bellew	117
Tom Lis	116
Dick Wallace	109
Jim Fox	109
Orvil Beecher	92
Dan Caister	88
Dan Hittler	84
Ron Wilson	57

Flight #4	
Asa Apley	129

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RECENT CASS City High School graduate Justin Glaza (right) has signed a letter of intent to play basketball for Indiana Tech, a Division II NAIA Conference school in Fort Wayne, Ind. Glaza, pictured above with Indiana Tech Coach Jeff Parrish, was a standout athlete at Cass City, where he played basketball, football and baseball.



THE CASS CITY girls' softball team, ages 11 and 12, recently capped a successful season with its runner-up finish in the 10-team Frankenmuth Tourney. The future lady Red Hawks also compiled a 2-2 mark before bowing in the State Tourney, improving to 38-5 on the season. Team members are: (front, l-r) Megan Parrish, Becca Hacker, McKensie Parrish, Brenda Haley, Shelby Abell, Krista Guinther (back, l-r) coach John Hacker, Lauren Mandich, Kelsey Roloson, Angela King, Carley Hendrick, Ali Smith, Shannon Stec and coach Lehn King.



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- 33 year veteran of Tuscola County Sheriff's Dept. Currently Jail Administrator.
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- ~ Youth For Christ Pop & Candy Sale, Friday, 1-9 p.m.
- ~ Rawson Memorial Library Annual Book Sale, Thursday-Saturday (all day)

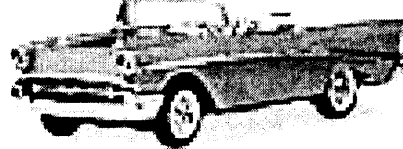
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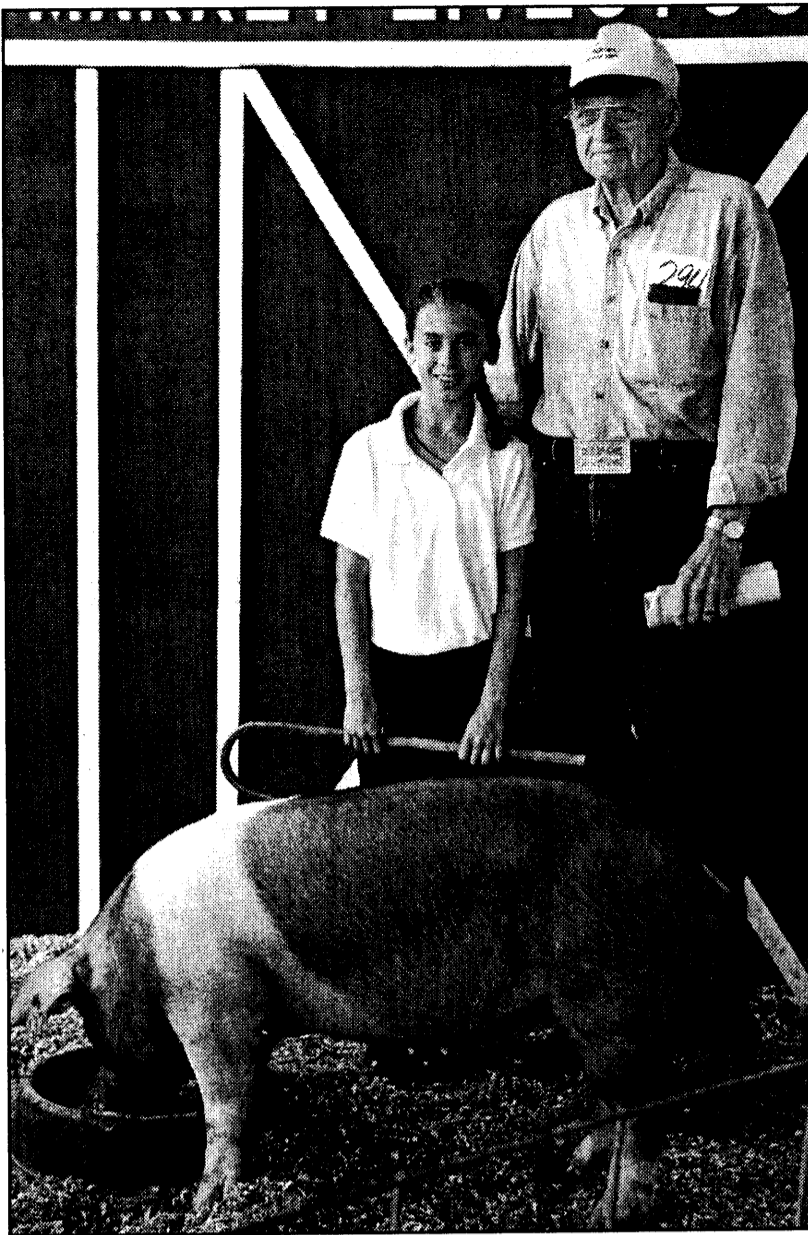
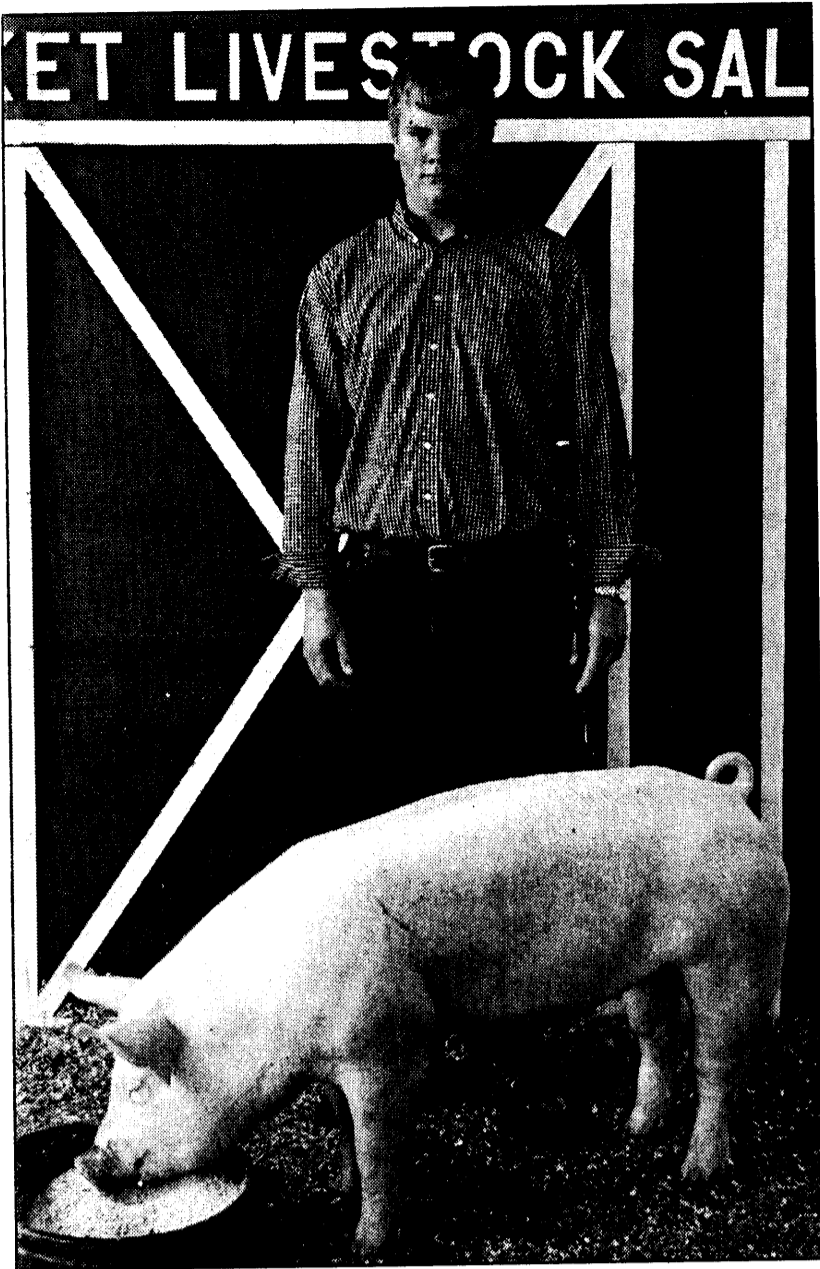
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ALEXANDRIA LITTLE, of Cass City, sold this 223-pound market swine to Gleaner Life Insurance Society. Her 223-pound market swine went to Bob and Mary Ann Hirn for \$1.50 a pound. Little is a member of the Cass City Livestock Club and the daughter of William and Julie Little.

Flyover nets Sanilac pot

Continued from page one.

Officers secured all of the marijuana plants in the wooded area, then discovered more plants growing in a fenced-in area directly behind a storage shed closer to the home. They cordoned off the entire property while investigators obtained a search warrant.

arrainment, which is slated for Aug. 11 at 8:30 a.m. Gray said officers discovered 4 marijuana plants - all about 7 feet tall - growing in a wooded area in Delaware Township. They observed a single, well-trodden path from the plants cutting diagonally through a crop field directly to a neighboring home on Wetzel Road.

Gray said the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency sets the "average" street sale value of the "average" marijuana plant at \$1,000, making the recent seizure of plants in Sanilac County worth some \$47,000.

juana and 9 firearms, 2 of which were loaded. The drug task force is seeking charges of manufacturing marijuana, possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, maintaining a drug house and possession of marijuana. No arraignment date has been set yet.

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GARAGE SALE - 4317 Ale St. Thursday & Friday, 8-5 p.m. Clothes, miscellaneous glassware, fishing tackle, reloading equipment. 14-8-2-1

GARAGE SALE - Girls' clothes (18 months-size 12), women's (12-16), household items, tools, dresser, girls' toys. Thursday, 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 9-5 p.m. 6748 Kelly (2 south of spotlight, 1/2 east on Kelly). 14-8-2-1

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - Aug. 3-5, 9 a.m.-? Lots of goodies. Come see what we have. Strickland & Glaspie. 4676 & 4663 Huron St. 14-8-2-1

GREAT GARAGE SALE - 4645 Seed St. (1 block before the wooded play ground). Aug. 3 & 4, 8-7 p.m. Compaq computer including printer and scanner, junior name brand clothes (S, M, L), women's clothes, antique dresser, Halloween and Christmas decorations (like new), and too much more to mention! 14-8-2-1

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC Church of Mayville Benefit Auction - Saturday, September 9. To donate items, please call Dave at 810-444-8470 or John at 989-843-0019. No clothing, refrigerators or freezers. Donation slips available. 14-7-26-2

Household Sales

GARAGE SALE - 4811 N. Seeger. Aug. 3 & 4, 9-4 p.m. Lots of glassware, dishes and pictures. Too much to mention. 14-8-2-1

GARAGE SALE - 6330 Shabbona Rd., Deford (1/4 mile off Cemetery Rd.). Aug. 3, 9-5 p.m.; Aug. 5, 9-5 p.m.; Aug. 6, 9-3 p.m. Tools, toys, computer games, teen clothes, books and a lot of miscellaneous. 14-8-2-1

GARAGE SALE - Clothes: men's, women's, teens; toys; games; and other miscellaneous items. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 9-2 p.m.; Tuesday, 9-3 p.m.; Thursday, 9-5 p.m. 6609 Seed St. 14-8-2-1

LARGE 4-FAMILY yard sale - Aug. 3 & 4, 9-7 p.m. 7 miles north of Cass City. 4891 Elkton Rd., Cass City. Women's plus, boys' 8-12, antiques and antique dishes, toys and much more. 14-8-2-1

GROUP SALE - tent, treadmill, scanner, lamps and dishes. 4223 Maple. Thursday-Saturday, Aug. 3-5, 8-5 p.m. 14-8-2-1

GARAGE SALE - Friday Only! Aug. 4, 9-5 p.m. Back to school clothes, misses 5-7, men's large, air hockey table, household misc. 4677 Huron, Cass City (behind Dr. Hall's office). 14-8-2-1

MOVING IN Garage Sale - Aug. 3 & 4, 8-4:30 p.m. 4391 Woodland. Crafts, knickknacks, Christmas items, tools, lots of odds & ends. 14-8-2-1

CASS CITY GARAGE SALE - Thursday & Friday, Aug. 3 & 4, 8-5 p.m. 6645 Garfield. Lots of girls' clothes 12 months-4T, toys, Barbie motorized car, kids and adult books. 14-8-2-1

Weather affecting crops

It's not surprising that many Michigan counties are concerned about weather-related crop losses. Michigan weather this year has been unusual, to say the least, says Jeff Andresen, an agricultural meteorologist with Michigan State University. The most noticeable trend has been for some areas of the state to experience huge deficits in precipitation, while other areas face big surpluses - in some cases for the second consecutive year. The Upper Peninsula, northern Lower Peninsula and southwest corner of Michigan have consistently seen less precipitation over the last couple years, while the upper half of the Lower Peninsula from Oceana County across to the Saginaw Bay and north toward Alpena has received more. According to Andresen, 9 to 11 inches of precipitation is normally recorded in the three-month period from May to July. This year, though, the dry areas have been under that norm by as much as 6 inches, whereas the wet areas have been over by 6 inches. That's "an incredible" deviation and contrast, says Andresen.

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Local teen donates her prosthetics

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they're just sitting now - why not send them to use to rebuild others and benefit other children?" Brenda said. Mark agreed. "They're so expensive, and I've said it all along - if you're not going to use them, why not (donate) them. There are so many other children that could use them. "Seeing kids like that - it just rips my heart out. It's so sad when you see people who can't afford it," Mark

added. He and Brenda know first-hand the pain a physical deformity can bring. "Monica used to tuck it (arm) away - she used to hide it," Mark said. "We noticed that, and we told her not to do that anymore, because you know, you are you." "I'm glad he (Harrison) got my arm," Monica said. "I hope it will build his sense of self-esteem. If he is getting made fun of, that he won't be getting made fun of anymore."

"We're hoping to get more involved through Dr. Nelson with this little boy. This is something we want to do as a family," said Mark, who along with Brenda can't say enough good things about Dr. Nelson's care of their daughter, and her volunteer work overseas. "A doctor that is willing to donate her time to help needy people. Now that's something," Mark said. Dr. Nelson has also inspired Monica, whose enthusiasm for reaching out to Harrison has her parents

bearing. Her story has also caught the attention of CURE International, a Pennsylvania-based non-profit organization that provides medical care, training, equipment and facilities to help disabled children in developing countries. Organization officials have indicated an interest in writing an article about Monica's gift for their newsletter. "To me, this is part of Monica's ministry. It was her decision," Mark commented. "We're very proud of her."



HARRISON, AN 8- or 9-year-old Kenya, Africa, boy, is pictured above sitting next to his new prosthetic arm (left), which was donated by Cass City teen Monica Stover.

8 vying for Meyer's seat

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most of his life in the Thumb area and currently resides in Ruth in Huron County.

He works at Gemini Plastics, Inc., as a tool and die maker. He graduated from North Huron High School and attended vocational classes for machine shop training.

•Lee Teschendorf. A Bad Axe native, Teschendorf has spent most of his life in Tuscola County.

Teschendorf started working for the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department in 1973, was promoted to road sergeant in 1981 and is currently a lieutenant and the county's jail administrator. He was named the 2004 Tuscola County Sheriff's Department Officer of the Year.

He has also been involved in the Greater Thumb Area Lodge of Fraternal Order of Police, Thumb Regional Community Corrections Board and the Richville and Tuscola County conservation clubs.

•Christine Young. Young currently serves as an MPS Weight Loss and Wellness Center Director. She previously worked as a sales representative for Bay Health Systems, community education director for USA Schools, and program development specialist for home care and community relations coordinator for the Huron County Health Department.

Young's community involvement has included American Legion Auxiliary Unit 421, Huron Senior Fair, LEAD (Lead Education and Development) Tuscola, Moravian Church elder, Regional SMART (Students Making Abstinence a Reality Today), Tuscola County Right to Life, Tuscola Senior Ball and Tuscola Senior Fair.

DEMOCRATS

•Terry L. Brown. A lifelong resident of Pigeon in Huron County,

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The Michigan State University (MSU) Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Department is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year.



DR. VIRGINIA Nelson (far right) sent the Stover family several photos, including this shot of her visiting with Harrison and a woman believed to be the boy's mother in Kenya, Africa.



CARING KIDS - These area youngsters were among nearly 30 participants who raised a combined \$2,169 during this year's St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Bike-a-thon in Cass City. Pictured are (front row, left) Tyler Czekai, Hank Janik, Gary Janik, (back row, left) Eric Guinther, Kendra Kerkau, Justin Kerkau, Erika Martin and Mandy Czekai.

Annual bike-a-thon nets \$2,169 in town

Organizers have deemed the 26th annual St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Bike-a-thon in Cass City a success.

In all, 29 youth raised a combined \$2,169 during the June 3 ride, held in the parking lot at Walbro Corp.

After the event, the kids collected their pledges, and 4 of them turned in \$100 or more, according to bike-a-thon Coordinator Linda Derfny. She noted the top collectors were Hank Janik (\$460), Tyler Czekai

(\$420), Mandy Czekai (\$132) and Nick Smith (\$105).

"Four riders logged 16 or more miles during the 4-hour event," Derfny added. "Those who accumulated the most miles were Morgan Erla with 22.5; Erika Martin, 17.5; Bobby Steely, 16.5; and Eric Guinther with 16."

Derfny lauded the 4 local churches that helped to organize the event, along with the many volunteers and local merchants who supplied food and drink to the participants.

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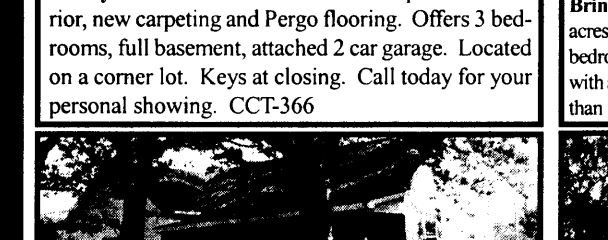
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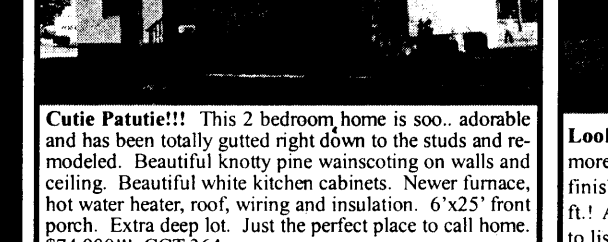
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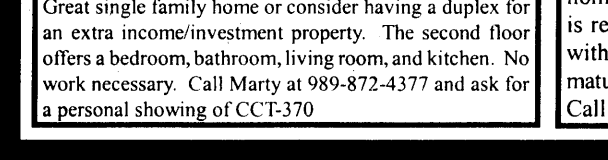
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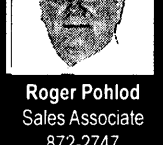
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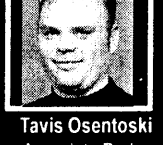
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Village council reviews budget

Although the 2006 financial budget is in line with estimates thus far, the Cass City Village Council was presented with some budget concerns during a regular monthly meeting Monday night.

Two examples village Manager Peter Cristiano provided were the price of gasoline and anything oil-related because of the recent price increases.

"It's just prudent to look at it (budget concerns) well ahead of time," he said, so that a consensus can be reached on the budget's direction.

Policy changes and adjustments to original budgets are normal, said Cristiano. "It's just studying everything, comparing it," he added.

In a letter to the village president and council, Cristiano reported on the

fiscal needs through December 2007. "Some of the allocations are in the areas of: medical care, job classifications and commensurate wages, EDC (Economic Development Corporation) and DDA (Downtown Development Authority) costs and programs, and the cost of fuel in our operating equipment."

"Improvements in our WWTP

(wastewater treatment plant), water system review, street maintenance projects to lengthen our streets, and reducing park maintenance costs are some of the major budgetary considerations being reviewed."

IN OTHER BUSINESS

- The groundbreaking ceremony for the arsenic treatment plant is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 11, at 11 a.m. and is open to the public. A lunch will follow at the Lion's Pavilion in the park.

- The council approved a motion to send 5 invoices totaling \$63,165.53 for payment from USDA/RD loan funds.

- A request for an after-the-fact Charitable Gaming License for a 50/50 raffle at a July 23 event at Northwood Meadows was approved.

The request for approval was written on July 6, but it was determined that completion of the form after the fact was acceptable as there was no council meeting until July 31.

- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Haag reported the village pool is scheduled to reopen today (Tuesday) after the power went out and the filtering system went down.

Also in his report, the first concert in the Music in the Park series was well-attended and a trip to the Aug. 24 Detroit Tigers game is scheduled. • CassCityOnline.com is the new village website. The site should be finished by Labor Day, but will be up and running throughout the finalizations.

The website will be different for the village and the chamber of commerce. Two goals of the site are to help residents feel like a "part of the universe of Cass City" and to "let the outside world know we have one hell of a community," Cristiano said.

- The gazebo by the Cass River received a new roof. Work on the gazebo in the Cass City Recreational Park and repairs to the tennis courts should be complete in 30 days.

- Letters sent by the village to homeowners regarding their property conditions had an approximate 70 percent compliance rate, according to Cristiano's manager's report. This will be an ongoing program of the village office and the Cass City Police Department.

- A working session is planned for September to discuss the merits of various forms of government and how to reduce confusion between village and township.

- Officer Brett J. Cassidy resigned from his part-time position in the Cass City Police Department to take a position with the Flint Police Department.

Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, August 3

Annual Book Sale, regular business hours, Rawson Memorial Library. (August 3-5)

Thumbs Up Snowmobile Club meeting, 7:30 p.m., MSU Extension Conference Room, 37 Austin St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Galen Faith, president, at (810) 376-4236 or visit the website at www.thumbsupsnowmobileclub.org.

Monday, August 7

Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Uby. For additional information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 8

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 9

Bereavement Social Support Group, noon, Gilligan's Restaurant, Cass City. Presented by United Hospice of Marlette Community Hospital. For more information, call 1-800-635-7490.

Community foundation gearing up for round of its grant funding

Tuscola County Community Foundation officials are gearing up for another round of grant funding in their continuing effort to make Tuscola County a better place to live for all residents.

To provide an equal opportunity for those wishing to apply for the funding, the foundation will offer a grant information seminar Thursday, Aug. 31, at 4:30 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center, 1401 Cleaver Rd., Caro.

The seminar will acquaint participants with the community foundation's grant guidelines, grant application forms and other details concerning available funding.

Everyone is welcome to attend this seminar. Those planning to participate are asked to contact foundation Executive Director Ken Micklash on or before Aug. 28 by calling (989) 673-8223, by writing to P.O. Box 534, Caro, MI 48723, or by sending an e-mail to tccf534@yahoo.com.

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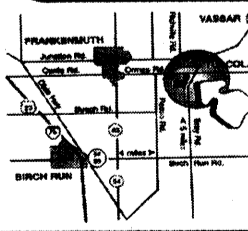
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