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SOME 500 PEOPLE, including about 220 children, packed into the Cass City VFW Hall Saturday night for the Cass City Christmas in the Village Community Gathering, where the youngsters were able to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. First in line was Steven Hicks, 2, accompanied by his mother, Tiffany Hicks, Cass City (above). (Related photos, page 8)

It is official: Brown ready to run again

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Former state Rep. Terry Brown has wrestled with the idea of running for office again for some time, but he says he can no longer put off that decision.

Brown, a Pigeon Democrat who represented Tuscola and Huron County residents for 4 years, lost his bid for reelection to a third and final term last year by a total of 18 votes to Port Austin Republican Kurt Damrow.

Now, Brown says he's ready to give public office another shot.

Brown recently announced his formal candidacy for the 84th District State House seat, noting that the overwhelming support and the urging he has received from family, friends and neighbors throughout the district has been impossible to ignore.

Brown said he wants to focus on the things that made Michigan's economy strong for decades; successful schools and job creation.

"I worked in the Huron County schools for decades and I know firsthand how the unnecessary legislative

cuts to our schools will affect our children in the classroom," Brown commented.

"With larger class sizes and less support staff, it is a challenge for our educators to give our children the one-on-one support they need and deserve to be successful in school and beyond. "At the same time," he added, "we need to do more to develop and support the businesses that are already here in Huron and Tuscola counties by giving small businesses the tools to succeed and grow, and taking advantage of our rich agriculture and natural resource industries."

Born and raised in Pigeon, Brown, the father of 3, has spent the majority of his adult life giving back to the Thumb area in various capacities.

An ordained minister for more than 2 decades, he has served as an asso-

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Terry Brown

Prison time

Drug smuggling suspect sentenced

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The third defendant in a major airport drug seizure in Sandusky back in 2009 was sentenced to 70 months in federal prison last week.

Robert D'Leone, a Canadian citizen, was sentenced as a result of a plea stemming from his participation in a smuggling operation that transported large amounts of cocaine, marijuana and Ecstasy back and

forth across the U.S./Canadian border through Michigan. He previously pled guilty to possession with intent to deliver 3 kilograms of cocaine midway through his federal court jury trial in U.S. District Court in Ann Arbor last spring.

Law enforcement officers from several agencies participated in the 2009 operation, which initially resulted in the arrests of 2 Canadians and the seizure of some \$10 million worth of drugs — 300 pounds of Ecstasy pills

and 80 pounds of marijuana, at the Sandusky City Airport. Later, when investigators searched the suspects' vehicle, they discovered a secret compartment containing \$8,500 in cash as well as trace amounts of powder cocaine that indicated a very large amount of cocaine had been stored in the compartment at some point.

According to Bill Gray, director of the Sanilac County Drug Task Force, D'Leone met with another Canadian courier in November 2009 at a parking lot near Hartland, Mich., northwest of Detroit, and D'Leone gave at least 3 kilograms of cocaine to the other courier for eventual transport into Canada.

"That courier then drove from Hartland to Sandusky, where he met up with a third Canadian courier involved in the smuggling operation," Gray said. "Later that night, those 2 couriers (Matthew Moody and Jesse Ruenstrom) drove to the Sandusky airport and met with a small plane which had flown into Sandusky. Please turn to page 6.

Deputy faces prison time in sentencing next week

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Former longtime Tuscola County Sheriff's Deputy Dale Tompkins will soon learn his fate for accepting sexual favors from a female prisoner and then allowing her to escape while transporting

her from one jail to another last summer.

Tompkins is scheduled to be sentenced Monday in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

The 13-year veteran police officer was scheduled to go to trial last month after being accused of having sexual relations with a jail inmate, then granting her freedom while transporting her to the Tuscola County Jail in Caro. However, Tompkins, 41, avoided that trial in October by entering pleas to a pair of 15-year felonies: one count of escape - officer voluntarily allowing, and one count of bribery - public officer Please turn to page 6.



Dale Tompkins

Hey kids! It's time to write letters to Santa

Hey kids, get busy writing those letters to Santa.

Everybody knows Santa has a subscription to the Cass City Chronicle, and he checks each issue closely this time of year in search of Christmas lists from children in the Thumb area.

All you have to do is write your letter and send it to us. The easiest way is to have mom or dad e-mail your note along with a photo

of yourself to: chronicle@cass-city.net. Letters can also be mailed to the paper at 6550 Main St., Cass City, MI 48726, or drop them off to us in person (we're located at the corner of Main and Oak streets, next to Schneeberger's).

All of the letters will be published in December - most of them in our annual Christmas edition, Wednesday, Dec. 21. But get started now because the deadline is Thursday, Dec. 15.



MEMBERS OF THE new Cass City Community Handbell Choir, including (from left) Marilyn Peters, Brenda Fulcher, Chris Allen and Mary Jane VanVliet, rehearse. The choir was formed last fall when representatives of 3 local churches combined forces. (See story, page 16)

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Cass City High School announces honor roll

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 Luke Koepf, Erika Martin, Lindsey Monte, Elizabeth Venema and Aubrei Witherspoon.

Grade 9 (B or better)
 Morgan Anderson, Jane Ballard, Crysta Beyette, Kennedy Brown, Rachel Collins, Laura Cowdry, Rebecca Graff, Jacob Guinther, Robert Haley, Katie House, Kendra Kerkau, Hunter Langenburg, Brianna Lugo, Rachel Miller, Ethan Monte, Chandler Pawloski, Kyle Ross, Elizabeth Sanders, Miranda Spry, Barbara Steely, Jackson Stern, Lauren Stilson, Rachel Tanner, Genna Woodward, Lucas Wright and Erin Zdrojewski.

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MSP encourages motorists to prepare for bad weather

As winter approaches, the Michigan State Police (MSP) encourages motorists to prepare their vehicles for inclement weather and to brush up on their winter driving skills. "Driving too fast for conditions is the number one cause of traffic crashes during inclement weather," said Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, director of the MSP. "Motorists should be prepared for the unexpected and remember that the handling capabilities of their vehicle are dramatically reduced in winter weather conditions."

There are several factors to be

aware of when stopping and turning in winter weather. Remember to do all of your braking before the turn is made to reduce the potential for a skid to occur. If your car begins to skid, let off the throttle and brake, and use quick hand-over-hand steering to turn the front tires in the direction you want to travel.

In addition to being extra careful while driving, motorists should also take steps to prepare their vehicle for inclement weather. Vehicle preparedness tips include:

- Keep tires at the car manufacturer's recommended pressure and routinely check tire pressure during cold weather.
- Make sure the windshield solvent reservoir is full and keep new wiper blades on front and rear wipers, if so equipped.
- Wash your car for better visibility to other drivers, and remove ice and snow from all lights, windows and the license plate before driving.
- Periodically check all lights and replace when necessary.
- Prepare a winter driving survival kit with items such as an extra winter coat, pants, hat, boots and gloves; blanket; nonperishable food; flashlight with batteries; dry container of matches; jumper cables; tow strap; first aid kit; shovel; salt or kitty litter; road flares; and a spare tire and jack.
- If you become stranded in a winter storm, do not leave your vehicle. Stay with the vehicle and wait for help.
- Keep vehicle fuel tank near full to prevent fuel line from freezing.

For additional winter safety tips, visit www.michigan.gov/emhds or visit www.youtube.com/user/michstatepolice for a video detailing winter driving safety tips on the MSP Youtube Channel.

63 recently donate blood

Sixty-three people recently donated blood at a drive sponsored by the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary and VFW Post 3644, Cass City.

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Answers to Nov. 30, 2011

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In Our OPINION..

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We support 6-year school board terms

As expected, Gov. Rick Snyder last week signed legislation standardizing school board election dates.

The law requires districts to hold elections during the general elections in November of even-numbered years. Since 2004, districts have had the option of conducting school board elections during the odd-year general election, the odd-year May regular election, the November regular election in even and odd years, or the May regular election in even and odd years.

Snyder said the change will save school districts millions of dollars, and that the consolidation will encourage more voters to participate in the election of school board candidates.

Maybe so, but we wonder if the governor took into consideration all of the implications of this legislation.

In order to implement the November even-year election cycle, school districts will be required by statute to extend current board members' terms by 6, 12, or 18 months depending on the expiration date of the board member's term and whether the school election has been held in May or November.

For most 7-member boards of education, including the school board in Cass City, the resulting board member rotation schedule will now be 4-3 — that is, 4 board seats up for election in one year and then 3 seats up for election 2 years later, beginning in 2016.

In the past, Cass City voters were asked to fill no more than 2 board seats in any given election.

There are at least 2 good reasons for that. First, the potential for less turnover on the board provided consistency in terms of having experienced trustees serving the district, an important ingredient considering the time and training it takes for a new board member to learn what he or she needs to know in order to effectively contribute.

Secondly, the potential of having 4 new board members at one time could be a nightmare for school administrators, who could quickly find themselves suddenly very unpopular by a majority of a board that had no hand in hiring them.

That's not fair. After all, let's face it, folks, more than one individual across the state has sought a school board seat with a personal agenda in tow.

Fortunately, there's a solution — extending trustee terms from 4 years to 6 years — and the Cass City Board of Education will be considering that possibility in the very near future.

We support 6-year terms, which would result in a 2-3-2 rotation.

We appreciate the governor's eye on savings — the Cass City Schools will save about \$4,000 in election costs by switching to the November schedule — but we also believe it's important for our local school district to have experienced, knowledgeable trustees on the board year in and year out.

That experience can only benefit the decisions made regarding our students' education, and shouldn't that be the primary focus here?



My husband recently spent a few days out of town (literally, he was in a forest). He camped in a remote area and experienced poor cell phone reception. I tried calling him, but he didn't answer, nor did he call me. For three days.

For some married couples this would mean little, but I am used to talking to my husband every day. It is customary for him to return my calls. After 20-plus years of marriage, I've come to count on him for little things like a hello. When he didn't reciprocate any communication for 72 hours, my mind began to spin.

A logical person might assume he'd lost cell phone service. A reasonable person would consider that his cell phone battery may be running low, or perhaps his wilderness activities kept him busy and he didn't have time to call. There were a number of logical and reasonable explanations for the situation.

I was not thinking of any of them. My husband was incommunicado for three days. I started to imagine all the perils possible in his circumstance. A car crash. Lightning strike. I considered the likelihood that he'd lost his phone. Or, perhaps a wild grizzly bear stole it. I contemplated the possibility of his being kidnapped and held against his will. Maybe he was lying unconscious in the woods — under a downed tree. He might be injured and bleeding and unable to press the answer button on his phone. Perhaps he'd fallen and couldn't get up.

Finally, on the third day, my phone rang. It was him. His voice sounded chipper; not stressed. Healthy; not injured. Alive; not dead.

With a logical tone he told me his remote location prohibited him from dialing out or receiving incoming calls. I felt relieved, and a bit sheepish. I'd let my mind get away from me, thinking of all sorts of negative situations, while my husband hadn't given our inability to communicate a second thought.

It made me aware of our differences and the well-known phrase that begins with, "Men are from Mars." I do believe men might be from Mars, but if that is the case, then women are from the superstore.

Mars has sand and rocks. The superstore has everything else: produce, clothing, pet food, school supplies, home furnishings, toiletries, car parts and a hardware section. I am often called upon to visit the superstore, retrieve multiple items and juggle them while walking toward the cash register. All the while, my husband is on Mars — with its sand and rocks — looking for a TV remote. (Never mind there are no TVs on Mars, my husband will find a way to get satellite service; just give him a cardboard box, a couple of paper clips and a roll of duct tape.)

The whole Mars-superstore analogy gives us insight into the inner workings of our brains. Men and women

are wired differently. We can't change this. It's our lot in life.

Someone told me men are able to focus their thoughts on one thing at a time. They do not get sidetracked by the periphery or distracting ideas about how the laundry needs folding, the dog could use a walk, the coffee is running low and we are down to our last roll of toilet paper.

I cannot imagine thinking of one thing at a time. It is beyond my comprehension, control and ability. My brain attempts to focus on at least 10 items at any given moment — which helps to explain why I visit the superstore and forget what I went there to purchase. I am frustrated.

My husband is not. He sits happily on Mars with his toes in the proverbial sand. When I don't return his phone call he chooses one logical explanation, grabs the remote and takes a nap.

When I try to return his call, he is sleeping and doesn't answer; and my mind starts spinning — again.

Men are from Mars and I am not. Sometimes I wish I were. I'd like to go there some day, just to understand what it is like. After my visit, I'd invite my husband to come with me to the superstore — you know, so he could experience it for himself. Well that, and to give him a chance to practice his juggling.

Jill Pertler, award-winning syndicated columnist and author of "The Do-It-Yourselfer's Guide to Self-Syndication" is collecting fans on Facebook on her Slices of Life page. Email her at pertmln@gwst.net; or visit her website at http://marketing-by-design.home.mchsi.com/.



Kingston Coach Carl Nicol says Santa will be in town Saturday for the Kingston Basketball Club fundraiser "Breakfast with Santa".

St. Nick will be at the Kingston Elementary School from 9:30 a.m. until noon. For just \$6 — children under 3 eat free — Cardinal supporters can enjoy a breakfast of eggs, pancakes, sausage and a beverage. Also included is a photo, printed on site, with Santa.

Any questions, call Nicol at 989-872-2662.

Kate VanAuken reports that the Rawson Memorial District Library has a limited number of Bob Morley books on hand at the library and that they would be excellent Christmas gifts for Cass City Red Hawk basketball fans and players.

Morley penned "Cass City Red Hawk Boys Basketball, 1950-2001", which is considered the most accurate and informative resource on the subject.

The book is complete with photos, records and interesting trivia about the period.

Earl Volmering says the Cass City Lion's Club is still looking for the winning ticket to their 50/50 raffle held Saturday in conjunction with the Christmas in the Village celebration. Check your pockets, the winning ticket number is 255409 and the holder has until Friday, Dec. 23 to claim the cash reward by calling Volmering at 989-912-9530.

Don't throw away your tickets if they don't match the winning number. If the prize goes unclaimed, a new ticket will be drawn.

The Chronicle staff has been hard at work planning and preparing our annual Christmas issue, filled with photos and Santa letters from area youths. Also included in the popular holiday issue is artwork from Cass City students.

Art teacher Danielle Laming gets plenty of high marks here, not the least for seeing that her students' spectacular artwork arrived at the Chronicle office early again this year to be included in the special section.

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Reporter's notebook

Anti-bullying law a good idea, but...

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

I was probably 14 when a fellow (older and bigger) high school student started pushing me around because, well, he could.

I recall one time when this kid knocked me around in a locker room, and while a gym teacher witnessed the incident, he did nothing. This instructor was one of those guys with a crew cut and an attitude that "boys will be boys". He was an idiot.

That was the first memory that came back while reading about the state Senate voting in favor of a measure requiring all Michigan school districts to enact an anti-bullying policy.

I can understand the importance of the law, but it's one of those things that make you shake your head a bit. I mean, my experiences took place back in the late 1970s, but aren't schools already doing this these days? According to reports, Michigan is one of a handful of states in the country without such a policy.

In Cass City, school officials are and have been proactive for years when it comes to bullying with a program urging students to report any such incidents. School officials then intervene in an effort to avoid future problems.

The district now has a policy in place that specifically addresses the issue.

That makes sense, considering it's difficult for a student to concentrate on an education when he or she is constantly in fear, not to mention the fact that schools have an obligation to provide a safe learning environment.

The Senate moved quickly last week to adopt a House version of the anti-bullying law, after its own previous bill attracted national attention for including language that provided for a so-called "religious exemption".

Critics called that version "a license to bully" due to a provision in the bill's language that stated it "does not prohibit a statement of a sincerely-held religious belief or moral conviction" of a student or school employee.

Really? Wow. What religious belief or moral conviction paves the way for any acceptable form of bullying?

No kid deserves to be bullied. No kid should ever be shoved around or taunted, but I suppose there will always be bullies out there.

I'm just glad local school officials didn't need a law to do all they can to make sure that kids who decide to pick on their peers are put out of business, and quickly.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Wednesday, December 7

Spoonfuls of Plenty FREE Community Meal, 4-6 p.m., LeeRoy Clark Building, 435 Green St., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal.

Thursday, December 8

AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.

Caregiver Connection, 3:30 p.m., Country Gardens, Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon. For more information, call Marie at (989) 453-5222.

Friday, December 9

Al-Anon meeting for family and friends of alcoholics, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, Elkton. For more information, call (989) 872-4042.

Saturday, December 10

Narcotics Anonymous meetings, 7 p.m., St. John Episcopal Church, Sand Point. Anyone with a drug problem is invited to attend. For more information, please call (989) 963-9077.

Thumb Dance Club, 7-11 p.m., Maple Valley School, Sandusky. Everyone is welcome to attend. Admission: \$4 (members), \$4.50 (non-members). For more information, call Leola at (810) 657-9349 or Dorothy at (810) 404-4250.

Sunday, December 11

Gagetown AA meeting, 8-9 p.m., Gagetown fire hall. For more information, call (989) 665-0086 or (989) 912-5493.

Monday, December 12

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

AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

VFW monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

PJs and the Classics: Visit with Santa at 5:30 p.m., watch Polar Express at 6:30 p.m. all at Rawson Memorial District Library.

Tuesday, December 13

Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.

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

Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m., HDC Generations Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121.

Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.

Ubly pair suspects in break-in

Two Ubly residents were arraigned last week in Huron County on charges in connection with the recent break-in of a Ruth residence.

The victim, Tiffany Essenmacher, 7116 E. Atwater Rd., reported that her residence had been broken into, according to Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson.

"Deputy Ryan Swartz, who was assisted by Deputy Steven Bismack, investigated the incident, which occurred in Sherman Township. Discovered missing were 2 long

guns and a Wii game system," Hanson said.

"Over the next several hours, 2 suspects were identified," he added. "They were actually acquaintances of the victim. Those suspects were located and eventually cooperated with deputies. The stolen items were recovered in a barn at a Leppke Road residence in Bingham Township."

One of the suspects, a 21-year-old female from the Ubly area, was released the day of the investigation, according to the sheriff, who said the second suspect, a 21-year-old man,

also from the Ubly area, was arrested the same day.

"He was lodged in our jail on felony breaking and entering charges as well as larceny of firearms. Both (suspects) were arraigned...on those charges," Hanson said. Bond in the case was at \$3,500 (10 percent cash).

The female, Tiffany R. Glaza, was able to post her bond, but the male suspect, Joshua Coaltrain, was not able to post his bond, and he remained in the Huron County Jail while the investigation continued.

Duck hunters survive rough waters

Three duck hunters were forced to abandon their boat in rough Saginaw Bay waters last week, but no injuries were reported.

Tuscola County Sheriff's Department Sgt. Ted Hull responded to the Fish Point area to investigate a reported capsized boat, according to Undersheriff Glen Skrent, who said 3 individuals from Genesee County

launched out of Sebewaing Tuesday to duck hunt in the bay.

"After getting into the bay, they realized it was too rough," Skrent said. "They turned around and attempted to make it back to Sebewaing. As they neared the channel, the boat was swamped by large waves. They had to leave the

boat and eventually made it toward the shore.

"As they were wading towards shore, someone picked them up and brought them in," Skrent said. "They were wearing life vests and refused medical attention."

Skrent noted the boat remained in the water and would be recovered when the weather cleared.

Circuit court news

Several being charged with felonies

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

•William P. Rickard, 55, Caro, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, and possession of marijuana June 25 in Caro.

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

•Ryan C. McClanahan, 27, Howell, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail and 60 months probation for his pleas of guilty to 2 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years between June and August 2010 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$2,766.

•Scott L. Brown, 48, Vassar, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 10 in Indianfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to complete 360 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,698.

•Raymond A. Markey, 21, Millington, pleaded no contest to attempted interference with electronic communications Oct. 16, 2010, in

Tuscola Township.

The case was remanded to Tuscola County District Court for sentencing.

•Lawrence E. Giddings, 43, Caro, pleaded guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana, second offense, Sept. 13, 2010, in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$3,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•George-Michael A. VanLuven, 33, Caro, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Aug. 14 in Indianfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

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

•Brett William-Tasker Pleasant, 17, Mayville, stood mute to charges of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, third degree retail fraud and conspiracy to commit third degree retail fraud Nov. 7 in Caro.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case and bond was continued at \$4,000.

•Marc A. Patch, 41, Caro, was sentenced to 270 days in jail and 24 months probation for his pleas of guilty to delivery/manufacture of a controlled substance, subsequent offense, April 27 and May 31 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay \$1,996 in costs and fines.

•Jonathon M. Wilson, 17, Millington, was sentenced to 180 days in jail and 36 months probation for his plea of guilty to

delivery/manufacture of 5 to 45 kilograms of marijuana Nov. 29, 2009, in Millington Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,198.

•William J. Yoder, 41, Kingston, was sentenced to 180 days in jail (90 days deferred) and 24 months probation following a jury verdict of guilty on a charge of domestic violence, third offense, May 11 in Kingston. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to complete 100 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,198.

•Lisa A. Pugh, 37, Harrison, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of possession of a firearm by a felon Aug. 9 in Vassar Township. She was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Philip S. Timmerberg, 41, Clifford, was sentenced to 5 to 25 years in prison for his plea of guilty to indecent exposure by a sexually delinquent person Oct. 23, 2010, in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay \$1,198 in costs and fines.

•Adam M. Miller, 28, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence following his pleas of guilty to assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, and to domestic violence Aug. 4 in Caro.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,451.



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TUSCOLA COUNTY resident Jonathan Findlay was recently presented with the Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) 2011 Young Farmer Achievement Award. Part of his prize package is a lease on a Kubota tractor, courtesy of the Kubota Tractor Corporation. Pictured above are Findlay, holding son Logan; Kubota representatives Dave Lease (far right) and Doug Rudd (far left); Findlay's wife, Carrie; and the couple's daughter, Madison.

Caro area farmer honored at annual Farm Bureau meet

Jonathan Findlay of Caro has prevailed as the winner of Michigan Farm Bureau's (MFB) Young Farmer Achievement Award. The 31-year-old from Tuscola County was selected by guest judges from a field of 4 award finalists and honored Nov. 30 at MFB's 92nd Annual Meeting in Grand Rapids. The Young Farmer Achievement Award recognizes a successful young Farm Bureau member or married couple, between the ages of 18 and 35, for outstanding achievement in the business of farming and leadership in the agricultural community. Applicants are judged on their farm management ability and involvement in Farm Bureau and other organizations. As the state winner, Findlay received a prize package courtesy of Kubota Tractor Corp., \$500 from Ford and a prize from the Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee. All finalists received a prize package sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and the Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee. In addition, he will have the opportunity to compete for the national Young Farmer and Rancher Achievement Award at the American Farm Bureau Federation 93rd Convention and Annual Meeting in

Honolulu, Jan. 8-11. Findlay and his family organically grow a variety of crops, including soybeans and spelt to make into gluten-free pasta, flour and bread products. Findlay also grows snap beans for frozen foods. He has grown squash and popcorn for international markets and blue corn for organic corn chips. The Findlays offer custom harvesting, drying and storage for other organic farmers in their area. Since building a grain processing facility in 2011, they are also able to clean, bag and deliver these products. Findlay's foresight to transition the farm from conventional farming and traditional crops to organic crop production for niche markets has increased net profits. Challenged by aphids in his soybeans, Findlay searched for a natural product to eliminate the pest and worked with the company to become a licensed dealer so he could provide the product to area farmers. Findlay also shares his knowledge with other farmers through his service on MFB's Feed Grains, Oil Seed and Wheat Commodity Advisory Committee. At the county-level, Findlay is president of the Tuscola County Farm Bureau. Findlay and his wife, Carrie, have 3 children.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO

Barbara Crow-Hendrick has the sort of energetic, outgoing personality that television game show producers look for when seeking out contestants. But the Cass City woman figures that it was her line of work, not her personality, that recently landed her on state in a CBS studio in California, next to legendary "Price is Right" host Bob Barker. In the end, Crow-Hendrick walked away with some \$8,000 in prizes and memories that will last a lifetime.

Several Cass City seniors were named among the Greater Thumb West best football players as judged by league coaches. Named to the GTW first team all conference offensive squad were Red Hawks Brad Severance, guard; Micah Randall, back; and Dereck Halasz, end. On defense, Halasz, at linebacker and Derek Ricker, at back, were Cass City's lone first team choices.

Cass City was well represented among the Greater Thumb West all conference basketball teams as selected by league coaches. Red Hawks Emily Schinnerer and Courtney Rabideau were chosen to the GTW first team, while Sara Meeker received second team honors.

Chemical Bank, Cass City, earned bragging rights for the best chili in the village and the best commercial parade float during Cass City's Christmas in the Village celebration over the weekend.

10 YEARS AGO

Jack Laurie may have stepped down as long-time president of the Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB), but his footprint on Michigan agriculture remains. For this reason, MFB honored Laurie with the organization's highest honor, the Distinguished Service to Agriculture award, during the MFB 82nd annual meeting in Acme, near Traverse City. Current MFB President Wayne Wood presented Laurie with the award at the Nov. 29 annual banquet.

Two Cass City runners have been named to the academic cross-country all-state team. Named were Brandon Vargo and Annjea Tanton. To qualify, runners must have earned an academic average of 3.50 or better and finish in the half among the racers in the state cross-country meet. Vargo finished 123 among the boys and Tanton 117 among the girls. Both students have a 3.8 average.

Awards earned by athletes in fall sports were presented at the fall all-sports banquet Tuesday night. Earning most valuable player honors were Cody Howard, football; Kayla Zaleski, basketball; and Adam Kain, golf. Most improved awards at Owen-Gage were presented to Corbin Swiastyn, golf; Kelly Zaleski, basketball and Jeremy

Story, football.

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Roy A. Davis, son of Tina J. and Roy A. Davis of 3883 Hadley Road, Decker, recently reported for duty at Naval Support Activity, Souda Bay, Greece. Davis joined the Navy in January 2001.

25 YEARS AGO

Newborn Kimberly Ann Marshall turned out to be in the right place at the right time as she was given a new car seat for being the first-born baby in December at Hills and Dales General Hospital. Hospital Auxiliary volunteer Phyllis Ridge presented the gift to Margaret and Dale Marshall of Marlette.

Coach Don Markel's grin was a mile wide following the opening wrestling tournament at Birch Run, where his Cass City Red Hawk wrestlers were more successful than at any time in recent years. The Hawks finished with a first, 2 seconds and 3 fourth place finishes. Scott Wright won the 185-pound class with 2 pins. Mike Mikolon was second in the 155-pound competition and Mark Kappen was second in the 138-pound class. The 2 fourth place finishes were by: Bill Kinney, heavy-weight; Chuck Merchant, 167-pounds, and Barry Brown, 145-pounds.

A Cass City man has been stationed aboard the submarine tender U.S.S. Frank Cable out of Charleston, S.C., after graduating from recruit training. Navy seaman recruit Douglas D. Zdrojewski, 18, completed basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill. During his 8-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training. Zdrojewski's studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. A 1986 graduate of Cass City High School, he is the son of Kenneth D. and Michelle M. Zdrojewski.

50 YEARS AGO

Larry Robinson was named to the second team all-state squad as picked by a panel of coaches, including Coach Mike Yedinak of Cass City, and listed in the Detroit Free Press Sunday. Robinson was picked for his defensive prowess. He led his team in tackles for the last two years and was a team leader. Coach Yedinak described him as a player that you could place anywhere on the team and be confident of getting a job well done. Besides Robinson, two other Thumb B Conference players were honored with spots on the second team Class B squad. They were Ross Hanson, Bad Axe and Ray Matestic, Caro. An oddity of the selection for all-state, any class picks that the quarterback named was

Larry Jaster of Midland. Jaster was not named an all-conference back in the Saginaw Valley League in which he played.

Larry Merchant, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Merchant of Cass City, was named State winner of the Michigan Artificial Breeders award recently by the Michigan State University. Larry has been in the 4-H Club for the past 8 years. He has completed a number of projects including crops, handicraft, tractor and dairy. He started his dairy project with one calf and has built an outstanding herd. The award was a trip to the National Dairy Conference in Chicago.

Dear Santa Claus, Do you know what I want for Christmas? I want a Mattel Shoting Rifel, a Gun and Holster, and a Scince Kit, and som toys and my brothers want some sox, shirts, pants, and for my teacher a new dress and for my mom a new dress and for my dad a new suit for my Grandpa and Grandma a new clock and some close for me. From Timothy Ray Karr, 4 Grade I am 9 years old. P.S. Merry Christmas.

100 YEARS AGO

F.A. Bliss is moving his harness stock into the store building recently purchased of W. A. Fallis and his household goods into the residence rooms of the same. W.H. Ruhl will occupy the residence rooms in the Lamotte Block vacated by Mr. Bliss and will move his tailor shop into the east front room of the second story of the A.H. Ale Block. After Dec. 15, Dr. P.A. Schenck will use the rooms now occupied by the tailor shop as his dental office and Dr. E. J. Wettlauffer will use rooms in the Fritz Block in which to practice dentistry.

The beautiful residence of John L. Cathcart on North Seeger street was badly damaged by fire and water Thanksgiving morning. The first was discovered about nine o'clock and an alarm turned in, to which there was a prompt response by firemen and citizens. On arrival there was some difficulty in getting the fire located. Smoke poured from the house, but the blaze was confined to the space between the partitions, having caught from the furnace, and it was some time before it was extinguished. Quite an amount of the furniture was removed from the first floor before it was damaged to any extent.

School Notes - Miss Stella McDougal of Brookville, Ontario, visited the high school Tuesday afternoon. The American literature class is reading Whittier's Snowbound. The smiling face of Margaret Clark is again seen among the senior number after several weeks absence. Misses Irma Ricker and Sybil Burton of Gagetown visited high school Monday afternoon.

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Drug smuggling suspect sentenced

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Michigan across the U.S./Canadian border from the Toronto area."

At the airport, Moody and Ruenstrom loaded some 20 kilograms of cocaine onto the plane for shipment into Canada, Gray said. "In exchange, the pilot and co-pilot unloaded 80 pounds of marijuana and 400,000 tablets of BZP (a drug sold as Ecstasy) onto the airport runway, intended for onward delivery to the southern U.S."

The drug exchange was interrupted by agents with the Drug Enforcement Agency, Homeland Security, and Customs-Border Patrol, along with officers from the drug task force and Sanilac County

Sheriff's Department.

After a lengthy vehicle and foot pursuit, officers arrested Moody and Ruenstrom. The pilot and co-pilot escaped in the plane, which they flew back to the Toronto area.

About 6 weeks later, Gray said, the pilot, co-pilot and 5 other Canadian citizens were arrested by Canadian authorities. "Subsequently, in August 2010, D'Leone was identified and located in New York City, where he was arrested and charged for his involvement in this drug smuggling operation."

In all, a total of 10 Canadian suspects have been arrested in the investigation. Three of those were arrested in the United States and indicted, convicted and sentenced to federal prison. The remaining 7 suspects

were arrested in Canada — 5, including the pilot and co-pilot, have already been indicted on U.S. federal drug law violations and will be extradited back to this country, Gray said.

"This drug smuggling operation was responsible for transporting major amounts of cocaine, marijuana (and) BZP between the U.S. and Canada. And, while the 80 pounds of marijuana and 44 pounds of cocaine involved at the Sandusky airport exchange are substantial amounts...it is very significant to note that that the 400,000 tablets of BZP seized at that exchange point was the largest single seizure of BZP in U.S. history up to that time — and may still be today," he added.

Former Thumb deputy faces prison time

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for non-performance of duty.

Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark E. Reene initially authorized several charges against Tompkins, including 3 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct, a felony punishable by up to 15 years in prison; 4 counts of possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, punishable by a 2-year mandatory prison term; one count of escape - permit by delaying arrest (one-year maximum

penalty); and one count of public officer - willful neglect of duty (one-year maximum penalty).

Tompkins was arrested following a lengthy investigation into the allegations.

"The conduct at issue occurred between July 5 and 6, 2010, in Indianfields Township, Millington Township and the city of Caro," Reene said, noting Detective Sgt. Brian Ferguson of the Michigan State Police served as lead investigator in the case.

"Mr. Tompkins was a deputy with the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department at the time of the charged offenses, with approximately 13 years experience," Reene said. "The charged offenses occurred after the former deputy took a female prisoner into custody for transport to the Tuscola County Jail on July 5, 2010. He resigned his employment in August 2010."

Tompkins remains free on a \$30,000 personal recognizance bond.

Terry Brown announces his election bid

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ciate pastor, and along with his wife, Carol, helped to establish Habitat for Humanity in the area, and he has worked with the Huron County Council for the Prevention of Abuse and Neglect, and the Homeless Coalition in Huron County among other organizations.

Brown said he was hesitant to seek office again, but could not ignore what residents have been telling him.

"People are more dissatisfied with Lansing now than at any point I can remember," he said. "And what I've heard from residents is a real sense of disappointment in how Huron and Tuscola counties have been represented at the state level.

"A lot of people that come up and talk with me seem to want an alternative to what we have been living through in the past year; a Legislature that goes beyond finger-

pointing to doing what's right for our unemployed citizens and children in the classroom."

Election officials in Tuscola and Huron counties said they could not recount a combined 19 precincts in last year's election, primarily due to improperly sealed ballot containers. Brown requested a recount, which revealed that nearly 10,000 votes could not be recounted, including those cast in the village of Cass City and Elkland Township.

Prosecutor reviewing Damrow investigation

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gators confirmed that they had closed their probe into a myriad of allegations targeting Huron County public officials and residents after finding no criminal wrongdoing.

Hanson, who was among those targeted in the allegations, called for some accountability for the time and money spent by police.

The allegations focused on several individuals, including a pair of judges, a number of attorneys, members of the county's road commission and various citizens.

"These outrageous allegations range from myself flying a drug dealer around the country during the 1990s and acts of intimidation as sheriff, to a judge running over a person, causing death, and then being covered up by the prosecutor's office. Others include the road com-

mission, where members and employees (were) implicated as being in conflicts of interest, to allegations of a judge and a local attorney being arrested for being with prostitutes and in possession of

drugs," Hanson said.

He cited the unedited 5-page investigative document authored by Damrow, in which officials identified nearly 60 points of reference and as many as 80 allegations.

Experts say fewer Michigan children being immunized

The physicians at the Michigan State Medical Society and its president Steven E. Newman, M.D., in partnership with the Michigan Department of Community Health are urging parents across the state to get their children immunized to protect them from infectious diseases like measles, mumps, rubella and more.

According to troubling new numbers from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Michigan is one of 8 states with the number of children being immunized dropping while outbreaks of diseases often considered eradicated have begun sweeping the Midwest.

"Because of their developing immune systems and exposure in settings like school and daycare, children and infants are especially vulnerable to vaccine-preventable diseases," said Newman. "Protecting our children through immunizations can prevent serious diseases like the measles, whooping cough and what's more, it could save their lives."

According to numbers compiled by the CDC, the number of parents declining to get their children immunized is on the rise in 8 states, including Michigan, Alaska, Colorado, Illinois, Minnesota, Oregon, Vermont and Washington.

Measles activity has increased worldwide and within the U.S. in recent months, including one case to date in Michigan. Neighboring states including Indiana and Minnesota have reported significant measles outbreaks in recent months with dozens of children hospitalized. The best way to keep children safe is by making sure they have received all their immunizations. Measles is a highly contagious but preventable disease that can lead to pneumonia, encephalitis and even death.

Whooping cough also has been increasing in Michigan in recent years. In 2010, there were more than 1,500 cases of whooping cough in Michigan, including one death.

Whooping cough can be especially severe in young infants less than 6 months of age, who are at highest risk of severe illness, complications and even death.

"These new numbers from the CDC remind us how important it is for parents to get their children fully vaccinated," said MDCH Director Olga Dazzo. "MDCH is always concerned about diseases such as measles, which are more easily transmitted than others. Childhood immunizations remain one of the best ways for parents to protect their children against vaccine-preventable diseases."

Each year, hundreds of children in Michigan become ill from diseases that could have been prevented and with immunization rates dropping in Michigan, the number of dangerous infections is likely to increase. Infants are especially vulnerable to diseases that may be passed from school-aged brothers and sisters. Infants who are too young to be fully vaccinated are not protected from these preventable diseases making it critical to protect the entire family through immunizations.

CDC reports conclude that immunizations are safe and effective. They are thoroughly tested before being approved, and public health officials continually monitor their safety and effectiveness. Immunization is still one of the best ways to protect your child from preventable diseases. If you have questions about immunizations, talk with your physician.

For more information on childhood immunizations, please visit www.msms.org and www.Michigan.gov/mdch. The Michigan State Medical Society is a professional association of more than 16,000 Michigan physicians. Its mission is to promote a health care environment which supports physicians in caring for, and enhancing the health of Michigan citizens through science, quality and ethics in the practice of medicine.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Budget Hearing will be held on Monday, December 12, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. for all interested citizens of the Village of Cass City.

The following budget is proposed for fiscal year 2012.

PROPOSED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 2011

REVENUES:

General Fund	1,256,555
Major Street Fund	208,103
Local Street Fund	395,161
Economic Development Fund	13,400
Downtown Development Fund	69,275
Wastewater Treatment Fund	649,883
Water Fund	466,983
Motor Vehicle/Equipment Fund	549,819
	<u>3,609,179</u> Operating Revenues

EXPENDITURES:

General Fund	1,254,292
Major Street Fund	208,099
Local Street Fund	395,148
Economic Development Fund	12,980
Downtown Development Fund	69,122
Wastewater Treatment Fund	649,800
Water Fund	466,820
Motor Vehicle/Equipment Fund	549,803
	<u>3,606,064</u> Operating Expenses

The Property Tax Millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

The meeting will be held at the Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan for the purpose of discussion of the proposed budget. The proposed budget may be examined on weekdays at the Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. All interested citizens will have the opportunity to give written and oral comment.

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Obituaries

Lloyd Jaynes, Jr.

Lloyd D. Jaynes, Jr., 47, of Brown City, formerly of Cass City, died Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011 in Saginaw. He was born Dec. 11, 1963 in Royal Oak, the son of Lloyd and Marie Jaynes.

Lloyd graduated from high school in Texas. He moved back to Michigan and worked at Target in Troy for 10 years.

Lloyd is survived by 4 siblings: Vickie Fanson, Doug Brewer, Janette Curtis and Wayne Jaynes.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements were made by Carman Funeral Home, Brown City.

Deborah Parrott

Deborah Jean Parrott, 61, of Cass City, died Thursday, Dec. 1, 2011 in her home with her family by her side.

She was born Oct. 3, 1950 in Cass City, the daughter of Bruce and Dorothy (Sangster) Wentworth.

She married Richard J. Parrott I in Cass City Dec. 11, 1971, and was looking forward to celebrating 40 years of marriage.

Deb graduated from Cass City High School in 1968 and later attended cosmetology school in Bay City. In 1981, she started as the Cass City First Baptist Church secretary, where she gave over 30 years of service. Deb enjoyed all kinds of crafts, crossword puzzles, reading, working in her garden and decorating cakes that so many in the community have been able to enjoy. Above all else, it was Deb's love for the Lord that was most important to her. It was that love that gave her the strength to care so tenderly for Rick for more than 25 years. Deb loved her children and grandchildren and has passed a legacy of love and faithfulness to them. As she became tired and weak, Deb was still concerned about others. It is Deb's desire for all to know the redeeming power of God's love and forgiveness and to be prepared for eternity by knowing Jesus as their Savior.

Deb is survived by her husband, Richard; son, Richard J. (Sara) Parrott II of Cass City; daughter, Lindi E. (Peter) Thayer of Cass City; grandchildren: Skylar, Nataya, David, Dylan, Benjamin, Lincoln, Grace, Rachel, Evangelina, Samuel; mother, Dorothy Wentworth of Deford; brothers: Rod (Sheryl) Wentworth of Lapeer, and James Wentworth of Deford; sisters: Darlene (Jeffery) Parsell of Cass City, and Janice (Gary) Warju of Alma; mother-in-law, Louella Parrott of Caro; brothers-in-law: Ronald (Wanda) Parrott of Mio, and Robert (Carol) Parrott of Decker; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Bruce Wentworth; grandson, Seth Nathaniel Thayer; and father-in-law, Gail Parrott.

Funeral service was held Monday, Dec. 5, at the Cass City First Baptist Church, Cass City, with the Rev. David Hill officiating.

Interment was in the Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Pallbearers for Mrs. Parrott were Ronald Parrott, Robert Parrott, Gary Warju, Jeff Parsell, Ronnie Parrott, Nick Warju, and Adam Wentworth.

Memorials may be made to Positive Alternatives.

Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at

www.kranzfuneralhome.com.
 Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Margaret Pawloski-Bukoski

Margaret "Busha" S. Pawloski-Bukoski, 90, of Harbor Beach, passed away Thursday, Nov. 24, 2011 at the Lakeview Extended Care Facility in Harbor Beach.

She was born July 16, 1921 in Parisville, the daughter of the late John and Martha (Kucharczyk) Hoin.

She married Anthony F. Pawloski Nov. 18, 1939 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Parisville. He preceded her in death March 4, 1975. She then married John T. Bukoski Dec. 20, 1980 at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church in Harbor Beach. He preceded her in death Jan. 26, 1996.

Margaret was a graduate of a country school. She was a homemaker and worked with her husband on the farm in Sigel Township. She then moved to Ubyly in 1953 and later moved to Harbor Beach in 1980 with her husband, John. She was a parishioner at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church in Harbor Beach. She enjoyed word search puzzles, game shows, feeding the birds and gardening. She truly enjoyed spending time with family and friends. She loved to bake cookies for her family, especially her grandchildren.

Margaret is survived by 2 sons: Thomas (Joan) Pawloski of Jacksonville, NC, and Ronald (Susann) Pawloski of Cass City; 3 daughters: Shirlee (Walker B. Jr.) Bourne of Schertz, Texas, Ann M. Rogers of Hazel Park, and Debra M. McLeod of Bad Axe; a son-in-law, Robert Mosteller of Jacksonville, Fla.; 15 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; a great great granddaughter; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husbands; a daughter, Elizabeth "Betty" Mosteller; 2 brothers; a sister; an infant brother and an infant sister.

A memorial vigil service for Margaret was held Saturday, Dec. 3 at the Zinger-Smigielki Funeral Home, Ubyly, with the Rev. William Spencer, pastor of Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church, officiating.

Burial was in the St. John Catholic Cemetery, Ubyly.

Memorials are requested to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Please visit www.smigielkifuneralhomes.com to sign the guest book for Margaret's family.

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You have the right to contact an attorney. You may contact attorney of your choice. If you do not have an attorney, the telephone number for the Michigan State Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service is 1-800-968-0738.

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Christina M. Poniatowski also has/have the right to contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") at its website www.michigan.gov/mshda or by calling MSHDA at (866) 946-7432 (Tel).

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Borrower(s) have the right to contact an attorney or the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 968-0738 (Tel).

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Crowds flock to Cass City for annual Christmas in the Village celebration



THE CROWDS were large in spite of a steady, light rain during the Christmas in the Village Lighted Christmas Parade Saturday night. Chamber Coordinator Dee Mulligan said volunteer Richard Little again did a great job of organizing the event.



Chili champs...again!

THE ELKLAND TOWNSHIP Fire Department crew walked away champions for the second year in a row following Saturday's Christmas in the Village Chili Cook-off, which featured 20 different entries and a record 205 votes. Dr. Jim Thomas came in second, and Angel's Hair Salon finished third. Representatives of all 3 winners are pictured above. Organizers noted that Danielle Foucault (not pictured) was the winner of the \$100 in Cass City Cash.



KRIS REPSHINSKA (right) and Dan Merchant serve up hot bean soup, a tradition during the Christmas in the Village Community Gathering.

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THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS in the Village participation was a record-breaker in some respects, according to Cass City Chamber of Commerce Coordinator Dee Mulligan, who noted more than 60 area residents offered their wares at this year's craft show, held at Cass City High School. In past years, 30 to 40 vendors was typical for the show. Pictured above are the crowds pouring into the VFW hall for the annual community gathering Saturday.

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Cass City collects pair of non-conference wins

Although Coach Lloyd Schinnerer's Cass City lady cagers started their 2011 campaign with a pair of road wins over Harbor Beach and Caro, it's still too early to tell if the Red Hawks will be a force to reckon with in Greater Thumb Conference (GTC) play. That should change tonight, however, as perennial power Sandusky visits the "The Pit" for Cass City's home opener. The Redskin talent pool appears a little light entering Wednesday's contest, but should provide a stern test for the hosts who have Greater Thumb West title aspirations entering Schinnerer's 6th year in charge.

After a typical season opener Tuesday at Harbor Beach, where sloppy passes and poor ball handling by the visitors allowed the Pirates to hang close for most of the night before bowing 32-26 in the GTC crossover contest, Cass City disposed of Caro Friday, 43-27, in a non-conference bout between M-81 foes.

Cass City senior twin towers, Logan Rowell and Carley Hendrick, set the tone against the Tigers and helped stretch a 10-5 first quarter lead into a 17-8 halftime margin.

Hendrick was on the mark early and a couple of mid-range jump shots helped Cass City double the score on their hosts in the early going.

"Carley was honorable mention all-conference last year and has improved her strength, quickness and shooting range," said Schinnerer.

While Rowell was the team's leading scorer (236) as a junior, it was her defensive effort against the Tigers that stood out. Rowell and Hendrick controlled the paint on the evening and limited the hosts to just one field goal in the second frame, the result of a pretty give-and-go basket by Maddy Carr.

Schinnerer wasn't surprised by his

team's inside defensive presence.

"Logan is a 4-year starter. She was named first team all-conference and was our leading shot blocker (62) and rebounder (155) last season."

Caro's Hayleigh Vinson caught fire after the break and exposed a concern of Coach Schinnerer in the process. Vinson scored 9 of her team-high 10 points to narrow the gap to 24-22 midway through the third quarter. Most of her damage came with Red Hawk senior guard Megan Parrish on the bench with 3 fouls.

"The ability to fill the point guard position to run the show and handle pressure is key for us. McKensie Parrish, who handled this chore for us over the past 3 years, must be replaced. We'll look to Megan and Shania (Chambers) to share this responsibility," said Schinnerer.

Struggling against the Tiger full court pressure, Parrish returned to the floor and guided the visitors to 15 unanswered points and an insurmountable advantage.

Leading 28-22 entering the final quarter, Cass City held their hosts to a late Megan Peters trey from the floor to produce the lopsided decision.

Hendrick and Rowell each tallied 14 points to pace the Cass City offense. The pair combined to make 9 of 15 shots from the floor and 10 of 12 tosses at the foul line.

HARBOR BEACH

Tori Kraft's shooting display had Harbor Beach even with Cass City after 3 periods, but it wouldn't be enough to lift the Pirates to victory in the season opener for both schools.

Kraft hit 2 triples in the opening half that ended 17-17 and then connected on her final trey in the third period where both teams tallied 9

points.

Deadlocked at 26, Cass City held the Pirates scoreless over the final 8 minutes to emerge victorious.

Cass City, guilty of 15 turnovers, was led in scoring by Hendrick and Rowell with 14 and 12 points, respectively.

"The Lady Hawks showed a great deal of improvement last year, winning 10 games. This was coming off the 2 previous seasons where the combined total of wins was only 9 games. Our goal is to win 15 or more games this year and compete for the league championship. With the change of coaches in several of the GTW teams, we hope to get off to a quick start. Reese has dominated recently and will be tough again this year. USA and Vassar have the talent to compete with the best in our division as well," said Schinnerer.

Cass City travels to face Mayville Friday in the team's final warm-up before kicking off GTW action next week.

CASS CITY - Parrish 2-1 (1-2) 8; Chambers 1-0 (0-0) 2; Potter 0-0 (1-2) 1; Kelley 0-0 (1-2) 1; Hendrick 5-0 (4-6) 14; Rowell 4-0 (6-6) 14; Hacker 1-0 (1-2) 3.
TOTALS - 13-1 (14-20) 43.

CARO - Peters 0-1 (0-0) 3; Cockerill 0-1 (1-2) 4; Scherzer 1-0 (1-2) 3; Quick 1-0 (0-0) 2; Vinson 3-1 (1-2) 10; Carr 2-0 (0-0) 4; Corradi 0-0 (1-2) 1.
TOTALS - 7-3 (4-8) 27.

CASS CITY - Parrish 0-0 (2-2) 2; Chambers 1-0 (0-0) 2; Potter 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hendrick 7-0 (0-0) 14; Rowell 3-0 (6-7) 12.
TOTALS - 12-0 (8-9) 32.

HARBOR BEACH - Guitar 1-0 (0-0) 2; Braun 1-0 (1-6) 3; Roggenbuck 2-0 (0-0) 4; Kraft 4-3 (0-0) 17.
TOTALS - 8-3 (1-6) 26.



MEGAN PARRISH scores in the opening half of Friday's clash against host Caro. The senior guard scored 8 points in Cass City's 43-27 victory.

Fernald back at the helm in Cass City

The Cass City boys' basketball team opens its 2011-12 season with 5 non-conference games before the Christmas break, scheduled to begin Tuesday against guest Sandusky.

And considering that the Red Hawks lost 5 players from last year's squad that finished with an overall record of 9-12, Coach Aaron Fernald will welcome the extra time to prepare for future Greater Thumb West wars expected between league rivals.

The additional preparation time will come in handy, especially in the back court, where the Red Hawks' 2011 graduation toll included starting guards Alex Varney and Justin Ketterer. Varney was an all-conference dream team performer last year and Ketterer was voted to the GTW all-conference second team. They combined to average nearly 24 points per game as seniors.

Fernald will also surely miss the play of Cameron Dunnuck in his first year back in charge, as Dunnuck was voted an all-conference second team pick to close out his career. What Fernald won't miss is the drama that plagued Dunnuck throughout his playing days.

Add in the losses of Rob Wolschleger and Nick Brown and it would appear Cass City should be in a rebuilding mode.

But Fernald, who guided the Red Hawks from 2002-09, takes the helm back from Jim Green after a 2-year break with 7 returning letter winners

aboard that includes a bevy of inside talent. High on that list is returning senior Morgan Erla and junior Cole Israelson.

Erla, a 3-year starter, needs to have a breakout season on the offensive end of the floor in his final season for the Red Hawks to challenge for league honors. His 6' 5" frame, coupled with junior Israelson's 6' 7" height, should give Cass City an advantage on the inside.

Another inside scoring threat for Cass City, with a little better range from the outside, is returning senior Ethan Nicol. If he can knock down the 8' jumper on a consistent basis, it will force the defense away from the basket. That should benefit returning senior Alex Zaleski, who can help carry the scoring load with points in the paint.

Another key is the return of junior Cody Orban. He has all the tools to dominate the action from the perimeter and has good court vision along with a quick first step. He'll get some help in the back court from Shane Rasmussen, a sophomore first year guard.

Drew King and Kyle Middaugh return for their final season with a year of experience under their belts, while making their varsity debut in 2011 are juniors Justin Kerkau, Lukas Schenk and Justin Summers, all who saw plenty of action last year on the junior varsity level.

Bulldogs impressive in cage loss to Millington

Owen-Gage opened its hoop season with an easy victory over Mayville, but it was the Lady Bulldogs' effort in defeat that pleased veteran Coach Doug Hyatt most in his team's first week of action.

On Monday, the hosts had no trouble disposing of Greater Thumb Conference foe Mayville in convincing fashion. The Bulldogs used an 18-2 run to open the contest and never looked back until the 63-23 final.

Leading 25-7 at the break and 40-12 after 3 quarters, the Bulldogs exploded for 23 tallies in the final frame to

complete the whitewash.

A balanced scoring attack by the winners had Christin Harris with a game-high 17 points, while Amanda Muntz chipped in 10, as 6 Bulldogs finished with 8 points or more on the night.

On Wednesday, Tri Valley East visitors Millington received all they could handle before recording a 56-44 decision in non-conference action.

The back and forth affair saw the Cardinals take leads of 13-11, 28-24 and 42-40 at the end of the opening 3 Please turn to page 10.



THE 2011-12 Cass City girls' varsity basketball team members are (front, l-r) Megan Parrish, Carley Hendrick, Logan Rowell, Morgan Potter (back) Shania Chambers, Erica Kolacz, Jocelynn Venema, Rebecca Hacker, Nicole Kelley and Coach Lloyd Schinnerer.



THE 2011-12 Cass City boys' varsity basketball team members are (front, l-r) Drew King, Cody Orban, Shane Rasmussen, Lukas Schenk, Justin Summers, Justin Kerkau (back) Cody Ross, Alex Zaleski, Cole Israelson, Morgan Erla, Kyle Middaugh and Ethan Nicol.

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USA at Uby Uby Uby USA Uby

Friday, Dec. 9, 2011

Owen-Gage at Millington Millington Millington Millington

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2011

Lakeville at Caro Lakeville Lakeville Lakeville Lakeville

Kingston at Richmond Richmond Richmond Kingston Kingston

Owen-Gage at Port Hope Owen-Gage Owen-Gage Owen-Gage

Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011

Sandusky at Cass City Cass City Sandusky Cass City Sandusky

Thursday, Dec. 8, 2011

Garber at Caro Garber Garber Garber Garber

Friday, Dec. 9, 2011

Cass City at Mayville Cass City Cass City Cass City Cass City

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Last Week's Results

Season's Results

Lady Bulldogs trade decisions

Continued from page 9.

frames, before holding the Bulldogs scoreless from the field down the stretch.

"We were trailing 38-34 when Millington made a shot at our basket.

After that Christin (Harris) made a 4-point play to give us our only lead at 40-38," said Hyatt.

Harris tallied 15 points to lead Owen-Gage.

Chelsea Leudtke recorded a game-high 17 markers for Millington.

OWEN-GAGE - Montreuil 0-0 (3-6) 3; Harris 5-2 (1-2) 17; Prich 1-1 (3-4) 8; McCreedy 4-0 (0-0) 8; Muntz 4-0 (2-4) 10; Radabaugh 3-1 (0-0) 9; Morrish 4-0 (0-0) 8.

TOTALS - 21-4 (9-16) 63.

MAYVILLE - Brakwell 1-0 (2-4) 4; Diller 4-0 (0-0) 8; Squires 2-0 (4-8) 8; Cook 1-0 (0-0) 2; Marks 0-0 (1-4) 1.

TOTALS - 8-0 (7-16) 23.

OWEN-GAGE - Montreuil 1-0 (5-10) 7; Harris 2-3 (2-8) 15; Prich 1-0 (0-0) 2; Mroz 1-0 (1-6) 3; Muntz 4-0 (4-6) 12; Radabaugh 0-1 (0-0) 3; Morrish 1-0 (0-0) 2.

TOTALS - 10-4 (12-30) 44.

MILLINGTON - Gavitt 0-0 (0-1) 0; Christensen 4-0 (2-2) 10; Moore 2-0 (2-3) 6; Fox 1-0 (2-2) 4; Leudtke 6-0 (5-8) 17; Reed 0-1 (0-0) 3; Hall 5-0 (2-4) 12; Boulton 2-0 (0-2) 4.

TOTALS - 20-1 (13-22) 56.

BOWLING

Sunday No Rollers as of Dec. 3

Par-T-Ranch 18.5
Damn Near Last 18
Sometimers 17.5
Pinheads 14
Mix-Ups 5

Individual High Games & Series:
Jeff Mathewson 214-246-187 (647);
Randy Wright 234-170-202 (606);
Deb Silance (502); Brenda Haley (500).

Team High Game & Series: Damn Near Last 740 (2059).



LEVI ADAMS, used his H&R shotgun to take this late season 9-point in Huron County. The 24-year-old Gagetown resident ranged the buck at 209 yards.

Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

Schneeberger's honors Cass City's Carley Hendrick as their first winter Athlete of the Week award winner in 2011.

Hendrick paced the Lady Red Hawks to a pair of non-conference victories last week over Harbor Beach and Caro, finishing with team scoring honors in both contests.

Against the Pirates, Hendrick recorded 14 points, 4 rebounds and one blocked shot during a 32-26 win. The senior forward had a similar effort against the Tigers, recording 14 points on a 5-for-8 effort from the field. Hendrick added 3 assists in Cass City's 43-27 decision.



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BOYS' BASKETBALL

VARSITY/JUNIOR VARSITY		
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12/6	Sandusky	5 p.m.
12/8	Mayville	6 p.m.
12/13	Harbor Beach	6 p.m.
12/16	Capac	4:30 p.m.
12/20	Caro	6 p.m.
1/3	Ubyly	5 p.m.
1/5	BCAS	5 p.m.
1/10	Marlette	6 p.m.
1/12	USA	6 p.m.
1/20	Vassar	6 p.m.
1/25	EPB Lakers	6 p.m.
1/27	Reese	6 p.m.
2/1	Bad Axe	5 p.m.
2/3	BCAS	6 p.m.
2/10	USA	6 p.m.
2/17	Vassar (Snowcoming)	6 p.m.
2/22	EPB Lakers	6 p.m.
2/24	Reese	6 p.m.
2/28	Bad Axe	6 p.m.
3/1	Brown City	6 p.m.
3/5,7,9	Districts	T B A

GYMNASTICS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12/13	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
12/21	Farmington Invite	8:30 a.m.
1/26	Vassar/Freeland	6:30 p.m.
1/28	St. John's Invite	TBD
2/1	Freeland	6:30 p.m.
2/11	Vassar Invite	12 p.m.
2/18	Freeland Invite	6:30 p.m.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

VARSITY/JUNIOR VARSITY		
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
11/29	Cass City 32, Harbor Beach 26	
12/2	Cass City 43, Caro 27	
12/7	Sandusky	6 p.m.
12/9	Mayville	6 p.m.
12/14	Bad Axe	6 p.m.
12/19	Imlay City	6 p.m.
1/4	Ubyly	6 p.m.
1/6	All Saints	6 p.m.
1/11	Marlette	6 p.m.
1/13	USA	6 p.m.
1/19	Vassar	6 p.m.
1/24	EPB Lakers	6 p.m.
1/26	Reese	6 p.m.
1/31	Bad Axe	6 p.m.
2/2	BCAS	6 p.m.
2/7	Brown City	6 p.m.
2/9	USA	6 p.m.
2/16	Vassar	6 p.m.
2/21	EPB Lakers	6 p.m.
2/23	Reese	6 p.m.
2/28-3/2,4	Districts	

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HIGH SCHOOL

- 12/6 Boys' Basketball vs. Sandusky @ 5 p.m.
- 12/7 Girls' Basketball vs. Sandusky @ 6 p.m.
- 12/13 Gymnastics vs. Vassar @ 6:30 p.m.
- 1/4 Wrestling vs. Vassar/Brown City @ 6 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- 12/7 Girls' Basketball vs. USA @ 5:30 p.m.
- 12/8 Girls' Basketball vs. Harbor Beach @ 5:30 p.m.
- 12/12 Girls' Basketball vs. Ubyly @ 5:30 p.m.
- 1/23 Boys' Basketball vs. Brown City @ 5:30 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
11/9	Reese	5:30 p.m.
11/14	Brown City	5:30 p.m.
11/16	Mayville	5:30 p.m.
11/21	EPB Lakers	5:30 p.m.
11/28	Harbor Beach	5:30 p.m.
11/30	Vassar	5:30 p.m.
12/5	Bad Axe	5:30 p.m.
12/7	USA	5:30 p.m.
12/8	Harbor Beach	5:30 p.m.
12/12	Ubyly	5:30 p.m.
12/14	EPB Lakers	5:30 p.m.
12/19	Vassar	5:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12/7	Imlay City/Capac	5 p.m.
12/10	Marlette Team Tourney	9 a.m.
12/17	Cros-Lex Team Tourney	8 a.m.
12/21	Caro	6 p.m.
12/30	Mayville Ind. Tourney	TBD
1/4	Vassar/Brown City	6 p.m.
1/7	N. Branch Team Trny	8:15 a.m.
1/11	Memphis/EPB Lakers	6 p.m.
1/14	Imlay City Invite	9 a.m.
1/18	Bad Axe/Marlette	6 p.m.
1/21	Mayville Team Tourney	9 a.m.
1/25	Mayville/Sandusky	6 p.m.
1/28	Bullock Creek Team Trny	9 a.m.
2/4	GTC League Meet @ Mayville	TBA
2/8	Team Districts	
2/11	Individual Districts	
2/15	Team Regionals	
2/18	Individual Regionals	
2/24-25	Team State Finals	
3/1-3	Individual State Finals	

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
1/18	Reese	5:30 p.m.
1/23	Brown City	5:30 p.m.
1/25	Mayville	5:30 p.m.
1/30	EPB Lakers	5:30 p.m.
2/1	Harbor Beach	5:30 p.m.
2/6	Vassar	5:30 p.m.
2/8	Bad Axe	5:30 p.m.
2/13	USA	5:30 p.m.
2/15	Ubyly	5:30 p.m.
2/22	EPB Lakers	5:30 p.m.
2/27	Vassar	5:30 p.m.
2/29	Harbor Beach	5:30 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
11/5	North Branch Invite	9:00 a.m.
11/16	Sandusky/Bad Axe	5:30 p.m.
11/21	Mayville/Brown City	5:30 p.m.
11/28	Bad Axe	5:30 p.m.
12/3	Zemmer Trny @ Lapeer	8:30 a.m.
12/7	Vassar/Memphis	5:30 p.m.
12/12	League Meet @ Bad Axe	TBA

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The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at <http://www.michigan.gov/mshda> or at (866) 946-7432.

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DARLENE Burkett (left), director of the Cass City Community Handbell Choir, discusses a musical number with members Mary Cooper (center) and Connie Schwaderer during a rehearsal.

Bells are ringing!

Cass City Community Handbell Choir performing in the village

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Bells are ringing again in the Cass City area — handbells, that is.

A new musical ensemble, known as the Cass City Community Handbell Choir, has been performing around town since being formed last fall when members of 3 local churches combined talents.

Darlene Burkett spearheaded the effort. Burkett moved into the community last March when her husband, the Rev. Phil Burkett, accepted the position of pastor of the Cass City Missionary Church.

Burkett has a strong background in music. Aside from having earned a bachelor's degree with a major in organ performance and a minor in piano from Huntington University in Indiana, she has been involved in

leading handbell groups in church settings since 1981. She also directed the handbell program at Huntington University for the past 10 years — the university ensemble was a required course for the Church Music Degree offered by the school's music department.

Her role as an adjunct faculty member took her around the country with the group on several spring tours as well as concerts on campus and at community events.

After arriving in the area, Burkett began searching out handbell musicians in the area.

"When I moved to Cass City, I went through handbell withdrawal," she joked, adding she found that the Cass City United Methodist Church had handbell equipment that wasn't being used, while another set of handbell equipment at the First Presbyterian Church was being used only on major holidays.

"This led to the creation of a steering committee, with Marilyn Peters representing the Presbyterian Church, Connie Schwaderer representing the United Methodist Church and (myself) representing the Missionary Church," said Burkett, who noted the group drew up plans to create a community ensemble by bringing those interested in playing together in one group.

In September, a group of 12 ringers representing the 3 churches began weekly rehearsals. "This initial group was started with people that have played handbells in the past," she added.

"By the end of the year, they will have played in all 3 founding

churches' morning worship services," Burkett said. "The Community Thanksgiving Service hosted by the Cass City Ministerial group, which brought together 7 churches in the Cass City area, also heard 2 pieces from the handbell choir. Coming up on Dec. 10 and 11, the Tom Thumb Singers concerts will include 2 Christmas pieces by the handbell choir. These concerts will be held at the Cass City United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. on Saturday and 3 p.m. on Sunday.

"The handbell fall schedule will conclude by sharing bell Christmas carols for residents at Tendercare and Northwood Meadows...Dec. 13," she added.

The ensemble has equipment to support a group of 18 ringers. The choir currently has 12 members, so Burkett is looking for additional participants to take part in the group's spring schedule. Anyone interested can learn more by contacting her by calling (260) 224-5191.

"What I tell people is, you have to have a basic knowledge of music" to participate in the group, said Burkett, who explained she can teach members the proper technique involved in ringing the bells.

"The goal of the group is to further the art of handbell ringing and to educate others on the art form," she continued.

"We enjoy practicing and learning as a group to share our joy of music with others. As a director/leader, I have found all the members of the group to be dedicated and hard working, even though we do have a lot of fun, too. I just thoroughly enjoy it."



YVONNE SHERMAN, (from left) Sherryl Seeley, Ann Tuckey and Saundra Bolton polish their handbell ringing skills.

Preparedness focus of curriculum

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) in partnership with the Michigan State Police and Michigan Department of Education recently released the Emergency Preparedness Curriculum to teach children in first through 12th grade about common hazards and disasters, and to help them develop emergency preparedness skills and safety habits.

"The Emergency Preparedness Curriculum is designed to build resiliency within our communities by empowering children with the knowledge and skills to make smart decisions before, during and after an emergency," said Olga Dazzo, Director of the MDCH. "As our children and families become better prepared, Michigan will be better able to recover from a tornado, big snow storm or disease epidemic."

The emergency preparedness curriculum was released to all public and private schools for the 2011-12 school year and has been integrated into the Michigan Model for Health currently being taught in more than 90 percent of Michigan's public schools, 200 private schools and 39 other states, which utilize the Michigan Model for Health in their school systems. The Michigan Model for Health is a nationally acclaimed program that has been providing comprehensive health education to school-aged children since 1984.

The emergency preparedness program incorporates a variety of teaching techniques and learning activities to build positive lifestyle behaviors and skills like preventing and identifying dangerous situations, developing post-disaster coping skills, and how to prepare a family preparedness plan and kit.

"This program is very timely," said Dr. Jacqueline Scott, director of the Office of Public Health Preparedness within the MDCH. "Not only will it help to build a culture of preparedness within our communities, but the lesson plans also deal with school violence and reporting procedures. Teaching students how to recognize when something is potentially dangerous or hazardous, and to report this, is a huge step in developing an overall safer environment."

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