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Mandatory helmet law is no more

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Motorcyclists now have the option of not wearing a helmet under legislation signed by Gov. Rick Snyder Thursday.

Michigan became the nation's 31st state to give residents that choice with Snyder's signature on a bill sponsored by state Senator Phil Pavlov, whose measure allows motorcyclists to go without a helmet

if they are at least 21 years of age, carrying additional insurance (a minimum of \$20,000) and have passed a motorcycle safety course or have had a motorcycle endorsement for a minimum of 2 years.

Motorcycle passengers who want to exercise the same option also must be at least 21 and carry additional insurance.

"Every year, millions of dollars leave our state because of Please turn to page 8.

Chief: this fire could have been a bad one

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

"This could have been bad." That's how Elkland Township Fire Chief Glenn Guilds described an early morning upstairs apartment fire on Main Street last Wednesday.

Fortunately, the occupants, including adults Rebecca Harmon and Julie Rands along with 6 children ages 9 months to 9 years, escaped

unharmed after some electrical wires shorted out and ignited a blaze between the ceiling and roof of the building at 6467 Main St. Investigators said the blaze started above the kitchen area.

Fire crews were called to the structure, which also houses Plain and Fancy Decorating, at about 5:30 a.m., according to Guilds, who noted the building is owned by Ray Please turn to page 8.



VOLUNTEER CONNIE Iwankovitsch sorts and organizes women's clothing and accessories at the Nice Twice shop, located inside the former Kranz Funeral Home building on Main Street in Cass City. The non-profit business provides free dress/professional clothing to lower-income women for occasions such as job interviews, funerals and court appearances.

Nice Twice

Shop gives away ladies' dress clothing

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

You won't find a flashy sign or fancy fixtures at the Nice Twice shop in Cass City, but women in need of nice dress clothing will find a plentiful selection of dresses, slacks, blazers, shoes — you name it — and all of it free of charge.

Visitors to the non-profit store, located inside the rear of the former Kranz Please turn to page 8.



KEEPING AN EYE to the sky are the members of the Deford Dazzlers 4-H Club, which has qualified as a finalist in this year's Team America Rocketry Challenge, the world's largest student rocket competition. Team members are (from left) Chrysler Parrish, Peter Hansen, Catherine Gordon, Dustyn Parrish, William Webster and Christopher Hansen.

Deford Dazzlers shooting for the stars at nationals

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

You could say members of the Deford Dazzlers 4-H Club have their heads in the clouds.

That's not to say these teens are always daydreaming. In fact, just the opposite is true — the sky is the limit for this group of ambitious 4-Hers, whose knowledge and skills learned about model rocketry over the past several weeks will be put to the test at the national level this spring.

The Deford Dazzlers are finalists in the world's largest student rocket competition — the Team America Rocketry Challenge (TARC) — which annually accepts hundreds of teams composed of youths in grades 7 through 12 from any U.S. school, home school or non-profit youth organization to vie for the opportunity to compete nationally.

Sponsored by the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) and the National Association of Rocketry (NAR), this year's rocket contest challenges teams of 3 to 10 students to design and build a rocket that will climb to 800 feet with a payload of 2 raw eggs and stay aloft for 43 to 47 seconds. The eggs must then return

to earth unbroken.

"This is an important year for the Team America Rocketry Challenge," said AIA President and ECO Marion C. Blakey. "We're looking forward to an exceptionally exciting competition to mark TARC's 10-year record of challenging students to learn more about the aerospace industry in a fun and action-packed environment."

The top 100 TARC teams, based on local qualification flights, have been invited to compete at the national finals May 11-12 in The Plains, Va., just outside of Washington, D.C. Student participants, including members of the Deford Dazzlers, will be competing for \$60,000 in prizes, scholarships and a Raytheon Company-sponsored trip to the 2012 air show in Farnborough, England, for an international fly-off.

In honor of the 10th anniversary of the contest, Senator Jeanne Shaheen of New Hampshire is hosting a Congressional breakfast for the teams Friday morning, May 11.

"We will be attending. The kids are thrilled — and maybe just a twinge nervous — (and) honored to have breakfast on Capitol Hill with members of Congress," said Mark Hansen, who along with his wife, Patricia, founded the Deford

Dazzlers 4-H Club 3 years ago and continue to serve as the club's mentors.

The Hansens are active in Tuscola County 4-H — Mark, a systems engineer for Hewlett Packard, serves as superintendent of the Youth Sciences Division. Patricia, a former professional pianist and now stay-at-home mom, is superintendent of the Earth Science and Ecology Division.

"We have the only science group in Tuscola County as far as 4-H clubs," Mark said of the Deford Dazzlers, whose members dabble in a variety of hands-on lessons in project areas such as electronics, astronomy, alternative fuels, metal casting, chemistry and bridge building.

"We started out with 6 (kids) 3 years ago," Mark said, noting today's membership totals 17 youth ages 9 to 19.

Six of the club members make up the club's rocketry team; Christopher Hensen serves as team manager and, along with William Webster, handle the team's engine and propulsion design tasks, while Dustyn Parrish and Peter Hansen are the payload specialists and Catherine Gordon and Chrysler Parrish serve as the team's recovery and safety specialists. Please turn to page 11.

Cass City seniors earn top honors this year

Cass City School officials last week announced the names of the top graduates of the Cass City High School Class of 2012.

Topping the list are co-valedictorians Shannon Stec, daughter of Michael and Linda Stec, and Jared Weidman, son of Dale and Maryke Weidman. Earning salutatorian honors this year is Rachael Rule, daughter of Mike and Becky Rule.

Stec has been a member of the student council throughout her high school career and is a 2-year member of Cass City's chapter of the National Honor Society. She has also been active in Academic Games (science team) and served as business manager for the yearbook.

A 3-year varsity softball standout, Stec's honors in athletics include being named a 2-time Greater

Thumb West Second Team All-Conference pitcher. She also holds the school records for pitching (best

ERA, most strikeouts and most wins in a season).

After graduation, she plans to attend

Saginaw Valley State University (SVSU), where she has already been awarded an SVSU President's

Scholarship.

Weidman, a member of the National Honor Society for 2 years, has been active in Cass City's music programs throughout high school as a member of the symphony and marching bands. He performed with the jazz band for one year.

Also active in Academic Games (math team) for 3 years, his future plans include attending college to major in biochemistry.

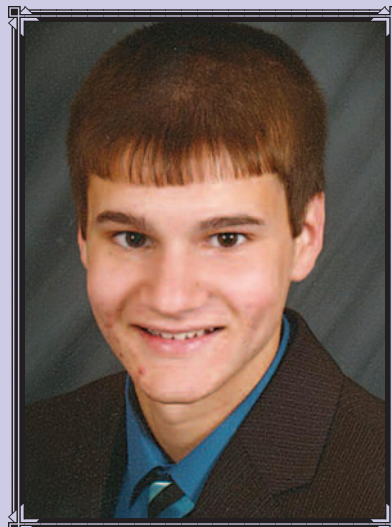
Rule, also a National Honor Society member, has participated in the all-school play, Academic Games and Future Farmers of America, and took part in the Spanish club's trip to Europe.

Her future plans include pursuing a piano performance degree at Central Michigan University.

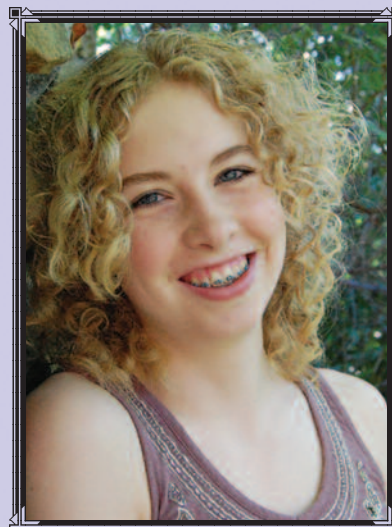
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Shannon Stec



Jared Weidman



Rachael Rule

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Wednesday, April 18

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, April 19

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

Preschool Story Time, 10-11 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121 or Amanda at (810) 648-4497.

Friday, April 20

Al-Anon meeting for family and friends of alcoholics, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, Elkton. For more information, call (989) 912-0546.

Fish Dinner 4-7 p.m., Knights of Columbus Hall, Cass City. Adults \$8; children \$4; under 10 FREE.

Senior Citizen Movies, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Saturday, April 21

Closed AA meeting, 10-11 a.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Uby Rd., Argyle. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church). For more information, contact Mandy at (989) 975-0544.

Sunday, April 22

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

Monday, April 23

Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Uby. 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.

Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans.

Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.

Tuesday, April 24

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

Toddler Story Time, 10-10:30 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Wednesday, April 25

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

Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.

Tuscola County Republican Party meeting, 6 p.m., H.H. Purdy Building, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro.

Ravenous Readers Book Club, noon, Rawson Memorial District Library.

Sheriff's department, DEA sponsoring drug collection

Tuscola County Sheriff Lee Teschendorf says preventing prescription drug abuse and theft from homes are among the goals of another drug collection project planned for Saturday, April 28, at the sheriff's department, which is located at 420 Court St., Caro.

"The service is free and anonymous — no questions asked," Teschendorf said, noting the collection is being co-sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). "We can only accept pills, tablets and capsules. No liquids, ointments or salves can be disposed of," the sheriff said. "Unwanted drugs can also be turned in at the Michigan State Police post, 1485 Cleaver Rd., Caro, during this time."

The campaign targets potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs.

Last fall, Americans turned in 377,080 pounds — 188.5 tons — of prescription drugs at more than

5,300 sites operated by the DEA and nearly 4,000 state and local law enforcement partners. In its 3 previous collection events, the DEA and its partners took in almost a million pounds, or nearly 500 tons of pills.

"This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue," Teschendorf said. "Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs."

"Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet," he continued. "In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines — flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in

the trash — both pose potential safety and health hazards."

Four days after the first collection, Congress passed the Secure and Responsible Drug Disposal Act of 2010, which amends the Controlled Substance Act to allow an "ultimate user" of controlled substance medications to dispose of them by delivering them to entities authorized by the attorney general to accept them.

The act also allows the attorney general to authorize long-term care facilities to dispose of their residents' controlled substances in certain instances. The DEA is drafting regulations to implement the act, a process that can take as long as 24 months.

Until new regulations are in place, local law enforcement agencies such as the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department along with the DEA will continue to conduct prescription drug "take-back" events every few months.

Circuit Court

Several face felony charges

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

•John P. Kramer, 39, Millington, was sentenced to 12 months probation for his plea of guilty to a charge of fourth degree child abuse Aug. 27-28, 2010, in Millington Township.

•Heather L. Johnson, 35, Caro, was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,248 for her plea of guilty to charges of delivery/manufacture of 4 to 45 grams of marijuana, and possession of marijuana Sept. 1 in Almer Township.

•Cameron G. Graves, 34, Millington, was sentenced to 7 years and 2 months to 15 years in prison for his pleas of no contest to 3 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim at least 13 years of age but less than 16 years between June and October in Millington Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$594.

•Elleni L. Everts, 17, Caro, was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail for her pleas of no contest to charges of tampering with evidence and possession of marijuana Jan. 4 in Caro.

She was also ordered to complete 100 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,428.

•Robert J. Ringle, 53, Caro, was

sentenced to 90 days in jail and 36 months probation for his plea of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana, subsequent offense, Sept. 6 in Fairgrove Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,058.

•Brian R. Piche, 29, Caro, was sentenced to 270 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Nov. 18 in Almer Township.

He was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to complete 360 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$4,598 plus restitution of 4120.

•Gregory C. Guild, 43, Caro, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Dec. 19 in Wells Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$100. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Daniel E. Byczek, 20, Marlette, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny in a building and possession of a controlled substance Oct. 19 in Kingston Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$6,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Shelby A. Anker, 20, Vassar, pleaded guilty to charges of fleeing and eluding a police officer and driving without a license Sept. 11 in Tuscola Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Dwight S. Gay, 30, Bay City, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny from a motor vehicle and larceny of a firearm Dec. 5-9, 2010, in Millington.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$15,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Steven J. Hill, 34, Cass City, was sentenced to 365 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to second degree home invasion Dec. 26 in Cass City. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$698 plus restitution of \$300.

Letters to the Editor

Kingston resident Kortis saved lives

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ate expertise and decisive actions, the aircraft suffered no damage, the rescue swimmer was saved from imminent danger, and the patient was safely transported to life-saving care at Savannah Memorial Hospital."

AMT2 Kortis' father passed away

in November 2011, and I believe this would be a fitting tribute to his family still located in the area. He was awarded the prestigious Letter of Commendation ribbon for his efforts.

Very respectfully,
LCDR Greg Houghton

Story brought back many good memories

Letter to the editor:

The article about Floyd O'Rourke's dog tag in last week's paper brought back many memories of their restaurant.

Floyd's nickname was "Monk" and he and his wife, Ada, owned the "Home Restaurant" east of the cultural center. It was a welcoming and popular spot in the late "40s", a gath-

ering spot for the young and not so young. The food was good, especially Ada's pies.

I don't recall their location at the "slot", which I assume was later the Eat Shop.

Nancy Golinvaux
Cass City

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TEE OFF

Arrowhead Golf Club

The Arrowhead was purchased by Kevin and Suzanne Marcola in 1990 and began play as 18 holes in June 2001.

The course is available for golf outings/fundraisers and league play goes on 5 days a week for ladies, men and couples with open play available daily.

The clubhouse caters to everyone from small business meetings to wedding receptions of 150 guests. "Let us do all the work." Our catering menu is specialized just for your event and full bar service is available with the rental of the clubhouse is free.

The Turn Bar & Grill offers happy hour from 3 to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. The kitchen, currently open every Friday until May 1, still serves what some say is the best fish around. Our regular menu has also been expanded to offer pizza and dough balls.

Bird Creek Golf Club

Located just inland from the beautiful Saginaw Bay shoreline, Bird Creek Golf Club has been enjoyed by golf enthusiasts since 1990.

"This course is fun to play and is always in great condition" said John Georgton, who visits Port Austin from his home in Macomb Township. "My wife and I have

played 5-6 times each summer for the last 10 years and each time we have really enjoyed this place; the greens are really the best."

Complimenting the boating and fishing at the "tip" of the Thumb area, Bird Creek Golf Club offers up 18 holes and 4 sets of teeing area ready for players of all skill levels.

"Although the yardage from the middle tee is just 6,000 yards, it is just the right length for players to get a great challenge, but more importantly have fun while they play golf," said PGA Professional and Manager Eric Sump. "We are in the entertainment business, competing for entertainment time, so it is important for us to offer a very good product at a reasonable price. We like it when someone scores their best round of the year here. The women like to play here also, we are very lady friendly."

But don't let the yardage fool you, Bird Creek's layout demands a certain amount of accuracy, or you will find yourself in the tributary that lends its name to the course. "There's some type of water on 13 of our holes, so you have to keep your shots on line," said Sump.

Along with a pretty layout over moderate rolling hills, Bird Creek has kept their daily rates very reasonable for their guests. "You can play 18 holes with cart for \$25 on Tuesdays and Thursdays all day and on the other weekdays after 2 p.m. Weekend rates are a very reasonable

\$40 before 2 p.m.

The Buschwood Bar and Grill is available for patrons to get their favorite beverage or a bite to eat. With 2 large televisions, it is a great place to settle the bets after a fun round of golf.

Sump offers a fully stocked pro shop, offers club repair and is available for fun golf coaching classes as well. "If you are new to the game, been away from it for a while or just need a little tune up, I guarantee I can help your game or your classes are free."

Save your long drive for the first tee, enjoy Bird Creek Golf Club for your next round of golf.

Customer appreciation day is coming up on Wednesday, May 2 all day. Just \$18 for your cart rental, per person. After that, the last Thursday of each month you can play for just \$20.

Rolling Hills Golf Course

Early season golfers at Cass City's Rolling Hills Golf Course will enjoy great conditions at the 3,000-yard par 35 track.

The course's 4 ponds, groomed fairways and large greens are all in great shape, and are ready to offer an exciting and challenging 9 holes. Adding to your golfing experience is a driving range, large practice green and clubhouse bar and grill.

It is a great place to have your next golf outing of any size. Plan your family reunion, work outing or just friends getting together. Call for group prices and to set a date.

Several of the course's most popular activities are set for another year. Topping the list is the 13th annual Kally Maharg Memorial Tournament in July. Over the years, more than \$100,000 has been raised. This year's event is scheduled for Saturday, July 14. All proceeds are used to benefit the community, including the Cass City Boosters Club, local student scholarships, and the yearly eighth grade Washington, D.C. trip.

Additional tournaments planned for this summer include the annual Gavel Club Tournament, May 12; the Firemen's Tournament, May 19; the second annual Rolling Hills Youth Tournament, June 26; and the July Fourth Tournament, June 28.

Also back this season is the popular 2-for-1 golf special every Monday (before 3 p.m.), and all day Friday.



Two dollar greens fee coupon day will be Friday, June 1, and can be redeemed June 1-17 (cart required).

To encourage new golfers, children and teens 18 years old and younger always golf for \$1 greens fee with a paying adult. Lessons are available by appointment with Chris Clifton beginning May 2.

The clubhouse offers a wide variety of dining choices from its restaurant & sports lounge. Offering splendid views with a great location, it is the ideal meeting spot for business, family and group outings. The clubhouse can also be rented for banquets, class reunions, showers and similar activities.

For the ladies, there is a Tuesday afternoon league at 4 p.m., and a

Tuesday night Ladies Fun League starts at 6 p.m. The league follows traditional scramble format rules and all are welcome to join.

Couple's Leagues are also forming, and will be scheduled to start on Thursday afternoons at 4:30 p.m., and Friday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Those interested should sign up at the golf course.

An ideal spot for your work day

lunch is the Rolling Hills Hole-In-One-Grill, which is open to the public and will be opening for the season May 7. Lunch and dinner is served Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. You don't have to golf to enjoy the most popular of their great sandwiches, the generous "Classic Burger" and the "Club"

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Located in the heart of the Thumb, the fun and challenging golf course is unique as it offers golfers the choice of playing unlimited holes every day on a U.S.G.A. rated course.

On Mondays and Fridays, the all-day rate is \$10 to walk and \$20 with cart, while all other days are \$16 to walk and \$22 with cart (per person).

Marlette Golf Club's 2007 slope rating of 120/121, as measured by the Golf Association of Michigan, ranks the course as above average for difficulty. The course's overall condition and, specifically the greens, were major factors cited by the U.S.G.A. for the increased rating.

The par 36 course has league openings for men, women and couples. They also offer a Young Golfer's Program, featuring low cost group lessons.

Their Mentor Program, another unique feature to Marlette, is designed to help adult mentors teach youngsters how to golf for as low as \$1. "All we ask is that the mentor teaches proper golf etiquette and that they are mindful of slow play," commented Bill Kmet.

It's not unusual to see Bill jump off his tractor and give someone a few golf tips.

The course has a driving range and is an excellent facility for fundraisers. The Coach House Tavern complements the course by offering patrons a great place to relax. The tavern offers good food choices and friendly service. They have Keno and feature karaoke Friday nights, and a D.J. Saturday nights with dancing and lights. A 22 foot shuffleboard table and pool table add to the fun.

The Coach House has an expanded menu Monday through Friday, with a smaller tavern menu always available.

Banquet facilities and catering are also available for any event such as business luncheons/mixers, weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, reunions, etc.

For more information or to arrange an outing, contact the golf course at (989) 635-3009 or the tavern at (989) 635-3478.

Scenic Golf & Country Club

For many years Scenic has been part of the social and sports scene of the area.

The organization of a local golf club was the idea of several Pigeon area men, including Floyd Richmond, Ernest Clabuesch, Harry

Leslie and Fr. A.P. Hafner. When their plans were made known, they were joined by interested persons from Sebawaing, Elkton, Caseville, Sand Point and Bay Port. Support came from the entire western half of Huron County to form the Corporation, which held its first meeting in November of 1945.

The original 9-hole course was fashioned from 80 acres of pastureland, much of it heavily wooded. This was opened for play May 15, 1948.

Additional land was purchased and in the early 70s another 9 holes were added, making Scenic a truly outstanding golf course.



In 1997 Ron Farris, golf course architect, was contracted to redesign the golf course, with the work being done by Tim Furness.

PGA Professional Michael Guza is employed to give instructions to both beginners and veterans of the game. He runs a well-stocked pro shop, providing clothing, golf balls, club repair and many additional items. Rental equipment is also available. The golf course is open for play from mid-April through late October. If weather permits, these dates could be extended.

Scenic Golf and Country Club features a beautiful clubhouse, which was remodeled in 1997 and has been an important part of the social life of the area since its opening in 1949.

The clubhouse provides a feeling of relaxation and friendliness, putting one at ease to enjoy the natural surroundings. Fine food and drink are topics of conversation anywhere because they speak a universal language. At Scenic Golf and Country they are a reality. Clubs, businesses and social groups gather here to make use of the first class banquet room. The dining room is open from mid-April through mid-October.

Scenic Golf and Country Club presents an opportunity for members, guests and the general public to enjoy the benefits of a healthy, relaxing sport along with a fine dining experience.

The club is located on Filion Road, between N. Caseville Road and M-

25. For golf outings, tee times and party reservations, call PGA Professional Michael Guza at (989) 453-3350.

Ubyly Heights Golf & Country Club

Ubyly Heights Golf and Country Club is looking forward to the 2012 golf season. The course is now open and welcoming golfers.

We have a full schedule of events for the 2012 season and encourage local golfers to take part.

A calendar of events is available online at www.ublyheights.com, as well as an option to join Ubyly Heights' mailing list to receive periodic emails regarding exciting promotions, specials and tips from the pro. Visitors can also submit questions and comments or offer feedback regarding their experiences or opinions of the facility, its operation, and customer service.

In addition to expanding communication through technology, Ubyly Heights is now offering one of the best deals around for membership, the Buddy Membership Package. New 2012 members can join anytime and receive 15 percent off their annual dues for their first year. If you join with a friend or 2, each receives 20 percent off annual dues and 4 new members can join for the price of 3, and split the savings four ways.

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"Ubyly Heights Golf and Country Club welcomes PGA Professional Dave Hanson, and encourages all to either join our facility or to take advantage of this great golf course and facility as a public customer. We look forward to the 2012 season and hope to see you on the Links."



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Thinclads off and running

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Kolby Lange); 110M Hurdles: Kyle Jickling, Marlette, 16.30; 100 Meter Dash: Donnie Thomas, Marlette, 11.42; 800 Meter Relay: Marlette, 1:34.58 (Ryan Miller, Conner Thomas, Joey Volz and Donnie Thomas); 1600 Meter Run: Jacob Bowman, Marlette, 4:49.73; 400 Meter Relay: Marlette, 45.32 (Ryan Miller, Conner Thomas, Joey Volz and Donnie Thomas); 400 Meter Dash: Nick Fox, Mayville, 52.54; 300M Intermediate Hurdles: Kyle Jickling, Marlette, 42.43; 800 Meter Run: Jacob Bowman, Marlette, 2:08.79; 200 Meter Dash: Nick Fox, Mayville, 23.53; 3200 Meter Run: Andy Bowman, Marlette, 10:27.76; 1600 Meter Relay: Mayville, 3:43.78 (Francis Buggia, Brandon Raby, Calob Saporsky and Nick Fox); Shot Put: Zach Rosillo, Imlay City, 43'05.50"; Discus: Ian Reagin, Marlette, 120'02.00"; Long Jump: Donnie Thomas, Marlette, 20'06.50"; High Jump: Matt VanDyke, Imlay City, 6'00.00"; Pole Vault: Jacob Bowman, Marlette, 11'06.00".

Brown City Invitational girls' track results are: 3200 Meter Relay: Mayville, 11:10.19 (Nicole Redfield, Ashley McMullen, Alex Diller and Ruth Squires); 100M Hurdles: Nicole Kubacki, Uby, 17.11; 100 Meter Dash: Katie Hacker, Cass City, 13.91; 800 Meter Relay: North Branch, 1:56.17 (Hannah Gordon, Morgan Coulter, Jessica Laur and Hannah Cheney); 1600 Meter Run: Crystal Schaible, Bad Axe, 5:33.56; 400 Meter Relay: Marlette, 54.54 (Keara Wilson, Stacey Lane, Angel Garant and Rachel Wilcox); 400 Meter Dash: Haley Wynn, Cass City, 1:04.93; 300M Low Hurdles: Ruth Squires, Mayville, 51.16; 800 Meter Run: Crystal Schaible, Bad Axe, 2:29.23; 200 Meter Dash: Kaitlyn Grifka, Bad Axe, 28.07; 3200 Meter Run: Erin Zdrojewski, Cass City, 12:19.98; 1600 Meter Relay: Bad Axe, 4:26.41 (Taylor Wolschlagel, Kaitlyn Grifka, Kara Flynn and Crystal Schaible); Shot Put: Emily Hale, Sandusky, 35'04.50"; Discus: Kylee Dobbelaere, Marlette, 113'04.50"; Long Jump: Rachel Wilcox, Marlette, 15'09.50"; High

Jump: Madeline Downey, Imlay City, 5'00.01"; Pole Vault: Lauren Barwig, Bad Axe, 7'06.01".

Lakers win golf jamboree

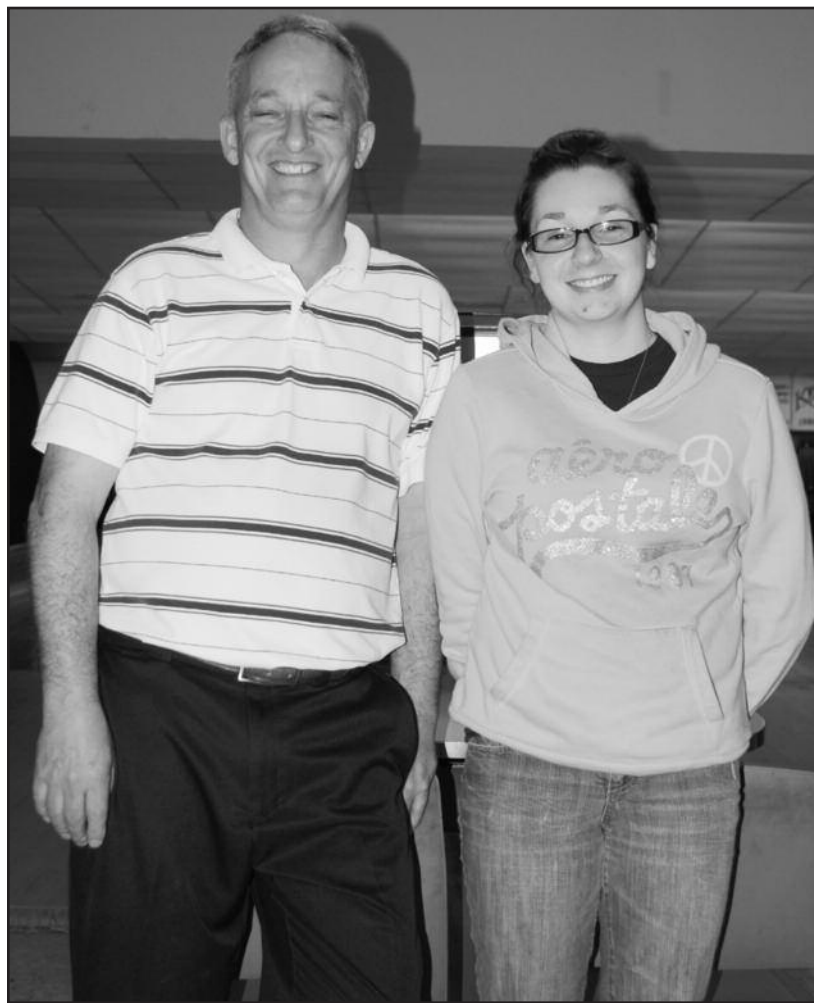
Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port opened defense of its Greater Thumb West golf title Friday in splendid fashion, claiming top honors at a 6-school jamboree held at the Bay County Golf Course.

Laker junior Tyler Matteson fired a 36 to claim individual medalist honors. But the Laker victory also had Wade Foltz with a score of 38, while Drew Lawrence added 40 and Adam Hazard, 45, for the winning team total of 159.

Following the Lakers was runner-up Cass City with a team tally of 165. Bad Axe with 181, Vassar 192, Bay City All Saints 196, and USA 220 completes the team standings.

For the Red Hawks, Drew King led the way with a tidy round of 37. Trenton Loomis and Tyler Samons both carded scores of 42 and Michael Mulligan chipped in a score of 44.

Other top showings on the day were handed in by Bad Axe's Brandon Dean (41), Vassar's Austin Baker (45), and Bay City All Saints' Ben Grzeforzcyk (45) and USA's Derik Wurst (46).



CHARMONT LANES, Cass City, held their annual "Bowler of the Year" tournament over the weekend and named the house best for 2012 were Rick Doerr, left, and Brenda Haley.

GREATER THUMB CONFERENCE Golf Standings April 13, 2012

WEST DIVISION

- 1st - Laker - 6 points
- 2nd - Cass City - 5 points
- 3rd - Bad Axe - 4 points
- 4th - Vassar - 3 points
- 5th - All Saints - 2 points
- 6th - USA - 1 point

INDIVIDUAL POINTS

- Tyler Matteson - Laker - 10 points
- Drew King - Cass City - 9 points
- Wade Foltz - Laker - 8 points
- Drew Lawrence - Laker - 7 points
- Brandon Dean - Bad Axe - 6 points
- Trenton Loomis - Cass City - 4.5 points
- Tyler Samons - Cass City - 4.5 points
- Andrew Batzer - Bad Axe - 2 points
- Michael Mulligan - Cass City - 2 points
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Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

This week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner is Cass City's Rebecca Hacker.

Hacker had a big week for the Lady Red Hawk softball team. She was the Red Hawks' pitcher of record in both ends of a non-conference doubleheader Thursday against Caro, and then took the mound for the opening game on the next day at North Branch.

At the plate, Hacker clubbed 2 singles against the Tigers and then added 4 singles and a 2-run homer against the Broncos.

Rebecca, a senior, is the daughter of John and Marnie Hacker. She plans to attend Ferris State University.

Rebecca Hacker

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