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Village disputes \$740,000 in fees for engineering

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

Cass City Village attorney Jason Bitzer says his client won't pay any of the \$740,000 in engineering costs submitted by URS Corporation.

During Monday's regular meeting of the local village council, the Biddinger & Bitzer lawyer reported he is in talks with counsel representing the Southfield firm that did engineering work on proposed upgrades to the Cass City Waste Water Treatment Plant, related to construction of the Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) plant.

Disagreement on the billed costs, scope of the project and contract limits Please turn to page 16.

ATV crash claims life of Thumb teen

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A Huron County teen lost his life and another was injured in an ATV accident Friday afternoon.

Ugly Police Chief David W. Rothe identified the victim as Brandon Dickert, 16, of Harbor Beach.

The accident occurred at about 4:45 p.m., according to Rothe, who reported the teens were riding an ATV on private property off Piper lane, a private drive south of Munford Road and east of M-19.

"An Ugly resident, 16-year-old

Bailey Bischer, was driving the ATV and lost control, causing the ATV to flip over," Rothe said. "Bischer was able to crawl out (from under) the ATV, but his passenger (Dickert) was pinned underneath the ATV. Bischer was unable to upright the ATV, and immediately called 911."

Rothe said the Ugly police and Bingham Township fire fighters responded and were able to free Dickert. The Huron County Sheriff's Department Accident Investigation Team also responded to the scene.

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Benefit on tap

Polega says she's ready for marrow transplant

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

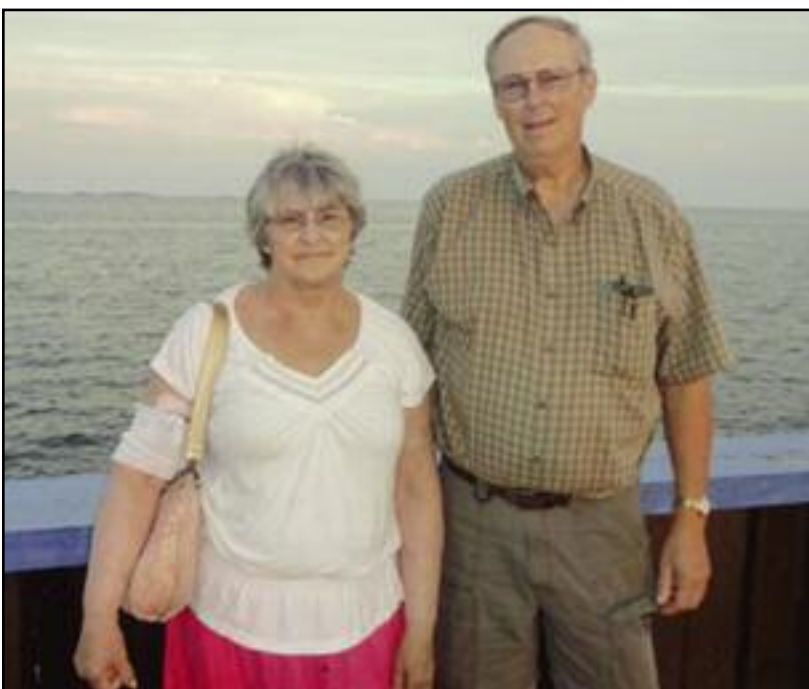
Family and friends of Joyce Polega are organizing a benefit for the Cass City area woman, who is preparing to undergo a bone marrow transplant at the University of Michigan Medical Center in Ann Arbor.

A benefit soup luncheon and bake sale is slated for Sunday, Oct. 12, from noon to 3 p.m. at the Good Shepherd Parish Hall (formerly St. Columbkille), 3031 McAlpin Rd., Ugly.

Polega, who along with her husband, Harold, and the couple's children have owned and operated Polega's Produce along Bay City-Forestville Road in Sanilac County's Greenleaf Township for many years, has been diagnosed with Hypoplastic Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS), a condition in which a person's bone marrow is unable to produce its own white blood cells, red blood cells or platelets.

The Thumb native and 1965 Cass City High School graduate began her journey to a transplant back in January 2012 as doctors worked to determine the cause of her low blood counts, fatigue and bruising. Over the past 18 months, she has undergone various treatments and blood infusions.

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CASS CITY AREA native Joyce Polega, pictured above with her husband of 47 years, Harold, will soon be undergoing a bone marrow transplant at the U-M Medical Center in Ann Arbor. Family and friends are organizing a benefit soup luncheon and bake sale for her Sunday, Oct. 12, at the Good Shepherd Parish Hall in Ugly.



THE SECOND annual Elkland Township Cemetery Walk was blessed with picture-perfect weather Sunday afternoon. Pictured above are Cass City's Annette Pinney (left), granddaughter of Elizabeth Pinney, who was portrayed by Cindy Carr (right). At right, David Boots portrayed Civil War soldier Milo Warner, who survived imprisonment at the notorious Andersonville Prison.



Huron County officers shut down meth operation, suspect in custody

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Huron County law enforcement authorities closed down an active methamphetamine lab operating inside a Caseville residence last week.

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said officers also arrested a 30-year-old Caseville man on felony drug charges after executing the second of two search warrants Wednesday night.

"After piecing together tips from the public and law enforcement, our office obtained a...search warrant for a residence at the Bayside Estates Trailer Park. At around 6:15 p.m., our deputies, assisted by Caseville Police Chief Kyle Romzek, executed that warrant, which revealed evidence of a prior meth operation," Hanson said. "It also resulted in the seizure of several prescriptions drugs.

"That evidence, along with other information, led to another search warrant that was executed around 9 p.m. at 6920 Michigan St. in Caseville," he added. "Shortly after entering the residence, it was apparent to the deputies and police chief that methamphetamine was in the process of being manufactured. They retreated and contacted the Caseville Fire Department to stand by while a Michigan State Police Meth

Response Team organized and responded from the Flint area."

Deputies arrested a 30-year-old Caseville man on felony methamphetamine manufacturing charges and he remains lodged in the Huron County Jail on a \$25,000 cash bond. He was expected to be formally charged Thursday.

"Since our office officially uncovered meth operations in our county nearly two years ago, we have received several tips from concerned citizens and businesses, which have

been very helpful in our crackdown on meth," Hanson said.

"We ask for that continued cooperation and encourage those tips, as well as tips on other illegal drug activity, by contacting our office during regular business hours at (989) 269-6500 or Huron Central Dispatch's non-emergency number anytime at (989) 269-6421. Confidential callers can use our TIPS Line of 989-269-2861. We're also available on Facebook through our Huron County Sheriff's Office Drug Task Force Facebook page."

Tuscola County FOC says deadbeat parents may lose their hunting privileges

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Parents who aren't taking care of their child support obligations through the Tuscola County Friend of the Court Office could wind up losing their hunting privileges soon.

That's according to Tuscola County Friend of the Court Sandy Erskine, who announced Friday that her office is launching a review of open files in an effort to ensure that children get the financial support they deserve.

Making that happen is an on-going challenge in some cases, according to Erskine, who is targeting suspension of hunting and other sporting licenses held by individuals who aren't regularly paying their child support.

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CIVIL WAR NOVELIST Mike Deeb was on hand at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City last week to present a program on the Abraham Lincoln conspiracy. About 30 area residents attended the program.

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At the conclusion of 2014, the school with the highest number of test drives in each one of the five geographic regions (northeast, southeast, midwest, central and west) will win an additional \$5,000, for a total of \$25,000 in additional funding from Chrysler through the Drive for Kids program.

H&D Hospital Auxiliary monthly events on tap

The Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary met on September 22nd at 11:30 for lunch and a business meeting at Gilligan's Banquet room. Twenty eight members, along with Kerry Brown and Danielle Blaine from Hills & Dales were present. The group enjoyed a presentation from Chemical Bank about Identity Theft.

The group was very pleased with the turnout at their June Blood Drive; having 60 donors. Other fundraisers throughout the summer including a book sale, jewelry sale & uniform sale were all successful. Money raised by the Auxiliary is used to help purchase new equipment, make building improvements and support educational programs in a joint effort with Hills & Dales Foundation.

Upcoming events for the Auxiliary include volunteering at the 9th Annual Hills & Dales Women's Wellness Event on Saturday, October 11 at the hospital. There will also be a "Books are Fun" book sale on Friday, October 24. Anyone is welcome to come browse the book sale. The Auxiliary is always looking for new volunteers to join their efforts. Anyone who is interested can contact Kerry Brown at 989-872-2121 for more information and an application packet.

The next Auxiliary meeting will be Monday, October 27, 2014 at Gilligan's.

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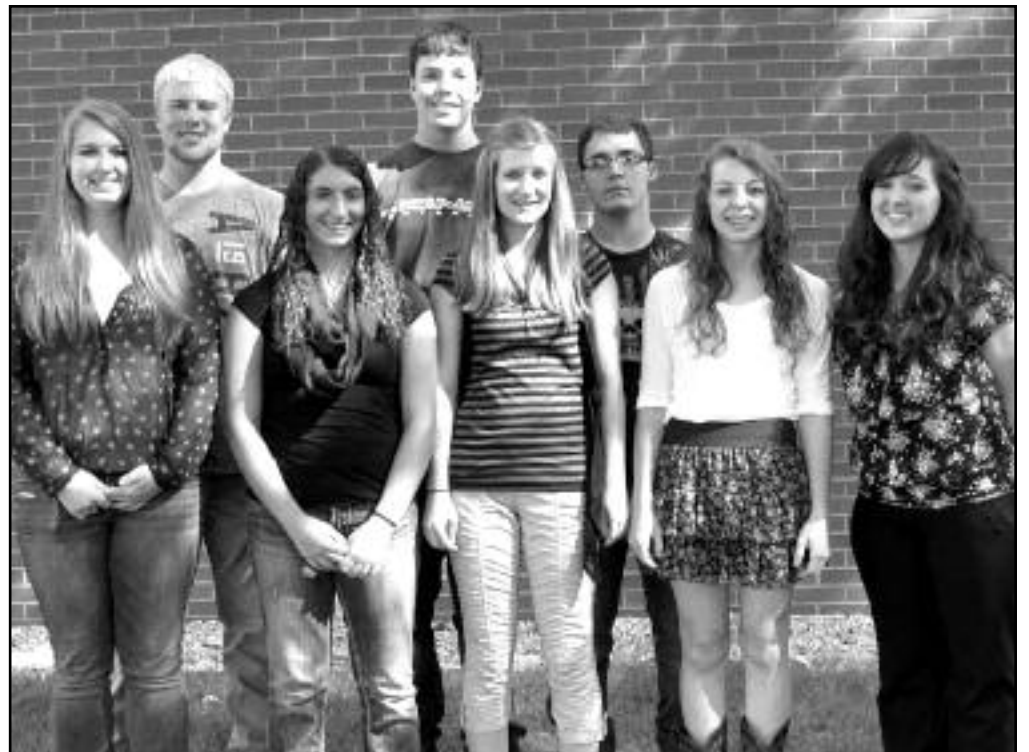
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Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival

October 2-5, 2014

Caro is the home of the Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival, an October tradition which was started in 1981 by a small group of local residents. Annually, the four-day festival attracts approximately 50,000 visitors. The Pumpkin Festival gets their pumpkins from the Jim Matuszak farm, which are then delivered to primary school youth in the area who decorate the pumpkins and submit them for display where they are judged in one of five competitive categories. In addition, the Pumpkin Festival Royal Court is selected based on the largest pumpkins grown.

In 1981 the Caro Chamber of Commerce board members set out to come up with new ideas to stimulate retail sales in Caro. Members started asking around town and the idea of a Pumpkin Festival came from John Sauber and Gary Fulgham who were familiar with other pumpkin festivals. Carol Ellsworth, Ruby Reid, Alva Hayes, John Sauber and Gary Fulgham formed a committee and are now affectionately referred to as the "Original Five". Events were planned and \$1,100 was raised. Pumpkins were grown by local farmers and given to school age children to decorate and return for display on the Tuscola County Courthouse lawn. This tradition continues today along with a carved pumpkin display which has added a new dimension. In the early days, giant pumpkin seeds were handed out at the local schools and large pumpkins were grown. A selection was then made from the largest grown pumpkin for the "Prince and Princess" of the festival. In early 1991 a contest was held to name the newly created mascot and the name Harvey was chosen. Harvey makes appearances at most events throughout the weekend.

The Caro Knights of Columbus along with local volunteers annual-

ly bake over 4,000 pumpkin pies as a fundraiser to support the festival. These wonderful, homemade pies draw crowds from throughout the state. The food court concept was started to serve the electrical power needs of the food vendors, which now draws visitors to gather and visit and enjoy many food favorites.

The Caro Rotary Club has hosted an all you can eat pancake and sausage dinner for many years. To accommodate the festival, the Rotary Club changed their event in 1983 to coincide with the pumpkin festival. With the help of local organizations, the streets of Caro abounded with marigolds in 1984 and an Art Show was featured.

The 150 Train Special arrived in Caro in 1987 and helicopter rides were offered. In 1988 local youth were invited to share their talents in the Lip Sync show, which was the best show in town for nearly 20 years.

The Caro Fire Department offered fun activities for children. Basketball, Softball, Soccer, Tennis and Golf tournaments have come and gone. A dessert contest sparked the publication of a cookbook. Jake and Joe were seen on the side streets of Caro giving wagon rides. The Cutest Punkin' Contest drew huge crowds of proud parents and grandparents. The cry of "BINGO" has echoed many times. Teens have had an opportunity to dance and for many years Miss Michigan performed at the annual Pumpkin Ball. Muts have strutted their stuff and kids have excelled in the Biathlon. Scarecrows have been seen in the town square on the Courthouse lawn and in the yards of many local residents.

2014 Pumpkin Festival Schedule

Thursday, October 2nd

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. DECORATED PUMPKIN DROP OFF (Courthouse)
 9:00 a.m. - PUMPKIN PIE SALES BEGIN
 11:00 a.m. - FOOD COURT OPENS (Sherman St.)
 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Free GRAND PUMPKIN REGISTRATION
 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Souvenir Booth Open
 4:30 p.m. - WHITE PUMPKIN 5K REGISTRATION
 6:00 p.m. - WHITE 5K ROAD RACE
 (Highland Pines School, 1381 Cleaver Rd.)
 6:15 p.m. - PRINCE & PRINCESS CROWNING (Courthouse)
 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Meet Harvey the Pumpkin (Courthouse)

Friday, October 3rd

9:00 a.m. - DECORATED PUMPKIN JUDGING
 9:00 a.m. - PUMPKIN PIE SALES BEGIN
 10:00 a.m. - ARTS & CRAFTS (Approx 5:00 p.m.)
 10:00 a.m. - FOOD COURT OPENS (Sherman St.)
 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Free Eclectic junction band
 (Entertainment Tent, Sherman Street)
 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - CHILDRENS INFLATABLES
 at Schall School, 325 E. Frank St.
 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Souvenir Booth Open
 4:30 p.m. - Free HOMETOWN IDOL REGISTRATION
 (Entertainment Tent)
 7:00 p.m. - EUCHRE TOURNAMENT (Brentwood, 178 Park Dr.)
 7:30 p.m. - Free HOMETOWN IDOL COMPETITION
 (Entertainment Tent)

Saturday, October 4th

7:30 a.m. - CLOSURE OF STATE STREET (M-81)
 9:00 a.m. - PUMPKIN PIE SALES BEGIN
 9:00 a.m. - FOOD COURT OPENS (Sherman St.)
 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Free BABY CONTEST REGISTRATION
 (Caro Methodist Church, 670 W Gilford Rd)
 10:00 a.m. - ARTS & CRAFTS (Downtown until 5 p.m.)
 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHOW
 REGISTRATION (Entertainment Tent)
 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - BABY CONTEST JUDGING
 (Caro Methodist Church, 670 W Gilford Rd)
 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Free Children's BIATHLON
 REGISTRATION (At VG's)
 NOON - 4:00 p.m. - CAR & MOTORCYCLE SHOW
 11:00 a.m. - CHILDREN'S BIATHLON RACE
 (At VG's, 1520 W. Caro Rd.)
 11:00 a.m. - Free COOK/BAKE OFF REGISTRATION
 (Continental Home Center, 362 N. State St.)
 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Souvenir Booth Open
 11:30 a.m. - JUDGING PUMPKIN BAKEOFF/COOKOFF
 NOON - NATIONAL ANTHEM - Courthouse Area
 12:15 p.m. - County wide SCHOOL PIE EATING Competition
 (State St. & Sherman St.)
 NOON - 4:00 p.m. - Free PETTING ZOO and INFLATABLES
 (Schall School, 325 E. Frank St.)
 NOON - 4:00 p.m. - CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES
 (Blessing Center, 209 N. State St.)
 2:00 p.m. - CACKLEFEST (Courthouse)
 4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Midnight Blue Band
 (Entertainment Tent - Sherman St.)
 4:00 p.m. - FREE Childrens Matinee -
 THE WIZARD OF OZ (Strand Theatre)
 4:30 p.m. - Free PUMPKIN DERBY
 REGISTRATION (M81/ Sherman St.)
 5:00 p.m. - PUMPKIN DERBY (Food Court)
 8:30 p.m. - PUMPKIN BASH
 (Staged/held at Brentwood - 178 Park Dr.)
 8:30 p.m. - FIREWORKS (Caro High School Football Field)
 Rain Date: Sunday, Oct. 5th 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 5th

9:00 a.m. - PUMPKIN PIE SALES BEGIN
 10:00 a.m. - FOOD COURT OPENS (Sherman St.)
 10:30 a.m. - BEAN SOUP GIVEAWAY (Courthouse)
 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Souvenir Booth Open
 NOON - 12:30 p.m. - Free STRUT-A-MUTT REGISTRATION
 (Pizza Hut, 815 S. State St.)
 12:30 p.m. - STRUT-A-MUTT (Trudeau Square, 157 N. State St.)
 12:30 p.m. - Closure of STATE STREET (M-81)
 1:30 p.m. - Grand PARADE (Starting at Quinn St. to Park Dr.)
 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Children May PICK UP their Pumpkins
 (Courthouse Lawn)

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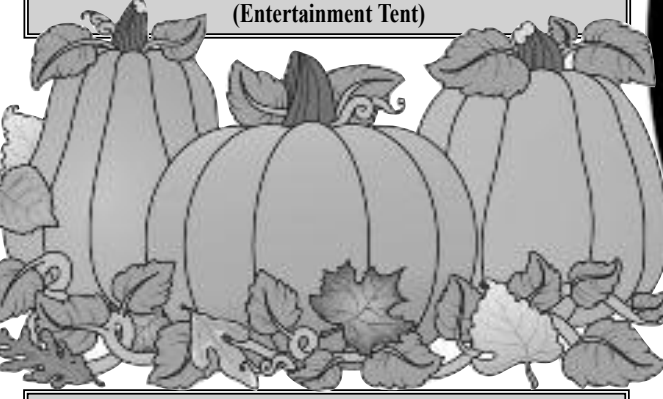
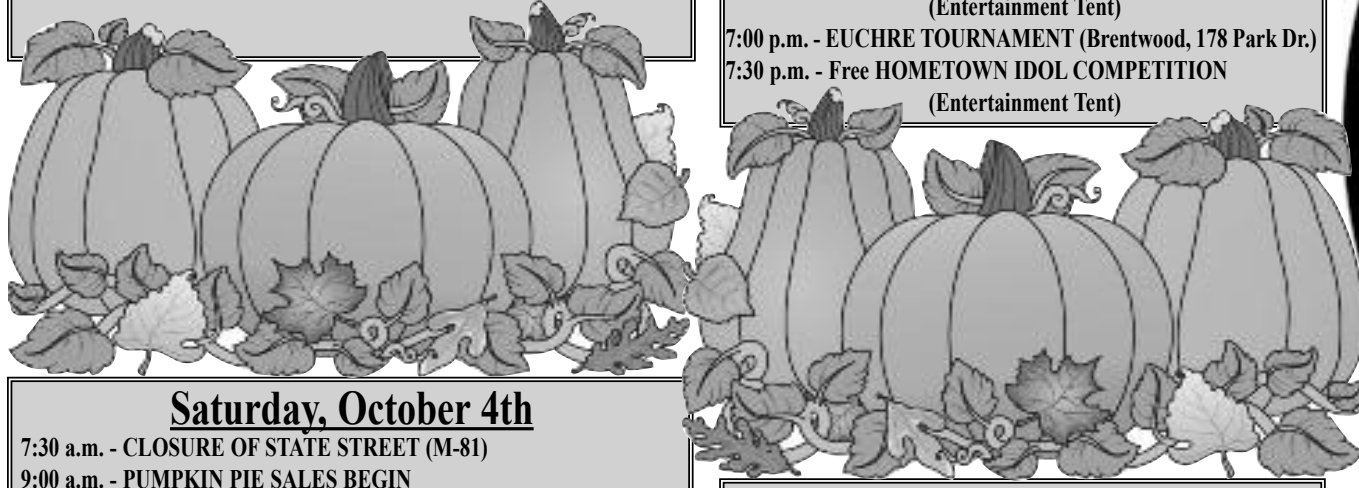
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A cemetery walk (back in time)

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Organizers of the Elkland Township Cemetery Walk couldn't have ordered nicer weather for Sunday's sold-out, second annual event.

A crowd of more than 150 people enjoyed mostly sunny skies as they

lauded area businesses and individuals that donated refreshments and their time, along with cemetery Sexton Steve Wright and his crew – Al Witkovsky, Joe Krol and Joe's son, Joey. "They are so supportive of this program and they were willing to do whatever we needed to make sure things went smoothly."

new science teacher in a place called "Cass City".

Holmberg spent the rest of his life working in the local school district as well as being involved in the community's civic and religious activities. He died in 1994 at the age of 86.

Frederick Klump, portrayed by Tom Montgomery, founded the Tri-County Chronicle in 1899. A German immigrant born in 1855, he was also an ordained minister of the Evangelical Association and served on the State Court of Arbitration and Mediation under Michigan governors Aaron T. Blass and Fred Warner.

Klump owned his newspaper for just 5 years, eventually selling the business to his partner, Herbert Lenzner, who also bought the Cass City Enterprise and consolidated the papers under the new name, the Cass City Chronicle. Lenzner published his first edition April 20 1906. Klump was 71 when he died in 1926.

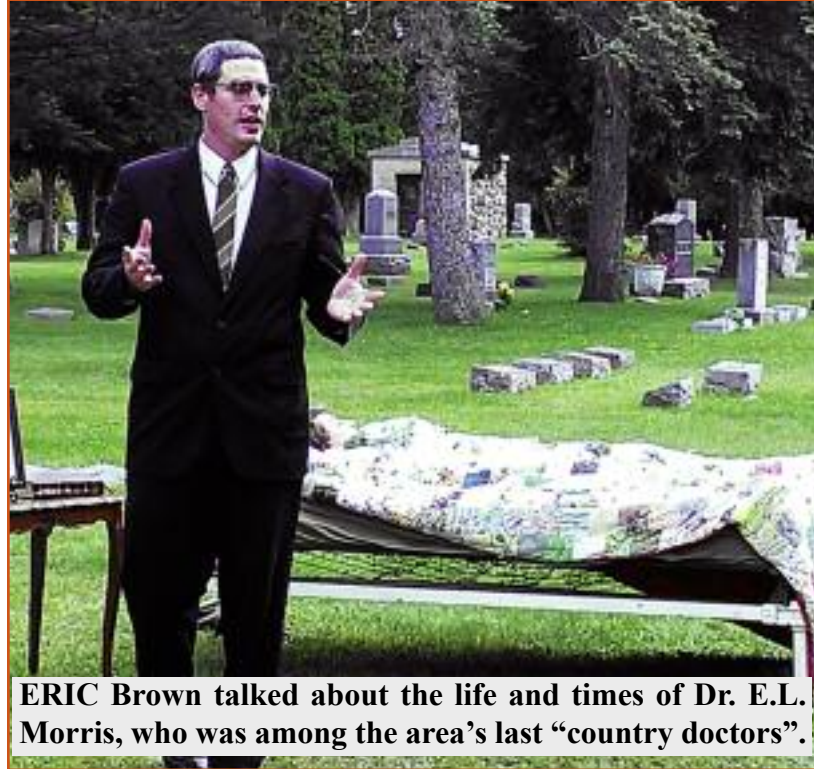
Lucy Lee, portrayed by Barb Graff, was born in 1879 and was ahead of her time in an era when women seldom had professional careers. Her love for music led her to open "Sherwood Studio" in her Cass City home, where she introduced countless youngsters to the world of music. Lee was also one of Michigan's first female morticians and, together with her husband, ran a furniture and undertaking business in town.

Lee, who died in 1954, was the grandmother of former astronaut and Cass City native Brewster Shaw Jr.

Jacob Maier, portrayed by Dennis Meck, was another German immigrant and one of the early pioneers of photography in the Thumb, drawing clients throughout the region. He learned the art of photography in

State Bank. She was also actively involved in the civic and religious life of the community. She died in 1969 at the age of 85.

Helen Stevens, portrayed by Dottie Scollon, was an Iowa native born in 1907. In 1946 she and her husband, Albin, moved to Cass City, where he practiced law and the couple owned



ERIC Brown talked about the life and times of Dr. E.L. Morris, who was among the area's last "country doctors".

took part in one of eight guided tours during the afternoon. The walk took visitors on a trip back in time to meet several past citizens of the Cass City community, each portrayed by a local actor who presented a brief history of a former citizen whose contributions to Cass City were notable.

The all-volunteer event raised \$1,050, all of which will be donated to the American Cancer Society (ACS) in conjunction with Cass City's annual "Pinktober" celebration.

"One of the few things we don't have control over – the weather – was picture perfect," organizer Kate Van Auken commented following the tours.

"All the actors were outstanding. I can't thank them enough for what they bring to this living history event," said Van Auken, who also

Van Auken added, "I hope all that attended learned a bit more about those that came before us."

THE CITIZENS

This year's cemetery walk featured nine notable past citizens of the Cass City community:

Arthur "Art" Holmberg, portrayed by Dave McArthur, was among Cass City's most beloved teachers, principals and citizens. Born in 1908, he grew up in a number of places across the country, finally settling down in Michigan. Holmberg graduated from what is now Wayne State University with the intention of becoming a doctor. He later returned to school to earn his teaching certificate, and in the midst of the Great Depression received word that a small rural school was looking for a



CASS CITY Chronicle Editor Tom Montgomery portrayed Frederick Klump, founder of the Tri-County Chronicle.



THE LATE Arthur "Art" Holmberg, a longtime local educator, was played by Cass City's Dave McArthur.



BARB GRAFF portrayed Lucy Lee, a longtime area music teacher who was also among the state's first female morticians.

1879, opening his own studio in Cass City a year later. He was in business for 45 consecutive years before handing the reins over to his son, Ed Maier, who ran the business until 1946, when he sold it to Fritz Neitzel. Jacob died in 1925 at the age of 71.

Dr. F.L. Morris, portrayed by Eric Brown, was one of the last "country doctors" in the area. A Detroit College of Medicine graduate in 1910, he came to Cass City in 1915, where he would later establish the Morris Hospital. Remembered for striving to meet his patients' spiritual as well as physical needs, he bought the old Hillside School and converted it into the Hillside Chapel, a Plymouth Brethren congregation. Dr. Morris died in 1958. He was 71.

Elizabeth Pinney, portrayed by Cindy Carr, was widowed in her 30s, but managed to not only care for a large home and six children, but also took over her husband's role as president and chairman of the Pinney

Milo Warner, portrayed by David Boots, was born in 1838. He enlisted in the Union Army in 1862 and was assigned to Company G of the 8th Michigan Cavalry, earning the rank of sergeant a year later. That same year, he was captured by Confederate soldiers and imprisoned in the notorious Andersonville Prison. He somehow escaped the fate of a third of the prisoners at Andersonville – death – and returned to Cass City after the war.

He and his wife had four children, including a daughter, Cora, who went on to marry Gageton banker James Purdy, known for having the Thumb Octagon Barn constructed at his home just east of Gageton. Milo died in 1870 at the age of 32, possibly from an illness contracted at Andersonville.

In addition, Cass City's Michelle Leeson reprised her role as Lucile Bauer, taking part in the tour introductions and in Dottie Scollon's portrayal of Helen Stevens.



MICHELLE Leeson reprised her role this year as Lucile Bauer. She's pictured above (far right) along with Dottie Scollon, who portrayed Helen Stevens, and volunteer "patient" Alan Witkovsky.



Dr. F. L. Morris



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O-G remains perfect with easy victory

Owen-Gage improved to 5-0 Friday night in Fairgrove with a dominating victory over Akron-Fairgrove in Mid Michigan 8-man football action.

Bulldog David Binder had a career night in the lopsided win, rushing for 357 yards on 27 carries. Binder's 5-touchdown outing included a 16-yard touchdown catch, as well as 3 two-point conversions, as the sophomore running back accounted for 42 points on the night.

"David has been working hard in practice and continues to get better every time he steps on the field," said Owen-Gage Coach Steve Hollocker.

Owen-Gage led 44-12 at the half and cruised to the 50-20 outcome.

The winners had fullback Adam Retford with 143 rushing yards, while quarterback Jake Wright was 4-for-8 passing for 41 yards through the air. Sophomore halfback Jake Warack scored on a 15-yard run.

"Adam turned in another standout performance and leading the way for

Binder's big night," said Hollocker.

Adding, "Defensively, Jake Warack played a great game locking down the Akron-Fairgrove passing attack. His standout defensive performance included 2 key interceptions to go with 4 solo tackles."

Junior linebacker Dylan Fritz led all Bulldog tacklers with 11 solo stops including 2 sacks, while Binder recorded 2 sacks and 6 solo tackles. Derek Vincent had an interception and 6 solo tackles.

For Akron-Fairgrove, Jeremy Verhelle scored on runs of 14 and 41 yards.

Despite outscoring their opponents 198-52 on the year, Hollocker knows there is still room for improvement as the Bulldogs steam toward their fourth straight playoff appearance.

"It was a solid team win for us, but we need to continue to improve as we prepare for Merritt Academy next week with the conference title on the line."

FULL SPEED AHEAD. Owen-Gage running back Adam Retford collides with Akron-Fairgrove's Daylen Hebert Friday night in Fairgrove. In on the action are Bulldogs Derik Harp (75) and Dylan Fritz.



FRESHMAN fullback Nick Perry uses a block from Cass City's Ethan Monte (75) to pick up short yardage in Friday's GTW contest with Bad Axe. Perry ran for a career best 92 yards in vain as the Hatchets delivered the hosts a 50-40 defeat.

Kingston scores in final minutes to defeat Dryden

Kingston ran its win streak to three Friday with a thrilling 26-24 come-from-behind victory over Dryden.

To extend the Cardinals' winning ways, however, they will need to be hitting on all cylinders when undefeated Peck arrives this week in Kingston on homecoming night.

Trailing by 4 with just over 4 minutes remaining, Kingston drove the length of the field for the game winning touchdown. Quarterback Aaron VanHorn capped the Cardinals' 98-yard drive that lifted the visitors to victory.

VanHorn rushed for 162 yards on 24 carries and 2 scores, while completing 14 of 24 passes for 129 yards, including one touchdown toss to Charlie Goss.

Defensively, VanHorn completed an all-around solid showing with a team-high 9 tackles, while Travis Tucker and Matt Nelson split 10 stops.

Trailing 24-14, Kingston's Riley Magiera's fourth quarter touchdown run set the stage for VanHorn's heroics.

Bad Axe wins shootout to stay in GTW title race

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

In a Greater Thumb West battle between teams headed in opposite directions, Bad Axe outlasted host Cass City Friday to remain undefeated in conference play.

With the 50-40 victory, the Hatchets collected their third straight win for the first time since 2001, and more importantly, remain undefeated in Greater Thumb West play. The Red Hawks, meanwhile, bow for the third straight week and will now look for their first GTW victory this week in Vassar on the Vulcans' homecoming night.

Coach Scott Cuthrell's team will need a better defensive effort in week six to earn victory and keep Cass City's fading playoff hopes alive. Bad Axe had no problems running through the middle of the Red Hawk defense and sandwiched two early scores around a Cass City punt to take a 14-0 margin into the second quarter, before settling for a 28-28 tie at the half.

Quarterback Tommy Morneau made the host's defense look a step slow on the night, rushing for 337 yards on 30 carries and five touchdowns. His first marker came on a three-yard run to open the scoring, while Joe Aymen's three-yard dive

and a Morneau two-point conversion run had Bad Axe enjoying a two-touchdown margin.

Cass City battled back, running behind the right side of its offensive line, where Ryan Schmidt, Daymon Tabako and Parker Haire created space for running back Sawyer Cuthrell.

Workhorse Cuthrell, who gained 111 yards on 23 carries, scored on the first play of the second quarter and then added the two-point conversion run to bring Cass City to within 14-8.

For the remainder of the half, neither defense recorded a stop, until with 2:29 showing on the clock, Cass City's defense provided the game's first break after a Haire sack forced a Bad Axe punt attempt. A high snap from center gave the host 39 seconds to score, which they did as quarterback Mason Erla connected with Jack Stern on a seven-yard strike.

Although Cass City was able to recover from its slow start, a pair of fumbles in the final half helped to doom the hosts.

The second half started with Cass City taking its only lead - 34-28 - when Nick Perry busted loose and cruised 42 yards to the house.

Bad Axe, however, quickly gained back the lead on another Morneau gallop, this time from 52 yards, zig-zagging his way from sideline-to-

sideline before reaching paydirt.

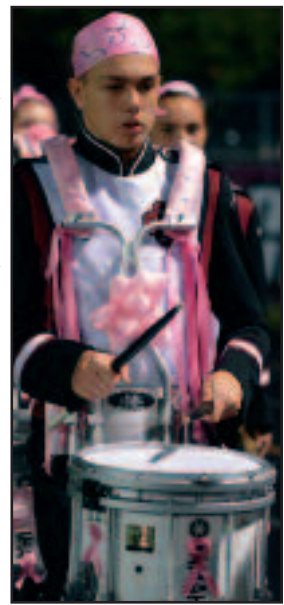
Bad Axe would score again in the third quarter following a hiccup in the Red Hawk backfield. Hatchet Matt McVey would make the hosts pay for their blunder a few plays later, scoring from 28 yards out as time expired in the quarter.

Trailing 44-34, Cass City's defense rose to the occasion again. Drew Loomis

provided the heroics - pouncing on a Hatchet fumble in the end zone - that had the hosts trailing just four points with 9:13 remaining.

On the ensuing kick, the Hatchets misplayed the boot and were pinned on the one-yard line. No matter - Morneau was able to drive his team 99 yards for what proved to be the

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Cass City falls in semis at USA volleyball tournament

Once again, Cass City showed the USA volleyball team they are a force to reckon with. And once again, the Lady Patriots proved they were up to the challenge.

The Greater Thumb West top 2 teams met Saturday at the USA Invitational, where the hosts recorded a tough 3 set victory en route to the championship of their own event.

Cass City's semifinal defeat Saturday, was similar to their GTW outing against the Patriots in early September. Both contests ended in disappointment for Coach Bill Potter's spikers, but both matches provided Cass City with little confidence boosts.

The Red Hawks finished on top of their pool over the weekend with a 5-1 record. Cass City dropped game one against Millington 19-25, before rebounding with decisions of 25-14, 26-24 against the Cardinals and 3 straight wins over Bay City All Saints by scores of 25-19, 25-16 and 25-15.

In elimination play, Cass City knocked off Kingston first by scores

of 25-13 and 25-9 to setup a rematch with the hosts.

"This was the one we had been waiting for," said Potter. "We had a plan that we had earlier in the week begun to practice, but was still a little rusty. We stumbled through it the first set and lost 14-25. The next set we started getting it together."

Cass City actually handed the Patriots a 26-24 setback in game 2, holding a 7-point advantage for much of the game and setting up a winner-take-all rubber set that went back and forth until the end and saw USA advance to the finals with a 15-12 win.

For Cass City, Lauren Potter registered 100 assists, 8 aces and 21 digs; while Taylor Rasmussen added 35 kills and 9 aces; Maegan LeValley, 39 kills; Macy Dickinson, 27 kills; and Sayge Cuthrell, 16 digs.

GTW CONTESTS

Earlier last week, Cass City traveled to face Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port

on Tuesday and returned with a victory in 5 sets.

"We decided to try out a new line up and that took some time getting used to. We traded sets until the end where we managed to claim the match," Potter said.

The scores on the night were 23-25, 25-21, 22-25, 27-25 and 16-14.

For Cass City, LeValley was credited with 31 kills and 2 aces; Taylor Rasmussen, with 12 kills and 2 aces; Potter, 48 assists, 2 aces, and 11 digs; and Hunter Langenburg, 19 digs and 5 kills.

On Thursday, Cass City hosted Bad Axe and made quick work of defeating the Hatchets.

Scores on the night were 25-11, 25-21 and 25-12.

"We had help from our student section," said Potter. "Their cheering helped energize our team and we appreciated their support."

For the winners, Potter posted 33 assists, 3 aces, and 14 digs; while Dickinson chipped in 8 kills; LeValley, 13 kills; and Allie Riddle, 12 digs.

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Cass City at Vassar	Cass City	Vassar	Vassar	Cass City
Reese at Bad Axe	Bad Axe	Bad Axe	Bad Axe	Bad Axe
USA at EPBP	EPBP	EPBP	EPBP	EPBP
Memphis at Ubyly	Ubyly	Ubyly	Ubyly	Ubyly
Marlette at Sandusky	Sandusky	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette
Peck at Kingston	Peck	Peck	Peck	Peck
Owen-Gage at New Haven	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
North Branch at Caro	North Branch	North Branch	North Branch	North Branch
Oct. 5 Akron-Fair at Flint MSD	Akron-Fairgrove	Akron-Fairgrove	Akron-Fairgrove	Akron-Fairgrove

Weeks' Results	3 - 5	3 - 5	5 - 3	3 - 5
Season Results	29 - 13 (69%)	27 - 15 (64%)	31 - 11 (74%)	31 - 11 (74%)

Anderson, Stimpfel battle at Wagener Park

Cass City boasted 5 individual medal winners over the weekend in Harbor Beach at the Wagener Park Invitational, where team honors went to the St. Clair boys' and Caro

girls' cross country teams. The Red Hawks received personal best times from Bransen Stimpfel (16:02) and CarLee Stimpfel (16:53) at the nearly 20-school mega meet,

while Jose Torres (17:27) rounded out the boy medal winners on the day for Coach Jon Zdrojewski. "Bransen finished second, CarLee finished 9th and Jose finished 20th," said Zdrojewski, noting Zane Wright (19:18) also handed in his best time of the season.

Red Hawks winless in GTW play

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winning score recorded by Jared Brown on a 12-yard run. Trailing 50-40 with 2:23 left in regulation, Cass City used its passing attack to advance deep into Bad Axe territory, where Hatchet Jarrod Emerick's fumble recovery derailed the hosts.

Erla completed six of nine passes for 87 yards, hitting Stern three times and Haire twice, while Loomis ran for 54 yards on eight totes and Perry collected 92 yards on nine carries for the Red Hawks. Haire led the Cass City defense with nine tackles, while TJ Moore and Josh Daniels chipped in with six and four stops, respectively.

Earning medalist honors was Harbor Beach's Luke Anderson with an impressive 5K time of 15:54. For the Lady Red Hawks, Erin Zdrojewski and Josie Loomis each ran season best times and were the team's only 2 medal winners. Zdrojewski crossed the end line in 24th place with a time of 21:18 and Loomis came in 39th place with a time of 22:17.

"Josie ran a personal best time by nearly 2 minutes on a very fast course that we will be back to run again for regionals," said Zdrojewski. Female medalist honors went to St. Clair's freshman Gabrielle Morton with a time of 19:40. Up next for Cass City is the team's only home outing of the year slated for a 9 a.m. start Saturday just east of the high school.

Football Standings			
Greater Thumb West			
Team	W	L	W
EPBP	2	0	5
Bad Axe	2	0	3
Vassar	1	1	3
USA	1	1	1
Cass City	0	2	2
Reese	0	2	1

Mid-Michigan 8-Man			
Team	W	L	W
Owen-Gage	5	0	5
Merritt	2	1	3
A-Fairgrove	1	3	1
Flint MSD	0	4	0

Volleyball Standings			
Greater Thumb West			
Team	W	L	W
USA	6	0	0
Cass City	5	1	1
Bad Axe	3	3	3
Reese	2	4	4
EPBP	2	4	4
Vassar	0	6	6

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Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

Congratulations to this week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner, Maegan LeValley. The Cass City junior honor student is a force in

the classroom and on the volleyball court. She has helped the Lady Red Hawks to an impressive 5-1 mark in the Greater Thumb West and most recently to victories over Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port and Bad Axe.

Against the Lakers, she was credited with 31 kills and 2 aces in the Lady Red Hawks' 5 set victory, and against the Hatchets, she connected on 13 winners during the straight set decision. Maegan is the daughter of Paula and Dick LeValley.



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VARSITY FOOTBALL

All games begin at 7:00 p.m.

8/28	Cass City 30, Brown City 13
9/5	Cass City 50, Memphis 14
9/12	Harbor Beach 42, Cass City 6
9/19	EPBP 16, Cass City 12
9/26	Bad Axe 50, Cass City 40
10/3	Vassar
10/10	Reese (HC)
10/17	USA
10/24	Caro

TENNIS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/20	Caro	4:00 p.m.
8/27	Saginaw High	4:00 p.m.
9/5	Midland Bullock Cr	8:00 a.m.
9/8	Saginaw Nouvel	4:00 p.m.
9/10	Sandusky	4:00 p.m.
9/11	Lapeer	TBD
9/16	Cros-Lex	4:00 p.m.
9/22	Sandusky	4:00 p.m.
9/24	Imlay City	4:00 p.m.
10/7	Yale	4:30 p.m.

CROSS COUNTRY

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/22	Bad Axe Early Bird	3:00 p.m.
8/28	Birch Run Invite	3:00 p.m.
9/6	Bad Axe Invite	8:30 a.m.
9/10	Ubly Invite	3:00 p.m.
9/17	Bad Axe (JH)	4:30 p.m.
9/18	Frankenmuth	4:00 p.m.
9/20	Laker Invite	8:30 a.m.
9/25	Wildcat relay @ Mayville	4:00 p.m.
10/4	Cass City Invite	9:00 a.m.
10/7	Bad Axe Invite	4:30 p.m.
10/11	Reese Invite	8:30 a.m.
10/14	GTC League @ USA	4:30 p.m.
10/18	Thumb Meet @Caro	10:00 a.m.
10/25	Regionals	TBA

FOLLOW THE HAWKS AT HOME

JV FOOTBALL

Oct. 1 vs. Vassar, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Oct. 7 vs. Yale, 4:30 p.m.

JR. HIGH VOLLEYBALL

Oct. 6 vs. Reese, 5:30 p.m.

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Oct. 10 vs. Reese, 7 p.m.

H.S. VOLLEYBALL

Oct. 7 vs. Reese, 6 p.m.

JR. HIGH FOOTBALL

Oct. 7 vs. Vassar, 6 p.m.

CROSS COUNTRY

Oct. 4, Cass City Invite, 9 a.m.

J.V. FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/27	Cass City 38, Brown City 0	
9/4	Cass City 52, Memphis 6	
9/11	Harbor Beach 12, Cass City 36	
9/18	EPBP 12, Cass City 54	
9/25	Bad Axe 0, Cass City 2 (forfeit)	
10/1	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
10/9	Reese (HC)	6:00 p.m.
10/16	USA	6:00 p.m.
10/23	Caro	6:00 p.m.

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/8	Vassar	5:30 p.m.
9/10	USA	5:30 p.m.
9/15	Reese	5:30 p.m.
9/17	Vassar	5:30 p.m.
9/22	USA	5:30 p.m.
9/24	Reese	5:30 p.m.
9/29	Vassar	5:30 p.m.
10/1	USA	5:30 p.m.
10/6	Reese	5:30 p.m.
10/8	Ubly	5:30 p.m.
10/11	8th grade tourney	TBA

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VOLLEYBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/6	Caro (JV)	8:30 a.m.
9/9	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
9/11	USA	6:00 a.m.
9/13	Caro (V)	8:30 p.m.
9/16	Reese	6:00 p.m.
9/18	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
9/20	Piconning (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/23	EPB Lakers	6:00 p.m.
9/25	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
9/27	USA Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/30	USA	6:00 p.m.
10/2	Harbor Beach	6:00 p.m.
10/7	Reese	6:00 p.m.
10/11	Imlay City (V)	TBA
10/14	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
10/16	Caro	6:00 p.m.
10/21	EPB Lakers	6:00 p.m.
10/25	Laker Invite (V)	8:00 a.m.
11-3/8	Districts @ BA	TBA

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

All games begin at 6:00 p.m.

DATE	OPPONENT
9/16	Vassar
9/23	USA
9/30	Reese
10/7	Vassar
10/14	USA
10/21	Reese

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PRICE REDUCED!
 1875 Historic home featuring 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths on 5.44 acres with an oversized 2-car garage and work shop. This home has 2,000 square feet, beautiful woodwork throughout, formal dining room, first floor laundry and a wonderful porch to spend your time relaxing. Lakers Schools. CY2686

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CASS CITY KICKED off its fourth annual "Pinktober" celebration during the half-time of the varsity football game Friday night, launching roughly 100 sky lanterns that were purchased for \$5 each, with proceeds earmarked for the Love for Lexi Pay it Forward Fund for local children stricken with cancer. The month-long celebration promotes awareness of breast cancer and generates money for the American Cancer Society (ACS).

Village disputes \$740,000 in fees for engineering

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are all issues, according to Bitzer, who noted he has informed opposing council in writing that Cass City officials attend to pay zip towards what they feel are useless plans.

"The ball is in their court now," he told the small group present Monday.

Village Manager Peter Cristiano refused to speculate on how Cass City might foot the engineering bill if deemed necessary down the road, saying to do so could give URS Corporation's claim merit. However, Cristiano indicated he's certain the disputed costs will never be passed on to village residents in the form of higher water and sewer rates.

Turning to other matters during the 30-minute session, Trustee Jenny Zawilinski reported three bids were accepted to replace the municipal building boiler. Her motion to approve the bid of Hayes Mechanical, Saginaw, in the amount of \$28,459 for the removal and replacement of the 50-year-old boiler was quickly approved.

Before accepting the Hayes Mechanical bid, Zawilinski explained the low bid of \$12,500 submitted by Orton Refrigeration was refused primarily because the boiler specified has fewer BTUs than the current boiler, while a third bid of \$41,000 from Johnson and Wood LCC, Bay City, was for a "Mercedes class" boiler with a stainless steel flue that was oversized.

In a related matter, the council rejected all bids received for an emergency generator at the municipal building. Zawilinski reported village officials have been informed of a potential grant available to the police department for all or part of the cost for an emergency backup generator.

While reviewing the requirements for the grant, it was determined the village should re-bid the project at a future date in order to possibly take

advantage of the grant, which requires that bidding not take place until after the grantee has been pre-approved and the grantor approves of the specifications.

In another public service committee issue, the council approved the DFA request for an easement across a portion of the waste water treatment plant property for the conveyance of its discharge waste to the Cass River. The easement would allow DFA to construct and maintain a discharge sewer line buried within the 20 foot-wide easement for the sum of \$1 and requires all damage resulting from construction of the sewer line to be restored to its original state.

OTHER BUSINESS

Also during the September monthly meeting, the council:

*Heard from Beachwood Street resident Ron Guinther, who asked that the village explore options for ATV and ORV owners to ride their vehicles on legal routes in and out of town, similar to those paths made legal for snowmobiles.

Cristiano said he has been in talks with Chief of Police Craig Haynes on the matter and that progress is being made on Guinther's request, which was originally submitted earlier in the year.

*Accepted the minutes from its August along with the financial statements ending Aug. 31 with a cash balance of \$1,718,926.

*Reported that the traffic signal at Seeger Street and Rose Street was blown down during a storm Aug. 30 and at this time, the police department has determined the signal is not needed.

*Approved Thumb National Bank's request for Class C fireworks for the Cass City High School homecoming football contest Friday, Oct. 10.

*Set Trick-or-Treat hours for Friday, Oct. 31, from 5:30 to 7 pm.

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