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## School's daycare director updates officials Monday



As it did last year, the generosity of a few has prompted others to join in an effort to make the holidays a little brighter for some Huron County residents.
Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson recently announced that some Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson recently announced that some
anonymous donors had come forward with money and requested that the anonymous donors had come forward with money and requested that the
sheriff's department distribute the gifts in cash and gift certificates, at its disSheriff 's department distribute the gifts in cash and gift certificates, at its dis-
cretion, to individuals or families that are having a hard time making ends Please turn to page 10 .


BETTE BERRY (from left) Georgia Hammett, Michigan Sugar: Shirley Strickland and Juliet Patterson are all part of the 48 -member Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary, whose members organize various for beets, yields
fundraisers that contribute thousands of dollars worth of equipment to the hospital annually The worth of equipment to the hospital annually. The group operates the hospital gift shop and donates countless volunteer hours each year.

## Small group, BIG IMPACT

Hospital auxiliary donates thousands of dollars, hours

## by Tom Montgomery <br> Editor

Ask Hills and Dales General Hospital officials about the hospital's auxiliary, and chances are good they'll describe it as a small group that has made
a big impact. a big impact.
They'll tell over the years, contributing countless volunteer hours and running a host of fundraisers, which combined have enabled the organization to contribute thousands of dollars worth of equipment - ranging from blanket warmers to specialized medical furniture to automatic sliding doors - to the local hos-
 Christmas for Kids project.
$\underset{\text { Editor }}{\text { by Tom Montgomery }}$
Members of the Cass City Rotary
Club, bolstered by generous donaClub, bolstered by generous donations of toys and cash from the com-
munity and volunteers ready to lend munity and volunteers ready to lend
a hand, completed the club's 17th a hand, completed the club's 17th
annual Christmas for Kids project with the distribution of bags filled with clothing, toys, books and games
to area families Friday. to area families Friday.
Emily Phillips, in her Emily Phillips, in her second year
as chairman of the toy collection as chairman of the toy collection
campaign for the local Rotary Club, ' 15 record year Michigan Sugar Company officials
recently annour vest has wrapped this year's harvest has wrapped up and a record
crop was delivered by sugar beet farmers across the region. Total production during the 2015 growing season topped five million
tons of Michige with yields also setting sugar beets, with yields also setting a new record
at 31.6 tons per acre.
"A record harvest means a record "A record harvest means a record processing campaign, and Michigan Sugar is on track this year to get the
job done," said Mark Flegenheimer, CEO of Michigan Sugar. "We're laser focused on processing this
year's harvest, and we're proud of
the year sharvest, and we re proud of
the economic benefits the harvest
creates every year in the creates every year in the communities in which we are located." Michigan's annual sugar beet har-
vest is processed at four Michigan vest is processed at four Michigan
Sugar facilities located across the Thumb. Processing begins in the fall
and runs and runs through the following spring. At every Michigan Sugar
facility, hiring and activity ramp up facirity, hiring and activity ramp up
during harvest and processing. Annually, during the peak of harvest and processing, Michigan Sugar will employ more than 2,300 fulland part-time workers, with more
than 1,100 employed at its flagship facility in Bay City alone.
"Every year, we ramp up hiring of
local workers to receive the crop local workers to receive the crop,
process, package and ship sugar," process, package and ship sugar,
said Ray Van Driessche, director of community and government relations for Michigan Sugar. "A stronger harvest means a stronger
processing campaign, which allows processing campaign, which allows
our company to continue to invest, Please turn to page 6.


CASS CITY Rotary Club members (from left) Emily Phillips, Mary Cunningham and Colleen Langenburg fill bags filled with toys and clothing at the Curtis Chrysler dealership in Cass City, where the club distributed the gifts to more than 90 area families Friday in conjunction with this year's

## Gift campaign serves 184 kids

reported 91 families - 184 kids in all District who are struggling financialwere served during this year's $\begin{aligned} & \text { ly. Most of the referrals are provid- } \\ & \text { effort. }\end{aligned}$ by the Tuscola County Family effort. figures represent an increase Indep the Tuscola County Family
The
Indence Agency and local from the 2014 Christmas for Kids school officials. project, which served 84 families, Phillips pointed out the campaign including 186 youngsters and teens. owes its ability to meet all of the "I think things went really well this needs to a variety of sources, espe-
year," commented Phillips, who cially all of those individuals and credited the Rotary Club's past businesses who contribute to the Christmas for Kids leadership, in cause.
part, for that success." "We have "DDonations were up this year We part, for that success. "We have "Donations were up this year. We
quite a good system in place to meet still had toys contributed, but cash quite a good system in place to meet still had toys contributed, but cash
the needs of 184 children," she donations were up," she said, noting
 The annual effort targets families among the faithful contributors of
residing in the Cass City School
Please turn to page 6 .


DANIELLE LAMING'S art students at Cass City Junior-Senior High School are annual contributors to the Chronicle's Christmas edition, and this year's artwork submissions were outstanding. Above, Alexis Mazure, a tenth grade student, created a colored reindeer. Readers will find more student artwork on pages 11 through 16 and 20.

Owen-Gage announces"students of month The focus for Owen-Gage's stu- have been chosen: Allison Haldane, chosen as the 2015-16 homecoming
dents of the month for December is fifth grade (elementary level), king. He also was a snowball reprebeing a "Cooperative, Collaborative daughter of Robert and Patty sentative his sophomore and junior
Worker". A student who is a cooper- Haldane; Haden Gruehn, sixth grade years. As a sophomore, Daniel won ative, collaborative worker commu- (junior high level), son of Nathan the NASA Mission Patch Design nicates without bias, accepts and and Kamryn Gruehn: Morgan Competition and his patch design involves all members of a group, and Ondrajka, tenth grade (high school was flown into space by the SSEP follower. He or she also can move Ondrajka and Daniel Good twelfth Mission 4. Daniel served on the effectively from one aroup to movoth- Ondrajka; and Daniel Good, twelfth prom committee his junior year and er and demonstrate loyalty and trust and Julie Good. past two years. He has attended the in a group. The following students


Allison Haldane


## Obituaries

Haden Gruehn


Morgan Ondrajka
Ann Elliott Ann Elliott (nee McIntyre) peace-
fully departed this earth on December 5,2015 . She is survived by her daughter Jul Baxter (wife of Mitchell Baxter),
grandsons Jason Burns, Kenneth Burns and Sean Flynn, and seven great grandchildren.
Ann's daughter Mari preceded her in death.

Ronald Sieradzki
Ronald Thomas Sieradzki, 57, of Cass City died following a long ill-
ness Monday, December 14,2015 in St. Mary Medical Center, Saginaw. He was born July 20,1958 in
Detroit to Chester

(Tomaszewski) Sieradzki.
He married Teri Ann Ortiz He married Teri Ann Ortiz
September 12,1987 in Bronx, NY. Reno graduated from Cass City High
School in 1976. He played football, ran track and wrestled during his
high school career. Ron worked on high school career. Ron worked on
the family farm before moving to
Denver, CO in 1978 . He worked at Denver, CO in 1978 . He worked at a
local refinery there before moving to local refinery there before moving to
Bronx, NY where he worked Tremont Glass and Hunts Metal.
Ron returned to Cass City in 1989 He worked for Barnbuilders for
many years and then beame many years and then became a self employed carpenter doing roofing,
building pole barns and remodeling building pole barns and remodeling
jobs with family and friends. Ron enjoyed playing pool and darts and loved to play lotto. He enjoyed
watching football on television and loved time spent outside by the
campfire. Ron had a great sense of campfire. Ron had a great sense of
humor and never missed an opportunity to offer a wise crack or tease
someone close to him someone close to him. Anyone
could be a target. could be a target.
Ron is survived by Teri Ann
Sieadzi Ron is survived by Teri Anle
Sieradzki of Cass City; sons: Kyle
(Jayme) Sieradzki (Jayme) Sieradzki of Caro, Thomas
(Amber) Sierzd (Amber) Sieradzki of Montpelier, OH; daughter, Samantha Sieradzk
of Cass City; mother, Marlene of Cass City; mother, Marlene
Sieradzki of Deford; brothers Chester E. Sieradzki of Ocala, FL, Michael (Stephanie) Sieradzki of
Portsmith, VA. Portsmith, VA; sisters: Linda
(Bobby) Walsh of Clermont, Judith Sieradzki of Fruitport, Beth (Clayton) Harmer of Lake Odessa grandchildren: Layla, Aleigh and
Nevaeh; many nieces and Nevaeh; many nieces and nephews
He was preceded in death by his He was preceded in death by
father, Chester A. Sieradzki. A funeral service was held December 18 in Kranz Funeral
Home, Cass City with Debra Home, Cass City with Debra L.
Kranz, Funeral Service Celebrant Kranz, Funeral Service Celebrant,
officiating.
Interment will take place in St, Columbkille Cemetery, Ubly Pallbearers for Mr. Sieradzki: Kyl Sieradzki, Thomas Sieradzki, Scott
Meeker, Rich Ortiz, Robert Walsh, Cory Walsh and Clayton Harmer. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society. Family
and friends may share memories, and friends may share memories,
prayers and stories with the family at WWw.kranzfuneralhome.com.
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## Yes, Virginia, there

 is a Santa ClausEight-year-old Virginia O'Hanlon wrote a letter to the editor of New York's Sun, and the quick response was printed as an unsigned editorial Sept. 21, 1897. The work of veteran newsman Francis Pharcellus Church has since become history's most reprinted newspaper editorial, appearing in part or whole in dozens of languages in books, movies, and other editorials, and on posters and stamps. We present it again to our readers for their enjoyment

DEAR EDITOR: I am 8 years old.
Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, 'If you see it in THE SUN it's so.' Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

VIRGINIA O'HANLON.
115 WEST NINETY-FIFTH STREET.'
VIRGINIA, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except [what] they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their litte minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, VIRGINIA, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VIRGINIAS. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes he noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, VIRGINIA, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times en thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood

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It's the season of celebration. Happy Holidays, Mery
Christmas, Happy Hanukkah or Festive Festivus whatever your phrase of choice, it's a lovely time to cel ebrate and believe in miracles. People all around are
joyous and giddy with cheer joyous and giddy with cheer.
To further illustrate the magnificence of the holiday, ugly Christmas sweaters are back in style. Some of them even feature blinking lights.
What's not to love
What's not to love about an over-the-top time of year filled with electric sweaters, wrapped gifts, a tree in the
living room, parties for hosting, candlelight, cookies, eggnog and fruitcake? It's exuberant celebration for the taking and making. There's only one problem. I wasn't feeling it this year.

## Shes of life

by Jill Pertler
Finding the holiday spirit
do it all. Have it all. Get it all done - - from scratch trying to do it all. Have it all. Get it all done - from scratch - bigTo bake 14 varieties of cookies without gaining any holiday weight. To carve out time so the kids get to make the annual gingerbread house. To have a family night solely dedicated to watching "Elf," To find the
ideal and desired items so everyone is shocked and awed by their gifts. To get the perfect family photo for the perfect card that perfectly illustrates the perfection of your family - without overt bragging or coming across like you think you are well, perfect. To wrap and
decorate and trim and carol while (it goes without say ing) you remain calm and bright and your heart is filled with the true meaning of the season.
It's overwhelming and I guess I was letting it show this
year more than others. I was lacking in decoration mot year more than others. I was lacking in decoration moti-
vation, cookie baking ability and overall holiday spitit But my ho-ho-hopeful husband wasn't going to let my bah humbug mentality get the best of him. He suggested we go get a tree.
"You can pick it out and I'll do the rest," he said. "I'll put it up and decorat
Famous last words.
We did find a tree. It wasn't very tall or full but it had bark and branches. My husband propped it in its stand and tightened the bolts to stabilize the trunk. Our
Charlie Brown sapling leaned to the left. We adjusted Charlie Brown sapling leaned to the left. We adjusted
the bolts and straightened the sparse spruce. When my the bolts and straightened the sparse spruce. When my pulled and prodded and repeated the process. Still, our tree leans.
At least it hasn't toppled over - yet. (My husband's "It wasn't not mine.)
with a little lean in it. Giraight," he said. "It looks good Our youngest son contemplated the tree, cocking his head to the side presumably to make it appear straight.
After about 30 seconds of scrutiny he said, "It's awful-
ly small"" ly small." $\qquad$ glass-half-full husband told him. "Lights make a tree look bigger. Besides, size doesn't matter. It still smells
like a tree." My husband took a deep breath through him


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nose. "Smell that?"
We all smelled the tree and had to agree it had a fine pine scent.
My hus My husband looped one string of lights around from top ing brighter He got the bo of our little free was look ing brighter. He got the box of ornaments from the base There was a baby girl ornament from 1991 commemo rating our daughter's first Christmas. Another of Mickey ears reminded us of a trip to Disney World. Snowmen
with the message "I love the USA" were from Christma 2001. We hung a tiny cable car from the year my husband and I traveled to San Francisco. We found a framed orna ment of a Labrador retriever puppy and remembered ou dear dog. This will be our first Christmas without he There were countless ornaments handmade by the kid
over the years - each one a true treasure over the years - each one a true talked me into getting the tangle of greenery that is ou tree this year. We don't have time to do all the things w wish we could to get ready for the holiday. We don't have gifts. We might not get the gingerbread house made o picture perfect cards sent.
And that's okay, because we do have the things we real ly need. Right here. Hanging on the branches of our tiny Ie

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist published playwright and author: Don't miss a slice; fol - Lije page on Facebook.

## Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire
(And anyone else he can get to help)

A holiday greeting from former Chronicle Editor Mike Eliasohn
(1977-84) provided the following piece of trivia. In a email he wrote: In case Christmas day turns out to be shirt-sleeve weathe
and it might (or be close), here's something you could mention in and it might (or be close), here's something you could mention in
"Rabit Tracks": Check the archives to be sure, but I recall that it hit 65 degrees on Christmas day in 1983, which was my last winter in Cass City.
I remember taking three photos that day that ran in the next issu of the Chronicle: Stan Guinther and his daughter playing tenni (and learning fuzzy tennis balls don't bounce good on a wet tennis
court), some kids shooting baskets, and a Santa's sleigh lawn dec oration sitting on grass, rather than snow.
Happy holidays, Mike, and thanks for cranking up our tim machines

There's a Great Start Imagination Library fundraiser planned fo Theresday, Dec. 28, reports long-time area educator Marilyn Peter. The former Tuscola County Intermediate School District adminis trator says the event will be held at Cass City Elementary Schoo from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and is limed 10 en kinderigren will enjoy supervised
Child such as ceramic painting, cup stacking, carrival games - witl prizes - reading time and much more. Cost is $\$ 20$ per child or $\$ 30$
for two children in the for two children in the same family, and participants are ask to bring a snack lunch and drink
To register contact Peters

There's a winner in the Cass City's Lions Club 50/50 raffle held in conjunction with the local Christmas in the Village celebration, according to club member Earr Volmering. It's Rich Witherspoon, who pocketed $\$ 621$ for the lucky ticke
drawn after the Lighted Christmas Parade drawn after the tighted
being a civic-minded person.

It should be a merry Christmas for Michigan potato farmers. According to the USDA, their 2015 potato crop is forecast to be 17.550 million hundredweight (cwt), up 11.6 percent from 2014 Planted acres, at 46,000 , increased by 3,000 acres from 2014
Harvested acres, at 45,000 , were up 2,500 acres from a year ago The average yield is forecast at 390 cwt per acre, up 20 cwt from last year. The yield is an all-time high yield.
Same holds true for sugar beet growers, who produced more than 5 million tons of Michigan-made sugar beets during the 201. growing season, setting ails)
Ho, ho, ho boys (and girls

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|  | taking place. This led to the deputy $\begin{aligned} & \text { Prosecutor's Office for them. } \\ & \text { surveilling Geiger Road in Oliver } \\ & \text { "Unfortunately, three of the four } \\ & \text { Twp., where a duffle bag was sup- were school athletes and they face }\end{aligned}$ |  |
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Reporter's notebook

## A few Christmas

 wishes on my list
## by Tom Montg



I realize it's a bit late to be sharing my Christmas list, but I really don't expect to find any of these items wrapped up nice and neat and placed under my tree.
Still, it would be nice to at least consider how a few simple changes and who doesn't like change?) might improve our outlook on life, not to mention how we see our family, friends, neighbors - even the
strangers we've never met yet. strangers we've never met yet.
Okay, so I realize "peace on earth" is a pretty unrealistic goal in these times, but I wonder how many of our readers have any of the following on their Christmas lists this year, too:
*I wish we would all spend far less time on cell phones, iPads, tablets, etc., and more time talking to each other, face to face. Facebook and other social networking websites have many wonderful uses, but a serious debate about anything isn't one of them, in my pinion.
*I wish more folks would focus more on how grateful they should be for all they have, rather than wasting time concentrating on and pursuing what they don't have but think they really need to make hem happy.
*I wish it were easy to prioritize our lives in such a way that spending more time keeping in touch with family members and friends always trumps stressing about work and other issues that really aren't going to amount to a hill of beans in the end.
by others by others against them. I'm talking about the wrongs that remain unforgiven, keeping those who were once close far apart now. Time is precious, folks, and if you're really honest with yourself, you'll agree there's no way to justify wasting even one second.
*I wish more Americans would set at least as much time aside thinking about and praying for the men and women defending this nation in the armed services than they do bickering and debating politics and every little thing that comes out of the mouth of candidates who wouldn't recognize true representation of "the people" if it slapped them in the face.
${ }^{*}$ I wish we would all pray more. About everything. Period.
*I wish we would take the time to learn about the people we meet in life long before making all sorts of judgments about them. I wonder how many times I've done that and missed out on getting to know really wonderful person
*I wish we lived in a society where we could feel comfortable sticking to our own beliefs and personal opinions, but at the same time listen to those with differing views without resorting to name-calling and labeling those who disagree with us as haters. Unfortunately, more and more folks these days are determined to give various sins new names and then try to convince everyone else that it's okay to indulge, provided enough people openly and vocally support it. I wish we could all put more effort into walking away from petty arguments that keep us from focusing on what makes living in the Thumb great: a sense of community that is all about caring, compassion and working together for the good of everyone.
*Last, but certainly not least, I wish that all the University of Michigan and Michigan State University fans would get over themselves and come to grips with the fact that Central Michigan University is THE university in Michigan.
Go Chips!
Oh, and merry Christmas to you all.

## Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas

5 YEARS AGO (2010) Also helping are Kathy Varney, Ben Varney and Bert Alwaver. Volunteers project's headquarters, Curtis Chrysler in Cass City, to finish packing the gifts.
Student
Student Katie Bock, 13, helps gift for each of his family members ginring the Santa's Secret Workshop Thursday night at Cass City Middle
School. The 2-day event is a fundraiser that helps to pay. for the annual eighth
Washington, D.C The Owen-Gage High School Class of 1960 recently held its 50 th class
reunion at Sherwood on the Hill in reunion at Sherwood on the Hill in
Gagetown. Twelve members attendGagetown. Twelve members attend-
ed. They are Nancy (Lorencz)
Prement Prokopenko, Joyce Enderle, Norma
(Sibel) Krat (Seibel) Kretzschmer, Marilyn
(Woods) Haag, Kathy (Toohey) Von Lioods) Haag, Kathy (Toohey) Von
Linsowe, Lorraine (Adams) Seurynck, Nick Mulrath, Gary
O'Connell, Amasa Ondrajka O'Connell, Amasa Ondrajka,
Charles Pistro, Donnell Holland and Charles Kretzschmer.
Tyler Forth, son of William Deford, has been accepted to the University of Northwestern Ohio in Lima, Ohio, to begin classes in the
June session, when he will be majorJune session, when he will be major-
ing in the Auto/Diesel Program. He attends Cass City High School. This week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner is Haley Wynn. The Red Hawk junior record-
ed 3 regional qualifying scores to highlight the action for Coach Kathy Bouverette's gymnasts Thursday in her team's opening meet against
Vassar. Wynn, in her third Vassar. Wynn, in her third varsity
season, earned regional qualifying season, earned regional qualifying
marks on the vault and floor events with scores of 8.4 and 8.0 , respectively. She placed runner-up in the vault and third during her floor rou-
tine. Still, it was Wynn's work on the tine. Still, it was Wynn's work on the,
bars that resulted in the Red Hawks'
lone victory against the Vulcans lone victory against the Vulcans
Judges gave her a winning tally of

10 YEARS AGO (2005)
New officers were recently installed at the Masonic Tyler Lodge 317, Cass City. They are Kenneth
Blue (senior
warden), Palmateer (worshipful master), Lyle Melkerson (marshal), Charles Timmons (senior deacon), Barney Hoffman (chaplain), Robert Wood (treasurer), James Wilson (junior

## NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE PETITION OF THE VILLAGE OF CASS CITY TO ANNEX CERTAIN territory to the village of cass city

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Village Council of the Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan has petitioned the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners to annex to the Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan, the following described lands located in the Township of Elkland, Tuscola County, Michigan, to-wit:

## Parcel 1

Township of Elkland, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, Part of the Southwest $1 / 4$ of Section 28, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, being more particularly described as Beginning at the South $1 / 4$ corner of said Section 28 ; thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds West along the South line of said Section 28 328.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 17 minutes 49 seconds West, parallel with
the North and South $1 / 4$ line of Said Section $28,330.00$ feet; thence North 89 degrees 52 minutes 43 seconds East parallel with said South line 328.00 feet the North and South $1 / 4$ line of said Section 28; thence South 00 degrees 17 minutes 49 seconds East along said $1 / 4$ line, 330.00 feet to the South $1 / 4$ corner of said Section and the point of beginning.

## Enhancement Parcel (Parcel 3):

A parcel of land in the Southwest $1 / 4$ of Section 28, T. 14 N.- R. 11 E., Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point $49^{\prime \prime W}$., of the South $1 / 4$ corner of said Section; thence S $.89^{\circ}-52^{\prime}-43^{\prime \prime} W$., parallel with the South line of said Section, 528.00 feet to the centerline of a drain; thence N. $00^{\circ}-17^{\prime}-49^{\prime \prime}$ W., parallel with said North and South $1 / 4$ line and on said centerline, 15.82 feet; thence $N .23^{\circ}-01^{\prime}-49^{\prime \prime} \mathrm{E}$., continuing on said centerline, 117.31 feet; thence S. $88^{\circ}-54^{\prime}-25^{\prime \prime}$ E., 481.68 feet to said North and South $1 / 4$ line; thence S. $00^{\circ}$ $17^{\prime}-49^{\prime \prime}$.., on said North and South $1 / 4$ line, 113.47 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.39 acres of land and subject to any easements of record

This notice shall be published in the Cass City Chronicle, a newspaper published in the Village of Cass City, one time each week for three weeks immediately preceding the hearing on the petition The hearing on the petition wirl be a public hearing and all persons for or against the proposed Lincoln Street, Caro, MI, on the $28^{\text {th }}$ day of December, 2015, at 7:30 a.m.., EST.
Dates: December 1, 2015

## Michael Hoagland County Administrator for the Tuscola issioners

Jodi Fetting Clerk
lerk ounty of Tuscola
Nanette Wals
Village Clerk
Village of Cass City, MI
deacon), Elmer Francis (junior wardery) and Theodore Furness (secreMembers of the Cass City gymnastic team include Megan VanVliet,
Jennica Richards, Cassie Simpon Danielle Johnson, Brooke Mika, Ashley Weiss, Taryn Vatter, Kirsti Parrish, Nicole Heronemus, Allie
Hillaker, Kelli Pettit, Tarrah Martin, Hillaker, Kelli Pettit, Tarrah Martin,
Allie Richards, Caitlin Sorenson and Leah Whittaker. The team is coached by Kathy Bouverette.

25 YEARS AGO (1990)
The tenants at Cass City Apartments enjoyed a catered dinner
at festively decorated tables Thursday, Dec. 20. Stella Martus
was chairman for the event and she made the birthday cake for December birthday, Glayds
Auslander. Two tenants were in the hospital recuperating, Corinne
Creguer and Loretta Lamoreaux Jerry Lamoureaux and his brother-in-law, Paul Leyva, played and sans for the group as they do every year.
Santa Claus visited and handed out Santa Claus visited and handed out
candy Gospel Sing debut will be the Thumb-based Highlights Gospel Singers. Members Stella McLario,
Joyce Hazzard, Rod Hazzard and Patti Branham. Former area resident Michael A. Seibel has been named to Ferris State University's dean's list for the recently completed fall quarter. To
be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a minimum grade point average of 3.50 while carrying at least 12 credit hours. Seibel is the
son of Harold and Elaine Seibel of son of Harold and Elaine Seibel of
Gagetown and is enrolled in Plastics Gagetown and is enrolled in Plastics
Engineering Technology at FSU.

35 YEARS AGO (1980)
James Bauer, Tom Proctor, Skip and Ellen Speirs and Norma Speirs and daughter Becky attended
Dorothy Chaffee's Christmas party last Thursday afternoon in her apartment. Punch, tea and cookies were
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Houghton will have as Christmas Day guests, Mr and Mrs. Clyde Hodges and Mr. and Mrs. James Dennis and children of
Caro, Mr. and Mrs. James Neal and Caro, Mr. and Mrs. James Neal and
family of Toledo, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Michael LeTourneau and Melissa of Indianapolis, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Jack
Laurie and family and Mr. and Mrs.

## Laurie and fam Stanley Morell <br> Stanley Morell Mr. and Mrs. J

 ily, Mike, Darlene and Michelle, andEric Clark of Columbus, Ind., are spending a few days with, their par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. James MacTavirh ents, Mr. and Mrs. James MacTavish
of Cass City and Mr. and Mrs. of Cass City and Mr. and Mrs.
Ottomar Sting of Owendale.
Pvt. Jeffery S. Hallock, son of Mr. Pvt. Jeffery S. Hallock, son of Mr.
and Mrs. Howard J. Hallock of and Mrs. Howard J. Hallock of training at Fort Sill, Okla. During the
training, students receive instructio in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military cour-
tesy military justice first aid, and tesy, military justice, first
Army history and traditions.

40 YEARS AGO (1975)
Mrs. Mary Kirton and Miss Suzanne Lowe from Cass City and
Mark Posluszny of Deford were among 23 persons who attended a Christmas party at Pigeon Saturday
evening given by Mrs. Eleanor evening given by Mrs. Eleanor
Eicher. The group included Mrs. Eicher's family and employees of Eicher's Cleaners. Pre-party activi-
ties were at Mrs. Eicher's home folties were at Mrs. Eicher's home fol-
lowed by dinner at the Lamplighter. lowed by dinner at the Lamplighter.
There was an exchange of gifts and There was an exchange of gitts and
Mrs. Eicher presented plaques for "long and faithful service" to Mrs. Vera Bowman of Pigeon, an employee for 20 years and to Mrs. Kirton,
who has been with the firm for more who has been with the firm for more
than 18 years.

Mr. and Mrs. James Batts attended the St. Louis Cardinals-Detroit Lions game Sunday, Dec. 21. Later
they went to the home of Mr and Mrs. A.G. Elmore Sr. of Farmington Hills where they were met by their children and Mrs. Batts' brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Elmore Jr.
They celebrated Mrs. Batts' birthday They celebrated Mrs. Batts' birthday.
Mr. and Mrs. Harley Dorman and family of Caro, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sawdon and family of Deford, Mr.
and Mrs. Wilbur Dorman and Mrs. Wilbur Dorman and family,
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mclntosh and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mclntosh and
family and Mr. and Mrs. Voyle family and Mr. and Mrs. Voyl
Dorman were pre-Christmas guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith
and girls. and girls.

50 YEARS AGO (1965)
The Cass City Good Shepher
Lutheran Church has signed an Lutheran Church has signed an
option for 40 acres of land immedi-
ately adjacent to the east village lim-
its, fronting on M-81, now owned by
Ralph Young Churc nuthorites say Ralph Young. Church authorities sa that if the option is exercised, a new the site. Presently, Lutherans ar meeting in a church basement at the corner of Maple and Garfield streets, Cliff Croft, Cass City businessman, visited Cass City Lanes bowling termed "a little exercise" and ended up bowling what the current owners considered the alley's first near per
fect game. Croft bowling with alley fect game. Croft, bowling with alley
owner, Ray Schweikart, rolled a sur prising 290 . His best game prior to that was about 200 or 225 ." The kegler rolled ten strikes for 270 and then picked up nine pins. He picked up the spare and went on to anothe
strike for 290 . His series for thre games was 614 . "He didn't do too good on the last game," reports
Schweikart. "Seemed a little nervous." "This may cause some discussion," Schweikart continued, "but, game in the history of the alley." this is Schweikart's second season
at the alley. at the alley.
Mrs. Ruth Finkbeiner and son Tim will have as Christmas Day guests,
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Finkbeiner and children of Deford, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Finkbeiner and children, Mr.
and Mrs. Theo Hendrick and Mrs. John Hayes. The Don Finkbeiners will join the group in the afternoon.

75 YEARS AGO (1940)
Mr. \& Mrs. George Russell 1940 by the additionstmas gifts in daughter and a grandson to the fami ly circle. The son and doughter became in-laws when two marriage ceremonies were performed Tuesday Spaven, was born on December 25 . How'd you like to be the mail man today? asked B. A. Elliott, rural letter carrier on Route No. 3, as he stopped Tuesday of the Chronicle office Tuesday morning with his car
crowded with Christmas mail. He had 73 packages and about 1,000 Christmas cards and letters for his rural patrons. It looked like a big
day's work but still it was more day's work but still it was more
attractive than the drifted roads the attractive than the drifted roads the auto two weeks ago. The rural letter carrier's job is no bed of roses in th winter season.
Only once in the 11-year history of
the Junior Livestock Show, 1932 the Juind chastock Show, 1932 higher price than Leslie Smith, Cass City, received this year for his white Shorthorn champion. Hygrade Food
Products Company paid $\$ 1.65$ a pounds for the steer.
Style Notes: Wear all white in the evening, even a white fur coat. Sheer contrast-color yokes are new in dark daytime dresses. Braiding in self
color on paschal wool is new trimming formula. Pastel dresses of thin wool are style important tinder for coats. Red in coats, dresses and
accessories sets a new high in chic. accessories sets a new high in chic.
New evening handbags are a riot of color and glittering beadwork. Quilted velvet is the newest thing for blouses, capes and jerkins. Tune
your dress to occasion with detachyour dress to occasion wi
able embroidered sleeves.

100 YEARS AGO (1915)
Perhaps no town has more reason to be proud of its commercial, educa tional and religious privileges than
Cass City. The business men are always ready and perfectly willing to accommodate their patrons regard-
less of the fact that occasionally less of the fact that occasionally
ready cash finds its way into the pockets of outside concerns, while the home business man is politely asked to wait and live on hope. Our
schools are highly favored with schools are highly favored with 12
well trained competent teachers. We regret, however, that we lack the modern conveniences enjoyed by size. Our church buildings are modern in most every detail, and we are nformed that Cass City is to be conareach thed in having men who love to Christ. Notwithstanding these and many other good features of our we have no provision whatever for the comfort of our patrons.
At the regular meeting of Tyler lowing officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. M., Richard Bayley; S. W., Arthur Flynn; J. W.,
Meredith B. Auten; Treas Meredith B. Auten; Treas., E.H.
Pinney; Sec.; I. A. Fritz; S. D., Elias Pinney, Sec., A. A. Fritz; S. D.," Westias
McKim; J.D., George W.
Stewards there will be installation of officers and the presentation of life officers and the presentatial
membership certificates.

## CASS THEATRRE

HELD OVER 2ND WEEK NOW THRU NEW YEAR'S EVE CLOSED CHRISTMAS EVE EVENINGS 7:30-OPEN MON. \& TUES. CHILDREN S4.00 - TEENADULTS S6.00 DISNEY-PIXAR ANIMATED ADVENTURE
"THE GOOD DINOSAUR" (PG)
SOON: "STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS
Medilodge Cass City Celebrates
"Resident of The Month"

Sherwood on the Hill
invites you to ring in
the New Year with dinner and music

D.J. Tom Fulcher
$1 \int \mathrm{~J} \delta$ Starting at 9:00 p.m.
$\$ 3.00$ Cover Charge
SPECIAL DINNERS - 4-8p.m.
Make Reservations and choose from the following menu items by Mon. December 28th

Dinner Choices \$30.0.0 per person

- Steak \& Lobster (\$35 per person)
- Prime Rib
- Jumbo Shrimp - Sampler Seafood Platter Includes: Soup, Tossed Salad, Shrimp Cocktail, Potato, Bread \& Glass of Wine *DJ Cover Charge included with dinner MUST HAVE DINNER RESERVATIONS Call Pam at 989-665-9971 or 989-550-9971 6625 Third St. Gagetown, MI 48735

Auxiliary small group with big impact

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Take the Hills and Dales General Take the Hills and Dales General
Hospital Auxiliary's annual bake Hospital Auxiliary's annual bake
sale and raffle drawing held Dec. 4 for example. The event saw a record attendance and the baked goods were sold out before 10 a.m., raising more than \$5s0. won by Julia Robbins (a hand-crafted quilt made by Sheri McArthur), Geraldine Prieskorn (a hand-crafted afghan made by Beth Lefler), Julane
Fritz (jewelry donated by the Hills Fnd Dewelry donated by the Hills
aneral Hospital Auxiliary), Mike Gonzales (two oil changes donated by Curtis Chrysler),
Archie Allen ( $\$ 50$ cash Archie Allen ( $\$ 50$ cash donated by
Joann Smithson and Dot Knight), Joann Smithson and Dot Knight),
Connie Schulte ( $\$ 20$ Gilligan's gif certificate), Mike Sines (hand-knitted baby blanked made by Marilyn Peters), Andrew Robbins (variety gift basket donated by Chemical
Bank), Caren Clara (U-M lap robe donated by Sherryl Seeley), and Russell Lalko (a pair of Pucci porce$\underset{\text { lain clowns }}{\text { lreenwood) }}$ donated by Pa
"The bake sale is just one of the numerous fundraisers held by the auxiliary throughout the year," said
Danielle Blaine, who serves as both Danielle Blaine, who serves as both
public relations director for Hills and Dales General Hospital and as director of the hospital's foundation. "Other events such as book sales, jewelry sales, scrub sales, popcorn sales and the gift shop sales are also
fundraisers they host," Blaine added "In 2015, the auxiliary group purchased over $\$ 20,000$ worth of new equipment for the hospital, including furniture for the Swing Bed Program
activity room, stretchers for the oper ating room, a wide reclining blood draw chair for the laboratory department, an overhead heating and cooling system for the lobby area, and
whiteboards to be used in patient whiteboards to be used in patien
rooms."
"We are so blessed by this incredi "We group of volunteers," comment ed Jean Anthony, Hills and Dales
president and CEO. "They have president and CEO. "They have
been with us since before Hills and Dales opened back in 1960, and each year they continue to amaze me with the generosity of their time and talents.

## Beet season one for the records

The items they purchase for the shile the auxiliary can be easily
hospital help tremendously with seen at work in the hospital gift shop keeping costs down for our depart- and during events such as the
ments," Anthony said "I could American Red Cross blood drives it ments," Anthony said. "I could American Red Cross blood drives never give them enough praise; they co-sponsors with the VFW Post
are truly a valued treasure for Hills 3644 , Cass City, every few months, and Dales." what many residents don't see are Pat Greenwood, a member of the the organizations
auxiliary for the past 10 years and behind the scenes.
auxiliary for the past 10 years and behind the scenes. acknowledged medical equipment is delivers to all the offices and expensive. She said the auxiliary's employees (within the hospital)," 2015 purchases included $\$ 3,540$ for Seeley said. "Every day we have two lounge chairs and a sofa for the two messenger runs, delivering inter-
Hills and Dales Swing Bed Program, office mail as well as incomin Hills and Dales Swing Bed Program, chair for the phlebotomy depart ment, and $\$ 3,951$ for a couple oper- the auxiliary's messent, who heads up ating room stretchers. "Last year we says she enjoys the work volunteers, sent $\$ 25,200$," she added. The auxiliary has roughly 48 active members, and most of them assist in
areas of the hospital beyond fundraising, such as volunteering in the areas of medical records, ship-
ping and receiving ping and receiving, messenger/mail
services, department projects and anywhere else they are needed. "Not all of them (members) are still active, but they've all worked really
hard, and we need their hard, and we need their support,
Greenwood said.
Auxiliary members typically work one or two days a week, putting in four-hour shifts, with two members staffing the auxiliary's gift shop.
It's a labor of love that members utilize to fill extra time in their lives and contribute to the community in a meaningful way, typically after retiring from careers. IIt's a positive (impact). After Ift's a positive (impact). After out once in a while besides church," said Greenwood, who retired from Marshall Distributing following 15
years of service in the former Cass years of service in the former Cass
City company's accounts receivable City company's accounts receivable
department.
"When I retired, I wanted to find "When I retired, I wanted to find
some useful volunteer things to do. I some useful voluntert mings to do. just think the hospital is a worth-
while project," commented Sherryl Seeley, another auxiliary member who has been volunteering at Hills
and Dales since she closed out a 48 year career with Chemical Bank, where she served as a branch manag
er and assistant vice president. "The auxiliary puts in a lot of hours and we put a lot of dollars back into the hospital every year," she said "It's amazing.
e auxiliary's messenger volunteers says she enjoys the work and would
welcome more help. "If anybody wants to join the auxiliary, we'd be happy to have them," she added. Like many of her peers, Hammet joined the auxiliary after saying goodbye to her day job. "I wa
working at Walbro and took the early retirement back in 2003. My girl friend, who was a member, said Now you can take my place because I'm moving'," she r
been 12 years.

Its fun. I enjoy it because, as nessenger, I get to pick up and drop of the mail at all the offices, and get to meet a lot of people and get to have a lot of people contact, and like that."
Auxiliary member Marilyn Peter oined after she retired from her job Tuscola Intermediate School District in 2003. "I was used to working every day, and I just didn't like sit ting home," she recalled of her dec
sion to volunteer at the hospital. "It's a place to meet people an greet people," she added. "I work in the gift shop, and then I also work on
the blood drives. "(I enjoy) meeting people," Peter "(I enjoy) meeting people," Peters
said. "It's just filling a void in your life, and it's like doing something for the community."
"It's not hard work and it's enjoy, able, and the hospital is good to us,
Hammett added "I love it" More information about the auxilary, including how to join the organ ization, is available by contacting Kerry at (989) 912-6319 or Danielle at (989) 912-6401.
third largest beet sugar processor in the United States, producing an
annual average of more than one billion pounds of sugar

The company sells its products in wholesale and retail quantities unde
the Pioneer Sugar and Big Chief Sugar Brands.
nities.
Michigan Sugar annually generates $\$ 1.5$ billizene statewide.
Fleg Flegenheimer attributes the

Gift campaign serves 184 kids increase in production to ongoing
advances in technology and sugar
beet farmers' ability beet farmers' ability to overcome
challenges challenges, including extreme
weather patterns that hit the Thumb weather patterns that hit the Thumb
and Saginaw Valley throughout the growing season. He said Michigan Sugar continues to invest in facility upgrades and improvements in an
effort to be an industry leader in the effort to be an industry leader in the
sugar industry. sugar industry.
Headquarter Michigan Sugar Company is a growMichigan Sugar Company is a grow-
er-owned sugar cooperative and the

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gifts in the form of books - well ove 1,000 of them over the past few
years - which are included in every years --which are included in every
gift bag.
$\qquad$ patron-purchased we been providing Christmas for Kod books for Rotary's said library Director eight years, Auken. "The first few years we col Auken. "The first few years we col years, we have collected over 300 oks, which is great because there
re so many kids
Christmas for Kids."
Also playing a role are Curtis Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, 661
Main St., Cass City which the Che, Cass City, which serves a each year, and a number of local businesses that collect donations including the Chemical Bank, Independent Bank and Thumb
National Bank branches ang with Hills and Dales General Hospital and Dollar General.
Phillips said local Boy Scouts hav volunteered their time, as have mem
bers of the Cass City High Schoo bers of the Cass city High Schoo
Honor Society, which collects toy Honor Society, which conlects toys
dropped off at area businesses. The students also lend a hand when it's time to sort and organize the gifts she added.

## SOS announced holiday hours

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## Pastor's Corner

## Special poem among the Lord's many gifts

| In speaking about God's Son, |  | es |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jesus Christ, coming to earth the | Along with the gift of salvation | son of the Go |
| Apostle Paul wrote, "Thanks be | the Lord has many other gifts, | lowed that pattern in wit |
| God for His indescribable | which come our way! | poem, he thanks each person of |
| gift!" (2 Corinthians 9:15 | As a Pastor I received one such |  |
| NKJV). Certainly this is the | gift recently. One of our young |  |
| greatest gift of all time. The Son | boys, a 7th grader, wrote a poem | I was thrilled to read the poem; |
| God became man, lived a per- | around Thanksgiving time. It | but thrilled even more for what |
| t life, took upon himself the | was not a school assignm | poem says about the author. |
| of the world, and suffered | And his parents didn't know he | It shows he is a young man who |
| der the wrath of God against | was doing it. It was an expres- | knows God personally, is appre- |
|  | sion of his thankfulness to God | ciative of God's blessings in his |
| resurrection from the dead | for the blessings of salvation. | life, that he understands some |
| he Father's sign of accept- | But there is more to the story. | pretty deep theology and is able |
|  | When his mother asked him | to express it in poetic form. |
| he invitation | , | permission I want to |
| goes out to every person that | poem he mentioned a hymn sung | share his poem with you. Cody |
| whosoever shall call upon the | anksgiving Service. In | McArthur's picture also appears |

Thank you, Holy Ghost,
For Thy conviction from within And for Thy guidance to the Savior, Who cleansed me from my sin.
Thank you, Lord God in Heaven, or sending your Son, Christ, And for Thy generou
Provision All through my life.
Thank you, O Lord Jesus Thank you, O Lord Jesus
For Thy coming to Earth to For Thy coming to Earth to
And for salvation as To every one of us. Cody McArthur


Pastor David G. Hill, First Baptist Church,


Cody McArthur

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201 E. Sanilac Rd., Caro, MI 48723 - 989-672-2262 Sunday Services: 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. www.anchorcoveoutreachchurch.com

Cass City Missionary Church
4449 Koepfien Ra., Cass City, M1 48726 • 989-872-2729 Worship Senice 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 10:50 a.m. Sunday Evering Serice \& Youth Group 6:30 p.m. Wednessay Family Night $6: 30$ p.m. Pastor: Phil Burkett • Associate Pastor: Justin Kuhl
www.casscitymc.org

Cass City United Methodist Church 5100 Cemetery Rd., P.O. Box 125, Cass City, M1 48726

1872-3422 Worship: 11:00 a.m. (Summer 9:30 a.m.) Sunday School - Sept. May 9:30 a.m.
Community Dinner - Morthly (2nd Wed. atnoon) Pastor: Rev. Jackie Roe

Community Bapist Church
(Independent Fundamental)
4446 Ale St., Cass City, MI 18726 - 989-872-4088 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. © Worship Service 11:00 a.m Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednescay - PrayIBible Study \& Youth Group 6:00 p.m

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Deford Community Church } \\ \text { 1392 N. Kingston Rd. } \\ \text { (114 mile south of Deford on Kingston Rd.) } \\ 872-4055 \\ \text { Sundays - } 10 \text { a.m. } \\ \text { Wednessdays } 7 \text { p.m. } \\ \text { Pastor: David Cooper } \\ \text { DefordCommunitychurch.org } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: |
| Evangelical Free Church of Cass City 6430 Chestrut Blid., Cass City, M1 48726 - 872.5060 Sunday School: : :45 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m. <br> Midweek Bible Studies• Biblical Counseling Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould Like us on Facebook! |

First Baptist Church
(Independent, Fundamental) Barrier Free 6420 Houghton St., Cass City, M1 18726 • 989-872-3155 Sunday School Ill Ages 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship Sevice 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m
Wednesday-Prayer Meeting \& Bibe Study 7:00 p.m. AWANAClubs 6:15 p.m. 7 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday - Teen Club 6:15p.m. - 7:30 p.m.


Pastor: David G. Hill
Website: www.focc.us

First Presbyterian Church Barrier Free • State \& National Historical Registy 6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872.5400

* Worship Senice 10:45 a.m.

THastor: Rev. Linda Graham
Exercise Prooram: Mon., Wed. \& Fri. 8:30 a.m. Ater School Adventure: Wed. following school - 4:15 Bible Study: Wed. 7 p.m.

## Fraser Presbyterian Church

3006 Huron Line Re., Cass City, MI 48726 - 872.5400 Sunday School - Sept.May 10:30 a.m. • Worship Service 9:30 a.m. - SocialMission Coffee hour 10:15 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Linda Graham

| Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 6820 E. Main St., Cass City, M1 48726 - 872.2770 Worship Sevicie 9:30 a.m. Bible Class \& Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Steve Bagnall www.goodshepherdlutherancasscity.webs.com |
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| Living Word Worship Center Church of God 6536 Houghton Street, Cass City, M1 48726 989-872-4637 <br> Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship Sevice: 11:00 a.m. Family Training Hour: Wednesday 7 p.m. (including youth and children's senvices) Pastor: Rev. Mark Karwowski Website: wum.lwwcoog.net |
| Mizpah Missionary Church 4631 N. Van Dyke, Cass City, M1 48726 Sunday School: 10 a.m. <br> Sunday Service: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Group 6:30-8p.m. Wednesday Kids' Club $6: 30-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Pastor Dale Bullock 989-872:2828 |
| Novest Church of Christ <br> "the hituendy thand that ance" <br> 2896 Cemetery Rd.. Cass City, M1 48726 - 872.3658 Sunday School $9: 30$ a.m. • Worship Sevicice 10:30 a.m. Mrister: Brad Speis • Youth and Family Minister.Josh Morford Visit our website at: www.novestachurch.org |
| Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church Coner of oth and Leach, Cass City, M1 48726 - 872.5186 Adult Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: F. Robert Tucker |
| Our Lady Consolata Parish 4222S. Seeger St., Cass City, M1 48726 • 872-3336 Mass: Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m. Weekday Nass: Wednesday-9:00a.m. Parochial Administratoo: Fr. Chisitian Tabares |



RED HAWK Lauren Dickinson denies Bad Axe's Morgan Etzel from receiving a pass during Greater Thumb West play Thursday in Cass City. The Hatchets won the league opener for both schools, 45-26

## Bad Axe defense comes up big in win over Lady Hawks


"I thought our defense especially in the first half,
was very solid," said Bad Axe Coach Brent Wehner. "Our trap caused them some issues, and I thought our post
defense against Bouverette defense against Bouverette
and Cuthrell was outstanding. When they did catch the
ball down low they we ten ball down low, they weren't
in a position where they in a position where they
could do much with it, so I was impressed how we handed that.,"
Cuthrel
Cuthrell sparked the Cass
City offense with City offense with 12 points,
22 rebounds, two steals and 22 rebounds, two steals and Autry chipped in six points Autry chipped in six points
on two baskets from behind
the 3 -point are. the 3-point arc.
"(We took) a bit of a step "(We took) a bit of a step
back, but we just have to back, but we just have to
keep improving each time keep improving each time tinue to work hard in prac-
tice. We're looking forward tice. We're looking forward
to getting another shot at to getting another shot at
them later in the season," Hollocker said.
For Bad Axe, Meeks was
the top scorer with nine the top scorer with nine
points, while Ridner and
Hannah Young split 16 points, while Ridner and
Hannah Young split 16 tallies.
"Cass City is a very young
team," Wehner said. "With team," Wehner said. "With
that much youth, there are
going to be moments where going to be moments where
you struggle, but long-term you struggle, but long-term
it should make for a very
solid program" solid program."
MEMPHIS

Earlier in the week, Cass City defeated Memphis 36 27 Tuesday in a non-confer-
ence affair ence affair.
The hasts led 9-7 after one quarter and 19-12 after two

Bouverette and Cuthrell paced the winners with 10 and nine points, respectively.
Bouverette also added 10 Bouverette also added 10
rebounds and three steals rebounds and three steals,
while Cuthrell had 13 rebounds, three steals and two blocks.
"Tuesday was a good win "Tuesday was a good win
for us - we're still not playfor us - we're still not play-
ing close to our full poten ing close to our full poten-
tial, but we played well enough to get the win," enough to gg
Hollocker said



ANDREW STORM finds a lane to the basket Friday in nonconference action with Cass City. The Marlette senior posted a game-high 16 points in the visitors' $48-34$ win. In on the action are Red Hawks Parker Haire (14), Logan Schenk (23) and Sawyer Cuthrell.
Marlette handles Cass City in GTC crossover game

| by Clarke Haire Publisher | in the second quarter. The Red Hawk guard then con- | guests $18-9$ in the third quarter to break open a 24-24 tie |  |  |  |
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|  |  | ter to break open a 24-24 tie at the intermission. |  |  |  |
|  | ed on a jump shot near | Logan Schenk led a trio of |  |  |  |
|  | e key to end the | double digit performers for |  |  |  |
|  |  | the winners with 16 points, while Cuthrell and Brad |  |  |  |
| st visiting Marlette to | , but Cass City allo |  |  |  |  |
| p up play in 2015. | arlette to race up the cou | Hacker had 14 and 11 points, |  |  |  |
|  | the final seconds, with |  |  |  |  |
|  | ndrew Storm's |  |  |  |  |
| me in a five-day span for |  | Boys' Basketball |  |  |  |
| Red Hawks. | stretching the margin |  |  |  |  |
| arlette improved to 2 | Marlette opened | din |  |  |  |
| while Cass City slipped to 3- <br> 2. |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | visitors started the game. |  |  |  |  |
| After losing last year's leading scorer and rebounder, Mason Erla, to an ACL | This time a 12-6 third quarter spurt had the Red Raiders | reater Thumb W |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{llll} \\ B a d A x e & & \text { W } & \text { L } \\ 0\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
|  | enjoying a double-digit edge entering the final eight min- |  |  |  |  |
| er, Mason Erla, to an ACL injury prior to the start of the season - the senior center |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | entering the final eight minutes. | EPB |  |  |  |
| derwent surgery |  | Vass |  |  |  |
| month, ending his high | heated up in the fourth quarter and tossed in seven of his |  |  |  |  |
| school athletic career and now faces nine months of rehab before heading to |  | Cas |  |  |  |
|  | team-high 13 tallies. The senior guard's contribution - | ter Thumb East |  |  |  |
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| Michigan State University | he now spends time in the | Sandusky |  |  |  |
| a baseball | post on offense due to | Marlette |  |  |  |
| ship - first year | multiple team injuries | Harbor Bea |  |  |  |
| ler Erla was delivered | would prove to be too little | Brown City |  |  |  |
| another huge blow before | too late for the home team. |  |  |  |  |
| Greater Thu | Storm recorded 16 po | Memphis |  |  |  |
| Conference crossover con-test with the Red Raiders | and six assists to pace | Stars |  |  |  |
|  | winners, while Hunter Kelly |  |  |  |  |
| when senior forward Keith | chipped in 10 points and |  |  |  |  |
| unsbury broke his hand | seven rebounds. |  |  |  |  |
| nchi | Joining Haire in d | Dryden |  |  |  |
| actice leading into the | ures for Cass City |  |  |  |  |
| non-conference outing. Marlette, meanwhile, | Cuthrell with 11 points, while Cole Chippi added | NCTL Stripes |  |  |  |
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| ing a hearter |  |  | 01 |  |  |
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| determined to right the |  | North | 03 |  |  |
| ship. A 12-4 first quarter advantage had the visitors headed in the correct direction. |  | mmit League |  |  |  |
|  | things tight for a half against |  |  |  |  |
|  | hosts Cass City Wednesda | Owen-Ga | 00 |  |  |
|  | but eventually surrendered | SAS | 0 0 |  |  |
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| hts on a pair of corne | The hosts outscored their |  |  |  |  |

## Newcomers fall to defending Greater Thumb Conference wrestling champions

Conference Mayville and Ubly
wrestlers. The league's first year members
gathered in Mayville last week, where they met up with defending Greater Thumb Conference (GTC) champion Cass City for a doubledual match in conference play.
The Red Hawks improved to the GTC by defeating the host
the Bearcats, 57-18. Double winners for Cass City
included Tylor Cowdry (103 weight class), Alex Jeffrey (112 weight class), Alex Jeffrey ( $(112$ weight
class class), Race Woloshen (125 weight class), Wyatt Dickson (140 weight class), Seth Osentoski ( 135 weight
class), Dustin Horne ( 171 weight class) and T. J. Moore (189 weight

| $\begin{array}{l}\text { class). } \\ \text { On Saturday, Coach Don Markel's } \\ \text { grapplers traveled to take part in the }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Croswell-Lexington, } \\ \text { In the Championhip roun } \\ \text { City }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | Cros-Lex Team Tournament. There, Cass City posted a 3-2 mark to finish In pool play the Red Hawks whipped Frankenmuth $60-24$ and an

"All-Star" team "All-Star" team (composed of severattendance) 72-9, while bowing to

In the Championship rounds, Cass
City defeated Capac $48-36$ before City defeated Capac $48-36$ before Flint Kearsley ended action for the
Red Hawks with a solid $66-12$ deci Red Hawks with a solid 66-12 deci-
sion. "Our performance was better than it
was in the previous week was in the previous week, but
aggressiveness on the mat and hitaggressiveness on the mat and hit
ting key moves at the right time shal remain areas of focus in the upcom-


#### Abstract

ing weeks. It was nice to beat two quality programs in Mayville and Capac," said Markel. Capac," said Markel. Osentoski was the Osentoski was the lone individual champ for Cass City with champ for Cass City with a perfect 5 0 showing, while Jeffrey, Cowdry and Moore were individual runners up, all with $4-1$ efforts. Cass City's dual meet record now tands at $10-4$ for the season.


## Wright nets 40 points

 in Owen-Gage victoryThe Owen-Gage boys' basketball he said.
Wright also chipped in 16 team will hit Mackinac Island with a $\begin{gathered}\text { Wright also chipped in } 16 \\ \text { perfect 3-0 record. }\end{gathered}$ rebounds, while Dan Good finished After defeating Flint Michigan
with seven points and 13 rebounds.
School for the Deaf in Owendale
Kaleb Jones led Flint MSD with 20 last Wednesday, Coach Brian Wright and his undefeated Bulldogs were to Also last week, Owen-Gage clipped have played Monday on the Lake Burton Faith High School on Kalkaska on Tuesday to face The Bulldogs started quickly and Northport. led 17-2 after the opening 8 minutes Against the visiting Tartars, Owen- and increased the margin to 24-6 at show for the home team fans the halfway point
show for the home team fans. Owen-Gage outscored Burton 35-
Wright led the hosts to a $63-39$ victory with an array of shots en route 28 in the final half to produce the 59to recording 40 points. Wright poured in 20 points in the
opening half to help Owen-Gage to a slim 31-27 edge at the intermis- Wright all recorded double-doubles a slim 31-27 edge at the intermis- for the winners. Binder and Wright
sion. Wright would match his first had identical numbers that included half point total after the break that 17 points and 10 rebounds. Good proved fatal for the visitors, but his finished with 10 tallies and a dozen
impressive outburst isn't what rebounds. impressive outburst isn't what rebounds.
caught the eye of Coach Wright. "We had a nice defensive game," good minutes," said Wright.


THE CASS CITY 2015-16 girls' junior varsity basketball team members are: (front, l-r) Dakota Cook, Kacey Haire, Layna Mathewson, Jalene Krol (back) Brianna Mester, Kelly Ziegler, Katie Autry and DeeDee Haley. The Lady Hawks are coached by Dave Weiler.

BIG BODY BUCK. Dustin Spencer, Cass City 14-year-old, shot this nice 7-point buck on Dec. 18 in Tuscola County. The trophy was Spencer's second 7-pointer of the 2015 season and fourth of his short hunting career.

## Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK



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THREE MORE anonymous donors have come forward with $\$ 2,200$ in cash gifts to be distributed to individuals and families in Huron County who are having a difficult time making ends meet, according to Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson, who said the gifts todate exceed last year's total by $\$ 1,600$ so far.
Anonymous donors give $\$ 6,600$ in Huron County

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| The same sort of anonymous gift-giving took place last year true in 2014, residents are still approaching the sheriff's department with additional money to distribute to those in need. <br> "Last year's effort was very much appreciated and was displayed in the numerous thank-you cards and messages that I received from the many who we reached out to. Some...may recall there were five families last year that dropped off a total of fifty $\$ 100$ bills ( $\$ 5,000$ )," said Hanson, who earlier this month announced that seven families had dropped off a combined total this month announced that seven families had dropped off a combined total of $\$ 4,400$. "Since the original (announcement) last Friday (Dec. 11), three more families have come in with another $\$ 2,200$, making the grand total $\$ 6,600$," the sheriff reported last week. "This exceeds last year's contribution total." Members of the county's law enforcement community along with local clergy, school officials and community leaders are lending a hand by helping the sheriff's department select recipients for the gifts based on need, according to the sheriff, who noted deputies have already started delivering Christmas cards containing a $\$ 100$ bill or a gift certificate equivalent to the recipients. <br> "As I said before, we're very proud of those who are coming forward, and we are doing our best to make sure their gifts will be properly utilized by deserving families," Hanson said. "These acts of kindness certainly say a lot about the county we live in. |
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OWEN-GAGE SCHOOL students and staff continued a holiday tradition this year by hosting its Santa's Workshop for elementary students to buy gifts for their families. "Every item is donated to the school and all the proceeds are used towards field trips for the students," said Mary Ann Minkler, OwenGage administrative assistant. "The children are all excited and happy to buy the perfect item for their loved ones," she added. "High school students and parents volunteered to help them pick things out and wrap them." The district also recently hosted its annual Christmas concert.


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    (SUPER!Centers will be Saturday, Dec. 26) for Christmas and Thursday, Dec. 31 and Friday Jan. 1 (SUPER!Centers will b closed Saturday, Jan. 2) for New
    Year's.
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