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Citizens support medical marijuana proposal

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Cass City Village Council members who heard from two residents opposed to a planned medical



KAREEM KHOURY, owner of the Quaker Maid Dairy Store, makes a point while endorsing the medical marijuana growing proposal, saying it's up to village officials and residents to take advantage of an opportunity to boost the local economy.

marijuana growing operation in the community during a monthly meeting early last week witnessed a very different response while attending a public information gathering on the topic a day later.

In fact, judging by a show of hands suggested by one audience member, a clear majority of the more than 80 people in attendance at the public forum, held at the Cass City VFW Hall Tuesday, indicated they are in favor of hosting the business.

Business partners Gary Vollmar and Gus Ploss, who have already taken their case to village officials on three different occasions, organized the public meeting in an effort to solicit public opinion on their proposal to establish the medical marijuana growing operation in an unused, 25,000-square-foot area inside the Millennium Industries factory at 6285 Garfield

Ave.

The community forum was suggested by some members of the village council, which so far has not entertained a vote on the issue.

"We think this is...good for this society, good for this country and good for this community," Ploss said of the local proposal. The demand for medical marijuana con-

proved use of a marijuana derivative to treat epilepsy.

The FDA approved the drug Epidiolex (cannabidiol or CBD) oral solution for the treatment of seizures associated with two rare and severe forms of the disease in patients two years of age and older. This is the first time the FDA has approved a drug that

the Thumb say the law is confusing and is being abused.

Ploss acknowledged those concerns. The problem, he indicated, is the current law allows individual "caregivers" to grow marijuana for use by patients, and these grow operations – totaling some 30,000 marijuana plants being grown in Tuscola County

a Class C license, which would allow for the growing, cultivation, and curing of up to 1,500 marijuana plants. It would be a well-controlled operation, according to Vollmar, who said the proposed facility in Cass City would be state-of-the-art featuring an H/Vac system to control any odor, 24/7 security with camera monitoring, a hydroponic growing system, and a workforce required to undergo criminal background checks.

"You can drive by (operations like this) and never know what they are," he said. Vollmar also pointed out the business would not involve retail sales; the final product would be transported to an independent licensed provisioning center by an independent licensed transporter.

Vollmar and Ploss estimate their initial investment in the business

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GARY VOLLMAR addresses a group of more than 80 in attendance at a public forum last week that was organized by Vollmar and business partner Gus Ploss to explain their proposal to operate a medical marijuana growing operation inside the Millennium Industries plant in Cass City.

tinues to grow, with Michigan boasting 277,000 registered patients – the second highest in the country, he said.

Legal marijuana sales are expected to reach \$22 billion by 2022, with 340 full-time jobs generated by what is the fastest growing industry in the nation, Ploss said.

And the industry is meeting very real medical needs in the form of treatment for patients with a variety of serious disorders ranging from glaucoma and Hepatitis C to Crohn's Disease, and severe/chronic pain, he added, noting the U.S. Food and Drug Administration last week ap-

proves a purified drug substance derived from marijuana. CBD is a chemical component of marijuana. However, CBD does not cause intoxication or euphoria (the "high") that comes from tetrahydrocannabinol (THC).

Michigan voters approved legalizing medical marijuana in 2008 by a margin of 63 percent to 37 percent. While residents supported the measure, however, a number of law enforcement and other criminal justice officials in

under those rules now – lack checks and balances. Many are not secure and are subject to abuse, he said.

"What the state is trying to do now is clean this up," he told the audience, adding the operation he and Vollmar are proposing is designed to be secure, with built-in state-imposed measures designed to eliminate abuse and provide "seed to sale" accountability as required by the state.

The businessmen are requesting



VETERAN CASS City businessman Bud Schneeberger disagreed with a majority of residents in attendance at last week's meeting, saying marijuana has caused more problems than solutions in this country.

SOLD!

Kingston School officials auctioning off athletic banners from years past

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Hey bidder, bidder, bidder, would you like a piece of Kingston history?

Kingston Community Schools Athletic Director Carl Nicol is auctioning off the old championship banners from the gym, and anyone interested in bidding on a piece of that history can do so by logging onto the website www.kingstonk12.org/banners.html.

But don't wait; there are only 11 days left before the auction is closed.

The following banners were up for grabs as of Friday: softball banners numbers one through 13; baseball banners numbers 14 and 15; cheer banner number 16; boys' basketball banners numbers 17 through 45; football banners numbers 46 through 60; volleyball banners numbers 61, 62 and 63; girls' basketball banners numbers 64 through 77; and track banners numbers 78, 79 and 80.

Even though the banners are being sold, the auction won't mark the end of recognizing the sports' legacies in Kingston.

According to Nicol, the auction is a fundraiser designed to help pay for new championship boards at the school, which will replace the banners and be displayed in the remodeled gym.

Bidders need to include the banner number they desire along with their bid, name, address and a contact number in their email.

Nicol says he plans to track the bids on an Excel spreadsheet and provide updates as bids are received.

The deadline to submit a bid is Sunday, July 15. When bids are closed, the highest bidder will be notified and arrangements made for pickup and payment.



TUSCOLA COUNTY Sheriff's Department investigators say a 29-year-old motorist attempted to take his own life early Friday morning by driving into the path of a semi-truck on M-24 near Bevens Road. Deputies, who responded to the scene at about 1:45 a.m., reported the man survived and was transported to an area hospital. The semi driver was not injured, but his truck, which was hauling an empty milk tanker, sustained significant damage. No names were released. The accident remains under investigation. (Photo courtesy of the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department)

"Meet the candidates" forum set in town

This election year promises to be very competitive and dynamic, with contests scheduled at the county, state and federal levels, along with a long list of ballot proposals.

"It is especially important this year that voters are informed when casting their ballot," said the Rev. Todd Gould, pastor of the Evangelical Free Church of Cass City.

Gould is part of a multi-denominational group of pastors who have organized the 2018 Christians Meet the Candidates Forum to provide area residents with a

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FIVE GENERATIONS of an area family recently gathered for a group photo. They are (from left) Kelly (Schember) Peasley of Elkton, great-great-grandfather Earl Schember of Cass City, Emily (Snyder) Vaughan (holding Addison Vaughan) of Caro and great-grandfather Larry Schember of Auburn.

Cass City Elementary announces honor roll

Cass City Elementary School recently announced the 4th Marking Period Honor Roll, the following students have been earned all A's and B's.

4th Grade

Kelsey Anthony, Dylan Barrigar, Lauren Bartnik*, Justin Bergman, Rylee Bliss*, Hudson Bowers,

Alli-Lynn Connolly*, Carla Cortes*, Noah Dexter, Sebastian Esqueda-Alba, Chance Essmacher, Chloe Franzel, Gavin Franzel*, Addison Frederick, Braylon Gutierrez, Brady Halabis*, Owen Hall*, Olyviya Hartwick, Lauryn Hempton*, Madelyn Hicks, Kilee Hopper*, Natalie Horning, Ashley Jones*, George Kile III, Kaleigh Kubacki*, Madison Kulinski*, Christian Ladnier, Ali Learman*, Rylie Ligrow*, Veedell Moore, Kenton Nicholas, Haven Osentoski*, Brynn Pallas*, Destiny Periso, Kylie Perkins*, Kaylee Peters, Jeevesh Prabakaran*, Trenton Roberts, Eloisa Ross, Sawyer Ross, Blayk Santos, Zachery Schram, Nickole Shimer, Zoe Speirs*, Alivia Spencer*, Nathanael Urban, Ryker Wallace, and Griffin Weiler.

5th Grade

Romina Basanez-Gastelum*, Elizabeth Binder*, Mason Brown*, Alexis Champagne*, Madyson Elston*, Maia Estrella*, Alysa Fritz*, Mason Gniewek*, Kacee Gray*, Kian Hoppe*, Shelby Ignash*, Roman Muter*, Mia Myers-Caister*, Madison Radabaugh*, Katrina Sarles*, Emily Speirs*, William Steely*, Carson Anthes, Taylor Anthony, Lillian Betts, Tim Burke, Taryn Burpee, Danielle Curtis, Justin Daniels, Landon Dubs, Brooke Hatcher, Mackenzie Hudson, Elsa Ibarra, Taylor Jones, Rylan Kruse, Gabrielle Laming, Cole Lenhard, Brooklynne Limberger, Jarod Mathewson, Justin McArdle, Brianna McKee, Kylie McKee, Matthew Mellendorf, Carson Moody, Anthony Nance, Trent Patrick, Angelina Periso, Isabelle Phillips, Brayden Pine, Parker Pisarek, Garrett Reinke, Dylan Severance, and Eli Wright.

6th Grade

Diana Cortes*, Heather Czekai, Hailey Dubs*, Trysten Gruber, Jocelyn Guerra, Ethan Hall, MacKenzie Healy, Erica Horning, Brady Kolacz, Robert Krueger II*, Paula Learman*, Brendan LeValley, Connor Lowman, Justin MacAlpine, Cooper Mallory, Nolan Medere, Claire Merchant, Hailey Morrish, Braden Murdoch, Cameron Owen, Carter Patrick, Ellie Perkins*, Sydney Schefka, Ethan Schrader, Drake Smith, Josie Spencer, Wyatt Sutton

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Cass City Gun Club
 2676 Englehart Road, Cass City, MI 48726
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Cass City Village Council PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cass City Village Council will be holding a Public Hearing at the Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan,

Monday, Jul 30, 2018, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

To receive comments on
Proposed Ordinance # 180, Animals

The proposed ordinance can be found on the Village Website at www.casscity.org
Drop down to Government, Ordinances, Animals

The Public is invited to attend.

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In Our OPINION...

Clarke Haire
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Play it safe in the Thumb this July 4

Fireworks are just about as American as apple pie, baseball and backyard barbecues.

While they're fun to ignite, however, fireworks also deserve plenty of respect — especially the higher-powered consumer grade fire crackers, rockets, mortars and other items now legal to purchase in Michigan.

According to the National Council on Fireworks Safety, consumer grade fireworks today are safer than ever before.

But all the safety features in the world will never replace common sense.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, there were an estimated 12,900 fireworks-related emergency department-treated injuries and eight fireworks-related deaths in 2017. About 67 percent of those incidents occurred between June 16 and July 16.

The fireworks council urges everyone to keep these safety tips in mind:

**Closely supervise teens using fireworks, and don't allow young children to handle or light them.*

**Only use fireworks outdoors, and be sure to leave plenty of space between your launching area and spectators.*

**Always have some water nearby, just in case.*

**Familiarize yourself with your fireworks — take a moment to read the caution label.*

**If you've been drinking, let someone else handle and set off fireworks.*

**Wear safety glasses.*

**Never attempt to re-light a "dud". Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.*

**Soak spent fireworks with water before placing them in an outdoor garbage receptacle.*

**Stay away from homemade and/or illegal fireworks.*

Fireworks enthusiasts are also encouraged to show their neighbors some courtesy, and to follow local ordinances.

Michigan's new fireworks law, put to the test for the first time last summer, allows licensed vendors to sell high-powered, airborne fireworks previously illegal in the state but available for purchase in several border states.

While the law generates revenue for the state, it also generated numerous noise complaints, prompting Michigan officials last month to enact another law that gives local governments the power to restrict/regulate fireworks use during the nighttime hours on holidays and the day before and after, with violations bringing a fine of up to \$500.

Bottom line? Enjoy yourselves, but play it safe and obey the law.

Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

Remembering my "frenemy"



I recently made a trip to Cass City for a doctor's visit, and as part of my routine, I drove around the village checking things out, looking for photos to take in a vain effort to try to scoop Editor Tom Montgomery.

In all of the years we were friendly competitors — before I became a regular contributor to the Chronicle — I was only able to scoop Tom once. That rare occasion was when former Rawson Memorial Library Director Barb Hutchinson retired several years ago.

Because I was finally able to do a one-upmanship on Tom, I did a fist pumping victory dance around the newsroom where I used to work. However, I soon found out my victory was a hollow one. Tom was in the hospital and unable to write (sigh).

Anyway, long story short, I was cleaning out my computer files when I came across the story I had written about Barb's retirement, and that sparked the memory of when I almost, kind of scooped Tom.

In another file, I found the column I had written when former longtime Chronicle Publisher Mr. John Clarke Haire passed away July 16, 2009.

John was a true newspaper man, through and through, who knew the news business and took no prisoners. He did not hesitate to call out a board or a council on an issue they tried to skirt.

I couldn't say that we were friends — more like frenemies (friendly enemies) — but I did learn a lot watching him at meetings. Whenever I drive past the Chronicle office, I think of John.

In the same folder as my column about John's passing, I found a poem by (Edgar) Albert Guest of Detroit, who was a poet in the first half of the 20th century.

Entitled "The Newspaper Man," it read:

Bit of a priest and a bit of sailor,
Bit of a doctor and bit of a tailor,
Bit of a lawyer, and bit of detective,
Bit of a judge, for his work is corrective;
Cheering the living and soothing the dying,
Risking all things, even dare-devil flying;
True to his paper and true to his clan—
Just look him over, the newspaper man.
Sleep! There are times that he'll do with a little,
Work till his nerves and his temper are brittle;
Fire cannot daunt him, nor long hours disturb him,
Gold cannot buy him and threats cannot curb him;
Highbrow or lowbrow, your own speech he'll hand you,

Talk as you will to him, he'll understand you;
He'll go wherever another man can—
That is the way of the newspaper man.
Surgeon, if urgent the need be, you'll find him,
Ready to help, nor will dizziness blind him;
He'll give the ether and never once falter,
Say the last rites like a priest at the altar;
Gentle and kind with the weak and the weary,
Which is proved now and then when his keen eye grows teary;

Facing all things in life's curious plan—
That is the way of the newspaper man.
One night a week may he rest from his labor,
One night at home to be father and neighbor;
Just a few hours for his own bit of leisure,
All the rest's gazing at other men's pleasure,
All the rest's toiling, and yet he rejoices,
All the world is, and that men do, he voices—
Who knows a calling more glorious than
The day-by-day work of the newspaper man?"

Letters to the Editor

Citizen support crucial for marijuana proposal

Editor,

There are many rumors going around our community in regards to a proposed medical marijuana plant. Some of them are false. It is our hope that this letter can get the true facts to our city.

We do agree marijuana, to most, is a dirty word. What is being proposed is for medical use only. An oil is extracted from the plant called cannabis. The patient does not get a high using this. Just last week the Federal Drug Administration approved its use for two different diseases. One was for the prevention of babies having seizures. Medical marijuana is being found to have an effect on many diseases and the research is just beginning. The state of Michigan projects \$700 million in medical cannabis annual revenue.

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I never used that poem in the column I wrote, as I had first planned, because it did and didn't fit John. Mr. Haire was a "newspaper man." For those who knew John, that sums it up, and for those who didn't know him, "newspaper man" still sums him up.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Just a reminder to everyone as they prepare to celebrate the Fourth of July: please be respectful when it comes to shooting off fireworks in your neighborhood.

"As usual at this time of year, we get calls regarding fireworks," Tuscola County Sheriff Glen Skrent posted over the weekend on the department's Facebook page. "Some jurisdictions restrict the use of them to the day before, day of and day after the holiday. They also may have a local noise ordinance in effect that regulates a time. There is no countywide noise ordinance, so please check with your town or township," Skrent noted.

"Please don't mix alcohol or drugs with fireworks, because it could end your holiday quickly," he said. "Let's be courteous with our neighbors and have a nice holiday."

Joe Merchant, Commander of the local VFW branch, reminds residents that with the national holiday coming mid-week this year, members of the VFW Post 3644 will be putting flags out on Main Street Tuesday morning. They will remain up and down Main Street through the parade Saturday for everyone's enjoyment.

Once again, says Merchant, we ask that you render proper respect for the colors as they pass before you during the parade.

Last week I witnessed a motorcycle/pickup truck accident at the corner of Bad Axe and Wadsworth roads — very, very frightening. And although it appeared that the pickup truck rolled through the stop sign on Wadsworth road, Michigan officials are looking for men and women, who love motorcycles and working with people, to teach others how to ride.

Secretary of State Ruth Johnson, who oversees the state's Michigan Rider Education Program, says that becoming a motorcycle safety class instructor, or "RiderCoach," provides benefits beyond the pay.

"Safe motorcycling requires that you learn how to use good judgment and the information on the road to assess risks and react appropriately," Johnson said. "It's a complex skill set that's important to practice every time you ride. As instructors, there is nothing more satisfying than working with a class of students to develop that habit, knowing that you are helping them take an important step to becoming safe, life-long riders."

The pay rate for RiderCoaches varies from \$24 - \$35 per hour, depending on location. RiderCoach applicants must be experienced motorcyclists who enjoy working with people and possess good riding and communications skills.

To become a certified Motorcycle Safety Foundation RiderCoach, you must meet the following criteria:

- * Be at least 18 years old
- * Have passed a Basic Rider Course (beginning motorcycle class) within the last year
- * Have held a motorcycle endorsement for at least one year
- * Possess a good driving record
- * Pass a criminal background check
- * Obtain a sponsorship with an approved public or private motorcycle safety course provider (providers are located throughout the state)
- * Successfully complete the RiderCoach Prep Course

The fee for a RiderCoach Prep Course is \$75 and includes the materials required for the course. RiderCoach candidates will spend approximately 80 hours in the classroom and on the motorcycle riding range.

Participants must attend every session, pass a riding-skills test and a knowledge test. They will learn how to effectively instruct and evaluate students in the classroom and on the range and will be required to teach a basic motorcycle safety class under the tutelage of an experienced instructor.

Two RiderCoach Prep Courses are being offered in August.

- * August 13-16 at Macomb Community College — South Campus
- * August 17-19 at Schoolcraft College — Radcliff Campus
- * August 20 at Schoolcraft College — Livonia Campus

This eight-day course will be led by RiderCoach Trainer Vince Consiglio.

For more information, contact Renee Waraksa at waraksar@macomb.edu.

* August 9-12 and August 16-19 at the west campus of Lansing Community College in Lansing. For more information about this eight-day course, contact RiderCoach Trainer Steve Lick at Steve.Lick@gmail.com.

"We have a great need for motorcycle RiderCoaches," Johnson said. "The pay is good, the work is rewarding, and you get to mingle with like-minded motorcycle enthusiasts. What more could you ask for?"

For more information about the Michigan Rider Education Program, visit www.michigan.gov/mi-rep. For a list of public and private motorcycle safety sponsors, go to www.michigan.gov/motorcycling.

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Reporter's notebook

Kudos to past movers, shakers

by Tom Montgomery
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When I first started working for the late John Haire back in the mid-1980s, it wasn't unusual for him to reminisce about Cass City's movers and shakers of the past.

Just about any story assignment would come with a few brief bits of history about one or more of the community's past leaders, business owners, etc. It's no surprise he knew many of them well over the course of his lengthy watch at the Chronicle.

Back then I was just a pup, maybe 18 or 19 (okay, so I was 25) and I chalked John's stories up to a good memory and a tendency among "old" folks to focus on the past rather than the present. I really didn't get it, so I listened and then went about my business.

Of course, at the time, I couldn't imagine reading the Chronicle's Memory Lane column and seeing something I had written five or 10 years ago. Well, folks, I started seeing some of my old stories in the "25 Years Ago" column about a half-dozen years ago.

So, these days, I get it.

Lou LaPonsie was Cass City's veteran manager back when I joined the paper. LaPonsie was an experienced road construction man whose attention to detail was a near-perfect match for Bert Althaver, who returned to village service as president not long after I arrived in Cass City. Althaver's resume as a civic and business leader is well known.

Don Crouse was Cass City's school superintendent, and his board was composed of folks such as Beverley Auten and the late Dr. Ed Scollon. The new high school principal at the time — Ken Micklash — would go on to enjoy a long and successful career as superintendent. In retirement, Micklash took on the post of executive director of the Tuscola County Community Foundation, which has grown substantially under his leadership.

Ken Jensen was president and CEO at Hills and Dales General Hospital, and Gene Wilson was the village's police chief, a veteran lawman who could have written an interesting book on the ins and outs of law enforcement in a small town.

Not long after I was hired, Wilson hired a young buck by the name of Craig Haynes, who took over the reins of chief years ago after Wilson retired and is still top cop in Cass City.

The community was teaming with familiar businesses and faces — Stu and Joan Merchant at Sommers' Bakery (their building was gutted by an apartment fire and the land is now home to Rotary Park), Tom and Virginia Sutter at Sutter's Bakery, Bill Kritzman at Kritzman's Clothing (most recently home to Ligrow's 24hr Fitness), Gerald and Geraldine Prieskorn at the Ben Franklin Store (now Fairway), Tom Proctor at Old Wood Drug and Mike Weaver at Coach Light Pharmacy, the Erla family at Erla's, the Lendas at the IGA Foodliner, and Bud and Russ Schneeberger at Schneeberger's among them.

Many of those folks have either passed away or moved on in retirement, but I feel privileged to have had the opportunity to get to know them.

Don't get me wrong — younger generations of movers and shakers have gradually taken on the responsibilities of their predecessors and are doing a good job of helping to shape Cass City's future.

But I've come to appreciate the importance of recognizing the accomplishments of past generations, whose efforts and passion for this community have made it what it is today; a great place to live, work and raise a family.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Adam Kranz, the son of James and Debra Kranz, Cass City, recently graduated magna cum laude (with great honor) from Lawrence University during the college's 164th commencement. Kranz earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in environmental studies. He minored in music and geology. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, a national honors society that recognizes exceptional achievement, Kranz is a 2008 graduate of the Interlochen Arts.

The winners of the Rolling Hills Golf Course Fourth of July Tournament are Dan Gonzales, Garrett Gentner, Al Glaza and Brody Beachy. The team boasted a score of 13 under par on their 18-hole round.

10 YEARS AGO (2008)

CASS CITY'S Rebecca Doerr was recently crowned the 2008 Michigan Sugar Queen and will spend her summer representing the state's sugarbeet industry in more than 20 parades as well as other public appearances.

Mackenzie Uhl, a second grade Cass City student, was recently named this year's Tuscola Conservation District Poster Contest winner in her age division. "This was chosen as the first-place winner out of several hundred entries throughout the various school districts in the county," said Steve Schaub, district education coordinator. "We will be entering (Uhl's) poster in the state contest to be held in October. Uhl, daughter of Valerie Kappen, Cass City, received a Barnes and Noble Bookstore gift certificate for her effort in this year's contest, which featured the theme, "Water is Life".

25 YEARS AGO (1993)

Bob and Joyce McArthur entertained Sunday, June 20, in honor of the anniversaries of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McArthur and Doug and Brenda McArthur and Junior and Kathy Daneault. Also celebrated were the birthdays of David, Stanley and Robert McArthur and Father's Day. Other guests were Benji, Andrew and Phillip Adams, Joey Daneault and Anthony McArthur.

Bob Wischmeyer was named Lion of the Year during a June 15 meeting of the Cass City Lions Club, held at Rolling Hills Golf Course. Above, Wayne Dillon presents the award during the meeting, which included installation of officers for the coming year.

Two Cass City High School students have been awarded music scholarships at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp for summer study. Given by Marshall Music Company of Lansing, they are awarded on the basis of musicianship, citizenship and musical achievement. The awards for \$249 each went to Joshua McNaughton, son of David and Connie McNaughton, and Thomas Fulcher, son of Thomas and Brenda Fulcher.

35 YEARS AGO (1983)

Dr. and Mrs. Paul Chappel announce the birth of a son, Nicholas Daniel Grant, June 21 at Hills and Dales General Hospital. He has a brother, Christopher, and two sisters, Ashlie and Amanda. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Larry Chappel, Marlette, and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Orr, North Branch.

Raymond P. Rabideau graduated June 10 from the Michigan State University College of Osteopathy. The son of Mr. and Mrs. James Rabideau, E. Hobart Road, Gagetown, is now interning at Muskegon General Hospital. He is a 1972 graduate of St. Stephen High School in Saginaw and an alumnus of Aquinas College's class of 1976 in Grand Rapids, where he studied premedicine. Rabideau worked for two years at Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital before enrolling in the East Lansing University.

Army Pvt. John R. McKenney, son of Betty McKenney of Kingston, has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading,

tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions. The private is a 1981 graduate of Cass City High School.

Staff Sgt. Thomas D. Moore, son of John C. and Marjorie A. Moore of Cass City, has graduated from the University of Arizona at Tucson under the Airman Education and Commissioning Program. Moore will now enter Officer Training School at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, and upon graduation will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. His wife, Rebecca, is the daughter of James and Perry Massingale of Boerne, Texas. Moore is a 1970 graduate of Cass City High School.

40 YEARS AGO (1978)

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Peters surprised them Sunday for their 20th anniversary. Attending the cookout were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Threlloff of Clarkston, Phil Profit of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Profit and Jimmie of Escanaba, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Easton, Margie and Kim Peters and friend Larry of Pontiac. Other afternoon guests included Mr. and Mrs. Preston Karr, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Grassmann and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Hutchinson. Pat Easton made the anniversary cake.

Michigan State University's Lyman Briggs Science College has announced that Mark D. Schwartz made the dean's list for spring term, 1978. He carried 12 credits with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schwartz of Gagetown, and was a 1976 graduate of Owendale-Gagetown High School. Schwartz is studying meteorology and is also active in on-campus radio and television. He also works part time for WKY-OWIDL AM-FM radio in Caro. He will be a junior in the fall.

Four tables of cards were played when the euchre club met Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Bukowski. High prizes were won by Mrs. Cliff Jackson and Elmer Fuester. Low prizes went to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hendrick. A potluck lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. John Franzel and family, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Kirkbright, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mezo and baby Paul, all of Sandusky, and Mrs. George Krause had a cookout at the home of Mrs. Frances Krause and Anna Wednesday evening to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tibbits and sons back to Michigan.

Deb Gettel and Lori Mandich were named Owendale - Gagetown co-students of the month. Deb and Lori both finished their sophomore year this spring. Deb has been active in the girls' sports at Owen-Gage, but had to sit out of spring sports this year due to a broken leg. She has been very active as a class officer and in Future Homemakers of America (FHA). She is presently ranked 6th in her class with a cumulative grade point average of 3.68. Lori's extracurricular activities this past year included forensics and FHA. She was FHA secretary. She is consistently on the honor roll, maintaining a GPA of 3.16.

Steven R. Hosner of Deford was one of 51 Michigan State University Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets who were honored at Army and Air Force commissioning ceremonies at MSU's Kellogg Center Auditorium, June 10. Brig. Gen. Willard E. Henshaw, commander of the 70th Division (Training) U.S. Army Reserve located in Livonia, was the guest speaker at the joint ceremony honoring the ROTC cadets. Hosner, son of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Hosner, 231 N. Kingston Road, is a 1969 graduate of Cass City High School. He is a senior at MSU with a major in packaging and will complete his requirements to become a commissioned officer in December, 1978. ROTC cadets are commissioned as second lieutenants following successful completion of a four-year program in military science.

50 YEARS AGO (1968)

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald F. Kercher

of New London, Connecticut, announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Wallace, to Abraham Chamie of Dearborn, Mich. Mrs. Gerald Kercher is the former Frances Koepfgen and both she and Mr. Kercher were formerly from Cass City. Miss Kercher is the granddaughter of Lyle A. Koepfgen and niece of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Koepfgen. She is a senior at Eastern Michigan University where she is working toward a Bachelor's degree in Special Education. Mr. Chamie is a 1968 graduate of Eastern where he received a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics. The wedding is planned for August 24 in New London, Conn.

Mrs. Edith Toner and Gladys accompanied Mr. and Mrs. William Toner to the Upper Peninsula. They visited Tahquamenon Falls, took a boat ride to Pictured Rocks at Munising and toured the iron mines at Crystal Falls. They had dinner with relatives at Florence, Wis., and also visited Mr. and Mrs. Merle Cassidy and his mother at Mackinaw City and Mrs. Edith Toner's cousin, Mrs. Charles McCleary, at Carp Lake. They viewed the unusual furniture exhibit of the late chief White Cloud at Cross Village, including carvings of roots, trees and logs.

Pvt. Larry Guilds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Guilds of Cass City, has completed basic training at Ft. Knox, Ky., and has been home on a 13-day leave. Friday morning Guilds will leave for Ft. Bragg, N.C., where he has been assigned to automotive mechanics for further training.

Gary W. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Miller of Seeger St., was named to the Dean's List at Ferris State College for the spring quarter. Miller is a graduate of Cass City High School. Students named to a Dean's List must maintain a B average while carrying a full academic load.

75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Pvt. Kenneth Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, has been transferred from Florida to Colorado. Mrs. Kenneth Robinson visited here on Monday evening. She is leaving to live with her husband.

Carrier Pigeon Is Used To Send Battle Story ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, N. AFRICA.—For the first time in the North African campaign a carrier pigeon has been used to transmit a dispatch from the front lines. Phil Ault, United Press correspondent, who was an eye-witness to the capture of the Axis base at Gafsa, wrote a dispatch and sent it by pigeon to a forward teleprinter base which relayed it to Allied headquarters. It took the pigeon 50 minutes to make the trip.

100 YEARS AGO (1918)

Mrs. Donnelly, assisted by her neighbors and the local Red Cross, have arranged for a big ice cream social at the Chas. Donnelly farm in Cass City, on Friday evening, July 12. The proceeds from this social are to be devoted to buying a knitting machine. These machines accomplish work equal to that of twenty-four average knitters. Our local knitters are doing noble work, but an increased army means more and more knitting and the boys already "over there" will also need new warm clothing. The Home Guards will attend and give their weekly drill on the lawn. The band will accompany them. It is also hoped the Girls Drill Co., lately organized, will be able to attend in a body. We ask all auto owners to "do their bit" by helping take the crowd to Donnelly's. Meet at Cootes' Hardware at 7:30. Be sure to remember the date and place. Boost the Red Cross. Boost the ice cream social.

Albert Creuger has enlisted in Uncle Sam's forces and will commence service on July 15. He will pursue mechanical course at Lansing which qualifies him for repair work on automobiles and aeroplanes. Everett Mudge expects to enter the same branch of service and was in Bay City Wednesday where he took a physical examination.

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Pastor's Corner

Just because something is legal doesn't mean it's ethical

In 2008 a majority of Michigan voters decided medical marijuana should be legalized. Now, ten years later this coming November, we will vote again to decide whether recreational marijuana should be the law. I think most of us knew that the first step was going to lead to the second step down this primrose path.

Medical marijuana is legal in Michigan and great personal fortunes can be made and everyone will benefit — so we are told. And, "... the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have... pierced themselves with many griefs," 1st Timothy 6:10. Without getting into the host of physiological, societal, and legal negatives that accompany marijuana's use and abuse, I would like to concentrate

on the spiritual aspect.

Because of man's fall in the Garden, herbal remedies and medicines have been needed and used through the centuries. Certainly, it did not take long to figure out which plants had healthy properties and which were toxic, and how they could be combined for various desired effects.

Finally, when God gave His law to Moses, regulations regarding alcohol, drugs, and intoxication were recorded, and later expounded upon by the prophets and New Testament writers. Did God mention marijuana specifically? Not that I know of, but He did speak to the issue of drug use. Deuteronomy 18:9-14 "... there shall not be found among you... one who uses divination, one who practices witchcraft, or one who

interprets omens, or a sorcerer, or one who casts a spell, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead..." In the exercise of these prohibited occupations and activities, drug usage played a major role.

The Apostle John gives a preview of God's coming judgment against drug abuse in Revelation 9:21, during the sixth trumpet where he says: "...and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts." Sorceries is the Greek word pharmakeion from which we get our English word "pharmacy," otherwise known as "drug store." Drug use that figured into the lives of the pagans of Israel's day will figure into the lives of the last generation before Christ's return. But God

condemns it. Revelation 21:8, "...immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

Just because something is legal does not mean it is ethical. Medical marijuana which is usually not used legitimately, and, likely soon, recreational marijuana may be legal (like abortion) but are not ethical. The legal and casual acceptance of this drug will only segue into others.

I hope we are not merely grooming the sorcerers of the last generation.

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News briefs

Attention Huron 4-H clubs

HURON COUNTY – Huron County 4-H clubs are encouraged to participate in this year’s 4-H Club Explosion at the Huron Community Fair. 4-H Club leaders interested in having their club participate in a three-to five-minute song or skit at this year’s 150th Huron Community Fair are asked to complete a registration form and return it by Friday, June 29, to the Huron County MSU Extension Office in Bad Axe. 4-H Club Explosion will be held Monday, July 30, beginning at 6 p.m. in the Hagen Show/Sale Barn.

Legislation targets veterans

LANSING — Michigan veterans will have better access to services under legislation signed last week by Gov. Rick Snyder. “Ensuring Michigan veterans have access to services and benefits at all levels of government is incredibly important. We owe our freedoms to these men and women and I’m happy to sign legislation that increases access and creates a fund to ensure county-level services are up to par,” Snyder said. House Bill 5536 creates a county department of veterans’ affairs to do the following: creates a “county veteran service fund”; creates a grant program run by the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency which will provide grants to counties for county veteran service operations; proposes the method for determining the total disbursement for each grant; and creates the conditions a county department of veterans’ affairs would have to satisfy to receive a grant. Snyder also signed HB 4918, which provides additional protections for veterans by prohibiting certain practices in which an individual or group attempts to make money by assisting veterans in applying for veterans’ benefits.

Vote deadline approaching

TUSCOLA COUNTY — The last day to register to vote in the Tuesday, Aug. 7, election is Monday, July 9.

Vets information available

CARO – The Tuscola County Veterans Affairs Department has established a Facebook page to provide important information to area veterans. The page will also be designed to provide updates on identifying the burial places of all Tuscola County deceased veterans. The page is new, so there isn’t a lot of information posted on it yet. But veterans and their families and other interested residents are encouraged to “like” it and take advantage of informational updates in the future. TCVA can help those who would like to order a military plaque for the back of a veteran’s grave monument. The department can also guide individuals through the process of getting the federal government to replace the decayed or broken monuments.

Community health fair set

CARO — An annual community health fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, July 19, at McLaren-Caro Region Hospital (formerly Caro Community Hospital). There will be grip strength testing, oxygen saturation checks, occupational therapy screenings, bone density screenings, prize drawings, blood pressure checks, and assistance related to Medicare, advanced directives and financial aid.

Candidate meet, greet set

HURON COUNTY — The Huron County Republican Party will host 2018 Primary Election Candidate Meet and Greet/ice cream social events over the next few weeks. The following events will give voters an opportunity to connect with the candidates: Thursday, July 19, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Peppermill Restaurant, 685 N Port Crescent Rd., Bad Axe; Thursday, July 26, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Shaker’s Ice Cream Parlor, 6685 Main St., Caseville. The goal is to provide an informal environment where Huron County constituents can have the opportunity to meet candidates, and the candidates can mingle with the residents of Huron County. Attendees are asked to RSVP by calling Casey Armitage, Huron County Republican Party Events Committee chairman, at (989) 712-0745.

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery



A WORK CREW from Zimmer Roofing has been busy with roof work at Kingston School District’s Junior-Senior High School as part of the district’s \$4.8 million renovation, demolition and upgrade project.

Crews busy on Kingston Schools upgrades

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle


Walls are coming down, dirt is being moved and construction is going on at Kingston Community Schools. “Work is happening in many areas around the district,” said Superintendent Matt Drake. “The high school parking lots and sidewalks on the north and west side have been demolished and aggregate is on site.” The work is being done with the \$4.8 million bond for 20 years voters approved in November 2017 in a vote of 473 to 267.

“The old bleachers have been removed from the high school gym and the walls are being painted,” said Drake. “The old light poles on the football field have been removed.” A few of the projects the bond will fund include technology upgrades, new security systems and boilers at the Kingston Junior/Senior High School and Kingston Elementary School, new bleachers at the school football field, LED lighting, new boilers at the junior/senior high school, roof work, and refurbish the bus garage. Much of the work is long overdue. The high school’s gym floor,

bleachers, boilers, hot-water heater and science lab are all more than 50 years old. Last week, LJ Construction started demolishing the oldest part of the elementary school. The old section is 88 years old. The first aspect of the demolition was taking interior and exterior doors out and removing the windows. Although the old section of the school is to be razed, the plan is to try to save the keystone with the school’s name over what was the main doorway, and to save the cornerstone that says 1930 for the year the school was built.



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Fledgling Cass City Farmers Market is up and running....

THE INAUGURAL Cass City Farmers Market 2018 featured just a handful of vendors, but there was a steady stream of customers in search of fresh produce and other items. Above, Cathy Tomlin (left) of End of the Lane Greenhouse helps customer Evelyn Elzinga. Farmers market organizer Carolyn Sorenson called the first event a success and says she's hoping to see more vendors participate in the coming weeks.



CATHY TOMLIN, owner of End of the Lane Greenhouse, Cass City, is one of the local farmers market sponsors. She is pictured above (left) with customer Brenda Fulcher. The farmers market is open on Thursdays from 3 to 6 p.m. on Main Street near Rotary Park.

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With summer here, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and Michigan Farmers Market Association remind families receiving food assistance benefits that they can buy fresh food at a farmers market while maximizing their purchasing power.

In addition to accepting Bridge Card payments, 144 Michigan farmers markets and farm stands also participate in the Fair Food Network's Double Up Food Bucks, which allows Bridge Card holders to get double their money for fruits and vegetables – a dollar-for-dollar match up to \$20 every market day – while supporting local growers.

For example, a family that spends \$10 in food assistance benefits at a participating farmers market gets \$10 in Double Up Food Bucks to buy locally grown produce.

“It’s important to MDHHS to make available healthy options at an affordable price for Michiganders who receive food assistance benefits to feed their families,” said Terry Beurer, MDHHS deputy director for Field Operations Administration. “Michigan’s farmers markets provide nutritional food and Double Up Food Bucks allows them to buy more food with their benefits.”

Currently, 164 Michigan farmers markets accept Bridge Cards that are loaded with food assistance benefits.

To find a farmers market that accepts Bridge Cards, visit the Michigan Farmers Market Association Find a Farmers Market feature online at www.mifma.org/findafarmersmarket. The site allows visitors to search for a farmers market by city, county or day of the week. They can search based on the food assistance benefits they will use while shopping – Bridge Card (food assistance only), Double Up Food Bucks, WIC Project FRESH, Senior Project FRESH/Market FRESH or Hoophouses for Health.

“The positive impact that food assistance programs have on farmers markets is immense. It becomes not just a win for the client, but also for the farmers market and the vendors selling at the market,” said Joe Lesausky, food access manager at the Michigan Farmers Market Association. “Every year, I continue to see new market managers reaching out, and asking how they can start accepting Bridge Cards.”

Temporary food assistance for eligible low-income families and individuals is available from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and is referred to as the Food Assistance Program in Michigan.

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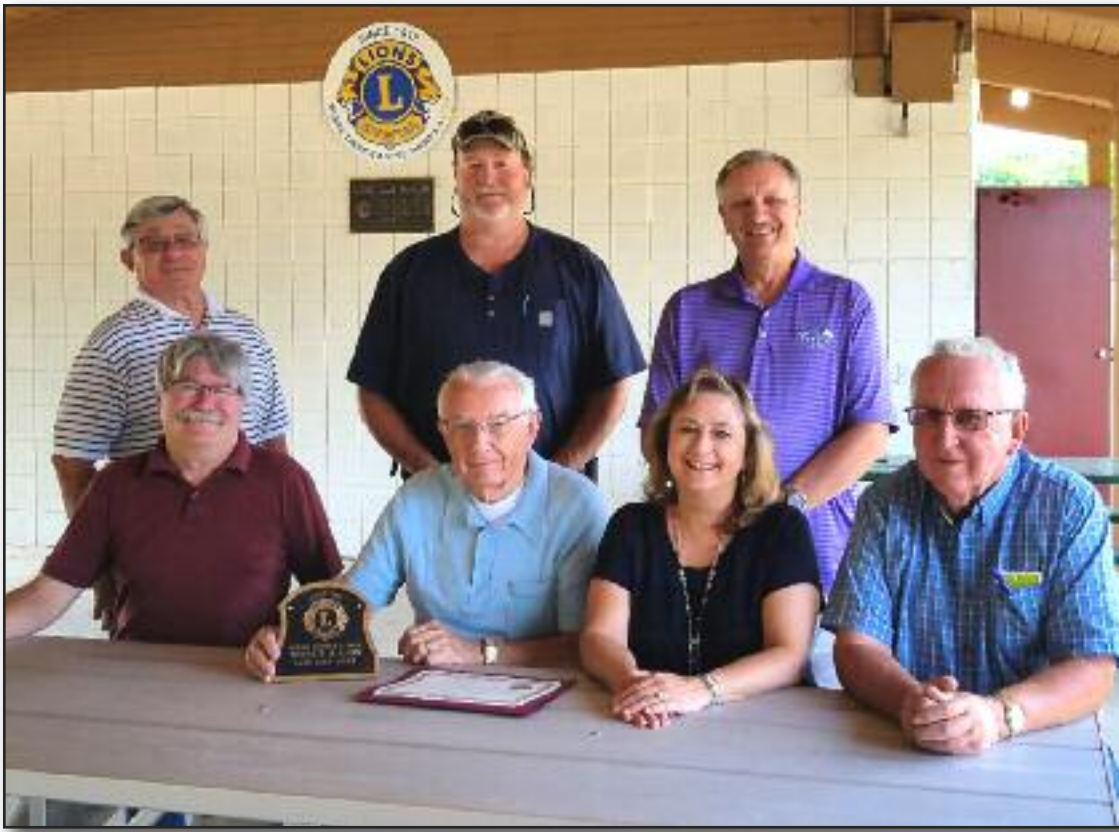
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THE CASS CITY LION'S Club recently donated a pair of handicap accessible picnic tables, which have been placed at the Lions Pavilion at Cass City Recreational Park. Club members formally presented the tables to village officials last week. Pictured above are (front row, from left) Dennis Meck, past Lion's Club president; Carl Palmateer, village president; Debbie Powell, village manager; Tom Herron, village trustee; (back row, left) Gary Jones, Lions Club secretary; Ken Martin, club member; and Terry Hendrick, Lion's Club president.

Yoga studio keeps family business legacy alive and well in the village of Ubly

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

An old family business is being brought back to life in Ubly with a new purpose.

"Back when I was on the council, I felt it important that we (council members) show we support the town, so I bought (a) building and plan to teach yoga in it so the building isn't just setting empty," said David Jaroch, a former Ubly Village president who resigned from the council March 1.

Jaroch's yoga studio is located at 2166 Main St. in a building that previously housed a grocery store.

"It was built in 1910. My grandfather bought it in 1921. My father bought it from him after World War II and he ran it until the 1980s," Jaroch noted. "There is a lot of family history in this building."

The building totals roughly 2,000 square feet. The studio will be located in the front, utilizing about 1,000 square feet, with changing rooms in the back.

Jaroch has been a certified yoga instructor for two years, and is a retired teacher from the Ubly School District.

"I went to India for a month to study yoga," said Jaroch. "I hope to have the studio open in the fall. Right now, I'm teaching in the Sleeper Public Library."

Yoga classes are offered at the library in Ubly on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m., and on Saturdays at 8:30 a.m.

"I don't take any payments for my yoga classes at the library. Donations are accepted, and they go to the library," Jaroch said.

When his yoga studio is open, he will accept donations, which will go towards upkeep of his studio.

"I don't accept money. It's like I said, it's my way of giving back to the community where I have lived all my life, and my family before me," Jaroch said. "This town was good to my grandfather, father and me. The town is special to me."

For more information about yoga classes at the Sleeper Public Library, 2236 E. Main St, call the library at (989) 658-8901.

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Tuscola Sheriff welcomes new deputy, says goodbye to another



TUSCOLA COUNTY Sheriff Glen Skrent recently swore in the newest member of the sheriff's department. Deputy Kevin Spyker will now begin a 12-week field training program. "Kevin grew up in Tuscola County, attended Reese High School and recently graduated from the Delta College Police Academy," Skrent noted. (Photo courtesy of the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department)



AFTER 15 years of service, Tuscola County Sheriff's Deputy Rod Bertsch is retiring. "Deputy Bertsch started with the sheriff's office in 2003 as a corrections officer and then managed the Inmate worksite crew," Sheriff Glen Skrent said. "He has been a dedicated and hardworking employee of the sheriff's office. With his worksite crews, he has helped countless organizations to complete projects over the years. In 2010 he was named 'Officer of the Year' and he has also received numerous professional excellence awards." (Photo courtesy of the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department)

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I did not appreciate the microphone being taken away from me at the marijuana meeting held at the VFW Hall last Tuesday.

~Clarence "Bud" Schneeberger

NOTICE FOR GILFORD TOWNSHIP

June 14, 2018- MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. **Board members present:** D. Strasz, Treasurer; R. Haines, Clerk; J. Stockmeyer, Supervisor; A. Goss, Trustee; K. Houghtaling, Trustee. Order of agenda approved, with addition of adding trees on Wagner property to the agenda.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by D. Strasz, second by A. Goss to approve minutes. Motion approved.

Treasurers Report: Motion by J. Stockmeyer, second by R. Haines to approve Treasurers Report. Motion approved.

REPORTS:

Mark from Nextera reported on letters sent out, should have applications in by next week.

Supervisor: R.A. Kaijala resigning as Ambulance Representative effective in September. M. Spencer report on progress of storage building, bid publication and bid opening set. State and Tuscola County Road Commission agreed to posting 45 MPH speed limit one half mile from each direction from center of Gilford. 1 Reese medical run, 1 Fairgrove. Senate bill 1031 discussed regarding underground wiring taxation. Road surface ratings handout. Next Blueprint meeting June 26 at 6:00 P.M. Reese Park request for funding, motion by D. Strasz, second by K. Houghtaling to approve funding of \$3600 to Reese Parks. Motion approved. Trees on corner of Gilford Rd. and Quanicassie Rd. obstructing vision when traveling North.

Treasurer: None.

Clerk: MTA Planning Commission class coming up. Progress on BS&A software project. Audit is complete. Spring clean up cost to TWP was \$1065.00. Motion by A. Goss, second by D. Strasz to approve payment of the bills. Motion approved.

Trustees: K. Houghtaling reported on Planning Commission meeting.

Ambulance Representative: 12 runs in Gilford Township. **Fire Department Representative:** Fairgrove; many grass fires, one retirement, Chief went to conference, reviewed last year accomplishments, Nextera not able to help with new truck. Reese; new bylaws, car show fund raising, new turnout gear.

Zoning Administrator: 1 permit issued, 4 junk car violation letters sent out, 1 refused letter.

Public Comment: Is new wind turbine project a for sure go? (yes, M. from Nextera). New crowd control posts.

Motion by K. Houghtaling, second by D. Strasz to adjourn at 9:57 P.M. Motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted:
Robert L. Haines,
Gilford Township Clerk

Citizens support medical marijuana plant

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would be \$1.5 million, with the venture generating \$40,000 in property taxes, 30 to 35 full-time jobs and payroll of roughly \$1 million in the first year.

Vollmar has indicated failure on the part of the village to support the plan could result in the loss of factory jobs down the road, in part because the 120,000-square-foot Millennium building is underutilized and in need of repairs, including a \$500,000 roof.

He said Millennium Industries, which is currently utilizing about 50 percent of available plant space, employs about 110 workers, "and we'd like to see that grow to 200, quite frankly."

Vollmar said he and Ploss are not looking to force the issue down the village's throat. There are other options available if the proposal fails locally.

However, he said, small communities are not attracting manufacturing jobs today, and this an opportunity to significantly boost the local economy.

"We've been in this community for 20 years. We want to see employment stay, grow," Vollmar said. "I think we've got to look at it realistically and say, what kind of opportunities can we bring" into small towns.

Public comment

A number of residents, including Bert Althaver, a former longtime Walbro Corporation executive and past village council president for many years, voiced support for the plan.

"I've studied this and I think that there's a clear distinction between medical marijuana and recreational marijuana," said Althaver, a melanoma survivor who has lived in the community for 62 years. "This is a product - it's not aimed to hurt, but to help."

"The other thing is...we need employment in this town. If you look downtown, it's a shadow of what it used to be," Althaver added. "So, I strongly endorse what Gary and Gus are doing."

Richard "Dick" Gentner, who moved to the village with his wife, Ginna, 13 years ago, agreed, saying he knows first-hand the frustration of dealing with chronic

pain after an accident left him with severe knee, hip and back injuries. "Pain management is not doing a...thing for me. I've got to do something because I can't keep going," he said. "As long as it's not recreational (marijuana, I'm 100 percent in favor of it)."

A 36-year-old man from the Detroit area, who identified himself as a newcomer to the community, noted medical marijuana is already legal, and voters could very well support legalization of recreational marijuana in November.

"This grow operation might be a way" to keep the community alive," he said. "I really think this is a great opportunity for the community."

Kareem Khoury, longtime owner of the Quaker Maid Dairy Store in town, echoed those comments.

The choice has nothing to do with the legality of the drug for medical purposes - that's already the reality, Khoury said. The choice, he added, is about taking advantage of an opportunity to strengthen the village's economy and job base. "How long have we been waiting for a grocery store?"

Cass City Village Trustee Tom Herron, who said he was speaking as a resident - not as a village official - added, "This is going to be a first-class operation. We need this tax base. We're all complaining about higher water bills, higher sewer bills. We need this tax base."

Not everyone at the meeting supports the proposed business venture, however.

Bud Schneeberger, a veteran

local businessman for 57 years and owner of Schneeberger Furniture and Appliance, described marijuana as a problem - not a solution - that will end up costing more in the areas of criminal justice and health care.

"I think the biggest thing it does is take lives," he said. "I've got experience in this. It takes lives."

Ruth Schwendinger, another Cass City resident and professional substance abuse prevention specialist, voiced concerns related to the potency of the marijuana being grown. There have been cases of individuals overdosing on marijuana with high THC levels, according to Schwendinger, who also noted there are very real risks when people under the influence of the drug get behind the wheel of a car.

While village residents could eventually have an opportunity to vote directly on the issue if county officials agreed to place the measure on the ballot, or if village citizens organized a successful petition drive, a majority vote of the village council would set the wheels in motion to approve the medical marijuana growing operation at Millennium much sooner.

The first step would be to request the village's legal counsel to draft an ordinance allowing such a business to operate within the village limits, followed by a review of the document by council during a regular meeting, then a public hearing 30 days later followed by a vote on the ordinance.

If approved, the new law would go into effect 30 days later.

Letters to the Editor

Citizen support is crucial

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The company proposing this is Millennium Steering Industries on Garfield Ave. It will not affect present production or jobs. It will be housed in 25,000 square feet of unused space. The area will be completely closed from present production areas. The state of Michigan has come up with very extensive security regulations. It must have security 24/7, which will not be required to add to our own police department. If recreational marijuana becomes legal in November, we will not support growing it or selling it in the community.

Many are asking what's in this for Cass City. We are told it will provide approximately 25 jobs, some of them will be high tech. The owners will be investing over \$1.5 million. We were also told the facility will bring approximately \$40,000 in property taxes plus the village would get a share of the sales back from the state. Also the growing process takes a great deal of water, which would provide much needed revenue to the water and sewer departments.

This proposal is only the first phase of what could become a very large industry. Cass City needs this plant. We need more money coming in. Our streets need attention, we need to raise \$250,000 to repair our swimming pool and many water lines in town need to be replaced.

We need jobs to keep young people here. That, in turn, keeps our home values up. If you, the citizens, are for this, then we need your support. We have three council members in support. Three is not enough to pass this. We need four, which looks impossible. The only solution is to petition the council. The petition for the public to sign will be at the Quaker Maid Dairy store and Northwood Modular Homes. We are asking for anyone that is willing to help circulate petitions to please call me at (989) 872-2217. You may call me there for more information.

Please consider this. Time for this is important. We must give the company proposing this some answers this month. If turned down, they will be going somewhere else.

Tom Herron, Cass City Village Council trustee
Robert Piaskowski, Cass City Village Council trustee

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Donald F. Ashton and Margaret M. Ashton, husband and wife, as tenants by the entirety

Original Mortgagee: Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, A Subsidiary of Indy Mac Bank, F.S.B.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): CIT Bank, N.A.

Date of Mortgage: April 27, 2005

Date of Mortgage Recording: May 26, 2005

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$109,098.24

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Koylton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 21, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Koylton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; running thence East 178

feet; thence South 209 feet; thence West 178 feet; thence running North 209 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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Date of notice: June 20, 2018
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on July 19, 2018 Said premises are situated in the Township of Ellington,

Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

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NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 2, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Stacey Pease, a single woman

Original Mortgagee: Independent Mortgage Co. East MI

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Independent Bank
Date of Mortgage: March 23, 2005

Date of Mortgage Recording: April 1, 2005
Amount claimed due on

date of notice: \$48,518.32

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing 3 rods South and 4 rods West of the Northeast corner of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, Village of Cass City, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence South 8 rods; thence West 4 rods; thence North 8 rods to the South line of Main Street; thence East 4 rods to the place of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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