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## \$200,000 donation may save local pool from closing doors

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Local officials gladly accepted a generous \$200,000 donation Monday for renovations and repairs to the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool.

Trustee Tom Herron made the announcement during the regular monthly meeting of the Cass City Village Council.

"The contribution has been given by Duane Chippi in memory of his late wife Janice," said Herron, noting Duane choose not to be here tonight, but asked if I would say something nice about his birth of over 60 years who passed away on Nov. 13, 2017.

"Janice was a very fun loving woman, very kind and generous. She became friends with everyone that knew her," Herron said. "Janice loved Christmas. She not only bought (gifts) for her own family, Janice and Duane bought gifts for many families in need throughout the Thumb."

The Chippis, Cass City's Chamber of Commerce 2018 Citizens of the Year, both grew up locally and married in 1954. They moved to town in 1961 and went into business, working together to build Cass City Oil and Gas into the huge success that it is today.

When Janice became ill she was hospitalized and told she had cancer and had two weeks to live, according to Herron, who said she took it bravely and her only wish was that she be able to die at home, which she did with her family at her side.

Although private people, the Chippis will always be known for their philanthropy and a bronze plaque will be placed at the pool in their honor.

In a related motion, the creation of a Water Recreation Fund, with a restricted fund balance, was created to hold all fundraising money for  
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### *A blast from the past...*

**KINGSTON CITIZENS** gathered Friday night to open a time capsule that was built into the foundation of the Kingston School in the 1930's. Kingston Superintendent Matt Drake, left and Dean of Students Jay Green, right reveal a copy of the Kingston Enterprise newspaper that was encapsulated for 88 years.

## Time capsule contents revealed

By Mary Drier  
For the Chronicle

Although the former Kingston School's 1930 cornerstone and the time capsule inside of it survived the test of time, the contents inside of the capsule didn't fare as well.

An Aug. 29, 1930, copy of the Kingston Enterprise newspaper was the only item that was legible when the capsule was opened Friday night during the Kingston Days Festival, but the pictures inside were unrecognizable. "I knew there was something in

it. I was hoping there would be a little more. It is what it is. It was neat to look at the newspaper and read some of the articles. It looked like there were a couple of pictures but the paper and the layers of them were so deteriorated that  
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## Cass City Schools agree to gymnastics co-op with Sandusky

By Mary Drier  
For the Chronicle

Another school district outside our county is asking to join Cass City School District's gymnastics program.

"Sandusky Schools asked to join," said Superintendent Jeff Hartel. "We are one of the few schools that has a gymnastics program in the area."

"We allow students from other schools to come here and join our gymnastics team."

"The program is a cooperative agreement where we allow students to come from other districts to be part of our gymnastics program. We have a similar agreement with USA (Unionville - Sebawaing School District) where our students go there for their soccer program."

Cass City also has a cooperative agreement with Caro School District for students to participate in the swim team.

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## Cyclists injured in Thursday night crash

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies are continuing their investigation into a motorcycle accident that left two people injured Thursday night.

Sheriff Glen Skrent reported officers were dispatched to the scene of the crash - East Dayton Road near Gun Club Road - at about

8:30 p.m. "They found that a 36-year-old male from Caro lost control of his motorcycle while going northwest on East Dayton Road," Skrent said. "He, along with a female passenger, were injured, (suffering) head and face injuries. A helicopter flew the male to Covenant

Hospital while MMR transported the female."

Neither victim was identified. "Helmets were not worn," said Skrent, who noted the crash remains under investigation.

The Caro police and fire departments as well as MMR assisted deputies at the scene.



**ALTHOUGH THE** Caro Garden Club's Blue Star Memorial pays tribute to all veterans and current military individuals and their families, from its inception, a special area was created specifically to honor Vietnam-era veterans. Memorial bricks are being sold for that area, and bricks are also available to honor veterans who fought in other wars.

### *Honoring the past, present*

## Garden club paves way to honor vets

by Mary Drier  
Special for the Chronicle

The Caro Garden Club is selling engraved memorial bricks to honor active duty servicemen and women as well as veterans from Tuscola County who served in any war.

"Due to numerous requests, the Caro Garden Club has created and carefully designed space to accommodate additional engraved bricks for men, women and war dogs who have served or are serving our country's military," said Peter Diller, who is a member of the garden club.

"The club is offering a limited number of engraved bricks honoring all active duty and military veterans. The bricks will be put in the Plaza of Honor," he added.

Although the Blue Star Memorial area pays tribute to all veterans and current military individuals and their families; from its inception, a specific area in the garden was created specifically to honor Vietnam-era veterans.

The positioning will be completed on both sides of the small concrete path leading up to the boulder and plaque commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Vietnam that was dedicated last year in the Caro Botanical Garden's Plaza of Honor.

The Plaza of Honor is located in the Blue Star and Vietnam Veterans memorials in the botanical garden located at the corner of Hooper and Sherman streets.

There are currently more than 260 blank bricks that can be engraved  
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**THE TUSCOLA County Sheriff's Department's recent "Stuff the Humvee" campaign was a big success, with dozens of people throughout Tuscola County filling the department's Humvee with donated school supplies for county students. "The supplies were taken to the Tuscola ISD and are being distributed to all the local districts. We also received cash donations totaling \$120, which is being used to buy more supplies," Sheriff Glen Skrent reported last week. (Photo courtesy of the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department)**

## Garden club sets bricks to honor vets

**Continued from page one.** and then reinstalled. There are two sizes of bricks being sold; the cost of a four-inch by eight-inch brick is \$35, and an eight-inch by eight-inch brick is \$60. The spaces between the information count as one character.

The suggested information on the memorial bricks include the veteran's name and rank, branch of service, dates, and deployment information such as WW I or WW II, Vietnam, Iraq, or Afghanistan. There are even bricks honoring Civil War veterans.

"We are accepting orders for bricks to be engraved, as long as space and supplies last - through early September," said Diller. "Installation of all bricks will be done before the first frost in October."

Order forms for the bricks can be obtained at Caro City Hall, the Caro Area District Library and the Tuscola County Office of Veterans Affairs, which is housed in the Tuscola County Health Department building.

A 150-year old emblem from the Civil War is displayed at the base of the American flag in the garden. There are also lights in the garden and at the Blue Star Memorial.

"The garden is a beautiful place. It has benches and lights so it can

be enjoyed even at night," noted Diller. "It is a tranquil place to reflect on the dedication of those who served in the armed forces and honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice."

For more information, contact Diller at (989) 672-0714 or via email at peterdiller7@gmail.com,

or Diana Bondy at (989) 683-2123 or via email at bondyd@speed-connect.com.

Development of the Garden Club's Blue Star Memorial garden started two years ago to honor veterans who have died in battle or are still active serving in the military.



**THE CARO Garden Club is selling engraved memorial bricks to honor active duty members of the military or veterans from Tuscola County who served in any war. Two sizes of memorial bricks are available. They will be sold throughout September and installed in October.**

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# In Our OPINION...

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## Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

**Lions and tigers, oh my!**



### Suspect abuse of elderly? Report it

*No one wants to consider the possibility of an elderly friend or family member being the victim of abuse, but it's a reality that occurs and often remains undetected.*

*In fact, one in 10 older adults in the United States experiences abuse, and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is encouraging residents to learn the warning signs of elder abuse and the ways they can help prevent it.*

*"Michigan's older adults are valued members of our state, and it is our responsibility to ensure their safety and minimize crimes against them," said Gov. Rick Snyder, who encourages residents to learn more about abuse in order to put a stop to it.*

*Physical, psychological or verbal abuse, neglect, sexual abuse and financial exploitation are all considered forms of elder abuse and can occur in both private homes and institutional settings, such as nursing homes and other long-term care facilities.*

*The perpetrators, meanwhile, are often family members, friends or neighbors of the victim, and are frequently suffering from mental health or physical problems or are having financial issues.*

*Abuse is defined as harm or threatened harm to an adult's health or welfare caused by another person, while neglect is the inability or failure of the adult, or an individual responsible for the care of the elder or vulnerable adult, to provide adequate food, shelter, clothing, medical care, etc. Exploitation is the misuse of an adult's funds, property or personal dignity by another person.*

*Roughly one in 10 Americans ages 60 and older have experienced some form of elder abuse, according to the National Council on Aging. Some estimates range as high as five million elders who are abused each year. One study estimated that only one in 14 cases of abuse are reported to authorities.*

*Abusers are both women and men. In nearly 60 percent of elder abuse and neglect incidents, the perpetrator is a family member — two thirds of perpetrators are adult children or spouses.*

*"All Michigan residents should watch for signs of abuse, such as physical trauma, withdrawal, depression, anxiety and fear of family members, friends or caregivers," said Nick Lyon, MDHHS director.*

*"Efforts to identify, report and investigate elder abuse are critically important in reducing the harm to older adults," Lyon added. "If you suspect someone is being abused, contact Adult Protective Services or local law enforcement if someone is in immediate danger."*

*Older adults are also encouraged to plan ahead to protect themselves against financial exploitation and be aware of the possibility of scams, as these crimes are becoming more common across Michigan.*

*Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) around the state can also connect seniors to community-based services that can assist them in maintaining or increasing their independence, helping them reduce the risk of abuse. To get information about your local AAA, visit the Aging & Adult Services Agency website or call (517) 373-8230.*

*If you feel that you are a victim of elder abuse or know someone who is, report suspected mistreatment to Adult Protective Services by calling (855) 444-3911 any time day or night. Allegations will be investigated within 24 hours after a report is received.*

*If you suspect someone you love is being abused in a facility, contact Adult Protective Services and call the Michigan Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program at (866) 485-9393.*

While I'm all for animal rights and try to be politically correct, I cannot help but feel the latest trend is a little over the top.

In an effort to placate the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey went out of business after 145 years shortly after they took the elephants from its shows because of PETA.

PETA has been protesting the use of animals in circuses for three decades, according to news reports.

Aside from being performers and giving rides to circus goers, elephants were laborers used to do heavy lifting when getting the shows ready. The circus gave into the animal rights group's pressure in 2016, and went out business in May 2017 because of low ticket sales.

That has me wondering if the new redesign of the Animal Crackers' box will have the same impact.

Mondelez International, which is the parent company of Nabisco, redesigned the packaging of its Barnum's Animals crackers because of pressure from PETA.

The traditional red and yellow Animal Cracker package showed the animals behind bars. Now, the zebra, elephant, lion, giraffe, and gorilla are wandering free after a century of being behind bars to look like they are traveling in a train boxcar. The colorful boxes were often used as Christmas gifts that could serve as an ornament.

The treats crunch like crackers but are sweet like a cookie, and April 18 has even been recognized as National Animal Cracker's Day, according to one website.

Some of the fun facts I found out about the treat include a note that in the early 1880s, they were made in the United Kingdom and called biscuits.

In 1902, Nabisco started selling the crackers and used the name "Barnum's Animals" in reference to circus showman P. T. Barnum.


On the 100th anniversary of Nabisco's Animal Crackers in 2002, there was a contest to add another animal to the menagerie, and the koala bear was chosen.

Also, the cracker company hosted a special promotion in 1995 to benefit the World Wildlife Fund. The limited-edition crackers featured an endangered species collection, including Komodo dragons, peregrine falcons and others.

Whenever I hear about or see a box of the crackers, I think of Shirley Temple singing "Animal Crackers in my Soup" in the 1935 movie "Curly Top".

Hopefully, the redesign of the package won't cause

the crackers to become endangered or go out of business. The fictional animals are out of their fictional cages to run free to become a fictional meal for predators.



### Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

The Cass River Greenway Committee's recent 10th annual Cass River Clean-Up was another success, thanks to volunteers and sponsors who combined efforts to continue the ongoing task of cleaning up the Cass River, one section at a time.

That's according to committee member and Cass City Village Council Trustee Nancy Barrios, who noted unusually low water levels made this year's project very challenging.

"While we didn't find much in terms of cans, bottles and normal trash, we did find an astounding number of vehicle tires dumped in the river," Barrios said. "Tire-filled canoes were too heavy to maneuver through the shallow, rocky waters, and we were faced with unloading and stacking piles of tires on the river banks, where we could retrieve them this fall when the water levels return."

Volunteers estimate 110 tires, including two large tractor tires, were removed, stacked or identified for removal over the three-mile stretch of river covered this year.

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Jay Green was the master of ceremony Friday in Kingston, where the Cardinal's Dean of Students helped with the unveiling of a time capsule from the Kingston School's 1930 cornerstone.

Although he felt the discovery of an Aug. 29, 1930 copy of the Kingston Enterprise newspaper was a bit anticlimactic as the lone item in the capsule, the former Cass City teacher turned Kingston administrator, confirmed the following: the newspaper dated Aug. 29, 1930 is 11 years older than any edition our local library has, and six years older than the oldest newspaper (1936) that the Kingston Historical possesses in the Kingston Depot.

The event provided a terrific start to the town's Kingston Days celebration.

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Here's more from Kingston Days, the annual end of summer festival that ran thru the weekend. Do you know the married couple pictured at the right? Hint they served as this year's Grand Marshalls in Kingston, where they have been owners of Beagio's for 25-years.



Meet Ann and Bill Herron.

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Doug Hyatt is planning a co-ed slow-pitch 5-vs-5 softball tournament Sept. 21-22 in Cass City.

The Round Robin format guarantees four games and call for two 5-person teams in the field at the same time consisting of three guys and two girls. Games are 5 innings with a five home run limit. Cost is \$140 per team and proceeds go towards Cass City Public Pool.

For more information contact Hyatt at (989) 550-5484.

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What a difference a few hours can make. Sunday morning I was part of a salmon charter out of Manistee. We left the harbor a little late, around 6:30 a.m., because of heavy fog and fished until 1 p.m. During that time we had four hits and landed just a pair of 10-pound range kings.

Come to find out, on his Sunday night charter, Capt. Gabe of Elsie K Charters went out to the same area we fished earlier that day and using the same baits, fishing the same depths and speeds, landed 14 fish, claiming at one time to have five fish on at the same time.

One difference however was there was a fast approaching storm that night.

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Secretary of State Ruth Johnson reminds residents that all offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed on Monday, Sept. 3 in observance of Labor Day. Same holds true for the Cass City Chronicle.

With the day off, next week's Chronicles will be on the newsstands on Wednesday and area subscribers a day later. Enjoy the holiday and please be safe.

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## Reporter's notebook

### Happy TP Day!

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor



If you figured there were no worthy days left to celebrate this month, you may have missed National Toilet Paper Day, which falls on Aug. 26 each year.

Like many other folks, I appreciate toilet paper, especially if the person responsible for installing the next roll is refined enough to understand the intricacies and importance of hanging it properly.

In case you're too busy to look deeper into this movement — er, effort — to recognize toilet paper, I've already done the homework and found some interesting background to share, although I still haven't found an answer to a question I've been asking for years: why do toilet paper makers spend so much money on advertising? I mean, aren't people going to buy their product if they don't see dancing cottony-soft rolls in between episodes of their favorite TV show?

Anyway, here are a few tidbits from the Toilet Paper Encyclopedia that you can share at your next party if the conversation starts to die:

\*The primary reason toilet paper is white is the same reason most toilets are, simply because white toilet paper looks cleaner than the natural brown-ish color the paper is before it's bleached (for those interested in the science of TP, bleaching can make toilet paper softer because it removes lignin, a polymer in wood that to some extent functions as a "glue" to hold the fibers together and makes the tree more rigid).

\*About 10 million trees per year are used to make the world's supply of toilet paper (the average tree yields 810 rolls). People in the United States on average use 50 percent more toilet paper per person than other Western nations, primarily due to the reluctance of Americans to adopt water washing systems such as bidets.

\*69 percent of people consider toilet paper the 20th century "convenience" most taken for granted.

\*49 percent choose toilet paper as their "necessity" — even before food — if stranded on a desert island.

\*Wiping your nose is the second most common use for toilet paper. The first should be obvious.

\*In public restrooms, it takes an average of 71 people to use one entire roll. In an average household, the average roll of toilet paper lasts about five days (seriously?).

\*The average person uses 100 rolls of toilet paper — more than 20,000 sheets — annually.

\*About four billion people don't use toilet paper for various reasons (lack of trees, expense, etc.).

\*It's estimated that roughly seven percent of Americans steal rolls of toilet paper in hotels or motels.

Oh, and the most important statistic of all: a whopping 72 percent of people hang the roll with the sheets going over, not under. The bottom line? Experts say folks who hang toilet paper the correct way are organized over-achievers who will eventually take over the world.

Okay, I made up that last part about taking over the world.

But I didn't make this up: in 2011 Charmin wiped the record books clean by unveiling the world's largest toilet paper roll. And, yes, the record was certified by Guinness World Records officials.

The roll, measuring eight feet high with a diameter of nine-plus feet, contains more than 1,000,000 square feet of paper and would take approximately 95,000 rolls of Charmin to equal the same amount of paper.

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



### 5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Under the guidance of Deford's Patricia Hansen, Devin Sanger and Ethan Gillig blow up a balloon using only vinegar and baking soda, as a group of Thumb 4-H campers and counselors look on. Nearly 60 area youth participated in the recent 4-H Camp held at Bay Shore Camp in Sebawaing.

Most folks take the simple act of breathing for granted. Not Val Kemp. Less than a month ago, the Cass City resident struggled to take each breath, in spite of the portable oxygen supply that was her constant companion for years. At the time, those tanks of oxygen were the only thing keeping her from an early grave, but they couldn't begin to make up for the quality of life she once enjoyed. Then the call came, Sunday, Aug. 18, at 7:20 p.m. "I think they said something like, 'If you're interested, we have a lung for you,'" said Kemp's husband, Frank, who sat with his wife as they talked Sunday about her surgery and recovery. Kemp's surgery lasted about 6 1/2 hours. After recovery, she spent less than a day in the intensive care unit, where the medical staff had her up and walking within hours of her procedure. Just days later, Kemp returned home on her birthday, Aug. 27.

The Knights of Columbus Council 8892 in Cass City recently awarded scholarships to Red Hawk 2013 graduates Justin Kerkau and Karley Peters. Making the presentation is Chris Pawlowski, scholarship program chairman.

### 10 YEARS AGO (2008)

Skip and Ellen Speirs of Cass City and Bob and Donna Gamron of Richmond, Ohio, announce the engagement of their children, Adina Joy Speirs of Bergholz, Ohio, to Brent Wayne Gamron of Richmond, Ohio. A May 23, 2009 wedding is being planned.

Seldom do acts that get you in trouble during your school days later become your profession. But in a sense, that's what has transpired for Jeff Hosky, 43, the artist behind the new Red Hawk mural showcased on the Cass City High School gym floor which has been repaired, sanded, painted and refinished as part of the district's \$6.8 million capital improvement plan. Now owner of Hogger's Custom Paint in Harrison, Hosky confessed some of his early drawings, one found on the bathroom wall at Harrison High School, helped pave the way to a 20-year career specializing in custom motorcycle work.

### 25 YEARS AGO (1993)

The Karr family, one of the oldest families in the Cass City area, held its reunion over the weekend of Aug. 7-8. Seventy-two people attended, of whom 48 were direct descendants. The 6 brothers, David, Asahel, Julius, Elijah, Fray and Parmer Karr, migrated from Canada and settled in the Cass City area in 1867. Descendants of all these brothers, except Elijah, were present at the reunion. It was the first time descendants of David attended a reunion. Paul H. Karr Sr., 85, and his great-grandson, Tyler Karr, 3 months, were the oldest and the youngest persons attending the reunion. Mrs. Milligan was the oldest woman attending, and her son and daughter-in-law, David and Kris Milligan of Cass City, were the most recently married. Mr. and Mrs. Omar McKee of Gregory, of the Asahel lineage, had been married the longest at 55 years. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Karr and son, Casey, of Novato, Calif., came the farthest. They are descendants of Julius.

Gordon Fornoff and Caroline Ward, both of Flint, and Mrs. Maxine Webb of Vassar attended the Decker United Methodist Church Centennial celebration worship and music service Friday evening. It was led by the Rev. Winston E. Pike Sr. of Akron, Ohio, who grew up in Decker.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bliss of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Alicia, to Gary Miller Jr., the son of Mr. and

Mrs. Gary Miller Sr. of Caro. Alicia is a 1992 graduate of Saginaw Valley State University and employed at the Tuscola County Central Dispatch and 911 Center. Gary is a 1988 graduate of Kirkland Community College and employed as a deputy with the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department. An October wedding is planned.

### 35 YEARS AGO (1983)

The Grand Trunk Western Railroad Co. filed a petition with the Interstate Commerce Commission Friday to abandon its rail line that runs through Kingston, Cass City, Gageton and Owendale. The primary use of the rail line is to haul grain and managers of grain elevators along it say if rail service is terminated, the big losers will be farmers, who will receive as much as 10-12 cents less per bushel of grain to cover the increased cost of shipping by truck.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Torres and son of Midland were here for the week end at the home of her mother, Mrs. Audrey Cummins, when they came to attend Mr. Torres' class reunion Saturday evening at Colony House.

Randy L. Kozan of West Street, Cass City, has been named to the dean's list for the winter semester at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo. To be eligible, a student must have compiled at least a 3.5 grade point average for at least 14 credit hours of graded class work.

### 40 YEARS AGO (1978)

Sharon Elaine Clarke and Randall Lynn Ground and Kathy Diane Clarke and Mark Leslie Dillard were married in a double garden wedding at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at the home of the brides. Sharon and Kathy are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Clarke of Cass City. Randy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ground of Dallas, Texas, and Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dillard of Lake Orion. Minister Allen Barber of Kalamazoo officiated for Randy and Sharon, and minister Jack Hawkins of Sylvan Lake officiated for Mark and Kathy.

The stained glass window in the Tuscola County Courthouse shows a picture of Margaret Jackson's great-great-grandfather, Chippewa Chief Mash-kee-yosh, signing a treaty with Gen. Lewis Cass, deeding the Saginaw Valley to the U.S. government.

Cadet Karen P. Brown, daughter of Mrs. Susan I. Pitsenberg of Phoenix, Ariz., and Robert L. Brown of Cass City, recently completed six weeks of training in fundamental military skills at the Army ROTC basic camp at Fort Knox, Ky. The basic camp is designed to give junior college graduates and college sophomores who have not taken ROTC courses the chance to enter the program. The camp also qualifies high school graduates for the ROTC program at any one of the nation's six military junior colleges. During the encampment, cadets received training in basic rifle marksmanship, military drill and ceremonies, communications and individual and small unit tactics. Miss Brown is a student at Arizona State University in Tempe.

### 50 YEARS AGO (1968)

The Tuscola County Board of Supervisors met in a special session Monday to reconsider the Sunday liquor-by-the-glass law and voted it down for the second time. The vote was 13-11. One supervisor was absent. The special meeting was called after Charles Miros, a Millington tavern owner, presented a petition requesting that the board reconsider sales of liquor-by-the-glass on Sunday.

David W. O'Dell, son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. O'Dell, at the end of an eight-week summer school session, was in the graduating class of Kearney State College, Kearney, Nebraska. He received a B.A. in Education. David and his wife Delores and children, Danny, David and Dawn, live in Central City, Nebraska. This past week David returned to his Junior High

teaching position in the Fullerton Public Schools.

Mrs. Richard Erla, Mrs. Garfield Turner, Mrs. Edward Hahn and Mrs. William Bliss Sr. were co-hostesses at a farewell party Tuesday night, Aug. 20, in the Erla home, honoring Mrs. Russell Ayres. The Ayres family are moving to Midland this week. About 20 guests attended.

### 75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Frank McGregory has sold his 40-acre farm on M-53, in Section 8, Evergreen Township, to Noble G. Jump for \$2,750.00. Mr. Jump resides in Detroit, and while hunting in Evergreen in the autumn season, decided he would like to own a farm in that community. Mr. and Mrs. McGregory will move to Cass City soon. They have purchased the residence on the corner of Pine and Brooker Streets and five village lots from John Seeger and his sister. The house was damaged by fire several months ago. The McGregorys plan to repair and remodel it this fall. This residence is among the oldest in town and formerly stood on the corner of Seeger and Pine Streets and served as a repair shop and residence of Gottlieb Ahr, pioneer homemaker of Cass City.

At five o'clock Saturday afternoon, August 14, Miss Dorothy Deneen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Deneen, and Mr. William Lackert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Lackert of Bad Axe, were united in marriage in the Lackert home. Miss Deneen wore a floor-length white satin wedding dress with veil and headdress. Miss Phyllis Deneen was her sister's maid of honor and wore a street-length dress of pink. The bride carried a bouquet of gladioli, larkspur, and fern. The maid of honor chose a corsage of red roses. Wayne Lackert attended his brother as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Lackert will make their home in Detroit where Mr. Lackert has employment.

Dr. B. H. Starmann was elected president of a new men's club in Cass City when 17 of the 18 charter members met for their first dinner meeting Tuesday evening. Lester Ross is vice president; C. M. Wallace, secretary; and Clarence Burt, treasurer. The club plans to hold a meeting each Tuesday evening at the Hopper Restaurant.

### 100 YEARS AGO (1918)

George Moon was one of thirty-six out of ninety-nine to graduate from the coxswain class at Petty Officers School, Norfolk, Virginia. He is now a coxswain in the U.S. Navy and has charge of a thirty-foot cutter which he has to care for himself. He is supposed to take out new recruits, give general instructions concerning the boats and teach boat drills and ropemaking.

Capt. H. C. Sweeney to his Aunt, Mrs. Asa J. Root. July 11, 1918. Dear Aunt: It has been a long time since I have written to you, so will try and make amends for my carelessness. Since my last letter I have made the journey across the ocean. I did not see any subs. We found France quite a genial country. The people are strange after our knowledge of America but they try to make life agreeable for us. I visited the city of Paris on business and also made it a pleasure trip. I took a trip around the most interesting places. The trip as a whole was very enjoyable. The work over here is very interesting and calls for plenty of initiative. That is why most of us do not get the real old-fashioned homesickness. We keep too busy to think about anything else. The organization has been in one small scrape, and most of the men are to receive a citation, that is their names will be mentioned in orders. We manage to keep busy. Time is our biggest factor we have plenty. Occasionally Fritz sends over a few shells. Last evening he dropped a few shrapnel shells but as he did not hit anything except the surrounding country, we do not mind. It relieves his feelings and does us no damage. It has been very warm until the last few days when we have had several light showers. Your nephew, HARDIN.

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# News briefs

## Hines to appear in Bad Axe

**BAD AXE** — Huron Behavioral Health will host Kevin Hines, a national mental health speaker, author, documentary film maker and brain health advocate, during special programs next month.

Hines is scheduled to speak with Huron County high school students on the morning of World Suicide Prevention Day, Monday, Sept. 10. That same evening, he will address the community on ways to improve mental fitness. The community presentation is slated for 6 to 8 p.m. at Bad Axe High School.

The program is being financially supported by the Huron County Board of Commissioners, Mid-State Health Network, and Everyone 4 Prevention through the Huron County Health Department.

There is no cost to attend, but an RSVP is requested to plan for a meal provided by Everyone 4 Prevention at the high school immediately prior to the event.

Hines recently appeared on Larry King Now and was a guest on the Today Show following the deaths of Kate Spade and Anthony Bourdain, and was featured in a CNN special about suicide prevention.

## Area resident in the service

**OWENDALE** — U.S. Air Force Airman Quinn A. Smith of Owendale recently graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Smith, the son of Llyol Damm, Owendale, is a 2014 graduate of Owen-Gage High School.

## School information available

**UBLY** — The Uby Community School District's Information Extensions are available for parents over the school phone systems extension menu.

To access the extensions, call one of the school numbers and follow the menu directions. Operator assistance is available from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Tuscola County clerk honored

**TUSCOLA COUNTY** — Tuscola County Clerk Jodi Fetting was recently honored during the annual Michigan Association of County Clerks (MACC) conference.

Fetting received the MACC President's Recognition Award in appreciation for her outstanding leadership, dedication and service as MACC president.

Fetting started in the clerk's office in September 2008 and became clerk Jan. 1, 2013.

## New lights for Gagetown

**GAGETOWN** — There will be some new lighting coming soon to downtown Gagetown. The village is having DTE switch the lighting over to LED lights.

## Kingston investigating request

**KINGSTON** — Some internet providers have approached Kingston Village officials about putting antennas on the community's water tower. To make sure it is allowed, the village plans to contact the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to ensure such an arrangement is legal.

## Uby meal program gearing up

**UBLY** — Uby Community Schools offers breakfast from 7:30 to 7:45 a.m., as well as lunches.

Parents may check on mealtime accounts online and can make deposits online, but there's an additional cost to do that.

Students who have a negative balance in their account will not be served regular lunch after the deficit reaches \$10. Students will be given reminder notes if there is a negative balance.

## Area farmers earn recognition

**THUMB** — The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development's Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program recently recognized 49 farms, including some in the Thumb, for implementing appropriate pollution prevention practices.

The program assists farmers working to comply with state and federal environmental regulations and Right to Farm practices.

Those recognized include: Ruggles Beef Farms LLC of Kingston, Fertile Valley Seed Farm LLC of Unionville, J-Land Farm of Unionville and Sting Organic Farms, also of Unionville.

To become MAEAP verified, farmers must complete three comprehensive steps; attend an educational seminar, conduct a thorough on-farm risk assessment, and develop and implement an action plan addressing potential environmental risks.

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery

# Village resurfaces basketball courts

by Mary Drier  
Special for the Chronicle

Although it's football season, Cass City Village officials are preparing for basketball.

Yeager Asphalt crews started work on the basketball courts at Cass City Recreational Park last week.

"They are reconstructing the courts. They pulled up the base and pulverized it. They had been waiting to do that work until they were doing other work in the Cass City area so they could combine the projects," said village Manager Debbie Powell.

In June, the village council awarded a contract to Yeager Asphalt to reconstruct the courts as well as do line striping and site restoration of the grass.

The firm's bids for the work were \$38,100 and \$1,500, respectively, for a total of \$39,000.

Some patch work was previously done to stabilize the court and reduce hazards.

"That project has been in the works for a while because the condition of the court was so poor. Last year we closed the court for a while until we could get some cracks sealed. It was a trip hazard," Powell said.

"When the new (surface) is on, it will be ready for kids to play on and future events like next year's Freedom Festival."

Justin Ketterer, Cass City High School girls' varsity basketball coach, is among those who are happy the project is underway.

"It's awesome the work is being done now. It will be ready to use while the nice weather lasts, and ready for next year's festival," said Ketterer, who coordinated this year's Fire in the Sky Basketball Tournament, held in conjunction with the Freedom Festival. "The court gets a lot of use. High school players use it and so do

recreational players. It is a beautiful park, and it has one of the best outside courts in the Thumb."

The park boasts eight full-size courts that are high school length and width.

"I'm not sure of the age of the

court. It's been there my whole life, and I'm 25 years old," he said.

According to Powell, two grants from the Pinney Foundation, totaling \$19,900, helped the village pay for the resurfacing work.



**A LONG AWAITED project was set in motion last week as crew members for Yeager Asphalt resurfaced the basketball courts in Cass City Recreational Park.**

## TAKING BIDS ON REAL ESTATE

Biddinger & Bitzer, PLLC, as attorneys for the owners of the "**Dunn Farm**," being William Dunn, Ruth Dunn and Laura Sweeney, are accepting offers to purchase the following described parcels of property Approximately 158.84 acres located in the Township of Elmwood, County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan, and more particularly described as:

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**Southwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4. Section 15, T14N-R10E. 40A.**

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If you wish to make an offer on the above parcels, your offer should be submitted to the Law Offices of Biddinger & Bitzer, PLLC, 4415 S. Seeger Street, Cass City, Michigan 48726, Attn: Barbara E. Doerr. The offer must be in writing, subject to the following:

- A. Bids shall be submitted to Biddinger & Bitzer, PLLC, as outlined above any time after August 15, 2018, but must be received no later than October 15, 2018.
- B. All parcels are being sold together.
- C. All bids will detail the terms of the sale including:
  - i. Whether the purchase requires financing from a lender or will be a cash sale;
  - ii. The allocation of property taxes between the parties;
  - iii. The Party responsible for the cost of title insurance, transfer taxes, and deed recordation
- D. All bids must include a Financial Statement from the Purchaser.
- E. The successful bidder will be required to tender a non-refundable good faith deposit equal to ten (10%) percent of the purchase price within two business days after receiving notice of Seller's intent to accept the bid submitted by the successful bidder.
- F. The successful bidder will accept the premises in their present condition, "AS IS" and with all faults, without warranties or representations as to condition or state of repair.
- G. Seller reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and/or the right to accept less than the highest bid submitted.
- H. All bids will be opened on October 19, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at the offices of Biddinger & Bitzer, PLLC, and bidders are welcome to attend. However, no bids will be accepted that day.
- I. The successful purchaser will be required to tender payment in full by certified check or bank money order at the time of closing.
- J. Closing shall be accomplished on or before December 31st, 2018, at a location to be designated by Seller.
- K. The successful purchaser will be entitled to take possession of the property at closing.

*\*Please note that land is being rented for the 2018 crop year. However, this lease ends after the 2018 crop year. The rental amount for the 2018 crop year will be paid to and retained by the Sellers regardless of the closing date.*



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# Fire chief Glenn Guilds addresses accusations

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the 40-year-old pool.

"It's a start for fundraising," said Cass City Village Manager Debbie Powell of the gift. "We don't know the costs to redo the pool yet."

Phase one of the project to bring the pool back to its original glory consists of repairs that included equipment upgrades, pool building updates and cement reconstruction. Phase II calls for an adjacent outdoor waterpark.

Erika Martin, director at the park's crown jewel, reported the Cass City pool staff needs backboards, lifesaving tubes, a Shepherd's hook, three extendable poles, safety cones, and first aid materials.

"A pool maintenance schedule, specifically when chemicals and salt are added to pool, needs to be created and followed each week," she said.

Martin reported open swim attendance in May was 377 patrons, in June 788 patrons, in July 2,455 patrons and Aug. 945 patrons.

Turning to other matters, Elkland Township Fire Chief Glenn Guilds addressed allegations made against members of his fire department during last month's gathering, when a Cass City resident claimed the use of illegal drugs and alcohol by the volunteers.

"I have been part of this department for over 28 years. The men and women I work with are dedicated public servants who do this job, not for the money, but to serve the citizens of this community," Guilds said, adding, "The department consists of 22 members who work full time jobs such as being teachers, construction workers, farmers, auto tech and electricians. The accusations made against them are baseless and offensive to the men and women who risk their lives to protect those in this community."

Guilds continued, saying every member of the department is subject to random drug testing and all accusations are taken seriously and investigated.

"We aim to be transparent in our actions and encourage residents to contact the appropriate authorities to investigate if a violation is observed. At the same time, we ask that residents refrain from making allegations and spreading rumors."

Guilds invites community residents with concerns to attend their monthly meetings held the fourth Monday of every month starting at 7 p.m. at the Elkland Township Hall.

# School officials agree to gymnastics co-op

Continued from page one.

In July, Cass City's Board of Education approved allowing the school districts of Lakers, Ubyly, and Bad Axe to participate in the gymnastics program.

"When Sandusky heard about that, they asked about joining in," explained Hartel. "There is no charge for the other districts to send students here for that program."

"It is up to the students to get here for practice, and they have to wear a Cass City uniform."

Cass City Schools has had a co-op gymnastics agreement with the Ubyly School District for several years.

According to Hartel, it is the first year for Lakers, Bad Axe, and Sandusky schools to be included in the program, and he does not expect a big influx of participants.

The gymnastics program is a high school varsity sport with competitions all over the state.

Cass City Schools has offered gymnastics since the 1970s. Kathy Bouverette has been the gymnastics coach since 2015. Back during her freshman year, she and some other girls were able to get the gymnastics program reinstated in Cass City Schools, and it is still going.

Also a three-year contract was ratified for the district's 53 teachers. "Teachers who are on steps one through 10 have the ability to move up one step. Those who are over step 10 get a 1.25 percent (wage) increase," said Hartel.

Also, the Tuscola Intermediate School District hired Meredith May as a transition teacher to assist graduating high school students to learn life skills.

And, there will be one change in classes offered this year in the district. Because of low student numbers in the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP), there will be a class in the morning and one class in the afternoon. The reduction in student numbers resulted in GSRP teacher Ron McCollum being laid off.

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**THE 2018 Cass City cross country members include: (front row, l-r) Gabriel Farver, Hugh Walker, Layna Mathewson, Riley Copeland, Madison Ware, Lucas Swiderski, Drew Markel (back) Coach Jon Zdrojewski, Brandon Witherspoon, Logan Severance, Andrew Venema, Evan Roggenbuck, Kevin Estrella, Race Woloshen and Vaughan Severance. Missing is Nick McArdle, Marla Muter, Mary Muter and Mia Wright.**

## Veteran Coach Zdrojewski returns for 8th year in charge of Cass City cross country runners

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

For the first time in Jon Zdrojewski's eight years at the helm of the Cass City cross country program, he'll be without a Stimpfel brother to lead the way.

Gone from last year's squad is two-time State Champion CarLee Stimpfel and three-time state finals qualifier Zane Wright. They ran as the number one and two runners all season for the Red Hawks in 2017 and will leave a very big gap to fill for the younger runners. In 2016, Branson

Stimpfel graduated after a brilliant four year career that resulted in several championships for Cass City. Both Stimpfel brothers went on to run at the college level.

For Cass City's winning ways to continue, Zdrojewski will count on five returning letter winners to help fill the graduation loss.

"We have two returning seniors in Gabe Farver and Race Woloshen, they will have to step up to leadership roles for the team," said Zdrojewski, adding, junior Drew Markel and sophomores Brandon Witherspoon and Nick McArdle all ran in the state finals last year.

"Nick will likely secure the number one spot with Drew Markel very close behind him. Junior Logan Severance took a back seat most of last year, but will likely break into the top seven varsity runners this year. We are also looking for freshmen Hugh Walker and Vaughn Severance to be contenders for varsity spots as well," he said.

The Greater Thumb West Conference title should be almost automatic for newcomer Caro, according to Zdrojewski, as they will enter the season ranked number one in the state for Division 3. We will be competitive for runner

up in the conference. We will be a young team with the potential to be strong in the coming years.

### BIRCH RUN INVITE

Cass City traveled to Birch Run Thursday for a 29-school event and finished 13th overall, while earning 5th place honors in the small schools division.

McArdle was impressive for Cass City and placed 32nd out of 289 finishers, while Markel came in 56th. Walker was the third across the line for the Red Hawks taking 77th place. The final two scorers for the team were Farver

in 79th and Witherspoon taking 99th.

"The team showed generally a very strong improvement from our first race as expected. We had a couple out for sickness/injury so I think we will continue to perform better as the season progresses. The next meet for the Hawks will be on Thursday morning in Brown City against a field of 20 schools," Zdrojewski said.

Earlier in the week, Cass City opened its season at USA, where multiple schools gathered for their first action on the campaign.

"We got an early chance to see Please turn to page 10.



**FIGHTING on the front line in Thursday's opener for Cass City are Jarod Naegele (20), Logan Boynton (71) and Noah Zaleski (33).**

## Kingston whollops BCAS; Cass City falls to Montrose

Kingston traveled to face Bay City All Saints Thursday and returned home after pounding the Cougars 74-37 in the first-ever North Central Thumb League Blue contest for the two schools.

The Cardinals racked up nearly 700 yards of total offense, including 475 yards rushing and 220 yards passing. A quick 28-12 start in the opening quarter led to a 54-18 margin at the half.

Credit the Cougars for refusing to go quietly. In fact, they actually outscored their guests 13-6 in the third quarter, but trailed 60-31 entering the final quarter and would get no closer on the night.

Senior quarterback Hunter James was 11-14 passing with three touchdowns and added 162 rushing yards on 10 carries and another three scores.

It was far from a one-man show for the winners.

Lane Torrey gained 127 rushing yards on 10 totes and chipped in 86 receiving yards on a trio of receptions. He accounted for three TDs on the night, while wide receiver Levi Cryderman hauled in three passes for 68 yards and a score.

Running back Aaron Koehler was a 2-way star for the winners with 91 yards rushing and three receptions for another 41 yards of offense. He led the Kingston defense with a dozen tackles, including three for losses.

Connor Henry also had a big game on defense for the winners with 4 tackles and an interception.

Kingston travels to Lawrence (0-1) on Thursday for a 7:00 p.m.

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## Lady Hawk spikers show promise at first tournament of season

By Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Third year coach Amy Cuthrell saw plenty she liked from the Cass City Red Hawk volleyball team at the Bad Axe invite Saturday.

After cruising undefeated in pool play with wins over Deckerville (25-13, 25-21), Frankenmuth (25-20, 26-24) and Imlay City (25-11, 25-21), Cass City knocked off Bad Axe 25-22 and 25-17 in the quarterfinals, before bowing out against eventual champs Millington, who posted wins of 25-20 and 25-15 in the semis.

"This was our debut for the 2018

season, so I was hesitant to make any early predictions. We have spent quite a bit of time this summer looking for best case rotations and chemistry. I think maybe we are close to completing the puzzle. Replacing so many experienced players from last year's graduation created a lot of holes. These holes are being filled nicely with girls that are eager to play and most importantly have a deep desire to win. I saw a lot of positive energy," Cuthrell said.

Individually, veterans Kacey Haire had 37 kills, 40 digs and 27 serve receptions in a complete showing, while Brittany Hamilton was equally as impressive with 17

kills, 45 assists and 13 digs. Returning letter winner Kelly Ziegler – she's the team's libero – had 84 digs.

Other statistical leaders saw Jalene Krol with 25 kills and 26 digs, while first year players Hailey Beckrow chipped in 14 kills and Abbey Salcido, 26 digs.

"All the girls had positive performances, but I was especially proud of Jalene Krol's contribution this weekend. Last year she was thrown very quickly into being a strong middle and now she is doing that well and so much more. She served, set, passed and killed the ball. She is a great kid who is very coachable," said Cuthrell.



**CASS CITY senior Kelly Ziegler hits the floor to return a serve at the Bad Axe invite over the weekend. The Lady Red Hawks bowed in the semis of the 15-team tourney.**

# Gusa girls lead Ubly to invitational title

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what we will be up against in the conference as most schools were represented at the meet on Monday. Cass City finished in fourth place behind Mayville, USA and Bad Axe. The scoring difference was not that much with only 10 points separating us from first place. I was very pleased for our first showing of the year, we left a lot of room for improvement but it wasn't a bad showing," Zdrojewski said.

Mayville grabbed team honors with a score of 59 and were followed in the standing by USA (64), Bad Axe (69) Cass City (69) and Reese (96).

McArdle was the 4th runner to the tape and was trailed closely by Markel who took 12th among the 98 finishers. The remaining scorers for Cass City included a surprise from first year runner Vaughn Severance, who placed third for the team and 18th overall, he was followed very closely by sophomore Brandon Witherpoon in 20th and Farver in 28th.

The final two varsity finishers for Cass City were freshman Hugh Walker in 35th and Andrew Venema in 49th.

## LADY HAWKS

It appears numbers may haunt the Cass City girls' team in 2018.

"We have one returning four-year letter winner in Layna Mathewson, she will be the leader for the ladies. We will also have a younger squad with the two juniors in Mary and Marla Muter, perennial top finishers for the Lady Hawks over the past two years. The team will be completed with newcomers in sophomore Riley Copeland, who I look to take the number one spot for the team, while freshmen Madison Ware, Mia Wright and Janelle Hartwick will give us a complete squad to compete in our area meets. We are young, but I see this team being competitive in the

conference this year and finishing near the top," said Zdrojewski.

At the Birch Run Early Invitational, Cass City did not have enough girls to score as a team with the injury to Mary Muter - she is out two weeks - but the rest of the team showed why Zdrojewski sees promise heading forward. Sophomore newcomer Riley Copeland once again led the charge for the team, taking 38th out of 290 finishers, while Marla Muter was next for the Lady Red Hawks taking 89th and followed by Mathewson in 110th place. Rounding out the Cass City finishers was Madi Ware taking 139th.

"I was very impressed with how these ladies performed in this very large meet competing with some Division 1 schools. We have a couple more ladies that will be joining the team as school begins and so should be able to fill out a team score for the remainder of the meets," said Zdrojewski.

Although Cass City finished 5th at the USA invite Monday, three Greater Thumb West schools occupied the top three rankings at the 10-school meet.

Ubly, led by medalist Haili Gusa and third place finisher Josie Gusa, was the easy winner with 60 points, while Bad Axe (75) and Reese (96) round out the top 3 team rankings.

Close to home, Copeland, competing in her first ever varsity race, was very impressive with a top 10 showing and 9th place finish out a field of 76. Mary Muter was next for the Hawks taking 16th and was followed by her sister Marla taking 30th. Senior Mathewson was next across the finish line for Cass City and took 35th. The final scorer for the team was freshman Madison Ware in her first ever varsity race taking 47th place.

"This is a young team and they will also continue to improve and hopefully make a strong showing in the conference," said Zdrojewski.

# Cass City fades in opener

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non-conference matchup. "I was pleased with our ability to move the football all night. We had contributions from a lot of guys. We created three turnovers which is something we've talked a lot about. We have lots to work on and get better at, but we are off to a good start." Kingston Coach Brandon Jones said.

## MONTROSE 48 CASS CITY 22

Cass City has been to the Michigan High School Athletic Association football playoffs seven times since 2004, including four straight Division 7 appearances.

During the span, only once has Coach Scott Cuthrell's Red Hawks opened the season suffering defeat.

But after Thursday's setback to Montrose - the Rams have made eight straight trips to the MHSAA Division 6 playoff race - this

year's Cass City team hopes history repeats itself. The final score wasn't indicative of the battle on the field between annual playoff contenders.

"Playing up a division in football means you are going to see some bigger, stronger and faster athletes. I am proud of our players for their effort. The Hawks were able to take the lead in the third quarter 22-20 (before) size and speed took over for Montrose in the 4th. With the limited numbers, our kids played with a lot of heart," Cuthrell said.

Jarod Naegele rushed for a team-high 99 yards and one score, while Luke Stern added 75 yards rushing and Sandyn Cuthrell 12 yards rushing and one score. Noah Zaleski had 15 rushing yards. Cuthrell was 2-3 passing with one score.

On defense, Naegele and Hank Janik each had six tackles for the visitors.

Cass City heads to meet USA Thursday in both teams' GTW opener.



MEMBERS OF THE 2018 Owen-Gage Cross Country teams are, from the left, Clay Evans, Andrew Roemer, Carley Haldane, Libby Ondrajka, Madelyn Haldane and Katriana Curtoys.

# Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast

## 2018 Football Season



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### WEEK TWO - AUG. 31 WEEKEND

(11-man games)

Capac at Caro  
EPBP at Reese  
Cass City at USA  
Harbor Beach at Marlette  
Brown City at Sandusky  
Memphis at Ubly

Caro  
EPBP  
Cass City  
Harbor Beach  
Brown City  
Ubly

Capac  
EPBP  
Cass City  
Harbor Beach  
Sandusky  
Ubly

Capac  
Reese  
Cass City  
Harbor Beach  
Sandusky  
Ubly

Capac  
EPBP  
Cass City  
Harbor Beach  
Sandusky  
Ubly

(8-man games)

O-G at Genesee  
Kingston at Lawrence  
Morrice at Deckerville

Genesee  
Kingston  
Deckerville

O-G  
Kingston  
Deckerville

O-G  
Kingston  
Deckerville

Genesee  
Kingston  
Deckerville

(College games)

Utah State at MSU (8/31)  
U of M at Notre Dame (9/1)

MSU  
Michigan

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Notre Dame

MSU  
Michigan

MSU  
Michigan

LAST WEEK  
SEASON RESULTS

6-4  
6-4 / 60%

7-3  
7-3 / 70%

6-4  
6-4 / 60%

9-1  
9-1 / 90%

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# Cass City Jr./Sr. High School 2018 Fall Sports Schedule

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### VARSITY FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT
8/23	Montrose 48, CC 22
8/30	USA
9/7	<b>Marlette (Service Night)</b>
9/14	<b>EPB Lakers (YFB Night)</b>
9/21	Vassar
9/28	<b>Bad Axe (Homecoming)</b>
10/5	Caro
10/12	Reese
10/19	Ubly

*All Varsity Games begin at 7 p.m.*

### JV FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT
8/22	<b>Montrose</b>
8/29	USA
9/6	Marlette
9/13	EPB Lakers
9/20	<b>Vassar</b>
9/27	Bad Axe
10/4	<b>Caro</b>
10/11	Reese
10/18	Ubly

*All JV Games begin at 6:30 p.m.*

### CROSS COUNTRY

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/20	USA Invite	
8/23	Birch Run Invite	4:15 p.m.
8/30	Brown City Invite	9:00 a.m.
9/8	Bad Axe Invite	8:30 a.m.
9/15	Holly Invite	7:40 a.m.
9/20	Frankenmuth Invite	TBD
9/22	EPB Laker Invite	10:00 a.m.
9/29	Wagener Park Invite (Harbor Beach)	7:30 a.m.
<b>10/6</b>	<b>Cass City Invite</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
10/8	Mayville JH Inv.	3:45 p.m.
10/10	Ubly Invite	4:30 p.m.
10/16	GTC League @ Marlette	4:30 p.m.
10/20	Thumb Meet @ Caro	10:00 a.m.
10/27	Reginals @ Shepherd	TBA
11/3	State Finals @ Brooklyn	TBA

### VOLLEYBALL (JV & VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/24	Bad Axe Invite (JV)	9:00 a.m.
8/25	Bad Axe Invite (V)	9:00 a.m.
9/6	EPB Lakers (JV & V)	6:00 p.m.
9/8	Birch Run Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/11	<b>Bad Axe (JV &amp; V)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
9/13	<b>Vassar (JV &amp; V)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
9/15	Caro (V)	6:00 p.m.
9/15	Caro (JV)	9:00 a.m.
9/18	USA (JV & V)	6:00 p.m.
9/22	Frankenmuth Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/22	BC Central Invite (JV)	8:00 a.m.
9/25	Caro (JV & V)	6:00 p.m.
9/27	<b>Reese (JV &amp; V)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
10/2	<b>EPB Lakers (JV &amp; V)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
10/4	Bad Axe (JV & V)	6:00 p.m.
10/6	USA Invite (JV)	8:30 a.m.
10/9	Vassar (JV & V)	6:00 p.m.
10/11	<b>USA (JV &amp; V)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
10/13	Mt. Morris Invite (V)	9:00 a.m.
10/18	<b>Caro (JV &amp; V)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
10/20	Marysville Invite (V)	TBD
10/20	Cros-Lex Invite (JV)	TBD
10/23	Reese (JV & V)	6:00 p.m.
10/29	Districts (V)	TBA

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### FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/23	Bad Axe Invite	9 a.m.
9/6	EPB Lakers	6 p.m.
9/11	<b>Bad Axe</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
9/15	BC Central	8 a.m.
9/18	USA	6 p.m.
9/22	USA Invite	8:30 a.m.
9/25	Caro	6 p.m.
9/27	<b>Reese</b>	6 p.m.
9/29	Reese Invite	8:30 a.m.
10/2	<b>EPB Lakers</b>	6 p.m.
10/4	Bad Axe	6 p.m.
10/11	<b>USA</b>	6 p.m.
10/18	<b>Caro</b>	6 p.m.
10/20	Caro Invite	8:30 a.m.
10/23	Reese	6 p.m.

### JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/11	<b>Capac (no kick)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
9/18	Memphis (no kick)	6:00 p.m.
9/25	<b>Harbor Beach (no kick)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
10/2	Ubly (kick)	6:00 p.m.
10/9	<b>Caro (kick)</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
10/16	Bad Axe (kick)	6:00 p.m.

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## Fred Strong

Fred John Strong, 87, of Ubly, passed away Sunday, August 19, 2018 at Aleda E. Lutz VA Medical Center, Saginaw.

He was born June 8, 1931, in Gagetown, the son of the late Roy and Winifred (Woolman) Strong.



Fred was a 1950 graduate of Cass City High School. Fred served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked as a truck driver in both the dairy industry and as a long haul driver. He enjoyed motorcycles and the Northern Michigan Dragway and he also enjoyed doing small electrical repairs and loved his cat, Susie.

He is survived by his children, Carol (Earl Hallitt) Strong of GA, John Strong of Ubly and Mark (Alice Schwartz) Strong of Ubly; a grandson, Michael

Strong of Bad Axe; a sister, Norma (the late Ted) Pochopin of AZ; and special friend, Arlen Bannick of Bad Axe.

In addition to his parents and brother-in-law, he was pre-deceased by a sister, Marion Quinn and her husband, Mike. Cremation has taken place and a committal service will be held at a later date with burial in Elkland Township Cemetery.

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AREA RESIDENTS gathered for a community picnic Friday evening in Kingston as the town celebrated Kingston's heritage during the annual Kingston Day's Festival.

## Kingston time capsule opened

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they were just crumbs," said Superintendent Matt Drake.

"One of the old historians that was there said back in the day the chemicals that were used to develop photos bled through and ate away the paper.

"The newspaper was pretty legible and there were a lot of articles."

When LJ Construction started to demolish part of the elementary school this summer, some residents said there was a time capsule in the cornerstone, so that started the search to find it.

For some who attended the opening, it was a trip down memory lane of the community in its glory days, and a kind of family reunion for some others.

"The paper had a lot of names that are still local. The names were of some grandparents, parents, great uncle from back in the '30s," Drake said. "We read those names and some of the stories in the paper out loud. That was interesting."

There was even an advertisement for J.J. Barden Hardware, which is still in business in Kingston, and the names of several of the Ruggles family were also in the newspaper.

There was an article reminding parents that "Kingston Schools would start on Sept. 15." There was a social section for Wilmot that noted the school board was installing a new furnace, and that Miss Leota McArthur was spending the rest of the week with her friend in Kingston. There was even a large advertisement for the Lake and River Outing to Put-In-Bay Island in Ohio and to Cedar Point aboard the Ashley & Dustin Steamer Line, Detroit. There was an advertisement for Maurice C. Ransford for prosecuting attorney.

Although the Kingston Times was only four pages, it made an impact on Drake.

"There were two things that really caught my attention. It looked like a political cartoon on the front of the paper that appeared to

be Mary and Joseph at the opening of Jesus' tomb with the comment on the page saying something like, 'back in the past people used to believe this more'. It seemed to be a statement that back in the 1930s that some thought Christianity was fading," he said.

An article on the back of the paper, was one that struck a personal note with the school district's leader.

"The article asked if technology is going to replace the American worker - than we have to put more focus on educating our citizenry," Drake said. "I thought how it is funny as much things change and yet how much they stay the same.

"That we are worried in 2018 about technology taking over the workforce and they were worried about it in 1930. Those were the two things that got my attention."


An ironic twist is that the \$4.8 million bond that funded demolishing part of the old Kingston School will also fund some significant technology upgrades along with other improvements to the schools.

Dean of Students Jay Green and local historian Richard Peters were the masters of ceremony for the unveiling of the capsule's contents.

"They both said the turnout was the best they had ever seen by a long shot. The pavilion was packed and there were people outside wanting to see. Little kids were shoving their way through to get up to the table to see what was inside," explained Drake. "That was neat.

"There was some disappointment there wasn't more inside, but we were happy there was something in it and the newspaper had a lot of information that was interesting."


In 1930 when the school was built, America was still reeling from the Oct. 29, 1929, stock market crash, which was followed by the Great Depression. And yet, the Kingston Community supported the building of a new school.



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