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CASS CITY Junior-Senior High School students honored about three dozen area veterans and family members Friday with an annual flag-raising ceremony, breakfast and a special program. Above, Boy Scouts from Troop 500 – Vaughn Severance, 14 (left), Abraham Mack, 12, and Trysten Gruber, 13 (behind flag) – raise the flag prior to a reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thumb voters say "no" to marijuana

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Voters in all three upper Thumb counties parted company with their peers across the state last week over the issue of legalizing recreational marijuana.

The statewide ballot initiative was approved in the Nov. 6 election, garnering roughly 56 percent support, although residents in Tuscola, Sanilac and Huron counties rejected the measure. In Tuscola County, residents cast 10,026 votes in favor of the measure and 12,178 against.

Michigan voters also approved two other statewide ballot measures targeting political districting and efforts to make voting easier for residents.

The recreational marijuana initiative, spearheaded by the Coalition to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol, paved the way for Michigan to become the 10th state to legalize recreational use and the first Midwest state to do so.

The measure:

*Allows individuals 21 and older to purchase, possess and use marijuana and marijuana-infused edibles, and grow up to 12 marijuana plants for personal consumption.

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New jail?

Study: band-aid won't fix Tuscola County lock-up this time around

by Mary Drier For the Chronicle

Outdated, inefficient and unsafe for staff and inmates – that was the conclusion of a new study focusing on the Tuscola County Jail.

In April, William C. Lawhorn of the National Sheriff's Association conducted an assessment of the county jail. A 43-page study, presented to the Tuscola County Board of Commissions this month, includes several suggestions for improvements, with Lawhorn strongly recommending that county officials consider major renovations and/or construction of a new facility.

The jail, located at 420 Court St. in Caro, was originally built in 1966 with a 46-bed capacity. The facility has since undergone a number of renovations, but those are showing their age, and parts for repairs are difficult to find.

"He (Lawhorn) basically told the board after their assessment that it's not practical to try and make the current jail into a modern facility that meets the current needs," said Sheriff Glen Skrent. "Since the jail committee has been meeting for years, everyone is well aware of the need to do something.

"Commissioners gave permission...to find an architect to figure out the cost of building a new jail — hopefully on this same site or next to it where the parking lot is now," he added, noting, "Access to the courthouse through the (underground) tunnel is a safety (consideration) and manpower saver."

In 1988, renovations at the jail created 56 beds, and in 1997, major renovations and an addition were completed to create an 80-bed facility. In addition, interior renovations took place four years ago to create 12 more beds for a total of 92 beds due to chronic over-crowding.

"Doing something (for the jail) has been talked about for years, but Please turn to page 8.

New village president, trustees ready to tackle community's challenges

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Cass City residents who attend local village council meetings will be seeing three new faces at the council table following last week's election.

In all, five residents sought to serve the village as trustees, while two others campaigned to become the community's next village

president. Newcomer Dan Delamarter emerged the victor in the heated battle for president, winning the post by a two-to-one margin over council Trustee Nancy Barrios.

Delamarter garnered 646 votes (just over 67 percent) to Barrios' 316 votes.

Winners of the trustee seats were newcomers Joe Leeson and Don Ball, who received 567 votes and 560 votes, respectively, and incumbent Rob Piaskowski, who garnered 493 votes.

Incumbent Trustee Marilyn Biefer and newcomer the Rev. Todd R. Gould received 435 votes and 314 votes, respectively.

Roughly 1,200 of the village's 1,865 registered voters cast ballots in the election for a turnout of 64.5 percent, according to Tuscola County Clerk Jodi Fetting.

"I think the (results) show...people were ready for some kind of change in leadership and want to see some things go in a more positive direction," Delamarter com-

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County exploring dental care option for needy citizens

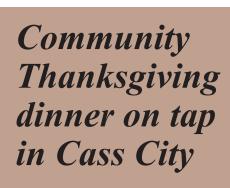
by Mary Drier For the Chronicle

Another option is being considered to provide dental care to indigent or uninsured Tuscola County residents.

Ann Hepfer, who serves as health officer for both the Tuscola and Huron county health department, explained she is exploring working with Great Lakes Bay Health Centers because an agreement with My Community Dental Center (MCDC) could not be reached.

"They (Great Lakes Bay Health Centers) asked us to take another look at what they have to offer. They are a federally funded nonprofit organization, so there would be no matching funds for the county (to pay)," she said, adding some initial start-up funding might be needed.

"We met last week. They looked Please turn to page 7.



by Tom Montgomery

The annual Cass City Community Thanksgiving Dinner is once again taking shape, with organizers gearing up to serve turkey and all the trimmings to 200 or more area residents family-style Thursday, Nov. 22, starting at noon at the Cass City United Methodist Church. An estimated 200 area residents along with a small army of volunteers celebrated Thanksgiving last year in Cass City by attending the community's 31st annual community dinner.

The day brought not only a mouth-watering traditional Thanksgiving menu, as well as plenty of fellowship, it also marked a "changing of the guard" of

Scott Mills, who faithfully served as coordinator of the event for the past 25 years, stepped down in that role, handing

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A SMALL ARMY of volunteers annually ensures that the Cass City Community Thanksgiving Dinner – a tradition spanning more than three decades — runs smoothly. This year's event is slated for Thursday, Nov. 22, starting at noon at the Cass City United Methodist Church. Volunteers served more than 200 meals in both 2016 and 2017.

Hepatitis A threat alive and well, with 905 cases reported to-date

It's been more than two years since public health officials began battling a hepatitis A outbreak in Michigan, and as of Nov. 7 the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is reporting 905 cases. In comparison, the state recorded 327 cases 2011-2015.

Although weekly counts have slowed from 15 to 20 cases per week to about three cases a week, numbers are still above average and public health officials continue to urge vaccination.

The outbreak continues to have a high hospitalization rate, with 726 people hospitalized (80.2 percent) and 28 deaths.

"Our local health department partners have been instrumental in slowing this epidemic through outreach efforts and vaccination clinics targeted towards high risk individuals," said Dr. Eden Wells, MDHHS chief medical executive. "With vaccine available, all residents are encouraged to discuss their risk factors with their doctor or local health department."

Those with a history of injection and non-injection drug use, homelessness or transient housing, incarceration and men who have sex with men (MSM) are thought to be at greater risk of contracting the disease.

'This has been the largest person-to-person hepatitis A outbreak in Michigan's history," Wells said. "It's imperative that Michigan residents get vaccinated to protect themselves and prevent the further spread of this outbreak in Michigan communities. Talk to your health care provider to see if you are at risk of getting hepatitis A."

Getting vaccinated, practicing good hand washing and avoiding sex with infected partners are ways to prevent getting infected. The hepatitis A vaccine is available at local pharmacies, through healthcare providers and at local health departments

Vaccination clinics have been held at local health departments, homeless shelters and venues popular with the MSM population in an effort to go where these populations are likely to be present. More than 268,000 doses of vaccine have been administered in outbreak jurisdictions. In addition, emergency departments have been screening for hepatitis A and offering vaccination.

Hepatitis A is a serious, highly contagious liver disease caused by the hepatitis A virus (HAV). HAV is found in the feces (poop) of people with hepatitis A and spread by eating contaminated food or water, during sex or by living with an infected person.

Symptoms can include nausea and vomiting, yellowing of the skin and eyes, belly pain, dark urine, feeling tired, pale-colored feces, fever, joint pain and loss of appetite.

More information about hepatitis A, including a calendar of vaccination clinics, is available on the website Michigan.gov/hepatitisAoutbreak.

We hope you have an amazing day! Love, Your Family.



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County reluctantly approves indigent counsel agreement

by Mary Drier For the Chronicle

Tuscola County Commissioners last week approved a contract for the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission and hired an administrator for the program — reluctantly.

Do it or face litigation was the message Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Thumb Re-Manager Barbara Klimaszewski previously told the commissioners.

The state is requiring counties to comply with new regulations regarding indigent defense. Public Act 93 of 2013 requirements stem from being sued in 2007 on the state's indigent defense approach. Although the case was settled out of court, provisions of the settlement include some mandated changes.

The indigent defense program provides legal representation to individuals who can't afford an at-

"There is \$84 million appropriated for this statewide," said Klimaszewski. "The funding is there tor this.

When Klimaszewski told commissioners they had to comply with the indigent defense program or face litigation, commissioners expressed strong concerns about the state providing its share of the grant funding.

'We have heard so many state promises over the years," said commission Chairman Thom Bardwell. "I don't see any way the county can terminate this. Only the state can terminate this. (If it doesn't work) the county's back is against the wall. Cash is king, and when the state doesn't have it,

they look to the counties."

Bardwell pointed to other times the state has reneged on money issues, such as cutting revenue sharing payments, and back when the state required counties do a roll forward of taxes with early payments because of money issues.

"These are requirements the state stated Kliis imposing," maszewski, noting under state law, the state will pay for the difference in cost between any proposal made to the MID Commission and a three-year average of existing costs for the local share. "This would not be a reimbursement grant. And, there won't be any money until the contract is signed.'

According to Klimaszewski, about 30 of the state's 83 counties have signed; and for those that haven't or won't sign, there is mediation and then litigation ahead.

"At the end of the day, we have to do this?" Bardwell questioned. "The state wants this done. It's

an option," said Klimaszewski.

The deadline is Nov. 20. A study showed Michigan placed 14th in per capita spending for representation of defendants who couldn't afford to hire an attorney, which is 38 percent below the national average. At the time, Michigan was one of only seven states where indigent defense was funded entirely by counties. The study also found that many defense attorneys were inadequately trained or qualified to handle com-

plex cases. The new standards:

*Require defense counsel to know certain areas of the law including forensic and scientific issues, use applicable technologies, and annually complete continuing legal education courses.

*Directs defense counsel to be prepared to interview and to evaluate client capability to participate in their representation after appointment of the counsel and before any court proceeding in a confidential setting.

*Obligates defense counsel to perform investigations, request funds when appropriate to retain a professional defense investigator, and to seek the assistance of experts if necessary.

*Mandates that a defense counsel be assigned to a defendant as soon as the individual is determined to be indigent, and counsel must also be provided to defendants at pretrial appearances and for other critical stages at all criminal proceedings.

The changes are expected to improve legal defense for poor resireducing wrongful convictions, decreasing the number of plea bargains, allowing for more probation rather than jail time, and saving money.

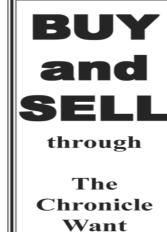
The county submitted its plan to the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission in November 2017 with the stipulation "that if the state funding is not provided for all cost over the local share, then it is not the county's responsibility to carry out any of the new plan functions or fund any of the state share of the plan costs."

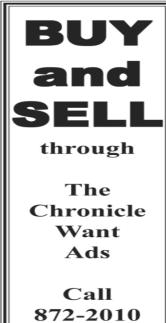
Tuscola's contract outlines the cost to implement the program is \$993.507. The maximum amount of grant assistance offered of \$745,017, with the county's share being \$248,490, which is based on a three-year average.

In addition to approving a contract for the program, commissioners approved hiring Rahm Mormando as the assigned counsel administrator to oversee the program. Mormando will receive a salary of \$73,956 plus benefits. The cost will be shared between the state and county. He will start Nov. 26.

Mormando has been a registered lawyer in the state since 2014. From 2015 to present, he has been the owner of the Mormando Guisbert Law Firm based in Livonia.

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In Our OPINION..

Clarke Haire Publisher Tom Montgomery Editor

Retailers doing part to protect our youth

Retailers across the state, including the Thumb, deserve a pat on the back for doing their part in protecting our youth from the dangers of tobacco.

Following the latest round of statewide inspections, a record 89.9 percent of retailers refused to sell tobacco to minors under age 18, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Office of Recovery Oriented Systems of Care recently announced.

Throughout the summer, MDHHS officials conduct random unannounced inspections statewide to measure the rate of illegal sales of tobacco to Michigan youth. A total of 353 retailers were visited this year, and of those, 318 refused to sell tobacco to a minor.

"Deterring tobacco sales to youth is critical to reducing the negative health effects and deaths caused by smoking and tobacco use," said Nick Lyon, MDHHS director. "We commend the business community for doing their part to protect Michigan youth from the dangers of smoking and thank our partners for conducting high quality inspections.

The Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration Reorganization Act requires all states and territories to conduct inspections using a scientific random sample study protocol approved by the federal Center for Substance Abuse Prevention.

States must demonstrate their tobacco vendor compliance rate meets or exceeds the federal minimum of 80 percent through random, unannounced inspections of tobacco retailers. This includes youth inspectors visiting retailers, attempting to make tobacco purchases and recording the results. Adult chaperones drive the youth inspectors and oversee the purchase attempts.

This is the 18th consecutive year Michigan vendors have successfully met the federal minimum compliance rate, and the 2018 result marks the highest rate ever recorded by the state.

States that fall below the 80 percent minimum compliance rate are subject to a penalty of 40 percent of their federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funding. For Michigan, the penalty could amount to more than \$22 million.

States are also required to enact and enforce laws prohibiting the sale or distribution of tobacco products to individuals under age 18.

With the popularity of electronic nicotine devices, Michigan is strengthening tobacco education and awareness through a resource website called "Do Your Part," designed to educate the general public and teens about the dangers of smoking.

In addition, MDHHS is continuing outreach by providing educational materials to vendors that sell tobacco products. Businesses that want to educate staff, avoid fines and safeguard public health can access a free online presentation and certification test.

To learn more about the Do Your Part campaign, visit Michigan.gov/doyourpart. The free online presentation and certification is available at Improvingmipractices.org.

Drier Humor by Mary Drier

Rocks without a hard place



I have always liked the expressions, "One man's trash is another man's treasure" and "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder."

I try to find beauty and happiness in the simple things in life. Although they never say so, I'm sure my friends and family who ride along with me in my travels around the Thumb hate it.

I point out time and time again some really pretty tree when the colors change in the fall. I point out when the wheat starts to change color. It goes from an emerald green to a lime green before it turns to a golden color. I think the change to lime green is the prettiest. I also point out pretty sunsets and sunrises.

And, I find the new fad of painting plain old rocks with some pretty pictures and then hiding them for people to find a great idea. There are pages on Facebook dedicated to showing off painted rocks in Tuscola and Sanilac counties. Some of the art work is just amazing. There are some very talented people in the area.

And, the painted rock idea has been turned into a way to advertise. The city of Sandusky has turned it into self-promotion with images of the community painted on rocks. When one of those rocks is turned in, the person gets a free ice cream cone.

In Huron County, meanwhile, a pizzeria offers free bread sticks or a small pizza to the person who finds a painted rock that promotes the business. I recently did an article about painted rocks being used like that. There was one painted rock story on Facebook that

really tugged at my heart strings.

The way the story went, there was a guy who seemed to be kind of down on his luck, with all of his worldly possessions in a backpack he carried around with him. Of the few things he owned – and was most proud of — were a couple of painted rocks he had collected and carried in a special little bag, because they were his favorite possessions.

The main idea of painting the rocks and semi-hiding them, is for them to be shown off on Facebook postings. However, this man had little more than the clothes on his back, so he didn't have access to a computer to show off the rocks he found.

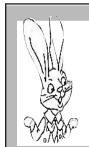
He thinks the painted rocks he found are beautiful. They bring him joy. They are just simple rocks with pictures and/or words painted on them, but they mean the world to him.

The Facebook post about the man pointed out that validation of your work painting rocks isn't to have them seen on Facebook, but rather knowing they are enjoyed and appreciated by someone.

The kicker for me in the post about the man and his enjoyment of the rocks is that the person who painted

the rocks is doing a kindness. And, that a true kindness doesn't need to be recognized or validated.

Kindness comes from the heart without expectation. The world needs more of this...rock on.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

This year's National Honor Society induction ceremony at Cass City Schools boasted a huge incoming class, in fact, it is the biggest in veteran advisor Christin Hempton's career.

New members included Zackary Beecher, Zachary Essex, DeeDee Haley, Shane Hoppe, Alexandria Jaster, Hayden Larkin, Kendall Anthes, Hunter Caister, Taylor Cumper, Tyler Czekai, Kevin Estrella, Drew Markel, Katherine Mendrick, Mary Muter, Olivia Peters, Kate Pohlod, Abbey Salcido, Olivia Schuette, Rachel Skiles, Lucas Swiderski, Madilyn Tschirhart, Collen Wrubel, Hailey Beckrow, Jozie Chippi, Sandyn Cuthrell, Hanna Dobson, Alexis Hull, Leevy Matthews, Marla Muter, Kristofer Nika, Taryn Pisarek, Morgan Russell, Landon Schenk, Logan Severance, Colby Sutton, Tiana Tageson and Gracie Williams.

If you know any of these fine young adults, or their parents, tell them job well done.

Every year Cass City recognizes an outstanding Junior Citizen in our community at the Chamber of Commerce Annual Community Dinner. The next Annual Dinner is scheduled for February 2, 2019. These young adults have contributed many things to our community including their willingness to make Cass City a better place to live, work, and attend school. They have motivation, dedication and an outstanding desire to get involved. These individuals are true role models and we want to celebrate their accomplishments and contributions.

Cass City educators, as well as community members, businesses and non-profits are encouraged to submit nominations. Please consider nominating a deserving student who is in their senior year of school attending Cass City Public Schools, or is homeschooled in the Cass City school district. These "above and beyond" young adults may be from your organization, congregation, business, club, or your neighborhood.

The deadline for nominations is December 8, 2018. For more information contact Kate Van Auken, Junior Citizen of the Year Committee, at 989-912-9702.

I never thought it made sense to switch high school girls' basketball season from the winter to the fall. There aren't enough coaches and referees and the need doubles when the girls' and boys' seasons run simultaneously.

Now, for the first time, the Michigan High School Athletic Association is starting the boys' season a week before the girls'. That doesn't make sense, in my opinion, because volleyball season ends before football season.

The reason, according to Cass City Athletic Director Don Markel, is due to scheduling problems with the boys basketball final at the Breslin Center on the MSU campus.

The Red Hawk boys open the season Nov. 30th hosting Owen-Gage, while the Lady Red Hawks travel to take on Sandusky Dec. 4th.

Returning for the ninth season in a row, Give-A-Tree cards from the Arbor Day Foundation offer a unique holiday giving opportunity with conservation benefits that will endure for generations. And again, this year, Give-A-Tree cards can be purchased individually and with customized text. Cards can be purchased for \$5.95.

• Purchasing the Arbor Day Foundation's coffee helps preserve rain forests in Central and South America. The Foundation's coffee, a part of the Rain Forest Rescue program, is shade-grown under the canopy of Latin American rain forests. Unlike sun-grown coffee farms, this traditional shade-grown method gives the coffee a rich and delicious flavor. Cost per bag is \$16.44, including shipping.

• The Foundation's Trees in Celebration program allows the giver to honor loved ones while supporting crucial conservation efforts. For each dollar donated, one tree is planted in a high-need forest, and recipients are given a certificate showing them where the trees were planted.

• Give the gift of membership with the Arbor Day Foundation and recipients will be sent 10 free trees, which will be shipped at the right time of year for planting. Membership levels vary and begin with a \$10 contribution.

"The holidays are a time for thinking about others, and as you do, take a moment to think about what you can do to protect the beauty and splendor of the earth," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "We encourage everyone to give gifts that will have a lasting impact for generations to come."

To purchase holiday gifts that give back to the planet, visit arborday.org.

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Wednesday, November 14

•Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 4-6 p.m., LeeRoy Clark Building, 435 Green St., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal.
Dorcas meal at Cass City United Methodist Church at noon. 1 1/4 mile north of Cass City (989) 872-4604 for take outs.

Thursday, November 15

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

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

•Grief Support meetings, "Healing Together." Heritage Hill, 1430 Cleaver Rd., Caro, 7-8:30 p.m. For questions or to register to attend please call the office at (989) 872-5852 or toll free (877) 872-5852. These sessions are open to anyone dealing with a grief or loss. Sponsored by Hospice Advantage, Cass City.

•Caregiver Support Group, 11:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Bullard-Sanford Memorial Library, 520 W. Huron Ave., Vassar. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

Friday, November 16

Senior Citizen Movies, Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City at 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 17

•Al-Anon meeting, 11 a.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478 for more information.

•Revive Food Pantry, from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Must live in the Cass City School District and meet the financial guidelines. For more information, call (989)551-

Monday, November 19

•Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.
•Shabbona Outreach Baby Pantry, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shabbona Outreach 5448 Shabbona Rd. Decker, MI. Gently used clothing and equipment, diapers, bottles, toys, formula, baby food. For more information contact Judy Doerr (989) 658-

Tuesday, November 20

•Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.
•Crafty Ladies Group, 1-4 p.m., Common Grounds (next to Revive). Bring a crafting project to work on. Call 989-551-7803 for more information.
•AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be

held in the hall next to the little stone church. •Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478

for more information. •Living with Parkinson's Support Group, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, 55 Rapson Lane West, Bad Axe. For more information, call Merry at (989)

673-4121. •Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121

•Ubly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubly Thumb Veterans Organization-Hall, 2165 Binghan St., Ubly MI 48475. A pot luck is served prior to the meeting.

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

First Saturday:

·Suicide Survivor Grief Support Group, 1 p.m., Thumb Area Psychological Services 6627 Rose St., Cass City. For more information Lisa Schoettle, MA LPC NCC at 989-872-1800.

•Hillside Community Brunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., All you can eat. Free will offer-

•Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m. •Shabbona Outreach Baby Pantry, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shabbona Outreach 5448 Shabbona Rd. Decker, MI. Gently used clothing and equipment, diapers, bottles toys, formula, baby food. For more information contact Judy Doerr (989) 658-8625.

Second Monday:

•Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.
•VFW monthly meeting, 7:00 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

Second Tuesday:

•Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.
•Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro.For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.

•Huron County Family Caregiver Support Group, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Human Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

Second Wednesday:

• Dorcas meal at Cass City United Methodist Church at noon. 1 1/4 mile north of Cass City (989) 872-4604 for take outs.

Second Thursday: •Caregiver Connection, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Country Gardens, Scheurer Hos-

pital, 203 N. Caseville Rd., Pigeon. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121. •Shabbona Outreach Baby Pantry, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shabbona Outreach 5448 Shabbona Rd. Decker, MI. Gently used clothing and equipment, diapers, bottles,

toys, formula, baby food. For more information contact Judy Doerr (989) 658-Third Tuesday:

•Living with Parkinson's Support Group, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, 55 Rapson Lane West, Bad Axe. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121. •Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121

•Ubly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubly Thumb Veterans Organization-Hall, 2165 Binghan St., Ubly MI 48475. A pot luck is served prior to the meeting.

Third Wednesday:
•Spaghetti Dinner at Cass City VFW Hall from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Take out available. For more information call (989) 872-4933. Third Thursday:

•Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121 or Amanda at (810) 648-4497.
•Grief Support meetings, "Healing Together." Heritage Hill, 1430 Cleaver Rd.,

Caro, 7-8:30 p.m. For questions or to register to attend please call the office at (989) 872-5852 or toll free (877) 872-5852. These sessions are open to anyone dealing with a grief or loss. Sponsored by Hospice Advantage, Cass City.

•Caregiver Support Group, 11:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Bullard-Sanford Memorial Library, 520 W. Huron Ave., Vassar. For more information, contact Merry at (989)

Third Friday:
•Senior Citizen Movies, Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City at 1:30 p.m.

Third Saturday:
•Revive Food Pantry, from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Must live in the Cass City School District and meet the financial guidelines. For more information, call (989)551-

• Fourth Monday:

·Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m. •Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (no

meetings July, August, December). Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library,

840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.

Fourth Wednesday: Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

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

•Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Sanilac County Medical Care Facility. Noon to 2 p.m. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121. Fourth Thursday:

 Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church. Last Monday:
•Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

Last Wednesday:

 Cass City Chamber meeting, 8 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library. Every Monday:

•Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more

information, call (989) 553-5932. Every Tuesday:

•Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon. •AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church.)

•Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478 for more information.

•Crafty Ladies Group, 1-4 p.m., Common Grounds (next to Revive). Bring a crafting project to work on. Call 989-551-7803 for more information. Every Wednesday:

•Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 4-6 p.m., LeeRoy Clark Building, 435 Green St., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal. Every Thursday:
•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more

information, call (989) 553-5932.

Every Saturday

•Al-Anon meeting, 11 a.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478

Crash claims Sanilac teen's life

by Tom Montgomery **Editor**

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies reported a county teen lost his life in a one-vehicle traffic accident early Thursday morning.

Deputies were dispatched to the scene – Croswell Road near Burns Line Road in Worth Township – at about 7:30 a.m., according to Sgt.

Shelly Park.

"The initial investigation shows that a 1999 Ford Expedition, being driven by a 16-year-old Croswell teen, was traveling northbound on Croswell Road. The driver lost control of the vehicle and rolled multiple times," Park reported.

"Croswell EMS responded to the scene to assess the driver," she said. "The driver — lone occupant

- was later pronounced deceased at the scene.

The accident remains under investigation, according to Park, who noted the victim was wearing his seatbelt, and alcohol is not believed to be a factor in the crash.

Deputies were assisted at the scene by the Croswell Police Department and the Croswell Fire Department.

or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was

ordered and bond was continued

at \$15,000. Sentencing is to be

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

obstructing a police officer, and to

one count of assault or assault and

battery July 13 in Dayton Town-

ship. He was also convicted of

being an habitual offender (three

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

*Ryan E. Sundberg, 29, Cass City, pleaded no contest to domestic violence - aggravated assault June 24 in Cass City. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Matthew W. Austin, 48, Millington, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Jan. 5, 2017, in Vassar Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$10,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Jose E. Nazario II, 19, Cass City, pleaded no contest to two counts of criminal sexual conduct, second degree (involving personal injury to the victim) between May 1 and May 15, 2017, in Cass City. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$25,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Austin R. Snell, 21, Vassar, was sentenced to 18 months to six years in prison following his conviction on charges of using a computer to commit a crime between Nov. 19 and Nov. 26, 2017, in Vassar, and to being an habitual offender (one prior felony convic-

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling 258.

*Robert A. Cook, 51, Gagetown, was sentenced to 90 days in jail following his pleas of no contest to two counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer and one count of domestic violence June 18 in Gagetown. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony

In addition to jail time, he was placed on probation for 24 months and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,476 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*Robert A. Strahan36, Caro, pleaded no contest to embezzlement of \$1,000 to \$20,000 while employed by Forward Enter-prises/People's Choice Market, Cass City, between March 9 and March 12. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Raymond H. Vliet, 34, Clio, was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$358 following his plea of guilty to falsely reporting a felony (larceny of a motor vehicle) March 8 in Arbela Township.

*Bryan D. Gilkerson, 50, Marlette, pleaded no contest to two counts of assaulting, resisting or



Measles cases prompt vaccination reminder

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) officials have confirmed 15 cases of measles in Michigan so far in 2018, the highest level since 1994, when 26 cases were reported.

Measles is a vaccine-preventable respiratory infection that can result in hospitalization, pneumonia, encephalitis and death. The illness has a 10- to 21-day incubation period and initially presents with a high fever, red eyes, cough, runny nose, photophobia and is followed by a red, raised body rash starting on the head and face that then progresses to the rest of the body.

Individuals may be contagious for a few days before they present with symptoms, which increases the potential of exposing others to the infection.

As of Oct. 6, 142 measles cases had been confirmed throughout the United States, with many of the cases connected to international travel. Measles outbreaks have been reported throughout western Europe including in Romania, France, Greece and Italy. In addition, Israel's Ministry of Health recently reported more than 1,300 measles patients, including a toddler who died from the illness. The ministry believes that the disease was imported by tourists and visitors who infected an unvaccinated population, largely among the nation's ultra-Orthodox Jewish communities.

"The increases in measles cases being reported drives home the importance of being up-to-date on vaccines," said Dr. Eden Wells, MDHHS Chief Medical Executive. "Immunizations are the best way to protect our families and communities from the harmful, sometimes deadly consequences of vaccine-preventable diseases like measles."

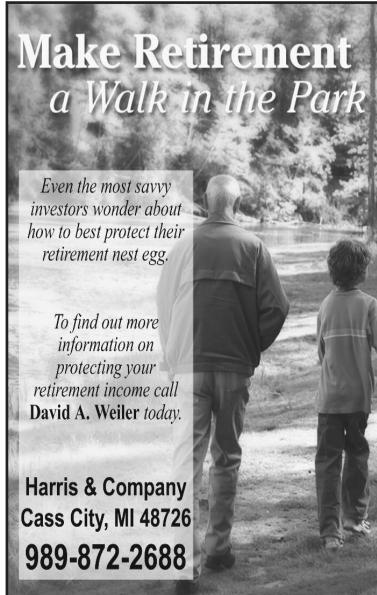
Because measles is easily spread, vaccination is the best protection against the disease. Successful prevention and control of measles requires high levels of immunity in all communities, sometimes referred to as "herd immunity."

The measles vaccine is highly effective and very safe.

Adults who do not have evidence of immunity against measles should get at least one dose of the vaccine. The first of two routine childhood measles vaccine doses is given at 12 months of age. A second vaccine dose is given before the start of kindergarten.

For international travel, infants as young as six months should be vaccinated against measles. Measles vaccine, or other acceptable documentation of immunity to measles, is recommended for all persons travelling internationally.

In an effort to help parents protect their children from serious vaccinepreventable diseases, MDHHS is participating in the "I Vaccinate" campaign. I Vaccinate provides the facts parents need to make informed decisions about vaccinations. For more information about immunizations and the I Vaccinate campaign, visit IVaccinate.org.



Reporter's notebook Frustration or Thanksgiving?

Like most people, every now and then I feel a bit burned out with my job, thanks to a veil of frustration that descends on me when it feels like I'm struggling in my goal at the Chronicle of focusing on quality (spending adequate time on individual stories) versus quantity (filling x-number of pages).

I guess that's bound to happen when those same blank pages stare at you week in and week out, month after month after year after decade. It's the sort of thing that gets me down, sometimes to the point where I'm ready to throw my hands up and surrender.

Until I take a little trip back to reality.

by Tom Montgomery Editor

And the reality is, I have nothing to complain about.

I have a soul mate who has put up with me through nearly 37 years of marriage, for better or worse, who is always there for me and rarely fails to lovingly kick my butt when I need it. Most folks who know my wife, Deb – and me — will tell you she's a saint, not to mention a wonderful mom and grandma, and an outstanding nurse.

But that's just the beginning of a lengthy list of items on my thanksgiving list.

My belly is full and I'm not worried about where my next meal will come from, I'm reasonably healthy for my age and attitude, I have a home and dependable transportation, and I don't have bill collectors pounding on the door.

Oh, yeah, and I have a job that I'm thankful for. More importantly, I have the skills that should enable me to remain employed as long as I want to be, regardless of what the future holds.

I have loving and supportive family members and friends that have proven time and time again that they really do care about me, in spite of the fact that I apparently lack the filter that keeps most folks from always blurting out what they're thinking, no matter how brutally honest or (on occasion) sarcastic.

I live in a community that, while diverse, never disappoints in demonstrating unyielding unity when it comes to taking care of its own, whether that involves raking a neighbor's yard or offering the elderly transportation so they can run errands, raising cash to help someone cover medical expenses as they wage the fight of their life against cancer, or distributing food to those who are struggling to make ends meet.

I've been sober for nearly seven years now, when I probably should be dead. That little item alone generally keeps my gratitude gauge on full.

What it all comes down to, I guess, is that a little frustration on the job (or wherever) pales in comparison to all of the people and blessings that make a life worth living, especially if you take the time to really focus on those things that matter.

Many of us forget about that all too often, instead letting a bunch of crap that won't mean a thing when we're dead and gone bog us down. I'm reminded that the best way to get over self-pity is to try and give of yourself and your time to others, a practice that has an amazing tendency to shift attention away from self and remind you of just how grateful you should be.

With another Thanksgiving holiday approaching, I know I am, and I hope you're in a position to say you are, too.



SUPERHERO VS. ALIEN PARASITE TOM HARDY in "VENOM" (PG13)



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Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Ms. Virginia Haag (Nauka) of Cass City announces the engagement of her son Cory Haag, to Brittany Osantowski. Cory is also the son of Brian Haag of New Hudson. Cory is a 2006 graduate of Cass City Public Schools. He is employed at Valley Enterprises as a Hi-Low driver. Brittany is the daughter of James Osantowski of Ubly and Rick and Brenda Wilfong of Snover. Brittany is a 2006 graduate of Ubly Community Schools. She is employed at Millennium Steering as a front desk receptionist. These two live in Argyle and are planning their wedding for June of next year.

Former Cass City resident Lauren Piontkowski, now of Sylvan Lake, Mich., was among the estimated 50,000 runners who recently took part in this year's New York Marathon, and she did more than compete — she finished among the top third of the participants. She completed the marathon — all 26 miles and 385 yards of it — in four hours. A 1976 Cass City High School graduate, Piontkowski is the daughter of Bert and Holly Althaver of Cass City

10 YEARS AGO (2008)

Travis and Gracie Williams sang "God Bless the USA" during Saturday's tribute to veterans in Cass City. The children's uncle, Michael Hoppe, was a Desert Storm vet; another uncle, John Paul Hoppe, is in the Navy and is also an Iraqi War vet; and their aunt, Arlene Hoppe Bozeman, is currently serving in the Army.

Michigan native and author Mike Deeb will return to Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City Monday, Nov. 17, for a special program on his Civil War era novel, "Duty and Honor". Deeb is pictured with librarian Anne Craig during his last visit in July.

The Bulldogs captured the Class D district volleyball title in Owendale Thursday with a 4-game decision over NCTL-N champion North Huron. The team members are: Katie Rhodes, Amanda Faist, Lauren Mandich, Alisha Kovach, Mariah Francis, Samantha Radabaugh, Mandy Muntz, Kelsey Quick, Erika Mroz, Christy Schmidt, Amanda Woodruff, Kayla Montreuil and Miranda Radabaugh.

Bransen Stimpfel, 10, of Cass City recently shot his first rooster pheasant with a single shot 20-gauge shotgun on state land. He was hunting with his dad, Tom, brother CarLee, and his dog, Korah Leigh.

25 YEARS AGO (1993)

Cass City will lose a longstanding real estate business this year with the retirement of B.A. "Curly" Calka after more than 41 years of selling the Thumb area. "I've got about 3 more deals to close and then I'm done," Calka said Friday, adding he expects to wrap things up in about a month. Calka said his decision to close up shop was based, in part, on a desire to take some time to enjoy life with his wife, Pauline, who has also put a lot of work into the business.

A postcard was received from Caroline Ward of Flint, travelling in Melbourne, Australia, with Marjorie Kim, sister of Stanley Kim of Cass City. Both are former residents. The trip included stops in Los Angeles, Honolulu, and many communities in Australia, including Cairn, Sydney and Melbourne. In New Zealand the trip covered Christ Church, Mount Cook National Park, Queenstown and Rotorua. The trip started Oct. 21 and concluded Nov. 5.

Janel Lynn Truemner and Kenneth Lee Guilds were married in a double-ring ceremony Saturday, Aug, 7, at 3:30 p.m. in a rose garden at the Larry Kanaby residence, Bad Axe, with the Rev. Ervin Haley officiating.

35 YEARS AGO (1983)

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hartwick attended the wedding Saturday evening in the Vassar Methodist Church of their grandson, Randy Hartwick, and Beverly Keberlein. Randy is the son of Elwyn Hartwick and Mrs. Raymond Waggoner of Vassar.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ware of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Sally Kay, to John Michael Ramp of Chicago. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ramp of Jackson. A December wedding is planned in East Lansing.

Mrs. Gerry Carolan was a dinner and overnight guest Friday of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Conners of Caseville. Other dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Les Clark of Caseville, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Markey of Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ward of Freeland and Mrs. Mary Jane Swinney of Imperial Beach, Calif. Mrs. Swinney returns to California this week after spending a month visiting in this area.

Stacie Jo Shaw, daughter of Scott and Henrietta Shaw of Adams Road, Marlette, was chosen the winner of the first annual Beautiful Baby Contest sponsored by the Marlette Jaycees Auxiliary. The contest was held in the Marlette Community Room Oct. 15 with 39 contestants entered ranging in age from four days to three years old. They were judged on categories such as looks, eyes, hair, outfit, disposition, smile and overall opinion. Stacie Jo, 2-1/2 received \$25 worth of gift certificates from local merchants.

The Red Hawk Cross Country team dominated the Saturday meet at Cass City High School. Both girl's and boys' teams won. Greg Bliss the defending state title holder was the individual winner although his time of 16:27.6 was far off his usual times of less than 15 minutes for the 5 kilometer distance. Bliss was not challenged as the second best time among the 18 teams competing was 16:44. The Hawks finished with 82 points and second place Sandusky scored 96 points. The top five places for each team are counted in the scoring. Kevin Bliss was 12th, Randy Nicholas, 19th, Mike Middaugh, 22nd, and Kurt Bliss, 28th. The girls were led by Ruby Bryant, a freshman, who finished third with a time of 19:58.1. The individual winner was Suzy Stansberry of Capac, 19:09.2, and second place went to Lisa Salyers, Sandusky, 19:55.1. Cass City's Renae Stimpfel, 20:27.1, was fifth. Stimpfel was suffering from an ankle injury. During the season she was the Hawks' top runner. In the team scoring, the Hawks with 59 points just edged Capac with 63 points. Both qualified for the

40 YEARS AGO (1978)

state finals.

Seventy-two relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nemeth of Deford celebrated their silver wedding anniversary, Sunday, Oct. 22, in the banquet room at Wildwood Farms. The dinner was given by their immediate families. Mr. Nemeth and Miss Amy Root wore married Oct. 24. 1953, at the Fraser church. They have made their home since their marriage on Gilford Rd. rural Deford. Guests came from Detroit. Lapeer, Portage. Caro. Kingston and the

Deford Cass City areas. Deford Community church was the setting Oct. 14 for the wedding of Lorna J. Lowe and Timothy C. Dorland. Rev. John Lange of Novesta Baptist church and Rev. Gerald Rodgors, pastor of the Deford Community church, officiated at the double-ring ceremony. Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a white polyester satalustro Empire line gown. The bodice and bishop sleeves were trimmed with satin venise lace. The skirt with flounces and lace on hemline, had an attached brush train. She chose a Juliet fingertip veil trimmed with matching satin venise lace and carried a cascade of yellow roses, stephanotis and baby's breath.

50 YEARS AGO (1968)

Mr. and Mrs. William Eberline Sr. of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Sharon, to Pvt. Eugene D. Nicholas, son of Mrs. Marge Nicholas, also of Cass City, and the late Floyd Nicholas. Miss Eberline is attending Michaels

Beauty School in Bay City. Pvt. Nicholas is presently home on leave from the Army. He will report Nov. 17 to San Diego, Calif., from where he will leave for service in Vietnam. Wedding plans are indefinite.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ehrlich of Zion, m., are home visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Seeley. Mrs. Ehrlich will stay with her parents while Mr. Ehrlich goes to North Carolina for a month and then she will accompany him to South Carolina, where he will be stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Morell had with them Friday evening for dinner celebrating Mr. Morell's birthday, three of their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. James Neal and children of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. James Dennis and daughters, Kelly and Kathy, of Caro and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Laurie and children

Miss Nancy Kelly and Frederick Smith were married Saturday, Oct. 26, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Linkville. The Rev. Paul Waschilewsky performed the 4:30 p.m. ceremony. Candelabra, white gladioli and mums decorated the church for the service. Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kelly of Gagetown and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smith of Cass City are parents of the couple. The bride's sister Miss Barbara Kelly, was maid of honor and bridesmaids were Mrs. Raymond Hendrick and Miss Peggy Kelly, both sisters of the bridal couple. The bride's gown of Ottaman faille was edged with Venice lace on long colonial sleeves, bateau neckline, Empire bodice and detachable court train. The attendants' gowns were turquoise saki with accents of matching Venice lace on the Empire bodice, chapel sleeves and neckline. Three hundred guests attended the reception following at Dom Polski Hall, Caro. The couple left on a Florida honeymoon and will make their home in Clarkston.

75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Gloria Milligan has joined Úncle Sam's Nurses' Cadet Corps. She is 19 years of age and the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wm. Milligan. Miss Milligan was graduated as an honor student with the Class of 1942 from Cass City High School. She will receive her training at Hurley Hospital Flint

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kelley and daughters, Marilyn and Susan, of Saginaw were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Campbell, and Monday they spent with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holmberg. Mrs. Holmberg entertained a few ladies at bridge Monday afternoon in honor of her guest, Mrs. Kelly. Prizes were won by Mrs. Frederick Pinney, Mrs. Don Miller and Mrs. Kelly.

100 YEARS AGO (1918)

Jay Hartley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hartley, and Miss Mac Rondo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rondo, were united in marriage Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at the M. E. parsonage by Roy Young. They were attended by the groom's sister, Miss Ethel Hartley, and Earl Streeter. The bride and bridesmaid were dressed in green taffeta and georgette crepe. The bride and groom ate dinner with the bride's parents, and were joined by the bride's parents and autoed to Saginaw to visit the bride's brother, John Rondo, and spent Saturday night. Sunday they motored to Bridgeport and Frankenmuth where they visited friends, returning home Monday.

Dr. F. L. Morris, health officer, reports that there are some over 80 cases of influenza in the town this week. Twenty-five homes represent 50 different cases. He says the disease is spreading with great rapidity due largely to the lack of appreciation of the rights of others through patients going around the well before they are fairly over the effects of the sickness or when suffering the disease only in a mild form. He also says that it is safe to announce that schools and all public places will remain closed next week though as yet the Health Board has taken no action to that effect.

News briefs

Scouts hosting cake auction

CASS CITY – Scouts in the Cass City area are gearing up for their own cake auction to benefit the Cass City Rotary Club's Christmas for Kids project.

The cake auction is scheduled for today (Wednesday) starting at 7 p.m. in the Cass City Elementary School cafeteria. Everyone is welcome.

Ubly meeting date changed

UBLY — Due to a children's Christmas program being planned for Thursday, Dec. 6, the Ubly Village Council meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m.

Courthouse display planned

CARO — The Caro Women's Interfaith Committee will once again utilize the Tuscola County Courthouse lawn for its holiday display, which include the traditional nativity scene. The display is scheduled to be in place from Saturday, Nov. 24, through Jan. 5.

Veterans invited to warm up

CARO — Attention Tuscola County Veterans: If you need a winter hat or scarf, get in touch with the Tuscola County Veterans Affairs office. The office has hats and scarfs in a variety of colors that were generously made by members of the community. Call (989) 673-8148 to set up a time for pick-up.

Kids' craft time at the library

CASS CITY – Rawson Memorial District Library will be hosting a Christmas Kids' Kraft event Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 to 11 a.m.

The activity is open to children ages three through the fourth grade (youngsters ages three to five must be accompanied by an adult). Parents must pre-register their kids for this free event at the library's circulation desk or by calling (989) 872-2856.

Santa slated to fly in Dec. 8

CARO — Midwest Sky Sports and the Tuscola Area Airport Authority will be giving Santa a hand getting around this year.

Santa is scheduled to arrive at the airport, located just outside of Caro, at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8. There will be activities, a coloring contest to win an airplane ride, and a free photo with Santa.

More information is available on the website http://tinycc/santa-fly.

Thanksgiving busy travel time

MICHIGAN — AAA projects more than 1.7 million Michigan residents will journey 50 or more miles from home this Thanksgiving holiday.

The Thanksgiving holiday period is defined as Wednesday, Nov. 21, through Sunday, Nov. 25. Driving remains the most popular mode of transportation during that holiday period, prompting law enforcement officials to remind motorists to exercise caution on the roads, drive sober and put their cell phones and other distractions away while behind the wheel

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery





Thumb voters stick with traditional Republican roots in Nov. 6 election

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Thumb voters stuck to their traditional Republican guns in last week's election, but a majority of voters across the state elected a new, Democratic governor in Gretchen Whitmer – the state's 49th governor and the second woman to hold the position.

Voters also elected Democrats to serve as attorney general and secretary of state.

Residents turned out in droves to cast ballots Tuesday, with Tuscola County Clerk Jodi Fetting reporting a voter turnout of about 56 percent – 22,624 of Tuscola's County's 40,365 voters.

In the heated race for governor, Whitmer garnered more than 53 percent of the vote to defeat Republican Attorney General Bill Schuette.

Tuscola County voters overwhelmingly supported Schuette, casting 13,287 votes for him, compared to 8,272 for Whitmer, who has named Garlin D. Gilchrist II as her lieutenant governor.

Secretary of state

Of the front-runners vying to be Michigan's next secretary of state, Democrat Jocelyn Benson of Detroit emerged the winner over Republican Mary Treder Lang of Grosse Pointe Farms. Benson took more than 52 percent of the vote statewide, but received just under 8,000 votes in Tuscola County, where residents cast a combined 13,083 votes for the Republican challenger.

Attorney general

In another heated race – for attorney general – Democrat Dana Nessel, Plymouth, was named the winner, garnering nearly 49 percent of the vote. Republican challenger Tom Leonard of DeWitt received 46.5 percent of the vote.

Tuscola County voters overwhelmingly supported Leonard, casting 13,800 votes for him compared to 6,741 for Nessel.

U.S. senator

Democratic incumbent in the U.S. Senate, Debbie Stabenow, Lansing, retained her seat by defeating Republican challenger John James (R), Lansing. Stabenow garnered 52 percent of the vote compared to James' 46 percent.

In Tuscola County, voters cast 13,497 votes for James and 8,197 for Stabenow.

Rep. Congress 5th District

In the 5th District Congressional race, Democratic incumbent Daniel T. Kildee (D) of Flint defeated Republican Travis Wines of Durand, receiving 59.5 percent of the vote, compared to Wines' 35.9 percent.

It was a much closer vote in Tuscola County, where Kildee and Wines garnered 3,014 votes and 3,951 votes, respectively.

Michigan's 5th Congressional District includes Arenac, Bay, Genesee and Iosco counties as well as portions of Saginaw and Tuscola counties.

Rep. Congress 10th District

Republican incumbent Paul Mitchell, Dryden, handily defeated Democratic challenger Kimberly Bizon, Lexington, in the 10th Congressional District. Mitchell garnered just over 60 percent of the vote.

Tuscola County voters also gave Mitchell the edge with 8,965 votes to Bizon's 4,612 votes, and Huron County voters cast 70 percent of their votes for the winner, 8,473 to 3,652.

The district includes Huron, Lapeer, St. Clair and Sanilac counties as well as parts of Macomb and Tuscola counties.

State Senator 31st District

Republican Kevin Daley of Lum received 60 percent of the vote on his way to becoming the area's next state senator. Daley defeated Democratic challenger Cynthia A. Luczak of Bay City, who garnered 39 percent of the vote.

The district covers the counties of Bay, Lapeer and Tuscola, where voters overwhelming sup-

ported Daley, casting 14,545 votes for him, compared to 7,059 votes for Luczak.

Rep. 84th House

In the race for the 84th District Michigan House of Representatives' seat, it was Republican Phil Green defeating Democratic challenger William Shoop in both

Huron and Sanilac County by a margin of more than two to one.

Tuscola County voters cast 14,152 votes for Green and 7,421 votes for Shoop, while Huron County voters cast 9,062 votes for Green and 3,997 for Shoop.

Green will fill the seat vacated by Republican incumbent Dr. Edward J. "Ned" Canfield, who opted not to seek reelection.

State approves recreational pot

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*Imposes a 10-ounce limit for marijuana kept at residences and require amounts over 2.5 ounces be secured in locked containers.

*Creates a state licensing system for marijuana businesses and allow municipalities to ban or restrict them.

*Changes several current violations from crimes to civil infractions.

*Changes several current violations from crimes to civil infractions. While voters have spoken, it won't be legal to light up until the Board of State Canvassers certifies the vote, sometime by Nov. 26. Then, adults ages 21 can use marijuana in their homes and on their property. State officials say it will take up to a year or more to come up with

rules and regulations for retail shops and marijuana products. The law requires the state to start licensing businesses in 2020.

The law could still undergo some changes, as lawmakers could pass laws altering it by a three-fourths majority of both the House and Sen-

It will be up to cities, villages and townships to pass their own ordinances to regulate, limit or ban recreational marijuana businesses, which must gain local approval in order to qualify for a state license.

State officials caution that you can't buy medical marijuana for recreational use, although caregivers – who are allowed to grow medical marijuana for card-carrying patients under a 2008 law – can give (not sell) marijuana to non-patients.

Motorists are reminded that driving under the influence of marijuana and/or consuming the drug in a motor vehicle is still illegal, as is consuming marijuana in public.

And, employers will still be able to enforce their own "zero-tolerance" policies when it comes to workers and drug testing.

In the Thumb region, prosecutors and law enforcement officials were united in their opposition to legalizing recreational use of marijuana, as were a number of business, health care and education organizations. The state's prosecutors said its impact will be "profound, negative and significant. It will compromise the welfare of our children, safety on Michigan roadways, the quality and productivity of our workplaces and even our healthcare system."

Among the concerns voiced by Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark Reene in recent months are an anticipated increase in use of the drug by youths after making the drug readily available.

Reene also pointed out the amount allowed under the Michigan initiative is ten times that of laws passed in other states. And, he said, the marijuana produced today is far more potent than that used by people years ago.

Reene has also expressed his concern regarding statistics related to traffic accidents, marijuana use, etc. – in those states that already have recreational marijuana use.

For instance, both Colorado and California experienced 100-percent increases in marijuana-related traffic fatalities after legalizing recreational and medical marijuana, respectively. The percentage of traffic deaths related to marijuana doubled in Washington State the year retail sales were allowed, and in Colorado, marijuana is now involved in more than one of every five deaths on the road.

Since Colorado legalized marijuana about four years ago, regular use of the drug among youth ages 12 to 17 has been both above the national average and rising faster than the national average.

"There's no reason to think they're (numbers) going to be different here. All those numbers – they are what they are," Reene said following

the election.

Tuscola County Sheriff Glen Skrent agreed, adding, "It's going to be

a few years to see the results (here), and it's not going to be good."

Skrent described the prospects of formulating regulations for recreational marijuana use – and enforcing laws related to the new rules – as a nightmare in the making.

"It's all up in the air," he said, "but I guess we have to deal with it, and we will."

Proposals Two, Three

Tuscola County voters supported the other two statewide proposals on the ballot, while their neighbors in Huron and Sanilac counties rejected all three initiatives.

Proposal Two was a citizen-initiated proposition designed to move the power of creating legislative districts from the state House of Representatives to an Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Specifically, the measure creates a new process to draw the district maps for Michigan House members, Michigan senators, U.S. House of Representatives members and U.S. senators.

Instead of allowing the Legislature to draw those maps, the job will now go to a commission comprised of four Democrats, four Republicans and five people who must swear under oath that they do not affiliate with either of these parties. Current or recent politicians, lobbyists, legislative employees and even the parents and children of these individuals would be prohibited from serving on the commission.

Michigan's Proposal Three, meanwhile, will also amend the state constitution by restoring straight-ticket voting and authorizing automatic and election day voter registration and no-reason absentee voting.



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Novesta voters okay tax

by Tom Montgomery **Editor**

Voters in Novesta Township ensured the future of their roadside mowing program during the Nov. 6 election by supporting a one-time special

The township requested a one-mill tax on the ballot in order to pay for equipment repairs/upgrades. Residents approved the measure by a vote of 321 (just over 58 percent of the votes cast) to 230.

The tax will be levied for one year -2019 – and will cost the owner of a home with a market value of \$80,000 about \$40.

"Currently, the township has committed to provide roadside mowing twice a year. To accomplish this...we are utilizing our 1982 International tractor and our 2004 Bush Hog SM 60," township Supervisor Chad Daniels explained in a letter mailed to township residents prior to the election. "Both of these pieces of equipment are in need of some serious attention.

"The plan is simple; If the millage passes, we will make the necessary upgrades and/or repairs within our budgetary means and continue this practice of mowing twice a year," Daniels said. Had voters rejected the request, he said, township officials would have scaled back to one roadside mowing annually until the equipment was no longer usable.

County eyes dental option

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at what space is available in the county — in Caro — because they do not want to build or restore a building.

The Great Lakes Bay Health Center at 876 N. Van Dyke Rd., Bad Axe, in Huron County has been open for about five years. The facility provide comprehensive family dental care, including cleanings, x-rays, restorations, oral surgery, dentures, root canals, crowns and emergency

The Bad Axe clinic serves Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola County resi-

Great Lakes Bay Health Centers (formerly Health Delivery, Inc.) began as a very small migrant health care clinic in 1968, when the Saginaw County Health Department received a \$75,000 grant to provide health care to farm workers.

Today, Great Lakes Bay Health Centers operate more than 250 sites across the state.

The dental clinic in Huron County and the new MCDC site in Sanilac County each has a long waiting list, and each serves Thumb area resi-

"This shows there is a need," said Hepfer. "There is no dental clinic in Tuscola County that takes those on adult Medicaid."

Children who are on Medicaid are covered by Delta Dental, and most of those children can go to a local dentist who accepts Delta Dental for

If county officials can reach an agreement with Great Lakes Bay Health Centers, the start-up process would be gradual.

"It would begin with one dentist and a couple of hygienists," Hepfer said. "This all depends on if something can be worked out. It would be overseen by the health department."

Although an agreement could not be worked out with MCDC, the organization opened a clinic 35 W. Sanilac Ave. in Sandusky in September to provide dental services to Medicaid enrollees and low-income, uninsured residents. Contact information for that clinic is (989) 623-0137 and (989) 623-0137

Residents can contact the Great Lakes Bay Health Centers in Bad Axe at (989) 331-0555.









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THE MAIN part of the Tuscola County Jail at 420 Court Street, Caro, was built in 1966 and has since undergone several renovations. A recent study of the facility shows it is outdated and a new jail should be constructed.





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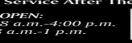
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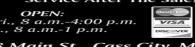
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Study: county should consider building jail

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never done," said Commissioner Tom Young, who serves on the county board's jail committee.

For decades, commissioners have used a "band-aid approach" to fix the jail's infrastructure issues, despite recommendations to construct a new jail. However, finances have been a roadblock.

"We can't keep kicking this (jail) issue down the road like we have been. A decision one way or the other has to be made," said Young, who added officials hope to make a recommendation by June 1. "An addition, a new jail, financing, or whatever is decided, it will still take three to four years for it to be done."

The recent jail study targeted several areas for improvement. It suggests the county create additional space for inmates and operational needs, look for a new facility or ways to expand on the current site, and provide for more

"Due to the facility design and lack of adequate housing, there is no reasonable recommendation other than having a renovation added (a new jail) to the building to accommodate a work release housing area that is part of the security facility," the written assessment states.

"It is suggested that the central control center be renovated and upgraded if the facility is left in its current design, but the existing control center is outdated (and) lacks upgrades to technological equipment."

It was recommended several times in the report that an expanded/new facility is the best solution to adequately address safety, security, efficiency, workflow and staffing needs.

When the study was conducted, the jail had 94 inmates, of which 78 were housed in the jail and 16 housed in other facilities at a cost of \$30 per day per inmate.

In previous years, the county has had to pay more than \$250,000 to other counties to house Tuscola's overflow inmate population.

"Over the last few years, there has been an increase of female inmates being housed, and space to house them is also an issue,"

Young pointed out. Besides separating inmates by gender, they also have to be separated by security classification, risk and need, custody level and type of crime.

"The facility is not staffed as it could be to meet the require-ments," the report states. "The lack of staffing puts the staff and inmate population at a higher

"All counties are responsible for arrested and sentenced individuals. I think one or two counties in Michigan — the smaller ones, like Keweenaw use another county's jail but are responsible for the bills," said Skrent. "They still have to provide a lock-up facility to hold (arrested individuals) for 72 hours."

Along with everything else, the jail is in need of constant repairs.

"The windows need to be replaced. The estimate on that is about \$275,000," said county Controller Mike Hoagland. "Even if that is done, it is still an old

In 2017, \$300,000 was allocated to the jail for plumbing and electrical improvements, but the elecproblems completely fixed, and there were plumbing, sewer and roofing issues as well.

Aside from dealing with an antiquated design, changing state regulations are also putting demands on the facility. Today, inmates have to have a private conference room to talk to their attorney, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) staffers, mental health service worker, clergy and various other agency representatives to ensure privacy for inmates. A storage closet was converted for that use. Skrent acknowledged there is no quick fix to the jail issues.

"It will take a millage...to pay for a new jail," the sheriff said. "There are several other county jails in the same situation as us. Delta County and Alpena County among others lately received voter approval for a new jail. Also, Saginaw County is building a new jail. Many jails were built in the same era as ours in the mid-1960s.

"To get everything together to do anything, the process will take a couple of years.'

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Greater Thumb West names football stars



Sandyn Cuthrell



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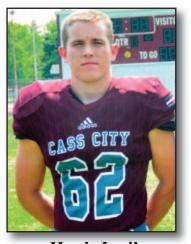
by Clarke Haire **Publisher**

Greater Thumb West (GTW) football champion Cass City dominated the 2018 all-conference selections of the 7-school association. The Red Hawks filled eight slots on the fictional dream team's rosters, highlighted by twoway first team picks Hank Janik and Sandyn Cuthrell.

Senior Janik was recognized at guard on offense and linebacker on defense, while junior Cuthrell was honored at quarterback and at defensive back.

"This is Hank's second year of earning such a prestigious award. Hank is one of the toughest and truest football players on the field. He gives everything he has on the field. He is the primary reason our backs rush for so many yards," said Cass City Coach Scott Cuthrell

Janik, who has a good nose for the ball, according to Cuthrell, had Luke Sobczak, Caro lineman



Hank Janik



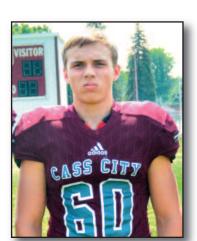
Luke Stern

a team best 78 tackles on the sea-

Cuthrell ran for 633 yards and 15 touchdown and threw for 347 yards – he completed 12-of-14 tries - for seven scores. Defensively, at 6'1" and 180 pounds, Cuthrell is a threating figure. He led the team in interceptions.

"Sandyn has matured into an outstanding quarterback this year. He is a versatile athlete and I am looking forward to another year under his leadership," said Coach Cuthrell. "Sandyn has great cover speed and has a keen sense for the ball. Sandyn unanimous first team selection by area coaches on both sides of the

Completing the GTW offense first team were Cass City seniors Zach Beecher and Luke Stern along with EPBP lineman Blake Smithers and Mitchell Richmond, tight end Mason Pasek and back Preston Warren, Bad Axe lineman



Matt Mihalic



Zach Beecher

Hunter Dickson and back D.J. Daniels, USA back Conner Gettel and Reese end and place kicker Gabe Robinson.

Stern finished the year with 674 rushing yards and six touchdowns. He also hauled in 11 receptions for 347 yards and seven touchdowns.

"Luke has a combination of speed and the ability to catch the ball out of the backfield. He was one of Sandyn's primary targets, giving us multiple options on the offensive side of the ball and Zach matured into a fantastic ball player this year and it was mostly due to the efforts he put into the weight room. He was a big blocker and an even bigger target in our two point conversions,' Cuthrell said.

The GTW all-conference second team included Cass City lineman Matt Mihalic, Caro lineman Christian Buniack, tight end

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NCTL-Blue Division airs all-conference selections

by Clarke Haire **Publisher**

Awards usually follow success, and there were plenty for the Kingston High School Football

team according to the vote of North Central Thumb League Blue Division (NCTL-B) officials. Coach Brandon Jones' Cardinals finished with an overall 8-2 record both losses came at Deckerville - and landed five picks on the

> NCTL-B all-league dream teams. Quarterback Hunter James and wide receiver Levi Cryderman were named to the first team on offense, while Andrew Tucker, Colton Stadler and Connor Henry were honored as first team choices on defense.

James rushed for 829 yards and threw for another 1,006 yards during the 2018 campaign. He accounted for 31 total touchdowns, 18 by air and 13 by ground.

Cryderman was the Cardinals' deep threat. His numbers on the year included 16 receptions for 312 yards and five TDs.

"Hunter had a remarkable football career for us. There's no way that you can replace what he brought to the table both as an athlete, and as a person. He worked extremely hard to get to where he is at." Said Jones, adding, "Levi is a kid who got consistently better throughout his career. He was always one of the hardest workers in the weight room. When we needed a big play through the air this year, we looked towards Levi more often than not."

Joining the pair as NCTL-B first team selection on offense were Deckerville RB Derek Snyder, OL Curt Vogel and OL Justin Trigger; Mayville RB Logan LaBean, WR Jeff Frost, OL Aaron Pollard and K Nick Kasper and Peck OL Ethan Sharrard.

The NCTL-B all-league offense second team players were RB Lane Torrey, WR Aaron Koehler, OL Tristen Skinner - Kingston, QB Issac Keinath, RB Carlos Ibarra, WR Jeff Stone, OL Travis Trigger, K Curt Vogel - Deckerville, and Dryden OL Chris Wat-

Receiving honorable mention accolades were Kingston's Caleb Goss and Jack Green, Deckerville's Connor Lamont, Mayville's Auston Middleton, North Huron's Ty Knoblock, John Hoody and Dylan Koehn, Peck's Cody Babcock, Caleb Potter and Aaron Booth.

Turning to the NCTL-B allleague choices on defense, DL Tucker, LB Stadler and DB Connor Henry highlighted the dream team choices for Kingston fans, that also included DL Logan LaBean and DL Jeff Frost -Mayville, DL Justin Trigger, LB Curt Vogel and P Issac Keinath -Deckerville, LB Nolan Sarnac and DB Kyle Vincent – Peck, and DB Please turn to page 10.



BEAUTIFUL BEAR. Brennen Deering, age 10, posses with his Upper Peninsula trophy shot near White Pine. It was the Kingston Schools student's first bear and it weighed about 190 pounds.

NCTL 8 Man Football 2018 White Division All-League

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Honorable Mention All-League Offense

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Honorable Mention All-League Defense

Akton – Dalton Gucaa, Todd Brink BCAS – Jayden LaBean, Tyler Ducolon

Casewille – Anthony Damean New Haven – Kyler Simone, Brandon Mason

Owen-Gage - Brandon Binder, Boyd Etsans, Brock Gruber, Matt. Fritz

GTW football standouts list

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Miles Campbell, wide receiver Kyle Severn and place kicker D.J. Daniels, USA lineman Jeremy Pawlowski, Reese lineman Jared Wortman and back Michael Sheridan, Vassar lineman Kyle Walker and back Ricardo Macon, Bad Axe wide receiver Cody Talaski, quarterback Vince Blackstock and back Jack Clancev.

Honorable mention vote getters were Jarod Naegele, Alex Perry and Hunter Caister - Cass City, Seth Johnson, Gage Brownell, Bryce Sears and Andrew Siegfried - EPBP, Toby MacPhee and Ryan Alec Will, Nathan Furst and Brandon Messing – Caro, Rocky Hahn

- USA, Grant Bouvy, Mason Hawes, Issac Johnson, and Jake Kowalski - Reese.

The GTW dream team on defense - in addition to Cuthrell and Janik - included Red Hawks Matt Mihalic (line) and Jarod Naegle (specialist), Lakers Blake Smithers (line), Preston Warren (linerbacker), Adam Legault (back) and James Dub (specialist), Tigers Caleb Graves (line), Ryan Giddings-Mitchell (linebacker) and D.J. Daniels (back), Patriot Cody Pawlowski (line), Rocket Gabe Robinson (punter) and Hatchets Ryan Wehner (linebacker) and Logan Stark (specialist).

As for the local stars, Coach Cuthrell said, "Although a mere sophomore, Matt made a statement this year with a dedication to the weight room which paid off

with his outstanding play on both sides of the ball. He had 2 sacks and a couple of forced fumbles. His motor runs every play and his passion for the game does not go unnoticed. Looking forward to having him back next year and will count on his leadership,' adding, "Jarod is well deserving of this 1st team award. He is a complete football player that put his time in both in and out of season. He plays the game with great passion with 100% effort."

The GTW all-conference second team defense players are, from Cass City, back Luke Stern and back Jarod Naegele, from EPBP, line Austin Geiger, linebacker James Dubs and linebacker Cory Manenti, from Bad Axe, line Logan Stark and back Cody Meeks, from Caro, line Hunter Dickson, punter D.J. Daniels and specialist Miles Campbell, from USA, linebacker Cade Riersen, from Reese, line Logan Rocha, linebacker Grant Bouvy and specialist Tanaoh Troublefield, and from Vassar, punter Ricardo Macon.

Honorable mention choices of the GTW on defense were Cass City's Collen Wruble and Alex Perry, Reese's Sean Novak, Michael Sheridan and Dylan Tehl, Bad Axe's Micah Gordon, Luke Sobczak, Jack Clancey and Mike Messing, Caro's Brandon Messing, Kyle Severn and Miles Campbell, USA's Jeremiah Hahn, Vassar's Marshall Fabbro and Mason Amend, and EPBP's Andrew Siegfried and Karson

NCTL-B releases all-league picks NCTL-B releases all-league pick Continued from page 9. He had three interceptions early on in the season, and teams defi-

Ty Knoblock - North Huron.

Asked about his star defensive players, Jones said, "Andrew was phenomenal at the nose for us this year. He was able to overpower a lot of people in the middle and he never quit on a play. We will surely miss his presence in the middle next year.

"Colton's anticipation at linebacker is very rare. I'd credit that to the many hours he spends studying Hudl film. At the snap of the football, I've never coached a kid before who is as quick at reading the play as Colton.'

"Connor is the definition of a competitor. He treated every rep in practice and games like it was his last. A lot of teams never threw the ball his way late in the year. nitely did their homework on which guy on our team to not throw towards."

The NCTL-B all-league second team consisted of Peck DL Brandon Winiarski, North Huron DL John Hoody and LB Delvin Galleck, Deckerville DL Joseph Devault, LB Travis Trigger, DB Batuhan Giray, DB Carlos Ibarra and DB Isaac Keinath, Mayville LB Nick Phillips, Dryden DB Jack Kaplan and Kingston P Hunter James.

Honorable mention honors went to Kingston's Aaron Koehler, Hunter James and Nathan Dawson, Peck's Nathan Collins and Trenton VanConant, Deckerville's Derek Snyder, Dryden's Brendan Biggs and Mayville's Dillon Andress.



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Connor Herford, center, not only bagged this 11-point buck during this year's Youth Hunt, but also won a free shoulder mount as the Cass City Gun Club Youth Day big buck contest winner. He was hunting with dad Ryan Herford on grandpa Arlin Herford's property. Connor is pictured with Gun Club President Steve Delong, left, and Vice-president Mike Wilson.





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New council ready to start

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mented the morning after the elec-

Delamarter indicated he has no plans to instigate any sort of major shake-up in his new role. "Our biggest duty is to make sure things are done correctly," he said, adding it's important now for the council to define roles and update goals, avoid any attempt to micromanage a skilled village manager in Debbie Powell, and work together.

'With my military background, I don't like to do anything without a plan," Delamarter said. "I want to have a road map, and that's what we need to have with this new council."

Delamarter recalled being dismayed at bickering among some council members when he started attending meetings. "And some of that became personal, and you can't have that," he said. "I don't think there was good transparency. The people of Cass City should know what we're doing.

"I think people will have more confidence in us if we do this (govern) in a deliberate, professional manner, and have a plan," Delamarter added. "Every time we make a decision, we have to ask, is it the best thing for the community?"

Barrios offered her best wishes to Delamarter as well as Powell and the community, but acknowledged she had hoped to continue serving the village.

"What can I say? It is what it is. Honestly, I'm disappointed for people don't know," she said.

"God bless the people that supported me. We did our very best, and you go on," added Barrios, who was previously elected to the council, gave up her seat to seek a term on the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, then returned to the council via appointment last year to fill a trustee seat vacated by the Rev. Mark Karwowski.

Leeson, meanwhile, indicated he's looking forward to helping tackle the challenges ahead.

"I was very amazed at the turnout and very flattered at how many people voted for me. I am anxious to get started," he said.

"I was just pleased with the elec-tion results," added Piaskowski, who joined the council by appointment following the resignation of Steve Erickson.

"They (residents) voted for a change, and I think that's going to happen," he said. "We have the same mindset – getting the village moving forward."

"I think the community was just ready for some changes," agreed Biefer. She said she was disappointed with not being re-elected because has enjoyed serving on the council.

"I plan to still be involved by going to some of the meetings and being supportive," added Biefer, who was initially appointed to the council and then went on to win back-to-back terms of her own.

Current village President Carl Palmateer, who has served the village for the past 11 years, opted not to seek another term, saying he's ready to spend more time



KNIGHTS OF Columbus Council 8892 officials recently distributed nearly \$4,900 in proceeds from its annual fall 5K walk/run fundraiser to the St. Agatha Food Pantry in Gagetown and to Revive Ministries, Cass City. Above, the ladies at St. Agatha's – (from left) Sue Comment, Evelyn Goslin, Edna Kujawski, Shirley Lenhart, Regina Salcido and Shirley Lubczewski — accept a check from Gordy Kujawski. Below, Gail Tuckey (second from left) accepts a check on behalf of Revive Ministries. Also pictured are (from left) Bonnie Marker, Janice Bean and Wannalee Hartel.





Fairgrove Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes October 22, 2018 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Trustee Mike Day, Treasurer John McQuillan, Clerk Katie Gebhardt, Supervisor Keith Aeder, and Zoning Admin Bruce Turner. Visitors Present: Mary Brissette, Jim Weisser, and Brenda Bigham. Call to order. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Aeder moved and Mc-Quillan supported to approved October Election Commission Minutes. Passed. Day moved and McQuillan supported to approve September minutes. Passed. Day moved and McQuillan supported to approve October agenda. Passed. McQuillan moved and Aeder supported to authorize the Clerk and Treasurer to cut a check not to exceed \$100,000 for Fairgrove Townships portion of the fire truck to be disbursed from the Thumb National account via transfer to the General Fund. Passed. McQuillan moved and Aeder supported to extent credit to Juniata Township in the amount of \$25,000 over a term of 10 years at 3.5% per ann. Promissory note, full faith and credit to repay Fairgrove Township to be reviewed by Township Attorney. Passed. Aeder moved Gebhardt supported motion for McQuillan to act as Township representative on Township sign project. Passed. Day moved and Aeder supported to get heat restored to bank building and interior/exterior cleaning done. Not to exceed \$2,000. Passed. Aeder moved Mc-Quillan supported to accept Sexton report. Passed. Mc-Quillan moved and Day supported to accept Police Report. Passed. Day moved Gebhardt supported to accept financial report. Passed. McQuillan moved Aeder to pay bills as presented, with \$3,000 being paid toward Smith Bovill bill. Passed. McQuillan moved and Day supported to adjourn meeting. Passed. Adjourned 10:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Katie Gebhardt Fairgrove Township Clerk



REGION 7 AREA Agency on Aging officials recently gathered to present an Employee Retention Grant to five of their employees from Cass City's Health Care At Home. They are Tamara Mathys, Laura Miller, Kirbie Micho, Barb Grifka and Sarah Stephenson. Among those in attendance (above) were (front row, from left) Barb Grifka and Shayna O'Connor of Region 7, Sarah Stephenson, (back row) Christina Spencer of Region 7, Kirbie Micho, Health Care At Home Administrator Misty DeLong, Anessa Staple of Region 7 and Megan Cottrell of Region 7.

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Pastor's Corner

As holiday nears, be thankful for a godly heritage of generous people

As we approach Thanksgiving 2018, we again remember the stalwart band of Christian Separatists who landed upon the rugged New England shore that cold November day in 1620. Struggling through the first winter, losing nearly half their number, the decimated colony still celebrated in gratitude to God at harvest time the following year.

Few today realize that the Pilgrim's first form of government was communalism. We call it "socialism." Governor William Bradford wrote about the agreement the Pilgrim passengers had with their financial sponsors. It said: "All profits and benefits that are got by trade, traffic, trucking, working, fishing, or any other means of person or persons..." had to be pooled. For a period of seven years the colonists were to "have their meat, drink, apparel, and all provisions out of the common stock and all goods of the said colony."

After two years of shortages and

starvation with the survival of the colony at stake, Bradford wrote they contemplated "how they might raise as much corn as they could, and obtain a better crop than they had done, that they might not still thus languish in misery." Abandoning their incentive killing socialist contract, "they assigned to every family a parcel of land, according to the proportion of their number..." Immediately, those who complained about working to support another man's family, turned to and worked with renewed ambition to better their own lot. Governor Bradford concluded: " Any general want or famine hath not been amongst them since to this day."

Some modern proponents of socialism will point to the example of the early church seen in the book of Acts. "And the congregation of those who believed were of one heart and soul; and not one of them claimed that anything belonging to him was his own; but all things were common property

to them," Acts 4:32. We must ask, "Is the current clamor for socialism in America based upon the biblical model with the same biblical goals, or is it something else?

Communalism (socialism/communism) has been tried off and on by various groups over the centuries — always ending in failure. Winston Churchill said it best: "Socialism is a philosophy of failure, the creed of ignorance, and the gospel of envy. The inherent virtue of socialism is the equal sharing of miseries." (Except by those in power, I might add.)

In our lifetime we have seen the misery of the USSR, Communist China, Korea, Vietnam, and others. At this very moment socialist Venezuela finds itself in the midst of economic and social disaster. Yet with all this obvious historical evidence before us, there are still numerous people within our country who insist socialism is the way

It didn't take the Pilgrims long to

figure out socialism was not the way to go. In fact, Christian communism in the early church was also short lived because, as Ananias and Sapphira proved, man's carnal fallen nature will always get in the way. To the church Paul later wrote: "But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever," 1st Timothy 5:8. "If a man will not work, neither let him eat," 2nd Thessalonians 3:10.

So then, what is the difference between Marxist socialism and Christian socialism of the Bible? The difference is huge. Secular socialism declares: "What's yours is mine!" Christian socialism de-clares: "What's mine is yours!" It was voluntary, confined to the Christian community, and never government controlled.

From the Pilgrims onward, our founders, by God's guidance, knew the strength and blessing of the free market. This Thanksgiv-

ing season our nation should come before the heavenly Father in gratitude for the abundant blessings He has given us through a godly heritage, a heritage of generous people who have proven in both word and deed "What's mine is



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Legal Notices

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

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 November 29, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Gary Wilson, unmarried man

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Indenture Trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Accredited Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-2 Asset Backed

Date of Mortgage: February 22, 2006

Date of Mortgage Recording: March 3, 2006 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$96,493.05

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Fremont, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 13, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, thence North 0 degrees 08 minutes East 664.05 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning. Running thence West 330.0 feet, thence North 0 degrees 08 minutes East 664.04 feet; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 56 seconds East, 330.0 feet along an old existing fence line (apparent North line of South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4); thence South 0 degrees 08 minutes West 664.05 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning. Being part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 13, Town 11 North, Range 9 East

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance MCLA with 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

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by Raymond H. Foshee, Jr, a single man aka Raymond Foshee to BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Mortgagee, dated March 27, 2002, and recorded on April 16, 2002, in Liber 874, Page Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing LLC by an Assignment of Mortgage dated April 21, 2017 and recorded May 01, 2017 in Liber 1373, Page 669, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Sixteen and 21/100 (\$61,816.21) including interest at the rate of 6.87500% per annum.

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 November 29, 2018 Said premises are situated in the Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point that is North 230.1 feet from the Southeast corner of section 12, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence North 410.87 feet; thence North 82 degrees 49 minutes 46 seconds West 169.77 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 50 seconds West 410.7 feet; thence South 82 degrees 49 minutes 46 seconds East 171.20 feet to the point of beginning.

Right of way for Washburn Road over the Easterly side thereof. Commonly known as: 4950 WASHBURN RD, VASSAR, MI 48768 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PUR-CHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount ten-

Dated: October 31, 2018 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Specialized Loan Servicing LLC 43252

dered at sale, plus interest.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Pur-

suant to the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by SUSAN WYKES, a single person, Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS) as nomfor American Southwest Mortgage Funding Corp., Mortgagee, dated the 9th day of December, 2016 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 19th day of December, 2016 in Liber 1364 of Tuscola County Records, page 1218, said Mortgage having been assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Nineteen Thousand Seven Hundred Sixteen & 57/100 (\$119,716.57), by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of December, 2018 at 10:00 AM o'clock Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola Cty MI, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, with interest thereon at 4.00 per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums

which may be paid by the

undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Township of Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 31, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as:

Beginning at a point on the North line of said Section which is North 89 degrees 37 minutes 20 seconds West 264 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section; thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 20 seconds West along said North line 260 feet; thence South, parallel with the East line of said Section, 335.14 feet; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 20 seconds East, parallel with the North line of said Section, 260 feet; thence North, parallel with the East line of said Section, 335.14 feet to the point of beginning. Except that part reserved for use as Arbela Road, so-called During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed 30 days after the foreclosure sale or when the time to provide the notice required by the statute expires, whichever is later.

MCLA Pursuant to 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney Dated: 11/14/2018 Freedom Mortgage Corporation Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C. Attorney for Servicer 700 Tower Drive, Ste. 510 Troy, MI 48098 (248) 362-2600 FMC FARM WYKES 11-14-4

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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 December 13, 2018:

the Name(s) of mortgagor(s): Kenneth I. Witek, a single man

Original Mortgagee: Thumb National Mortgage, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Arvest Central Mortgage Company fka Central Mortgage Company Date of Mortgage: October 25, 2005

Date of Mortgage Recording: November 7, 2005 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$21,190.49 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Akron, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at a point on the Section line 154.5 feet South of the East 1/4 corner of Section 13, Town 14 North, Range 7 East, thence West 163 feet; thence South 165 feet; thence East 163 feet; thence North 165 feet to 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).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

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Tonya Lawhorn

Tonya LeAnn Lawhorn, age 52, of Gagetown, passed away on Tues., Nov. 6, 2018 at McLaren Bay Region, Bay City. She was born in Dearborn on Aug. 4, 1966 to the late Ronald and Dawn (Forman) Haag.

Tonya graduated from Cass City High School in 1984. She worked in many retail and factory positions, but mostly in Healthcare as a Certified Nurse's Aide.

Tonya married Ross Ford in 1990 in Sandusky, she then married

Doral Lawhorn on Nov. 19, 2005.

She is survived by her three children, Justin Michael Haag (Cheyenne Harris), Alicia Dawn Ford (special friend Ja Gotta), and MacKennzie LeAnn Lawhorn (Special friend Hunter Hatmaker). She is also survived by the father of her granddaughters, Daniel Bucholtz, grandchildren, Haylee Jade Bucholtz, Nina Marie Bucholtz and Grayson Kole Haag, special friend, Betty (Betsy) Natale, her sister, Carla (Carl) Cifka, brothers, Ronald Haag and Brian Haag and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was predeceased by her parents, husband, Doral, sister in law, Kelly Haag, grandparents, Arthur and Ida Haag, Clarence (Ted) Forman and Clarence (Scotty) and Zella Scott.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial gathering and burial at Elkland Township Cemetery will take place at a later date. Memorials in memory of Tonya, may be directed to her family.

Please share condolences at www.thabetfuneralhome.com Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home of Cass City.

Robert McIntosh

Robert (Bob) G. McIntosh, age 74, of Cass City passed away Thursday, November 8, 2018 at United Hospice Service in Marlette, MI.

Bob was born September 20, 1944 in Pontiac, MI to the late Jim and Normaleen (Brown) McIntosh. He married Shirley Root on February 25, 1967. Bob served in the United States Army for 2 years. He worked at United Parcel Service and retired in 1998 after 30 years of service. After retiring from UPS he worked for Robert Bliss mowing lawns. Bob was a very loving husband, son, father, grandfather and a friend to all. Bob enjoyed every season of the year as long as he was hunting, fishing or watching his grandchildren play sports.

Bob is survived by his wife of 51 years, Shirley McIntosh; one daughter Debra Abell, two grandchildren Zachary Abell and Shelby Abell and brother Dale (Lynda) McIntosh.

He was preceded in death by his father James McIntosh, his mother Normaleen McIntosh and his son-in-law Brian C. Abell.

Per Bob's wishes, no service is planned.

Dennis Regnerus

Dennis Burton Regnerus, 65, of Cass City died unexpectedly Tuesday, October 30, 2018 in his home. He was born December 16, 1952 in Cass City the third child of eight born to George James and Peggy Marie (Phillips) Regnerus. He married Linda Rose Prosowski September 17, 1977 in St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City.

Dennis graduated from Mt. Clemens High School with the class of 1972. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard. Dennis was stationed on Sitkinak Island, AK, Lampedusa, Italy, Cleveland, OH and Traverse City until he was honorably discharged in 1977. He worked for General Cable in Cass City until the plant closed then the family moved to Florida from 2002 through 2010. After returning to Cass City Dennis began working for Huron Castings where he currently worked. Dennis served as a volunteer on the Cass City Fire Department years ago. He enjoyed hunting, ice skating, roller blading and ice hockey. Dennis gathered young people who wanted to learn hockey to the rink behind Parkway Party Store. There he became known as "coach". Dennis was fearless as a young man and tough as nails in high school football. He also enjoyed playing

cards with family. Dennis was great at sharing memories. He loved to laugh and joke around. Dennis never hurt a fly. He was generous and had no enemies. Dennis enjoyed listening to classic country music, George Jones was his fa-

Dennis is survived by his wife, Linda; daughter, Sonya (Michael Pawlak) Regnerus of Cass City; siblings:

George "Jim" (Ruth) Regnerus of Chesterfield Township, Tim (Martha Jo) Regnerus of Utica, Dawn (Richard) Rick of Cass City, Paul (Virginia) Regnerus of Cass City, Barbara (Dwaine) Peters of Cass City; special uncle, Milt Phillips of Cass City; many nieces, nephews, cousins, great nieces and great nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, sister, Suzanne Whelton; brother, William "Bill" Regnerus; aunt Brenda Phillips; nephews: Patrick Regnerus, DJ Peters III.

Funeral service held 1:00 p.m. Saturday, November 3, 2018 in Kranz Funeral Home Cass City with Brad Speirs of Novesta Church of Christ officiating. Pallbearers for Dennis will be: Alan Prosowski, Jr., John Phillips, Mike Prosowski, Scott Regnerus, Josh Regnerus, Kyle Rick. Honorary pallbear-

ers: Milt Phillips, Jim Regnerus, Tim Regnerus, Paul Regnerus, Richard Rick, Dwaine Peters, Alan Prosowski, Sr. Memorials may be made to Cass River Pet Friendz or Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

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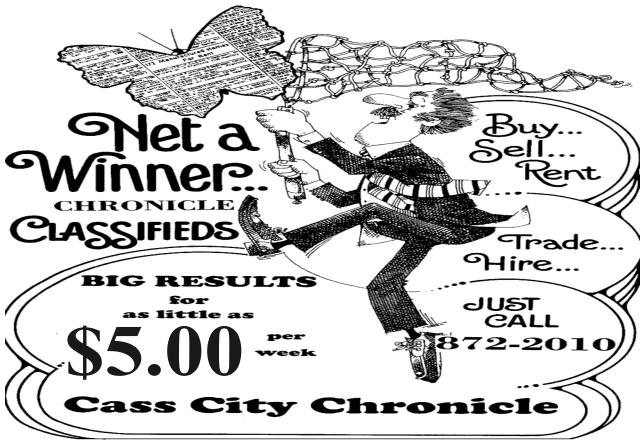
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LOOKING FOR WORK - Full or part-time. Have worked in hospital office setting for 39 years, can do any clerical work. For resume or interview set up, please call: 989-975-12-11-7-2 0480.

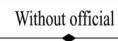
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THANK YOU - I would like to thank Pastor Bob, my church family and friends for their prayers, cards, visits and food that was given to me while recovering from surgery. Stoutenburg. again to all! Ellen 13-11-14-1

Real Estate for Sale







Public Notice

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Volunteers gearing up for community holiday dinner

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over the reins to Cass City residents Brian and Janice Williams.

The Williams and their four children, ranging in age from 16 to 24, were no strangers to the dinner, having volunteered their time and talents over the previous several years.

Williams said it was his wife's idea to accept coordinator duties for the popular holiday tradition, noting they were interested in taking the faith they share with their fellow parishioners at Our Lady of Consolata Catholic Church (formerly St. Pancratius Catholic Church) in Cass City and putting it into action in their hometown. "We wanted to give back to the community, and this is a way to do that," he said.

The number of people who show up for the meal each year – including several families that have made the event a family tradition of their own - left a big impression on the couple.

"We all sit down and have a nice meal together for Thanksgiving," Janice commented. "It's just like a really nice extended family. It's really heartfelt – it's an amazing experience. We love it.'

The Williams have taken on a host of responsibilities that include lining up an adequate crew to cook, set up, clean up and put away - typically 50 to 75 volunteers in all. It's the sort of job that prompts organizers to appreciate all the help they can get, especially when it comes to preparing and serving enough food for up to 250 people.

"We always take volunteers. We won't turn anybody away," commented Brian, who said this year's menu will include 20 turkeys and 200 pounds of potatoes along with several roasters of vegetables and dressing, not to mention dozens of desserts.

The dinner is free, but make no mistake about it; this is no charity event, and it's not a soup kitchen for the needy. This project is all about sharing and bringing members of the community together for food and fellowship.

The first Cass City Community Thanksgiving Dinner was organized back in 1986 at the former St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Earlier that year, former area resident Alan Klco came up with the idea and, sharing his thoughts with Bob Gengler, the two men went to work.

Volunteers from other area churches were contacted to put together a village-wide and ecumenical project.

Over the years, the dinner has been located at the local VFW hall and, more recently, at the Cass City United Methodist Church, where full kitchen facilities have enabled organizers to dispense with having to utilize three different kitchens to prepare all of the dishes. These days, food preparation is completed over a two-day period, providing for a less hectic schedule.

One thing that hasn't changed is the generosity of local service clubs, churches, businesses and individuals, who collectively ensure there is enough of everything to keep the local Thanksgiving tradition alive and

As for the Williams, Brian indicated he and Janice are embracing the role of coordinators in the same spirit as Mills, who has always viewed the task as a labor of love and continues to volunteer.

Anyone interested in volunteering or who would like more information is asked to contact Brian Williams at (989) 551-5698 or Janice Williams at (989) 550-5698.



SEVENTH GRADE students Diana Cortes (at right, fromleft) and Emily Ziegler were among the students who cheerfully served local veterans and their family members during a welcome breakfast Friday in the cafeteria at Cass City Junior-Senior High School in honor of Veterans Day. See related photos, page one.

Senior Citizen Movies on tap Friday

Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City will be hosting its next Senior Citizen Movies Friday, Nov. 16, at 1:30 p.m.

Films slated to be shown are:

*"Italy's Mystery Mountains" -Explore the fascinating geologic story of Italy, the land known for its fabulous art, fantastic food, opera, la dolce vita, and so much

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the diversity and turbulence of the geology behind this abundance: the continuously erupting volcanoes, the violent earthquakes, the clash of mighty tectonic plates, and the rising of the mountains that produced Michelangelo's famous marble (56 minutes).

*"Rudy Maxa's Delhi and Agra" Plunge right into Northern India's intoxicating mix of sublime beauty and riotous pandemonium. Ride a bicycle rickshaw into the heart of Old Delhi and experience the teeming streets, pungent spices, and glorious jumble of shops and temples. In Agra, marvel at the Taj Mahal, a beautiful testament of one man's love for his beloved wife and queen (30 minutes).

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Village of Cass City NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Millage Hearing will be held on Monday, December 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. for all interested citizens of the Village of Cass City.

The proposed 2019 Property Tax Millage rate to be levied to support the proposed 2018 Village of Cass City Fiscal Budget as follows:

	Mills
Village General Operating	12.4625
Streets	4.9162
PA Act 298 – Landfill Maintenance	0.0800
PA Act 359 – Promotion	0.6800

Total Village Millage:

18.1387

The meeting will be held at the Municipal Building. 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan for the purpose of discussion of the proposed millage.

All interested citizens will have the opportunity to give written and oral comment.

> Nanette S. Walsh Clerk/Treasurer

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, November 26, 2018, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

To receive comments on Proposed Ordinance # 179, Blight Elimination

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

The Public is invited to attend.

Nanette S. Walsh Clerk/Treasurer