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Lawmakers approve historical insurance reform bill Friday

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Michigan lawmakers heralded overwhelming approval of a bipartisan auto insurance reform bill during a special session of the Legislature Friday, calling the legislation historic.

And, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer said she would sign the bill, designed to reduce rates by giving the state's drivers multiple coverage options, cracking down on fraud and lawsuit abuse, and reducing sky-high medical costs.

"For the first time in nearly 50 years, Michigan drivers will have the option to choose the auto insurance coverage that is the best fit for their circumstances and will see guaranteed rate reductions based on the choices they make," 31st District Senator Kevin Daley (R-Lum) said.

"The current system is failing Michigan families," Daley added. "Thousands of Michiganders have been priced out of driving, and thousands more risk driving without insurance."

Senator Dan Lauwers (R-Brockway Township), whose 25th District includes Huron and Sanilac counties, agreed.

"Michiganders have been clamoring for a solution to this problem for many, many years, and my constituents let me know about it every time I talk to them in the district," Lauwers aid. "(This) bill provides the fix they've been looking for."

According to an October 2018 report, Michigan drivers pay an average of \$2,693 in annual auto insurance premiums – 83 percent higher than the national average. A recent University of Michigan study also revealed that auto insurance rates are unaffordable in 97 percent of the state's ZIP codes.

Under the current no-fault law, all motorists in the state are legally required to carry unlimited, one-size-fits-all personal injury protection (PIP) coverage.

Senate Bill One would give policyholders the choice to select coverage that best meets their needs and budget, according to Daley, who noted the plan would give seniors with Medicare and individuals with private

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Green: committee vote good news for hospital

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The Michigan House Appropriations Committee last week approved the state Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) budget proposal — good news for Tuscola County, according to state Rep. Phil Green (R-Millington).

Green explained the plan for the 2019-20 budget year clarifies the Legislature's original intent to use funding to expand the psychiatric facility within the Caro Center and nowhere else.

"This budget proposal sends a message to the executive branch that the Legislature stands behind its 2017 decision to dedicate funds for the new state psychiatric hospital here in the Thumb, the right place for the project," Green said.

Green has been on the front lines of the fight to keep the project at the Caro Center since new Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer placed the project on hold.

In mid-March, Whitmer announced the decision to halt construction of the new psychiatric hospital in Tuscola County while a reevaluation

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Let's Do Lunch! free meal program on tap

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Unlike the students she feeds throughout the school year in the Cass City Public Schools, Shari Bock doesn't get to enjoy much of a summer vacation.

After coordinating the preparation of thousands of meals for kids from fall through spring and early summer, Bock gets only a short break before starting all over again with the district's popular summer meal program, now in its 11th year.

Bock, food service director for the Cass City District, has been coordinating the preparation of free meals for Thumb area youngsters during the summer months over the past several years. And she's gearing up to get started all over again this month.

It's no secret this time of year is exciting for area children waiting for the last bell of the school year. Summer vacation marks the beginning of activities such as play dates with friends, time on the ball field, a week at camp, or a family vacation. But for many children who receive free and reduced-price meals at school, summer can mean hunger.

"Just as learning does not end when school lets out, neither does

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HUNDREDS OF residents turned out for Monday's Memorial Day parade in Cass City and the traditional ceremony at Elkland Township Cemetery, where area native U.S. Navy Chaplain Capt. Stanley Beach (retired), pictured at bottom left, was guest speaker.

Lest we forget...

Hundreds turn out for Memorial Day observances

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

"Poor is the nation that has no heroes, but poorer still is the nation that having heroes, fails to remember and honor them."

—Marcus Tullius Cicero

U.S. Navy Chaplain Captain Stanley J. Beach (retired) paraphrased that quote as he addressed a crowd estimated at more than 500 people gathered for the annual Memorial Day service at Elkland Town-

ship Cemetery Monday.

Beach knows something about heroism.

A Gagetown native and 1953 Cass City High School graduate, he retired with the rank of captain after more than 35 years in the military. His assignments included Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard units at sea, ashore and overseas, including combat action with the Third Marine Division in Vietnam, where he suffered life-threatening wounds.

During Beach's combat tour in Vietnam, he was assigned to the Third Battalion, Fourth Marines.

On Sept. 28, 1966, he was critically wounded during Operation Prairie when the Third Battalion was engaged in pushing back the NVA's 324th Division on Mutter's Ridge. While continually traversing the battlefield, ministering to the wounded marines and carrying them to the rear for medical treatment, Beach suffered severe leg and stomach injuries from mortar fire which ultimately led to the loss of his leg.

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Saginaw Diocese places priest on leave

A priest of the Diocese of Saginaw and former longtime pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Caro was placed on administrative leave last week by Bishop Walter A. Hurley, apostolic administrator.

Officials with the diocese made the announcement Tuesday, saying Father Dennis Kucharczyk was placed on leave while an allegation of misconduct involving a minor is being investigated. The leave took effect May 19.

Kucharczyk is pastor at St. John XXIII Parish, which includes St. Mary Church in Hemlock, Sacred Heart Church in Merrill and St.

Patrick Church in Ryan.

The Diocese of Saginaw issued a statement noting it has received information from law enforcement regarding an allegation of misconduct involving a minor that allegedly occurred many years ago. Based on that information, the diocese immediately removed Kucharczyk from active ministry.

According to the terms of the leave of absence, Kucharczyk is to have no contact with individuals under 21, which prohibits him from going on school properties or participating in school and parish activities and functions.

He also was informed that he

must refrain from wearing clerical garb, refrain from the exercise of public ministry, and may not present himself publicly as a priest while the allegation is investigated by the diocese.

Kucharczyk was ordained a priest in October 1985.



Father Kucharczyk

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Owendale - Gagetown Schools announce Students of the Month

The focus for Owen-Gage's students of the month for April is being a "Goal Setter". A student who is a goal setter sets goals and priorities in the following areas: personal, career awareness, financial and family living.

The following students have been chosen: Logan Mihacsi, fifth grade (elementary level), son of Charles Mihacsi; Allison and

Amber Haldane, eighth grade (junior high level), daughters of Robert and Patty Haldane; Madelyn Haldane, ninth grade (high school level), daughter of Robert and Patty Haldane; and Austin Coryell, twelfth grade (senior student), son of Robert Coryell and Cami Ehrlich.

Special recognition goes to the "Senior Student of the Month", Austin Coryell. Coryell participated in basketball his freshman, junior and senior years. As a freshman, he also participated in baseball and golf. He has been a member of the Owen-Gage Band all throughout high school, in which he plays the trombone. Coryell was a class representative for homecoming his sophomore and senior years, along with being a class representative for snowball his senior year. He served as class vice-president his freshman year, treasurer his sophomore year, and currently is serving as class secretary. Coryell has been on the honor roll and was a member of

the 3.0 Honors Club his freshman and sophomore years. As a junior, he served on the prom committee.

This year he is a member of the yearbook staff. Coryell has attended the Huron Area Technical Center the past two years, enrolled in the Public Safety/Law Enforcement program.

Coryell plans to attend Delta College in the fall to earn a degree in criminal justice.



Logan Mihacsi



Madelyn Haldane



Amber Haldane



Allison Haldane



Austin Coryell

Kingston Schools announce 3rd marking period honor roll

- 7th Grade**
 Daisy Barnes*
 Bailey Berridge
 Zane Greve*
 Gavin Hunter
 Preston Lupa
 Heidi Matheny*
 Jordis Mosher*
 Destiny Noakes*
 Malawi Roberson
 Sophia Schipinski
 Hayden Schuler*
 Jaylin Skinner
 Myles Spencer*
 Delaney St. George*
 Zoe VanRijn*
 Hunter Vennevy*
 Abby Walker*

- Ashlyn Walker*
 Gracy Walker
 Heidi Williams*
 Lucas Zajac
 Madelyn Zauner

- 8th Grade**
 Cortney Acker
 Catherine Bombard
 Logan Cloyd*
 Emily Coffey
 Adrianna Essenmacher
 Ethan Green*
 Ethan Harrington*
 Deirra Jenkins
 Lawson Lyons
 Emily McGee
 Aryanna Miller
 Ashley Miller
 Brooke Retan
 Stefannie Robinson
 Conner Seaman*
 Welsey Sholes*
 Riley Smith
 Rachel St. George
 McKenzie Taylor*
 Destiny Traster
 Hunter Trovillion
 Leah Westover
 James Wilson
 Coryn Zyrowski

- 9th Grade**
 Callie Becovic
 Madison Coyer
 Collen Dibble*
 Gaven Dibble*
 Katelyn Ensign
 Kristen Ensign
 Carter Geister*
 Mariea Haag
 Isabel Hurd*
 Summer Jenkins
 Alex Kotsch
 Chevy LeBlanc
 Declan McGarvie*
 Madilyn McMaster
 Jacob Rayl*
 Zachary Smart
 Nicholas St. George*
 Ethan Ulewicz*
 Brooklyn Walker*
 Libbie Whitmore

- 10th Grade**
 Don Anger
 Hailey Bitterle
 Mark Crousore
 Jason Dibble
 Elanor Gaiser*
 Colten Gildner
 Morgan Green*
 Rayann Harp
 Kayla Hobson*
 Hannah James*
 Paige Klupp*
 Lillian LaFave

- Joslyn Lupa*
 Dustin Peter*
 Ella Retan*
 Alexandra Sherman*
 Jessica Stoll*
 Olivia Ulewicz*
 Trayotn Wenzlaff*
 Madison Wieland*
 Samantha Wood

- 11th Grade**
 Anna Ahern
 Elissa Bicego*
 Collin Geister*
 Caleb Goss
 Johnathan Green*
 Katelyn Iseler
 Desiree Jenkins
 Aaron Koehler
 Payton Kolacz
 Anastasia Krych
 Jalen Little Thunder
 Ryan McGarvie
 Mindy McMaster
 Braden Mosher
 Wren Murdoch*
 Isaac Muxlow
 Evan Neff*
 Madison Nickens
 Tristen Skinner
 Joseph Snover*
 Mason Tallieu

- 12th Grade**
 Sophia Allen
 Maisey Bigelow
 Chelsea Bohms*
 Gerilyn Carpenter
 Nathan Cloyd
 Brian Colton
 Randy Crisman
 Levi Cryderman*
 Ashtian Davis*
 Kendra DeLong
 Jamie Dibble*
 Jillyan Dinsmore*
 Dakota Distelrath*
 Kerra Elling
 Scott Helton
 Connor Henry
 Hunter James*
 Shyanne LaFond
 Lily Lyons
 Camryn MacGuire*
 Cody McCormick
 Hannah McSkulin
 Lacie Peters
 Gabriella Ramirez
 Carley Smith*
 Colton Stadler
 Morgan Tallieu*
 Gunnar Thompson
 Johnathan Tolfree
 Lane Torrey
 Amira Varvel
 Emily Warrington*
 Roman Wood



Drew Loomis

D. Loomis graduates

Drew J. Loomis of Bay City recently graduated from Northwood University, Midland, Mich. earning a Bachelor's of Business Administration in Marketing Management.

A 2015 graduate of Cass City High School, he is the son of Jeff and Deanna Loomis of Pinckney, MI.

Drew is currently the head of Property Management for MDL Investments in Bay City.

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From the church that provides your Dorcas Meals. Dorcas Meal on Wednesday, June 12th at 12:00 noon. June: Pork tenderloin Take-out orders call (989) 872-4604.

June Events:

1st Annual Cass City UMC - Flea Market Sat. June 15th 9:00 - 3:00 pm Bargains, Food & Fun. Bouncy House 4 Kids, BBQ & Chinese Auction and vendors selling lots of items.

July Events:

Sat. July 6th look for our float in the Freedom Festival Parade.

Sat. July 6th Annual Fireworks Tailgate in our Parking Lot. 8:00 pm

Sat. July 27th 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Thumb Arts, Music, Food & Fun. Bouncy House 4 Kids, Food, Fun and Music and vendors selling lots of items.

August Events

Sat. August 3rd 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Kids Fly a Kite or Teens/Parents Fly a Drone. Picnic at the church grounds. Prizes.

Sat. August 17th 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Classic Car, Tractor & Motorcycle Show Salute to our Veterans Sponsored by the Cass City UMC - Progressive Group Music, Food & Fun. Bouncy House 4 Kids, Food, Fun and Music.

Sunday Worship 9:30 am

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Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

Is M for Mau, Mary or Mohammed?



Tick season is here: protect yourselves

With the arrival of warmer weather, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is encouraging Michigan residents to protect themselves from ticks, as tick-borne diseases, and particularly Lyme disease, are expanding across the state.

Although ticks can cause multiple illnesses, Lyme disease is the most commonly reported tick-borne disease in Michigan. Lyme disease is caused by the bacterium Borrelia burgdorferi and is transmitted by the black-legged/deer tick.

Peak transmission season for Lyme disease in Michigan is associated with the nymphal stage of black-legged ticks. Roughly the size of a poppy seed, these ticks are active from May through August, and peak in June.

The blacklegged tick is well-established in large portions of Michigan and their presence is continuing to expand. In 2017, there were 291 human cases of Lyme disease reported, with most of those exposures occurring in the Upper Peninsula and western Lower Peninsula.

In the Thumb, Huron County emerged as a county with a known risk for Lyme disease in 2018, while both Tuscola and Sanilac counties were considered to be counties at risk for the disease.

There were fewer than 30 human cases of Lyme disease reported in Michigan in any year between 2000 and 2004. By 2009, the number had jumped to 90 reported cases. By 2013, it was 166 cases.

That number could be very low. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the number of Lyme disease cases nationwide could be 10 times higher than what's actually being reported. Because the early symptoms of Lyme Disease often mimic what feels like the flu, infected people — and even their doctors — often don't test for it.

The most important way to protect against Lyme disease is to prevent tick bites, according to health officials, who say if you find a tick attached to your body, promptly remove it. Monitor your health and if you experience fever, rash, muscle or joint aches, or other symptoms, consult with your medical provider.

People can protect themselves against tick-borne diseases by following these tips:

**Avoid tick-infested areas. Walk in the center of trails to avoid contact with overgrown grass, brush, and leaf litter at trail edges.*

**Dogs and cats can come into contact with ticks outdoors and bring them into the home, so using tick prevention products on pets is also recommended.*

**Apply repellent containing DEET (20-30 percent) or Picaridin on exposed skin. Treat clothes (especially pants, socks, and shoes) with permethrin, which kills ticks on contact or buy clothes that are pre-treated. Do not use permethrin directly on skin.*

**Always check for ticks on yourself and your animals after being outdoors, even in your own yard. Inspect all body surfaces carefully, and remove attached ticks with tweezers.*

**Bathe or shower as soon as possible after coming indoors (preferably within two hours) to wash off and more easily find ticks that are crawling on you.*

**Washing clothing in hot water and drying on high heat will kill ticks in clothing.*

For several hours last week, the Drier household was in a tailspin when an utter cat-astrophe happened.

Bob the cat, who is also known as Bobbers, escaped. Normally, he does the free-range kitty routine for only a few hours on the rare occasions when he gets out, but last week, he was gone for more than 24 hours.

I never thought I would admit it, but I actually missed him and was worried about him. I'm a dog lover — always have been and always will be.

I had some cats when I was growing up, but they were all outside cats that would occasionally let me play with them for a while. They had to stay outside because I was allergic to them.

Bobbers is the only cat who hasn't tried to kill me by giving me breathing issues. From what I understand, he is a "tabby" because of the "M" design on his forehead. When he showed up at my house six years ago and adopted us, I laughed that his gray fur with black stripes and markings looked like he just happened to have an initial "M" on his head.

When I commented to a friend about this unusual looking cat who just showed up one day, she explained his design was called the "Mark of Mary" and that there are a couple of legends about that design.

She explained the first legend about cats with an M on their forehead comes from ancient Egypt where cats were worshiped as gods, and the name for cats there was "Mau". That word also translates to seeing or light. Some cats' eyes appear luminous at night, and it's associated with the moon so the marking is supposed to reflect association with the moon.

The Egyptian Mau is a direct descendant of those ancient Egyptian cats. It is the offspring of the African wild cat, which still carries the "M" on its forehead.

The other legend of the "M" goes back to the birth of Jesus. Because He was sleeping in a manger in a barn, it was cold. As Mary tried to warm her newborn, she asked the animals in the stable to move in closer, hoping their body heat would help to warm Jesus.

According to that legend, a Tabby cat jumped into the manger and cuddled next to the baby. The cat's body heat helped warm Him, and the purring put Him to sleep.

The legend goes that Mary put the initial of her first name on the cat so the world would know that a tabby cat had comforted baby Jesus.

And, there is another legend that Mohammed loved cats. Because of that, he put the letter of his first name on their foreheads to show the world of his love and that cats should be respected.

That legend goes on to note that when Mohammed's cat killed a snake, he was grateful and showed his appreciation by stroking the cat's face and petting the cat's back. That is supposed to be the reason for each

tabby having four dark lines on the face and having the ability to never fall on their back.


Legends notwithstanding, I have my own take on why cats act so aloof and why tabbies look the way they do; cats in Egypt were once worshiped as gods. They never forgot that and lord that fact over us by acting so aloof.

As for the theory of being marked with an M, I think it is for "Masters of the Universe" because they allow us to live in their homes.

Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



If you're a fireworks enthusiast and don't tend to pay attention to the clock, you could end up with a fine of \$1,000 under changes made to the Michigan fireworks law and in effect this year.

That's according to Tuscola County Sheriff Glen Skrent, who posted the new regulations on the department's Facebook page in advance of the Memorial Day holiday weekend Friday.

In short, if your township, village or city enforces the new regulations, residents who set off fireworks after 11:45 p.m. Saturday or Sunday could have been ticketed.

While the notice was posted too late to get the information in the Chronicle last week, we can offer you a heads-up regarding the July 4 holiday weekend, when shooting off fireworks will be prohibited after 11:45 p.m. Saturday, June 29, through Friday, July 5.

And, if you really want to plan ahead, the same restrictions apply to the Saturday and Sunday preceding Labor Day.

Not all dogs are afraid of fireworks, but for those that are noise sensitive the Humane Society of Tuscola County offers the following.

Keep your dog at home, officials say, closing all doors and windows, and wrapping them up in an anti-anxiety shirt are all ways to help them cope with fireworks.

For dogs with more serious anxiety, the non-profit group says, it might be time to try something new — CBD oil from hemp. It's a safe, all-natural solution to a number of canine health issues. Contact officials at (989) 672-7387 for more information.

Eight student-athletes who will be juniors at their schools during the 2019-20 academic year have been selected to serve two-year terms on the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Student Advisory Council.

The Student Advisory Council is a 16-member group which provides feedback on issues impacting educational athletics from a student's perspective and serves for two years, beginning as juniors. Eight new members are selected annually to serve on the SAC, with nominations made by MHSAA member schools. The incoming juniors will join the group of eight seniors-to-be appointed a year ago that include Caro senior Trevin Phillips.

The Student Advisory Council meets seven times each school year, and once more for a 24-hour leadership camp. In addition to assisting in the promotion of the educational value of interscholastic athletics, the Council discusses issues dealing with the 4 S's of educational athletics: scholarship, sportsmanship, safety (including health and nutrition) and the sensible scope of athletic programs. There is also a fifth S discussed by the group — student leadership.

This school year, the Council selected the 2018-19 "Battle of the Fans VIII" champion and presented Sportsmanship Summits in front of more than 1,000 students from across the state, handed out championship trophies at Finals events and provided feedback to the MHSAA Representative Council on proposed rule changes.

Despite below normal temperatures, Sheriff Garry Biniecki reports the Sanilac County Sheriff's Office kept busy over the Memorial Day weekend, reporting central dispatch received 500 calls for service.

The Sanilac County Sheriff's Deputies had 242 incidents assigned and handled 87 complaints, Sheriff's Deputies made seven arrests and performed 144 traffic stops with 55 citations issued.

Sanilac County Correction's Deputies booked 13 subjects into the jail with the help of other police agencies throughout the county.

The Marine Division was on the water in Lake Huron waterways from patrol boats based in both Port Sanilac and Lexington harbors. No water related injuries were reported.

The Sheriff's Office also conducted additional enforcement using grant funding for seatbelt enforcement.

Letters to the Editor

May a busy month of remembrance for vets

As commander of Cass City VFW Post 3644 for several years, and having been just recently re-elected to the position, I would like to share with you some of the goings on this month involving your local charter.

With Memorial Day having just passed, many are the times I have told people just how busy these days in May can be for the post.

May 1, which has been traditionally known as May Day, is now set aside as Loyalty Day. It is a very little-known national holiday written into law in 1958 during President Eisenhower's term of office. Not a lot of fanfare, but rather an opportunity for quiet reflection and personal reaffirmation of our loyalty to the greatest country in the world, America. What a novel idea!

On Sunday, May 5, I had to attend a 10th District VFW meeting in Yale while members of the post, along with Boy Scouts for Trooper 594, Cass City, put flags out on Main Street in observance of the Thunder Across the Thumb motorcycle ride supporting local veterans.

May 8 marked the 74th anniversary of hostilities of World War II in Europe. Thankfully, the war was

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Wednesday, May 29

- Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 3:30-6 p.m., Humand Development Commission at 429 Montague Ave., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal.
- Cass City Chamber meeting, 8 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Thursday, May 30

- AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.
- Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

Saturday, June 1

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

Sunday, June 2

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

Monday, June 3

- Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyly. 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.
- 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.

Tuesday, June 4

- 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.

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

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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.
•Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.

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 Hospital, 203 N. Caseville Rd., Pigeon. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.

Third Monday:
•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.

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

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) 673-4121.

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) 551-7803.
•**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.
•Families Against Narcotics, 6 p.m., Hills and Dales Corporate Services and Regional Education Center, 6667 Main St. Cass City. For more information, call (989) 551-4326.

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) 269-9293.
•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., Ubyly. 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:
•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, 3:30-6 p.m., Humand Development Commission at 429 Montague Ave., 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.

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Sebewaing man faces charge of indecent exposure in Huron Co.

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A lack of clothing has landed a Huron County man in hot water.

That's according to Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson, who reported the arrest Friday of a Sebewaing Township man on a felony charge of indecent expo-

sure following an investigation.

"The charge stems from an alleged early afternoon incident on April 15, when a neighbor of the suspect called dispatch about a man ringing their doorbell while he was standing at the door wearing nothing but socks," Hanson explained.

"Thomas W. Nimtz, 58, of Can-

boro Road, Sebewaing, was booked into our jail this morning on that felony charge of aggravated indecent exposure," he said. "He was then arraigned and later posted 10 percent of a \$5,000 bond to be released."

A date for the defendant's next court appearance was not available at press time.

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

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

*Jilleene R. Parker, 28, Flint, pleaded no contest to charges of armed robbery resulting in serious injury to the victim, armed robbery and two counts of unlawful imprisonment Sept. 9 in Millington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case, Parker's \$500,000 bond was revoked and she was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Casimiro Delgado, 51, Vassar, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail following his plea of no contest to possession of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (less than 25 grams) Sept. 28 in Vassar Township.

He was also placed on probation for 24 months and ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,008.

*Faith A. Windsor, 21, Mt. Morris, pleaded no contest to charges of illegal use of a financial transaction device and stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without consent of the device-holder March 31, 2016, in Cass City.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was set at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Charles D. Schattilly, 72, Deford, was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$985 following his pleas of guilty to driving while his license was suspended or revoked, and unlawful use of a license plate, and no contest to attempted aggravated indecent exposure Feb. 2 in Caro.

*Joslyn Malicowski, 29, Reese, received a one-year delayed sentence following her plea of no contest to identity theft June 8,

2016, in Denmark Township.

She was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$458 plus restitution of \$403.68 to Catholic Federal Credit Union.

*Kenneth R. Crawford, 72, Deford, received a six-month delayed sentence following his plea of no contest to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to comply with reporting duties between Feb. 1 and Feb. 28 in Kingston Township.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,258.

*Nicholas G. Jenks, 28, Mayville, was sentenced to 180 days in jail following his pleas of no contest to uttering and publishing involving a \$700 check drawn on Dort Federal Credit Union, using a computer to commit a crime and identity theft Feb. 13, 2018, in Millington Township.

He was also placed on probation for 36 months and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,894.

*Anthony E. Putman, 30, Caro, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor March 4 in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$3,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Zachary T. Adamczyk, 23, Caro, pleaded guilty to charges of receiving and concealing stolen firearms and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony March 5-15 in Dayton Township.

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

*Tyler C. Gokey, 27, Cass City, was sentenced to 365 days in jail following his plea of no contest to aggravated assault Nov. 17 in Ellington Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual of-

fender (two prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$258.

*Sarah M. Phelps, 35, Vassar, was sentenced to 365 days in jail following her plea of guilty to domestic violence, third offense, Dec. 15, 2017, in Tuscola Township. She was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, she was placed on probation for 36 months and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$458.

*Whitney A. Alexander, 23, Flint, pleaded no contest to charges of third degree criminal sexual conduct, two counts of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder and two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) Sept. 26 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case, bond was continued at \$250,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Shelley L. Guilds, 52, Caro, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Feb. 9 in Almer Township.

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

*Jeremy L. Likens, 43, Caro, pleaded guilty to possession of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (less than 25 grams), second offense, Feb. 8 in Ellington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$8,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

Lawmakers approve insurance reform bill

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health insurance the option of having those benefits cover health care expenses stemming from an auto accident.

The plan would require insurers to offer Michigan drivers new PIP coverage options, which will guarantee varying degrees of rate reduction.

The deal provides five options for drivers on the level of personal injury protection coverage they want. Under the deal, keeping the current unlimited coverage option would guarantee a 10-percent rate reduction in PIP coverage, which makes up about 50 percent of a typical insurance bill.

The other options are: a 20 percent reduction in PIP rates for \$500,000 in coverage, a 35 percent reduction for \$250,000 in coverage, a 45 percent reduction for \$50,000 in coverage, and a 100 percent reduction for senior citizens and drivers who have qualifying health insurance, such as Medicare or private insurance.

The rate rollbacks would last for eight years, after which there are no guarantees.

According to Lauwers, the legislation will reduce the \$220 annual Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA) fee by 80 percent for all options other than unlimited coverage. The MCCA earlier this year announced plans to impose an additional fee increase of \$28 on drivers, which is added to insurance premiums, bringing the total to \$220 per vehicle.

Under the state's no-fault system, those fees – assessed to every car

insurance company doing business in Michigan and charged to customers — were placed into a fund that covered the cost of medical care for people injured in car accidents when the cost of medical care exceeded \$580,000.

The bill lawmakers approved Friday also bans insurance companies from using several non-driving factors in setting their rates and seeks to crack down on unnecessary medical treatments; reduces the system's susceptibility to lawsuits, fraud and conflicts of interest; and cuts down on the number of uninsured drivers through more affordable rates.

"No one is questioning the quality of the benefits provided by the no-fault system, but requiring families who can't afford to do so to purchase the most expensive, highest care package isn't the answer," Daley said. "This requirement has caused families to make some really tough choices. People need to have options based on

what they can afford."

SB 1 was approved by both the House and Senate with bipartisan support and now moves to the desk of Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, who indicated she will sign the legislation.

"We've accomplished more in the last five months than in the last five years. This vote demonstrates that when both parties work together and build bridges, we can solve problems and make life better for the people of Michigan," Whitmer stated in a news release issued Friday.

"This plan will help drivers from Detroit all the way to the U.P.," she added. "It guarantees lower auto insurance rates for eight years, protects people's choice to pick their own insurance and coverage options while preserving the safety net, and bans insurance companies from using discriminatory non-driving factors when setting rates."

Diocese places priest on leave

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He has since served in the following capacities:

- * Associate pastor of Ss. Peter & Paul, Saginaw (October 27, 1985-July 14, 1986).
- * Associate pastor of St. Anne, Linwood (July 14, 1986- July 14, 1988).
- * Associate pastor of Blessed Sacrament, Midland (July 14, 1988-June 1, 1991).
- * Pastor of St. Roch, Caseville, and Sacramental Minister at St. Felix, Pinnebog (July 14, 1993-July 18, 2001).
- * Pastor of Sacred Heart, Caro (July 18, 2001-June 30, 2015).
- * Pastor of St. John XXIII, which includes churches in Hemlock, Merrill and Ryan (June 30, 2015- May 19, 2019).

Reporter's notebook

Simple economics: grill and save cash

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



Folks in my generation (and those much older, of course) will know what I'm talking about when I reminisce about trips to the candy store as a kid.

Do you remember penny candy that actually cost a penny? You know, the kind that was stored in those traditional see-through containers with a handy metal scoop and small paper bags nearby? Or the squeaky wooden floors in that old dime store you frequented as a kid? How about the unmistakable aroma of all those sweets wafting together?

If you've lived in Cass City long enough, you remember — as I fondly do — how easy it was to relive those wonderful childhood memories back when Gerald and Geraldine Prieskorn were still running their Ben Franklin Store, in the now-vacant former Fairway storefront on Main Street. I've always been thankful that my own kids were able to experience walking through those doors when they were young.

Anyway, penny candy was quite a bargain. Or so I thought until I recently came across an Internet article.

Now I'm not so sure.

The story explored the cost of summer fun through the years and related how prices from yesteryear always seem like they were much lower than what we pay today — month-long cruises for a couple hundred bucks and luxury hotel rooms for less than \$20, for example.

Heck, most kids today probably never even heard of a "dime store", but you can bet they know all about "dollar stores".

Seems those "low" prices of the past aren't always so economical when adjusted for inflation (AFI), according to research.

Take America's favorite pastime — baseball — for example. According to this article, a baseball glove cost around \$4.20 back in the 1920s, compared to \$30 when this story was published just a few years ago. Adjust the figure to include inflation and that glove back in the 1920s cost more like \$59.48.

The same goes for a Louisville Slugger. It cost \$2 bucks in the old days, but the estimated cost is \$27.82 when adjusted for inflation, compared to the more modern price of roughly \$40 or more. Still a bargain, unlike the baseball that cost \$1.39 in the 1920s, but was more like \$19 after inflation, compared to \$7 or so these days.

There's good news for the outdoor grillers among us; hamburger that cost just .24 cents a pound back in 1935 translates into a whopping \$4.17 a pound these days once you toss in inflation (the going rate for burger was \$3.55 a pound when this article was published). And, ketchup was 77 percent more expensive in 1905 compared to today.

The story also addresses yard chores. The list price for a mower in 1924 was somewhere around \$18, but the price jumps to \$250.42 with inflation. A comparable mower costs about \$300 today, according to the story.

Of course, the lesson here is crystal clear, guys. Put off that lawnmower purchase for a few weeks, buy a new grill and save tons of money by stocking up on burger and ketchup.

Now that's what I call smart economics.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2014)

For Mimi Nicol, art is a way of life. A resident of Cass City for 20 years, she is one of the founding members of Artistic Endeavors, a local art gallery. Nicol said Cass City is a great place to run a gallery, and she enjoys the opportunity to display many different kinds of art. The gallery showcases a variety of art forms, from photography to painting, and Nicol said it is nice to have a place where the community can come and view all of them. The gallery was established after Nicol and a handful of other artists from the area came together to find a place to showcase their work. "It is nice to have a place where we can show what we do," she said. "We have a bunch of artists, mostly retired art teachers, who all make different forms of art." Nicol herself works with glass, making many different types of sculptures and art pieces with it, and working with leaded and fused glass. She said Cass City is a great place to live and she loves the chance to help the community get involved in art.

10 YEARS AGO (2009)

Fran Lovejoy isn't one to embrace the spotlight, preferring instead to stay behind the scenes, quietly, in her classroom, nurturing the youngest of students in the Cass City School District. But co-workers - past and present - will tell you Lovejoy is a gem of an educator. Next month, Lovejoy will leave her classroom at the Cass City Early Childhood Education Center for the last time. She's retiring after a career spanning nearly 4 decades.

For the second straight year, Cass City seniors Lukas Varney and Austin Babich shared the male Co-Athletes of the Meet award at the 37th running of the Huron County Meet of Champions. The pair accounted for 5 individual wins at the showcase meet and also helped the Red Hawks record gold in the 1600 and 3200 meter relays. Babich defended his 2008 crowns in the 100 and 200 meter dashes with winning times of 11.13 and 22.82, respectively, both faster than his winning time in the previous year. Babich also added the 400-meter title on the day with a time of 50.89. Varney, once again, proved to be the county's best in the 800 and 1600 meter runs with times of 2:05 and 4:43 and teamed with Dewey Mabe, Tyler Burk and Alex Varney to top the 3200-meter relay field.

25 YEARS AGO (1994)

Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Smith of Decker announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Ann Smith, to Robert H. Schroder, both of Sylvania, Ohio. Schroder is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Schroder of Sylvania. Julie is a 1985 graduate of Cass City High School and a 1989 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is employed with Delta USA Corp., Monroe, in production control. Schroder is a 1982 graduate of Northview High School in Sylvania and is in sales at Home City Ice Co., Sylvania. A September wedding is planned.

Eastern Michigan University recently awarded scholarships to Cass City honor students and brothers, Barry G. and Noel G. Hornbacher. The 1994 Cass City High School graduates are the sons of Gary and Joyce Hornbacher.

John R.J. Shagena Jr. graduated from the United State Military Academy, West Point, New York, May 28. Graduation ceremonies were held at Michie Stadium, "home of Army football". Shagena, a 1990 graduate of Clare High School, is the son of John R.J. and Margaret Shagena of Clare, and the grandson of Joseph and Mary Lou Lorencz of Gage-

town and James E. Shagena, formerly of Cass City, and Marjorie Joel of Au Train.

Denise R. Savino of Gagetown and Jennifer A Rutkoski of Decker are among 1,154 students recently named to the fall semester academic honors list at Ferris State University, Big Rapids. To be eligible, a Ferris student must have compiled a 3.5 grade point average in at least 12 hours of work.

35 YEARS AGO (1984)

Born May 17 to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Neuman of Cass City, a daughter, Allyson Leigh, in Hills and Dales Hospital, weighing nine pounds. She joins a brother, Ryan, 3. Grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Miller of Pigeon and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Neuman of Sebewaing.

Top athletes receiving awards at the Owendale-Gagetown athletic banquet last Wednesday were Linda Retford, most valuable player, volleyball, and Gary Erickson, most valuable baseball and track, most improved, basketball, and Bulldog athlete of the year. Scott Wright, most valuable basketball; Sheila Engelhardt, most valuable, volleyball, and Bulldog athlete of the year, and Reid Goslin, most valuable, baseball. Awards were presented for junior varsity and varsity basketball; junior varsity and varsity volleyball; softball, baseball; track; junior high basketball, volleyball, track and cheerleaders; and to all senior year athletes.

Red Hawks Mike Middaugh and Lori Calka continued to pile up individual honors in area track meets as they were named the male and female athletes of the meet Monday, at the Daily Tribune Champions Invitational Track and Field Meet in Bad Axe. Middaugh was first in four events, winning both hurdles, the long jump and ran a leg in the winning mile relay team. Calka set a meet record in the long jump with a leap of 17-154 and piled up four firsts. She also won the 100 and 220-yard dashes and ran a leg of the 880-relay team.

Tammy Jantz received a \$50 check Monday from Cass City High School Principal Russell Richards, her prize from the Tuscola County Professional Development Policy Board, for designing the winning logo for its stationery. The group of county educators sponsored the contest for county students. A 10th grader, Tammy is the daughter of Ted and Geraldine Jantz of Rescue Road, Owendale.

40 YEARS AGO (1979)

Former Huron County Deputy Sheriff Larry Ringvelski has been hired as the new police officer in Gagetown. He was interviewed for the position Monday night.

Ruth Smith has come a long way since she started teaching for \$30 a month in 1933, but in terms of miles, she hasn't gone very far at all. The Evergreen Elementary School principal and kindergarten teacher is retiring at the end of the school year. "I will really miss it," she said of her soon to end career. "I'll really miss these kids. I've never been sorry I went into teaching. It wasn't an easy decision to make (to retire)."

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ron Andrus of Comstock Park, a daughter, Allison Marie, May 18 in St. Mary's Hospital, Grand Rapids, She weighed six pounds and 14 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alan Rogers of Decker. The Andruses have a son, Matthew, 3.

Three Cass City youngsters were among the winners at the Special Olympics May 11 in Caro. Dianne Keyser, 6th grade, took first place in the 50-meter run, long jump and ball throw, second in 200 meters and third in 400 meters. Jess Deatherage, 7th-8th grade, won first in the 5-meter run and ball throw, second in 200 meters and third in 400 meters. Rick Kern

won the ball throw. Also participating from Cass City was Bill Hastings. Participants were grouped by age.

Airman Larry C. Coggins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Demott F. Coggins of 2407 Van Dyke Road, Decker, has been selected for technical training at Sheppard Air Force Base, Tex., in the Air Force aircraft maintenance field. The airman recently completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex., and studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special instruction in human relations. Coggins is a 1978 graduate of Marlette High School.

50 YEARS AGO (1969)

Mrs. Vera King and son Bob and the Misses Charlotte Watson, Cheryl Whittaker and Loraine Osentoski left Thursday night and returned home Monday. They visited Pvt. Larry King at Fort Knox, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McArthur will hold an open house in honor of their 42nd wedding anniversary Sunday, June 8. The observance will be at the McArthurs' home at 6606 Third St. Stanley McArthur and the former Pauline Squiers were married at the bride's home in Flint June 4, 1927. They have one son, Robert, of Cass City and two grandchildren. The couple asks that no gifts be given.

Highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Paul Smarks award as athlete of the year to Tom Guinther by Athletic Director Robert Stickle. Guinther was a regular in football, a member of the varsity basketball team and one of Cass City's better track performers. It was the 14th year that the award was presented to a senior with outstanding character, scholarship and athletic ability.

Winners of a free trip to Las Vegas in a contest sponsored by Cass City IGA Foodliner were Mrs. Isabelle Seeley, left, and Mrs. Betty Dewey. Explaining the details of the all-expense trip is Mrs. Harry Lenda. Besides the grand prize winners, three runner-up prizes were awarded. Mrs. Gerry Crow won the first prize, Sophie Peters was second and Stella Hennessey, third.

75 YEARS AGO (1944)

Pvt. and Mrs. Lester Mackay of Robins Field, Georgia, are spending a 15-day furlough at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mackay. A-S J. Eddy Mackay of Kalamazoo visited over the week end at his home here.

About 25 friends, neighbors and relatives enjoyed a party in the Harold Asher home Monday evening in honor of the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Asher. Mrs. Asher was the former Miss Elsie Britton and their wedding took place May 29, 1919. The affair Monday evening was a surprise to the guests of honor.

100 YEARS AGO (1919)

Saturday, Kenneth Striffler invited five of his boy friends, Darwin and Clare Bailey, Garrison Moore, and Glenford Straube to spend the day at his father's farm northeast of the city. With their lunch, they boarded the Bad Axe train at noon, and from Palmtree's Siding they walked to the C. D. Striffler farm where they romped in true boy fashion and enjoyed fishing in the river nearby.

The Milligan brothers were delighted with the news that their brother, Fred, had landed at Newport News on May 20. He expected to be transferred to Camp Custer after five days at Camp Morris and is expected home soon. Fred has the pleasure of spending a ten-day furlough at his old home in Scotland on the homebound trip.

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STATE REP. Phil Green (right) was among the speakers during a recent groundbreaking ceremony in Tuscola County's Gilford Township, future home of a new, \$12 million, 16,200-square-foot Quality Roasting LLC soybean processing plant, which is expected to begin operations this fall. Tuscola County and Michigan EDC officials were on hand for the groundbreaking along with local government and agriculture department officials and farmers.



Green: vote supports keeping new hospital

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of the project was conducted by a consultant.

It was new MDHHS Director Robert Gordon who called for a reassessment of the hospital location based on concerns related to staffing shortages, lack of new staff recruitment and lack of a permanent psychiatrist on the Caro Center staff, and water accessibility.

However, emails obtained via a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted by an ABC12 reporter subsequently revealed Gordon had all but decided in late 2018 that the project wasn't going to proceed in Tuscola County.

"Among other things, the... emails show a decision was already largely made to stop the project before a consultant was brought on to 'study' its feasibility," Michigan Speaker of the House Lee Chatfield (R-Levering) said at the time. "The idea of using a third party to put on a show of making that decision was pitched as a way to 'get the right answer' and 'hold off the legislature.'"

Tuscola County officials have responded with reams of research and data presented last year, when former Republican Gov. Rick Snyder's administration signed off on the project and approved the funding — \$115 million to construct the 200-bed, 225,000-square-foot hospital.

County commissioners have also hired consulting/lobbying firms to help them plead their case to the state. More recently, officials have focused on gathering information related to available services and facilities in place to support the new psychiatric facility, including

hospitals, specialty clinics and law enforcement resources.

A groundbreaking ceremony for the project was held last fall, and the state has already invested \$3 million in the project to-date.

The Caro Center, a staple in the community for more than 100 years and Tuscola County's second largest employer, boasts roughly 350 employees and has an estimated economic impact of some \$54 million on the region's economy.

"Relocation of the facility would have dramatic, devastating repercussions to businesses, schools and families in communities throughout this region," Green said last week. "The Caro site is the best possible place for this project. The 600-acre site is state-owned, and infrastructure is already in place. Plus, it has easy access to state highways and nearby medical providers."

The governor is scheduled to make her decision by the end of September. But Green says there's no time to waste.

"People across the state are crying out for access to quality mental health care," he said. "We simply can't wait any longer for the additional beds this project would provide. I urge the governor to reconsider her decision to halt this important project."

Green noted residents can join him in urging Whitmer to restore funding to the Caro project by signing his online petition at www.ThumbValues.com.

The DHHS budget now moves to the full House for consideration.

Daley bill honors Blue Star Families with plate

Legislation establishing a special recognition license plate honoring Blue Star Families was approved by the Senate Committee on Families, Seniors and Veterans last week.

"Military families across the nation have made sacrifices that most of us cannot even imagine to preserve our liberties," said state Sen. Kevin Daley (R-Lum), the bill's sponsor.

"Blue Star Families has over 150,000 members who assist military families who have suffered a loss, work with organizations to provide scholarships to military spouses and veterans, and participate in countless other volunteer efforts."

Senate Bill 118 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to require the secretary of state to develop and issue a special recognition license plate recognizing Blue Star Families. Under the bill, residents who are currently serving in the U.S. armed forces — or members of their immediate family — would be able to apply for the special recognition plate.

The plate would include a Blue Star Families insignia and the words "Blue Star Family" under the registration numbers.

"These folks do so much for veterans and their families and I thought this was one way we could both recognize and thank them for the work they do," Daley said.

With committee approval, SB 118 will now move to the Senate floor for consideration.



STATE SENATOR Kevin Daley (R-Lum) listens as Kim Muller, president of the Blue Star Mothers of America, Michigan Blue Water Chapter 180, testifies in support of Senate Bill 118. The Senate Committee on Families, Seniors and Veterans approved the legislation last week.

News briefs

Fund the Freedom Festival

CASS CITY — The annual Cass City Freedom Festival is just a few weeks away.

To help raise money for the festival and fireworks, glow-in-the-dark bracelets are being sold for \$1. They can be purchased at Chemical Bank, Independent Bank, Thumb Bank and Trust, Rawson Memorial District Library and Cass City Hardware.

Cass City FFA teams shine

CASS CITY — The Cass City FFA Team Maroon and White (junior high) and Team Red Hawk (also junior high) recently earned state winner and alternate state winner honors in the purchased division of the Michigan FFA Market Rabbit Contest. Each team earned a gold award.

In addition, Team Cass City took an eighth place gold award in the purchased division of the Michigan FFA Market Rabbit Contest.

Farmers market up, running

UBLY — The farmers market in Uby is now up and running. The market is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through mid-October.

Pot ordinance hearing on tap

CASS CITY — The Elkland Township Board will host a public hearing at 7 p.m. Monday, June 10, at the township hall, 6691 Church St., Cass City.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider an opt-out ordinance of Michigan's recreational marijuana act, which would prohibit recreational marijuana businesses from setting up shop in the township.

Those unable to attend the meeting can mail their written comments to the Elkland Township Clerk, 6691 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 before the hearing.

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for viewing at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City or at the township hall by appointment.

Green bill funding projects

LANSING — State Rep. Phil Green's proposal to invest in outdoor recreation and natural resources projects across Michigan has been signed into state law.

Public Act 12 — also known as House Bill 4244, sponsored by Green (R-Millington) — provides \$26 million for more than 60 recreational development and land acquisition projects. The money will come from the Natural Resources Trust Fund, which according to the Michigan Constitution can only be used to support these types of projects.

Money in the fund comes from the development of minerals on state land — not general tax money — and is distributed on an annual basis in partnership with local governments. The program dates back to the 1970s.

This is the first new law sponsored by Green, a first-term legislator who represents citizens in Tuscola and Huron counties.

"This plan received unanimous and bipartisan support in the Legislature for good reason — it's the right thing to do for our state and its future," Green said. "We've got to ensure our parks, trails and nature areas are around to be enjoyed by our children and grandchildren. The Natural Resources Trust Fund plays a significant role in maintaining Michigan's great outdoors heritage."

The project investments outlined in Green's proposal were recommended by the Natural Resources Trust Fund Board in December. The recommendations are subject to approval by the Michigan Legislature, a process accomplished through Green's legislation.

The recommended project list includes \$49,000 to buy property along Lake Huron and expand Lincoln Park in the city of Harbor Beach.

Be alert for new IRS scam

MICHIGAN — The Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) has issued a notice on a new IRS Scam.

In the most recent scam variation, callers "spoof" the telephone number of the IRS TAS office in Houston or Brooklyn. When calls are spoofed, the scammers have changed the caller ID to make it look like they are calling from the agency, such as the IRS - TAS.

Calls may be "robo-calls" or automated calls that request a call back. Once the taxpayer returns the call, the scammer requests personal information, such as a Social Security number or other personally identifiable information.

Residents are reminded to never give out personal information over the phone if a return call is requested, or via email. The IRS will not call or email you and request personal information. They will not ask for your bank information or require you to purchase gift cards to pay off debt.

If you suspect that you have been a target of a scam, you should report instances of IRS-related phishing attempts and fraud to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 800-366-4484.

In addition, residents are encouraged to watch credit card accounts for any unauthorized activity, and notify all credit bureaus of any suspicious activity on the report.

Credit reporting agencies are: Equifax — www.equifax.com (888-766-0008); Experian — www.experian.com (888-397-3742); and TransUnion — www.transunion.com (800-680-7289).

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VETERANS, their families and others were on hand for Monday's Memorial Day ceremony at Elkland Township Cemetery. These images include a photo of WW II veteran Bruce Sherman after laying a wreath in honor of the unknown dead, the Cass City VFW Post's Avenue of Flags, and U.S. Navy Chaplain Capt. Stanley Beach (retired) addressing the crowd.

Crowds turn out for Memorial Day

Continued from page one.

During his address Monday, Beach referenced the roots of this nation and its long history of "the brightest and best" defending democracy, freedom and the rights of others during two world wars, in Korea and Vietnam, and now in the Middle East.

But he described Memorial Day as a deeply personal day for so many, because the names of the men and women who have lost their lives in defense of the United States "have been indelibly written in the hearts of the people who knew them."

It's not for reward or special honor that they gave their lives, he added. "They saw that as their duty, and they had the courage to do it. That's what today is all about."

Master of Ceremonies Mark Zmierski, senior chief, U.S. Navy (retired), indicated he couldn't have been more pleased with Monday's ceremony as well as the sort of turnout – from young-

sters to senior citizens – that he's come to expect each year.

"You couldn't order more beautiful weather. I think the special part was having one of our own Vietnam heroes" here as a speaker, Zmierski said of Beach, who during his seven months in the combat zone distinguished himself as a "Chaplain of Marines", earning him the Bronze Star for Valor, the Navy Commendation Medal for Valor, and the Purple Heart.

Today, the Navy Chaplain School's Chaplain Stanley J. Beach Student Leadership Award is presented by the commanding officer of the Navy Chaplain School to the graduate who most exhibits "exceptional potential for leadership in ministry to the sea services." In June 2012, the facility housing the U.S. Naval Chaplaincy School and Center in Fort Jackson, S.C., was named Stanley J. Beach Hall in honor of the former director of what was then called the Naval Chaplains School.

Beach, now of Seminole, Fla., is married to the former Ellen Sickler of Cass City, and the couple have two married children, Laurie Dewey of North Reddington Beach, Fla., and Randal of Pensacola, Fla. They also have four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Beach expressed his appreciation of the demonstration of respect and honor shown to local veterans.

Monday was no exception, judging by the number of people who gathered for the Elkland Township ceremony, but the size of the crowd didn't surprise Zmierski.

"It's an impressive turnout, and it's important for people to show up and pay their respects to those who didn't make it," Zmierski said.

When it comes to judging a community, he added, how the citizens of a town treat their veterans and demonstrate their love for their country speaks volumes. "And that's evident in Cass City."

Letters to the Editor

May a busy month of remembrance for vets

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soon over in August of 1945 with the surrender of Japan.

My guys were out in force May 10 and 11 taking donations during our annual Poppy Campaign, which replenishes our relief fund, with all collections remaining in the local area. We appreciate the community's generosity and support.

On May 13, we provided an honor guard for a deceased veteran of the Korean War.

Flags were lowered to half-staff on May 15 in observance of fallen police officers who have died in the line of duty, protecting our cities and towns.

Armed Forces Day is observed every year on May 18 in honor of our men and women currently serving in all five branches of our armed services; Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard.

We were out in force for our annual Memorial Day observances, placing flags at Elkland and Novesta township cemeteries over the weekend. As is usual, a color guard from the Cass City VFW led the parade Monday morning.

In closing, a friendly reminder: Let us all strive to be respectful of the U.S. colors and those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice with their lives in the defense of our country and all the freedoms we are blessed with.

Your obedient servant,

Dennis "Joe" Merchant, commander
VFW Post 3644, Cass City

Take the time to listen to this nation's finest

Editor,

Hours spent at VA facilities with loved ones can be exhausting. The wait times and multiple appointments often add up to an eight- or 10-hour day. In hindsight, I'd do anything to spend another long, short, good or even a bad day with my favorite veteran.

What I'd like to share is what I've learned about honor, sacrifice and commitment. All ages of veterans seem to share a bond of respect and acceptance for one another.

I have witnessed a twenty-year-old Iraqi War veteran ask a World War II veteran if the injections are helping with his bum knee. This same young veteran offered up his arm when he saw the man limping out the front door.

Group therapy sessions for those suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) can be very intense. Some men and women face demons that continue to haunt them after fifty or more years. Frightening memories do not fade away without support and understanding. Combat veterans understand one another and the moodiness, anxiety and withdrawal that can go along with PTSD.

Drinking too much alcohol or using too many prescription medications are ways some numb the uneasy feelings that can pop up. Unfortunately, these destructive coping strategies cause even more problems.

Family life, the work place and sleep can be negatively impacted from PTSD.

Watching as a Korean War vet scoots his walker up to a young veteran in the waiting room, calls him by name and salutes him is a true gift. As the gravelly voice chokes out, "Don't quit trying, it'll get better if you work at it. It takes a lot of time. Here's my phone number if you ever want to talk."

I LISTENED AND LEARNED:

If the opportunity arises, take the time to listen to America's finest. He or she may be your neighbor, someone you see at the coffee shop or the person marching in the Memorial Day parade. Display your American flag with pride, replace it when needed and don't forget our gift of freedom.

Deborah Robinson
Cass City

MDHHS names Cass City among 46 healthy schools across the state

Forty-six schools, including Cass City Elementary, have been named Michigan School Wellness Award recipients for their efforts in promoting healthy lifestyles.

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) recently recognized school officials during a special ceremony at the State Capitol for fostering healthy eating, physical activity habits and tobacco-free lifestyles, impacting nearly 24,000 students.

Aside from Cass City, the other Thumb area award recipients – all earning "silver" level recognition – include Highland Pines School in Caro, Mayville Elementary School and Unionville-Sebewaing Elementary School.

"We support and recognize schools for their efforts to promote student health," said Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, MDHHS chief medical executive and chief deputy director for health. "These winning schools are promoting health through a variety of strategies including physical education, nutritious food and safe and supportive environments, and are a great example for all schools in Michigan."

The Michigan School Wellness Award program is part of the Michigan Health and Wellness 4 x 4 Plan, and a collaboration with the Michigan Department of Education, the United Dairy Industry of Michigan, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Michigan Action for Healthy Kids and the Healthy Kids, Healthy Michigan Coalition.

The program encourages schools statewide to create healthy school environments by establishing School Wellness Teams, completing the Healthy School Action Tools and implementing sustainable policy and environmental changes. Schools that have achieved all of these elements are recognized with the top-level gold award.

This year's schools encouraged students to be active during recess, transformed food service and engaged students to lead more healthy lifestyles.



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New deputies on duty...



TUSCOLA COUNTY Sheriff Glen Skrent recently swore in his department's newest road patrol deputy, Ryan Avery. "Deputy Avery is originally from the Caro area. After graduating from Delta Community College/Ferris State University, he accepted a law enforcement position in South Carolina. Avery recently moved back to the area to be closer with his family," Skrent said.



THE SAGINAW Medical Control Authority recently recognized several Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies, Tuscola County Central dispatchers, a Caro police officer and a sheriff's office intern for their extraordinary efforts during two baby deliveries and three CPR live saves in 2018. They are (front row, from left) Christy Sawyer (911), Stacie Gilberg (911), Lorianne Sebert (911), Olivia Rivera-Hall (911), Caro Police Officer Brian Ducolon, intern Ryan Hull, Deputy Cory Jacobs, (back row, left) Amanda Berlin (911), Brandon Bertram (911), Deputy Spencer Coleman and Sgt. Mike Mattlin.



TUSCOLA County Undersheriff Bob Baxter recently attended Delta College's 104th Police Academy graduation. Among the new graduates is Allyson Reimers, the second newest hire for the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department Road Patrol. Reimers hails from Isabella County, according to Sheriff Glen Skrent, who noted she is very involved with coaching for Special Olympics – basketball, softball, bowling and state and summer games — and was honored with a "Coach of the Year" award.

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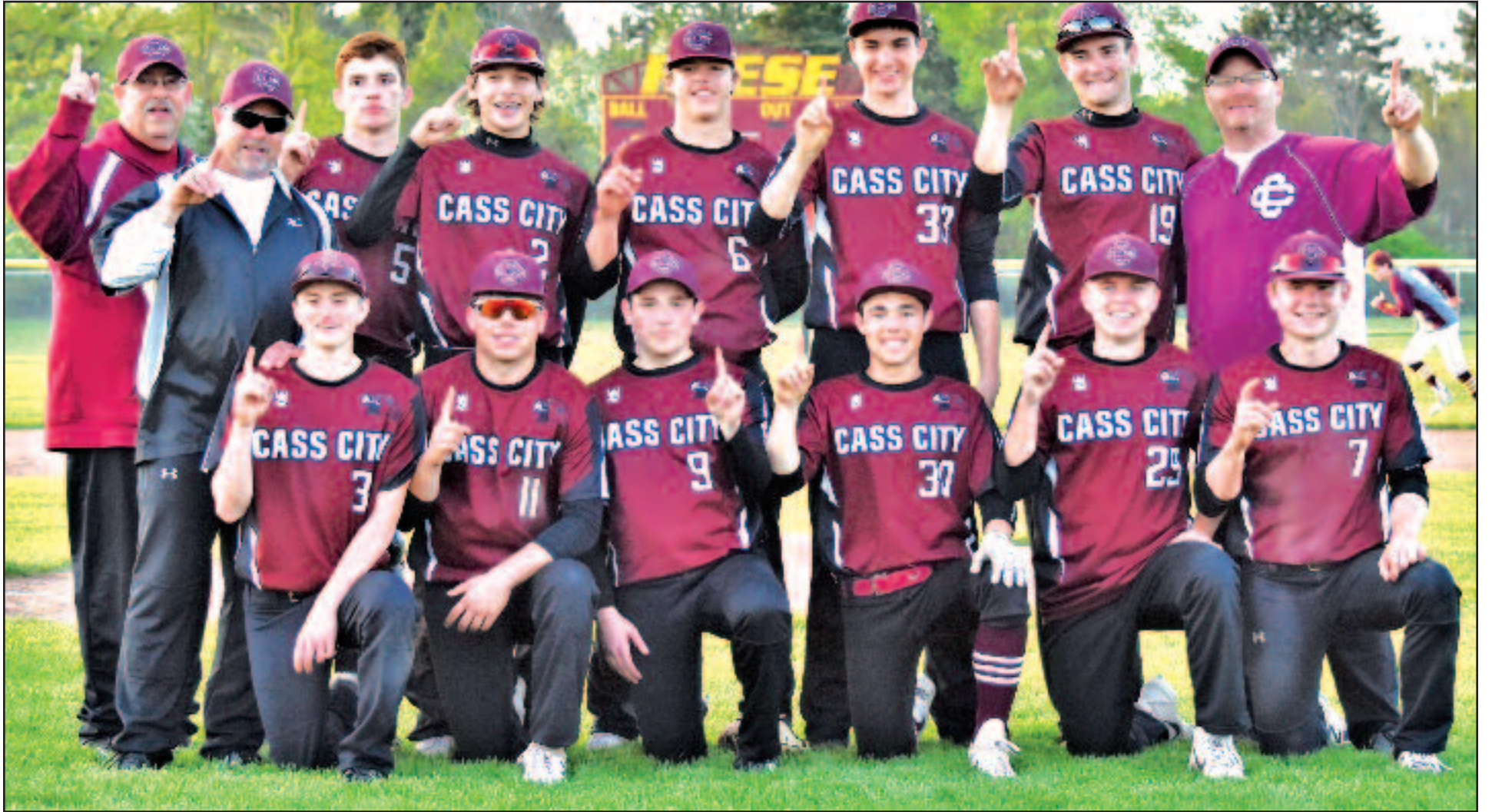
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THE 2019 Greater Thumb West champion Red Hawks are: (front row, l-r) Bryce Fernald, Collen Wrubel, Tyler Czekai, Tristan Swiderski, Kenton Wiseman, Hadyn Horne (back row, l-r) Asst. Coach Jim Baker, Asst. Coach Scott Cuthrell, Luke Stern, Kendall Anthes, Sandyn Cuthrell, Landon Schenk, Zack Beecher and Coach Josh Stern.

Cass City completes perfect GTW season

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

Cass City completed a perfect Greater Thumb West baseball schedule with wins of 10-0 and 9-2 over host Reese to claim the Red Hawks' first conference championship since 2012.

After Reese spoiled Cass City's bid for league honors in 2018 – the Rockets swept the Red Hawks last year in both teams' final Greater Thumb West (GTW) twin bill that sent the crown to Vassar despite entering the affair with a one-game edge in the standings – the visitors made certain history didn't repeat itself Wednesday in convincing fashion. With the sweep, Coach Josh Stern's Red Hawks finish 11-0 in the GTW, 24-2 overall, while the Rockets finish as the GTW runner-up at 7-3 and 13-13-1 overall.

"Our first goal each year is to win the league, I could not be more proud of this group of guys.

They all did what they needed to do to help their team secure the league title," Stern said.

Cass City struck first in the GTW showdown opener and senior catcher Luke Stern delivered the big blow.

Kendall Anthes got things started for Cass City with a lead-off single in the first inning, followed by a hard hit ball by Sandyn Cuthrell which was misplayed by the Reese defense. Stern made the Rockets pay for their blunder moments later with a fence-clearing shot that proved to be more than enough support for ace Kendall Anthes to post pitching honors.

Leading 3-0, Cass City would pad their advantage with one run in the 4th frame and three more in the 5th.

Meanwhile, Anthes, as usual, kept his opponents scoreless to run his season record to 10-0. The junior flame thrower surrendered just two hits and struck out 13 against the Rockets in a complete game showing. In the regular sea-

son, Anthes has worked 57 2/3 innings, allowing just one earned run, while fanning 112. He's been touched for just 15 hits and will take a lofty .121 ERA into the post season.

At the plate, Stern led the way for the winners with a 3-for-4 effort and 4 RBIs. Cass City also had Kenton Wiseman, Hayden Horne and Anthes with two hits apiece, while Tristan Swiderski chipped in a double.

Reese's Adam Fisher was tagged with the pitching loss. He worked 4 1/3 innings and yielded seven runs on eight hits.

Collin Vanest and Garrett Everitt had solo hits to lead Reese in the batter's box.

In the nightcap, Reese actually struck first, before Cass City broke open a 1-1 tie with four runs

in the 4th.

Mike Sheridan helped his own cause on the mound with the game's first marker after punching a single and coming home off the first of two RBIs by Everitt. Still, the first inning tally – Reese also scored once in the 5th inning – wouldn't be nearly enough to derail the champs.

Wiseman earned pitching honors in game two. He tossed a complete game and scattered seven hits, fanning eight to win for the 7th time, without suffering defeat. His season stats include 55 strike outs, while allowing just eight earned runs with an ERA of 1.292.

Stern turned in another 3-for-4 showing at the plate that accounted for three RBIs, while fellow senior Zack Beecher delivered a pair of singles.

Cuthrell and Wiseman each clubbed doubles in the Red Hawks' 13-hit attack.

Andrew Frost suffered the loss for Reese in relief of Sheridan.

Jake Kawalski was perfect in three trips to the plate to pace Reese, while Everitt had two safeties including a double.

Turning to district action Saturday at Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools, Cass City will be heavy favorites to win back-to-back titles.

"I feel that the key going forward is that the guys just need to play their game. If they play to their own ability level, we should see success. If they start to put too much pressure on themselves or try to do more than they need to, we could get in some trouble," said Stern.

Lady Red Hawks get ruffed up in Greater Thumb West finale at Reese

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

Cass City ended their Greater Thumb West softball campaign on a sour note, bowing to host Reese 18-0 and 10-6.

The Rockets wasted little time taking control in game one, plating 15 runs in the first inning on their way to the mercy rule victory that lasted just three innings.

The whitewash provided a hard-learned lesson for Cass City freshman hurler Abbey Halabis, according to Coach John Hacker.

"We got ruffed up a little. But, I think it was a good lesson for Abbey. She has a good change-up, but you can't throw that ball belt high against good teams," he said.

Reese sent 20 batters to the plate in their first at bats to remove most doubt from the game's out-

come.

Despite working her way to become Cass City's game one starter in recent outings, Halabis allowed 10 hits – including home runs by Lauren Scramlin and Maddi Osantowski – and seven earned runs before handing the ball to reliever Jalene Krol to open the second inning on the hill.

"We're hoping Abbey doesn't Please turn to page 10.



HE HUFFS and he puffs. Cass City shortstop Sandyn Cuthrell throws out a runner in GTW action with Reese.

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District action on tap

There's plenty of baseball and softball district action on tap around the Thumb this weekend.

In a Division 3 baseball tourney at Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port (EPBP) High School, the host Lakers will meet the winners of the Brown City vs. Sandusky contest on Saturday in a semifinal contest, with the first pitch slated for 10 a.m.

In the other semifinal match-up Saturday, Cass City will meet Bad Axe at noon, with the semifinal winners advancing into the championship contest planned for a 2 p.m. start.

In a Division 4 baseball tourney at Unionville-Sebewaing Area (USA) Schools, the semifinal contests on Saturday will feature North Huron vs. the Owen-Gage/USA winners at 10 a.m., while Caseville will challenge the Harbor Beach/Ubly winners at noon. The district championship game will commence 30 minutes after the completion of semifinal play.

In another Division 4 baseball tourney at Mayville, Kingston will take on the winners from a CPS/Mayville contest in an early semifinal game, while Marlette and Deckerville square off in the late semifinal contest, with the semifinal winners to vie for district honors later in the day. The action is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m.

Turning to the softball districts, at EPBP, the host Lakers will take on either Sandusky or Bad Axe in a 10 a.m. semifinal contest Saturday, while Cass City is set to take on Brown City in another semifinal clash afterwards. Look for the semifinal winners to take the field around 2 p.m. for district honors.

At Peck, in Division 4 action, Saturday's semis the host Pirates will meet the Marlette/Kingston winners at 10 a.m., while Deckerville will meet Carsonville-Port Sanilac winners at noon. The championship game is planned to start around 2 p.m.

At USA, Saturday games feature the host Patriots vs. the Owen-Gage/Harbor Beach winners at 10 a.m., while North Huron will face the Ubly/Caseville winners in semifinal action at noon. The district championship game, between the semifinal winners, starts around 2 p.m.

Reese bats come alive in wins

Continued from page 9.

lose her confidence. She's pitched well lately," said Hacker, adding, "I think it's important for us to score early. I think our defense is better when we do and it takes some of the pressure off."

Abby Huizar toed the rubber for Reese and earned her first of two decisions on the night. She held Cass City to four hits, all singles by Kacey Haire, Hailey Beckrow, Macey White and Abbey Salcido.

In game two, Reese took another early lead, this time 6-0, before Cass City got on the scoreboard with a pair of markers in the 5th inning.

Trailing 10-2, the Red Hawks' comeback bid started with four runs in their final at bats, but ended with two runners on the bases in the 7th inning to fall

short.

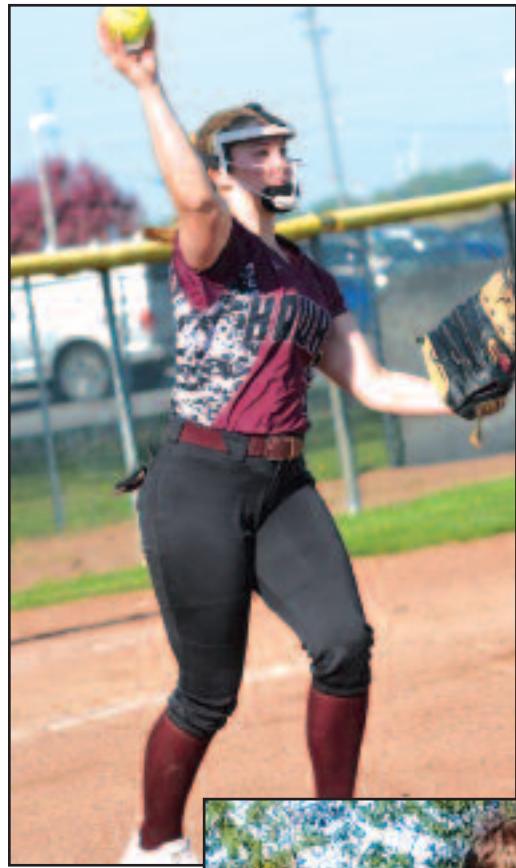
Haire drove in Cass City's first runs on the afternoon, driving home Madilyn Tschirhart and Krol with a 2-out double off the fence in the 5th.

Then in the 7th, Salcido would drive in two more runs for the Red Hawks, followed by solo RBI knocks from Beckrow and Tschirhart, but it wouldn't be enough for the visitors to turn back their hosts.

Dawson Klein went the distance on the hill for Cass City and suffered the loss. She allowed eight hits, whiffing two and issuing four bases on ball.

Huizar, who gave up 11 hits, struck out four. She helped her own cause with a 4-for-4 effort at the plate.

For Cass City, Salcido, Tschirhart and White had two hits apiece.



CASS CITY'S Brittany Hamilton comes up throwing from third base in GTW play.

RED Hawk Justin Schaufele leaped 18' 10 3/4" to win the long jump at the 47th Huron Daily Tribune Meet of Champions.



THE KINGSTON Cardinals are the undefeated NCTL Stars softball champions. They improved to 23-0 overall Thursday with victories of 17-2 and 13-0 against visiting Owen-Gage.

Hawks shine among area best

The Cass City men's track team recorded several podium finishes – awarded to the top three finishers in an Olympic style presentation – at the annual Huron Daily Tribune Meet of Champions in Bad Axe, held last Tuesday.

Taking first place for the Red Hawks at the elite meet were Justin Schaufele in the long jump and Dylan Halpin in the high jump.

Cass City also had Halpin finish as the runner up in the long jump, while Nick McArdle had a 2nd place finish in the 3,200 meter run and a 3rd place finish in the 1,600 meter run on his way to a new personal best time of 4:43.

The only other podium member

for the Cass City men's team was Anthony Boscaglia who took 3rd place in the 200 meter dash.

Cass City has just one meet remaining as the State Finals are slated for June 1st in Jension.

"We have only 3 men qualify for the State Finals. Justin Schaufele in the long jump, Dylan Halpin in the high jump and Nick McArdle in the 3,200 meter run. The finals will be broadcast live again this year, go to MHSAA.com to get all the details. We plan to leave at noon on Friday," says Cass City Coach Jon Zdrojewski.

For the Red Hawk women's team, individually, Riley Copeland won the 3,200 meter run and finished second in the 1,600

meter run; Madison Beckrow topped the pole field competition; Hailey Schmotzer was 2nd in the 100 meter hurdles; Sierra Spry was 2nd in the long jump and Mary Muter was third in the 800 meter run to complete the team's podium winners.

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FIFTY YEARS after the Vietnam War ended, veterans who served their country were honored during the recent dedication of a veterans memorial in Sebawaing. There were 14 Huron County men killed in action during that war, and many more have since passed away or are struggling with health issues due to exposure to Agent Orange.

Cass City ceremony inspires observance in Huron County

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

Sebawaing did Cass City proud with its veterans parkway and a recent special program honoring Vietnam veterans at American Legion Post #293.

Bill Mielke of Sebawaing attended the dedication and pinning ceremony held last fall in Cass City, and he says the event inspired him to organize a memorial and pinning ceremony in Huron County.

"I was moved by the ceremony in Cass City and appreciated being honored," said Mielke, who served in the U.S. Marine Corps as an E-4. "I wanted to make other Vietnam veterans also feel appreciated."

"Tuscola County Veteran Affairs Director Mark Zmierski helped me (put together) the ceremony here."

Although those who served during the era left the jungles of Vietnam 50 years ago, some veterans never felt they truly returned home because of how they were treated when they arrived stateside. They were spit on, called baby killers, and worse.

"(Former president) Obama's speech (stating) that 'It was a national shame and disgrace the way (Vietnam) veterans were treated when they came home' was right," Mielke said.

Vietnam veterans attending Cass City's and Sebawaing's events each received a special pin — honoring their service — that they can wear on a lapel or on a hat.

The Vietnam War was American's longest-running war. During that 20-year span, 7.2 million veterans served, with 58,272 killed. One out of every 10 was either injured or killed. Michigan currently has about 600,000 veterans, and of that number about 200,000 are Vietnam veterans.

Sebawaing's veteran memorial includes flag poles, benches and decorative memorial bricks that can be inscribed to honor any veteran who served their country. About 150 bricks have been sold so far; and although the memorial is done, bricks can still be bought, inscribed and placed by calling (989) 977-2079.

Village of Cass City, MI Ordinance No. 185

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE VILLAGE OF CASS CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 40, ARTICLE II, (WATER), SECTION 40-31-40-43 ENTITLED "WATER SHUT OFF FOR NON-PAYMENT AND REGULATION OF PRIVATE WATER WELLS ORDINANCE" AS FOLLOWS

The Village of Cass City ordains.....

Chapter 40 - Utilities, Article II - Water, Division 1 Generally - Water Shut-Off for Non-Payment and Regulation of Private Water Wells, Section 40-31-41-

Sec. 40-31 Shut Off for Non-Payment

Water Service may be discontinued to any premises for non-payment of any water rates or charges due to the Village. Water services so discontinued shall not be restored until all sums due and owing are paid, together with all fees and charges as determined by the Village, within its discretion, or its authorized agent. All delinquent fees and charges may be recovered through court action against the owner of the property served, as well as any tenant supplied with such water. The Village may, by resolution, establish a payment plan to satisfy any sums, delinquent fees and charges due and owing.

Sec. 40-32 Turning Water on After Discontinuance

Where the water has been turned off by the Village for any reason, no person or entity except an authorized representative of the Village may turn it on again. Water services shall not be restored until all sums due and owing are paid, including but not limited to, all delinquent fees and charges as determined by the Village, within its discretion, or its authorized agent. The Village may, by resolution, establish a payment plan to satisfy any sums, delinquent fees and charges due and owing.

Sec. 40-33 Private Water Well Regulation Definitions

The following words or terms, when used herein in connection with the regulation of private water wells, shall be deemed to have the meanings set forth below:

- "Construction site dewatering" means temporary removal of ground water from an excavating site.
- "Owner" means the person or entity holding the legal or equitable title to real property or a lesser estate therein, a mortgagee or vendee in possession, an assignee of rents, receiver, executor, trustee, lessee or any other person or entity, firm or corporation directly or indirectly in control of a building, structure or real property or his duly authorized agent.
- "Water main" means a pipe owned or controlled by the Village located within the street right-of-way or other public easement used to carry water within the Village water service system to the water customer.
- "Water well" means a hole drilled or bored into the earth for the purpose of removing water through mechanical or not mechanical means.

Sec. 40-34 Private Water Wells Prohibited.

Except as provided in Section 40-35, no person or entity shall install, construct, develop, maintain or use a water well within the Village.

Sec. 40-35 Permitted Water Wells.

- The following water wells are permitted within the Village, under the terms and conditions specified:
- A. A water well used solely for the purpose of construction site dewatering or for conducting response activities, including sampling or treatment of the groundwater, under a plan approved and permits issued by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.
 - B. A water well lawfully in existence at the time of the enactment of this ordinance provided, however, the size of such water well shall not be expanded.
 - C. A water well for new development when a water main is not located within 200 feet of the property, provided that the water from the water well is tested annually and approved for human consumption by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Drinking Water and Radiological Protection Division, or the county health department.

Sec. 40-36 Connection to Village Water Service Required.

Except for existing water wells permitted under Section 40-53(B) above, the owner of any house, building, or property used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes, situated within the Village which there is now located or may in the future be located a water main within 200 feet of the property is hereby required at his or her expense to install suitable plumbing facilities therein, in accordance with the plumbing codes then in effect and enforced within the Village, and to connect such facilities directly with the Village water service. For water wells permitted under Section 40-35(C) above, the owner shall connect to the Village water service within ninety days after receiving a notice to connect from the Village.

Sec. 40-37 Violations; municipal civil infraction.

Any person or entity who violates any provision of Chapter 40, Article II, Division 1, Section 40-33-40-39; shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction and shall be subject to a fine. The Village shall establish by resolution a fee schedule setting forth the municipal civil infraction fines for violations. Each day Chapter 40, Article II, Division 1, Section 40-33-40-39 is violated shall be considered as a separate violation carrying with it a separate municipal civil infraction and fine. This section shall not apply to delinquent payments to the Village for water services or the SHUT OFF FOR NONPAYMENT in this Ordinance.

Sec. 40-38 Nuisance Per Se.

A violation of Chapter 40, Article II, Division 1, Section 40-33-40-39 is hereby declared to be a nuisance per se and is declared to be offensive to the public health, safety and welfare.

Sec. 40-39 Civil Remedies.

In addition to enforcing Chapter 40, Article II, Division 1, Section 40-33-40-39 through Sec. 40-37, the Village may initiate proceedings in the Circuit Courts to abate or eliminate the nuisance per se or any other violation.

Sec. 40-40. Repealed.

All Ordinance or parts of ordinances of the Village in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Sec. 40-41 Severability.

In the event that any one or more sections, provisions, phrases or words of this Ordinance shall be found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity or the enforceability of the remaining sections, provisions, phrases, words or application of this Ordinance. Adoption.

A First Reading of this Ordinance is hereby declared to have been approved by the Village Council of the Village of Cass City, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, at a meeting, called and held on the 29th day of April 2019, and the second reading has been set for May 20, 2019.

Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately thirty (30) days following a second reading and adoption and with publication.

Publication.

This Ordinance shall be recorded by the Village Clerk in the Village Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Village President and Village Clerk and shall be published once in the Village newspaper of record.

A Motion to Approve Village of Cass City, MI Ordinance No. 185, AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PRIVATE WATER WELLS WITHIN THE VILLAGE, REQUIRING CONNECTION TO MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM WHEN SERVICE IS WITHIN 200 FEET, PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS FOR CURRENT WATER WELLS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS Chapter 40 - Utilities, Article II - Water, Division 3 - Prohibiting Private Water Wells AND TO AMEND Chapter 40 - Utilities, Article II - Water, Division 1 Generally - WATER SHUT-OFFS FOR NON-PAYMENT, Section(s) 40-31 - 40-32 .

Was offered by Trustee Piaskowski and supported by Trustee Leeson

Ayes: Ball, Herron, Kirn, Leeson, Piaskowski, Zawilinski, Delamarter

Nays: None

Ordinance Adopted as presented .

Effective: 30 days following a second reading and adoption by the Cass City Village Council, with publication

Daniel Delamarter
President, Village of Cass City

Nanette Walsh
Clerk/Treasurer, Village of Cass City

VILLAGE OF GAGETOWN

The 2018 Village Water Report is ready for your review.

If you are interested in reviewing it contact DPW Superintendent at 989-665-0200.

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MORTGAGE SALE - John H. Berlin, a single man, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 24, 2001, and recorded on January 4, 2002, Liber 854, on Page 663, and modified on September 1, 2011, recorded November 14, 2011, in Liber 1234, on Page 1250, and assigned by said mortgagee to Ditech Financial LLC f/k/a Green Tree Servicing LLC, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Nine and 69/100 Dollars (\$50,659.69).

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 vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 13, 2019. Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at a point 20 rods North of the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 8 East; thence East 330 feet; thence South 280.50 feet; thence West 330 feet; thence North 280.50 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period will be one year from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under 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.

Ditech Financial LLC F/K/A Green Tree Servicing LLC Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 1385039

5-15-4

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 June 20, 2019:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Donna J. Proper and Dwain A. Proper, husband and wife
Original Mortgagee: Citicorp Trust Bank, FSB

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Towd

Point Mortgage Trust Asset-Backed Securities, Series 2016-3, U.S. Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee

Date of Mortgage: August 19, 2006
Date of Mortgage Recording: September 6, 2006
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$90,215.85

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Akron, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Section 23 Town 14 North Range 8 East commencing at a point that is South 89 degrees 08 minutes 29 seconds West 1861.29 feet from East 1/4 corner of said Section, thence South 00 degrees 51 minutes 31 seconds East 33 feet thence South 26 degrees 23 minutes 26 seconds West 148.68 feet thence South 63 degrees 52 minutes 33 seconds West 232.03 feet thence South 02 degrees 24 minutes 22 seconds East 33.98 feet thence South 87 degrees 05 minutes 48 seconds West 83.31 feet thence North 02 degrees 24 minutes 22 seconds West 44.07 feet thence North 51 degrees 08 minutes 43 seconds East 88.63 feet thence North 00 degrees 51 minutes 31 seconds West 202.56 feet thence North 89 degrees 08 minutes 29 seconds East 292.09 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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.

This notice is from a debt collector.
Date of notice: May 22, 2019
Trott Law, P.C.
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5-22-4

NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO ALL CREDITORS:

The decedent, Frances A. Bodeis, date of birth October 26, 1931, Settlor of the Frances A. Bodeis Trust No. 1, dated May 9, 2011, who lived at 521 West Ohmer Road, Mayville, Michigan 48744, previously of 1880 West Saginaw Road, Mayville, Michigan 48744, died April 03, 2019.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Bruce H. Bodeis, Trustee, at 5749 Leix Road, Mayville, Michigan 48744, or the attorney for the trustee, Jim Thomas, at 5191 Hampton Place, Saginaw, Michigan 48604, within 4 months after the date of May 29, 2019 (first publication of this notice).

5-29-1

Pastor's Corner

Dear graduates, make wise choices

At this time of year we celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates as they close another chapter in their education, whether it be high school or college. Critical choices are now before them that will influence their lives from here to eternity. Choices like: the school they should attend; the career they should pursue; the person they should marry, etc. But the most important decision each makes will be: "In whatever I choose to do, how can I serve the Lord?"

The Bible gives us story after story of men and women who were called to make critical choices from the very beginning. Adam and Eve were instructed not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. They had a choice to obey or disobey. The choice of disobedience plunged our race into misery and death.

When Abraham and Lot parted company, Abraham gave his nephew the choice to go right or left. Lot looked toward the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. He compromised with the world and lost both fortune and family, while Abraham looked to the Lord and was blessed forever.

Moses, the great lawgiver and leader of Israel, began well, but one prideful decision kept him out of the Promised Land.

Then we are reminded of David, a man after God's own heart who, at a critical time, chose to stay home from the battlefield. During

that period, he spied another man's wife, committed adultery with her, and brought the sword of judgment down upon his own household.

But then we think of Noah who obeyed God and built an ark. As a result, Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord, escaped destruction, and brought salvation to his entire family.

In the New Testament, each of the disciples Jesus called, He called personally. Each of them obeyed. All were saved, except one. When the Rich Young Ruler of Matthew 19 chose riches over Christ's command to follow Him, Peter said to the Lord: "Behold, we have left everything and followed You; what then will there be for us?" To which Jesus replied: "...in the regeneration when the Son of Man will sit on His glorious throne, you shall sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or farms for My name's sake, shall receive many times as much, and shall inherit eternal life," Matthew 19:28, 29.

As our graduates plan their future regarding education, career and family, it is my hope that their choices will be based upon the Apostle Paul's exhortation of 1st Corinthians 10:31: "Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." If you choose to continue

your education, do it to the glory of God. If you choose to begin a career, do it to the glory of God. If you are called to marry and begin a family, do it to the glory of God. Of all the critical choices you will make in the days ahead, choose first to obey and glorify God. He will direct your path, and your reward will be eternal. Like Joshua of old who challenged Israel in the Promised Land, Joshua 24:15: "...choose for yourselves today whom you will serve... as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

















The choices you make are critical, so choose wisely. And "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."

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Rev. Todd Gould
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Obituaries

Delmar Kaiser

Delmar J. Kaiser, 76, of Prairie Du Sac, WI, died Monday May 20, 2019 at the Grace Hospice in Fitchburg, WI.



Delmar John Kaiser was born April 27, 1943 in Racine, WI, the son of the late John F. and Agnes Polansky Kaiser.

On April 12, 1986 in Salem, WI, Delmar was united in marriage to Ruby Limberger. They moved to Prairie Du Sac, WI from Reedsburg, WI 3 years ago.

Delmar served in the U.S. Navy as an E-4 from September 14, 1961 until discharge on August 27, 1965. While in the Navy he earned the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Vietnam)

Delmar worked in sales at Menard's. He was a member of the Caro, Michigan VFW. He enjoyed fishing and playing euchre.

Delmar is survived by his wife, Ruby; 2 children, Russell P. Trost of Lyndon Station, WI and Brenda J. (Jamey) Nolan of Sauk City, WI; 7 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Nancy (William) Mutchler of Racine, WI.

He was preceded in death by his stepson, Michael P. Trost; a brother, Ed Kaiser; and a sister in law, Doris Kaiser.

Funeral service were held on May 25, 2019 at the Haase-Lockwood & Assoc. Funeral Home in Twin Lakes, Wisc. Interment with Military Honors was held in St. John's Cemetery. For online guestbook: haaselockwoodfhs.com.

William Kramer

William Henry Kramer, 89, of Unionville, died Saturday, May 18, 2019 in Covenant Medical Center Harrison Campus, Saginaw.

He was born April 28, 1930 at home in Akron.

He married Shirley Ann Gies September 6, 1959 in Columbia Corners Lutheran Church in Unionville.

Bill worked with his parents at the family grocery store in Unionville. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Bill attended Bay City Business College. He worked for Chevrolet in Bay City on the assembly line, repaired roads for the State of Michigan and worked as a pharmaceutical representative. After all that, he came back to the family business and owned and operated the grocery store in Unionville for many years. Bill loved golfing, holding a membership at Sherwood on the Hill Golf Course in Gagetown for many years. He was a former member of the Unionville American Legion Post #421. Bill enjoyed watching high school basketball and football, and later, sports on television especially the Detroit Pistons, Detroit Lions, MSU teams and U of M teams.



Bill is survived by his wife, Shirley; children: Debra Ballard of Bad Axe, Kathy (Kal) Weingartz of Lapeer, Marilyn (Charles) Harris of Oscoda, Joseph Kramer of Bay City and John Kramer of Unionville; several grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by his brother, Tom (Renee) Kramer of Traverse City; and several nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his sisters: Jean (Bill) Radka and Donna (Jim) Pruetter.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday, June 1, in Unionville Moravian Church of Unionville. Memorial service held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 1, in Unionville Moravian Church with the Rev. Darryl Bell officiating.

Military honors conducted by Unionville American Legion Post #421 and the United States Navy.

Memorials may be made to United Hospice of Marlette.

Family and friends may share memories, prayers and photos with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

Clarence Rubey

Clarence Roy Rubey, 62, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, May 23, 2019 at his home in St. Helen, MI.

He was born on July 25, 1956 in Garden City to B.C. and Rosezella (Lare) Rubey.

Chuck lived in St. Helen since 2011, formerly of Cass City. On May 22, 1988 he married Susan Bond Armstead in Cass City.

He was a son of the American Legion Post in Luzerene and a member of the Trout Unlimited and the Lake St. Helen Baptist Church. He worked for the Crawford AuSable School District as a Building Trades instructor at the Grayling High School since 2011. Chuck enjoyed fishing, hunting, woodworking and building his AuSable river boat.

Chuck is survived by his loving wife of 31 years, Susan Rubey; sons, Paul Rubey and Timothy (Jessica) Rubey; daughter, Danielle (Rodney) Korbinsky; step-son, Thomas (Laurissa) Armstead; sister, Marsha (Ken) Kronsperger; 3 grandchildren; 2 step grandchildren; 3 nephews; and 5 nieces.

He is preceded in death by his parents; sister, Sharon Rubey; and best dog ever, his chocolate lab Drake who passed away 2 weeks ago.

Cremation has taken place.

Arrangements were handled by Steurnol & McLaren Funeral Home in St. Helen. Online condolences can be shared at www.steuernolmclaren.com

Yvonne Smith

Yvonne "Bonnie" M. Smith, 81, of Decker, went to be with the Lord, Mon., May 20, 2019 after an extended illness.

She was born Dec. 29, 1937 to the late Ernest and Cynthia (Hill) Henry in Detroit, the youngest of 8 children.

Yvonne married Lawrence Smith, April 9, 1955 at his parents' home in Evergreen Township. He passed away March 11, 1994.

She loved to play cards, shop, go on trips and was active in church.

Yvonne is survived by her 3 children, Rod (Theresa) Smith, Glenda (Gale) Courts and Sherrie (Al) Spencer, 8 grandchildren, Shane Ross, Ryan (Jennifer) Ross, Chris (Lindsey) Smith, Shannon (Lewis) Morden-Ziesmer, Megean Gothro, Mark Smith II, Martin Smith and Michelle (Rick) Wisenbaugh; 12 great-grandchildren; and 1 great great-grandchild.

She was predeceased by a son, Mark A. Smith; granddaughter, Melissa Smith; sisters, Bea Kinny, Dorothy Stone, Jessie Sweet, Annabelle Buskirk, Kathleen Schultz and Loretta Linder; and brothers, Eugene Henry and Junior Henry.

A special thanks to Vicky, Jennifer, Tina and Pastor Peter at Seasons Change and A Change of Seasons Hospice.

A service was held May 24, at Shabbona United Methodist Church, 4455 Decker Rd., Decker.

Burial was at Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to A Change of Seasons Hospice in lieu of flowers. Please share condolences at www.thabetfuneralhome.com

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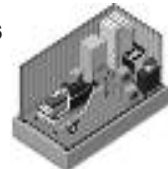
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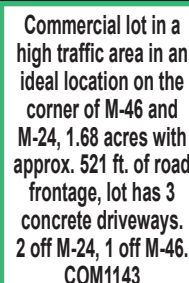


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a child's need for good nutrition," said Bock, who along with her staffers and a crew of volunteers provide free meals to kids during the summer as part of the USDA Summer Food Service Program known as Let's Do Lunch!

Starting Monday, June 17, nutritious meals will be served Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Cass City Elementary School. In addition, breakfast will be served each day from 8:30 to 9 a.m.

The program will run throughout the summer – with the exception of the week of July 4 – and conclude Aug. 9.

There are no income requirements, according to Bock, who says anyone ages 18 and younger is welcome to participate.

"We are excited to provide this opportunity for Cass City's children," Cass City School Supt. Jeff Hartel said. "The summer feeding program reflects our school's mission statement of all school personnel (accepting) the responsibility to provide the opportunity for all students to be productive in a global society. Nutrition plays a key role in helping students learn and prepare to compete globally."

Cass City School officials will again be partnering with other groups to provide free meals for children in the surrounding area, according to Bock.

Breakfast will be served from 7 to 8:30 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Small Wonders Day Care, 1381 Cleaver Rd., Caro; and at Grandview Estates (community room), 154 E. Deckerville Rd., Caro, with breakfast from 10 to 10:30 a.m. and lunch from noon to 12:30 p.m. each Monday through Friday.

Small children should be accompanied by an adult. More information regarding the meal sites is available by contacting Bock at (989) 872-5729.

In 2018, the Cass City Public Schools prepared more than 8,000 meals in the summer for area children.

The popularity of the program doesn't surprise Bock, who says roughly 53 percent of the Cass City Public Schools student body qualified for free or reduce-price meals during the 2018-19 school year, about the same as it has been over the past three or four years.

"It's not getting any better, but thank goodness it's not getting any worse," she said, adding an ongoing partnership with the village of Cass City Parks and Recreation Department's summer day camp has helped to provide a steady flow of youngsters into the meal program.

Bock has watched the summer meal offering grow considerably since its inception.

"When we started out, we were looking at 35 meals a day and we only had on site. Now we have two other sites (in addition to Cass City Elementary School) and we're aiming at 200 meals a day," she said, adding an average of 60 breakfasts are also served daily at the combined meal sites."

Bock along with one or two other food service personnel prepare all the food in Cass City. The U.S. Department of Agriculture reimburses the district for the meals, some of which are then transported to the satellite summer meal sites.

It makes for a busy summer, but Bock welcomes the slower pace after she and her staff spend the school year serving up about 200 breakfasts and 600 to 650 lunches every weekday.

"I love the summer program," she said. "It's more one-on-one with the kids. It's a much more relaxed and fun program."



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