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Cass City Freedom Festival!



CROWDS POURED into Cass City for the village's 41st annual Freedom Festival over the weekend. Above (clockwise from top left) Cass City VFW Commander Joe Merchant places a wreath at the veterans memorial downtown prior to Saturday's parade; hundreds gathered in the park for the annual fireworks display; Ernie McNees Jr., 20, North Branch, gives it all he's got with 16,800 pounds in tow during the strongman competition; the Rawson Memorial District Library drill team was in fine form during the parade; visitors check out the classic cars Friday night; and the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps. See story, related photos, pages 7, 10.

Hectic holiday

Shooting, arrests mar celebrations in upper Thumb

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The July 4 holiday celebration was marred in the Thumb by a domestic violence-related shooting in Tuscola County and multiple arrests and drug overdoses in Huron County, law enforcement officials reported.

In Tuscola County, Sheriff Glen Skrent reported deputies were dispatched at a Vassar Township residence Thursday at about 11:30 p.m. to investigate a reported shooting stemming from a domestic assault.

"A subject was assaulting his wife, with other family and friends at the residence," Skrent said. "A family friend is alleged to have retrieved a shotgun pistol... from his vehicle and fired one shot at the husband who was assaulting his wife. The husband, Trevor Betzing was shot in the head. He

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Controller's contract still up in the air

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

Tuscola County has been without a county controller-administrator since mid-June for the first time in more than three decades, despite having hired one in May.

Although Tuscola County Board of Commissioners approved hiring the county's chief accountant, Clayette Zechmeister, to be the county's next controller on a vote of three-to-two May 6, county officials and Zechmeister have not been able to reach agreement on a contract.

Zechmeister was hired to fill a vacancy left by the retirement of veteran county controller Mike Hoagland. She is also a veteran county employee, having served for 30 years, first in the Tuscola County Clerk's Office and, for the past 20 years, in the controller-ad-

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Rotary Youth Exchange welcomes host families

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Barb and Chris Graff have a message for couples who assume their lives are too busy to consider hosting a student through the Rotary Youth Exchange Program: you might be surprised at just how well an exchange student fits into your schedule – and your life. "We're very busy. We're hardly

ever home, but we make it work," commented Barb Graff, a veteran Cass City High School English teacher. She and husband Chris, a building contractor, are kept on their toes year-round with their careers and their 15-year-old daughter Olivia's softball schedule.

The Graffs are currently hosting Orsolya "Orsi" Pleban of Hungary.

Orsi (pronounced "Orshee") is

the fourth foreign exchange student the couple has hosted through the Cass City Rotary Club. The other students were from India and Brazil.

"When I started teaching at the high school, I (was) seeing all these exchange students, and I started asking about it. It looked so interesting to get to experience having an exchange student living with you," Barb said of what led to the couple hosting their first exchange student, Noora Ellonen of Finland, over a period of about four months back in 2015-16.

Actually, Barb had already experienced living with an exchange student – when she was a teen and her parents hosted a student from France. The visit left a strong impression on the local educator, who says she still keeps in touch with that student. Chris recalled his parents also hosted a student – from Germany, when he was in high school.

The Graffs' interest in the exchange program led them to Cass City Rotary Club member Debra Kranz.

"I started asking a lot of questions," Barb recalled of their meeting. "I thought it (applying to become host parents) was going to be a really difficult thing to get into, but it wasn't. It wasn't at all."

The process included submitting some recommendations/references, filling out on-line forms and providing photos of their home. Once approved and

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BARB AND Chris Graff and their daughter Olivia, 15, are pictured above with Hungarian exchange student Orsolya "Orsi" Pleban (second from right) following this year's commencement ceremony at Cass City High School. The Graffs, of Cass City, have hosted four students through the Rotary Youth Exchange Program since 2015-16.

Ubly Homecoming on tap

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

The annual Ubly Homecoming celebration will get underway Thursday, July 11, with a full weekend of activities planned for the entire family.

Events kick off Thursday, July 11, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Veterans Park with family night, featuring hotdogs, pop, ice cream, face painting and a clown. Also planned is a three-quarter-mile fun run for children ages four to 10 years.

The highlight of the day is a burnout and car show at the Ubly Dragway, 4812 S. Ubly Rd. The gates open at 5 p.m. and the action will start at about 6 p.m. There is a \$5 entry fee to participate in the burnouts and to enter the car show, and the cost is \$3 for spectators (kids under the age of 10 get in free).

More information is available by calling (989) 658-8132.

On Friday, July 12, food vendors will be set up in the park from

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Kingston High School officials announce semester honor roll

The following students have earned all A's and B's during the second semester, they are:

- 7th Grade**
- Daisy Barnes*
 - Bailey Berridge
 - Owen Corlis
 - 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*
 - Elizabeth Vanderpool
 - Zoe VanRijn*
 - Hunter Vennevy*
 - Abby Walker*
 - Ashlyn Walker*
 - Gracy Walker
 - Heidi Williams*
 - Lucas Zajac*
 - Madelyn Zauner

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

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

- 10th Grade**
- Eugenia Alvarez
 - Don Anger

- Hailey Bitterle
- Mark Crousore
- Jason Dibble
- Elanor Gaiser*
- Colten Gildner*
- Morgan Green*
- Rayann Harp
- Kayla Hobson*
- Hannah James*
- Paige Klupp*
- Joslyn Lupa*
- Dustin Peter*
- Ella Retan*
- Alexandra Sherman*
- Jessica Stoll
- Olivia Ulewicz*
- Trayton Wenzlaff*
- Madison Wieland*
- Samantha Wood

- 11th Grade**
- Anna Ahern*
 - Keaton Belka
 - Elissa Bicego
 - Danielle Crisman
 - Collin Geister*
 - Caleb Goss
 - Johnathan Green*
 - Katelyn Iseler
 - Aaron Koehler
 - Payton Kolacz
 - Anastasia Krych
 - Jalen Little Thunder*
 - Ryan McGarvie*
 - Mindy McMaster
 - Braden Mosher
 - Wren Murdoch*

- Evan Neff*
- Madison Nickens
- Tristen Skinner
- Joseph Snover*

- 12th Grade**
- Sophia Allen *
 - Maisey Bigelow
 - Chelsea Bohms*
 - Gerilyn Carpenter
 - Nathan Cloyd
 - 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
 - Gabriella Ramirez
 - Carley Smith*
 - Colton Stadler
 - Logan Stewart
 - Morgan Tallieu*
 - Gunnar Thompson
 - Amira Varvel
 - Emily Warrington*

*Denotes all A's

Controller contract up in air

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ministrator's office. She has been the chief accountant since 2004.

After commissioners approved hiring Zechmeister as his replacement, Hoagland stepped away from heading up county board meetings after doing so for 33 years.

"She's capable. She's done that before," Hoagland responded after commissioners questioned his not attending the eight board meetings during the last two months of his employment.

Putting Zechmeister at the forefront of county meetings forced commissioners to outline their expectations of her new duties, ask pointed questions on performance, and negotiate a contract in a public forum.

"It was an awkward position for the board as well in working on a contract agreement with the candidate (Zechmeister) sitting there," noted commission Chairman Thom Bardwell.

Discussions of her duties and commissioners' expectations have taken place during county meetings, as well as between attorneys representing both parties.

"I'm hopeful a contract will be reached soon. My lawyer and their lawyer are still talking and have not gotten back to us yet," Zechmeister recently commented.

After not being able to reach an agreement, commissioners appointed Zechmeister acting county controller-administrator.

"Her attorney is talking to our attorney, trying to work out some details. We still have good dialog going back and forth. I feel confident we will get things worked out," said District One Commissioner Tom Young. "She is a staple in Tuscola County government. She knows where every dollar is.

"I hope we can come to some kind of an agreement soon."

In May, the board approved offering Zechmeister a salary of \$87,740 and a two-year contract.

At a June 13 meeting, commissioners added the provision of no automatic pay increases during the two-year contract.

At that point, Zechmeister verbally rejected the contract. That's was when the board decided she would be appointed as the interim controller-administrator effective June 14, and receive financial compensation for her work in that role.

Tuscola County Register of Deeds John Bishop, who used to be a private-practice attorney, stated that the job advertisement should have had the details included within it so the applicant knew what would be offered in the contract.

County Clerk Jodi Fetting read motions passed at the May 30 meeting regarding the employment contract for the controller-administrator position.

Because a contract was not reached, Commissioner Dan Grimshaw made a motion, which Bardwell seconded, to contact the county's lawyer to clarify a response on what steps should be taken next.

During the commissioners' June 27 meeting, Bardwell said he talked to the county's attorney and is waiting for Zechmeister's attorney to respond.

According to Bardwell, the board's options include continuing to negotiate an employment agreement, rescind the as-is-contract, amend the employment agreement, have no contract, rescind the decision to hire Zechmeister, select one of the other candidates who were originally interviewed, or start the hiring process over again.

"When she rejected the contract, it made the offer null and void. So, the contract for the position can be offered to anyone now," Bardwell said. "The original candidate rejected the offer, so legally it is open.

"Once the original candidate refuses a contract offer, there is no obligation to negotiate unless the board decides to do so. That is what we are working through."

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In Our OPINION...

Clarke Haire
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Editor

Our local business owners give back

Another Cass City Freedom Festival is now in the books, and by most accounts, it was another big success, with the young and young at heart gathering to share a weekend packed with great food and fun activities.

It's a holiday that reminds us all that individual freedom still prevails in this nation and is the envy of people across the globe.

Hopefully, we're also reminded that it came at a dear cost to many of our friends and families.

If you enjoyed Cass City's brand of Independence Day celebration, we'd like to encourage you to offer a simple "thank you", when the opportunity presents itself, to those whose contributions of time, skill and money have made the Freedom Festival a staple of summer fun in the Thumb for decades.

We frequently don't stop to express our appreciation to others when they step up to make life a little more enjoyable for all. But we should.

Start with the organizers who made countless contacts with various groups, from food vendors and crafters, to prospective parade entries, classic car enthusiasts and service clubs. These are the folks in the trenches shortly after the new year begins, planning events and soliciting donations to fund what is largely a free festival – but doesn't happen free of charge by any stretch of the imagination.

Consider, too, the source of those donations of cash and merchandise.

Local business owners give out of their own pockets to help bankroll community celebrations, and we're not just talking about the Freedom Festival. Christmas in the Village is another great example – Cass City businesses do more than their fair share when it comes to making sure this popular holiday extravaganza remains a largely free attraction for area residents.

Of course, the best way to thank them is to patronize them. Show you appreciate their many contributions to their (and our) town by shopping locally.

Here are a few other good reasons:

**Several studies have shown that when you buy from an independent, locally-owned business, rather than a nationally-owned business, significantly more of your money is used to make purchases from other local businesses, service providers and farms, continuing to strengthen the economic base of the community.*

**Non-profit organizations receive more support from smaller business owners than they do from large businesses.*

**Small local businesses are the largest employer nationally, and in many communities, provide the most jobs to residents.*

**Local businesses often hire people with a better understanding of the products they are selling and take more time to get to know their customers.*

Local businesses not only help to make community celebrations happen, they are owned by many people who live here, are less likely to leave and are more invested in the community's future.

We can't think of a better reason to not only thank them, but to do business with them.

Drier Humor

by Mary Drier
Frankly, my dear...



Ever since I figured out what the jumble of letters inside a box-shaped thing attached on one side was (a book), I've been an avid reader.

Living in rural Tuscola County back in the 1950s and 60s, there wasn't a lot to do. There was no Internet, no satellite television, no such thing as "play dates", no video games, and trips to town came only once or twice a month to get groceries.

Books — and the adventures and worlds they opened — was the main source of entertainment back then.

I remember reading the novel, "Gone with the Wind," by author Margaret Mitchell, for the first time. It took me most of the summer to get through that voluminous book.

I was captivated by it. Over the years, I have read the book a couple of times. I've watched the movie so many times, I have most of each character's lines memorized.

I remember reading somewhere that when Mitchell completed her type-written novel and put it all together, it was taller than her when it stacked up.

Anyway, the memories of my love of the book and movie surfaced when I read a news article about the "Gone with the Wind" mansion in Georgia going on the auction block July 4 with an opening bid of \$1 million.

The 10,000-square-foot antebellum mansion was the inspiration for Mitchell's character Ashley Wilkes' estate, "Twelve Oaks."

According to the Journal-Constitution, the movie wasn't shot at the Monticello Street manor, but the film's "Twelve Oaks" property was inspired by it.


The mansion that was built in 1836, and photos Mitchell saw in the Atlanta Journal in 1939, inspired her to use it in her novel.

Well fiddle dee dee, that crushes all of my allusions about the movie's making.

Reading about the willful character Scarlett O'Hara's struggles and schemes against the backdrop of the Civil War was an amazing read, at least for me and millions of others. However, controversy now shadows the book and movie as being racially "insensitive" in its depictions of black slaves, and doing an overly favorable depiction of the Confederacy and the Civil War.

My reaction to that is summed up in the words of Rhett Butler as he talked about the fall of the South: "Take a good look my dear. It's a historic moment you can tell your grandchildren about." History is sometimes a matter of perspective.

It is just a story. It was just a movie. Enjoy it for what it is. If you don't like it, Rhett was right again; "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn."



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

If you're like me, one thing about this year's weather has most raspberry lovers smiling from ear to ear.

Now's the time to contact your source for the wonderfully delicious, bright red fruit that is among the most popular berries to relish. They are a rich source of health-promoting plant-derived chemicals, minerals, and vitamins that are essential for optimum health.

And considering the raspberry bushes I've seen around the Thumb, they are chock full and offer easy pickings.

Who out there has visited Big Springs Kitch-iti-kipi in Michigan's Upper Peninsula?

Located in the Palms Book State Park (north on M-149, 12 miles from Manistique) Kitch-iti-kipi is Michigan's largest spring. It is 200' in diameter, 42' deep and delivers 16,000 gallons of crystal clear water per minute.

My nieces visited the attraction Saturday as they headed home to Milwaukee from Boyne City via the U.P. I was told that the spring is home to "retired" fish from hatcheries – some that were said to be up to 4 feet in length, all lake trout.

That's how I remember the tourist attraction when I visited some 40 years ago with my dad.

The Huron County Bean Board is looking for young ladies who are interested in participating in the 2019 Huron County Bean Queen Contest. To qualify, entrants must be unmarried; the daughter or granddaughter of a farmer who has grown dry beans within the past five years and between the ages of 17 to 25 years old.

Application can be picked up at the MSU Extension Office. Deadline to register for the Huron County Bean Queen Contest is this Friday, July 12.

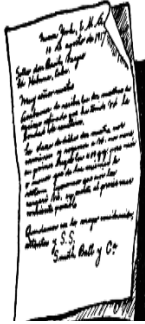
Participants will be interviewed at a special dinner held in their honor the evening of Monday, July 22, with the Queen being crowned at the Huron Community Fair the evening of Monday, July 29. All entrants will receive a gift from the Bean Board for participating.

If you have any questions, please contact the MSU Extension Office at 989-269-9949.

Ray Maurer, the Chronicle's sales representative from Thumb Office Supply, stopped by the office Monday and shared his July 4th holiday adventures.

Among them was a visit to Bay Valley Golf Course near Bay City.

Nothing like it was 25 years ago, he said. Some of the greens had brown patches and the once premier course had nothing on courses located in the Thumb including Rolling Hills in Cass City, Verona Hills in Bad Axe, Bird Creek in Port Austin or Ubyly Heights Golf & Country Club, in his opinion.



The Cass City Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper. Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason. The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

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A 4-H Adventure Day Camp will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at Camper's Haven Campgrounds southwest of Bad Axe on M-53. This event is specifically for 4-H youths aged 5 to 8 on or before January 1, 2019.

Cost is \$15 per 4-H camper. All participants will receive a t-shirt, as well as a nutritious lunch. Activities will include a craft, games and songs, fishing, swimming, STEM activities, nature exploration and the jumping pillow.

Registration deadline is Friday, July 12, to the MSU Extension Office. Space is limited to the first 24 registered 4-H youth.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Patti Errer or Kari VerEllen at 989-269-9949, ext. 609 or 604.

CALENDAR EVENTS

Deadline for submitting items in the calendar is the Friday noon before publication. Please send calendar items to:
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Wednesday, July 10

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

Thursday, July 11

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

Saturday, July 13

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

Monday, July 15

•Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.
•Shabbona Outreach Baby Pantry, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shabbona Outreach 5448 Shabbona Rd. Decker, MI. Gently used clothing and equipment, diapers, bottles, toys, formula, baby food. For more information contact Judy Doerr (989) 658-8625.

Tuesday, July 16

•Crafty Ladies Group, 1-4 p.m., Common Grounds (next to Revive). Bring a crafting project to work on. Call 989-551-7803 for more information.
•AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church.)
•Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478 for more information.
•Living with Parkinson's Support Group, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, 55 Rapson Lane West, Bad Axe. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.
•Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121
•Ubly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubly Thumb Veterans Organization Hall, 2165 Bingham St., Ubly MI 48475. A pot luck is served prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcomed.

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

First Saturday:

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

First Sunday:

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

First Monday:

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

Second Monday:

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

Second Tuesday:

•Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.
•Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.
•Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.

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

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•Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121
•Ubly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubly Thumb Veterans Organization Hall, 2165 Bingham St., Ubly 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.

Fourth Thursday:

•Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

Last Monday:

•Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

Last Wednesday:

•Cass City Chamber meeting, 8 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Every Monday:

•Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.

Every Tuesday:

•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.

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

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

EDC officials recommend free Cultural Center study in town

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Executive Director Steve Erickson recently reported on a number of topics during a recent Cass City Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting.

According to Erickson, Tuscola County EDC Communications Director James McLoskey has been busy making several retention calls to businesses in Cass City.

Erickson also pointed out that the county EDC can conduct environmental studies on older buildings that can determine if hazardous materials such as lead and/or asbestos are present. And, after the testing is completed, an additional report on the findings — if necessary — can help determine mitigation costs that would define the cost of cleaning up those issues.

Such a study would take representatives of SME, a Grayling-based multi-service engineering and consulting firm, about one month to complete.

Erickson recommended that Cass City officials participate in the program, noting there is no cost to do so. He pointed out the village's

Cultural Center building would be a good candidate for the program. Village officials agreed to have a study done.

During the meeting, village President Dan Delamarter acknowledged the need to get structural and environmental information on the Cultural Center in order to make a sound decision as the council grapples with the challenge of ensuring that village-owned buildings meet new anti-blight ordinances related to vacant, abandoned and foreclosed buildings.

The village purchased the Cultural Center in 2007 for \$1. Built in 1881 as the Elkland Township Hall at a cost of \$2,600, it was the first brick structure in Cass City, with local timber and brick supplied by the Depews Brick Kilns used throughout the building.

The structure was designated the community cultural center in 1965. Over the years, the building has housed township gatherings, a newspaper office, lodge functions and a basketball court.

Community members are split on what should be done with the building. Some want the building preserved, some feel it should be razed, and others would like to see it given to the newly-formed Tus-

cola County Land Bank.

In other business, Cass City Chamber of Commerce officials reported the Huron Intermediate School District (HISD) will be hosting a MI-STEM Network Expo in October, and area businesses are encouraged to participate in the event.

The state, together with businesses, education officials and community partners, is working to make Michigan a world leader in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education.

In 2015 the Legislature established the Governor's MI-STEM Advisory Council, which was charged with creating and recommending changes to a statewide STEM strategy and distributing state school aid dollars in support of STEM education efforts.

In 2017 the legislature set dollars aside to create a MI-STEM Network plan that transformed the state into 16 regional networks made up of businesses, higher education, K-12 education and philanthropic leaders guided by the recommendations of council members. It has a collective impact model similar to the Michigan College Access Network (MCAN). The Thumb is part of the MI-STEM District 11.

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

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

*Gregory G. Corll, 57, Marlette, pleaded no contest to a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon May 6 in Dayton Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$8,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Michael L. Weeks, 33, Caro, pleaded no contest to domestic violence, third offense, March 21 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was

ordered and bond was continued at \$1,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Antonio Lucas-Michael Torrez, 22, Cass City, pleaded no contest to killing/torturing an animal Oct. 11 in Cass City. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

*Jonathon Schmittker, 37, Caro, pleaded guilty to charges of child abuse, third degree, and domestic

violence May 10 in Caro.

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

*David E. Cooper, 51, Vassar, pleaded guilty to charges of fleeing and eluding a police officer, driving without insurance, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, and assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer April 3 in Millington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000.

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- ~ Changes in appetite
- ~ Lack of concentration
- ~ Suicidal thoughts
- ~ Loss of energy
- ~ Lack of interest in activities
- ~ Hopelessness or guilty thoughts
- ~ Physical aches and pains
- ~ Changes in movement (less activity or agitation)

CAUSES Depression does not have a single cause. It can be triggered by a life crisis, physical illness or something else - but it can also occur spontaneously. Several factors may contribute to depression:

- ~ **Trauma.** When people experience trauma at an early age, it can cause long-term changes in how their brains respond to fear and stress. These changes may lead to depression.
- ~ **Genetics.** Mood disorders, such as depression, tend to run in families.
- ~ **Life circumstances.** Marital status, relationship changes, financial standing and where a person lives influence whether a person develops depression.
- ~ **Brain changes.** Imaging studies have shown that the frontal lobe of the brain becomes less active when a person is depressed. Depression is also associated with changes in how the pituitary gland and hypothalamus respond to hormone stimulation.
- ~ **Other medical conditions.** People who have a history of sleep disturbances, medical illness, chronic pain, anxiety and attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) are more likely to develop depression. Some medical syndromes (like hypothyroidism) can mimic depressive disorder. Some medications can also cause symptoms of depression.
- ~ **Drug and alcohol abuse.** Approximately 30% of people with substance abuse problems also have depression. *Source: NAMI*

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Reporter's notebook**Time for the Great American Phoneout**by Tom Montgomery
Editor

I considered writing about politics this week, but I'm so sick of all the nonsense, ridiculous behavior and illegal activity that would land most of us in jail but doesn't if you're high enough on either side of the political ladder in Washington, I decided to pass on the topic.

What's the point, anyway? Most of the names and faces you see in the papers and on television belong to millionaires who wouldn't know an "average American" if one of us walked up to them and slapped them upside the head.

I'm talking about our national "leaders" here, by the way, not the many good, down-to-earth individuals who serve us at the local, county and state levels.

Folks like new 84th District State Rep. Phil Green (R-Millington) and 31st District Senator Kevin Daley (R-Lum), who have proven themselves to be passionate about serving Thumb residents and protecting their interests. Sure some residents are bound to disagree with some of their views or the stands taken by their political party at the state or national levels, but there's no denying both men have worked hard to convince state officials to keep their promise by building Michigan's new psychiatric hospital in Tuscola County, for example.

But I digress – this time before I've even started this column because, you know, I firmly decided not to broach the subject of politics this week.

I'd rather talk about the individuals we all see behind the wheel of a car or truck, who spend more time with their eyes glued to their phone screen than focusing on the road in front of them.

I realize these idiots may not be keeping up with current events. But geez, how many people have to die or come close to it in car accidents caused by someone who apparently believed that a text message or phone call was more important than keeping themselves (and everyone else on the road) safe by paying attention to the job at hand?

Most of us are guilty, right? At least occasionally? A quick glance at the old phone lying neglected in the seat next to you?

I've suggested this before, but I'll say it again; I think it's time for us to follow the lead of the American Cancer Society – known for its Great American Smokeout – and establish a Great American Phoneout.

Can you imagine? Everyone giving up their cell phones and other hand-held gadgets for a full 24 hours, actually talking to one another face to face, making eye contact and everything?

I imagine participants would look much the same as their counterparts during the smokeout; nervous, shaky, constantly looking at their watches, not sure what to do with their hands, finding any excuse they can to sneak out for a quick check of their text message inbox or Facebook.

It used to be people would gather in small groups to talk, the old-fashioned way. These days, when people gather, they aren't really together because everyone is in their own little high-tech bubble, tightly embracing their phone/iPad/gadget/thingy, fingers tapping away, their faces glued to that tiny screen. Just think what it might be like to simply put those things away for a day.

Maybe some of those nerves would just go away if we all spent more time talking to other people, and I mean face to face, really paying attention. And listening.

Sure would be refreshing, wouldn't it?

One thing's for sure; it would be a lot safer on the roads.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas

**5 YEARS AGO (2014)**

Hats off to these 2014 Freedom Festival parade award winners. They include, reports parade coordinator Tyler Perry, M.B. Auten Award (Most Original)—Mizpah Missionary Church; Belle Schwaderer Award (Prettiest)—Thumb National Bank; Harry Crandall Award (Most Patriotic)—First Baptist Church and the President's Award (Most Sentimental)—Thumb Octagon Barn.

Lucas Baker recently worked on construction of a pavilion at the Cass City practice field behind the high school. The project took close to 1,000 hours to complete and was part of his qualification to become an Eagle Scout.

Cass City graduate Dakota Hartel is welcomed by manager Dan Smith after signing papers committing his services to the 2014-15 Delta College Pioneer Baseball team.

10 YEARS AGO (2009)

Melissa Haley, niece of Debra and Jim Kranz, Cass City, recently donated some of her hair to the Locks of Love organization at Alischia's Hair Etc., Kingston, while visiting the Thumb. Haley is from Athens, Tenn.

Cass City was well represented at the second annual Thumb Area All-Star Football Game held in conjunction with the Freedom Festival. Members of the Northwest squad included 2009 Red Hawk graduates Adam Osentoski (55), Anthony Middaugh (62), Luke Newton (25), Lukas Varney (2), Blake Messing (36) and Austin Babich (7). The Northwest coaching staff included Red Hawk coaches, Joe Langenburg, Nick Moyer, Tavis Osentoski and Josh Stern.

Lindsey (Hendrick) Brinkman recently graduated from Saginaw Valley State University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in elementary education. Brinkman, is a 2003 graduate of Cass City High School. She is married to Joel Brinkman and is the daughter of Chuck and Kelli Hendrick.

25 YEARS AGO (1994)

Pamela J. Nieboer recently graduated cum laude from Kent State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in computer science. She was presented with special honors by University President Carol Cartwright. Pamela is a 1989 graduate of Cass City High School and is the daughter of Beverly Terry of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Arnold Nieboer of Lansing. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Guinther of Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Osentoski, Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming were Saturday and Sunday guests of Bob Cleland, Sr. at Waterford. Other Saturday cook-out guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cleland and family of Walled Lake.

For the Russell family, 4-H is more than an annual roll in the hay. It is a year-round passion that has involved the entire family for 2 generations. Keith and Shirley Russell raised 7 children on the work and responsibility of 4-H. Now, those 7 children are parents and 6 more youngsters are following the family path. They are Brad, Jeremy, Keith, Amy, Marie, Kelsey and Kurt. The Cass City clan is known as the 7 Russells Farm during the Tuscola county fair. Their interests range from ducks to steers, but their true arena is sheep.

35 YEARS AGO (1984)

Barbie Merchant was crowned 4th of July Festival queen by

Chamber of Commerce President Kim Glaspie at the pageant Monday night. First runner-up was Deb Hurford and second runner-up was Juanita Bradley. Barbie is the daughter of Joan Merchant and Allen Merchant of Cass City.

Esther Mellendorf, salutatorian of the Michigan School for the Deaf, was one of the guests at a recent honors dinner at the Executive Club in Flint. The senior valedictorian and salutatorian were announced and honored. Miss Mellendorf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mellendorf, Caro, and granddaughter of Erma Mellendorf, Owendale, received a scholarship from the Lions Club of Detroit. She also received an award for having a 3.9 grade point average, the highest of anyone in the last nine weeks of school, and a high conduct and good citizenship award. Miss Mellendorf served as president of the senior class and helped raise money to pay for the senior class trip to Toronto. The class was the largest ever, with 70 students.

Jeanette McDonald, Owendale postmaster, receives her 25-year service award from Loren Glover, postmaster of the Saginaw Management Section Center.

40 YEARS AGO (1979)

Coast to coast cyclist is Janet Umpfenbach of Pine Street, Cass City, She pedaled with the Wandering Wheels group from San Diego, Calif., starting June 8. They arrived in St. Augustine, Fla., July 7, a distance of about 2,700 miles.

Born July 13 in Hills and Dales General Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. David Speirs (Karen Little), a nine pound, one-ounce boy, Bradley David. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jerold Little and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Speirs.

Marie Grady and Larry Groombridge, both of Cass City, were married Saturday, June 9, in the First Presbyterian Church, Cass City. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Horne, 4118 S. Seeger Street, and Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Groombridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Lounsbury had as Sunday dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Sting of Terre Haute, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hutchinson and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Tuckey. The Stings were here to attend a class reunion at Sherwood Forest.

A birthday party was held Saturday in the village park for Hazel Moore of 4364 Seeger Street, who celebrated her 80th birthday Monday. Her six children, five stepchildren, several grandchildren and some great-grandchildren were among those present.

50 YEARS AGO (1969)

Robert Wooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wooley of Milwaukee, Wis., a former resident here, accompanied by his bride, the former Carol Nelson of Elgin, Ill. visited friends here July 8. They were married June 28 in Elgin and will live at Chapel Hill, South Carolina, where Robert is a college student.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Wright were guests of honor at a 33rd anniversary party Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright Jr. of Gagetown. The party was given by their children. They are Mr. and Mrs. Roger L. Wright and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright Jr. and children, Robert D. Wright and sons and Bradley C. Wright. Among those present were Miss Bernedette Zimba of Deford, Mrs. George Cole and Joan, Miss Ruth Ann Anderson of

New York, Mr. and Mrs. Pat McElroy and girls of Pontiac and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar R. Smith and Eric of Milford.

Pvt. Phillip Rockwell is now with the U. S. Armed Forces in Germany. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rockwell of Snover and is a graduate of Cass City High School. Pvt. Rockwell, who took his basic training at Fort Knox, Ky., had advanced training at Fort Gordon, Ga., from which he graduated July 13.

75 YEARS AGO (1944)

Sgt. Shirley Beardsley left last Thursday for Camp Lejeune at New River, North Carolina, after a few days' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beardsley. Sgt. Beardsley has been stationed at Philadelphia for some time.

F 2/c Stanley P. Kim, Jr., spent Sunday and Sunday night with his father, Rev. S. P. Kim, and his brother, John. Stanley's mother and sister, Marjorie, had reached Morehead, Ky., and he had spent a short time with them before leaving for Cass City. Mrs. Kim and daughter left Cass City last Thursday to visit Stanley and other relatives in Kentucky.

First Lieut. Walter Kloc of Deford has been named bombardier officer in a 13th AAF B-25 Billy Mitchell squadron, announces the public relations department of Headquarters, 13th AAF in the Southwest Pacific. Lieut. Kloc entered the aviation cadets in December, 1942, won his wings and commission as a second lieutenant upon graduation from the AAF bombardier school at Midland, Texas, in July, 1943. For more than a year he served as an instructor in bombardier school and arrived in the South Pacific theatre in February, 1944. After four months of combat flying he was chosen for his present position. Lieut. Kloc is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Kloc of Deford. Prior to his entry into the AAF, he was graduated from Cass City high school and later attended the Central State Teachers College at Mount Pleasant.

100 YEARS AGO (1919)

A very happy event occurred at the home of Mrs. Geo. Martin on Oak St. last Thursday evening when her five children and their families came to visit her in her new home and beside her children, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Colley of Gagetown and Miss Hall of Clio, all wishing her health to enjoy her new home for many years to come.

The cottage at Caseville purchased recently by B.J. Dailey has again changed hands and is now the property of M.B. Auten. Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. I.B. Auten and Mrs. Clark E. McKenzie and children left town to occupy the same for the ensuing week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Newton and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fisher of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. John Doerr and family and Peter Doerr were entertained at the home of Joseph Doerr Sunday.

Geo. Moon, one of Uncle Sam's boys and son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Moon who has been visiting his parents, left Monday to resume his occupation in Detroit. Mr. Moon is engaged as bookkeeper in the office of the State Telephone company.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jeffery of Kingston were in town Friday on business. Mr. Jeffery has just returned from France and will be remembered as a former clerk in the drug store of L. I. Wood. Mrs. Jeffery was, before her marriage, Miss Hazel Feather.



Andy Gray

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July Events:

Vacation Bible School (VBS) Superhero Theme. All Cass City children ages preschool to 12 years old. Mon-Wed, July 22, 23 & 24th 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

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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.

Upcoming events in October 2019

Godspell the Musical 4th & 5th 6pm
Annual Church Bazaar 26th 9:00-5pm
Trunk & Treat Sunday, 27th 2pm

Sunday Worship 9:30 am
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THE CASS CITY Public Schools and Cass City Day Camp teamed to provide a special treat to the local Let's Do Lunch crowd – about 40 youngsters – one day last week. The kids created their own fruit kabobs, according to Cass City Public Schools Food Service Director Shari Bock. "Fresh fruit was enjoyed by all," she said.

Koylton officials plan road upgrade work

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

A variety of road issues dominated a recent Koylton Township Board meeting.

Residents voiced concerns regarding Cartwright Road, east of Kingston Road. The issue was specifically with the hill and the width of the road by some driveways. The concern is that the roadside washes out, which is dangerous and a safety issue.

The board will be checking with the Tuscola County Road Commission about conducting an inspection of the area.

Township officials will also be contacting the road commission for permits to proceed with Albrecht Sand and Gravel placing 1,000 tons of gravel, at cost of \$13.50 per ton for a total cost of \$13,500, on Brief Road, between White Creek Road and Marton Road; and 500 tons of gravel at a cost of \$6,750 on Denhoff Road, west of White Creek Road, covering roughly a quarter-mile.

Also, Albrecht Sand and Gravel is expected to place 1,500 tons of gravel, at cost of \$20,250, on Harris Road, between Cemetery Road and Clothier Road.

In addition, the board authorized the township supervisor to submit work orders to the road commission for White Creek Road, between Centerline and Harris roads; Mayville Road, between Kingston Road to Cemetery Road; Cartwright Road, between Kingston and Cemetery roads; and Phillips Road, between Mayville Road and Snover Road.

In another road issue, the township is hoping the road commission will work with them on a project involving scrub seal and two inches of asphalt cap on White Creek Road, between Mayville Road and Harris Road.

The proposal for the work order is contingent on the road commission agreeing to carry the township for one year at 50 percent for a total cost of \$170,000.

Hectic holiday for police

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was transported to the hospital by MMR.

"The alleged shooter, a 21-year-old male from Bay City, was taken into custody for the shooting.

Detectives were conducting interviews Friday morning and are continuing their investigation, according to Skrent, who noted troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro and Vassar police assisted deputies at the scene.

Hectic day in Caseville

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said the holiday proved very busy for the county's emergency services, especially during a 90-minute flurry of calls involving overdoses and a fight at a popular Huron County beach.

Huron County Central Dispatch Director Randy Miller reported dispatchers handled 144 incidents from midnight Wednesday through midnight Thursday. Three of those incidents were assigned to fire departments, 20 to ambulances and 121 to law enforcement agencies.

"Our office handled over 70 of them (calls), which included a very hectic period on the Caseville County Park Beach from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.," Hanson said.

"There, two drug overdoses took place, one alcohol overdose, one individual was found knocked unconscious from a fight, and one person was arrested for being disorderly while intoxicated. By the time it all ended, five deputies responded to assist our deputy who had been assigned to work on the beach, as well as two Caseville officers, one Fairhaven Township officer and 2 MSP troopers. Two ambulance services responded as well," he reported.

"The beach was closed down during that period and the crowd was estimated to be over 2,000," noted the sheriff, who called in six off-duty deputies Friday and assigned them to the beach to address the alcohol, marijuana and illegal drug use. Other shifts of deputies were also assigned to the beach for the weekend.

"It needs to be noted that the Caseville Beach is not normally like it was (Thursday), and in my 37 years of law enforcement, I don't ever recall it getting that far out of hand," Hanson said. "We certainly welcome beach goers by all means, but trouble-makers can easily find themselves waking up in our jail."

Deputies booked six individuals into the county jail and issued nearly 30 tickets Thursday, including 15 water-related citations.

"Fourteen of those were to kayakers for not having a life jacket. Several verbal warnings were also given on other violations that the road and marine patrol deputies came across," Hanson said.

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Ubly Homecoming on tap

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4 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Some of the other events include a beer tent from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. with a \$3 cover and entertainment by Even Steven; a baseball tournament at the high school; and a tractor-truck pull at 6 p.m. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children.

On Saturday, July 13, a mud volleyball tournament will get underway at 7 a.m. One of the key events is a 5K run/walk slated to start at 8 a.m. The event starts at the Ubly DPW building and goes through the streets of Ubly on a combination of grass, gravel and mostly blacktop surfaces, finishing at Veterans Park.

The event is broken down into age groups: 14 and under, 15 to 19, 20 to 24, 25 to 29, 30 to 34, 35 to 39, 40 to 44, 45 to 49, 50 to 54, 55 to 59, 60 to 64, and 65 and over.

Plaques will be awarded to the first-place overall winner in both the male/female divisions. And, medals will be presented to the three finishers in each age group. All participants ages 14 and under will receive a medal.

Race-day registration is from 7 to 7:30 a.m. The presentation of awards will take place in the pavilion at the conclusion of both races.

Saturday is also Kids' Day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., with free inflatables, face painting, activities and a kiddy parade, as well as a talent show for all ages at 2 p.m.

For the adults, Saturday's entertainment in the beer tent will be provided by Infamous Quick.

On Sunday, July 14, is the grand parade at 12:30 p.m. Gus and Lucy Recker are this year's grand marshals, and the theme is "United We Stand". The parade will be followed by a chicken barbecue. Benny Prill and Friends Polka Band will perform in the beer tent from 2 to 6 p.m.

To assure everyone celebrates safely, Thumb Area Transit will be offering free rides Friday and Saturday to those who live in Huron County.

Registration forms for the various events are available at the Sleeper Public Library or on the Ubly Homecoming Facebook page.



MOTHER NATURE threatened to rain on Friday night's Music in Rotary Park performance by the Mysterians (above), but the crowd stayed dry – and entertained – as the group cranked out one oldies hit after another. Visitors were also drawn to the mini-park by the annual classic car show sponsored this year by McDonald's and the Cass City Gavel Club.



AMONG THE winners of this year's Pageant in Rotary Park Thursday night were (from left) Rosa Mae Lounsbury, Ella Ligrow and Avery Spencer.

Crowds pour into village for festival

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

Another great freedom festival wrapped up in Cass City over the weekend.

Although there were some showers on and off, overall the weather cooperated with festival organizers.

With temperatures in the high 80s, having the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool open was well received. The pool got a lot of use during the free swim times sponsored by Cass City Oil and Gas and Reggie Ignash - Farm Bureau, who has been a long-time sponsor of free swimming during the festival.

There was a good turnout for the 41st festival, which ran from

Wednesday through Sunday.

The Cass City Police Department reported there were no major incidents during the event, and that the "fireworks received a lot of compliments."

And, as it has been for the last three years, watching those who participated in the strongman event was amazing. Everything went smooth and, once again, there were some "strong" competitors in the events.

Local coaches Jason Worley and Sam Shugars not only competed, but also did very well in the strongman competition. The 16,800 pound truck pull was one of those events; Shugars took first place in the middleweight division and Worley took third in the heavyweight division.

There were a few changes to the festival this year, including replacing a worship service on Sunday with a community concert and devotion Saturday night organized by the Cass City Ministerial Association.

"The change was well received, and we had a good turnout. I would say about 150 people attended," reported Brad Speirs, senior minister at the Novesta Church of Christ.

Although everyone loves a parade, Saturday's Freedom Festival parade was bittersweet for Kate Van Auken, as it was her last opportunity to be part of the Rawson Memorial District Library's Book Cart Drill Team, whose members wore patriotic red, white and blue tutus. Van Auken recently resigned as director of the local library to accept the position of director of the White Pine Library Cooperative.

Also, Hills and Dales General Hospital's walk/run and "toddler trot" event returned this year after a one-year hiatus due to a major expansion/renovation project at the hospital, which is now complete.

Officials reported this year's 5K run had a great turnout, with 85 people participating and 78 finishing with an average time of about 32 minutes. In the 5K walk, there were 31 participants, and 29 finished with an average time of about five minutes.

In the 8K run, there were 27 participants and all of them finished the course. The average time was about 44 minutes.

News briefs

Planning board needs a hand

KINGSTON — The Kingston Village Planning Commission is having an issue with not enough members showing up for meetings to conduct business.

In May, the planning commission meeting had to be rescheduled due to absent board members.

Anyone willing to serve on the planning commission is encouraged to send a letter of interest to: Village of Kingston, P.O. Box 187, Kingston, MI 48741.

Village considers speed change

KINGSTON — Kingston Village officials recently agreed to check into reducing the speed in front of the high school from 45 mph to 35 mph. Also, Kingston School Supt. Matt Drake sent a letter to the village council recognizing the "great job" the new police chief is doing.

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery

Hospital expands services

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City continues to make strides in expanding health care services throughout the Thumb.

The hospital was scheduled to open a lab draw station in Caro early this week.

"That clinic will be at our rehabilitation center at 1186 Cleaver Rd., Caro," said Hills and Dales General Hospital Marketing Director Danielle Blaine. "The entrance to it will be the same as for what was used to access the pool area."

The lab will be open Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

Closer to home, hospital officials are working to address issues that are especially important to patients as they age. For those who have concerns about falling, for example, Hills and Dales Hospital will be hosting a special program, "A Matter of Balance."

The program will be held at the hospital in Cass City on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon, July 13 through Aug. 31.

Another session is scheduled for Tuesdays at the Hills and Dales Rehab Center, 1186 Cleaver Rd., Caro, from 5 to 7 p.m. July 9 through Aug. 27.

A Matter of Balance is an award winning proven program designed to help people set realistic goals to increase activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors, and learn simple exercises to increase strength and balance.

The fee for each eight-week session is \$20 per person. The fee will be refunded to those participants who attend seven out of the eight classes.

To register, call (989) 872-2084.

Also, Hills and Dales General Hospital opened the Caro Family Practice in March, at 1514 W. Caro Rd., which is in the same complex as VG's grocery store. And, about two years ago, officials opened the Millwood Street Primary Care Clinic, also in Caro in the former Secretary of State building off Millwood Street.

NOTICE FOR GILFORD TOWNSHIP

JUNE 13, 2019- MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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

Public Comment: Need any hand sanitizer machines?
Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by D. Strasz, second by A. Goss to approve minutes of May 9 meeting. Motion approved. Motion by A. Goss, second by D. Strasz to approve minutes of May 29 7:00 P.M. Public Hearing. Motion approved. Motion by K. Houghtaling, second by J. Stockmeyer to approve minutes of May 29 7:15 P.M. Public hearing. Motion approved. Motion by A. Goss, second by J. Stockmeyer to approve minutes of May 29 Special Meeting. Motion approved.

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

REPORTS:

Supervisor: No Reese runs. No response back on roadside mowing bid. Parcel division, motion by K. Houghtaling, second by A. Goss to approve 012-004-000-0500-00 parcel division, motion approved.

Treasurer: Taxes going out at the end of June, audit went well, waiting for final report.

Clerk: Dumpster cost for Spring cleanup was \$819.68 with a total of 4.7 tons of trash. Statewide May election had 15% voter turnout with 49% of those being absentee. Gilford Township turnout was 36% with 26% absentee. Discussed request by property owner to be reimbursed for cleaning a roadside ditch, request denied. Motion by D. Strasz, second by A. Goss to pay bills. Motion approved.

Trustees: Public Officials Conference regarding emergency plans, hazard mitigation. Parks/Rec meeting: need more participation, 5 year plan, looking for small things to do each month to improve parks. Request for Townships to provide more support. Planning Commission wrapped up zoning draft, sent to attorney for review. Public hearing coming regarding next Turbine Project.

Ambulance Representative: 4 runs to Gilford Township, expenses are increasing, medical supplies cost increasing, fuel costs increasing.

Fire Department Representative: Reese Fire: Conference in Frankenmuth, doing breakfast at Frankenmuth Car show, restitution coming from J. Ellison. Fairgrove Fire: AED donated by MMR, active shooter training, propane training coming up.

Zoning Administrator: None.

Public Comment: Any wiggle room on newest Turbine Project? Will participation agreement be the same? Comments about sidewalks in Gilford. Why were flags late getting placed for Memorial Day? Anything being done about junk cars?

Motion by J. Stockmeyer, second by A. Goss to adjourn at 8:25 P.M. Motion approved.

Robert L. Haines,
Gilford Township Clerk

Notice of BOARD OF REVIEW

for
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will be held

Tuesday, July 16, 2019

3:30 p.m.

Cass City Gun Club

2676 Englehart Road, Cass City, MI 48726

Pennie Rienas, Novesta Township Clerk



ALONG WITH the development of motor vehicle travel and state parks came campers and “Tin Can Tourists Camp” sites. So, Michigan state parks and Tin Can Tourists are both celebrating their centennial anniversary this year.

State park system marking 100-year anniversary in 2019

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

There has been a lot of press promoting celebration of the Michigan state parks’ 100-year anniversary, as well as various events and activities, including a vintage camper show in Port Austin later this month.

However, few know about the origins of Michigan’s state park system.

The beginning dates back to the transfer of Fort Michilimackinac, which was built by the French on the Straits of Mackinac about 1715. The transfer also included parts of Mackinac Island from the federal government to the state of Michigan in 1885.

On May 31, 1895, the Michigan Legislature created the Mackinac Island State Park Commission, and Mackinac Island State Park was established.

Michigan became one of the first states in the nation to establish a state park.

Two things contributed to developing state parks; increased population in the 1900s and the development of the “affordable automobile” by Henry Ford.

With the automobile, people began to explore the state and all it had to offer, including waterways and woods, but much of those resources were posted against trespassers. Because of

that, Michigan’s state parks system was established in 1919 after the passage of Public Act 218, which created the Michigan State Park Commission to acquire lands for state parks.

Along with the development of motor vehicle travel and state parks came campers and “Tin Can Tourists Camp” sites. So, Michigan State Parks and Tin Can Tourists are both celebrating their centennial anniversary this year.

The Tin Can Tourists started in Florida in 1919, and they would travel to Michigan to enjoy the summer weather. The Tin Can Tourists is the nation’s oldest trailer and motor coach club.

As part of the joint anniversary celebration, about 100 vintage campers are expect to be at Port Crescent State Park, Port Austin, Saturday, July 27, for the 11th annual Vintage Camper Show coordinated by the Tin Can Tourists.

To accommodate the event, campground parking will be located in the day use unit located two miles west of the park on M-25. Transportation between the day-use area and campground will be provided by Thumb Area Transit, with shuttles running for that event.

A recreation passport is required for vehicle entry into Michigan state parks.

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Freedom Festival Sporting Fun

END OF an era. These 2019 Cass City Fire In The Sky basketball champs have all been playing in the Freedom Festival tourney for the better part of 25 years and have won multiple championships. They decided to play one last time in the 36/37 age bracket and went out with a bang! From the left, are: Nathan Brinkman (2001) Craig Emmert (2001) Ryan Holmgren (2001) and Bill Goodall (1999).



KIDS OF all ages took advantage of warm temperatures and sunny skies during the Freedom Festival that also marked the re-opening of the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool in Cass City. Highlighting the opening was a Community Celebration & Recognition Ceremony on July 3 that praised a \$200,000 donation for pool repairs made by longtime Cass City businessman Duane Chippi in memory of his wife, Janice Chippi. Pictured taking a leap for fun is Hugh Walker.



THE HILLS and Dales General Hospital's walk/run and "toddler trot" event during the Freedom Festival was a big success. Officials reported this year's 5K run had a great turnout, with 85 people participating and 78 finishing with an average time of about 32 minutes. In the 5K walk, there were 31 participants, and 29 finished with an average time of about five minutes.

In the 8K run, there were 27 participants and all of them finished the course. The average time was about 44 minutes.

Donations sought for new youth wrestling program in Cass City

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

Start 'em young was the belief of former longtime Cass City Red Hawk basketball coach Ron Nurnberger back in the late 1970s.

That philosophy is nearly mandatory these days for success in high school sports and getting on board with that principal are a group of Thumb athletic boosters who have formed Cass City Talons Youth Wrestling Club.

The non-profit organization's newly-formed board consists of Sheree Kappen, Jeremy Kady, Jessica Kady, Bill Hartzell, Amanda Hartzell and Kevven Dorland. They are currently seeking funds to help establish the program locally for kids ages 5 to 14.

"We talked to Don Markel (Cass City high school wrestling coach) and Adam Dorland (Cass City junior high wrestling coach) and they are 100 percent behind it," said Bill Hartzell, adding, "right now our focus is raising \$10,000 for equipment and uniforms to get things started."

The group is offering three sponsorship opportunities – Gold, Silver and Bronze.

Gold Sponsors are for donations of \$1,000 or more. Included for anyone making a 4-figure contribution are: a team photo and plaque; business placement on vinyl banner to be hung at Cass City Schools; recognition as

a Gold Sponsor on the Cass City Talons Facebook page; certificate indicating your support; tier one size ad on a Cass City Talons T-shirts.

Silver Sponsors – contributions of \$500-\$999 – will receive: recognition as a Silver Sponsor on the Cass City Talons Facebook Page; certificate indicating your support and a tier two size ad on a Cass City Talons T-shirts.

Bronze Sponsor begins at \$250. Those backers will get recognition as a Bronze Sponsor on the Cass City Talons Facebook page; certificate indicating your support and tier three size ad on Cass City Talons T-shirts.

The young wrestlers will most likely compete in the Mid-Michigan Wrestling Association that starts in Dec. and ends in March.

"Wrestlers compete against others in their age and weight class," explained Hartzell noting the group will be coached by Kevven Dorland and four or five assistant coaches.

Ironically, according to Hartzell, one of the assistant coaches is Paul Ulfing who was a star basketball player for Nurnberger and is still Cass City's all-time leading scorer.

Donations are due no later than Nov. 1, 2019. Make checks payable to: Cass City Talons and mail to Amanda Hartzell, 6814 Houghton Street, Cass City, MI 48726.

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A GROUP OF youngsters power up with sugar as they await the start of the Freedom Festival parade (above, clockwise from top left); a grand fireworks display closed out a full day of fun Saturday; Ella Steadman, 10, enjoyed the AAUW Paint-In in the park as her father, Jeff Steadman, Cass City, watched; and Sadie Witt, 10, daughter of Amy Witt of Gagetown, beats the heat on a water slide in the park after the parade.

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Tuscola County trio attends workshop on opioid abuse

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

The impact of opioids is being felt nationwide, especially in rural communities that have limited resources to combat an epidemic of misuse and abuse.

In response to the challenge, a trio of Tuscola County officials recently met with other law enforcement agencies from throughout the Great Lakes area at a workshop sponsored by the Bureau of Justice, U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Association of Counties and the National Sheriff's Association.

The focus of the meeting was the impact opioid cases is having on rural counties," said Tuscola County Sheriff Glen Skrent. "Tuscola County was the only Michigan county in attendance besides sheriff's offices from Wisconsin, Minnesota, Indiana and Ohio."

Aside from Skrent, Tuscola County Circuit Judge Amy Grace Gierhart and Kim Kern, a List Psychological therapist, attended the workshop.

"Tuscola County will be seeking grant opportunities offered by federal agencies to help fight the opioid problem and all of the related issues that goes with it," Skrent said.

A variety of programs have been launched in an effort to not only deal with the impact of addiction on society, but also to help residents overcome their addictions.

"A drug court will be held in Huron County, but hasn't officially started yet," said Tuscola County Undersheriff Robert Baxter.

Rather than just incarcerating offenders, a variety of "problem-solving" courts have been established over the past few years to address addiction and mental health issues.

Tuscola County, for example, has taken the lead in operating the tri-county Thumb Regional Sobriety Court, has its own mental health court, and is playing a key role in the development a tri-county drug court.

Judges from Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties are working with

the state to form the drug court.

In the meantime, the opioid epidemic is creating a real and unprecedented financial burden on counties across Michigan, resulting in a nationwide lawsuit against opioid manufactures and distributors to address the growing crisis.

The costs incurred by municipalities due to people becoming addicted to opioid pain medication has pushed many counties' resources past budgetary limits.

The cost of first responders, addiction and rehabilitation services, incarceration, health care, and lost productivity is staggering, according to the Council of Economic Advisors, which estimated the cost associated with the crisis in 2017 at more than \$500 billion, steadily rising.

Among the other costs associated with opioids are the cost of distributing and using Narcan, a medication that reverses the effects of an opioid overdose; incarceration; foster care for the children of those addicted to various substances; and the cost of operating specialized courts.

The epidemic has also taken a heavy toll on lives.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than 60,000 deaths

were attributed to opioid overdoses in 2017, and the rate of drug overdose deaths are rising in rural areas, surpassing rates in urban areas.

The lawsuit targeting opioid manufactures and distributors was launched in 2016. In all, 15 states have joined the legal action along with hundreds of cities and counties, but it is not a class-action lawsuit. Rather, the suit is classified as a multi-district litigation, with several law firms working together.

In February 2018, Tuscola County commissioners approved joining participating in the legal action, and Sanilac County joined in March.

The legal movement against opioid manufactures was spearheaded by Michael Moore, who also initiated the lawsuit against tobacco companies in 1994, winning the largest settlement in U.S. history of more than \$240 billion.


Michigan ranks 10th nationally in per capita prescription rates involving opioid pain relievers, and ranks 18th in the nation for overdoses. Statistics show that 44 people die in the United States every day from an overdose of prescription painkillers — eight more than cocaine and heroin combined.

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Fairgrove Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes June 17 2019 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Trustees Mike Day and Dennis Hadeway, Clerk Katie Gebhardt, Deputy Clerk Colleen Russell, Supervisor Keith Aeder, Sexton Doug Foster and Zoning Admin Bruce Turner. Treasurer John McQuillan excused absence.

Visitors: Mark Trumbauer, Erico Lopez, and members of Nextera Team. Jim Wisner, Tom Hess. Call to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Hadeway moved and Day supported to approve May minutes. Passed. Hadeway moved and Aeder supported to approve June agenda. Passed.

Day moved Hadeway supported to authorize the Supervisor to spend up to \$15,000 on bank building roof. Higher amount would require special meeting. Passed. Hadeway moved Day supported to authorize Clerk and Supervisor to execute the police contract following Township attorney's review. Passed. Aeder moved and Hadeway supported to allow Clerk and Deputy Clerk to attend Clerks Retreat and pay Deputy \$100 per day. Passed.

Aeder moved Hadeway supported mileage rates of the following; operating – 1.4360, roads – 1.6903, Special services – 2.00. Passed. Aeder moved day supported to accept financial statements as presented. Aeder moved Hadeway supported to pay bills with the exception of the Tuscola County wind legal invoice, Tuscola County will be reimbursed at the same rate as previous invoices prior to the addition of the turbine bases. The Clerk will calculate the correct total. Passed. Aeder moved Day supported to adjourn. Passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Gebhardt
Fairgrove Township Clerk

NOTICE OF JULY BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the
**Greenleaf Township
Board of Review (BOR)**

will meet on

Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
at the **Greenleaf Township Hall**

6435 Bay City Forestville Road, Cass City, MI 48726

The purpose of the July BOR is to correct clerical errors or mutual mistakes of fact which affect the tax roll. Principal Residence Exemption, Poverty Exemption and Disabled Veteran Exemption appeals may also be heard. July BOR does not have the authority to hear valuation appeals.

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VETERAN ROTARY Youth Exchange Program host parents Barb and Chris Graff, Cass City, and their family shared an international Easter holiday this year with the family of their current exchange student, Orsi, whose parents were among five visitors from Hungary.

Rotary seeks families

Continued from page one.

matched with a student, Kranz was right there, assisting with the transition and occasional follow-up meetings, according to the Graffs.

Barb said she really liked the Rotary Youth Exchange Program approach, in which foreign exchange students spend time with three different families during their year-long stays. She also felt the training and "safety nets" Rotary offers to both students and host parents helps to ensure a positive experience for all involved.

"It's just like a sense of security as to expectations for both sides," she said.

The Graffs say their first time hosting was a learning experience. The first two or three weeks was a bit quiet around the house, but then it was like someone flipped a switch and everything came together, according to Barb.

Chris, who wasn't initially sold on the idea of joining the ranks of host parents, agreed, saying the friendships built by family members with Noora grew without him even realizing it was happening. The result was a tearful goodbye when it was time for Noora to leave, but she has since returned to this country a couple of times and visited the Graffs.

The couple say hosting an exchange student doesn't present any sort of financial burden, and there are no rules when it comes to committing to making special trips.

"You're not expected to entertain them (students) all the time," Chris noted. He added Orsi has traveled with the couple around the state to attend Olivia's softball games, but they make a point of doing some extra fun things together during those same trips.

The greatest value in hosting exchange students comes in the relationships that are formed and the understanding that results from learning about a different culture from someone who lives in that culture, as opposed to reading an article or watching a television program on the topic, Chris said.

"And I think it makes the world a smaller place," Barb added.

"What's also really important to me is expanding (our daughter's) horizons. It helps (kids here) to gain a new appreciation for what they do have," Barb said, noting hosting offers the added advantage of encouraging families to spend more time together as a family with their temporarily "adopted" son or daughter. "I think it just helps to cement everything."

Hosting Orsi certainly proved to be an extraordinary family affair for the Graffs, who welcomed a visit from five members of Orsi's family, including her parents, during the Easter holiday. The families shared a blended Hungarian/American meal together, and Orsi's family accepted an invitation to spend the holiday with the Graffs and their family.

The Graffs aren't alone in discovering what an amazing experience hosting a foreign exchange student can be, according to Kranz, who has served as youth exchange officer for the Cass City Rotary Club for the past 13 years, overseeing the stays of 15 students.

"Cass City Rotary has hosted at least one, often two exchange students every year since 1972 — a total of 68 students to-date — (and) we have sent out over 35 students to other countries in that same time period," she said.

Kranz noted that Rotary's policy is to find three host families for each visiting student.

"Our goal is for the student to be immersed in our culture and to better learn the language. The students are not here on vacation, but will have a great year," she said.

"Three families shows the students three different ways of life. For example, one year the first host family was very into music and theatre, the second family was very sports-oriented and the third was a single mom who loved horses and the student loved horses," Kranz added.

"Although some people think four months is not enough time to love them, I completely disagree. You know shortly after they move in whether you will love them or not. Kids are kids no matter where they are from. They sometimes push the boundaries as any teenager would do, but these kids are the cream of the crop.

"Most 'get' that this is a wonderful opportunity for them to learn our culture and to teach us about their country," she continued. "I hope our host families feel the benefits also."

Kranz pointed out that Rotary provides a great deal of training for host families as well as for the students, both inbound and outbound.

"We have a great hierarchy of support if a student has any issue bothering them. We give the host families a list of this hierarchy that is available to them also," she explained. "We bring the students together in our district about once every five to six weeks. There we provide more training, an avenue for them to talk together and sometimes just to have fun."

Kranz said U.S. Homeland Security governs how Rotary and any other youth exchange organizations operate.

"We have many rules to follow," she added. "Rotary is still operated by all volunteers, therefore the cost is much less than other groups. We cannot pay any host family. Our families are all very generous, open, caring families, willing to take a stranger into their lives and into their homes.

"It is life changing for sure, and the relationships that are built can last a lifetime. Many host families are still in contact with their former host students many years after the student returns home," Kranz said.

Providing those opportunities is still very much Rotary's mission when it comes to the organization's youth exchange program.

"We have our next student scheduled to arrive in August. We have a girl coming from Thailand. She is very excited to spend a year in Cass City," said Kranz, who welcomes inquiries from prospective host parents.

"I always say that youth exchange is the most important thing that Rotary does, because if we can't get these kids to understand that this is all one world and we need to understand and help each other, then all the other things Rotary does will not make a difference at all," she said. "We have to start with the youth. They are our foundation."

Editor's note: Anyone interested in learning more about the local Rotary Youth Exchange Program is encouraged to contact Kranz at (989) 872-4215 or via email at debrakranz73@gmail.com.

Obituaries

Randall Adamczyk

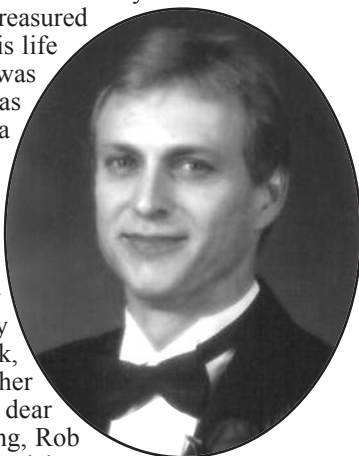
Randall "Randy" Patrick Adamczyk, 60, of Kingston, died unexpectedly Sunday, June 30, 2019 in his home. He was born January 24, 1959 in Cass City, the youngest of eight children and the seventh son born to John and Mihalina "Mary" (Lewicki) Adamczyk of Kingston.

Randy attended Kingston High School. As a young man, he worked as a brick and block mason in Detroit before being diagnosed with severe rheumatoid arthritis. Randy was a naturally talented and skilled mechanic and handyman. He could fix and craft just about anything and get it to work. Randy loved country music, western movies and his 1999 pick-up truck. He treasured items he found at yard sales. Randy enjoyed reminiscing and sharing his life experiences and stories with anyone who would take time to listen. He was very special to many people. Despite his own daily challenges, Randy was always concerned about the well being of others. He met everyone with a warm, contagious smile, a gentle greeting and a kind word.

Randy is survived by his sister, Nancy Barrios of Cass City; brothers: John Adamczyk of Caro; Ronald (LaWanda) Adamczyk of Kingston; Donald (Diane) Adamczyk of Marlette; Larry Adamczyk of Kingston; Lenny Adamczyk of Kingston; sisters-in-law, Carol (Adamczyk) Marker of Kingston, Diane Adamczyk of Kingston; nieces and nephews: Kelly Ross, Michael Barrios, Kerry Rose, Chris Barrios, Sherry Billot, Johnny Adamczyk, Julie Walker, Rob Adamczyk, Kayla Decatur, Lisa Adamczyk, Cindy Leen, Carol Wenzlaff, Ronnie Adamczyk, Christina Harnack, Heather Adamczyk, Brian Adamczyk, Stephen Adamczyk, Greg Adamczyk; dear friends: Bill and Loretta Hacker; special people in his life: Adam Fetting, Rob Fetting, Scott Fetting, Jeremy Powell, Lyle Curry, Duane Wilcox, Aiden Bricker, Joe Bricker, Rudy Bricker. He is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Allen Adamczyk; brother-in-law, David Joseph Barrios.

Funeral service were held Monday, July 8, 2019 in Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City with Rev. Robert Pare officiating. Interment will be in St. Michael Cemetery, Wilmot. Memorials may be made to St. Michael Cemetery or Tuscola County 4-H. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and photos with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Kingston.



Manette Crawford

Manette Sue Crawford, 60, of Lincoln Park, died Tuesday, July 2, 2019 in Vibra Hospital of Southeastern Michigan – Taylor Campus, Taylor. She was born October 16, 1958 in Cass City to Norman Robert and Virginia Anita (Bluhm) Crawford.

Manette graduated from Cass City High School with the class of 1976. She received a Bachelor's degree in teaching from Concordia College of Nebraska. Manette went on to earn a Master's degree in educational technology from Central Michigan University. Her first teaching job was at a school in the southern tip of Texas on the Mexico border. She taught in Mount Hope Lutheran in Allen Park, St. John the Baptist Catholic School in Dearborn Heights, St. Paschal Baylon Catholic School-Taylor Catholic School in Taylor. Recently she taught computers, robotics and yearbook classes in St. Francis Cabrini School of Allen Park. Manette was a member of Christ the King Lutheran Church of Southgate where, in the past, she played handbells. Most recently she volunteered as Technology Assistant at weekend services. Manette enjoyed many hobbies including camping, gardening, antiques and origami. She also enjoyed watching the Detroit Tigers baseball games. Manette was continuously knitting something special for family and friends, especially socks and baby afghans. She loved taking photographs of flowers and her family.

Manette is survived by her sisters: Anita Crawford of Phoenix, AZ; Sharon (Alan) Maurer of Bad Axe; Sharla Crow of Sikeston, MO; Lora (Richard) Kulinski of Deford; several nieces and nephews; special friends, Phil and Marcia Sansotta of Farmington Hills. She is preceded in death by her parents; brother, David Crawford.

Funeral service were held Saturday, July 6, 2019 in Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City with Rev. Henry Edensfield officiating. Memorials may be made to Christ the King Lutheran Church of Southgate or charity of donor's choice. Interment will be in Novesta Township Cemetery. 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.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on JULY 11, 2019, AT 10:00 A.M. local time, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder in the main lobby of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, aforesaid, on said mortgage with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

CITY OF VASSAR, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, to wit: LOT 22, BLOCK 2, OF THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY OF VASSAR, MI) ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, EXCEPT THE SOUTH 14.00 FEET THEREOF AND ALSO EXCEPT THE EAST 16.00 FEET OF THE SOUTH 50.00 FEET THEREOF. ALSO THE SOUTH 59.00 FEET OF LOT 23, BLOCK 2, OF THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY OF VASSAR, MI) ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

During the SIX (6) MONTHS immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241 a, the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, 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 damage

to the property during the redemption period.

JOHN W. BUTLER (P 33908) ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE 24525 Harper Avenue St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 (586) 777-0770 Dated: 6-12-19
6-12-5

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John J. Frazee, and Sharon Frazee, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for America's Wholesale Lender, Mortgagee, dated June 4, 2003 and recorded July 28, 2003 in Liber 945, Page 1390 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Nine and 23/100 Dollars (\$82,929.23), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on JULY 18, 2019.

Said premises are located in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County Michigan, and are described as: The West 10 feet of Lot 9 and the East 90 of Lot 8, of Block 3 of Fenster Subdivision according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 87, now being Page 37B.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, 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 damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: June 19, 2019
File No. 19-005229
Firm Name: Orlans PC
6-19-4

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Notice is hereby given that the below mortgage 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 of Tuscola County at 10:00 am on July 25, 2019.

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Annmarie L. Vermeesch, A Single Woman

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for New Executive Mortgage LLC, its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Flagstar Bank, FSB Date of Mortgage: June 20, 2017 Date of Mortgage Recording: June 30, 2017 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$48,269.70 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Wisner, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point 148.50 feet South of the East one-quarter post of Section 29, Town 14 North, Range 7 East; thence West 257.70 feet, South 165.00 feet, East 257.70 feet, North 165.00 feet to Beginning.

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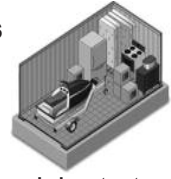
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Carnival Opens at Noon
Free T-shirts to first 800 kids
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**GRANDSTAND
LINEUP**

Mon., July 22

(Free Admission) - Limited Exhibits & Food Trucks Available

6:30PM: **Tuscola County Fair Royalty Crowned** (grandstands)
7PM: **Food, Art & Photography Auction** (grandstands)

Tues., July 23


11AM: **B&D Pedal Pull** (Registration 10:30AM)
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12PM: **Carnival Opens**
12 to 6PM: **Kid's Day!** (14 & Under Only \$9)
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Senior Citizens 62 & older are also free.

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Fri., July 26

7PM: **ATR Motorsports** (grandstands)
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