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MEMBERS OF the Deford Dazzlers 4-H Rocketry Team stand with the nine-foot-tall model rocket they plan to compete with during the Battle of the Rockets Competition in Culpeper, Va., in the spring. The team is comprised of (from left) Captain Teresa Tomasino, Jannaeya Thomas, Mia Wright, Co-Captain Sam Gordon, Kian Hoppe (holding the prototype rocket) and (on the stairs) Ethan Thane.

Deford Dazzlers gearing up for Battle of the Rockets competition in spring

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The Deford Dazzlers 4-H Rocketry Team hasn't been making headlines over the past couple of years, but that doesn't mean the

local group is content to rest on its high-flying laurels.

In fact, the team and its mentors, who celebrated a second-place finishing in the Team America Rocketry Challenge (TARC) National Finals just four years ago —

have continued to find new mountains to climb and are currently gearing up to tackle their biggest challenge yet.

The Deford rocketeers have spent weeks preparing for their

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Crash claims life of Cass City man

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A Cass City man lost his life in a one-vehicle traffic crash last week in Tuscola County's Juniata Township, Tuscola County Sheriff's Department investigators reported.

The victim has been identified as Nicholas Williams, 35, according to Sheriff Glen Skrent, who noted a passenger in the vehicle — Williams' wife, Veronica Williams, 33 — was seriously injured.

Deputies were dispatched to the scene of the crash — M-81 near Ringle Road — at about 12:20 p.m.

"The investigation has found that a vehicle was travelling westbound on M-81, lost control and left the roadway, striking

several trees," Skrent said. "Witnesses to the crash indicate the vehicle was behind them as they were travelling westbound also. The vehicle then passed them and another vehicle at high speed, and that is when it lost control."

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TUSCOLA County Sheriff's Department investigators identified the victim in last week's fatal traffic crash in Juniata Township as 35-year-old Nicholas Williams of Cass City. (Photo courtesy of the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department)

Plans to close Bingham Ambulance moved back

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

The planned closure of the Bingham Ambulance Service has been pushed back a couple months while negotiations that could keep the service open continue in Huron County.

Officials in a couple of Sanilac County townships that have depended on Bingham for ambulance coverage, meanwhile, are discussing their options.

The topic was among the items that came up during a recent Argyle Township Board meeting.

Austin Township Supervisor Ed Sadro was among the audience members who attended the meeting. He was there to ask Argyle Township about possibly furnishing fire stand-by service as well as medical first responder service for Austin Township in light of the uncertainty surrounding the future of ambulance coverage.

The matter was discussed, but no decision was made. However, Argyle Township Clerk Ed Pfaff and Fire Chief Lyle Ramer agreed to attend the next Austin Township Board meeting to further discuss the issue.

In November 2019, the Bingham Township Board announced its plans to shut down the ambulance — which has operated since 1978 — effective Jan. 31.

The decision was largely based on a lack of adequate personnel to man the service 24/7, with pay rates of \$3 per hour on stand-by and \$20 for a run failing to draw enough interest to fill positions.

Operational costs are another factor. For the last four years, the township was forced to spend roughly \$120,000 in general fund dollars to keep the ambulance operating, according to Bingham Township Supervisor Donald Wright.

In mid-December, the township met with Central Huron Ambulance (CHA) officials to try to work out a deal for CHA to take over the ambulance service.

According to CHA Executive Director Linda Shisler, CHA and the

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Middleton settling into her role as agriscience instructor, FFA advisor

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Heather Middleton couldn't help but revel in the excitement of her agriscience students at Cass City Junior-Senior High School recently as they welcomed a pair of newborn lambs at the district's ag learning lab.

"We have a ewe lamb and a ram lamb — their healthy and perfect," Middleton announced on the Cass City FFA Facebook page following the birth earlier this month.

Middleton joined the Cass City teaching staff in early October, and it hasn't taken her long to settle into a role that's a good fit for her background and interests as an educator.

"Teaching agriscience has always been a goal of mine," commented the lifelong Tuscola County resident, who along with her husband and four children own

and operate a beef farm in Mayville.

"I was the Tuscola County 4-H coordinator for eight years," she said. "I left to pursue teaching and found a paraprofessional position at the Tuscola Technology Center, where I worked as a paraprofessional in agriscience and construction for a year and a half before coming to Cass City.

"(This job) was an opportunity that I have already dreamed about," Middleton added. "Agriscience programs are designed to inspire youth to pursue agricultural careers by teaching students about the many different aspects of agriculture, including large and small animals, leadership, wildlife, horticulture and aquaculture. It is a passion and love of mine to open those doors for our youth."

As the agriscience instructor and FFA advisor, her responsibilities include:

*Providing students with educational

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EWE WON'T believe it! Cass City seventh grade student Billy Seeley holds one of two newborn lambs at the Cass City Ag Learning Lab last week.

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Obituaries

Raymond Fox

Raymond Morris Fox, 79, of Cass City, died Wednesday, January 15, 2020, at United Hospice of Marlette Hospice Residence, Marlette. He was born December 24, 1940 in Cass City, the youngest of four sons born to Ron and Aletha (Morrish) Fox. He married his high school sweetheart, Clotile Thompson, after they met again at the 1991 All-Class Reunion. They were married May 3, 1997 in Las Vegas, Nev.



Ray graduated from Cass City High School with the class of 1958. He graduated from Michigan State University and the ROTC program in 1962 with a chemical engineering degree. Ray had a 20-year career in the U.S. Air Force and earned a master's degree in computer science and business management. He obtained his private, commercial, instrument and multi-engine pilot ratings and also instructor pilot ratings. Upon retirement from the Air Force, Ray was employed by Computer Science Corporation on Edwards Air Force Base in California. He was very active in the 2010 census and directed a large group of individuals in the Fort Walton Beach area of Florida.

Ray assisted in Red Flag operation at Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada and Maple Flag in Canada. His love of sports included golf, baseball, college football and MSU basketball. Ray and Clotile traveled extensively on land and on sea. This included two "around the world" cruises and smaller trips of one to three months in length. When not traveling abroad, the winter months found them in Florida which was their warm get-away to escape the cold Michigan weather.

Ray is survived by his wife, Clotile; brothers: Ed (Sharon) Fox of Cass City; Jim (Karen) Fox of Waterford; and sister-in-law, Marilyn Fox of Beavercreek, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Bob Fox.

Cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made to United Hospice of Marlette. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and photos with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

Bryce Hagen

Bryce W. Hagen, 93 of Ubyly, passed away Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at Ascension St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw from complications due to a fall in his home.

He was born August 22, 1926, on the family farm west of Ubyly to the late Ernest C. and Laura (Jurges) Hagen. He married Bettie Lee McIntyre of Harbor Beach on October 21, 1951 at the First Presbyterian Church in Ubyly. They were united in marriage for 68 years and raised a family of four children: Dennis Mac, Mary Margaret, Ellen Kay and Ernest James.

Bryce was a graduate of Ubyly High School in 1944 and was then drafted and served during WWII. He was stationed in post-war Germany from 1945-46 as a truck driver. He attended the Nazi war crime trials twice at the Hall of Justice in Nuremberg, Germany, in 1946. Once his term of service was over, Bryce attained his private pilot license in Michigan.

Bryce was a dairyman for 30 years, shipping Grade A milk along with farming cash crops in Bingham Township. He transitioned to raising beef in 1982 and enjoyed a solid reputation for consistently shipping finished quality

Holstein cattle. His work was his hobby and his hobby was his work. He was early to bed and early to rise in his lifetime and he worked clearing land, expanding his farm and feeding the world. He fed cattle up until mid-November of 2019. His work ethic and sheer will to continue despite adversity were characteristics respected by his family and the entire community. He never shirked a task.

Bryce was a true country gentleman who had the gift of giving others the benefit of the doubt, perhaps even when they did not earn it. He was the last living charter member of the Thumb Veterans Organization, a past member of both the Michigan Cattleman's Association and the Michigan Milk Producers Association. He volunteered, playing piano by ear, entertaining residents for over 25 years at the Huron County Medical Care Facility and most recently at Courtney Manor. Bryce was a lifetime member of the First Presbyterian Church in Ubyly, serving in many different capacities. He was a past member of the Ubyly Fox Hunters' Club. He bought an airplane in 1966 and enjoyed flying around the surrounding area.



Bryce is survived by his wife, Bettie Hagen of Ubyly; two daughters, Mary Hagen and Ellen (Mike) Moorman; and two daughters-in-law, Sharlene (Pichla) Hagen and Doreen (Krohn) Hagen, all of Ubyly; his grandchildren, Keith (Erin Johnson) Hagen of East Lansing, Clint (Melissa Barry) Hagen, Brad (Stacy Langley) Hagen, Nick Hagen, all of Ubyly, Jennifer (George) Hiller of Harbor Beach; great grandchildren, Annabella, Vivienne and Abbott of East Lansing, Dylan, Cole, Addison, Beckett, Waverly, Brody and Gabriella, all of Ubyly; one brother, Wallace (Sonia) Hagen of Ubyly; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Dennis in 2006 and Jim in 2016; two brothers, Fred and Clare Hagen; and one sister, Grace Aardal.

The celebration of life for Bryce was held Friday, January 17, at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubyly, with the Rev. Robert Srock officiating. Bryce's final resting place will be in Valley Cemetery in Ubyly in the spring.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in memory of Bryce to the Ubyly FFA, the Thumb Veterans Organization Post #1 or to the family in care of his daughter, Mary Hagen.

Please visit www.smigielskifuneralhomes.com to express your sympathy and sign the guest book for Bryce's family.

Robert McIntosh

The family of Robert McIntosh would like to invite family and friends to a celebration of life. The service will take place at the Novesta Church of Christ February 8 at 1 p.m., followed by a luncheon.



Robert (Bob) G. McIntosh, 74, of Cass City, passed away November 8, 2018, at United Hos-

pice Service in Marlette.

Bob was born September 20, 1944, in Pontiac to the late Jim and Normaleen (Brown) McIntosh.

He married Shirley Root February 25, 1967. Bob served in the U.S. Army for two years.

He worked at United Parcel Service and retired in 1998 after 30 years of service. After retiring from UPS, he worked for Robert Bliss, mowing lawns. Bob was a very loving husband, son, father, grandfather and a friend to all. Bob enjoyed every season of the year as long as he was hunting, fishing or watching his grandchildren play sports.

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

Ronald Parrott, Sr.

Ronald Sherwood Parrott Sr., 77, of Cass City, died following a brief illness Saturday, January 18, 2020, at Satchell's Christian Retirement Home, Caro. He was born January 24, 1942, in Cass City to Gail Linwood and Louella Bernadine (Sherwood) Parrott. He married Wanda Lee Bader June 1, 1963, in Cass City. She died January 25, 2017.

Ron graduated from Cass City High School and later earned a bachelor's degree in management and engineering from Central Michigan University. He worked for General Motors, Warren Tech Center, retiring after thirty-three years. Ron taught home wiring and electronics to high school and college students as a night class. He enjoyed the outdoors, deer hunting and spending time with family at Camp Chippewa in Mio and Parrott Farms in Cass City. Ron loved trail riding, dirt bikes and snowmobiles. His passion for motocross carried through to the formation of the M3, Michigan Motocross Ministries, with his dear friend, Craig MacPhee. Ron completed the Six Days of Michigan Trail Ride twice. Family and faith were everything to him and above all, his grandchildren were his pride and joy.



Ron is survived by his children: Tamara Sonnenberg of Caro and Ronald (Mindy) Parrott Jr. of Grand Blanc; grandchildren, Jeremy (Isabella) Sonnenberg, Micaela Sonnenberg, Raelyn Sonnenberg, Briana Parrott and Bradyn Parrott; dear brother, Richard Parrott of Caro; sisters-in-law, Marjorie Caister of Cass City, Helen Hubbard of Cass City, Audrey Halas of Royal Oak and Sandra Bader of Cass City; brother-in-law, Gerald Auten of Cass City; many nieces and nephews; and special friend, Joyce Januchowski of Cass City. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Wanda; son-in-law, John Sonnenberg; sisters-in-law, Deb Parrott and Donna Auten; and brothers-in-law, Robert (Shirley) Bader, Arthur Caister, Gene Chapin, Newell Hubbard and Dale Bader.

Funeral services were scheduled for 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Brad Speirs of Novesta Church of Christ officiating. Interment will take place in Novesta Township Cemetery at a later date. Memorials may be made to Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City. 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.

Jan Zieba

Jan Zieba, 99, of Deford, died following a lengthy illness Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at Northwood Meadows Medical Care Unit, Cass City. He was born May 6, 1920, in Poland to Frank and Anna (Jarosz) Zieba. He married Olga Wilcuk in 1947 in Germany. She died in 1970. He later married Stella Lis December 27, 1978, at St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Detroit. She died October 27, 2014.



Jan moved from Poland to Detroit in 1950. He worked for General Motors, Cadillac plant, as a bumper assembly line worker, retiring in 1982. Jan was a former member of SS. Peter and Paul

Catholic Church of Detroit, St. Michael Catholic Church, Wilmot and St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City. He loved gardening and maintaining his lawn. Jan enjoyed working with wood and made fences, a chicken coop and deer pen. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Central Thumb Council #8892.

Jan is survived by his son, Edward Zieba of Allen Park; many nieces and nephews; great nephew, Buras Janusz of Brooklyn, N.Y. He was preceded in death by his wife and Edward's mother, Olga; his wife, Stella; and son, John Zieba.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 17, 2020, at Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Catholic Church, with the Rev. Adam Maher officiating. Interment will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit. A vigil service was held Thursday, led by Richard Zyrowski, followed by the Knights of Columbus praying the rosary. Memorials may be made to St. Pancratius Catholic Church or Knights of Columbus Council #8892. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and photos with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

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You've come a long way, baby



Radon risk is silent; test your home soon

Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has declared January 2020 to be Radon Action Month in Michigan, and she is encouraging all state residents to learn more about this environmental hazard and test their homes during the heating season.

You cannot see, smell or taste radon, and there are no short-term side effects. However, long-term exposure to radon increases the risk of developing lung cancer.

Testing for radon is easy, inexpensive and the only way to know if a home has a radon problem.

Lung cancer accounts for more deaths in both men and women than any other form of cancer in the United States.

The Department of Health and Human Services predicted that in 2019 there would be an estimated 8,070 new cases of lung cancer and 5,410 deaths from the disease in Michigan. Behind smoking, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer and considered a leading environmental cause of cancer mortality in the United States.

One in every four Michigan homes is expected to have radon levels exceeding the federal action level of 4 pCi/L. While radon poses a serious threat to community health, high radon concentrations are easily fixed.

According to figures compiled by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), the percentage of elevated radon test results varies from county to county in Michigan based on test result data collected from Air Chek (Radon.com). Those results range from just two percent elevated radon levels in Muskegon County on the west side of the state, to 53 percent in Branch County, along Michigan's southern border.

In the Thumb, elevated radon levels were found in 29 percent of homes tested in Tuscola County, 24 percent in Huron County and 13 percent in Sanilac County, according to the data.

Any home could have a radon problem, whether it's in an area with a high radon potential or an area with a low radon potential, or whether it's old or new, energy-efficient or drafty, built on a slab or built over a basement or crawlspace.

Because it's a tasteless, odorless, colorless gas, there are no physical signs that will alert you to the presence of radon in a home — It doesn't smell bad. There is no discoloration of the foundation. There are no visible traces of the gas. And, there are no warning symptoms to let you know you're being exposed (It doesn't cause headaches, nausea, fatigue, skin rashes, etc.).

The only way to know whether your home has a problem — or whether you are at risk — is to test.

Testing is recommended every two years because homes settle, new cracks form in the foundation and radon levels can change. If test results show radon levels at or above 4 pCi/L, the USEPA recommends installing a radon mitigation system, which grabs the radon before it ever enters the home and vents it outside.

For help getting a radon test kit, or for more information regarding radon testing, mitigation and levels across Michigan, go to Michigan.gov/Radon, call 800-RADON GAS (800-723-6642), or e?mail Radon@Michigan.gov. Test kits also are available at local hardware stores.

I've heard the term pigeon-holed several times over the years, but never really gave the term much thought until I started covering some events at schools a few years ago.

When boards of education started talking about STEM (science, technology, engineering and math), I had no idea what they were talking about. I had to ask several questions at the meetings and go online to look up what the term meant, and learn about robotic competitions.

Because my father only had an eighth-grade education and my mother only a ninth-grade education, they put great store in not only completing high school, but also attending college.

According to my parents, back when I was growing up in the 1960s, the only suitable career choices for a girl were a nurse, a teacher, secretary or a nun.

I didn't want to be a nurse. I can't stand the sight of blood — even my own. I definitely didn't want to be a nun. I flirted with the idea of being a teacher, but realized that wasn't for me, either. The only acceptable career choice left was secretary. So, I went to business school after I graduated from high school.

Also, back in the day, the other option was being a wife and a mother, and in that order.

I've come to realize that back when I was a child, little girls were indoctrinated with being a good wife and mother by the toys we were given.

There were little kitchenettes, cupboards, miniature irons and ironing boards along with pint sized brooms and dust pans, and dishes because we were expected to make pretend tea luncheons.

We were given tons of baby dolls to train us to be mothers. Toy makers even upped the ante of keeping girls in their place by making dolls that "drank" from bottles and then wet themselves.

All of that was pure indoctrination. There weren't any real messes for us to clean up. There was no pretend toilet to scrub, and the dolls only made nice little wet messes, none of the real bathroom messy diapers that are a reality.

Despite all of that preparation, I wasn't and I don't think many other women were prepared for the stark reality that being a homemaker and a mother included.

Because of the limited career choices back in my day, STEM was just part of a flower.

Having a STEM education opens so many career choices for women: software developers, industrial engineers, civil engineers, electrical engineers, economists, chemists and more.

The STEM of my day meant "Still Trailing Exceptional Men." I can't help but wonder what my life


and career would have been like had I been born several decades later.

I hope today's girls realize they can truly be anything they want.

Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



Small world and take me back department. Pictured below is former Cass City basketball coaching legend Ron Nurnberger, along with his wife Pam. He's seated next to Marilyn Erla, center, recently at a comedy club in Sarasota, Florida.



Watch the Spartan Women's Basketball Team take on Penn State and attend the fifteenth annual celebration of MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development at the Spartan Women's basketball game, Sunday, March 1, 2020. Last year more than 6,000 MSU Extension staff, 4-H volunteers, members and their families attended this exciting opportunity at the MSU Breslin Student Events Center.

Ticket Price: FREE for MSU Extension 4-H youth and their families, 4-H volunteers and MSU Extension staff and their families! Link to claim free tickets: <https://fevo.me/34iKc1R>

Local residents can ring in the New Year with 10 free flowering trees by joining the Arbor Day Foundation any time during January.

By becoming a part of the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation, new members will receive 10 free flowering trees or five crapemyrtles. The flowering trees include: two Sargent crabapples, three American redbuds, two Washington hawthorns and three white flowering dogwoods.

"These stunning trees will beautify your home with lovely flowers of pink, yellow and white colors," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "These trees are perfect for large and small spaces."

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting, between February 1 and May 31, with enclosed planting instructions. The 6- to 12-inch tall trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Members will also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bimonthly publication, Arbor Day, and The Tree Book, which includes information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution by January 31st to:

Ten Flowering Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410

Local residents can also join online at arborday.org/January.

Here's a posting from the Cass City Public School Facebook: "If you haven't heard, currently in Australia wildfires are sweeping across the country, destroying habitats, homes and wildlife. Starting today at the Elementary, each class will be competing in a coin drive. The money raised will be donated to help support Australia. The classroom who raises the most money at the end of the week will earn a pizza party. A big thank you to our 2nd grader Raegen Shadley who's idea it was to make this happen." We think that's a wonderful idea too Raegen, keep up the good work.

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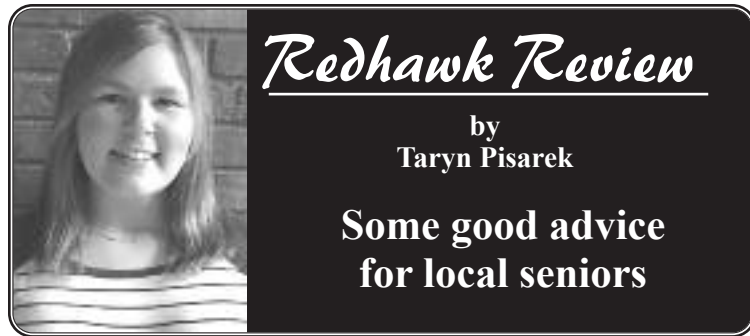
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Redhawk Review

by
Taryn Pisarek

Some good advice for local seniors

Well, it's officially the last stretch for the senior class. We have entered our final semester as students at Cass City High School.

This is both an exciting and scary time for most of the class. We have done some extensive planning for our futures, from college choices to scholarship applications to finding future employment opportunities.

While all of these choices mean that we are approaching the end of our high school career, it isn't over yet.

The end seems so close now, but still so far away. We still have one semester to get through, which will probably be the most memory-packed one yet. We have so many things to look forward to, including spring break, our senior trips, prom and the biggest event — graduation!

This next semester is going to fly by for us and, before we know it, we'll be closing this chapter and opening the next. I know that we still have some time left, but I want to share a quote from English teacher Mrs. Graff. I asked her some weeks ago for advice for the seniors when we embark on our new journeys in a few short months, and she gave me this:

"To the class of 2020: first let me say that the best laid plans can go awry. Always try and plan for your future but know that sometimes life has a sense of humor for all of us. Set lofty goals and aim high, but if and when life throws that curveball at you, don't allow yourself to sit on the sidelines too long. Readjust your sights, and go after your goal again even if it means adjusting your goal.

"If something is truly your dream, never let anyone steal it from you. Never let negative comments tear you down. Getting where you want in life is going to take hard work — don't be afraid of it. Believe in yourself, set goals, and aspire to achieve them. Go out there and make your Red Hawk family proud!"

I think this is the perfect advice to keep in mind as we take on this last semester and work towards our goals.

Tuscola County Clerk Fetting to seek another term in office

Tuscola County Clerk Jodi Fetting last week announced she has filed to seek re-election as the county's clerk.

"I am honored to have served the residents of Tuscola County. I have worked hard to increase efficiencies in the office and look forward to continuing to work hard," she said.

Fetting was first elected to the office in 2012, filling a vacancy left by the retirement of then-Clerk Margie White following 20 years of service to county citizens.

Fetting has served in the clerk's office for about 12 years. She was promoted to chief deputy clerk two years before seeking her first four-year term as county clerk.

The clerk's office covers a wide range of duties and responsibilities.

The clerk is responsible for issuing and maintaining records of concealed pistol licenses, and issuing and maintaining birth records, marriage licenses, death records, assumed names, co-partnerships, veteran's discharges, notary bonds and filings for circuit court and family court.

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the county board of commissioners.



Jodi Fetting

Marlette motorist injured in accident

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies say a Marlette motorist suffered injuries in a two-vehicle traffic crash early last week.

The accident was reported at about 7:30 a.m. Monday on South Van Dyke Road, near Cooper Road, in Marlette Township.

The investigation determined a 2007 Buick Rendezvous operated

by a 37-year-old female from Marlette was traveling northbound on South Van Dyke Road when the driver lost control due to slush on the roadway and crossed over the centerline. The vehicle then struck a 2014 Dodge Ram pickup, operated by a 27-year-old female from Caro, that was traveling southbound.

Deputies said the Marlette

woman was transported by Marlette EMS to Marlette Regional Hospital, where she was treated for injuries.

The names of the drivers were not released.

Both the Marlette Police Department and Marlette Fire Department assisted deputies at the scene, according to reports.

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, January 22

- Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 3:30-6 p.m., Human Development Commission at 429 Montague Ave., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal.
- Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.
- Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Sanilac County Medical Care Facility. Noon to 2 p.m. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

Thursday, January 23

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

Saturday, January 25

- Al-Anon meeting, 11 a.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478 for more information.
- Grief/loss meetings, 9:45 a.m., Novesta Church of Christ.

Sunday, January 26

- Thumb Area Companions, 3 p.m., hosted by Dawn Woidan at Hills and Dales Board room, 4675 Hill Street. Social support group that strives to benefit from social contact with others experiencing grief/loss.

Monday, January 27

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

Tuesday, January 28

- 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.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the Township of Elkland will hold a public hearing on the
6th day of February, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
at the Township Hall located at 6691 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider the application by **A3 Crushing & Aggregate LLC** for a special land use permit for the purpose of a mining operation to be located at **4312 Crawford Rd., Cass City, MI 48726** on property identified as tax parcel number **007-036-000-2500-00**

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing to ask questions or to make comments as to the application. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk at 6691 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 at any time prior to the public hearing.

Elkland Township Planning Commission
Gary Jones, Zoning Administrator

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

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

*Jerry J. Erla, 35, Caro, was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail, with worksite privileges, following his pleas of guilty to assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault), possession of a firearm by a felon and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony Sept. 10 in Almer Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was placed on probation for 24 months and ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,094.

*Ralph V. Maurer, 31, Sebewaing, was sentenced to 16 months to two years in prison following his plea of no contest to criminal sexual conduct, fourth degree, between July 1 and July 31 in Gageton.

He was also ordered pay costs and fines totaling \$258.

*Matthew R. Humes, 29, Caro, was sentenced to one to 15 years in prison following his plea of guilty to interfering with electronic communications Sept. 2 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$258 plus restitution of

\$6,110.42 to Tuscola County.

*Jovon A. Lynn, 32, Saginaw, was sentenced to five to 20 years in prison following his plea of no contest to conducting a criminal enterprise between March and July 2019 in Fremont Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

*Zachariah C. Ray, 39, Millington, was sentenced to 365 days in jail, with work release and worksite privileges, following his pleas of no contest to two counts of child abuse, third degree, May 5 in Vassar Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was placed on probation for 36 months and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$826.

*Joseph A. Babcock, 24, Caro, pleaded no contest to charges of domestic violence — aggravated assault Oct. 8 in Caro, and to breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny Aug. 12 in Indianfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

Pre-sentence investigations were ordered in the cases and bond was continued at a combined \$8,000.

Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Aaron R. Loesel, 30, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence following his plea of guilty to illegal use of a financial transaction device between July 24 and Sept. 3, 2018, in Caro.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$258 plus restitution of \$606.50.

*Jose E. Nazario II, 20, Cass City, received a one-year delayed sentence following his plea of no contest to domestic violence, third offense, May 10 in Elmwood Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$358.

*Cheyenne S. West, 20, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence following her plea of guilty to committing perjury during a court proceeding April 15 in Caro.

The defendant was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$258.

*Justin W. Hetzel, 28, Millington, was sentenced to 93 days in jail, with worksite privileges, following his pleas of guilty to assault with intent to commit harm less than murder, attempted interfering with electronic communications, and two counts of attempted domestic violence July 29 in Arbela Township.

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Reporter's notebook

Of flying Ubers and TP delivery

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



I'm not really a technology nut. In fact, I tend to resist jumping on the latest gadget bandwagon at just about every turn (I was dragged kicking and screaming into learning the computer program that enabled me to design pages of this newspaper on a computer).

Still, an Associated Press story on the technologies showcased at the annual Consumer Electronics Show (CES) gadget show in Las Vegas caught my eye.

Among this year's highlights? Uber and Hyundai are teaming up to build a fleet of flying taxis.

According to the story, Uber, the ride-hailing giant, said its four-passenger "Uber Air Taxi" will initially be piloted, but over time will become autonomous. Uber says it wants to conduct flight demonstrations in 2020 and make such vehicles commercially available in 2023.

The goal is to help riders breeze over traffic in shared air taxis between suburbs and cities and eventually within cities. Uber plans to launch the aircraft in Dallas, Los Angeles and Melbourne, Australia. The air taxis, which look like a cross between a helicopter and a small airplane, will be all-electric.

These air taxis are designed to take off vertically and cruise at speeds up to 200 miles and travel a distance of up to 60 miles at a time.

Now onto a really important advance in technology; a machine that will be there when you find yourself stranded on the toilet with an empty toilet paper roll.

According to the story, Charmin's solution is a two-wheeled robot that can fetch a fresh roll. The robot, around 6-inches tall, has the face of a bear — like the cartoon ones in Charmin's commercials — and toilet paper sitting on top.

But don't expect it to roll to your bathroom anytime soon. Procter and Gamble, the company that owns Charmin, said the robot won't be for sale and was just an example of what's possible.

Now if they could just invent a machine that installs that roll of toilet paper properly, as in so it hangs over — not under — the roll.

Other tech wonders unveiled at this year's show included new sensors that promise to stop water leaks before they ruin your home.

The story report that monitors from Alarm.com and Flo Technologies connect to homes' water lines and track usage. If the systems sense more water than usual is flowing through the pipes, they send an alert through their apps — after all, it could just be a long shower. But if something really seems off kilter, the monitors will automatically shut off water.

Flo used CES to launch its newest sensor, a raindrop-shaped device that looks like a smoke alarm and can detect any water or moisture when attached to toilets, washers or other leak-prone areas. Each detector costs \$50.

Finally, some companies are pitching ways to keep an eye on the elderly from afar.

The efforts come as the U.S. government expects adults over 65 to outnumber children for the first time by 2034.

One firm is offering sensors that track the elderly through motion detection, though the product can also tell if someone has showered by measuring humidity. Another company has a wrist-worn device that can detect falls and alert caregivers. It also tracks how much the person has moved around and what rooms they're spending most of their time in.

Tracking isn't cheap. One device, for instance, costs \$450 plus a \$70 monthly fee.

I get the reasons behind this sort of technology, but I'm not all that comfortable with the idea of being tracked, you know? I'd much rather have the kids stop by for a visit.

Who knows? Maybe, while they're here, I'll ask them to make sure the bathrooms are well stocked with TP.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2015)

Schneeberger's choice for this week's "Athlete of the Week" award winner is Victoria Mathewson. The Cass City gymnast enjoyed a banner week leading the Lady Red Hawks to a 14th place finish at the Jeanne Caruss Invitational Saturday at the Lakeside High School. "We beat Vassar," said a delighted Coach Kathy Bouverette noting Mathewson was a key performer over the weekend. Mathewson finished 23rd in the all around with a score of 30.100. She placed third on the bars with a mark of 6.9, third on the beam with a tally of 7.6 and 4th on the floor with a total of 7.050 at the mega school event. Earlier in the week, Mathewson place third in the all around during a dual meet in Vassar. She earned regional qualifying scores in the vault (8.20) and floor exercise (8.25).

10 YEARS AGO (2010)

Conner Michael Arthur announces the birth of his baby brother, Evan Thomas Arthur. Evan was born Jan. 6, 2010 at 8:28 a.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. His parents are Michael Arthur and Brandy Rabideau, both of Cass City. Grandparents are John and Patricia Arthur, and Glenn and Shelly Guilds, all of Cass City.

Northwood University senior Heather L. Briolat of Ubyly has been named to the school's president's list for the fall 2009 term. To achieve president's list recognition, a student must earn a minimum 3.85 grade point average on a scale of 4.0.

RED HAWK ROYALTY. Keegan Hagen and Elise Nicol, left, highlighted Friday's halftime ceremonies of the boys' varsity basketball game when the seniors were named Cass City's 2010 Snowcoming king and queen.

25 YEARS AGO (1995)

George and Betty Pattulo along with 5 others are gearing up for an annual snowmobile trek next month that will cover an estimated 2,000 miles. Proceeds from the fund raiser will go for repairs to the historic octagon barn in northern Tuscola County.

Saginaw Valley State University has released the names of honor students for the fall term. On the president's list: Sally J. Barnes, Michelle T. Bootz, Angela M. Dillon and Heather M. Hammett, all of Cass City; Susan M. Peruski, Diane L. Walsh and Jacqueline S. Weber, all of Ubyly, and Brian M. Wright, Decker. On the dean's list: Mike L. Czewski and Tracy J. Sweeney, both of Ubyly.

Shane Kady, Notter Road, Gageton, has been selected student of the month for January at Owen-Gage High School. He is a member of the 3.0 Club, the Business Professionals of America Club and the Trip Club. He participated in track and basketball, was a member of the homecoming court as a sophomore and senior and of the snowball court this year. He is a member of the student council. The son of Ronald and JoAnn Kady, he plans to attend Delta College after graduation.

OWEN-GAGE Senior Angie Wildman was recently awarded this plaque recognizing her as a regional Wendy's High School Heisman Award winner. Angie Wildman, 17, daughter of Jerry and Diane Wildman

35 YEARS AGO (1985)

TWIN SISTERS Ina Hool and Iva Profit celebrated their 80th birthday Saturday. The two retired school teachers have a combined total of more than 70 years of teaching experience.

TAKING OVER for the Hawks this season is sophomore Dave

Miller. Miller improved tremendously over the summer, Coach Ron Nurnberger said. Miller was a sixth man on the junior varsity as a freshman. Since the injury to Kurt Bliss, he has been the Hawks' leading scorer in each game.

Padgett Randall, who starred at Cass City High School, has seen action in 10 of Saginaw Valley State College Cardinals' first 11 basketball games. The Cardinals, undefeated in the first 11 games of the season, have averaged 84.7 points while holding opponents to 55.2 points. Randall is shooting 41.7 percent from the field.

Army Pfc. Scott Fisher, son of Arthur and Jean Fisher of Cass City, has arrived for duty in Kaiserslautern, West Germany. His wife, the former Debbie Zawilinski and son Scott, 4, will join him in Germany.

40 YEARS AGO (1980)

Paul Brown, Coach Biefer says, has developed into a first rate wrestler. He won his weight class by winning 3 matches. His record is now 10-2-1, Phil Harmer finished second. He was defeated by a good wrestler, Pat Parlbeg, from Birch Run. Harmer's record is 6-3. He is a dependable, hard working wrestler, according to his coach. Another Hawk doing a fine job, Biefer says, is Mark Dolecki. He finished third, winning three and losing one. A year makes a big difference. Last year Dolecki was 1-10 and this year he is 10-4.

Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson and daughter Melissa and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mattox and son Matthew, of Iowa, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. William Patch. They attended the Patches' 60th wedding anniversary party.

Cass City native Shirley S. Hendrick has been appointed academic coordinator of continuing education at the Pennsylvania State University College of Business Administration. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smith of Third Street. She has been an instructor in management science and organizational behavior at Penn State and also served as administrative aide in the Division of Biological Health at the university.

50 YEARS AGO (1970)

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Campbell will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Wednesday, Jan. 28, at Vero Beach, Fla., where the Campbells are spending the winter months. The couple were married at Alpena Jan. 28, 1920, and moved to Cass City in 1921. They have a daughter, Mrs. Bruce Jones of Lansing, and one grandson, Steven.

Born Jan. 20 to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mathews of Deford, in Hills and Dales Hospital, a nine pound daughter, Tonia Marie. Mrs. Mathews and baby went home from the hospital Friday. The baby is their second daughter. She joins Carolyn Sue at home.

Two area girls were among the senior students selected as winners of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) good citizenship award and were feted at a tea in Bay City Saturday. Miss Margie Clarke, Cass City, represented Cass City High School and Mary Schnepf, Owen-Gage High School. Miss Clarke is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Clarke and Miss Schnepf the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schnepf of Owendale. The tea was held at the home of Mrs. Guy Moulthrop of Bay City and sponsored by the Anne Frisby Fitzhugh Chapter of the DAR.

John J. Krug and Amasa Anthes III, both of Cass City, were among 11 county men who were inducted in the army last week through the Tuscola County Selective Service Board at Caro. Others, were: John Lawry, James R. D. Stacer, John Graubner, An-

thony S. Pease, Rodney L. Kramer, Michael L. McTaggart, John S. Rozinski Jr., James O. Leonard, and Thomas J. Willert.

Miss Sally Geiger was Cass City's only entry in the TriCounty Band concert, held in Mayville Sunday afternoon. Miss Geiger, a senior, played first part clarinet, second chair. Students in the honors band were selected by auditions. A rehearsal was held Saturday afternoon. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Geiger of Cass City.

75 YEARS AGO (1945)

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hartwick have received a letter from their son, Cpl. Leland Hartwick, in Belgium, dated Jan. 1, which arrived here Jan. 15. He had just received his Christmas package from his mother. Her return address was found in a sack of packages and he was able after considerable searching to identify his own package because his mother had wrapped some of the package in the Cass City Chronicle bearing the Hartwick name label. The package had been soaked in transit and the eatables were spoiled but shaving cream, shoe polish and some articles were usable.

Marine Sergeant Roy Martin, 23, son of Claude Martin of Gageton, has returned to the Marine Corps Air Depot at Miramar, California, from the Pacific where he j was a ground crewman with a Fourth Marine Air Wing squadron. He was stationed at Hawaii, Samoa, New Hebrides and Guam. Sergeant Martin said he was under fire while flying from Guadalcanal j to the Russell Islands. After reaching the Russell Islands, he underwent several night raids, but escaped injury. Sergeant Martin was graduated from Owendale high school in 1939, where he was a baseball, football and basketball letterman. Before enlisting in November, 1942, he worked with his father on a farm. He was promoted to his present rank in September, 1944.

Pfc. Howard D. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Moore, Cass City, is assigned to the 2nd AAF flying field at Ardmore, Okla., where he is completing final phase training as gunner of a heavy bombardment unit. Moore entered the service Feb. 1, 1943, and received Army Air Force gunnery training at Las Vegas Army Air Field, Las Vegas, Nevada

100 YEARS AGO (1920)

Clifton Holler celebrated his eighth 7 birth anniversary wednesday afternoon. Twenty-four of his playmates together with their teachers, Mrs. P. E. Fleming and Miss Hazel Hickey, were his guests at the Pastime Theater matinee after which the company & were entertained at the Holler home. It is hardly necessary to add that when two dozen youngsters are assembled at a party there is lots of fun. Brick ice cream and cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Frutchev and daughter, Irene, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Atwell started from Detroit Saturday by rail with the expectation of reaching Cass City that night. Snowbanks, a dead engine and a "stuck" train interfered somewhat with the schedule and the party spent the night admiring the rustic scenery between Dryden and Imlay City. Sunday morning passengers were transferred to the latter place in a farmer's sleigh and that night again boarded the Polly Ann for the north. They arrived here in the early hours of Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Atwell caught cold and were threatened with pneumonia early in the Week. They were reported better yesterday.

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Dazzlers 4-H Rocketry Team gearing up for latest challenge

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first appearance in the Battle of the Rockets competition in Culpeper, Va. And there's still much work to do before they put their effort, skills and knowledge to the test.

"If everything goes well, they'll be in Culpeper April 17, 18, 19 and 20 for the competition, which is comprised of high school, 4-H (and) scout teams as well as about 30 university teams who make the cut," said Patricia Hansen, who along with her husband, Mark, founded the Deford Dazzlers 4-H STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Club – back in 2019-10. The model rocket team is composed of members selected from the STEM club membership.

The students are in the process of building a rocket measuring 109 inches – A little over nine feet — in height and 7.65 inches in diameter that will house a team-designed and constructed robotic Mars Rover that must deploy from the rocket prior to touch down, and then execute a series of commands, Patricia explained.

"There will be a secondary ejection charge that will separate the nose cone with its chute which will pull the rover out of the payload tube. If the chutes do not tangle, then the rover and nose cone will land separate of the rocket," she added. "The first command will release the parachute so the rover can then drive away from the recovery harness."

When launched, the rocket, weighing in at about 24 pounds with its engine, is expected to reach a height of 1,300 feet before the main chute deploys, according to Mark Hansen, who said the rocket will reach a speed equal to about one-third of Mach, or roughly 254 miles per hour. He estimated that by the time the rocket clears the 12-foot launch stand/pad during take-off, it will have already attained a speed of 55 miles per hour.

Mark said the rocket's secondary charged will fire at an altitude of 250 feet, releasing the land rover, which will drift down under its own parachute. After landing, it must shed its parachute harness and travel exactly 36 inches. Both

of those actions will be pre-programmed by the students, who will then manually control the vehicle as it takes a photo and collects a soil sample.

In order to qualify for the upcoming competition, student teams must submit acceptable preliminary design and critical design reviews, build and launch a scaled-down prototype of their competition rocket, and then successfully test launch the rocket they plan to use in competition.

Each step requires complex calculations, and success rests squarely on the kids' shoulders, according to Patricia. "We teach them the engineering principles, but they have to do the work," she said.

This year's team members are: Teresa Tomasino, 17, of Caro - team captain; Sam Gordon, 16, Snover - co-captain; Mia Wright, 16, Cass City - safety officer; Kian Hoppe, 13, Cass City - rover/robotics specialist; Jannaeya Thomas, 15, Cass City - vehicle specialist; and Ethan Thane, 16, Caro - propulsion specialist.

Impressive resume

The upcoming competition offers a variety of challenges. That's nothing new for the Deford Dazzlers, which in the span of a decade has made a name for itself in national model rocket competitions.

The Hansens actually established the model rocket team in 2010-11, a year after forming the Deford 4-H STEM club. The couple selected the club's oldest members who met age and grade requirements, and the team made its first attempt to qualify for the TARC National Finals, which are held annually in The Plains, Va. Unfortunately, they failed to qualify among the top 100 teams vying for a spot.

However, the team qualified the next year, coming home with a 10th-place finish and receiving an invitation to serve as special speakers at a 4-H STEM conference at Michigan State University.

The Dazzlers went on to qualify for the TARC National Finals in each of the next four years, finishing in 14th place in 2013, and in 38th and 36th place in 2014 and 2015, respectively. The team also finished in third place in the TARC Engineering Presentation Competition in 2014 before winning the same competition outright in 2015.

A year later, the Deford Dazzlers was named one of the best student model rocket teams in the country following its impressive second-place finish at the TARC National Finals, which also qualified the team for a coveted spot in the 2016-17 NASA Student Launch event.

"The team took a year off from TARC for 'student launch' and successfully completed the eight-month engineering program," Hansen noted. "Students spent nearly a week in Huntsville, Ala., for aerospace education, science fair, touring RedStone Arsenal Base and Marshall Space Flight Center, and participating in the launch event."

The Dazzlers were the only Michigan team from Michigan chosen to take part in the 2017 NASA Student Launch, which offers middle school to college-aged students a chance to design, build and launch high-powered, reusable rockets to one-mile-above ground level. Interested teams are required to submit a proposal for comprehensive review by NASA subject matter experts. Teams are then chosen to participate based on detailed outlines of their rockets, its recovery systems, payloads, safety and ed-

ucational engagement plans.

In 2018, the Dazzlers returned home from the TARC National Finals without a top-25 finish, but the Tuscola County youths did their hometown proud just the same. The team claimed first place in the 2018 TARC Presentation Contest, and Mark Hansen was honored as the Outstanding Mentor of the Year.

The team also competed but did not qualify for the TARC national event in 2019.

"It was a bad, bad year for Michigan weather. They missed the cut off by less than one point...which meant they did not get an invite to TARC Finals," Hansen recalled. "I think we froze and then froze some more trying to get practice launches in. And this close to the lake, due to polar wind vortexes coming over the bay, they encountered swirling winds."

"(But) they learned a lot, and decided to try another high-powered competition because the large rockets, and heavily powered motors compensate for local weather much better. They have also wanted to get some experience with more complicated payloads and complex robotics, so Battle of the Rockets seemed like a great idea for this year."

In addition, the year brought a big achievement for team members Teresa Tomasino and Jannaeya Thomas, who both earn their National Association of Rocketry (NAR) Junior Level I High Power Rocketry licenses.

Aside from mentoring the 4-H club, the Hansens have worked with students in other capacities in an effort to have a positive impact on others.

The couple taught an introduction to engineering class for 4-Hers at Deford Community Church in 2017-18.

"(We) spent 34 weeks working on projects in civil, environmental, chemical, mechanical, aeronautical and electrical engineering. The capstone project for the class was to design and manufacture a patient bed-call button system for a hospital overseas that had no such system for their patients," said Hansen, who noted the project was sponsored by the Deford Community Church and Caro United Methodist Church.

"They successfully completed the project, and Mark took it to the hospital and implemented it," she added. "Unfortunately, due to security concerns, I cannot give a location except to say somewhere in Africa."



DEFORD DAZZLERS 4-H Rocketry Team members prepare for the Battle of the Rockets Competition under the watchful eyes of veteran mentors Mark Hansen (third from left) and Patricia Hansen (far right).

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News briefs

Winter Fest 2020 coming soon

CARO — With the Caro Winter Fest only a few weeks away, snowmobile enthusiasts are hoping for winter weather.

The festival that features professional snowmobile racing and winter fun is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 8 and 9, at the Tuscola County Fairgrounds in Caro.

The first Caro Winter Fest was established in 2009 to offer a weekend of family fun, winter activities, and professional snowmobile racing. But over the years, the event has been cancelled from time to time because the weather wasn't cold enough to make ice.

Among the activities planned this year are snowmobile hot-lap qualifying, sprint heats and mini endures; chainsaw carving competition; a silent auction; live entertainment; a beer and wine in an ice bar; and food and fun in the warming tents.

Racing events take center stage Sunday, with the competition overseen and judged by the Midwest International Racing Association.

More information about the festival is available by calling (810) 569-6856 or visiting the website www.carowintertest.com.

Scholarship deadlines coming up

HURON COUNTY — The Huron County 4-H Council Scholarship and the Anthony L. Rapes Memorial/Huron County Dairy Promotions Scholarship applications are now available.

The deadline for both applications is Monday, March 16, by 4:30 p.m. Applications can be mailed or dropped off to the MSU Extension Office in Huron County, or emailed to verelle7@msu.edu. Late entries will not be accepted.

More information is available by calling the MSU Extension office at (989) 269-9949.

In addition, applications for the Huron County Small Livestock Association (SLA) scholarship are available by contacting Darcy at (989) 550-3177 or Melissa at (810) 614-2999.

To be eligible, a student must:

*Be a graduating high school senior continuing their education at any college or trade school.

*Have exhibited at the Huron Community Fair through the small livestock program for a minimum of two years

*Submit a signed scholarship application along with a letter of reference.

The deadline to apply is Monday, June 1. One scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be awarded, with the recipient's name announced during the small livestock auction at the Huron Community Fair.

Daley posts spotless vote record

LANSING — The Michigan Senate recorded 370 roll call votes in 2019, and Sen. Kevin Daley was in attendance to cast a vote on every one of them.

"I am honored that the people across the 31st Senate District placed their trust in me to represent their voice in the state Capitol," said Daley (R-Lum), whose constituents include residents in Tuscola County. "Nothing gets done if you don't show up to work. I take this responsibility seriously and was sure to be present for each vote."

"It was a difficult year, especially for our district. We faced some tough hurdles along the way, but I was sure to be in Lansing fighting to lower auto insurance rates and keep the Caro Center where it belongs, while also working to stop the governor's proposed tax increases," Daley said. "Millions of people across the state are expected to be at work every day and we as elected officials are expected to do the same."

Another Thumb legislator, state Rep. Phil Green (R-Millington), also boasted a perfect record by not missing any of the 401 roll call votes last year. Green represents the 84th District, comprised of Tuscola and Huron counties.

Farm Bill meetings scheduled

THUMB — The Michigan State University (MSU) Extension is partnering with Local Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices to offer Farm Bill meetings across Michigan.

The session include one from 2 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Huron County Farm Bureau building in Bad Axe, and another from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro.

Guest speakers will include MSU Extension specialist Jim Hilker as well as educators and local FSA staff. They will address highlights of the Farm Bill and offer assessments of today's market compared to five years ago.

Registration is requested and be completed online at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/farmbill/>.

Clothing donations requested

CASS CITY — The Cass City School District is requesting donations of gently used semi-formal and formal attire. The clothing can be dropped off at the junior-senior high school office.

The district has a clothing closet, and officials request different types of donations throughout the year, depending on need. Previous requests have asked for other gently used clothing items and cold weather gear.

Village meet now rescheduled

CASS CITY — The Cass City Village Council's budget and finance meeting previously scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 23, has been rescheduled.

The budget and finance meeting will now be at 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27, following by the village council's regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m.

Village trustee gets job done

OWENDALE - In a small town like Owendale, leaders have to step up from time to time to help with a variety of duties.

Such was the case recently for village Trustee Steve Story, who stepped in to do some street and sidewalk plowing because DPW Supervisor Steve Sweatland was away during a snowstorm. For his efforts, his fellow council members agreed to pay him \$15 per hour for the two hours he worked.

In other matters, village Clerk Randy Howard reported he is looking into a special assessment for police protection, as well as millage rates. And, Sweatland reported the Michigan Rural Water Association conducts free water and sewer assessments, and one will be done in the village this spring.

Income tax help is available

CASS CITY — Frankenmuth Credit Union is offering a free Income tax assistance program for Tuscola County residents.

Cass City area residents with a 2019 income of \$55,000 or less can have their taxes prepared and filed for free at the Cass City Branch of the Frankenmuth Credit Union, 6358 Main St. Appointments to meet are available Feb. 19 and March 4.

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery

Green ooze has Sanilac County officials, lawmakers concerned

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

Green liquid ooze originating from a former electro-plating business discovered along I-696 late last year is also causing concerns among residents and officials in Sanilac County's Marion Township.

The ooze was traced back to an electro-plating services site in Madison Heights. The site gained national attention when chemicals, including hexavalent chromium, seeped out of a retaining wall along the freeway and were discovered Dec. 20.

State officials determined the green ooze came from a building owned by Gary Sayers, who also owns property in Sanilac County and in Detroit.

State and local health officials conducted a visual inspection of Sayers' property in Sanilac County, according to reports, which indicate officials observed barrels on the property, heightening their concerns.

After learning of the situation, 83rd District state Rep. Shane Hernandez demanded better communication and collaboration when the state responds to environmental contamination threats.

Hernandez, a Port Huron resident and chairman of the Michigan House Appropriations Committee, will be part of a committee hearing to review how the state responded and communicated with local governments and legislators related to Electro-Plating Services in Madison Heights and ownership-related properties in Sanilac County and Detroit.

"This is an issue of great importance to the state of Michigan, the health and safety of its people, and the future of our Great Lakes," Hernandez said. "We must take a deep look at past and present experiences to learn from them and make changes for the better moving forward. It's part of our job as the committee that oversees the tax dollars of Michigan's hard-working residents."

The contamination incident along I-696 was found to include not only hexavalent chromium, but also PFAS and other toxins that originated from the former electro-plating services site, which has a history of compliance violations dating back to the 1990s.

The site was the subject of a \$1.5 million cleanup through the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 2017. A 2019 assessment concluded there was a low risk for the site's contaminated soil and water to move off-

site.

The latest investigation led state authorities to address concerns over other property affiliated with the same owner, Gary Sayers, including land in Sanilac County and Detroit.

Sanilac County officials, including Emergency Management Coordinator Todd Hillman, Drain Commissioner Greg Alexander, and Marion Township Supervisor Kurt Shubel testified at a hearing, as did several officials from Madison Heights and Oakland County along with Liesl Clark, director of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE).

"We want to make sure the state is aggressive when we know there is a serial contaminator like Gary Sayers involved. These types of cases should be prioritized," Hernandez said. "There are frustrations from local officials about how they found out about these situations, and I share these frustrations."

"This hearing is a good first step in what will be an ongoing conversation about how we invest in and communicate about environmental cleanup as a state. This is not about pointing fingers. This is

about finding solutions."

"I am outraged by this situation. First we hear about the green ooze on I-696, and now we see this alarming situation in Sanilac County," Hernandez continued. "We spend hundreds of millions of dollars cleaning up the environment and protecting health. Citizens demand that their tax dollars are spent effectively to protect public health, and they expect the state to respond quickly and effectively any time public health may be jeopardized. It is my intent to ensure accountability so that happens."

State Rep. Phil Green (R-Millington), who represents citizens in Tuscola and Huron counties, also voiced concern regarding the contamination issue.

"We held an important committee hearing related to the 'green ooze' contamination... (and) we are discussing how state departments can better work with local communities to keep them updated and involved any time a situation like this arises," said Green.

"We remain committed to providing a clean, healthy environment for our children and our children's children."

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Happy birthday, baby!

BROOKE AND Tyler Erla, Cass City, recently welcomed the first baby of the new year in the Chronicle's coverage area. The couple welcomed a baby daughter, Laiken Jean Erla, Jan. 7 at 1:57 p.m. at McLaren Thumb Region Hospital in Bad Axe. Laiken, who weighed six pounds and 13 ounces and measured 20 inches in length, joins two siblings; Braylin, four, and Oakley, two. As the first baby of the new year, Laiken and her family will be showered with gifts donated by local merchants.



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Caro lands funding to spruce up downtown

State Senator Kevin Daley on Friday applauded a Michigan Strategic Fund (MSF) announcement approving a \$57,281 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) that will assist the city of Caro in making improvements to the city's downtown area.

"This is great news for the community," said Daley (R-Lum), whose 31st District includes Tuscola County. "This funding will help revitalize the downtown area and make Caro a more enjoyable place to live, work and visit. I appreciate the MSF's continued support of Michigan's rural communities."

Caro has received \$57,281 in Community Development Block Grant funds for the Caro Facades Project and an additional \$17,000 for a CDBG certified grant administrator to assist with the project.

The update is set to include the renovation of two storefronts in downtown. The facade restoration project is expected to be a catalyst for other projects and investment in downtown Caro. The project is also expected to have a substantial impact along North State Street.

"This money will help support local businesses and continue the economic growth occurring in downtown Caro," Daley said. "I applaud the city for working closely with state officials and ensuring they had everything lined up to get this done."

The MSF, in cooperation with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), administers the economic and community development portions of the CDBG program. The CDBG program is a federal grant program utilizing funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Kingston group hoping to bury another capsule

by **Mary Drier**
For the Chronicle

Plans for a new time capsule for the village of Kingston are being developed.

Richard Peter, a member of the Kingston Historical Society, presented the idea of a time capsule — to be opened in the year 2100 — during a presentation to the village council.

Peter brought in a concept design of the marker for the time capsule. He would like to be able to place the capsule in the park near the depot. The vault would be large enough to store letters, coins, etc., explained Peter, who sought the council's permission to continue working on the project.

Based on Peter's presentation of the time capsule proposal, the council approved the historical society's request.

This time a lot of study and thought is going into the selection of a time capsule that will stand the test of time.

A time capsule from 1930 was found when the oldest part of what is now Kingston School District's Elementary School was being razed in 2018.

At the time, its discovery created a lot of excitement because only a few people remembered that a time capsule might have been placed in the school's cornerstone 88 years before. As that excitement built — for its discovery and recovery of the capsule, an opening ceremony was showcased during the 2018 Kingston Days festival.

However, the time capsule didn't hold up very well, so most of the contents inside were compromised.

Some of the items inside appeared to have been photographs, but they had deteriorated to crumbles. It was speculated that the kind of chemicals used back in the day to develop photographs had bled through and ate away the paper.

An Aug. 29, 1930, copy of the former Kingston Enterprise newspaper was the only item inside the old capsule that had survived.

Rawson Library gearing up for "quilt month" fun

Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City will present its Threads across the Thumb VIII event in February, featuring an entire month of activities and displays devoted to quilting.

"The library will be draped in beautiful quilts created by local quilters," said Pam Wright, circulation and Michigan eLibrary (MeL) services librarian, who added area residents who have a quilt they would like to display are invited to bring their quilt to the library Tuesday, Jan. 28, or Wednesday, Jan. 29.

"Quilts of any size as well as quilted items such as table runners, clothing, and tote bags are welcome," Wright said, adding participants are asked to not bring in items that have been on display at the library during previous quilt shows.

Expert quilter Linda Guza will be hosting a quilting class to make a chicken table runner/small quilt Saturday, Feb. 8, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$15 and includes soup and sandwich lunch. The event is limited to 12 students, so anyone interested is encourage to sign up as soon as possible at the library and pick up a supply list.

"A quilter's tea is slated for Saturday, Feb. 22 (from) noon to 2 p.m. at the Cass City United Methodist Church, Wright said. "Quilts will be displayed, a delicious luncheon served, and a program given. You don't have to be a quilter to enjoy this event."

The luncheon will be served promptly at noon, and the cost is \$15 per person — tickets may be purchased at the library (no tickets at the door).

In addition, Threads Across the Thumb VIII will feature a pincushion challenge.

"In this challenge we are asking you to get your creative juices flowing and create a pincushion masterpiece to be displayed at the library during quilt month," Wright explained. She noted the entry deadline is Wednesday, Jan. 29, and each participant may submit up to three 3 entries. Prizes to be awarded are: first place, \$25 Nick's Country Oven gift certificate; second place: \$15 Petal N' Bean gift certificate; and third place: \$10 Sugarhouse gift certificate.

More information is available by calling the library at (989) 872-2856.

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Cass City grapplers drop two GTC matches

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

The Cass City mat men will look to rebound tonight during the Red Hawks' maiden home match of the 2019-20 season. Bad Axe and Brown City join host Cass City Wednesday when the action is slated to start at 6 p.m.

Over the weekend, The Red Hawks compiled a record of 3-2 at the Mayville Team Tournament to place fifth in the 12-team event. Cass City placed second in their pool defeating Standish Sterling 72-6 and Ubly 48-24 before falling to eventual champion New Lothrop (the second ranked team

in Division 4) 69-9.

In the placing rounds Cass City defeated Memphis 42-39 and fell to Byron 39-36.

Tristan Swiderski went 5-0 Saturday to lead Cass City, while Zach Cowdry and Hunter Turnbull each went 4-1 for the day.

GTC MATCHES

In two hotly contested dual meets Wednesday, Cass City was defeated by a pair of Greater Thumb Conference foes at Caro and slipped to 5-2 in conference play.

Capac defeated Cass City 48-36 to get things started, and Caro handed Cass City its second loss

of the evening by a score of 39-28.

Cass City had double winners in Swiderski, Ryan Pisarek, Dylan Halpin, Matt Mihalic, and Hunter Caister.

"We wrestled well on Wednesday in spite of dropping a pair of GTC contests. On Saturday we were somewhat sloppy with several technique flaws that we will need to correct in order to continue to improve," Cass City Coach Don Markel said.

The complete results against Capac were: 285: Omar Navarro (CAPAC) over Caden Caister (CASS CITY) (Fall 3:22) 103: Loreto Frangedakis (CAPAC) over Hunter Turnbull (CASS

CITY) (Fall 1:27) 112: Jeff Helzer (CAPAC) over Zachary Cowdry (CASS CITY) (Fall 0:58) 119: Shane Hofmann (CAPAC) over (CASS CITY) (For.) 125: Nathan Schocke (CAPAC) over Matthew Ferri (CASS CITY) (Fall 0:55) 130: Derek Mason (CAPAC) over Drew Markel (CASS CITY) (Fall 1:53) 135: Lucas Swiderski (CASS CITY) over (CAPAC) (For.) 140: Tristan Swiderski (CASS CITY) over John Schoen (CAPAC) (Fall 1:18) 145: Hunter Tyson (CAPAC) over (CASS CITY) (For.) 152: Hunter Thorner (CAPAC) over Logan Kaake (CASS CITY) (Fall 3:00) 160: Ryan Pisarek (CASS CITY) over Arturo Rosales (CAPAC) (Fall 2:24) 171: Dylan Halpin (CASS CITY) over (CAPAC) (For.) 189: Hunter Caister (CASS CITY) over Bryce Tank (CAPAC) (Fall 3:35) 215: Matthew Mihalic (CASS CITY) over Jesus Martinez-Guerrero (CAPAC) (Fall 0:41)

The complete results against Caro were: 103: Adam Fisch (CARO) over Hunter Turnbull (CASS CITY) (Dec 5-3) 112: Bryan Sherd (CARO) over Zachary Cowdry (CASS CITY) (Fall 0:31) 119: Double Forfeit 125: Keegan Miller (CARO) over Matthew Ferri (CASS CITY) (Fall 0:10) 130: Drew Markel (CASS CITY) over Blayne Farris (CARO) (Fall 0:55) 135: Coven Withers (CARO) over Lucas Swiderski (CASS CITY) (Fall 1:01) 140: Tristan Swiderski (CASS CITY) over Zachary Goss (CARO) (Dec 9-8) 145: Tom Waggoner (CARO) over (CASS CITY) (For.) 152: Steven Withers (CARO) over Logan Kaake (CASS CITY) (Fall 3:18) 160: Dylan Halpin (CASS CITY) over Blake Sizemore (CARO) (MD 10-0) 171: Ryan Pisarek (CASS CITY) over Zander Harris (CARO) (Fall 5:26) 189: Hunter Caister (CASS CITY) over Tim Waggoner (CARO) (Dec 10-8) 215: Matthew Mihalic (CASS

CITY) over Jerome Baker (CARO) (Fall 2:38) 285: Hunter Dickson (CARO) over Caden Caister (CASS CITY) (Fall 1:19).

Cass City's dual meet record now stands 15-8 overall and 5-2 in the GTC.



JUNIOR Matt Mihalic was a double winner in GTC matches for Cass City. He wrestles in the 215-pound weight class.



CASS City grappler Tristan Swiderski gets excited on the sidelines. He's shown here cheering on a fellow Red Hawk in GTC action.

Lady Red Hawks hot

Don't look now, but the Cass City girls' basketball team has won 5 of their last 6 contests, following Greater Thumb West conquests over USA and Vassar.

Although the Red Hawks' 35-27 triumph over Vassar Thursday surprised few, Cass City's 38-29 handling of USA on Tuesday may have opened a few eyes. The Patriots are rebuilding.

That and a big night from Saylor Cuthrell added up to doom for visitors. The freshman standout connected from 3-point land in each quarter before the break as the host established a 20-13 cushion after 16 minutes of action.

Laci Harris actually got USA out to a fast start with back-to-back

baskets, but trailing 6-2, Cass City responded with a 9-2 run to end play after one quarter. Cuthrell and Abbey Salcido each hit treys in the final minutes before quarter two.

The pair- Cuthrell and Salcido - continued to hit from the perimeter in the second quarter and each added 3-point shots before the break and then continued their antics in the third quarter scoring all 8 of the team's points, including two more long-range bombs from Cuthrell, who finished a complete showing with a 2-for-2 effort at the foul line in the closing stanza.

Cuthrell, who had four treys Please turn to page 10.



CASS CITY'S Abbey Halabis heads to the basket but not before collecting a foul on USA defender Chelsea Bolzman.

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Cass City earns GTW victory

Eight 3-pointers, including five from dead-eye senior Collen Wrubel, fueled Cass City's offense Friday in Vassar, where the Red Hawks posted a season high 63 points to turn back the Vulcans 63-30 in a Greater Thumb West contest.

Wrubel wasted little time in setting the tone for the night. He tossed in three treys during the opening quarter, part of a 20-5 run by the visitors, and handled Cass City's scoring duties from the outside. Meanwhile, Landon Schenk was having his way in the paint for the visitors early on.

Toss in a pair of treys from Thom Rijshouwer and suddenly Cass City had built a 33-11 gap at the intermission, when most doubt about the game's outcome had been removed.

Cass City shared the ball nicely in the lopsided win and had four players in double figures. Wrubel poured in 15 points – all on shots from beyond the 3-point arc – to top all scorers, while Rijshouwer – he had a pair of 3-point baskets – chipped in 14 points, Schenk 12 and Sandyn Cuthrell 11.

Blake Kerr had 7 points for Vassar.

"Wednesday against USA we did not play very well offensively but we were able to make some corrections for our game against Vassar. We shot the ball much better Friday," said Cass City Coach Aaron Fernald.

Fernald felt Hadyn Horne and Bryce Fernald had really nice

floor game running the offense against Vassar, while Rijshouwer, Cuthrell, Schenk and Perry dominated the offensive and defensive glass and out rebounded Vassar by 17.

"All around good effort by the whole team Friday," he said.

Two days earlier, however, Cass City was limited to a pair of Rijshouwer field goals in quarter one against visiting USA and fell behind 22-13 after two quarters. They would never recover and

suffered a 48-32 setback.

USA was on target in the final half and increased the margin to 39-19 entering the final frame. Landin Zimmer and Cade Rierson combined for three treys during the 17-6 stretch enjoyed by the Patriots.

Rijshouwer had 13 points for Cass City.

USA's Nash Morton had 26 points to claim game scoring honors, while Zimmer finished with 11 points.

Neff joins 1,000 career point club at Kingston with six other Cards

by Clarke Haire, Publisher

Kingston senior Evan Neff joined an elite list of Cardinal basketball stars last week, becoming just the 7th player in school history to score 1,000 career points.

Neff tossed in 24 points Friday during a whipping of visiting Peck that followed his 27 point performance against Genesee a few days earlier. Neff now has 1,027 career points and trails leader

Dave Green – Kingston's all-time top scorer with 1,481 points – on the list of 1,000 career point scorers that also includes Randy Lyons, Tim Lyons, Eric Marquardt, Jay Green and John McLaughlin.

Neff cracked the 1,000 career point mark Tuesday night when the Cardinals polished off Genesee 64-24 in North Central Thumb League action. The hosts led 16-2 before building a 30-6 margin by halftime.

Kingston Coach Dave Lester said it was a special night for the Kingston Boys Basketball program.

"We got off a quick start and Evan Neff reaches the 1000 point plateau leading. Evan has worked extremely hard on this game to reach this accomplishment. He is very unselfish and has great teammates," he said.

Quinn Boucard added 13 points for the Cardinals.

Alton Davis led Genesee (0-3, 2-4) with 6 points.

Kingston improved to 8-0 overall and 5-0 in North Central Thumb League games Friday after downing Peck 50-33.

The hosts took a 14-9 cushion into the two second quarter, when defense turned into offense and extended the gap to 33-16.

"We had a great second quarter. Our defense caused some turnovers that got us out in transition. Peck is a good team who really defends well," Lester said.

Neff led Kingston with 24 points, 5 rebounds and 6 steals. Boucard added 13 points and 5 rebounds and Koehler has a solid game with 6 points, 3 rebounds, 3 steals and 4 assists.

Trenton VanConant led Peck (2-2, 5-2) with 17 points. Brandon Winiarski added 10 for the Pirates.

Kingston travels to meet Flint International Academy (6-1 overall) Friday in a battle of heavy weights.



BATTLE GROUNDS. Rough and ready to rebound inside the paint are USA's Conner Gettel and Cass City's Alex Perry during GTW play.

Kingston gals cruising along

Well-balanced attacks led Kingston to easy North Central Thumb League victories over guests Peck and Dryden in girls basketball action recently to help the Lady Cardinals improve to 9-0 overall and 5-0 in the NCTL.

Both wins benefitted from huge third quarter runs by the hosts. Against Peck Thursday, Kingston held a slim 23-17 edge entering the final half but held the Pirates to just 7 points for the remainder of the evening.

"Other than the 2nd quarter our defense was good throughout the game. Offensively we had too many turnovers and bad shots making it hard to get in any rhythm," said Kingston Coach Jay Green.

Brooke Mooney scored 14 points, Anna Ahern 8, Hannah James 7, and Payton Kolacz 7 for Kingston.

Emma Engler led Peck with 8 tallies.

GENESEE

Leading 20-15, Kingston held Genesee scoreless in the third quarter in route to a 44-24 decision.

"Our defense picked it up in the 3rd quarter. Offensively we got the ball inside and Kolacz took advantage," said Green.

Payton Kolacz with 16 points and James with 14 points were tops for Kingston. Madison Knag had 12 for Genesee.

Cass City girls handle Vassar

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total, finished with 18 points for the winners, while Salcido scored 10 points.

On Thursday, Cuthrell was at it again, throwing down a game-

high 22 points in Cass City's victory over Vassar. Cuthrell manufactured 20 points over three quarters and led her team to a 31-19 lead with 8 minutes remaining in regulation.

The difference was too much for Vassar to overcome.

Cass City Red Hawk

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Knights Insurance proudly presents Saylor Cuthrell as their athlete of the week award winner.

Saylor is a freshman on the Cass City Lady Red Hawk varsity basketball team and is currently the team's leading scorer. She was instrumental for Coach Justin Ketterer in their recent Greater Thumb West wins.

Her confidence has soared lately following wins over USA and Vassar. Cuthrell hit for a game-high 22 points against the Vulcans Thursday that followed an 18-point showing earlier in the week against rival USA.

"She's going to be fun to watch," said Ketterer.

Saylor is the daughter of Scott and Amy Cuthrell.

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BOYS' BASKETBALL (JV/VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT
12/13	Ubly 42, CC 39
12/20	EPB 62, CC 52
1/08	CC 53, Marlette 37
1/10	Bad Axe 38, CC 37
1/15	USA 48, CC 32
1/17	CC 63, Vassar 30
1/22	Caro
1/24	S.A.A.S.TBA
1/29	EPB Lakers
1/31	Reese - Snowcoming
2/05	Capac
2/07	Bad Axe
2/12	USA
2/14	Vassar - 40 yr. Anniv. Team
2/19	Caro
2/21	Harbor Beach
2/26	Montrose
2/28	Reese
3/05	Nouvel
3/9-13	Districts @ USA.....TBA

All games begin at 6 p.m.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL (JV/VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT
12/03	Harbor Beach 43, CC 32
12/06	Nouvel 58, CC 14
12/10	CC 33, Sandusky 30
12/12	Ubly 32, CC 13
12/17	Birch Run 47, CC 32
12/19	CC 34, EPB Lakers 34
12/27	CC 33, Capac 22
1/07	CC 52, Marlette 45
1/09	Bad Axe 36, CC 27
1/14	CC 38, USA 29
1/16	CC 35, Vassar 27
1/21	Caro
1/24	S.A.A.S.6:30
1/28	EPB Lakers
1/30	Reese
2/06	Bad Axe
2/11	USA
2/13	Vassar
2/18	Caro
2/25	Reese
3/2-6	Districts @ Bad Axe.....TBA

All games begin at 6 p.m.

WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12/11	Lakers	6:00 p.m.
12/14	Birch Run Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
12/18	Mayville/Marlette	6:00 p.m.
12/21	Ryan Mercer Memorial Tourney	9:00 a.m.
1/04	Ogemaw Hgts. Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
1/08	Vassar/Ubly	6:00 p.m.
1/11	Flushing Team Tourney	8:00 a.m.
1/15	Caro/Capac	6:00 p.m.
1/18	Mayville Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
1/22	Bad Axe/Brown City	6:00 a.m.
1/25	Yale Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
1/29	Sandusky/Memphis	6:00 p.m.
2/01	Clio Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
2/08	GTC League Meet-Memphis	9:00 a.m.
2/13	Team Districts - Cass City	6:00 p.m.
2/15	Ind. Districts - New Lothrop	9:00 a.m.
2/19	Team Regionals @ TBA	TBA
2/22	Ind. Regionals @ TBA	TBA
2/28-29	Team State Finals @ Kalamazoo	TBA
3/6-7	Ind. State Finals @ Ford Field	TBA

GYMNASTICS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12/7	Holt Invitational	9:00 a.m.
1/7	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
1/11	Fraser Invitational	9:00 a.m.
1/20	Bounce Meet - Hartland	TBA
1/25	Huron Valley @ Lakeland	8:00 a.m.
2/1	Haslett Invite	10:00 a.m.
2/8	Vassar Invite	10:00 a.m.
2/19	Port Huron	TBA
2/20	Vassar	6:30 p.m.

BOWLING

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
1/7	Harbor Beach	4:00 p.m.
1/9	North Huron @ Bad Axe	4:00 p.m.
1/14	USA	4:00 p.m.
1/16	Caro	4:00 p.m.
1/21	CPS	4:00 p.m.
1/23	Reese	4:00 p.m.
1/28	Brown City	4:00 p.m.
1/30	Bad Axe	4:00 p.m.
2/04	Sandusky	4:00 p.m.
2/06	Boys @ Cass City	TBA
2/08	Singles @ Sandusky	TBA
2/11	Girls @ Capac	TBA
2/15	Team @ Caro	TBA

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“TEACHING agriscience has always been a goal of mine,” said Heather Middleton (pictured above, left), who joined the Cass City Junior-Senior High School teaching staff in October as both the agriscience instructor and FFA advisor.

Middleton settling into new role

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and equitable experiences leading to career preparation, continued education, and employment;

*Enhancing youth leadership and FFA as an integral part of instruction;

*Preparing lesson plans that conform to school policy for all courses offered;

*Overseeing instructional materials and methods used to make teaching and learning effective;

*Ensuring students develop basic skills and abilities in the barn learning lab;

*Assisting students in selecting a program that fits their interests and abilities; and

*Maintaining records for all students in agriculture science as well as FFA records.

Middleton teaches students in grades seven through 12.

“I teach an Introduction to ani-

mal science, two introduction classes of agriculture, a botany and zoology class and a natural resource class,” she explained. “My classes are very hands-on, project-based — for example, my natural resource class is going to be working on a pheasant restoration project in the spring.”

Hands-on learning is also the focus inside the ag learning lab.

“Some of the learning aspects that benefit from the actual presence of animals at our learning lab include sheep shearing, vaccination methods, raising feeder calves and castrating calves and lambs, (and) collecting eggs, to just name a few things,” she said. “The learning lab also is helpful in demonstrations for showing animals at the fair, judging and evaluating livestock.”

While Middleton has been busy staying on top of the demands of the varied agriscience curriculum,

she also has her eyes on expanding the available learning opportunities for her students in the future.

Her goals include adding a pasture, agronomy test plots, a greenhouse and more livestock.

“My favorite part of the job is being with the students, either in the classroom or in the learning lab, learning,” she said.

“I love sharing my passion for agriculture with students — getting to see them make the connections to what we have been learning is rewarding.”



A HOST OF Cass City agriscience students, including Doris Battel, eighth grade (left), and Autumn Sutton, sophomore, welcomed the district’s new twin lambs last week. Agriscience teacher Heather Middleton said students will be raising and showing the animals at the Tuscola County Fair this summer.



Save a life!

by Senator Kevin Daley

The medical community is constantly evolving and is responsible for new breakthroughs that can improve an individual’s quality of life and save even more lives. Advancements in medical technology are allowing us to do more with less and perform operations with increased levels of accuracy and success rates.

A large part of this is because of the volunteers who selflessly give back in order to help others.

Many who know me are aware of my passionate advocacy for the Donate Life campaign to encourage organ donations, but one of the other most important ways people can help is by donating blood.

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs a blood transfusion, a lifesaving measure that impacts millions of people. Donated blood helps people who have lost blood in an accident or who have an illness such as cancer, anemia, sickle cell disease or hemophilia.

Donated blood includes red blood cells and the other components of blood, such as platelets and plasma. Blood that contains each of the parts is called whole blood.

There are different ways people can help, and in honor of National Blood Donor Month, I’d like to share some of them with you.

You can donate blood at American Red Cross clinics or other clinics or blood banks. You may also be able to donate during blood drives at work, school, or in your community.

About one pint of blood is taken when you donate. The donation takes about 10 minutes and the whole process — which includes answering questions and having a short exam — can take up to an hour.

The simplest of the options is donating whole blood. This is the most common form of blood donation, and many of you may have already done this before. This type of donation can be done every 56 days so long as you are in generally good health and feeling well. You must be at least 16 years of age in Michigan and weigh at least 110 pounds.

Other types of donations include power red donations — which concentrate the red blood cell donation — platelet donations, and plasma donations.

Those who have recent piercings or tattoos, have recently traveled outside the United States or have health issues face certain barriers to donation.

Unfortunately, Michigan currently is facing a blood donation shortage, which is not uncommon during the winter months and holiday seasons due to family and holiday commitments, flu season and other factors.

I’d like to encourage folks to become a regular blood donor like me. There are people who need help, and many of us are capable of lending a helping hand and making a difference. O-negative and O-positive are especially in demand, so if you can, please donate and help improve or even save someone’s life.

Sen. Kevin Daley represents the 31st state Senate District, which is comprised of Tuscola, Lapeer and Bay counties.



JEFF LAVERTY, site manager for the new Quality Roasting LLC plant in Gilford Township, cuts the ceremonial ribbon last Wednesday as other officials, including Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Director Steve Erickson (far left) look on. The local EDC played a key role in supporting efforts to bring the \$12 million soybean processing plant to Tuscola County.

Uby ambulance closure date pushed back

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township are in the process of negotiating a possible agreement.

Bingham officials are hoping CHA will take over their ambulance coverage area and keep the ambulance base, located at 2241 Pierce St. in Uby, operational.

As a result of the on-going negotiations, the closing of the Bingham Ambulance Service has been delayed until March 31.

Currently, CHA provides service to 13 townships ranging from Port Austin to Bad Axe and part of Sheridan Township.

Bingham Ambulance service provides coverage to the townships of Bingham, Paris and half of Sheridan Township in Huron County. In Sanilac County, the service covers Austin Township along with portions of Minden and Argyle townships.

In other township matters, Ramer questioned why there are no rumble strips at the intersection of M-19 and Deckerville Road. Supervisor Jerome Foote said he will check with the Sanilac

County Road Commission on the issue.

The next road issue discussed was dust control for the coming year. The total cost before discounts is \$19,620, or \$17,985 if paid before April 1, or \$17,440 if

a deposit of \$4,360 is paid before Feb. 28. The board approved paying \$17,440 with the \$4,360 deposit to be paid next month.

Also, the board approved hosting the annual township meeting Saturday, April 4, at 1 p.m.

EVERGREEN TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

For the rezoning of the property located at 6525 West Deckerville Road, on the southwest corner of the M-53 and Deckerville Road intersection. The property will be rezoned to commercial use with a new building being built.

The meeting will be held **January 28th, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.** at the

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THE TUSCOLA County Right to Life chapter hosted its annual Sanctity of Human Life Memorial service Sunday afternoon on the front steps of the Tuscola County Courthouse in Caro. The keynote speaker was state Rep. Shane Hernandez. "The group also got a positive update on the statewide dismemberment abortion ban petition drive completed in December," said Tuscola County RTL member Jim McLoskey, who noted the service drew a nice crowd. "Even though it was cold, we had most parts of Tuscola County in attendance."



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NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 30, 2020:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Waylon J. Tait, a married man and Jane A. Tait, his wife

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): The Bank of New York Mellon F/K/A The Bank of New York as Trustee, in Trust for the Registered Holders of NAAC Reperforming Loan REMIC Trust Certificates Series 2004-R1

Date of Mortgage: November 14, 2002

Date of Mortgage Recording: November 21, 2002

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$157,278.71

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Indianfields, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the East one half of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point in the centerline of East Dayton Road which is South 00 degrees 03 minutes 05 seconds West, 755.51 feet along the East line of Section 2 and North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West 2138.00 feet along the centerline of East Dayton Road from the East quarter corner of said Section 2, thence continuing along the centerline of East Dayton Road, North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 138.53 feet to the centerline of Weeden Road; thence along the centerline of Weeden Road South 21 degrees 00 minutes 15 seconds West 219.31 feet to the Northerly line of the Detroit Edison Property; thence along said line, South 46 degrees 18 minutes 00 seconds East 123.83 feet; thence North 26 degrees 18 minutes 30 seconds East 260.36 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Edna M. MacDonald and Richard L. MacDonald, husband and wife

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC
Date of Mortgage: June 4, 2003

Date of Mortgage Recording: June 17, 2003
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$67,879.93
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: The West 10 Acres of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 21, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Right of Way for Snover Road over the Southerly side thereof.

Common street address (if any): 3267 E Snover Rd, Mayville, MI 48744-9513

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Scott D. Fox and Vicky D. Fox, husband and wife

Original Mortgagee: American General Financial Services (DE), Inc.
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Plaza Revolving Trust

Date of Mortgage: January 20, 2006

Date of Mortgage Recording: January 31, 2006

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$142,306.23

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes West 755 feet along the West Section line to the point of beginning. Running thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes East 1160.63 feet; thence North 00 degrees 26 minutes West to the North line of the South 1/2 of Southwest 1/4 of said Section 33; thence South 89 degrees 24 minutes 38 seconds West to the West Section line; thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes East 572.38 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Excepting Therefrom: The North 300 feet of West 500 feet of the following described parcel: Commencing at the Southwest corner of sec-

tion 33, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes West 755 feet along the West Section line to the point of beginning. Running thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes East 1160.63 feet; thence North 00 degrees 26 minutes West to the North line of the South 1/2 of Southwest 1/4 of said Section 33; thence South 89 degrees 24 minutes 38 seconds West to the West Section line; thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes East 572.38 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Common street address (if any): 6935 Pattison Rd, Mayville, MI 48744-9559

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

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

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: January 15, 2020

Trott Law, P.C.
31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
(248) 642-2515

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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Tuscola County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on February 13, 2020. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to

contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Scott Kakowski, a married man

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Freedom Mortgage Corporation

Date of Mortgage: July 15, 2016

Date of Mortgage Recording: July 28, 2016

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$125,826.30

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Village of Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Lots 4 and 5, Block 8, of Pepoons Addition, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 39A of Plats, Tuscola County Records

Common street address (if any): 3371 River St, Kingston, MI 48741-9702

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

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Nicklas Jackson, a Single Man
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc., its successors and assigns
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Quicken Loans Inc.
Date of Mortgage: February 16, 2018
Date of Mortgage Recording: February 16, 2018
Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$85,703.67
Description of the mortgaged premises:

Situated in the Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 50, Pine Crest Acres Sub'd, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 15, Tuscola County Records. Commonly Known as: 1572 E. Caro Rd., Caro, MI 48723
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Better late than never...

TUSCOLA COUNTY'S only World War II Normandy Invasion veteran, Gerald Johnston, 94, of Kingston, recently received his high school diploma, courtesy of the Caro Board of Education.

WWII vet from Kingston presented with his high school diploma in Caro

by Mary Drier
For the Chronicle

Tuscola County's only World War II Normandy Invasion veteran, Gerald Johnston, 94, finally has his high school diploma. The Caro Board of Education recently presented Johnston, of Kingston, with the diploma, which he didn't receive decades ago because he was serving his country.

At just 19 years of age, he arrived on the shores of Omaha Beach at Normandy, France, on the second day of the invasion, June 7, 1944. Johnston was carrying 80 pounds of gear on his back as he left the LST (landing ship transport) in six feet of water for the shores, according to Kingston historian Richard Peter. "Over the next 10 months, the 753rd Tank Battalion, armed with a tank, fought their way into Germany." Johnston is well known throughout the area for his music. He enjoys playing guitar and performing his interpretation of country-music star Merle Haggard's work. And, true to form, Johnston entertained the school board in Caro with his musical talents.

Crash claims Cass City man

Continued from page one.

Nicholas Williams was pronounced dead at the scene. He was not wearing a seat belt, according to reports, which state Veronica Williams had been wearing a seat belt. She was transported by MMR to a hospital for treatment. Both the Caro Fire Department and Caro Police Department assisted deputies at the scene.



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NON-DENOMINATIONAL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL MEETING

Jeff Keaton, Founder and CEO of RenewaNation, will be leading a discussion about the vision and interest in starting a non-denominational Christian school in the Tuscola area. He and his team will discuss, inspire and equip those who attend with what it takes to give children a Biblical Worldview education.

This evening is open to any parents or people interested in learning and/or becoming a key role in making this vision a reality.

Date: Sunday, January 26, 2020 at 6 p.m.

**Location: The Lighthouse Neurological Rehabilitation Center
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