



THESE GIRLS ARE working hard to successfully defend the first girls' basketball Thumb B Conference championship won at Cass City High School. Front row, from left: Shelly Lapeer, Beabe McLachlan, Beth Sieradzki, Jill Root, Carrie Lautner, Shelly Rabideau. Second row: Coach Lloyd Schinnerer, Sharon Wells, Michelle Fahrner, Padgett Randall, Brenda Isydorek, Kris Proctor, Kelly Seurnyck.

Hawk girls set to defend Thumb B League crown

Cass City lost some talented girls from the championship quintet that brought the Hawks their first Thumb B Conference title in history last season but the girls that remain promise to make a strong bid to successfully defend the championship. Coach Lloyd Schinnerer will be able to field a veteran, talented team when the season opens Sept. 4 at Harbor Beach. There will be some big shoes to fill and it's probable that the rebounding and all-around play of Libby Hartel will be missed. Graduated is play-making three-year veteran Nancy Tonti. Vickie Pobanz is another that will be missed. She was a rugged rebounder that

helped the Hawks to the title and the finals of the regionals in 1979. Also gone are Tammi Rabideau and Connie Clark.

That's the bad news. Start the good news with Padgett Randall. A 5-10 forward with a sharp shooting eye for the bucket, Randall will be after her fourth varsity letter this fall. She owns all the Hawk scoring records and many observers feel that she may have the talent to become a major college player after she graduates.

There are three other seniors that were vital cogs in last year's team and are counted on this season. Shelly Lapeer was the sixth player last season. She's aggressive, quick and a tough competitor. If she refines her basketball skills this season she could be one of the best. Beth Sieradzki will probably take over Tonti's role this season. She's a ball handler and hustler. Kelly Seurnyck is called a very smart player by Schinnerer and is sound fundamentally.

Inexperienced but showing promise are several sophomores including Michelle Fahrner, Carrie Lautner and Jill Root.

Schinnerer sees a wide open race with Bad Axe, Marlette and Caro fighting with the Hawks for the title.

The schedule:

Sept. 4 Harbor Beach, away	8 North Branch, away
9 North Huron, away	15 Sandusky, home
17 Lakers, away	20 Marlette, away
18 USA, home	22 Vassar, home
24 Caro, home	27 Lakers, home
25 Harbor Beach, home	29 Caro, away
Oct. 1 Bad Axe, away	Nov. 3 Bad Axe, home
2 Frankenmuth, away	5 North Branch, home
6 USA, away	10 Sandusky, away
	14 Marlette, home
	17 Vassar, away

Officials seek return of funds

Michigan officials have initiated a lawsuit against the federal government which they say unfairly apportioned a \$1.1 billion reduction in highway funds. The state lawsuit seeks to recover about \$31.5 million for road construction, of the \$131 million the Federal Highway Administration removed from prior allocations to Michigan for the May 1 - Sept. 30 period. The action brought about postponement of 189 projects throughout the state. The suit is based on the fact that states who have

spent less of their funds were cut more than states who already had spent a large portion of federal funds. Michigan had obligated \$123.3 million of the \$24 million originally allocated for the state for the current year, which placed it among at least a dozen states with below average rates for committing the allocated funds.

GOOD EXAMPLE

Those who expect great things of us are a tower of strength in helping us do great things.

Hawks host Standish in first test of grid season

Cass City Red Hawks will be playing football Friday night against Standish-Sterling regardless of whether a contract is signed with the

Tri-County Bargaining Association. Coach Don Schelke said that he promised the kids that there would be football

this year when they started working out early in the season and he would keep that promise. Schelke said that he con-

sidered his job as football coach different from his position as a teacher in the system. It will be the second time

in recent years that Standish has faced the Hawks. Cass City played at Standish last year and came home with a 28-12 decision.

Schelke looks for a much tougher time this season as the visitors have 19 lettermen returning.

Friday will really be the first time we have had to see this year's team against real competition. Standish is a small class B school and should show whether the team is for real this season or not.

In a pre-season scrimmage last week at Akron-Fairgrove, Cass City looked good against A-F and Saginaw St. Mary's. But both are much smaller schools and didn't provide a real test of the team.

Although not predicting a Thumb B Conference title this year, Schelke says he figures Cass City will be in it all the way.

I believe in giving an honest opinion. When this year's seniors were sophomores on the Junior Varsity they lost only one game and the talent is there.

Schelke has announced a tentative starting offensive line-up. Rob Leslie and Randy Severance will be at the ends. The tackles will be Dave Whittaker and Scott Stine. At guards will be Dave Osentoski and Clayton Harmer. Terry Sweeney is the center. At quarterback will be Brian deBeaubien. Doug Sowden is the fullback. At left half is Rob Sawdon and at right half Buck Zawilinski. The defensive team was not announced. Schelke said that Leslie and Severance will be two-way players.

The Standish game is the tune-up contest for the regular conference competition for both clubs. After that the Hawks travel to Lakers.

Tuesday the Laker teachers were on strike and how that will affect the game has not been announced. After that the Hawks return home for a contest with Caro. Traditionally a big game on the schedule, this year it looms even more important as many observers are saying that Caro is one of the teams to beat in the Thumb B.

Season tickets now on sale

Athletic Director Roland Pakonen announced this week that season tickets for Cass City High School fall sports go on sale Thursday at the high school office. Tickets for adults are \$6 and for students, \$4. The tickets are good for admittance to all fall events with the exception of post season tournaments.



CHAMPIONS OF THE CASS CITY Ladies Golf League were determined last week. They are, from left: Esther Reagh, first flight; Mary Lou Eria, second flight; Jan Hunt, third flight, and Nancy Ruggles, fourth flight.



TEN CASS CITYANS were in Cadillac recently and Tom Woody, pro at Maguire's, arranged a tournament for the group. The women played nine holes and the men, 18. The winners were Marilyn Peters and Bob Stickle. From left, Judy Woody, Peters, Stickle and Woody. The Woodys are former Cass City residents.

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NEW TEACHERS in the Cass City schools this fall are, from left, Polly Bashore, English, yearbook and newspaper; Debbie Martin, Spanish, reading, English; Gretchen Shebel, 9th-10th grade English; Gene Lukshaitis, intermediate school counselor; Denise Kling, English, speech, debate, and Don Markel, social studies, math. All except Lukshaitis are at the high school.



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