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THREE PEOPLE suffered minor injuries in an early morning traffic accident just south of Cass City last week. Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies reported Collier J. Bogart, 23, Cass City, pulled out of his driveway at 6256 River Road into the path of an eastbound SUV driven by Sally A. Cooper, 37, who resides on River Road. Both drivers and a passenger in Cooper's vehicle, Brent Cooper, 13, were treated at Hills and Dales General Hospital and then released.

Son charged in double murder

Investigators believe a Sanilac County couple found slain in their mobile home near Croswell died at the hands of their own son.

Following several days of investigation, Sanilac County Sheriff's Department detectives last week announced that 2 counts of homicide-open murder, had been filed against the suspect, Thomas George Schuster, 45, of Port Huron.

Schuster is charged in the stabbing death of his 63year-old mother, Ursula Kenny, and his stepfather, James Kenny, 74.

Schuster was arraigned last Wednesday by Sanilac County District Court Judge James A. Marcus. He is being held without bond. A preliminary examination was scheduled for today (Wednesday) at 10 a.m.

Detectives are continuing

to gather evidence in the brutal slayings discovered by Croswell police Friday, Jan. 3, while checking on the well being of the Lexington Township couple. Investigators believe the murders took place up to a week earlier.

A 5- to 6-inch kitchen knife found at the scene is believed to be the murder weapon.

Schuster had been lodged in the St. Clair County Jail since Jan. 3, when Port Huron police arrested him on an unrelated charge.

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Sanilac County Sheriff's Detective/Sgt. Johnson said the murder charges against Schuster resulted from the combined efforts of the Port Huron Police Department and Croswell police along with the sheriff's department and Sanilac County Drug Task

New construction

Home improvement projects boost sagging totals noted, because physical as-

Additions, garages, decks and other home improvement projects boosted otherwise sagging new construction figures in Cass City last year.

Village officials released the numbers Thursday. They revealed new construction projects in Cass City totaled just over \$368,000 in 2002.

The total pales in comparison to the more than \$3.4 million worth of projects in 2001. However, that figure included more than \$3 million tied into Hills and Dales Health Care Corporation's Northwood Meadows Senior Living Community.

Aside from Northwood Meadows, 2 new homes, each valued at \$120,000, were built in 2001; residential additions accounted for another \$122,904, and commercial additions totaled \$12.800. There was no new commercial or industrial construction, or industrial additions during the year.

In 2002, there was \$168.565 worth of residential additions. The projects ranged from decks and ramps to sheds and garages.

Commercial additions topped \$182,000 and included a new car wash constructed by the Forward Corp. (People's Choice). Another \$30,000 went into exterior remodeling at Kelly and Co., 6451 Main St.

The 2002 figures also include \$17,000 for a mobile home at Huntsville Mobile Home Park, but no new. homes were constructed during the year, marking a first since 1998. Prior to that, new homes had been built in the village every year since at least 1970, with 10 or more new homes constructed in 1996, 1988, 1986 and 1975. ass City Village Manager

Frank Sheridan suggested the lack of home construction last year reflects the overall economic climate, with residents concentrating on fixing up rather than moving out.

"There's plenty of (residential) lots. There's just no activity," Sheridan said. "And there's not a lot of turnover you'll see the same homes for

"When your house value goes up, which they have, and you can get a loan, it's easier to fix up what you have," he added. "When times are tough, you don't

Cass City's taxable value the value which determines the amount of tax revenue the village will receive based on the local tax levy - has

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O-G teachers get 3% pay hike

Foundation pitches \$200,000 phys ed plan

The Owen-Gage Board of Education Monday hosted a presentation on a proposed new \$200,000 physical education program that would radically change the face of phys ed in the school.

Meeting in regular session, the board also ratified a new labor agreement that gives the district's teachers a 3percent pay hike this year.

Jerome Gray from the National School Fitness Foundation was on hand during the monthly meeting to explain the foundation's physical education package and answer questions. Also in attendance were a handful of Cass City School officials and school board members, who are also reviewing the new program.

According to Gray, the National School Fitness Foundation is asking schools to participate in a program that puts high tech, health clubtype exercise equipment exercise bikes, stair-steppers, weight machines, etc - in the school along with a comprehensive package of support for staff members charged with overseeing the program.

The fitness package changes the face of physical education, making the class more interesting and attractive to students, according to Gray, who said the goal is to attack a nationwide problem of obesity among young

sessments are completed for each student, and those assessments are used to set up individualized exercise regimens. Progress is then monitored and data collected to measure gains in fitness.

cludes equipment for a 24station fitness center, firstaid equipment (including heart monitors and a heart defibrillator), curriculum, computer software, training and maintenance, costs about \$200,000.

Gray said the program was designed to enable schools to participate without any out-of-pocket costs.

The way it works, he explained, is the participating school district must agree to enter into a standard business loan agreement with a local or other bank to guarantee the purchase price. The school then makes monthly payments to the foundation over a 3-year lease period,

and the foundation fully reimburses each payment, provided the district submits required data on students' progress.

At the end of the 3-year lease, the school has the option of owning the entire package for \$1.

Gray acknowledged there is risk involved - should the foundation collapse due to a market crash or other reason, participating schools would be liable for the remainder of their debt for the \$200,000 package.

However, he indicated foundation officials are confident in the organization's financial position and future growth, and for the prospects of leveraging a portion of

some \$400 million in federal dollars earmarked for school physical education programs.

Gray said the National School Fitness Foundation, established 5 years ago in Utah, has established 175 middle/high school fitness programs in 9 states to-date. Three of those programs are in Michigan.

The foundation started out with \$9.5 million in "seed" money from private and philanthropic sources, he said, and today the organization has the capacity to add 20 new programs a month as well as maintain the existing programs.

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IGA equipment going on the auction block

former Cass City IGA Store to several entities. "It's not will go on the auction block later this month to satisfy a personal property tax debt.

The auction is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 25, beginning at 10 a.m. at the store, village.

The sale, ordered by Elkland Township Treasurer Art Randall, will include a variety of freezers, coolers, display cases and racks, cooking appliances, tables, cash registers and other items.

Randall said proceeds from the sale will be applied to a tax debt spanning about 3 years and totaling \$10,000

Equipment inside the to \$12,000, which is owed just to the township; it's school tax, state tax, county lax, the township tax and the intermediate school tax," he explained.

The store has been closed. located at the west end of the since October 2000 when then-business owner Dan Wills, who had leased the building, closed up shop after 4 years in Cass City.

"The previous owner basically abandoned the equipment," Randall said of Wills, adding it's unusual to reach the point of holding an auction because often any equipment or furnishing that could be sold are long gone before local government officials realize it.

The building and land are owned by Gary Sefton, but Randall emphasized that Selton is "an innocent bystander in this. It's not a reflection on him - it has no bearing on him whatsoever,"

Randall said it's unlikely the sale proceeds will exceed the tax debt along with the expenses related to holding an auction.

"There won't be any money leftover," he added. "We're just hoping that it's enough

Forensics team flexes muscle early

If the Cass City High School Forensics Team's performance Saturday in Sterling Heights is any indication of things to come, Coach Chad Daniels is going to have to make some serious room in his trophy case.

The Red Hawks flexed muscle early and often during the tournament - the first of the season - hosted by Sterling Heights High School.

"It didn't take long before the other 32 teams at the tournament were shaking their heads in disbelief,' Daniels said, adding most of the teams were from Class A schools. "Cass City registered 10 entries, with all 10 making the semi-final round. More heads began to shake when 9 of the 10 entries then made it to finals.

"We had the tournament of a lifetime on Saturday," Daniels said. "It is uncommon for a team to have 100 percent of its entries make the semi finals and then follow it up with 90 percent bringing home trophies."

To make the day even better, Cass City locked out 3 events - Sales Open, Sales 9/ 10, and Informative Speaking -in the process. "Locking out an event is when your school finishes with the top 2 speakers in a particular event," Daniels explained. "Sometimes you will see it once, but hardly do you see it 3 times like we did." Overall, Cass City finished

first in the Class B, C and D divisions, and third in the Class A Division.

"The only schools that were

able to top us were Class A

Troy Athens and Class A Bir- in Sales Open, sophomore mingham Groves that needed 36 and 34 students, respectively, to do it,' Daniels said.

Earning individual honors were senior Amanda Frederick, freshman Sarah Langmaid and junior Leslie Hacker, who finished first overall in Sales Open, Sales 9/10, and Informative Speaking, respectively.

Claiming second place finishes were junior Eric Hanby Leah Sherman in Sales 9/10, sophomore Stephanie Richards in Informative Speaking, and senior Joe Lounsbury in Storytelling.

Sophomore Angela Stoeckle finished fourth in Dramatic Interpretation 9/ 10, and sophomore Caleb Hanby finished sixth in Sales 9/10.

Daniels noted junior Sarah Hobbs made her Broadcasting debut and made the semi

finals before bowing out to the Class A powers. "These students have

worked hard to accomplish this and I am proud of them," he said.

Cass City, which finished third in the state in Class C last year, won't compete again until Feb. 8, when they will travel to Roscommon High School for the Buck's Second Annual Opening Day

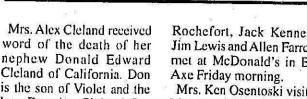
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TEN MEMBERS of the Cass City High School Forensics Team turned plenty of heads at their first tournament of the season Saturday in Sterling Heights. The squad finished first in the Class B. C and D divisions. and third in Class A.

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nephew Donald Edward Cleland of California. Don is the son of Violet and the late Douglas Cleland Sr., former residents of this community. Don is survived by his mother, Vi Cleland of Florida; his wife; a daughter; 2-sons; 2-brothers: Douglas Jr. of Harley, Michigan and Gary Cleland of Florida. Don was in the Navy.

Ray and Rita Depcinski, Bob and Jardine Zurck, Harley and Angelina Burhart and Beatie Guigar and A.J. Batie were Sunday evening guests of Clarence and Leone Depoinski for Clarence Depcinski's 63rd bîrthday.

Madeline Bouck of Howell and Jenniser Viola of Holt brought a dinner and spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Olin Bouck.

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Mrs. Ken Osentoski visited Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Deachin of Oakland, Michigan and Thelma Jackson visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Hazel Mattice, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly attended the senior dinner at St. Joseph Catholic Church Hall in Argyle Sunday.

Jerry and Janet Cummings, Janessa, Josh, Joey, and James Cummings of Fountain Hills, Arizona; Bob Carpenter, Dean Jr., Michael, Jessica and Timothy of Caro: Greg and Susan Krozek. Ryan and Samantha of Filion; and Ray and Rita Depcinski enjoyed a family get together at the home of

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guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel,

Doris Western and Allen Farrelly had dinner at the Stockyards Restaurant at Cass City.

Mrs. John O'Henley and Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Loas Wolschlager and Genevieve Polega at the Huron County Medical Care Facility on Thursday.

Jack Kennedy, Jim Lewis and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe on Monday.

Nine members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at Stephano's next

Allen Farrelly visited Julie Koroleski in Bad Axe on Monday and Mrs. And Mrs. Dale Gornowicz on Synday. Connie and Sfella Tyll and Lois Hill, Andrea and Adam visited Mrs. Mike Maurer on Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Beardsley spent Christmas with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Beardsley and Trinity at Dryden.

Mr. and Mrs. Beardsley and Trinity and Mrs. Mary Beardsley spent from Dec. 29, 2002 to Jan. 3, 2003 visiting Connie Beardsley of Sturtevant, Wisconsin; and Michele and son, Micke, of Racine, Wisconsin.

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Kevin and Kara Heck

King and Heck exchange vows

Kara King, of Cass City, and Kevin Heck, of Holland, were married Saturday, Oct. 12, 2002 at Faith Lutheran Church in Bridgeport. The Rev. William Hessler officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Karen King of Cass City and the groom is the son of Kurt and Carolyn Heck of Lakeview.

Grandparents of the couple are Phyllis Pelton of Cass City; Ruth Behm of Saginaw; and Arvilla Heck of Standish.

Holly Coleman of Sarasota, Florida, friend of the bride, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Rebbecca Radulski of Waterford; and Karen Davis of Fraser, both friends of the bride.

Kevin Trinklein of Sarasota, Florida, friend of the groom, was the best man. Groomsmen were Michael Heck of Grand Haven, brother of the groom; and Thomas Blome of Saginaw, friend of the ebridence en nammer e

· Ushers were Dan Wajtowicz of Frankenmuth, friend of the groom; and David Hutchinson of Saginaw, friend of the bride.

The ring bearer was Nicholas Middaugh of Decker, nephew of the bride.

Others who added to the day were Jason Wald of Allen Park, nephew of the bride. candle lighter; Samantha Wald of Allen Park, niece of the bride and Kyle Middaugh of Decker, nephew of the bride, both helped by attending the

guest book and handing out programs. Kim Sangster of Allen Park, sister of the bride, and Vicki Heck of Grand Haven, sister-in-law of the groom, were hostesses. Scripture readers were Kris Middaugh of Decker, sister of the bride; and Rick Webb of Frankenmuth, uncle of the groom. Organist, Janet Severance of Decker; soloist, Jeff Bader of Cass City; and violinist, Amy Kortman of Byron Center, all friends of the bride.

Best Western of Saginaw was the site of the reception, hosting over 250 guests with over 2 dozen decorated white pumpkins. Some of the guests who attended traveled from England, Japan, Florida, Louisiana and Tennessee.

The bride and groom will reside in Holland, where Kara continues her nursing career at Muskegon's Mercy Hospital; and Kevin maintains his work at Johnson Controls in Holland.

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It seems to me that football season gets longer every year. I suppose it can never be too long for the true devotee, who is always happy to plunk in front of the TV for one more

I don't know who came up with these interpretations, probably some guy whose mind wandered during the sermon. Anyway, see if you agree that a lot of these "plays" take place in church.

Quarterback Sneak -Church members leaving during the invitation.

Draw Play - What many people do with the bulletin during worship.

Halftime - The period between Sunday school and worship when many choose to leave. Bench Warmer - Those who

do not sing, pray, work or apparently do anything but

Backfield in Motion - Making a trip; to the back (restroom or water fountain) during the service.

Staying in the Pocket -What happens to a lot of money that should be given to the Lord's work.

Two-minute Warning - The point at which you realize the sermon is almost over and begin to gather up your children and belongings.

Instant Replay - What the preacher does when he loses his notes and falls back on last week's illustrations. Sudden Death - What hap-

pens to the attention span of the congregation if the preacher goes overtime. Trap - The embarrassment

of being called on to pray when you're asleep. End Run - Getting out of

church quickly without speaking to any guest or fellow member. Flex Defense - The ability to allow absolutely nothing

said during the service to affect your life. Halfback Option - The de-

cision of 50% of the congre-

gation not to return for the evening service. Blitz - The rush for the res-

taurants following the benediction.

Toyota's "What would Jesus drive" campaign sent us rifling through our files for this item from Chuck Hover. It goes straight to Scripture to determine what Jesus would drive:

One theory is that Jesus would tool around in an old Plymouth because the Bible says God drove them out of the garden in a Fury.

But in Psalm 83, the Almighty clearly owns a Pontiac and a Geo. The passage urges the Lord to "pursue your enemies with your Tempest and terrify them with your Storm."

Perhaps Jesus would favor Dodge pickups because Moses' followers were warned not to go up a mountain "until the Ram's horn sounds a long blast."

Some scholars insist that Jesus drove a Honda but didn't like to talk about it. In the gospel of John He said, "For I did not speak of my own Accord."

And following the Master's lead, the apostles must have been mighty cramped carpooling: "The apostles were together in one Accord."

It's a boy!



Gary Michael Janik

Henry Joseph Janik, 3, announces the birth of his brother, Gary Michael Janik. Gary was born Nov., 29,

2002 at Lapeer Regional Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. Henry and Gary are the sons

of Julie and Larry Janik of Bad Axe. Grandparents are Gary and Margaret Czekai of Cass

City and Henry and Nancy

Janik of Bad Axe.

It's a boy!

Scott and Lisa (Dorsch) Stephenson announcesthe birth of their son, Zachary Ryan, born Dec. 18, 2002. Zachary weighed 7 pounds,. 9 ounces and was 20 1/2" long.

He was welcomed home by a brother, Alexander, 3:

Grandparents are Donald Dorsch, Owendale; Kathern Dorsch, Midland; Alan Stephenson, East Tawas; and Rena Stephenson, East Tawas.

Great-grandmothers are Eloise Dorsch, Owendale; Lillian Rupp, Florida; and Mona Ritchie, Lincoln.

United Methodist Women air meeting

Twenty-four members and guests of the United Methodist Women met Jan. 6 for dinner prepared by Group #3, chaired by Bea Baker and Laura Bryant.

President Sheryl Seeley announced the annual craft and The next meeting will be at antique show will be held noon, Monday, Feb. 3.

Saturday, March 29. Treasurer Shirley Wagg led

the pledge service that included a game of Jeopardy featuring categories pertaining to the church.



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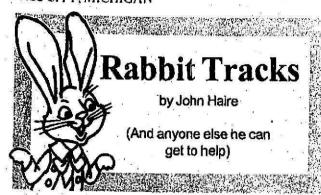
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Gratzi's is an upscale Italian-type restaurant located on the main drag in downtown Ann Arbor. I was there as one of a 13member family reunion hosted by my daughter, B.J. Haire and her husband Roger Salo.

My choice was salmon polenta and I took a chance since I haven't the foggiest idea of what polenta means. Salmon I understand. The salmon was served on top of a commeal concoction that was okay. Certainly different than that served at most restaurants. The salad, potatoes and bread rolls were good. I figure the cost to my hosts was about \$40 a plate, including wine. Give it a 5.5 on the 1-10 scale.

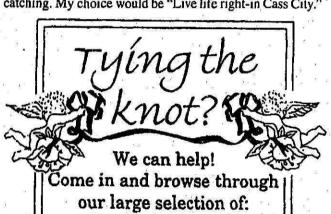
For the past 12 years, area folks in need of a storage shed have seized an opportunity to secure a shed with an average size of 10x12 feet (some smaller, some larger) for just the cost of the materials.

The sheds are made as a project of the carpentry class at Cass City High School. It's first come, first served. Interested persons should call Dave Hoard at the high

school, 872-2148.

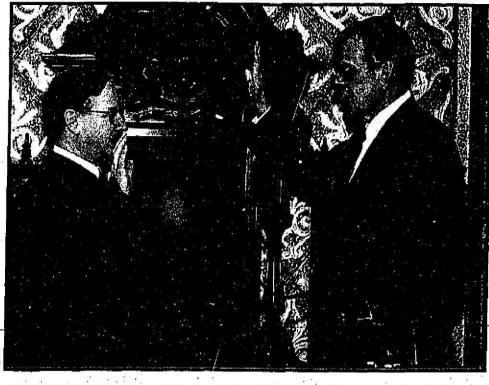
The Cass City Promotion Group is looking for a theme or slogan which would "positively reflect and promote the Cass City area." Your ideas are solicited. The contest ends Jan. 31. The lucky winner will receive \$75. All entries should be submitted to Supt. Ken Micklash at Cass City High School by Jan. 31.

A little background about the Promotion Group may help. Its principal effort has been to lure more families to the community. I recluse myself from the contest, but feel that the slogan should reflect the group's effort and be brief and eyecatching. My choice would be "Live life right-in Cass City."



Wedding Invitations, Announcements & Accessories

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STATE REP. Tom Meyer (right) takes the ceremonial oath for his second term in the Michigan House of Representatives from state Supreme Court Justice Stephen J. Markman during a ceremony last week at the Capitol in Lansing. The Bad Axe lawmaker represents the 84th House District, encompassing Huron and Tuscola counties.

Parent meeting slated

Middle School cafeteria.

The goal of the meeting is

to involve parents in their

child's education. The infor-

mational session will be an

open forum to discuss middle

school issues and help plan

"The 4 areas to be first ad- sions."

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for the future.

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Parents in the Cass City School District are invited and encouraged to attend the first Middle School Parent Advisory Meeting, scheduled for today (Wednesday) at 7 p.m. in the Cass City

King named officer

Thumb Area Home Inspections of Kingston recently announced that Robin King was elected vice president of MI-NAHI, Michigan's Chapter of the National Association of Home Inspectors.

King, owner of the company, began Thumb Area Home Inspections in 2000. Thumb Area Home Inspections offers home inspection services on single and multiple family residences in the area. In addition, water testing, comprehensive septic system evaluations, radon testing, and wood destroying insect inspections are offered

Like ivy growing on the side of a wall, gambling in Michigan is spreading its tentacles closer and closer. Don't think that it's beyond reason that a casino could sprout in Gagetown or Ubly.

After all, outgoing Gov. John Engler has given approval for one in Vanderbilt. Vanderbilt is the village that many sportsmen use as a take-off spot to visit the fabuous Pigeon Kiver Forest area in northern Michigan. It's about the size of Gagetown

and much smaller than Ubly. The Vanderbilt site was one of several that were anproved. Two of the others make gambling much more. assessable in the Thumb. One is proposed at Flint and the other at Port Huron. Another proposed site is in Romulus.

More casinos are a bad idea. I admit it's a case of don't do as I do. do as I tell you. Frankly, I have gambled in many of the present casinos in Michigan, including Mt. Pleasant, Petoskey, 2 in Detroit, 2 in the Traverse City area and 3 in the Upper Pen-

That's a lot of visits, but my stays are never for over a couple of hours and my bets aren't going to make the casino or break me.

The carrot dangled before the communities is money, money, money. Casinos operate in a monopoly and a river of cash rolls in. The argument for the cash cows is that they provide jobs and attract tourists.

That's true, but the jobs aren't in the upper strata of the wage scale. They will attract visitors, but it's questionable if the money spent will spill over in the community. If casino gambling is the objective, the gamblers rarely leave the slots to

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The back forty by Roger Pond

Don't worry, I'll be O.K. This isn't the first time I've watched 35 football games in one month - and it probably won't be the last.

What a waste of time, watching football. Entertaining, but a waste just the same.

I'm reminded of my son's first dove hunt when he was about 14. Russ got permission to shoot doves on a neighbor's farm and set up near an old barn.

The doves were flying pretty good, and he managed to bag four or five. As the boy was walking home a local farmer stopped to ask what he was doing.

"Hunting doves," Russ said. The farmer looked at the boy's shotgun and his little bag of 2-ounce birds and said, "What a waste of time!"

Most entertainment is a waste of time, I guess, but watching football is probably the worst.

A few readers might recall when we had some bowl games on New Year's Day and that was about it. We didn't have a Seattle Bowl. Music City Bowl, Capitol One Bowl, etc.

dressed are: student achieve-

ment, professional develop-

ment, public relations and

special events," explained

school Supt. Ken Micklash.

"Other areas can and will be

addressed if there is a need

to expand on the discus-

spend time and money in

Most casino gamblers are in

my class. But there is a small

percentage that is inclined to

bet the family farm. The more

casinos, the more chances

there are for addicted gam-

Gambling in Michigan is

not a designation area like

Las Vegas or Atlantic City.

The money siphoned out

Michigan now ranks in the

top 10 in gambling casinos.

Most folks are already too

We should not allow them

ets of local residents.

close to casino sites.

to move closer.

blers to lose.

non-gambling activities.

Everybody just sat around New Year's Day eating and griping about the referees. When the games were over we all shouted, "Just wait 'til next year," and went home.

That way we wasted one whole day, but we didn't waste three weeks. The day after New Year's the National Champion was decided by a poll of sports writers and coaches. It all seems kind of quaint now.

Now the National Champion is determined by the Bowl Championship Series (BCS). This involves polling sports writers and coaches, studying won-loss records, strength of schedule, computer rankings, bonus points and a large weegee board.

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Is this any better than the old system? Of course not. Any two of the top ten teams could beat each other on a given day. All of this BCS hoopla just takes some of the fun out of the other bowls.

The big game this year is Ohio State versus Miami. I wrote this before the game,

so I don't know who won. (As an Ohio State fan I wish they were playing in Columbus.)

Whatever happens, one of those two teams will be National Champion. If the score winds up 3 to 2, the team with 3 will be the National Champion,

They could fall down coming out of the tunnel, slip on the Tostitos dip, and spill the Gator Aid, but the team that

wins this game will be the National Champion, The game could be uglier than Georgia's mascot, but that

doesn't matter. Does this mean major college football should have a play-off system? Heavens

That's just five more weeks of football. And a bigger waste of time.

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from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

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School Board Recognition Month, in January, is celebrated by 560 local and 57 intermediate school districts in Michigan, as 4,200 elected school board members are honored by their schools and communities for untiring dedication to school gover-

We are proud of our district, and School Board Recognition Month is the time to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our elected trustees. In the Cass City Public Schools, school board members must develop policies and make tough decisions on complex educational and social issues which impact the entire community. They bear the responsibility for an annual budget of over \$11,000,000, approximately 1600 students, 160 employees and 5 buildings.

I invite you to recognize and celebrate the work of our school trustees. The men and women serving the Cass City Schools and their years of service are:

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Alissa's Article

by Alissa Pasant



The Cass City Gymnastics 2002-2003 season is well underway. Fourth year coach Heather Spencer coaches the varsity gymnastics team. Christina Swiderski is the assistant coach. The team this year consists of 10 members. There is I senior, I junior, 4 sophomores, and 4 freshmen. Even though mandatory practices didn't begin until November 1, the team began conditioning for

This year is the second year that Cass City has allowed students from other schools around the area to be a part of the Red Hawk team. The reason why Cass City does this is to give kids from schools, which don't have gymnastics programs, the opportunity to compete. It helps Cass City out as well. Coach Spencer said, "Especially after losing 5 seniors last year, we needed to fill those spaces."

the season in October.

The Hawks have 3 girls from different schools. One member, Randee McGregor, is from Deckerville. She is a returning gymnast. She is a senior this year and the cap-

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tain of the team. The other two girls are from Caro. They are Marta Streu, a junior, and Brittany Laethem, a sophomore. This year is their first year on the Cass City team.

For many of the girls on the team, this is their first time being in gymnastics. So the first few meets have been used to gain experience. Coach Spencer said, "Once they have that experience of being in front of judges at competition, they will gain the experience and confidence they need to let their true potential come out."

The team has many goals for the 2002-2003 season. Their goal is to continually improve individual and team scores at every meet and to have girls qualify for Regional and State competition individually. To qualify for Regionals you need at least 4 qualifying scores. The qualifying scores for the events are: Vault-7.7, Bars-7.0, Beam-7.4, and for the entire team to go Regionals they need 118. To qualify for State you need to be in the top 8 places at Regionals.

The team's first meet was December 14, 2002. This was held at Vassar. Vassar beat the Hawks 104.2 to 101.3. At that meet, Randce McGregor took first place in all 4 events and in the All-Around. Brittany Laethem took fifth on bars and third on vault. Marta Streu took fourth on beam and third on floor. At the Northern Invitational at Cadillac on January 4, 2003, the team score was 92. Randee placed eighth on bars. The team traveled to Hartland on January 9, and scored 98.35 points as a team. Randee was first on the beam. Coach Spencer said, "The girls have a lot of potential and are working very hard. This is a rebuilding year for our leam due to the loss of 5 seniors and due to inexperience. There is still the possibility of Individual Regional and State qualification." The gymnastics team's next meet is Monday, January 20, at Midland High.

Circuit court proceedings

Woman sentenced in robbery

The Caro woman convicted of robbing the Independent Bank branch in Caro last fall was sentenced to 3 to 15 years in prison last week in Tuscola County Circuit

However, Alicia L. Bailey, 21, may avoid the lion's share of that term if she qualifies for and successfully completes a Special Alternative Incarceration (SAI) program - an intense, supervised booteamp-type-program.

Circuit Judge Patrick Joslyn left the door open for Bailey's participation in an SAI program during her sentencing on a charge of unarmed robbery. Bailey previously pleaded guilty to the charge as part of a plea agree-

She also pleaded guilty to writing a no-account check for \$500 April 23 in Mayville, and absconding/ forfeiting bond Oct. 11 in

According to police reports, Bailey, wearing a dark mask and hood over her head, accosted 2 bank employees during the early morning hours of Oct. 26, producing a large knife and taking an undisclosed amount of cash. The employees were tending an outdoor automated telling machine at the time. In other felony cases last

Thomas A. LeFave, 37,

Troy, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence with a passenger under the age of 16 years, and assaulting or obstructing a police

Financial aid workshop scheduled

A financial aid workshop will be held Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 7 p.m. in the Cass City High School speech room to help parents and students fill out the free application for Rederal - Aid.

Gena Harken, financial aid director of Davenport University, will be on hand to go through the FAFSA form, page by page, explaining it to the participants.

Anyone that has questions may contact Wayne Dillon, guidance counselor, at (989) 872-2148. officer July 28 in Caro. A pre-sentence investiga-

tion was ordered and bond was continued at \$6,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

 Gregory S. Dietzel, 38, Vassar, was sentenced to 270 days in the county jail, with work release, for his pleas of guilty to domestic violence May 9 in Juniata Township, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, May 9 in Caro.

Dietzel was also ordered to serve 5 years probation and undergo substance abuse therapy/counseling, and pay court costs and fines totaling \$3,120 plus a \$150 forensics fee.

•Kevin Powell, 38, Millington, was sentenced to 192 days in jail and ordered to pay \$120 in costs and fines for his conviction on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon May 18 in Millington.

•Robert R. Vliet, 46, Mt. Morris, was sentenced to 2 years and 10 months to 20 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to possession of

burglar's tools and fleeing a police officer, fourth degree, July 19 in Arbela Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 prior felony convictions).

•Jesse J. Palmreuter, 23, Reese, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Oct. 5 in Denmark Township.

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

*Casey M. Borcherding, 23, Saginaw, stood mute to charges of fleeing a police officer, third degree, assaulting a police officer, driving with a suspended or revoked license, subsequent offense, operating a motor vehicle with an altered license/identification, and driving with expired plates Dec. 4 in Vassar.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case, bond was continued at \$100,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Glen M. Touchette, 37,

was continued at \$2,700.

Shawn J. Barclay, 31, Castle Rock, Colo., was sentenced to 24 months probation and 270 days in jail (90 days deferred) for his pleas of guilty to possession of a firearm by a felon and making a false statement to obtain a license Dec. 20, 2001. in Indiantields Township.

"He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling

Bank March 5 in Cass City. She was also ordered to un-\$860 in costs and fines. Res-

Horton, stood mute to charges of possession of a firearm by a felon and driving while his license was suspended/revoked, subsequent offense, Nov. 17 in Juniata Township.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond

> reason. Why, after 30 years, do citizens continue to fight against abortion? Why don't they give up when, at times, this battle for life seems futile? Why can't they accept what has been in place for 3 decades? They continue to battle because it is a battle for life.

Dear Editor,

This month is the 30th an-

niversary of the U.S. Su-

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which made abortion legal

in this country. Today, abor-

tion is legal through all 9

months of pregnancy for any

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If you would like to show

your support for life, if you

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abortive women, if you

would like to pray for an end

to abortion, if you would like

to stand as a symbol of hope

for change, joint Huron

County Right to Life, Sun-

children.

They know that every life, born or unborn, has value. They continue to battle be-

 Amanda B. Cureton, 21, Cass City, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 180 days in jail, with work release, for her plea of guilty to forgery involving a \$200 check drawn on Chemical dergo substance abuse therapy/counseling and pay titution is to be determined.

day, Jan. 19, at 1:30 p.m. at the Huron County Courthouse steps, A non-denominational gathering to acknowledge this tragic anniversary will be held and all are invited to attend.

Deb Knarian, Bad Axe

Letter to the editor

Gathering set

Letters to the Editor The Chronicle welcomes

letters to the editor. Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper.

Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason.

The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

We will not publish thank you letters of a specific nature, for instance, from a club thanking merchants who donated prizes for a raffle.

Debra Kranz recertified

Debra Lynn Kranz, of Cass tice, since its 1976 founding, City, recently qualified for has had as its goals: (1) to recertification of the desig- recognize those practitionation of Certified Funeral Service Practitioner (CFSP), by the Academy of Professional Funeral Service Practice (APFSP). Kranz, CFSP, is a lifetime member of the academy,

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ners who have voluntarily entered into a program of personal and professional growth, (2) to raise and improve the standards of funeral service, and (3) to encourage practitioners to make continuing education a life-long process in their own self-interest, the interest of the families they serve, and the community in which they serve.

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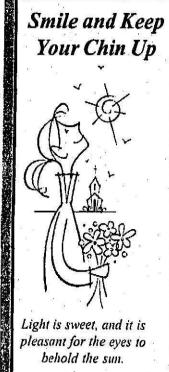
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People who are depressed habitually frown, slump their shoulders and keep their chins down, forcing them to look and feel depressed. Their exterior appearance reinforces their inner feelings. Happy people are much more likely to smile and laugh, to have good posture and literally keep their chin up. There is substantial evidence that putting a smile on your face, keeping your chin up, and keeping your overall body posture positive will make you feel better simply by sending signals to your brain that you are happy. If you don't believe this, try the experiment on yourself: spend a few minutes frowning, slumping your shoulders and moping around. Then smile and walk around energetically with good posture and keep your chin up. It's contagious. People will be happy to see you and will smile back at you. Finally, the view is far better with your chin up than with your chin down. So keep your chin up; it's the only way to keep your eyes on heaven.

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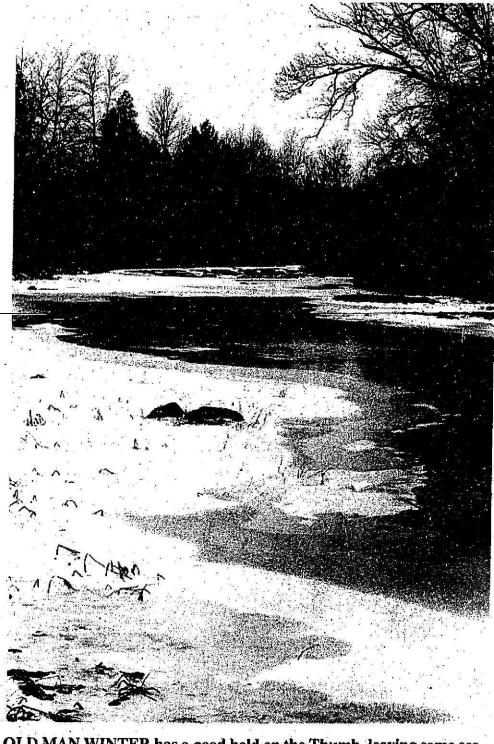
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OLD MAN WINTER has a good hold on the Thumb, leaving some scenic winter views for walkers and joggers. Pictured above is the Cass River about a mile west of Cemetery Road, south of Cass City.

AAUW offering scholarships

Area women planning to go back to school may be interested in applying for a scholarship offered by the Cass City branch of the American Association of University

Women. Applications are available

now for one of 2 \$500 scholarships to be awarded in the spring. Applications may be obtained by writing the Tuscola County Community Foundation, attn. AAUW Scholarship, P.O. Box 534,

Caro, Mich., 48723. Eligible recipients must be planning to return to school after an absence of at least 3 years and plan to enter a degree program either on a parttime or full-time basis.

Volunteers sought for review board

The State Court Administra- training is a requirement to tive Office of the Michigan Supreme Court is seeking volunteers to serve on the Tuscola County Foster Care Review Board.

The Michigan Legislature established the Foster Care Review Board Program in 1984 in an effort to improve children's foster care programs through the state utilizing citizen review boards.

The 5 to 7 member boards meet one day each month to review a representative sample of cases of children who have been removed from their homes and placed in foster care due to abuse or neglect. At these reviews, board members interview parents, foster parents, caseworkers, attorneys, and other interested parties who may be involved in planning for the ward. Advisory recommendations are formulated and mailed to the court, child welfare agency, prosecuting attorney, parents, and other interested parties.

The purpose of the review is to insure that all agencies, including the court, have established a plan for the ward and progress is being made toward achieving permanency,

The Foster Care Review Boards are comprised of citizens who reflect a broad cross section of their communities. Minorities and men are especially encouraged to apply. The program is seeking volunteers who have demonstrated leadership in other settings.

Employees of the Family Independence Agency, family court, or private child placement agencies are prohibited by law to serve on Foster Care Review Boards.

Each volunteer who is selected must attend a 2-day orientation training in Lansing March 27-28, 2003. This

serve on a board. Also, board members attend yearly training, which is held in different locations throughout the state, and expenses for training are reimbursed.

Citizens interested in becoming a board member for the Foster Care Review Board should call (517) 373-1956 for an application. The deadline for receiving applications is Feb. 27, 2003, and interviews with prospective candidates will take place in February and March 2003.

Tractor safety class set

A 4-H Tractor Safety Course will be offered in 2003 with the first class being Jan. 22. If your 4-H Club, 4-H members, or you know of youth that are interested, please call for more information.

There will be a small cost of \$5, which covers the training material and manuals.

For those who will turn 14 or older before Dec. 31, 2003, the Tractor Safety Course will meet all the requirements for "certification" needed for agricultural employment off the family farm to operate a tractor. Youth under 16 may not operate a tractor or most farm equipment for anyone other than their parents. The Tractor Safety class will meet for 14 hours - 2 hours/week for 7 weeks.

Please call the Michigan State University Extension office to register youth at (989) 269-9949.

Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

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officials say it isn't too soon

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Cass City Schools last week

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Shaw, 32, is presently an Air

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The cost of the addition and

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General Hospital has in-

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5 YEARS AGO

Representatives of the Thumb Oilseed Producer's Cooperative (TOPC) hope to purchase land in the Ubly area to build a proposed \$2.5 million soybean extrusion plant. The cooperative had considered purchasing property from the village of Ubly, and officials met with the Ubly Village Council Thursday to discuss the sale of the 6 to 10 acres needed.

A scholarship valued at up

to \$10,000 will be awarded annually to an Owen-Gage High School graduate. School Supt. Manuel Thies announced the scholarship offer during the monthly Owen-Gage Board of Education meeting Monday night. Thies said he recently received a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Wurst, Pigeon, stating the Adolph Wurst Memorial Scholarship will be awarded on an annual basis to an Owen-Gage graduate who is interested in and intends to pursue a degree in engineering from a 4-year university or college within Michigan.

The Chronicle's 1998 New Year's baby was born Jan. 4 at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe. Joshua Aaron, son of Pete and Kathy Gamet, Cass City, came into the world at 9:25 p.m., weighing 8 pounds and 11 3/4 ounces. He was also wel-

cludes schools in Huron.

Supt. Ken Micklash was LaVern Rutkoski. 25 YEARS AGO A Cass City native, Brewster Shaw Jr., was one of 35 persons named Monday who will be orbiting the Earth in the 1980s. It was the

comed by a sister, Amber, 6.

10YEARSAGO

For several years now Bob Townsend, director of the Regional Educational Media Center (REMC) in Cass \$250,000 more than the City, has been attempting to move district 10, which in-Tuscola and Sanilac coun-

reason for the increase, according to hospital Administrator Ken E. Jensen, is a decision by the board of trustees to air, condition all patient care areas and relocate existing air cooling equipment, which will cost \$147,000-

> When Helen Roth leaves her second grade classroom at Gagetown Elementary School for the last time Friday, she won't have to bank the fire before closing the

door. Teachers don't have to do that nowadays, but when Mrs. Roth started teaching in 1936 at age 18, that was one of her responsibilities. Mrs. Roth is retiring Friday, at the end of the first semester, after teaching a total of 27 years, of which 20 were in the Owendale-Gagetown Schools or their predeces-

35YEARSAGO

The Tuscola County Board of Supervisors authorized the purchase of an addressograph machine for \$13,695.36 in the closing days of its January session at the courthouse in Caro. The machine will replace a similar 12-year-old unit that Treasurer Arthur Willits describes as worn out. The basic difference between the old and the new machine, Willits says, is that the new unit will handle continuous Warran Brack

In the 16 plus years that Bill Schram has been connected with the village maintenance department, it has moved. from a small time operation with an annual budget of around \$10,500 to a full time separate department spending some \$45,000 yearly, reflecting both the growth of Cass City and the years of steady inflation. But the difference in the work today and in 1951 is mainly one of degree, the village engineer said this week as he recalled his early days with the village. The only difference is that today there is more of everything to do and we have more equipment to do

A fire of undetermined origin in a small building in back of Chandler's Restaurant early Wednesday morning caused damages estimated at \$1,000. The blaze was discovered at 3:08 a.m. by Jerry Mathewson, who lives in a Main Street apartment across the street from the restaurant. The shed was heated by a small electrical house for the restaurant. The blaze was quickly brought under control by the Elkland Township Fire Department.

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After experiencing a total knee replacement four years ago, Mary Hillman of Imlay City did not look forward to having to go through the process of surgery and recovery once again. But the absence of cartilage and the onset of arthritis in her right knee made

the prospect of surgery loom in her future. That is, however, until she once again consulted Dr. John DeSantis at The Knee and Orthopaedic Center in Lapeer.

"I didn't want go through the recovery process again for three to six months," remarked Mary when she visited Dr. DeSantis. What she didn't know at that time, however, was that Dr. DeSantis had something else in mind that could alleviate Mary's discomfort and perhaps prolong the need for surgery.

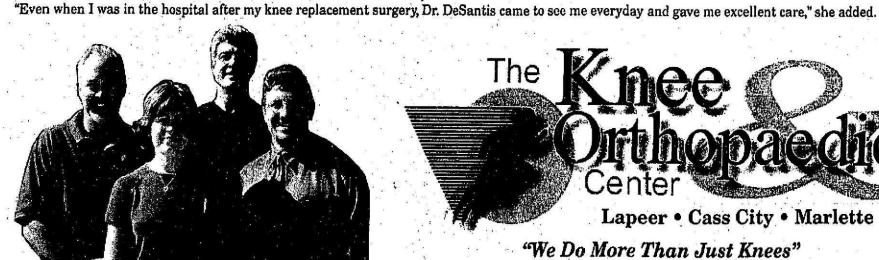
DeSantis, who had earlier performed Mary's left knee replacement surgery, suggested she try the visco supplementation injection called Supartz. These injections, applied directly into the side of the knee, serve as a lubricant between the joints of the knee. Although not a permanent solution or an alternative to surgery, Supartz can alleviate both pain and discomfort and can also postpone the need for surgery.

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"It's working so far for me," remarked Mary who, along with her husband of 55 years, Howard, lead full and active lives as the parents of three children, the grandparents of seven and the great-grandparents of six... with one more great-grandchild expected to arrive soon.

Now under Dr. DeSantis' care for approximately five years, Mary would recommend The Knee and Orthopaedic Center to everyone.

"They're great," she exclaimed. "Even if the waiting room looks busy, there's never any wait. Everything moves right along. The girls of the staff take great care of you and once you're in the examination room, the doctor is with you within five minutes."



From Left: Gordon A. McClimans II, D.O.; Nicole Ruzzicone, P.A.-C; John G. DeSantis, D.O.; Joseph Paese, D.O.



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Hawk wrestlers split meet at Brown City, finish 9th at Invite

Cass City opened Greater Thumb Conference competition by splitting a dual meet at Brown City Wednesday. The Hawks fell to the Green Devils, 51-24, and de-Unionville-Sebewaing 42-18.

Double winners for Cass City were Wes Becker, 171 pounds; Eric Hollis, 189

Ulfig sets records at Alma

Alma College's Shelly Ulfig has set 2 career records and was listed in last week's NCAA Division III national statistics.

Ulfig, a 6-0 senior center from Cass City, became Alma's all-time career rebounding leader Jan. 8. She has pulled down 879 rebounds, surpassing the previous record of 878 rebounds set by Sue Spagnuolo (1985-

Entering the season, Ulfig already owned the singleseason rebounding record of 284, set last year, and has 3 of the top 4 single-season rebounding marks in school

In last week's NCAA Division III national statistics report, which includes games through Jan. 5, Ulfig was 9th in rebounds per game with an average of 13.1 (118 in 9 games).

In a recent game against St. Lawrence University, she made her 371st free throw to set the career record for free throws made. That moved her past Katie Mans, who made 370 free throws from more free throws in 125 pounds, 2nd; Brandon her 381 for her career.

pounds, and Travis Jensen, 215 pounds.

There are 2 meets slated this week. The Hawks host Valley Lutheran and Lakers Wednesday and will be at Mayville Saturday.

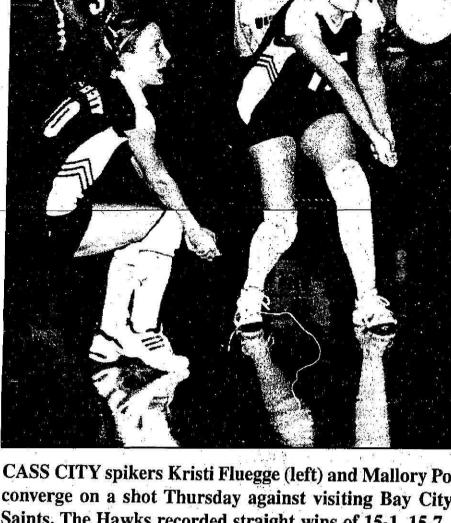
Saturday the 12-team invitational at Cass City was won by Riverview that edged Linden, 149 to 139.5. Cass City was ninth with 57.5 points. Other team results were: Marlette, 102.5; Vassar, 92; Lakers, 89; Caro B team, 88.5; Yale B team, 77; Brown City, 62; Almont, 57; Sandusky, 19; Bad Axe,

Placing and earning medals for Cass City were: Marcell Helland 112 pounds, 4th; Hollis, 171 pounds, 2nd; Jensen, 189 pounds, first, Hollis has a 19-4 season's record and Jensen a gaudy 22-2 record

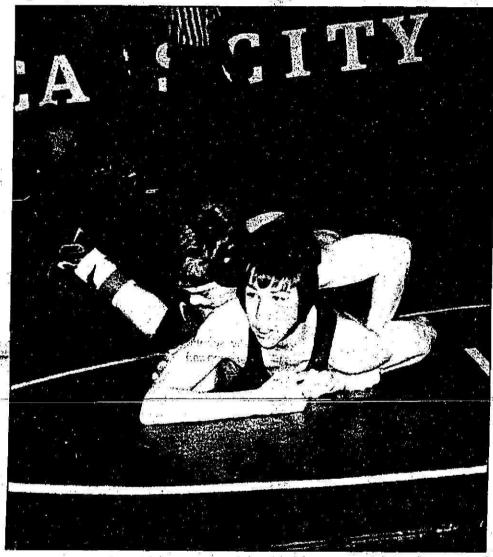
Other area wrestlers that performed well include: MARLETTE- Evan Hayward, 103 pounds, 3rd; Kenny Wittbradt, 130 pounds, first; Jerico Havward, 135 pounds, 3rd; Kevin Conroy, 160 pounds, 4th; Jeremy Bloor, 171 pounds, first, Matt Foster, 189 pounds, 2nd.

VASSAR- Bob Palmer, 103 pounds, 2nd; Frank Knickerbocker, 125 pounds, 4th; Rich King, 152 pounds, first; Jason Balcer, 160 pounds, 3rd; Ernie Huizer, 215 pounds, first; Mike Crandall, 275 pounds, 4th. LAKERS- Scott Hagen, 130 pounds, 3rd; Jon Sanchez, 135 pounds, first; Matt Tyfair, 140 pounds, 3rd; Brent Noll, 215 pounds, 4th; Nick Reynolds, 275 pounds,

CARO B TEAM- Justin Robinson, 103 pounds, 4th; Justin Wright, 112 pounds, 3rd; Justin Schriber, 119 1990-94. Ulfig added 10 pounds first Jason Schriber Wednesday's game to give Turnbull; 130 pounds, 4th; Josh Lapan, 17.1 pounds, 3rd.



CASS CITY spikers Kristi Fluegge (left) and Mallory Powell converge on a shot Thursday against visiting Bay City All Saints. The Hawks recorded straight wins of 15-1, 15-7, and 15-2 over the Cougars during their Greater Thumb West opener.



RED HAWK sophomore grappler Marcel Helland (bottom) works towards a 4th place finish Saturday in the 112-lb weight division at the Cass City Invitational.

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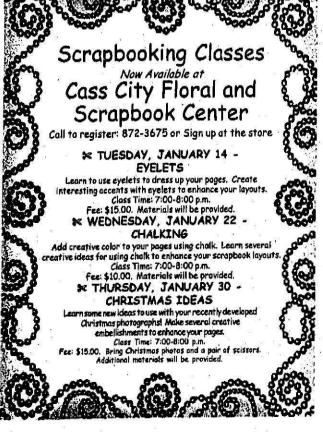
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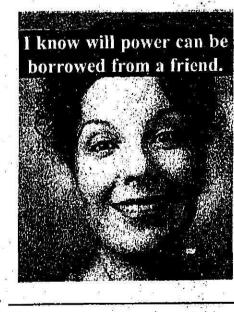
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Cass City spikers open GTW action with easy victory over Cougars

the journey towards the Greater Thumb West volleyball title Thursday with an easy win in straight games over visiting Bay City All Saints.

The Red Hawks received 17 service points from junior Amy Howard and 10 service points from senior Becky Hartel en route to wins of 15-1, 15-7, and 15-2 over the Cougars.

Coach Beth Howard's spikers will now seek their 2nd GTW victory, in as many starts, this Thursday when the Hawks travel to face Valley Lutheran. On Saturday, the Hawks will host an 8team invitational that will include teams from Ubly, Richmond, Leslie, Harbor Beach, Sanford Meridian, New Haven and Bay City.

Coach Howard called the win against the Cougars an exercise in serving. "Not a real exciting match to watch," commented Howard. "I felt really bad for those girls."

Of the 45 total points Cass City needed to capture the

Cass City's spikers began win, 15 came from ace serves. cited the crowd on hand. The Hawks earned most of the remaining points after just one volley.

After cruising to a 15-1 win in game one, Cass City continued to dominate against the inferior Saints. With Krystee Dorland on the service line, the hosts broke open a tight 6-3 score with a pair of well-placed aces. Hartel then gave the Hawks an 11-4 edge with a cleverly placed tip and the route was

Several lady Hawks contributed to the win. Dorland recorded a team best 18 digs, in addition to 6 kills and 2 aces. Cass City also had Lindsey Hendrick with 3 kills, one block and 2 digs. while Mallory Powell chipped in 5 digs and 2 aces. Hawks Elizabeth Sobczak and Kristi Fluegge split 8

Besides a team best 17 points, which included 11 aces, Howard registered 6 kills, one block, and 7 digs. Several of Howard's service points were collected off hard jump serves that exHartel contributed 2 aces, 11 assists and 7 kills.

The Hawk junior varsity and . freshman teams made it a clean sweep on the night with wins of 15-7, 16-14, and 15-2, 15-7 respectively.

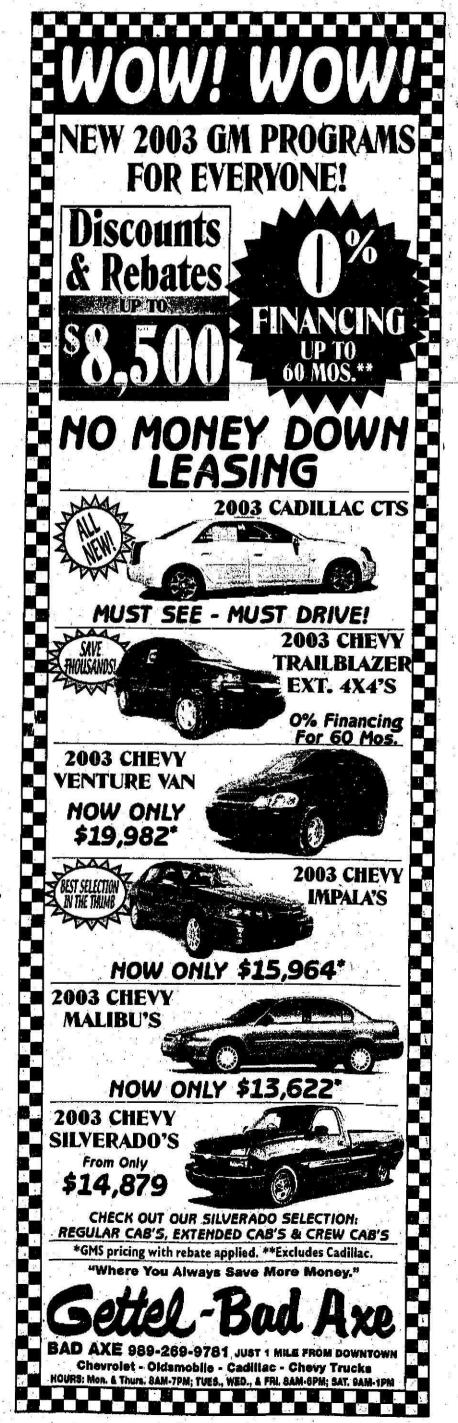
Earlier in the week, on Monday, Cass City entertained Caro and recorded a non-conference win during a hard fought 5 game match. The scores of the individual games were 15-11, 12-15, 15-8, 12-15, and 15-5.

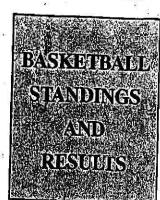
"We didn't play up to our potential," said Coach Howard.

Cass City's trio of Howard, Hartel and Dorland paced the

Howard registered 21 kills, 5 blocks and 17 digs, while Hartel added 27 digs, 26 assists and 8 kills. Dorland added 11 kills, 33 digs and Hendrick had 3 blocks, 6

Entering play this week, the Hawks stand at 17-5-1 overall on the season.



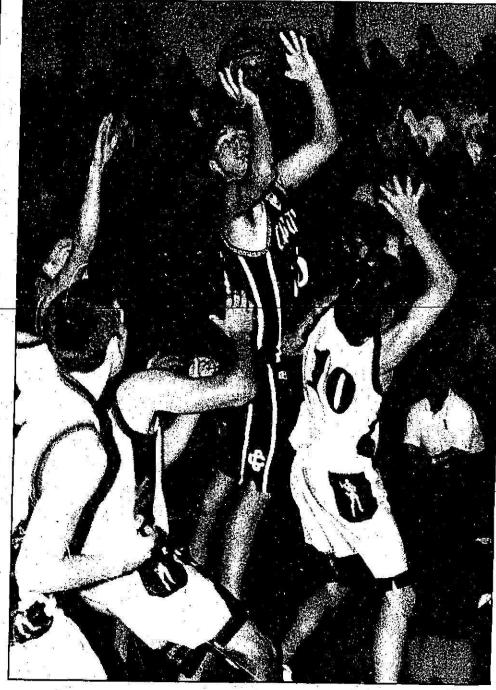


GREATER THUMB WEST

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FRIDAY'S RESULTS Laker 84, Bad Axe 45 USA 70, Casa City 59 Reese 63, Valley Luthers BCAS 80, Mariette 33 Ubly 82, Caskandilla 48 BCAS 80, Marlette 33
Ubly 62, Deckerville 46
Sandusky 77, Harbor Beach 74 OT
Brown City 65, Mayville 40
Caseville 61, North Huron 48
Owen-Gage 49, Port Hope 46
CPS 77, A-Fairgrove 41
Kingston 74, Dryden 50
Memphis 63, Peck 57



CHRIS MAHARG soars above Matt Kitchen for a hoop netted in heavy traffic.

Owen-Gage holds off Port Hope, bows to Caseville in NCTL play

Owen-Gage rebounded entertaining undefeated and 7-point margin, from a 24-17 halftime deficit Friday to earn its 2nd North Central Thumb League victory of the season over winless Port Hope.

Despite the win, which improved the Bulldogs to 2-5 Port Hope, however, caught overall, there will be little fire behind the efforts of Joe time to celebrate by Coach. Gust and outscored the Bull--- nal period. Score.

Troy Perry's cagers. The dogs 18-10 for the remain- Elec Bulldogs then callied Bulldogs were scheduled to der of the half that ended behind 3 timely hoops from scoring honors with 18 point

league leading Carsonville-Port Sanilac this Friday.

Against the Blue Stars both teams started cold and after 8 minutes of play the hosts clung to a 7-6 advantage.

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Cass City (989) 872-3800 Gust, who finished with 14

points, continued his attack on the Bulldog defense after the break with a pair of 3rd quarter treys. But the Bulldogs shut down Port Hope's inside game and closed to within 32-31 entering the fi-

meet Peck Tuesday, before with the visitors enjoying a ... Iim Wise and a 4 of 5 effort for Port Hope;

from Adam Kain at the foul line down the stretch to earn the 49-46 decision.

Kain led the Bulldogs with 17 tallies, 11 coming in the final half. Jeremy Kady scored 7 points including 5 in the initial period when the hosts were struggling to

Caseville showed why it's considered the cream of the crop in the North Central Thumb League North last Tuesday during a lopsided 64-26 drumming of the Bull-

dogs on their own floor. The Eagles led 19-6 after one period, 30-10 at the intermission, and 48-16 entering the final period.

A balanced attack from the winners had Shawn Quinn with 16 points, while Dustin Tonn and Jon Patterson added 15 and 14 points, respectively.

Owen-Gage had Kain with a dozen points and the only player to reach double dig-

OWEN-GAGE - Rogers 1-0 (0-2) 2; Edler 1-0 (0-0) 2; A. Kain 4-1 (6-7) 17; T. Kain 1-0 (0-0) 2; Howard 1-0 (2-4) 4; Kundinger 1-0 (0-1) 2; Wise 3-0 (0-0) 6; McLaren 0-0 (2-2) 2; Kady 2-0 (3-4) 7; Hunt 1-0 (3-6) 5. TOTALS - 15-1 (16-26) 49.

PORT HOPE - Reinke 3-0 (1-2) 7; Gust 2-3 (1-4) 14; Emerick 3-0 (0-0) 6; Schave 3-2 (6-10) 18; Abraham 0-0

TOTALS - 11-5 (9-19) 46.

OWEN-GAGE - A. Kain 3-2 (0-0) 12; T. Kain 1-1 (0-0) 5; Howard 1-0 (0-0) 2; Kady 2-1 (0-0) 7. TOTALS - 7-4 (0-0) 26.

CASEVILLE - Shantoy 1-0 (0-0) 2; Kuhn 3-0 (2-4) 8; Taylor 0-0 (1-2) 1; K. Quinn 3-0 (2-4) 8; Tonn 6-1 (0-2) 15; S. Quinn 5-1 (3-4) 16; Patterson 6-0 (2-7) 14. TOTALS - 24-2 (10-23) 64.

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Cass City handed first GTW loss Friday by visiting USA

A barrage of threes paced the Cass City Red Hawks to an early lead, but a balanced attack coupled with the rebounding of Adam Gainforth handed the Hawks a 70-59 loss Friday and knocked Cass City out of first place in the Greater Thumb West conference.

Cass City went into a 17-14 lead at the end of the first quarter_as_all_of_the_Hawk scoring except 2 free throws was from 3-point land.

Leading the 3-point barrage was Jake Brinkman with 3. When the shooting streak ended, Cass City had cashed 6 treys in a row. The last one by Matt Stoutenburg vaulted them into a 20-14 lead. Nick Swanson opened the third quarter with a hoop. Gainforth collected a hoop from close-in. Matt Stoutenburg's 2-pointer sent the Hawks in front, 25-16,

their largest lead of the night. The Hawks might have charged to a greater lead as the team held the Patriots big 2. Steve Cramer and Matt Kitchen, to a pair of free throws in the first quarter. But Ben Alegria filled the gap with a pair hoops from just inside the three-point line and Gainforth also notched 2 hoops and as

many free throws. Trailing by 9 points at the 6.29 mark in the second quarter, the Patriots went on a 15-3 run to take a 31-28 lead at the half. In the spurt Matt Kitchen scored 3 points and Cramer added.5.

While 3-point shooting carried the Hawks in the opening quarter, it was the trifecta that carried USA in the third quarter. Alegria counted 3 and Cramer added another.

The Hawks bounced back early in the quarter as Chris

Maharg scored and Tyler Erla added a pair of free throws. When Maharg scored on a beautiful tip shot, the score was tied at 37-all. The teams traded baskets and then USA went on a 13-2 run to lead 53-42 and never

trailed again. The Hawks closed the gap to 60-54 with 4:30 left in the game, 63-49. game, but the Patriots outscored the Hawks 10-5 the rest of the way.

USA was able to hold the lead in the last quarter with outstanding free throw shooting, converting 11 of 15 from the line. Gainforth with 17 and Cramer with 16 led USA.

Matt Stoutenburg had 16. Maharg with 12 and Erla with 11 were in double figures for Cass City. Coach Aaron Fernald said,

we just have to find a way to

beat these guys, as he re-

CASS CITY - Swanson 1-2 (1-2)9; Maharg 4-1 (1-3) 12; Brinkman 0-3 (0-0) 9; Matt Stoutenburg 2-4 (0-1) 16; Erla 1-2 (3-4) 11; Nick Stoutenburg 1-0 (0-1) 2. TOTALS - 9-12 (5-11) 59.

viewed the game, Before that

happens, the Hawks were to

meet Mayville Tuesday and

Reese Friday, both games on

the road. The Rockets and

USA are presently tied with

Cass City in the GTW, each

with one loss in conference

USA won the junior varsity

USA - Kitchen 2-1 (3-4) 10; Cramer 3-1 (7-7) 16; Gruenn 1-0(4-5)6; Tietz 2-0(0-1)4; Eisengruber, 2-0 (0-0) 4: Gainforth 6-0 (5-8) 175 Alegria 2-3 (0-0) 13, TOTALS - 17-5 (19-25) 70.

Hawks rally in final half to defeat guests Marlette, 66-58

It was a battle between league-leading teams Tuesday - Marlette Red Raiders in the Greater Thumb East and Cass City Red Hawks in the Greater Thumb West. Cass City rallied in the last half to defeat the visiting Raiders, 66-58.

The lead changed hands 5 times in the first quarter that ended with the Hawks in front by a point, 12-11. Brunt of the offense in the initial quarter was handled by Tyler Erla who accounted for 9 of the 12 points scored in the first 8 minutes.

Clay Chard, one of the 2 sharp-shooting guards for Marlette, led the Raiders with 5 points.

The Hawks widened that to 22-13 early in the second quarter, paced by a hoop and a trey by Nick Stoutenburg. Marlette quickly turned the game around in the last 4 minutes before the half

CASS CITY - Swanson 0-1 (6-6) 9; Maharg 3-2 (5-5) 17; Brinkman 3-0 (0-1) 6; Holmgren 3-0 (2-3) 8; Matt Stoutenburg 4-1 (1-2) 12; Erla 3-1 (0-0) 9; Nick Stoutenburg 1-1 (0-0) 5. TOTALS - 17-6 (14-17) 66.

MARLETTE - Liccardello 2-4 (1-2) 17; Comment 0-2 (0-0) 6; LaCroix 1-0 (0-0) 2; Chard 4-1 (2-2) 13; Bishop 2-0 (0-0) 4; Lipka 6-1 (1-2)

TOTALS - 15-8 (4-6) 58.

Combining rebounds and a a Cass City team has conpress that caused several turnovers, the Raiders went on a 14-0 spree to lead at the half,

The Hawks cut the margin to 4 points with 2 minutes left and then went on a 10-2 run to lead 40-37 at the threequarter mark. The last Hawk bucket in the quarter came on a back cut by Chris Maharg who took a lob pass in the air and scored. It was verted that shot. The Hawks opened the

fourth quarter with a 10-0 run to lead 50-37 with 6:25 left to play. The Raiders never seriously threatened after that. With 1:48 left in the game Cass City led 57-45.

Coach Aaron Fernald said that the difference in the game in the second half was . that we took much better care of the ball against the Raider the first time in memory that press. The Raiders turned to

fouls to catch up, but Cass City was more than equal to the task. In the last quarter the Hawks converted 13 of 15 attempts including 6 for 6 by Nick Swanson and 4 for 4 by Maharg.

Maharg with 17 and Matt Stoutenburg with 12 points were in double figures for Cass City. Dave Liccardello scored 17, John Lipka, 16 and Chard, 13, for Marlette. Cass City won the junior varsity game, 59-29.



JAKE BRINKMAN drives to the hoop to score against Marlette.

Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast

This week's John Clarke Haire Hyatt Haire Montgomery match ups January 14 Marlette Marlette at Bad Axe Marlette Marlette Marlette Cass City at Mayville Cass City Cass City Cass City Cass City . Sandusky at Laker Laker Laker Laker Laker # USA Ubly at USA USA USA USA, Reese at Vassar Vassar Reese Reese Reese Deckerville at NBW Deckerville **NBW** Deckerville NBW >> Brown City at Armada **Brown City** Brown City Armada Armada North Huron at Memphis North Huron North Huron North Huron Memphis Kingston at Caseville Caseville Caseville Caseville Caseville Owen-Gage at Peck Peck Peck Peck Peck CPS at Port Hope CPS CPS CPS CPS. Dryden at Akron-Fairgrove Dryden Dryden Akron-Fairgrove Dryden January 17 USA USA at Bad Axe USA USA USA Cass City at Reese Reese Reese Reese Reese " Laker at BCAS Laker **BCAS BCAS BCAS** Ubly at Mayville Ubly Ubly Ubly Ubly: Harbor Beach at Marlette Marlette Marlette Marlette Harbor Beach Sandusky at Deckerville Sandusky Sandusky Sandusky Sandusky V. Lutheran at Saginaw Nouvel Saginaw Nouvel Saginaw Nouvel Saginaw Nouvel Saginaw Nouvel North Huron at Peck North Huron North Huron North Huron North Huron Memphis at Caseville Caseville Caseville Caseville Caseville CPS at Owen-Gage CPS CPS **CPS** Port Hope at Dryden Dryden Dryden. Dryden Dryden . Kingston at Akron-Fairgrove Kingston Kingston Kingston Kingston Last week's results 19-5 17-7 19-5 Season's results 51-21 (71%) 51-21 (71%) 54-18 (75%) 54-18 (75%)



Students named to honor roll

Cass City High School announces the second marking period honor roll.

GRADE9

All A's: Syed U. Ahmed, Donna L. Bushong, Nicole L. Froede, Aimee M. Hennessey, Katie M. McIntosh, Steven S. Meeker, Lindsey R. Speirs and Jenna M. Timko.

B or Better: Caitlin A. Barnes, Racheal L. Biebel, Jennifer B. Brinkman, Stacy L. Crandall, Monica C. Cronk, Libby J. Doerr, Justin M. Glaza, Ashley J. Hendrick, Alexander R. Hiatt, Ivy J. Hiatt, Matthew E. Koepf, Bradley J. Langenburg, Sarah E. Langmaid, Vanna Lor, Derrick B. Mallory, Philip A. Nahernak, Nicholas J. Nanney, Ivan M. Peruski, Tara L. Powell, Rebecca J. Putnam, Lisa M. Santhany, Ryan L. Storm, Jarod R. Stoutenburg, Jeffrey A. Stoutenburg and Brandi A.

Barcia ready for challenge

State Senator Jim Barcia (D-Bay City) recently said he is anxious to begin work on the state budget now that he has been sworn in as the new state senator for the 31st Senate District.

"I am very pleased that I will be serving my constituents and the citizens of Michigan as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee," Barcia said. "I am ready to join with my colleagues and the new administration to tackle the challenge of writing a sound budget that meets the needs of Michigan's citizens and busi-

Barcia will sit on several Senate Appropriations Subcommittees. He will be the minority vice chair of the following subcommittees: Agriculture, Environmental Quality, Natural Resources, and Transportation.

"Throughout my career in public service I have focused on agriculture and transportation infrastructure issues because of their importance to life in our area of the state,' Barcia said.

"I am glad that I will be able to continue my work and serve my constituents by helping Michigan farmers and preserving our natural resources for hunters and all Michigan citizens to enjoy."

Barcia was also elected by his Senate colleagues to serve as the associate president pro tempore of the Senate. In this position he will preside over the Senate in the absence of the lieutenant governor and the president of the Senate.

"I am honored that my colleagues elected me to this important post, and I will serve them well," said Barcia.

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GRADE 10

Dec. 10

All A's: Ashley L. Barrigar, Tasha N. Bryant, Chad E. Francis, Samantha A. Glaspie, Marcel W. Helland, Bryan S. Hill, Carrie M. Hillaker, Krista N. Homakie, Rose E. Krug, Luann R. Laming, Bethany M. Langlois, Jesse L. Rader, Stephanie A. Richards, Jason A. Speirs, Angela M. Stoeckle and Jessie J. Tuckey.

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Cass City Red Hawks 2002-2003 Wrestling

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Dec. 7	Cros-Lex (JV/V)	10:00 a.m	. A
Dec. 12		6:00 p.m.	Α
Dec. 14	Marlette (JV/V)	8:00 a.m.	Α
Dec. 19	Pinconning/Gaylord	6:00 p.m.	A
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Jan. 8	USA/Brown City @ Bro	own City 🔭 🐰	6 p.m.
Jan. 11	Cass City Invite	10:00 a.m.	. H
Jan. 15	Valley Luth/Lakers	6:00 p.m.	H.
Jan. 18	Mayville Invite	8:00 a.m.	Α
Jan. 22	Marlette/Novel/CC@I	Marlette	6 p.m.
Jan. 25	Imlay City	8:30 a.m.	Α
Jan. 29	Sandusky/Mayville	6:00 p.m.	Α
Feb. 1	Standish/Sterling	9:00 a.m.	Α
Feb. 5	Millington	6:00 p.m.	H
Feb. 8	League Invite @ Mayv	ille	10 a.m.
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Cass City Red Hawks 2002-2003 Girls' Volleyball

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	Dec. 14	North Branch (F)	9:00 a.m.	Α
	Dec. 18	Vassar (V Quad)	6:00 p.m.	Α
	Dec. 18	Vassar (JV Quad)	6:30 p.m.	H
39	Dec. 20	Caro Invite (JV)	4:15 p.m.	A
768	Dec. 21	Caro Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.	A
1	Dec. 27	Alma Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.	A
	Jan. 3	Bad Axe Invite (F/JV)	3:30 p.m.	A
100	Jan. 4	Bad Axe Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.	Α
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	Jan. 11	Laker Invite (F)	9:00 a.m.	Α
	Jan. 13	Sandusky	6:30 p.m.	Α
1	Jan. 16	Valley Lutheran	6:30 p.m.	A
l	Jan. 18	Laker Invite (JV)	9:00 a.m.	Α
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Cass City Red Hawks 2002-2003 Gymnastics

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Dec. 17	Vassar	6:00 p.m.	Α
Jan. 4	Cadillac Invite	11:00 a.m.	
Jan. 9	Hartland	6:30 p.m.	Α
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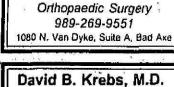
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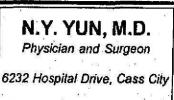






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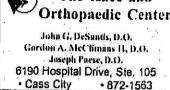






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CASS CITY High School senior Brandon Speirs, 17, takes down holiday lights from a tree along Main Street early Friday morning. Speirs works with the village's DPW department through the school's co-op employment program.

Dairy producers okay program

have voted to continue the those, 36 were disqualified represented on the cast bal-Michigan Dairy Market Pro- because they were incom- lots, must have approved it. gram (for Grade "A" milk), according to Dan Wyant, director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture

Wyant said the program will continue for an additional 5 years, beginning immediately and ending Dec. 31. 2007. The current assessment rate is 10 cents (\$.10) per

plete or late. Of the remaining 614 ballots, 530 producers voted yes (86 percent) representing 1,624,109,848.9 pounds of milk (80 percent) and 84 producers voted no (14 percent) representing 414,269,572.3

pounds of milk (20 percent).

For the program to be renewed, more than 50 percent. of the producer votes cast,

Michigan dairy producers cast in the referendum. Of percent of the total pounds

The Michigan Dairy Market Program was designed to promote the sale of milk and milk products produced within the state and to increase consumer knowledge and acceptance of milk and milk products in general. The program was last approved in 1997, and by law, must be renewed every 5

hundredweight of milk. A total of 650 ballots were representing more than 50 CASS CITY CHRONICLE Valentine Special

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<u>Feb. 22 in Thumb</u>

Walk for Warmth on tap

The Human Development Commission (HDC) will hold its 13th annual Walk For Warmth campaign Saturday, Feb. 22.

Šimultaneous walks will occur in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac, and Tuscola counties, beginning with registration at 9 a.m. and the walks themselves at 9:30 a.m.

Participants are volunteers from HDC and the community; each has gathered pledges in advance and walks on a one-mile fixed route on the day of the event. Participants in past years have experienced great satisfaction in their involvement, knowing that they are helping their less fortunate neighbors heat their homes in emergencies while enjoying the company of friends. In Tuscola County, the event will begin and end at the HDC Office at 429 Montague Avenue in Caro. HDC's

Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center has agreed to provide breakfast for all participants following the walk. Pledge sheets may be turned in on the morning of the walk; all walkers are also required to register before heading out for the event.

The Tuscola County Walk for Warmth Committee is headed up by HDC Fundraising Manager Olga Long, Independent Bank East Michigan Assistant Branch Manager, Jessica Swanson, and other volunteers.

Several locations around

the county will have W4W Donation Boots available for a \$1 donation. Schools, churches and businesses within the county will receive pledge sheets to help the fund-raising efforts and are encouraged to get involved.

Community support is critical. Net dollars raised in

Senior citizen movies Friday

Rawson Memorial Library of her people? Who founded presents Senior Citizen movies Friday, Jan. 17 at 1:30

The Statue of Liberty: For more than 100 years, the Statue of Liberty has been a symbol of hope and refuge for generations of immigrants. In this lyrical, compelling and provocative portrait of the statue, Ken Burns explores both the history of America's premier symbol and the meaning of liberty itself. Featuring rare archival photographs, paintings and drawings, readings from actual diaries, letters and newspapers of the day, the fascinating story of this universally admired monument is told. (58 minutes)

Great Women in American History: Why did Abigail Adams urge her husband to "remember the ladies?" Why was Harriet Tubman called the "Moses"

the American Red Cross? These are but a few of the questions answered in this video. Throughout U.S. history, women such as Susan B. Anthony, Margaret Sanger, Eleanor Roosevelt, Sojourner Truth and Helen Keller, became inspirations for thousands of women everywhere. There causes were many: Equal rights, birth control, the abolition of slavery, the caring for our wounded soldiers during wartime and most importantly, providing leadership and strength during tumultuous times. These and many other women have made contributions to the United States of America and paved the way for future generations. (24 minutes)

Refreshments will be served. This Older Adult Program is offered free of charge.

2002 were \$100,573.75 (through end of Fiscal Year on Sept. 30, 2002, combination of match and actual local dollars raised). The Tuscola committee will be holding a W4W luncheon at HDC in February. Date to be determined.

Interested persons may become involved by donating time, talent and monetary contributions. For further information or to receive a Pledge Sheet, please call Olga Long of HDC at (989) 673-4121.

Holidays to close offices

All Secretary of State branch offices will be closed in observance of state holidays during January and February.

The branch offices will be closed for:

* Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Monday, Jan. 20; and * Presidents Day - Monday,

Feb. 17. Motorists whose driver licenses or license plates expire over a holiday weekend should renew early.

Gallandar of Eviants

Deadline for submitting items in the calendar is the Friday noon before publication.

Friday, January 17

Senior Citizen Movies 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Alcoholics Anonymous, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,

Sunday, January 19

Huron County Right to Life Memorial Service, steps of Huron County Court House, 250 E. Huron Ave., Bad Axe, 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 21

Thumb Area Parkinson's Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., Hills & Dales Hospital.

AYSO Board meeting, 7 p.m., high school library.

Blood Drive, 1-6:45 p.m at the Cass City V.F.W. Hills and Dales Hospital Auxiliary and the Veterans of Foreign Wars sponsor this blood drive. For more infomation, please call Kerry Brown at 989-872-5476, ext. 319 or Helen Jezewski at 989-872-2746.

Wednesday, January 22

Ravenous Readers Book Club 12:00 noon, Rawson Memo-

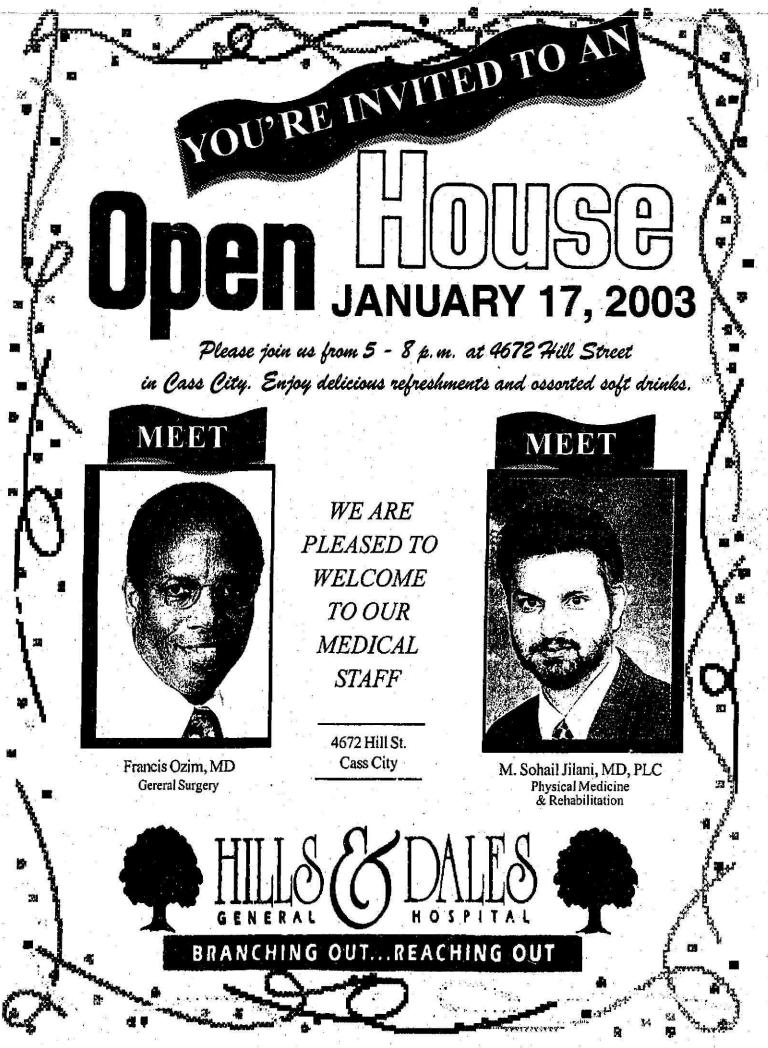
Thumb Retired Officers of Police Service (TROOPS) meets at Franklin Inn, Bad Axe at 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, January 23

Free Senior Citizen Bingo, 1-4 p.m., VFW Hall, 4533 Veterans Dr., Cass City. Prizes and refreshments. Sponsored by Post 3644 Ladies Aux.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Keith D. Weber and Heide S Weber, Husband and Wife toriginal mortgagors), to TCF National Bank f/k/a Great Lakes Federal Savings and Loan Association, Mortgagee, dated September 29. 1983 and recorded on October 5, 1983 in Liber 537, on Page 1067 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and re-recorded on November 14, 1983 in Liber. 537 on Page 58, Tuscola County Records on-which mortgage there is claimed to bedue at the date hereof the sum of NINE-TEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN AND 39/100 dollars (\$19,447.39), including interest at 7,360% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 30, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF TUSCOLA, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point on the West 1/8 line of Section 8, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, 270.50 feet northerly along said section; thence northerly on said 1/8 line 100 feet; thence westerly 175 feet on a line if extended would intersect the west line at a point 374.08 feet northerly along said section line from the southeast corner of said section; thence southerly parallel to the west 1/8 line 100 feet; thence easterly 175 feet to the point of begin-

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 1, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL: Team F (248) 593-1313 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200234566

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Terry G. Nusz and Holly N. Nusz. husband and wife (original morigagors). to Small Business Administration, Mortgagee, dated October 15, 1996 and recorded on October 22, 1996 in Liber 699 on Page 952 in Tuscola County Records. Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated January 17, 2002, which was recorded on February 22, 2002 in Liber 866 on Page 335. Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIX-TEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE AND 71/100 dollars (\$16,295.71), including interest at 3.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front ntrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 23, 2003.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF CARO, Tuscola County, Michigan. and are described as:

The Southwest 75 Feet of Lot 20 and the Southwest 75 Feet of the Southeast 1/2 of Lot 21, all in Block 3 of Charles Montague's Subdivision, according to the Plat recorded in Liber I of Plats, Page 109, now being Page 11A.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 25, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL; Team W (248) 593-1312 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jimmy W. Bills and Gladys J. Bills, his wife (original mortgagors), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., a Delaware Comoration, Mortgagee, dated October 28, 2000 and recorded on November 9, 2000 in Liber 815 on Page 630 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND FORTY-EIGHT AND 31/100 dollars (\$64,048.31), including interest at 8,750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case

made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 23, 2003

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF DAYTON, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the Northwest fractional quarter of Section 21, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, described as beginning on the North line of Section 21 at a point of South 88 degrees, 26 minutes. West 929.98 feet from the North 1/4 corner of Section 21. thence South 01 degrees, 18 minutes, 30 seconds East, 330.00 feet, thence South 88 degrees 26 minutes West 100 00 feet thence North 01 degrees 18 minutes 30 seconds East, 330.00 feet, thence North 88 degrees 26 minutes East, 100.00 feet to the point of beginning, Tuscola County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 25, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL: Team C (248) 593-1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200217867

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dawn Rumbold, a single woman (original mortgagors), to American Financial Mortgage Corporation. Mortgagee, dated June 18, 1999 and recorded on August 11, 1999 in Liber 779 on Page 450 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated June 18, 1999, which was recorded on April 17, 2000 in Liber 798 on Page 1291. Tuscola County Records, and re-recorded on May 14, 2001 in Liber 831 on Page 1065. Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE AND 50/100 dollars (\$64.889.50). neluding interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM; on February 6, 2003.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE FREEMONT, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 36, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, described as: Commencing at a point which is North 89 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds East 36 feet from the Northeast corner of Lot 1. Block I of the Plat of the Village of Mayville; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds East 94.88 feet: thence South 00 degrees 13 minutes 43 seconds West 148.5 feet; thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 23 seconds West 94.9 feet: thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 15 seconds East 148.5 feet to the Point of Beginning, Tuscola County

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 8, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL: Team X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott. P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200122422

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Keith Robinson and Rebecca Robinson, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Homeside Lending. Inc.. Mortgagee, dated April 27, 2000 and recorded on May 25, 2000 in Liber 801 on Page 1447 in Tuscola County Records. Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, as assignee by an assignment dated November 8, 2002, which was recorded on De cember 6, 2002 in Liber 906 on Page 80, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIF-TEENTHOUSAND FIVE HUDNRED SEV-ENTY-FOUR AND 14/100 dollars (\$115,574.14), including interest at

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 30, 2003.

8.750% per annum.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF MILLINGTON, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing 2 rods West and 2 rods South of the Northeast corner of Section 23, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence

South 16 rods; thence West 10 rods; thence North 16 rods; thence East 10 rods to place of beginning, Tuscola County

from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241n, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 18, 2002

Team J (248) 593-1311 Trou & Trou. P.C. Attorneys and Counselors

12-18-5

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE AT-TEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL. BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, NOTIFY (248) 362-5459 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Kenneth C. Nagy and Julie E. Nagy, husband and wife of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Fifth Third Bank successor-in-interest by merger Old Kent Bank, dated the 19th day of November, A.D. 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for County of Tuscola and State of Michigan on the 21st day of March, A.D. 2000 in Liber 796 of Tuscola County Records, on page 1179, on which mort-gage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$66,840.35 (Sixty-six thousand Eight hundred forty dollars and thirty five cents), including interest there on at 8.30% (eight point three zero percent) per annum.

uity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statue of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Thursday, the 16th day of January, A.D. 2003 at 10:00 o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction. to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro. Tuscola County. Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel

East of the Northwest corner of Section 13. Town 12 North, Range 8 East; thence South 100 feet; thence West 323 feet; thence North 100 feet; thence East 323

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The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case

Dated: December 18, 2002

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee

Daniel E. Best (P-58501) Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 755 W. Big Beaver Road. Suite 1820 Troy, Michigan 48084 WWR#02541957

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made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jeffrey M. Castleberry. married man, and Katherine Castleberry. a/k/a Katherine Castleberry, married woman, to Delta Funding Comoration, Mortgagge, dated September 27, 1999 and recorded October 22, 1999 in Liber 785 on Page 590. Tuscola County Records, Michigan, Said mortgage was re-recorded on December 10, 1999 in Liber 790 page 517, Said mortgage was assigned to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. as Trustee for Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-3. by assignment dated December 12. 2002 and received by and recorded in Tuscola County Records on December 27, 2002, on which mortgage there is

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

(\$64.972.41), including interest at Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

claimed to be due at the date hereof the

sum of Sixty Four Thousand Nine Hun-

dred Seventy Two and 41/100 Dollars

on February 13, 2003. Said premises are situated in Townshir of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 14, Woodland Acres Subdivision. according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 11, Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948C1, 600,324ta, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from: the date of such sale.

Dated: December 23, 2002

Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-3 Assignee of Mortgage

Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste 620 Sterling Heights, MI 48310 (58b) 795-4400 Ext 110 Our File No: 02-11099

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by John S. Redfield, a/k/a John Redfield, a married man, and Cynthia K. Redfield. a/k/a Cynthia Redfield, his wife, of Tuscola County, Michigan, original mortgagors, to Michigan National Bank, a national banking association, mortgagee dated the 25th day of April. A.D. 2000 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan on the 26th day of May. A.D. 2000 in Liber 802. Tuscola County Records, on pages 189-195, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal, interest and late charges, the sum of Forty Three Thousand One Hundred Ninety Two and 00/100 Dollars (\$43,192.00).

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of February, A.D. 2003 at 10:00 o'clock AM in the forenoon said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest equal to the Prime Rate, as published in the Wall Street Journal on the fifteenth day of the month, plus an added 1.5% Margin added to the Index Rate pursuant to the terms of said agreement and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned. necessary to protect its interest in the pre-

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Village of Watrousville, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, as described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 2, and the South 1/2 of Lot 1, Block 8 of the Village of Watrousville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 6 of Deeds. Page 12, EXCEPT the South 3 rods of Lot I and EXCEPT the South 3 rods of the East 55 feet of Lot 2 and EXCEPT the North part of Lot 2 conveyed to State of Michigan by deed recorded in Liber 205. Page

Tax Parcel No. 014-500-108-0100-00

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale,

Dated: December 23, 2002

Standard Federal Bank, formerly known as Michigan National Bank

SHAHEEN, JACOBS & ROSS, P.C. By: Michael J. Thomas. Esq. Attorneys for Mortgagee 1425 Ford Building 615 Griswold Street Detroit, Michigan 48226-3993 (313) 963-1301

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Andrew Shufelt, a single man. and Laurie Field, a single woman (original mortgagors), to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 19, 2000 and recorded on October 17, 2000 in Liber 813 on Page 489 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp., Assignee by an assignment dated May 19, 2000, which was recorded on January 22, 2001 in Liber 819 on Page 1406, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO AND 82/100 dollars (\$91,462.82), including interest at 9.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 6, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF MILLINGTON, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point of 236.00 Feet East of the Northwest corner of the North 80'Acres of the West 135.92 Acres of the Northwest fractional quarter of Section 7, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence South 321,00 Feet; thence East 210,00 Feet; thence North 321.00 Feet; thence West 210,00 Feet to the Point of Begin-

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948C1, 600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from

Dated: January 8, 2003

· Team S

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FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Team S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200235062

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Terrance L Clapper and Jacqueline S Clapper, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Custom Mortgage Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 14. 2000 and recorded on July 20, 2000 in Liber 806 on Page 779 in Tuscola County Records. Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Bank of America N.A.. Assignce by an assignment dated March 14, 2000, which was recorded on November 3, 2000 in Liber 815 on Page 115. Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-ONE THOU-SANDTWO HUNDREDTWENTY-SEVEN AND 50/100 dollars (\$51,227.50), including interest at 9,000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 6, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF WISNER, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the West half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 28, Town 14 North, Range 7 East, described as beginning at a Point on the South line of said Section 86 degrees 40 minutes 52 seconds West 1138.60 feet from the South quarter corner of said Section 28; thence continuing along said South line 86 degrees 40 minutes 52 seconds West 184.00 feet to the West line of the West half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of said Section 28; thence along said West line North 03 degrees 52 minutes 28 seconds West 252.00 feet; thence North 86 degrees 40 minutes 52 seconds East 184.00 feet: thence South 03 degrees 52 minutes 28 seconds East 252.00 feet to the South line of said Section 28 and the Point of Be-

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 8, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Team H (248) 593-1300 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200234707

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage made by Robert Allen Bradberry and Kathy Jean Bradberry to Household Finance Corporation III by a mortgage dated November 6, 2000 and recorded on November 13, 2000 in Liber 815 on Page 670, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six Dollars and Forty Seven Cents (\$36,526.47), in-

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of. Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on February 20, 2003.

cluding interest at 15.88% per annum.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Indianfields, City of Caro, County of Tuscola County, State of Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 8, 9 and 10, Caro Lake Subdivision No. 1, Township of Indiantields, Tuscola County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 12, Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 3, 2003

Michael M. Grand, Eso. GRAND& GRANDPLLC 31731 Northwestern Hwy., #151 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 538-3737

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Fred P. Parrent, Jr. and Carla L. Parrent, Husband and Wife (original morigagors), to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated June 18, 2001 and recorded on September 11, 2001 in Liber 842 on Page 455 in Tuscola County Records. Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX AND 48/100 dollars (\$16.826.48), including interest at 8.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mongaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 23, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GILFORD, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

The North 208.75 feet of the West 208.75 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/2 of Section 19, Township 13 North, Range 7 East, Tuscola County Records,

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from

Dated: December 25, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Team J (248) 593-1311 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 Tile # 200233799

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MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert E. Shelton and Jennifer Shelton a/k/a Jennifer A. Shelton, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to SUMMIT MORTGAGE SERVICES, Mongagee, dated May 15, 1998 and recorded on April 26, 1998 in Liber 769 on Page 517 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Manufacturers & Traders Trust Company, One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14203-2399. Trustee for Securitization Series 1998-2, Agreement dated 6-01-98, Assignee by an assignment dated March 30, 2001, which was recorded on April 12, 2001 in Liber 828 on Page 653, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX AND 96/100 dollars (\$78,326.96), including interest at

Under the power of sale contained in said morigage and the statue in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 13, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF ARBELA. Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Southeast Corner of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4, Section 26, Township 10 North, Range 7 feet, Arbela Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence West 200 feet; thence North 360 feet; thence East 200 feet; thence South 360 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, in which case the re-

the date of such sale. Dated: January 15, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL: Team R (248) 593-1305 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200. Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200113937

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MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David A. Sebert, a single man (original mortgagors), to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 1998 and recorded on May 8, 1998 in Liber 738 on Page 1068 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp., Assignee by an assignment dated August 17, 1998. which was recorded on March 12, 1999 in Liber 765 on Page 1160. Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND NINEHUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE AND 05/100 dollars (\$72,925,05), including interest at 8.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statue in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 13, 2003.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point on the Section line 100 feet West of the North 1/4 corner Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 8 East; thence West 100 feet; thence South 300 feet; thence East 100 feet; thence North 300 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, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 15, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL: Team S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott. P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200235417

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David A. Howell and Vickie L Howell, husband and wife, Joint tenants with rights of survivorship (original mortgagors), to Royal Mortgage, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 12, 2000 and recorded on November 2, 2000 in Liber 814 on Page 1216 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation. Assignee by an assignment dated November 27, 2000. which was recorded on April 10, 2001 in Liber 828 on Page 34, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTHOUS SANDEIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY AND 15/100 dollars (\$111.870.15), including interest at 12.080% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be forcelosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 23, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF DAYTON, Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 31. Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at a point which is North 00 degrees 18 minutes 30 seconds East, 522.93 feet along the East line of said Section 31 and South 89 degrees 03 minutes 43 seconds West, 1288.24 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 31; thence continuing South 89 degrees 03 minutes 43 seconds West, 911.09 feet; thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 32 seconds West, 481.16 feet to the Northerly right of way line of the Chesepeake and Ohio Railroad; thence along said right of way line North 88 degrees 45 minutes 10 seconds East, 911.20 feet; thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 32 seconds East 476.24 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with and including an Easement for purposes of Ingress and Egress, being part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 31, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as being 66 feet wide, 33 feet each side of the center line described as beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 31, which is North 00 degrees 18 minutes 30 seconds East, 522.93 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 31; thence South 89 degrees 03 minutes 43 seconds West, 2199.33 feet to the terminus of said center line, and also including a Cul-De-Sac whose center point is the terminus of said center line and which has radius of 75,00 feet.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 25, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL: Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025

Team G

File # 200232975

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert J. Betson, a single man (original mortgagors) to AMMCOR. Mortgagee, dated June 24, 1993 and recorded on June 25, 1993 in Liber 643 on Page 027 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, f/k/a Washington Mutual Home Loans, Inc., successor by merger in interest to Fleet Mortgage Corp., a South Carolina Corporation, f/k/a Fleet Real Estate Funding Corp., a South Carolina Corporation. Assignee by an assignment dated August 1, 1995, which was recorded on December 5, 1995 in Liber 683 on Page 181. Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEV-ENTY-THREE AND 98/100 dollars (\$47,873.98), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public yenue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 13, 2003.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF UNIONVILLE, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of Section 12, Town 14 North, Range 9 East: thence South 2140.83 Feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 275 Feet; thence West 183 Feet; thence North 275 Feet; thence East 183 Feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the Right of Way for Colwood Road over the Easterly side thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such safe.

Dated: January 1, 2003 FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL

Team F (248) 593-1313 Trou & Trott. P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200233844

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCI ATES, P.C. IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OB-TAINEDWILL BE USED FOR THAT PUR-

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Susan A. Price to GMAC Mortgage Corporation of PA. n/k/a GMAC Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 17, 1996 and recorded on January 24, 1996 in Liber 685 on page 114, Tuscola County Records, Michigan; said mortgage has been modified by loan modification agreement dated October 31. 1996 and recorded November 14, 1996 in Liber 701 on page 155 and modification agreement dated November 27, 1996 and recorded February 3, 1997 in Liber 704 on page 1394. Said mortgage has been increased to \$71,500,00, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED ELEVEN AND 15/100 DOLLARS (\$67,711.15), including interest at

8.875% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mongage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on February 14, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

PARTOFTHESOUTHEASTQUARTEROF SECTION 18, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, MILLINGTON TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DE-SCRIBED AS REGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST SECTION LINE THAT IS NORTH 1760 FEET FROM THE SOUTH-EAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 18: THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 200 FEET: THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 300 FEET: THENCE SOUTH 200 FEET; THENCE **SOUTH 89 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 30** SECONDS EAST 300 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 1948CL 600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 3, 2003

GMAC Mortgage Corporation of PA. n/k/a GMAC Mortgage Corporation

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCI-ATES, P.C.

30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222

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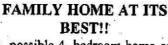


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Obituaries

Donald Brown

Donald W. Brown, 72, of Decker, died unexpectedly Friday, Jan. 10, 2003 in his home:

He was born Jan. 8, 1931 in Toledo, Ohio to Leo and Vera (Truman) Brown.

Brown never married. He served in the U.S. Army from 1952 to 1954 in Germany. He was a lifelong dairy and crop farmer. He was a member of the National Farmers Organization for over 42 years. He worked as a laborer in the construction industry. The last commercial building he worked on was Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City where he assisted with the

Brown is survived by his brother, Robert (Helen) Brown of Snover; nephews: David (Honey Best) Brown of Bay City; Ed Brown, Tim Brown, Bruce Brown; greatnephews: Gareth Smith, Christian Best; a great-niece, Samantha Best; a stepnephew, Bill Chandler; and many other great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Edward Brown; and a step-nephew, Duane Chandler.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 14, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Fred McDowell of Argyle United Methodist Church, officiating.

Interment was in the Willow Grove Cemetery, Armada.

Memorials may be made to the Aleda E. Lutz Veteran Medical Center or the Argyle United Methodist Church. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass

Arlee Freiburger

City, formerly of Argyle Highland near Milford for 15 Township, died Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2003 at Northwood

Meadows, Cass City. He was born March 11, 1911 in Snover to the late Jacob and Anna (Treadeau) Freiburger.

He married Olive Sundby Peterson on March 4, 1957 in Newport Richie, Fla. She preceded him in death on Jan. 11, 2002.

Freiburger was a 1928 graduate of Sandusky High School. He farmed with his family. He owned Scotty's Indian Sales. He was a musician and a local historian and writer.

Freiburger is survived by 2 daughters: Linda Peterson of Mt. Pleasant, Mary (Mike) Eavey of Burton; 3. grand-children; and 2 sisters: Wilhelmina DesJardins of Port Huron and Madeline O'Connor of Sandusky.

Funeral mass was held Saturday, Jan. 11 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Argyle, with the Rev. Steve Fillion, pastor of St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City, officiating.

Burial will be in the St. Ignatius Cemetery in the

Arrangements were made by Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home, Ubly.

Carmen Martin

Carmen "Betty" Martin, 96, of Kingston, died Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003 in Marlette Community Hospital.

She was born May 24, 1906 in Dansville to Arthur and Pearl (Avery) Aseltine. She married Shirley G. Martin Oct. 23, 1956 in Angola,

Ind. He died Jan. 6, 1994. Martin graduated from Northwestern High School in Detroit. She and her husband

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She was preceded in death by a sister, Margaret Aseltine; and a brother, Clifford Ascltine,

Funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 12, at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, with Pastor David Mercer, Deford Community Church, officiating.

Interment was in the Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

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Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, King-

Wanda Shaner

Wanda D. Shaner, 83, died Jan. 10, 2003. Shaner was the wife of the

late Richard Shaner. She is survived by a son, Michael (Joanne) Shaner; grandchildren, Lyndsey and Kyle; a sister, Beva Wallace; and a brother, Dallas Nichols. Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 13, at the Dearborn Chapel of the Howe-Peterson Funeral Home.

Burial will take place at the Elkland Township Cem-

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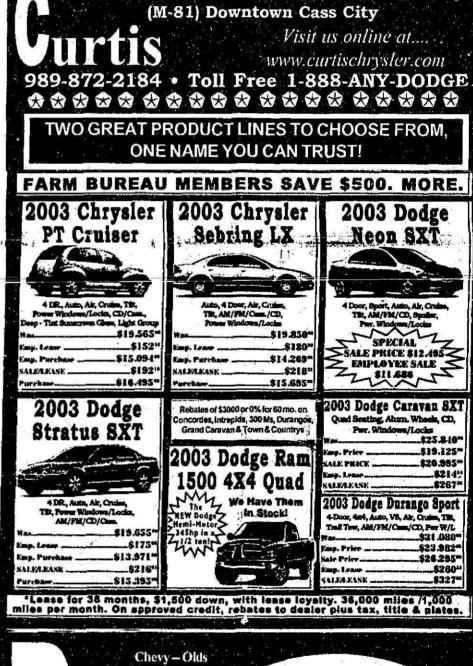
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Wheat seedings increase

seedings this fall, for harvest in 2003, were up 180,000 acres from last year to 680,000 acres, according to the Federal/State Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service. Winter wheat planting be-

Michigan winter wheat

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Foundation pitches phys ed plan

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School officials indicated an interest in the program, but said they plan to review the foundation's financial statements and will wait for a formal assessment of the program by a major Michigan law firm that specializes in schools before proceeding with further discussions.

NEW CONTRACT

Turning to a new teacher's contract, the board unanimously approved a one-year labor agreement with 22 teachers represented by the Owen-Gage Education Association.

School Supt. Dan McKenzie said the new contract is retroactive to the start of the 2002-03 school year. Teachers will receive a 3-percent pay increase, according

Forensics

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Tournament.

"I'm sure we'll turn a few heads at that tournament also," Daniels said. "After all, at that tournament I plan on bringing the full team, not just 10."

Construction

Continued from page one.

remained relatively stable in recent years. "It will go up maybe one or 2 percent this year. It went down last year," Sheridan noted.

Sheridan said the village's taxable value in 1999 was \$52,250,000. The value increased to \$52,750,000 in 2000 and \$54,750,000 in 2001. The figured fell by \$1.75 million last year due to approval of a Renaissance Zone for Millennium Industries, which moved into the former General Cable Co. building. Renaissance Zones encourage industrial growth and expansion by abating virtually all taxes for a set number of years.

to the superintendent, who estimated the hike will cost the district about \$25,000. In other business, the board:

•Approved spending just over \$80,000 for installation of new outdoor lighting at the football field. Another \$1,750 will be spent for removal of existing light poles, and up to \$12,300 will be spent on window replacements at the junior-senior high school. The projects are being funded by a federal

grant awarded to the district last year.

•Accepted "with deep re-

Accepted "with deep regret" the resignations of Josh Hahn, junior high football coach, and varsity baseball coaches Mac McKee and Chad Mellendorf.

*Approved the nomination of Warren Wood as the January "Senior Student of the Month".

 Recognized a student in each grade level, all nominated for best exemplifying the district's January "adult role focus" of being responsible learners.

The students, in grade K-12, are: Adam Retford, Ben Good, Courtney McCreedy, Erika Mroz, Clyde Rhodes, Carin Seibel, Katie Rhodes, April Nowaczyk, Alec Powell, Michelle Brown, Katie Swiastyn, Hope Hunt and Justin Rogers, and Julie Howard.

Dilland new GM

MMPA's Wosje retiring

Michigan Milk Producers
Association General Manager Walt Wosje will retire
from his position following
the association's Annual
Meeting March 18. Wosje
informed the MMPA Board
of Directors of his retirement
plans during their November
meeting.

"We certainly appreciate the years Walt has devoted to our organization," MMPA President Elwood

President Elwood Kirkpatrick says. "During his time with MMPA, Walt was fiercely dedicated to all MMPA members and the organization as a whole. He has made a lasting impression on our association."

Wosje was named General Manager of MMPA in March 1985. Prior to his tenure with MMPA, Wosje served as Northern Division Manager of Mid-America Dairymen, Inc. in St. Paul, Minnesota. He holds a bachelor's degree in dairy science and a master's degree in agricultural economics from South Dakota State University. He and his wife, Yvonne, plan to retire in his home state of South Dakota.

"I am currently serving my 37th year of employment in the dairy business," Wosje says. "My years with MMPA have been a very satisfying period of my life; however, it is time to wind down my career and look toward retirement. I have been very happy in my relationships with our

members and employees. I am proud of the management team we have developed here at MMPA. I will certainly have mixed emotions as I take my leave from this cooperative which I am very proud of and very pleased to be associated with."

John Dilland, MMPA's current Director of Finance, was selected by the MMPA Board of Directors to take over the General Manager's position upon Wosje's retire-

"We believe the selection of John Dilland as MMPA's new General Manager will allow for a smooth transition in leadership," Kirkpatrick says. "John has been with MMPA for 28 years and is very knowledgeable about the day-to-day operations of the cooperative. His extensive background with the financial side of the association will prove invaluable in the coming years."

Dilland began his employment with MMPA in 1975 as MMPA's Controller. He grew up on a livestock and cash crop farm near Tioga, North Dakota and holds a bachelor's degree in animal science with a minor in agronomy from North Dakota State University. Dilland also holds a Masters of Business Administration degree from the Ohio State Univer-

Founded in 1916, Michigan Milk Producers Associa-

tion is owned and controlled by over 2,600 dairy producers it serves in Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Memorial scheduled

Huron County Right to Life will sponsor its fifth annual "Celebrate Life" memorial service at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 19, on the steps of the Huron County Courthouse in Bad Axe.

The memorial gathering acknowledges the 30th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion on demand, and is conducted in conjunction with state and national rallies for life.

The service will begin with a prayer led by the Rev. Lee Wenskay of St. Paul Lutheran Church. A keynote address will be given by state Rep. Tom Meyer. A moment of silence to recognize those victimized by abortion, singing of "God Bless America" and a closing prayer led by the Rev. Bob Smith, Evangel Life Assembly of God, will conclude the program.

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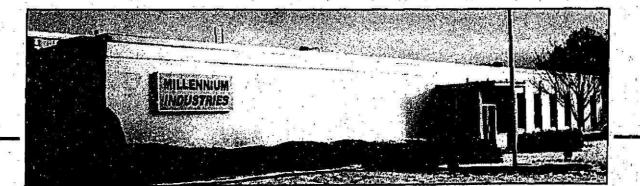
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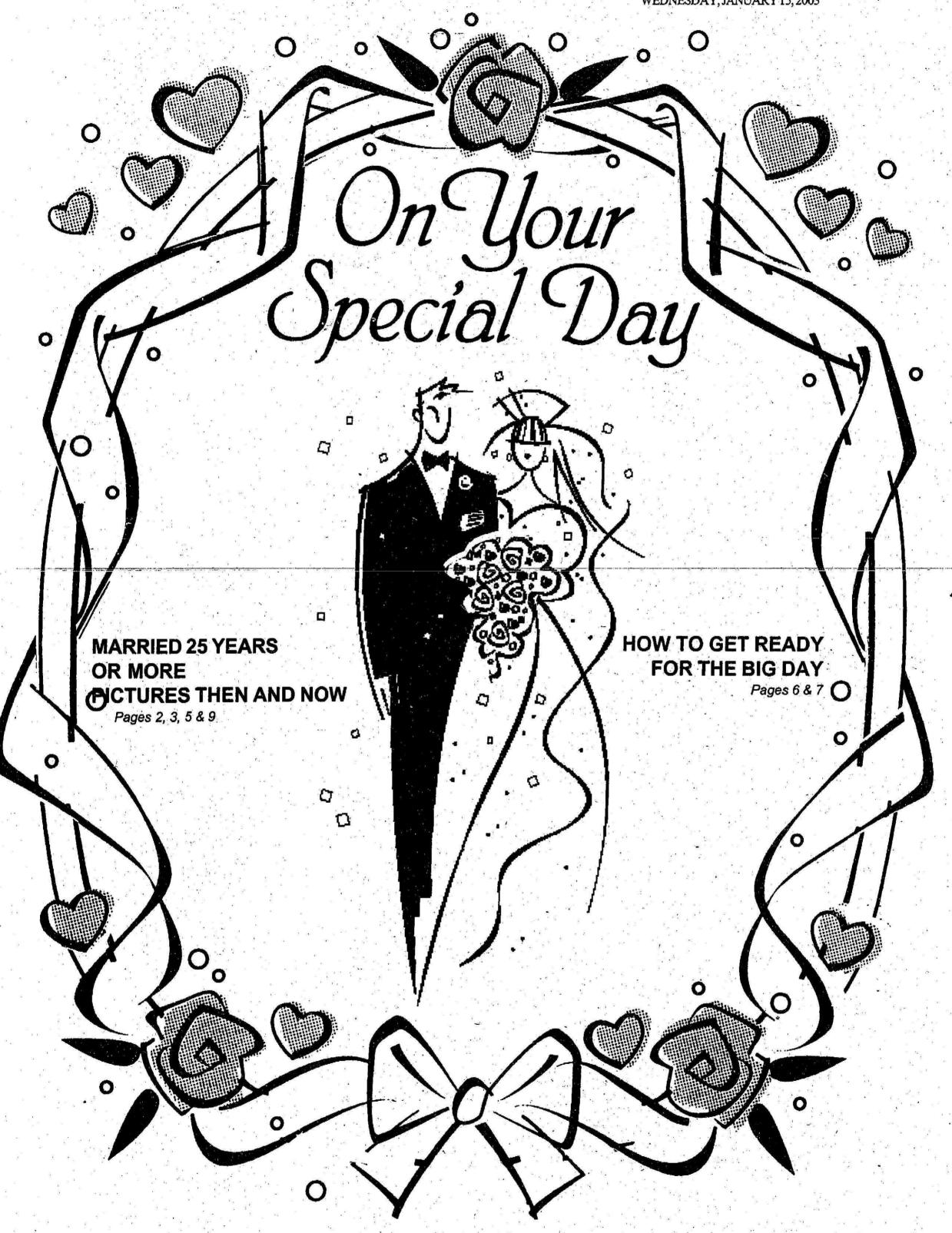
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Less is best

Jewelry should enhance attire

I recently went to a wedding. The bride was beautiful, her dress was beautiful. It was a lovely affair.

At the reception, I met the bride in the receiving line. To my horror, on close-up view, her jewelry made her bridal attire look like something out of a child's dressup box. The gown was a very formal peau de soie satin gown, with a Queen Anne neckline, and the bodice was done with all over crystal beading. And what did the bride have around her neck? A set of obviously cheap, plastic, WHITE "fake" pearls that hung too long at her neckline and just looked ridiculous. Being the tactful quest, I said nothing and exclaimed how beautiful she looked and what a beautiful ceremony it was. I would kill to get a look at those wedding photos later-it's going to be obvious that her jewelry choice

was a mistake. Jewelry should NEVER be the focal point of the bride. It should blend well with what she is wearing and compliment both her attire and her features. This is not the time to try something new.

While I am not usually this snotty about these things, it got me to thinking. I started to wonder how many other brides out there are putting on totally inappropriate jewelry and no one has the guts to tell

The credo I have always lived by is "less is more". This applies to a multitude of things, and for the bride, it should be her mantra. It should cross her mind regarding makeup and jewelry at a minimum. What would have been more appropriate with that dress was a small circle of pearls that barely hit her collarbone. And fake is ok...just

don't be obvious about it. I have found very nice looking fake pearls for around \$25.00 and usually found earrings that match for around \$10.00. Anything a bride chooses to wear for jewelry should be delicate and quietly enhance her attire, not detract from it.

The only dress that I have ever seen that a long necklace of any kind would go with was a flapper-style dress that 1920's screamed for that type of neck wear. Leave your chains and long necklaces in your jewelry box. There are very few bridal necklines that will accommodate these and it is best to keep your jewelry small and delicate. A small cross on a gold or silver chain nestled in the hollow of your neck is a beautiful look. Dresses with high necklines and busy bodices should forgo a necklace entirely. If you have a necklace that you love and

never take off, leave it under the dress.

Earrings should also be kept delicate or at least complimentary. Put away your favorite gold hoops gling earrings.

Never mix silver and gold same metal or leave the watch off. You'd be surprised how many people to make sure that your jewelry compliments your attire. Your dress should be jewelry.

Your wedding day is one of the most important days in your life. How you looked and what you wore will be immortalized in photographs forever. Remember-LESS IS MORE. Say it over and over. Less is more, less is more... now you're getting it.



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(unless they are small). If you are wearing your hair up, earrings that dangle will be pretty as long as they match the style of your attire and your neckwear. And long earrings should NEVER hang farther than your jaw line. I have seen brides wear earrings that dangle with their hair down and saw the pictures later where their hair was tangled up in the earrings. A small set of pearls, diamonds, gold hoops or anything delicate would have been more appropriate. If you are going to wear your hair down, forget the dan-

If your watch is silver, wear silver or clear jewelry. Crystals strung on an illusion wire can go with anything. If that gold or silver jewelry is what you have to have and your watch is the opposite metal, either purchase a small watch in the will notice this. You want the focal point—never your

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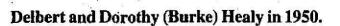
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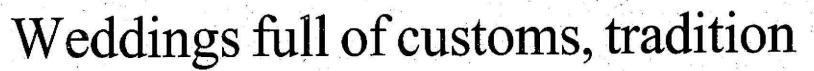






Delbert and Dorothy (Burke) Healy today.

The Delbert Healys were married Jan. 17, 1950 at the Cass City Presbyterian Church. They have 4 children, Mike, Russ and Jeff Healy and Lou McClorey.



One of the most ancient so- where they came from? Many cial customs in the world, of these traditions have stood weddings are full of customs the test of time and evolved and traditions. From throw- from generation. Here's a ing rice to wearing a veil, look at some of the most fa-

a few lesser-known customs: * In England, it was traditional to bake a ring into the wedding cake as a symbol of bliss and happiness. It was said that the guest whose

piece of cake contained the ring could look forward to a year of uninterrupted happi-

> * The custom of throwing rice at newlyweds symbolized fertility. Today, some still throw rice, but confetti, bubbles or rose petals are often substituted for safety and environmental reasons. Rice is easy to slip on and it can be fatal to birds who try to eat it off the ground.

> * Cutting the wedding cake together, still a predominant ritual at weddings, symbolizes the couple's unity and shared future.

* Another old English custom was to throw a plate with a piece of wedding cake out a window when the bride returned to her family home after the wedding. If the plate broke, she could expect a happy future with her hasband. If the plate remained intact, the future looked grim.

* The tradition of having members of the wedding party dress alike was started with the hopes that the mischievous spirits would be confused and go away.

* The tradition of wearing a veil has a similar origin. Originally, the veil was thought to fool evil spirits by disguisng the bride. It was not until the start of the 19th century in Britain that the veil came to symbolize modesty and chastity.

* It is believed that an unmarried male guest who puts a slice of wedding cake under his pillow when he sleeps will increase his chances of finding a mate. An unmarried bridesmaid who does the same will dream about her future husband.



Michael and Sue (Holodnick) Healy in 1973.



Michael and Sue (Holodnick) Healy today.

The Michael Healys were married Jan. 13, 1973 in Fraser Presbyterian Church, Cass City. She was originally from Elkton and he lived in Cass City, where the couple lives now. They have 2 sons, Cyrus and Eli.







Explore flea markets

Creativity can cut decoration costs

It's not long after the engagement before starry-eyed future brides often realize that the wedding of their dreams will put a big dent in the newlywed purse. With today's fun and easy-to-use spray paints and finishes, and a little creativity, wedding dreams can come true. Inspired by a few quick tips from Krylon(R), even the busiest brides can create beautiful and inexpensive decorations from memorable centerpieces to sparkling satin slippers and still get to the church on time.

To get started, plan on spending a romantic afternoon with your intended foraging through flea markets and tag sales to uncover inexpensive items that can serve as centerpieces. Mismatched teacups and teapots sprayed with glistening gold or silver paint and filled with floral bouquets make charming centerpieces for an afternoon wedding.

For an elegant evening reception, a collection of mismatched candleholders can become a gleaming centerpiece when painted with

Krylon Metallic Paints. For a softer finish, spray glass candleholders with Frosted Glass Finish, available in six colors to match any color theme. A simple collection of glass vases or even glass jars can be similarly transformed. For a more playful mood, Krylon Stained Glass Color turns glassware, including votives, hurricane lamps and candleholders, into a rainbow of transparent color - red, blue, green, orange, yellow and purple. Accent the painted pieces with hearts, swirls and stripes, or even the couple's name and wedding date, drawn with Krylon Leafing Pens in gold, silver or cop-

A bride-to-be with more creativity than cash may also find inspiration in the produce aisle of her supermarket. Fresh fruits, including apples, pears and oranges, can be sprayed gold and silver and dusted with Krylon Glitter Spray. For a fall wedding, substitute pumpkins and gourds. To display the gleaming produce, paint

glass bowls or plates with Frosted Glass Finish or Looking Glass paints. (Be sure to post a sign that says the fruit should not be eaten.)

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For a touch of stardust on that special day, spritz silk flower bouquets and centerpieces, pew bows, tablecloths and placecards with Glitter Spray, available in five shimmering colors. For a playful touch, try it on the satin slippers worn by the bride and her bridesmaids.

Invitations and thank-you notes deliver the message in style and with an extra flourish when embellished with Glitter Spray and Leafing

After the wedding, it's easy for the newlyweds to create cherished mementos of their frame slightly larger than special day. Frames embellished with Metallic Paints and Leafing Pens beautifully display wedding portraits and invitations. Instead of showcasing keepsakes behind plain glass, purchase the

needed and spray a border of Looking Glass around the perimeter of the glass. Leafing Pens also add sparkle to wedding memory books and photo albums.

Know travel terms

Here are some travel terms you should be familiar with when planning your honey-

HOTELS

Double-occupancy rate-a per person price based on two people sharing the room. Double-room ratethe quoted price of the room (to be occupied by two people). Guaranteed late arrival-confirms your reservation no matter what time you arrive; typically, either cash or credit card must pay for the room in advance, to hold the room past 6 or 7 P.M. If you do not arrive, you will have paid for the room anyway. Standard-the basic accom-

modation. First class-usually a notch about the basic. Superior-top accommodation. Suite-a bedroom with a separate sitting room. (NOTE: Terminology for the levels of accommodations my vary from one hotel to another; sometimes, they are designated by bed configuration: twin, double, queen, king. In Europe and Asia, you may have to specify a "matrimonial bed"-they don't usually understand what we mean by double, queen, etc.). Oceanfront-directly facing the ocean, but not necessarily with direct beach access. Ocean view-you can see the water from somewhere in your room,

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hicle in a town or location other than the one in which was rented. Unlimited mileage-you pay for the gas and are not charged per mile. Additional insurance-car rental agencies always offer optional collision and damage insurance, for which you pay an additional fee, but you may already be covered:

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Don and Shirley (Strauch) Kruse in 1953.



Don and Shirley (Strauch) Kruse in 1992.

The Kruses were married May 2, 1953 in Linkville. They have 3 sons, Dean, Duane and Doug, all living in Cass City.

What's important

Decide wedding plans together

by Tracy Orr

You've just gotten engaged and you're overwhelmed. The first thing you need to do is get a good sense of the type of wedding you and your future spouse wants. The following questions serve as a guideline for discussion. In addition to answering the questions, it's importance of each issue. This will help with the compromising that is sure to come later!

- 1. Do you want the traditional wedding/reception, or something different such as private ceremony and larger reception, or destination wedding and party afterwards?
- 2. Do you want the reception to be: indoor, outdoor, indoor/outdoor? If you want outdoor only, how will rain and bathrooms be handled?
- 3. Do you want an afternoon or evening wedding? Formal or informal?
- 4. Do you want traditional reception (i.e. receiving line, toasts, first dance, garter and bouquet throwing etc.) or just a party?
- 5. Do you want a wedding party or just one person to stand up with you? What is the maximum size of the party? Does the number of bridesmaids have to equal the number of groomsmen?
- 6. Do you have a maximum number of guests you will accept?

- 7. Do you want dancing?
- 8. Do you want live music or a dj?
- 9. Do you want sit down dinner, buffet dinner, or just standing reception?
- 10. Do you want everyone in one room during the meal or can they be seated in several rooms?
- 11. Do you want kids at the wedding? How do you envision their participation hanging out with their parents or separate entertainment provided for them?
- 12. What kind of setting do you want: mansion, gardens, hotel, on the water?
- 13. Who do you want to perform the ceremony?
- 14. Where to you want the ceremony, church or reception site?
- 15. How far from the reception to the wedding site will you accept?
- 16. If you live in a large city, how far from the city will you accept as the site?
- 17. What is the maximum you want to pay for the site rental?
- 18. What is the maximum you want to pay for the wedding?



Jack and Irene (Guinther) Doerr in 1953.



Jack and Irene (Guinther) Doerr today.

Jack and Irene Doerr were married Saturday, Jan. 3, 1953, at the St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City. The couple celebrated their golden anniversary Nov. 2, 2002. They have 2 sons, James Lee of Caro and Michael John of Sebewaing. There are 5 grandchildren.

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Duty Free-means the items are sold free of that country's taxes; if you exceed your U.S. Customs limit, however, you will have to pay U.S. taxes upon return to this country. Options-those opportunities, like sight-seeing or sports activities, that are available at extra cost and no included in your package price. Rate of Exchange-the current equivalent of foreign currency to

U.S. dollars; generally, you get the best rate of exchange at a bank, the worst at a hotel. Traveler's Checks-just like real money (that you paid to the issuer) but safer than carrying cash because travelers checks carry your signature; the best known are American Express, but there are many others accepted worldwide. You should each have some with your own signature.



Wedding planning guide

Editor's note: This wedding planning guide has been a feature that appears annually in every special wedding section of the Chronicle. It has always been well received since first published several years ago.

BEFORE THE WEDDING

With the aid of your family and your fiance, select your attendants, and invite them to serve. Freely discuss with your bridesmaids the approximate cost of their gowns and accessories.

BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Engage your minister, rabbi or priest. Discuss customs of his sanctuary. If your wedding is to be held in a hotel or club, make reservations.
- Start preparing your lists for the ceremony, the reception, announcements. Ask your fiance to start his.
- Make your arrangements with the caterer.
- Make arrangements with musicians, florist, photographer.
- Order your invitations and announcements. Have envelopes delivered first.

- Register in gift and department stores as to china, silver, glassware patterns.
- Shop for your wedding gown, veil and headpiece.
- Begin the wonderful experience of hunting for your new house or apartment, with your fiance.
- Discuss your honeymoon with your fiance.
- Begin to plan for your new home.
- Re-check your invitation lists and ask your fiance to do the same with his.
- Help your maid of honour and your bridesmaids select their gowns. By now, your mother and your fiance's mother should decide on their gowns, bearing in mind that their attire should not only complement each others but yours too.

- ☐ Shop for your going-away outfit.
- Begin addressing and stamping your invitations and announcements. These should be hand addressed in dark ink only. Invitations should be mailed four weeks before the wedding.

Remind your fiance to purchase the wedding band. If you're having a double ring ceremony, purchase his.

- Have fittings for your wedding gown. Check your accessories. Inquire also about gowns and accessories for your attendants.
- Purchase luggage.
- Select gifts for your attendants.
- Check with your florist about the color scheme both for the ceremony and the reception.
- Remind your fiance about his wardrobe requirements.
- Firm up your sitting with the photographer.
- With your musicians, decide on number of people to be hired, types of numbers to be played, the selection of the wedding march, etc.



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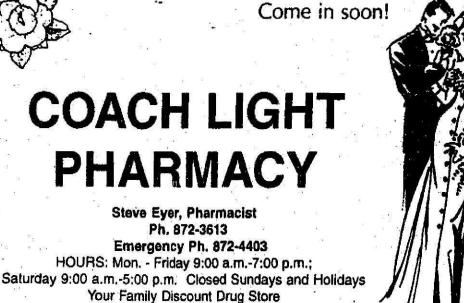
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WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Send out wedding invitations.
- ☐ Check florist, photographer, and caterer for all final arrangements.
- Remind your fiance to order your bridal bouquet, your going-away corsage, corsages for his mother and yours, and all necessary boutonnieres.
- If you intend to buy a gift for your future husband, now is the time to do it.
- Check bridal costumes for yourself and attendants, making sure all will be ready a week before the wedding.
- Another bridal fitting.
- Arrange lodging for out-of-town guests.
- ☐ As gifts come in, acknowledge them immediately.
- Order the bridal cake.
- Finish shopping.

WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING

- Before you give the caterer the final count, have your mother contact people who have not responded to your invitations.
- Give caterer the final count.
- Send notices and glossy photos of yourself to newspapers in your city and in the groom's if he is from out of town. Be sure to include date of your wedding.
- Check deliveries in your new home.
- Mrite thank you notes for gifts received.
- Have the final fitting of your gown.
- Make appointment with hairdresser for a day before the wedding.
- Check and re-check every item.

WEEK BEFORE THE WEDDING

Invite close friends and relatives to see your trousseau and gifts.

- Entertain your bridesmaids at a luncheon, tea or dinner.
- Keep writing thank-you notes.
- Arrange to spend the night before the wedding with your family.
- ☐ Have your portrait taken.
- Review all duties with participants of the wedding party.

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- Indulge yourself on the Big Day, even to the extent of having your breakfast in bed!
- Do everything leisurely, allowing yourself plenty of time for the important details.
- One hour before the ceremony be completely dressed, except for veil and gloves.
- Rest and relax for at least a half hour beforehand.
- □ Now, go off to Your Man and live happily as One!

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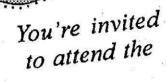
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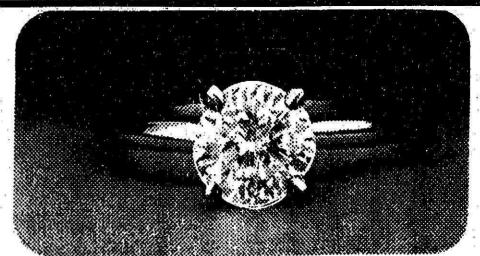
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Should the bride wear white? Nowadays, the question is not limited to future brides. Filled with plenty of smiles, laughter and of course, pictures, it's no sur-

prise that the groom, the guests, and just about everyone else is seeking a whiter smile for the big day. Why? According to the American Dental Association (ADA),

even if you brush every day, residue buildup from braces, coffee, tea, colas, red wine and cigarette smoking can, over time, dull the color of your teeth.

Methods for cleaning discolored teeth date back hundreds of years, although most of them were neither safe nor effective. For example, many products developed during the 19th century by doctors, chemists and dentists contained highly abrasive substances like brick dust, china and cuttlefish. However, in recent years there has been what appears to be a "boom" in both the number and variety of tooth-whitening products on the market and getting a brighter smile is safer, easier and faster than ever. If you're thinking about having your teeth whitened for your wedding, the ADA strongly recommends that you consult with a dentist first. Bleaching may not correct all kinds of discoloration, and may also prove ineffective if you've had bonding or tooth-colored fillings.

Your dentist can tell you whether — and which — products and procedures would be the most effective for you. Here's a closer look at some of the more popular options:

IN-OFFICE BLEACHING

In-office, or chairside bleaching describes whitening pro-

In-office, or chairside bleaching, describes whitening procedures that can be done in a dentist's office. Some may require more than one visit, each one taking 30 minutes to an hour.

The quickest way to whiten your teeth is a one-hour laser technique in which the dentist uses a low-peroxide whitening gel and a gas plasma light to lighten teeth. Many dentists offer this treatment, as well as companies like BriteSmile, Inc., which offers whitening services through private dentists and

its own treatment centers. During the BriteSmile procedure, a whitening gel is applied by a dentist or dental assistant, then activated by its patented light source.

AT-HOME PROCEDURES AND PRODUCTS

There are also several whitening options that are available from a dentist or can be purchased over-the-counter for use at home. Bleaching solutions typically contain peroxide and come in a gel. To use, you place the gel in a tray and wear it inside your mouth for an hour or more per day, depending on the product. If you purchase the bleaching solution through a dentist, he or she can create a custom-fitted tray or mouthguard designed to fit your mouth precisely. Some products are designed for use twice a day for a few weeks, while others, like NiteWhite, are intended for overnight use over a shorter period. Look to brands like Ultra-White and Brite White for other daytime options.

Over-the-counter whitening toothpastes and bleaching systems like Crest Whitestrips and the Mentadent Tooth Whitening System may not last as long as laser whitening or bleaching solutions, however they can help whiten your for your big day. While all toothpastes help remove surface stain through the action of mild abrasives, some whitening toothpastes also contain special chemical or polishing agents that provide additional stain removal effectiveness. Look to brands like Rembrandt, Arm & Hammer and Mentadent for quality, whitening toothpastes. Each has the ADA seal of approval. However, unlike bleaches, they do not alter the actual color of your teeth.

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Ray and Delphine Tomlin in 1949.



Ray and Delphine Tomlin today.

The Tomlins were married Aug. 9, 1949 in Hamtramck. She lived in Hamtramck and he lived in Detroit. They now make their home in Deford. They have a daughter, Nancy Mason, and a son, Jim.

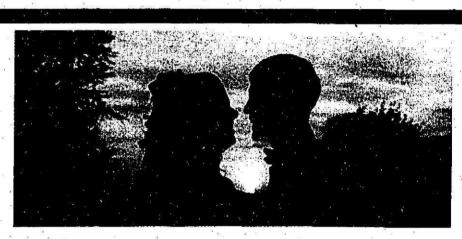


John and Rochelle (Rocheleau) Smedley in 1977.

John and Rochelle (Rocheleau) Smedley today.

Rochelle Smedley is originally from Owendale. She met her husband when both were attending Northern Michigan University. They were married Oct. 22, 1977. The couple now lives in Kewadin. They have 2 daughters, Ariyll, 21, and Lynelle, 18.





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Tips for reducing wedding costs

by Davine Smiley

In this day in age, many couples are paying for their wedding instead of the traditional times when the couple's parents paid. In many soonto-be households, both halves of the couple are working at least one job(and sometimes two) and much of the income is going toward wedding expenses. With credit card bills, student loans, rent/mortgage, and other financial obligations, a wedding can pose a huge financial strain on many couples. But fear not! You can have the wedding of your dreams on your realistic budget! Here are some practical budget savers to keep you from breaking the bank!

Tip 1: Research, research! Do not buy the first item you see. Always look around and search for a less expensive price or alternative. For example, you find a \$5000 Vera Wang gown that you must have. Before you buy, Check the internet, many bridal salons cater specifically to internet bargain hunters who are looking for lower prices. Online auction sites are also an option. Check another boutique that may be having a sale on the same gown you have your eye on. Check a discounted bridal shop; many of them carry famous maker knock

offs for half the price...and the only difference is the tag in the back of the dress.

Tip 2: Choose your date wisely. Consider your date and how important it is to have the wedding on this date. Also consider if it's important to have a Saturday wedding. If the date is not that important you may want to look into having a Sunday or week day wedding. Many vendors offer significant discounts and are more willing to negotiate their prices if you hold your wedding on an "off" day as opposed to a Saturday. Saturdays are many vendors' busiest day for weddings and they tend to be slow on other, off-peak days, so many times they are more willing to lower their rates on an off day, to ensure business on a normally slow day.

Tip 3: Use your resources! Do you have an aunt that arranges floral centerpieces as a hobby? Consider asking her to do your bouquets and floral arrangements at cost, simply meaning, you buy all of the materials. Does your best friend DJ college parties? Ask him to let his gift to you be his services at the reception. Vendors charge

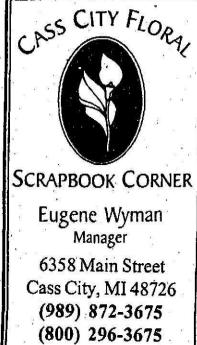
for their materials AND their actual service. It is a lot like taking your car to the maintenence shop, they charge for the supplies as well as an hourly labor charge. Why not ask the people you love to help you out and instead of paying big bucks for impersonal services?

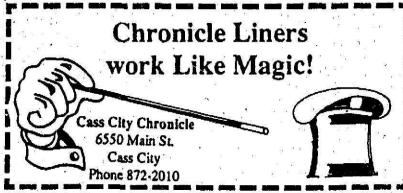
Tip 4: Choose your location wisely. Many traditional ceremony and reception sites charge very expensive amounts to use their building. Because churches, halls, temples and other places of worship are charging high prices -for members and non members - to hold weddings in their buildings....especially more elborate and historic buildings. Having your ceremony at an alternative location may save money. Consider going to a local state park or botannical gardens. Try asking a friend who has a large yard if you can hold your wedding there or call the local beach authorities and make arrangements. Having your ceremony and reception in the same location will keep you from paying two separate fees. thus saving you money.

Tip 5: Start early! When you book services early some vendors may give you a discount if you offer a deposit. This is done because you are now a "guaranteed service". Starting early also allows you enough time to execute tip #1

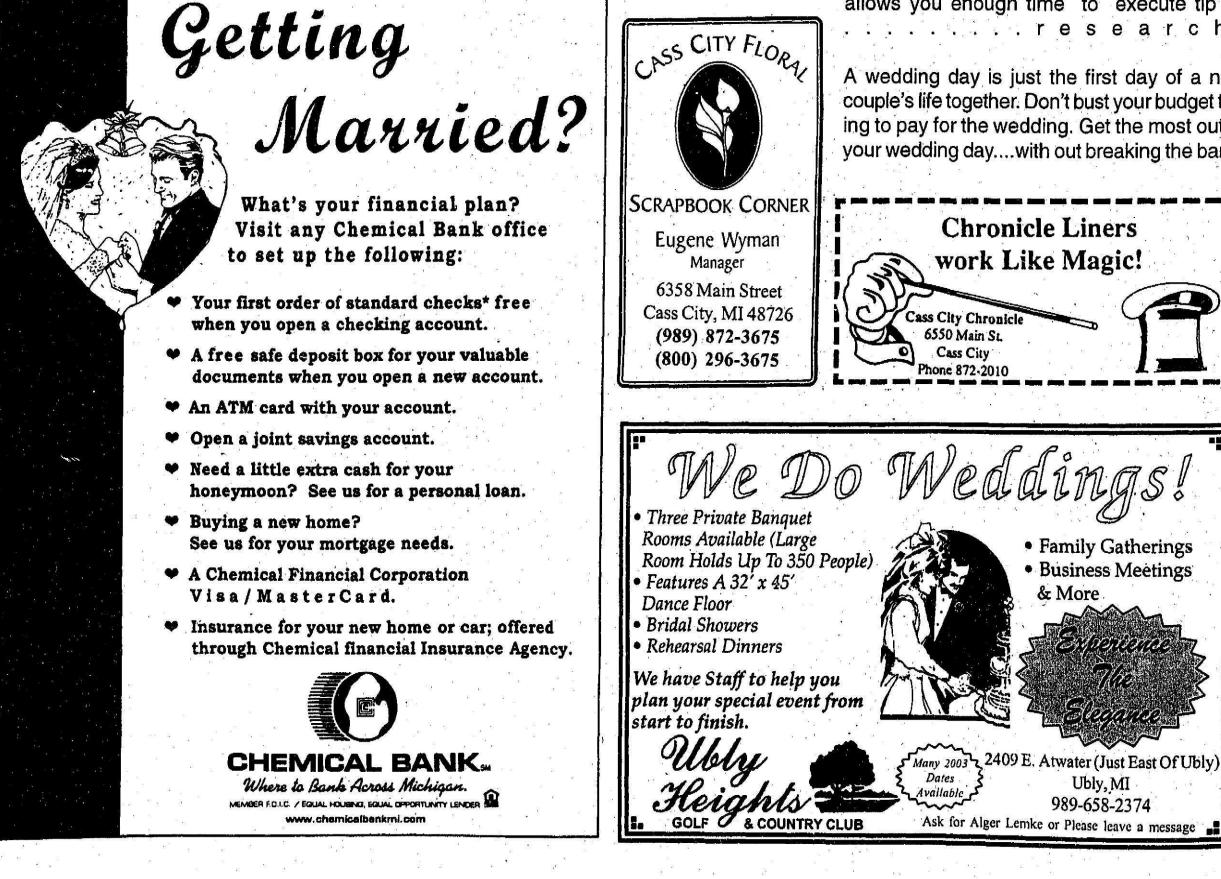
...research!

A wedding day is just the first day of a new couple's life together. Don't bust your budget trying to pay for the wedding. Get the most out of your wedding day....with out breaking the bank!





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Pre-nuptial agreement?

Check out finances before wedding

Cheryl Starkey-King

Congratulations on your engagement or marriage. Did you see "When Harry Met Sally..."? Remember the scene where Jess wants to keep the wagon wheel coffee table and Marie tells him no way? And then Harry tells them about how he and Helen started out, picking out this, getting that and how eventually Jess and Marie would end up in court battling over that yard sale, wagon wheel coffee table? Well, unfortunately, it's true. While I don't wish you ill of your engagement or wedding and I sincerely wish you all the best, reality is a yucky thing. And not all marriages make it. This is the reality check of what you should do to protect things you own now from not getting caught up in the messy business of marital chattel later.

If you are both a little older and more established, chances are you both have households already set up and are going to have to either pare them down a little or find a place large enough to accommodate all you have. If you are just starting out from Mom's house, you may not have much, but you may have heirlooms passed to you. To this end, it is necessary, even as the two of you are about to "become one", to maintain what belongs to you and what belongs to him/her. Since checklists are always a hit with a bride/groom who can't tell you what day it is, maybe help: will

-1) Do you have your own checking/savings/credit card/money markets/investments? Do you want to share these items? If you wish to maintain your own

accounts, set up separate accounts in both of your names for household use (paying bills, buying groceries, mutual home purchases, etc.).

2) As unromantic as they

are, pre-nuptial agreements aren't all that bad. The rich and famous (where most marriages rarely outlast milk) are not the only ones who feel a need for these anymore. This document can help to determine that the silver service that has been in the family for three generations doesn't get lost in a court battle. It could even let you two walk away friends instead of bitter enemies over that one piece of crystal or that framed print. While he/ she may not really want the silver service, the crystal or the framed print, divorce can be an ugly thing and make people do things they would not normally do. If one of you has a business that has been in the family for years, a pre-marital agreement can keep the other spouse from laying any claim to it during a court proceeding. Protect your investments or family heirlooms BEFORE you walk down that aisle.

3) If you had a savings account set aside and earmarked for that favorite niece, you need to protect it. Under most state and federal laws, if something happens to you while you are still married, your

spouse stands to inherit anything and everything you had. While no one wants to think that he/she would not let little Cindy have the savings for college, it would be a wise thing to restructure the account to include one of her parents or other relative and remove yourself. You can still contribute to the account if you wish, but this puts the account out of your estate. Do this for any account or for anything that you don't want to become a marital issue later.

No one goes into a marriage thinking about divorce. Well, at least most of us anyway. But the statistics are against every

couple since 1 out of every 2 marriages will end in divorce. Pretty sobering fact. While it is great to be in love and looking forward to the future and hoping for "happily ever after", it is always a good idea to have a "legal checkup". Make an appointment with your attorney to make sure that all of your financial and legal affairs are in order and protected against "what ifs". Discuss whether a premarital agreement is necessary. This kind of peace of mind is probably worth more than that silver service.

I wish you many years of happiness and wishes that you don't become a statistic.

Key questions

Being open and honest with each other is the most important key to any relationship, especially a marriage. Issues like sex, children, money, kids and inlaws can become potential landmines if partners don't discuss their feelings openly before marching down the aisle. And it's not always enough to just "talk" rather, to find answers to the really tough relationship questions, it's important to know what to ask.

Critically-acclaimed author Corey Donaldson has interviewed hundreds of people to discover exactly what those questions are, and in the process discovered a method for targeting divorce-causing problems way before the wedding in his book, "Don't You Dare Get Married Until You Read This!" (Crown Publishing). Alternately playful and provocative, and filled with anecdotes from his own relationship with his wife, Donaldson takes an unflinching look at such hot topics as:

* Does it matter to you who earns most of the money?

* What place do you believe religion should have in our relationship?

* Who cleans the house?
Perfect for engaged couples or partners in established relationships who just want to get to know each other again, "Don't You Dare Get Married Until You Read This!" is a must-have for anyone who wants to make their relationship last.



