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FIFTY CENTS



CASS CITY FIREMEN extricated two men from their vehicle with their Jaws of Life Friday, when a Cass City man lost control of the vehicle and crashed into a stop sign near the corner of Cemetery and Huron Line Roads.

## Two suffer minor injuries

Two people suffered minor injuries when the driver lost control of the vehicle and crashed into a stop sign located on the southwest corner of Cemetery Road near Huron Line Road in Tuscola County.

State Trooper, is still investigating the accident and no names have been released.

The driver, a 57-year-old Cass City man, was travelling southbound in a Pontiac when the accident occurred Friday at 3:48 p.m.

The Elkland Township fire

Life to extricate the men from the vehicle.

The driver and front seat passenger, a 76-year-old Cass City man, were transported to Hills and Dales General Hospital and released with seatbelts, however alcohol was a factor.

Troopers from the Caro and Sandusky Michigan State Police posts, the Elkton and Harbor Beach Ambulance Services and the Elkland Township Fire Department assisted Heronemus at the

### minor injuries. According to police offi-Jeff Heronemus, Bad Axe fighters used their Jaws of cials, the men were wearing 3 annual Memorial Day

# observances set Monday

Residents throughout the Thumb will join others across the country Monday to remember all of the brave men and women who have served their country as well as those on active duty.

Memorial Day services will be held over the holiday weekend in Cass City as well as Novesta and Grant townships.

Those ceremonies will no doubt include a time of remembering those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the war against terrorism since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on America. In recent months, the focus of that war has been on the liberation of Iraqi residents during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Monday's observance in Cass City will begin early, with members of VFW Post 3644 setting up their 215 American flag display, which is thought to be the second largest such display in Michigan behind the Fort Custer Cemetery in Battle

Flags will also be displayed at the Novesta Township Cemetery and in the village of Gagetown. VFW member Jack Esau said the veterans would welcome volunteer help to set up the display starting at 7 a.m.

Memorial Day activities in Cass City will include an annual parade starting at

Chemical Bank at 10 a.m. A service will follow at about 10:30 a.m. at the Elkland Township Cemetery just east of the village.

Esau will again serve as master of ceremonies, and this year's guest speaker will be Fr. Steve Fillion of St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City.

The Cass City High School Band is scheduled to perform. VFW post members will participate and provide a firing squad.

A similar program will be held at the Novesta cemetery at 1 p.m. VFW Post 3644 will conduct memorial ceremonies and the guest speaker will be Chuck Emmert, pastor of the Novesta Church of Christ.

In addition, the 64th annual Grant Township Memorial Day Service has been scheduled for Sunday, May 25, starting at 2 p.m. at the cemetery, located on Bach Road, Gagetown.

This year's speaker will be the Rev. John Heim of the Owendale and Gagetown United Methodist churches. The Community Choir will sing again this year, as will the Owen-Gage Band. Area Boy and Girl Scouts will march through the cemetery along with veterans. The ceremony will conclude with

### Deford school closes

## School continues cost cuts

Cutbacks continued at Cass City Public Schools Monday night as the school board continued to battle the loss of students and state aid cutbacks that don't allow for normal increases in operating expenses.

One of the major decisions was the closing of the Deford School next year. Supt. Ken Micklash outlined the class size with the students from Deford moving to Campbell Elementary School.

Each class, kindergarten through fourth grade, will have no more than 24.5 students each. Classes 5 through 8 will have a maximum of 26 students each. The school will continue to be a school of choice and will accept students in all grades. Overall, there is projected to be 1,522 students in the district.

Moving classes from Deford to Campbell Elementary

will allow the school to hire 2 less teachers for the 2003-04 school year. Micklash emphasized that the Deford School building will be well maintained and an opportunity will be made to use it in some capacity.

#### SCHOOL BUDGET

The board adopted a budget for 2003-04 that anticipates a slight increase in total revenues of \$77,240 and an increase of \$132,468 in expenditures. The budget calls for the school to be \$54,437 in the red at the end of the next school year.

However, in a budget that exceeds \$11.5 million, that figure is nothing to worry about, Micklash said. If everything works well we could end with a balanced budget. And we also have a fund balance of \$1,555,428

The board also approved the school service fund expenditures for athletics and lunch program. The hot lunch costs will remain unchanged, but Micklash cautioned that next year the school will probably have to raise the lunch prices.

Taxes will remain unchanged except for nonhomestead property paying for the 1996 debt service. They will decrease from 4.71 mills to 4.5 mills.

Despite the tight financial picture at the school, the board approved a pair of projects that will increase the cost of operation.

The first was to okay the hiring of an additional person to be in charge of the high school and middle school vocal and instrumental music program. The man must be qualified, Micklash said, to take over and build a

program. A teacher with experience is desired and will not have to start at the bottom of the pay scale. We won't hire just anyone for this job, he concluded.

The board also authorized by a 6-1 vote, with Dave Knight voting no, to spend \$20,000 toward the building of a 40x70 weight training facility at an estimated cost of \$90,000. Micklash estimated that costs for operating the building should be in the neighborhood of \$2,000 annually.

Ben Varney said that a total of \$52,500 has been pledged for the project in addition to help in building the facility. The pledges include: \$20,000, Pinney Foundation; \$10,000, Cass City Rotary; \$5,000, Cass City Lions; \$10,000, Gavel Club (\$5,000 a year for 2

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## No more room for cuts in budget, tax increase looms

by Melissa Herren Staff Writer

The Village Council approved Amendments to the Fiscal-Year 2003 Budget in a meeting Monday evening.

Changes in the taxable value, millage rates and stateshared revenue prompted a review of the budget, reported Frank Sheridan, village manager. Adjustments were made from the revenue and expenditure figures estimated last December.

"Our expenditures are too high for the revenue coming in," Sheridan said. Revenue is not coming in like the council expected in December, he said.

"When revenue goes up one-and-a-half percent and costs increase 4 to 5 percent, it is hard to make ends meet," Sheridan explained.

The General Fund has suffered a loss in revenue, he said. A substantial amount of the revenue from the fund is a \$108,000 grant to be used for the Nestle's building, he

'We have \$44,000 less revenue coming into the general fund than we knew in December," Sheridan said.

The biggest cuts were made in money for sidewalks and Parks and Recreation, he said. The adjustments to the budget cut \$20,000 set aside for sidewalks and \$8,000 in the Recreation Department,

The Street Fund shows changes because of the proposed millage reduction and the amount plugged in for the unsuccessful grant application when estimated in December, Sheridan reported.

Major Street Revenues were budgeted at \$445,274 in December and an adjustment has been made to budget it at \$212,289. The major street expenditures were budgeted at \$441,585 and adjusted to \$111,585.

There was a change in the Water Fund because Sheridan recommended bor-

rowing more money than expected to cover the cost of water meters, he reported.

The Water Fund revenue was budgeted at \$327,886 and adjusted to \$377,886; Sheridan said. Expenditures were budgeted at \$325,922 and adjusted to 360,385, he reported.

The council made a minor djustment to the Motor Vehicle and Equipment Fund based on the price of a commercial mower, Sheridan said.

Village council members are concerned about the insufficient funds available to maintain the Cass City Recreation Park. The problem in the park is a cash flow problem, said Don Ball, village council trustee. He said, "We are not maintaining the park like we should be," he said. "If we do not maintain it, it will cost us a lot to fix it, or we will lose it."

The council talked about ways to generate money for desperately needed repairs in the park. Council members suggested 2 ideas, raising the millage or going into debt. "I don't want to see us going into debt for a park," Ball

The council agreed that there isn't room for more cuts

More information needs to be gathered to see how much park repairs and maintenance will cost, council members said.

Dawn Hollis, councilwoman, reported that more damage is being done to the community pool by leaving the cover on than is being prevented. "I think it's costing us more to keep the coveron," she said.

Three lights in the pool were damaged when taking the cover off, she said. Hollis went on to say that a lot of sludge accumulated on the bottom of the pool because the cover was on, which

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## Loved teaching for 29 years

## Sherry Dillon: well liked and respected by all

First grade teacher Sherry Dillon is retiring this year after teaching 29 years at Campbell Elementary School, but she will continue to watch her students grow and will take fond memories of the students and staff with

Dillon said she loves her job, the kids and working with the staff and principal. "I love my job and have never not loved my job," she explained. "It has been easy for me and I don't want to stay too long and make my job work."

Dillon has taught first grade for 21 years, kindergarten for 5 years and second grade 3

She knew she wanted to teach elementary school since her senior year in high school at Cass City, she said. Dillon graduated with her Bachelor of Science degree

from Central Michigan Uni-

versity in 1967 and went on

to get her Masters of Arts in

Elementary Education from Central Michigan University She was born and raised in

Cass City and returned to the area after receiving her teaching degrees. Dillon is well-respected by

her peers, well thought of by the community, well-liked by the kids, a role model to younger teachers, an outstanding teacher and a caring person, said Jody Miklovic, Campbell Elementary School principal.

"I will miss her expertise in the field, quality teaching and her as a person," he said. "She puts the kids first and the parents pick up on that,"

Miklovic said. She always receives a lot of requests from parents who want their kids to be in her class, he said.

The students respect Dillon for her soft spoken, gentle and kind disposition, Miklovic explained.

In a soft, sweet tone, Dillon

explained why she loves teaching first grade. "I like to teach first grade because the first graders come in and accept you unconditionally, they are eager to learn, and willing to do what you ask," she said.

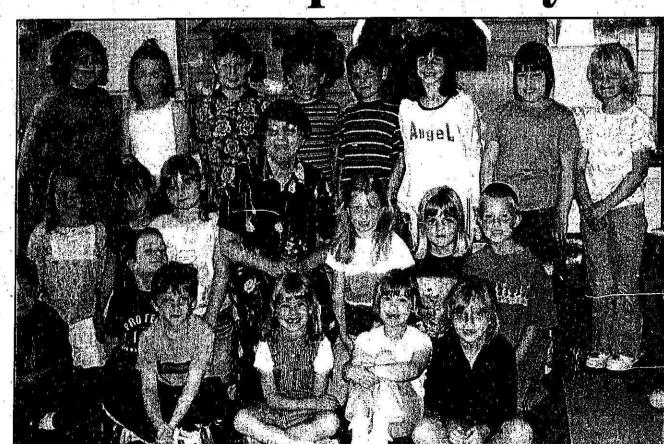
Dillon said that first grade is an enlightening year for her students.

Some of her students start first grade unable to read or have trouble reading and then, all of a sudden, they figure it out, she said as enthusiasm swept over her face. "This is a really neat thing to be able to watch," she noted with a smile.

Dillon makes first grade a memorable year for the students. She smiled as she flipped through the pages of the memory book she created for her students.

The memory book is filled with pictures of field trips the

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SHERRY DILLON will retire this year after teaching at Campbell Elementary for 29 years. She is pictured with students from her first grade class.



Shannon Campbell And Kevin Zaschak

Thomas and Sharon (Profit) Campbell of Lake Orion announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Lee Campbell of Grand Rapids to Kevin John Zaschak of Comstock Park.

Kevin is the son of Robert Zaschak and Sandra Zaschak of Livonia. Shannon is the granddaughter of Maxine Profit and the late Leslie Profit of Cass City.

Shannon is a graduate of Lake Orion High School and Ferris State University and is senior vaccine sales representative GlaxoSmithKline. Kevin is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and has a bachelor's degree from Ferris State University and a master's from Aquinas. He teaches and coaches at Forest Hills Northern High School, Grand Rapids.

The couple will be married July 12, 2003 in Lake Orion.

## Art guild sets trip to north

The Thumb Arts Guild is sponsoring a trip to Northern Michigan on June 25 and 26.

You can play at 3 different casinos. You also have a choice to golf at the magnificent Wild Bluff Golf Course next to Bay Mills Casino or sight see and shop in down-town Sault Ste. Marie and view the Soo Locks.

Bus pickup points are Cass City, Port Austin, Caseville and Unionville.

The deadline is May 19. Call Ev Hellebuyck at (989) 

#### Senior Menu

Senior Dining Center Sponsored by HDC 6106 Beechwood Drive Cass City, MI 48726

Call Lois Remsing before 8:45 a.m. on the day you wish to come 872-5089. This is a non smoking dining center. Please bring your own table service.

MAY 23-26-27

Friday - Macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, peaches, roll, pudding. Monday - Memorial Day Holiday

Tuesday - Polish sausage with bun, sauerkraut, European blend, cookie.

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## Grant to spur gardening project

Commission (HDC) has received a grant from the Family Independence Agency for a Community Gardening

Partnering in this endeavor are the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), the City of Vassar, Family Independence Agency, MSU Cooperative Extension, and the Green Thumb Master Gardeners.

The Community Gardening Project will allow low-income and working families the opportunity to come together and grow fresh, nutritious fruits and vegetables in a Community Garden or at their own home.

The Vassar Community Garden will be located at the Vassar Fairgrounds, where 10 plots have been donated to the project. Families can also put in a garden at their own home if space is available.

The Human Development HDC will set up a community tool shed in Caro, and families will be allowed to borrow tools such as a manual cultivator, hoes/ rakes, and other small hand tools in addition to providing seeds and seedlings.

Members of Thumb Area Master Gardeners and other volunteers will act as mentors to families in designing gardening plots. Families will also be taught how to preserve their produce.

RSVP is currently looking for volunteers to work on this project. If you are age 55 or older, and are interested in helping with the Community Garden Project, call Julia toll-free at 1-800-843-6394. If you would like to be considered for the Community Garden Project, contact Laura Hendrick at the Family Independence Agency at (989) 673-9184.

## Delta Skill Day

ness Division Competition was held at Delta College,

Seventeen students from the Tuscola Technology Center competed against 520 students representing 21 area schools in Michigan. The following students placed in the business accounting, computer, and office competitive events:

Elizabeth Hoyt, Accounting II, first place, Cass City; Karina Thavongsa, Accounting II, second place, Caro; tor.

The Delta Skill Day Busi- Elizabeth Hoyt, Business Math, second place, Cass City; Stephanie Miles, Scholarship, first runner-up, Vassar; and Sara Balzer, Scholarship, third place,

Fifteen different events were held during the compe-

The Delta Skill Day Business Division Advisor representing the Tuscola Technology Center was Amy K. Schuette, Computer Technology Management Instruc-

## Luncheon fetes hospital volunteers

decoration.

Hills and Dales General cial touch in the Italian theme Hospital officials provided a pasta luncheon Monday, April 28, at Northwood Meadows to honor volun- Elroy and Tammy Kosters

There were 24 auxiliary members and 8 guests play. present.

National Volunteer Week is a special time set aside in Smith receives April to give tribute to the people who donate their time and energy to their fellow citizens. Volunteers of Hills and Dales General Hospital donated 6,429.5 hours of ser-

vice during 2002. Hospital president and CEO, Dee McKrow, thanked the volunteers. She and Jean Anthony, chief operating officer, presented service pins to members. Kerry Brown and Lynn Ferris, Hills and Dales General Hospital social workers/discharge planners, and Becky Barr, activities director from Northwood

Meadows, added their spe-



Christopher Smith

Christopher Smith, a 1998 graduate of Cass City High School, was recently awarded a bachelors degree in business management from Saginaw Valley State University.

Smith is currently employed at Mid-Valley Insurance of Saginaw as an agent. He is the son of Rod and Theresa Smith of Cass City.

bachelor's degree

Entertainment was pro-

vided by "Living Truth 2".

sang and provided history of

the many instruments they



## Meg's Peg Cancel!!! by Melva E. Guinther

We received 2 offers in the mail the other day that I actually looked at. One was for a medical book, the other for a music box for daughthe "forgotten" box? ters. Usually these things are automatically tossed in the

trash without opening, but I was mildly interested in these Have you ever tried to figure out the price of these "outstanding offers"? They always include 3 or 4 pieces of printed description plus a cel" directive. picture, and you have to pe-

ruse every one of them to find out how much they cost. I'm sure there's a reason for this. Maybe the advertisers are convinced that they do such a good selling job that or words to that effect. you'll want the product regardless of price. Well, they just don't know frugal folks! One of the deals was a sub-

and by signing up now, you're guaranteed the other 3 for the same price as the first one - whatever that is. I eventually discovered it's \$34.99 plus \$5.99 postage. I didn't subscribe. I have only one daughter, and I figured she didn't need 4 more

music boxes. Of course, there was no obligation. You could cancel out at any time. Right!!

scription type thing whereby

you reserve 4 music boxes

Have you ever tried to cancel out of a subscription? I'm sure they never expect anyone to do that.

My husband decided to try yet another fishing magazine with just such an offer. After receiving the first issue, he determined that it was not what he wanted, so he "simply wrote 'cancel'" on the invoice (which, by the way, always arrives long before the first copy).

It would be interesting to see what actually happens to those cancellation notices when they arrive at the circulation desk.

If there is no check en-

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BACK TO THE 50s

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CASOLINE -

closed, are they automatically shredded without an actual human looking at them? Do they file them in

One thing for sure is that they pay no attention to them whatsoever.

We started getting notices from the fishing magazine asking for payment. At first they were rather polite notices, which we returned with another, slightly larger, "can-

Then they got ugly, with "PAST DUE!", "WE'RE GO-ING TO HAVE TO DISCON-TINUE YOUR SUBSCRIP-TION!" and "DON'T MAKE US COME OUT THERE!",

After giving up on the simple "cancel" approach, we started sending them our junk mail in the postage paid return envelope. I guess they eventually got the message, because we haven't heard from them in a while.

On a related subject, if by some fluke you end up getting duplicate subscriptions, you might as well forget trying to straighten that mess out. They'll either remove both of them from the mailing list or send you 2 more duplicates.

Who works in these places? Speaking of unsolicited mail, does everybody get more unordered return address labels than a person could ever use in a normal lifetime?

We once had a neighbor who felt duty bound to send money to all those organizations that sent her labels, not to mention cards and calen-

That's one way to assure a never-ending supply. I'm sure there's a big green light that illuminates next to your name on every mailing list if you respond favorably, or at all, to one of those deals. I figure if I didn't order it, it

must be a gift.

## 7 earn degrees at area colleges

Alma College officials recently announced that 264 degree candidates were eligible to participate in the college's 2003 Commencement ceremony April 19.

The day began with a Baccalaureate Service at 10:30 a.m. in Dunning Memorial Chapel, followed by a luncheon, then the commencement program at 2:00 p.m. in Cappaert Gymnasium.

Following is a list of area students along with degrees and majors earned:

Amanda Chappel, Bachelor of Arts degree in political science, Cass City; Ryan Downing, Bachelor of Arts

degree in international business administration and Spanish; Cass City; Stephan McIntosh, Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration and Spanish, Cass City; Sarah Rutkowski, Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration, Cass City; Shelly Llfig, Bachelor of Science degree in exercise and health science, mathematics and computer science, Deford.

#### Cass City; Nicolette Zawilinski, Bachelor of Science degree in biology, Cass City; and Aaron Bell, Bachelor of Science degree in

## O-G student of month

Scott Kundinger has been named Owendale-Gagetown Schools' "Senior Student of the Month" for May. Kundinger has been active

in various activities while attending Owen-Gage. He has participated as a member of the basketball team for 3 years and football team for 2 years. He has also been selected as a class representative for Homecoming Court his junior and senior years and as a Snowball Court representative this year. Recently, Kundinger was voted prom king by his fellow classmates and staff.

Kundinger has been a member of the 3.0 Club for 3 years and a member of the National Honor Society since his junior year. He is serving as treasurer this year. During his senior year, he has participated as a "Reading Buddy" to the elementary



Scott Kundinger

students. Kundinger is also a member of the drama club and serves as treasurer for his. senior class. Currently, he is working as co-editor of the yearbook, is a member of the newspaper staff and is a teacher's aide.

Dean Kundinger of Sebewaing and Debra Cross of Gagetown. His future plans are to attend Delta College to pursue a degree in welding.

Kundinger is the son of

Michelle Pitrone

and David Murphy

Mr. and Mrs. John Pitrone of Sterling Heights announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Jean, to David Paul Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Murphy of Cass City.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Michigan State University's College of Education and is currently teaching at Warren Mott High School.

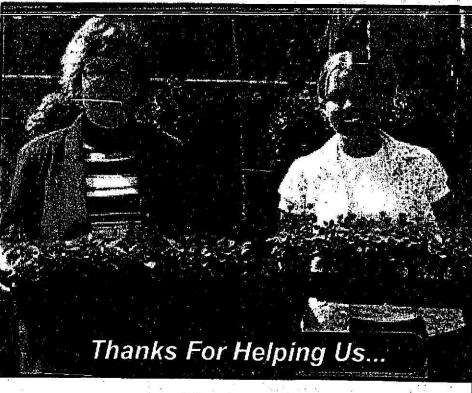
The prospective groom is a 2001 graduate of Michigan State University's College of Education and is currently teaching 4th grade at Central Elementary in Okemos. The wedding ceremony will take place June 21, 2003.

## 13th Annual ART SHOW May 27-June 2

The Art Show will Open with a Reception for the Artists

**Rawson Memorial Library** 

Tuesday, May 27 7-9 p.m. at the Library The Public is Invited to Attend



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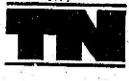
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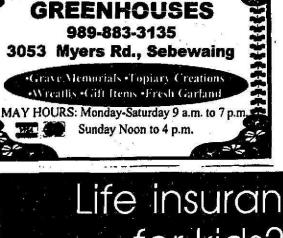
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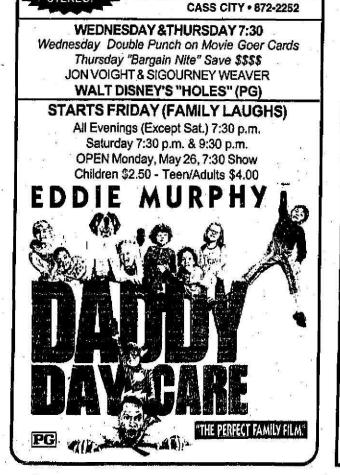
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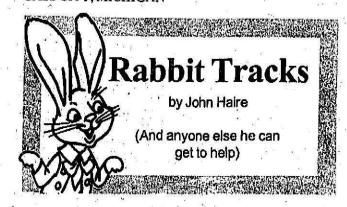
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Let's get to the worst first. In the picture concerning the clean-up of Main Street last week, the 3 workers pictured were said to be members of the Gavel Club. They are members of the Lions Club.

The sad part of all this is that I KNEW they were Lions and then called them Gavel Club members.

Morel mushrooms are where you find them. Tom Hendrick was mowing his lawn in the trailer park at The Point when he spotted a mushroom. He stopped and found about a dozen. Since then he's scoured around the woods and the nearby Cass River to find some more.

Never found a one, he grinned.

AAA Michigan's annual study says that motorists driving 15,000 miles in a year will spend an average of \$7,754 on auto-related expenses, up \$221 since last year.

I just can't believe that my cost is that great. Just think, at the rate of 51.7 cents per mile it costs about \$16.50 to drive to Caro and back.

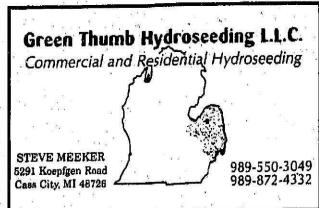
Melissa Herren, Central Michigan University student interning at the Chronicle, was called on for an assignment not normally given to our summer interns. Interns normally do lots of features, produce the editorial matter for the July 4 Festival issue and cover lengthy meetings like the awards program at Cass City High School Wednesday.

What interns never have done before is to cover the village council meeting. She drew that assignment Monday because editor Tom Montgomery had previously arranged to be off Monday and Tuesday and I was at the Cass City School Board meeting.



HAVE YOU seen this lady? She could have been your teacher, a neighbor, friend, your 4-H leader or Sunday school teacher. Area residents are invited to an open house and 95th birthday party for Nellie (Opperman) Sinclair, Sunday, June 7, from one to 5 p.m. at the Caro First United Methodist Church. No gifts please. During her 33year teaching career, Sinclair taught at Teezel, Pinkerton, Proctor-Sanilac, Carolan, Deford and Owendale schools. She has also been a member of the Vassar, Gagetown, Cass City and Caro United Methodist churches.







ALL IN THE Family. Jimmy Froede (left) and his uncle, Bill Froede, each bagged turkeys hunting opening day on private land in Tuscola County. Jimmy's bird sported a 9 1/4" beard and tipped the scales at 22 1/4 lbs., while Bill's bird had a 10 1/2" beard and weighed 21 1/2 lbs.

### Traffic deaths decline in 2002

Governor Jennifer M. Granholm and the Michigan State Police (MSP) officials recently announced that for the first time since 1945, Michigan has recorded fewer than 1,300 traffic fatalities in

a calendar year.
In 2002, traffic fatalities declined to 1,279 from 1,328 in 2001, a drop of almost 4 percent. Further, the number of people killed in alcohol and/or drug related crashes fell significantly to 463 from 504 in 2001, a drop of over 5

Overall, Michigan reported 395,515 traffic crashes in 2002, 1,175 fatal crashes, and

80,567 injury crashes. The number of people injured increased slightly from 112,292 in 2001 to 112,484 in 2002.

"We believe these positive numbers are the culmination of many things," said Granholm. "We have to give credit to the state's primary safety belt law. Belt use in Michigan is high, and we're always working to increase that rate, because we know safety belts save lives." In addition, our repeat offender laws and graduated driver licensing laws are contributing to these positive changes.

The U.S. Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recently reported that, nationally, traffic fatalities increased in 2002 from 42,116 in 2001 to 42,850 in 2002. Alcoholrelated fatalities also increased nationally from 17,448 in 2001 to 17,970 in

When Michigan had a secondary safety belt law in 1999, there were 1,386 people killed in traffic crashes. Prior to the law change, belt use was at 70 percent in the state. It now stands at 82.9 percent.



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The passing parade as caught from the corner of Oak and Main Streets. Items of interest, serious or frivolous, that were gleaned from the news of the day.

ing improvement. It was no

longer necessary to open a

window to keep the wind-

It was a downer for me when

I read that U.S. occupation

authorities are returning

hundreds of Baath Party

members to high-ranking

posts they occupied for

Saddam Hussein, Baghdad's

new police chief is General

Hamid Othman, the same

position he held under

I wonder if he could tell

where Iraq supposedly has an

arsenal of chemical and

atomic weapons hidden?

Hussein.

shield at least semi-clear.

Vijay Singh, highly ranked PGA professional golfer, takes a stand against Annika Sorenstam, top woman golfer in the world, participating in the Colonial men's tournament. He says it's ridiculous and that if he were paired with her he would withdraw from the tournament.

What made me perk up and take notice is that he didn't try to feed fans the usual pap that the pros do when asked controversial questions. I get tired of hearing the pros say it will be interesting to see what happens. She may have a chance on a short course. It

will be good for the WPGA. Personally, I join with the vast army of fans who look forward to the match. Do I think she can win? Throwing caution to the wind, I positively say. . .it will be interesting to see what hap-

Did you catch the news about one of the new high tech gadgetry that's on a concept car? It eliminates windshield wipers by using powerful air jets built under the sides of the windshield to blow rain away and quickly dry the window similar to the way a car wash works. I assume that it would quickly defrost windows as well.

If it comes to pass, and that's years down the road, its impact wouldn't be as great on senior citizens that can remember when little fans became available to blow away the frost and keep it off. Now that was really a strik-

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#### The back forty by Roger Pond 2000 Roger Pond

Here we go again. The 2004 presidential campaign is off and stumbling.

At last count there were nine Democrats and who knows how many Libertarians, Greens, and others campaigning for President. The fact that most of them don't have a snowball's chance doesn't seem to bother any-

I'm always amazed that so many people want to run for President. Where did they get the idea they could win? I just hope we have some

fun people to watch in this

campaign. Somebody like

Ross Perot or Pat Buchanan. I remember back in '92 when Buchanan and Perot ran against the other George Bush. That was a fun campaign.

Everyone had to show their physical strength in those days. Bush went jogging, Paul Tsongas swam across a swimming pool, and Ross Perot said, "Sure I'll exercise with you fellas. Somebody saddle up my horse."

Poor old Pat Buchanan got caught up in the whole thing and nearly killed himself jogging around the block. They showed him on the evening news, red in the face and wheezing like he had just run the Boston Marathon.

I'm going to miss Al Gore in this race. I've always enjoyed Al's stories about his boyhood in Tennessee.

Readers will recall the tales about plowing with mules and Al's dad teaching him how to "clean out hog waste". I think he got a little carried away with the educa-tion thing. Cleaning out the hog barn just isn't that complicated.

The last story I remember was the one about Al's mother-in-law spending more for her arthritis medicine than his Labrador retriever does. Someone finally said, "Look Al, stories are fine, but comparing your mother-in-law to a Labrador

retriever is not a good idea." The recent debate in South Carolina shows how desperate the Democrats have become. One candidate accused another of disparaging his stand on gay rights. Another proposed a 7.7 percent payroll tax to fund health care, and Reverend Al

Sharpton accused President

Bush of being in favor of universal health care in Iraq but not in South Carolina.

> I'm not sure what to make of that one. Does the reverend think Iraq and South Carolina should be treated the same?

> The main thing the Democrats did in their first debate was explain how supportive they were for the war in Iraq. \* Only one or two admitted any

of months will do to a per-

I think everyone knows the Democrats plan to use the. economy against George Bush. They're going to suggest we ask ourselves, "Am I better off now than I was four

years ago?" I've asked myself that question a hundred times, and I always get the same answer. Heck no. I'm not better off! misgivings about the con- I'm four years older, for flict. It's funny what a couple heaven's sake!

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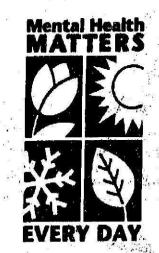
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Alissa's Article

by Alissa Pasant

Every year at the end of May, a group of students close a chapter of 13 years of their life. This is a huge time for the seniors. The last day of school is over, baccalaureate has come and gone, and graduation is just around the

Last Friday, May 16, was the last day of high school for the seniors at Cass City High School. This was a day of relief for some because all of their hard work had paid off and the years were over. For others it was a sad time because this was maybe the last time that they might see some of their classmates. Most of the day was spent talking about memories that were made over the years, signing autograph pages, and handing out senior pictures.

Sunday, May 18, was baccalaureate. Baccalaureate is a religious ceremony to honor the seniors. It began at 3:00 in the afternoon and lasted until 4:00. This was held at the high school, but the students are the ones that put the ceremony on. This year Dara Iwankovitsch and Stacey Bessler were in charge of the gathering.

The ceremony began as Amy Howard played the piano while the seniors walked in to their seats. After everyone was seated, Dara Iwankovitsch said an opening prayer and Tyler Harp gave the welcoming.

Alissa Pasant read a passage from Matthew, chapter 6, verses 25-34. Following her was Melissa Zmierski. She sang acapella to "How Deep the Father's Love For Us." Then there was another reading from the Bible by Matt Stoutenburg. He read from Romans, chapter 12, verses 1-8. Next the whole group sang the song "All in All." This was lead by Sarah Hobbs on guitar, and Dara Iwankovitsch and Stacey Bessler on the microphones. Chuck Emmert, the pastor

Christ, was asked to speak at the gathering. He talked about the different chapters in the graduates' lives. How right now a huge one is closing and new chapter will be opened. He also spoke about how you can't do anything without your savior Jesus

Christ. He also had a sign in

for Novesta Church of

front of him that had BC-AC-AD. The BC stood for before you accept Christ into your life. The AC after you accept Christ into your life and how you live your life and passing through on Earth. The AD is after death. This is when you go to heaven; you can only imagine what life will be like. When he said this, the song "You Can Only Imagine" was played.

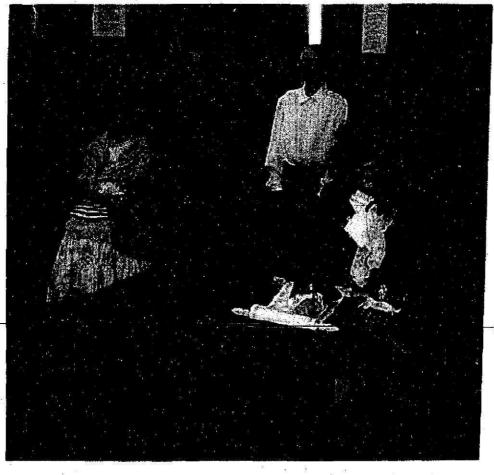
Following Pastor Emmert's sermon, was Stacey Bessler singing "Kindness." The closing comments and prayer were lead by Dara Iwankovitsch. Then the whole group sang "Seek Ye

After the ceremony was completed, Amy Howard once again played the piano while the seniors made their way out of the gym. There were refreshments in the cafeteria for the seniors and their friends and family.

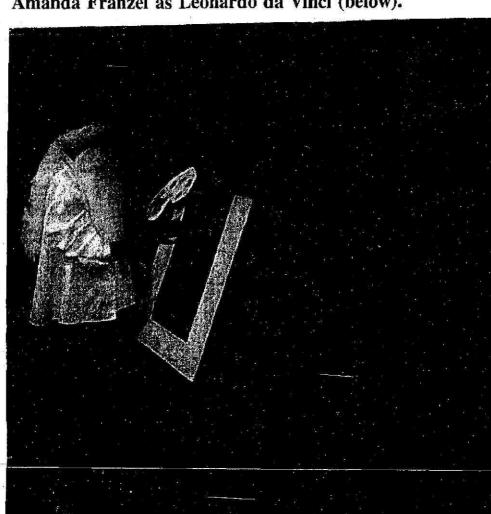
This Friday, May 23, the class of 2003 will be graduating. The ceremony will take place at 8:00 p.m. in the gym. This is the smallest class to graduate in a long time. There will be 101

Many of the students that will be graduating have mixed feelings about the whole thing. Stacey Bessler said, "It's been a crazy four years and I'm kinda sad to see them go, but at the same time, I'm extremely happy." Dara Iwankovitsch said, "Being a senior was an amazing experience. It was my favorite year of high school and I wouldn't do anything differently." Liza Volmering said, "My senior year was full of fun and laughs. I'm going to miss it a lot, but it feels good to take the next step forward." Annjea Tanton said, "My senior year went by so fast. This last week has really brought us together and we bonded." Jessica Nicol said," It certainly has been an exciting journey, but now it's time to start something

new," This is a sad, but happy time in our lives. It is a time to celebrate all the memories that have been made, and many more to come. It is the time to begin a new chapter in our lives. I wish all my fellow classmates the best of luck in the future. Class of 2003..."We did it!"



OWEN-GAGE fourth and fifth grade students recently presented a living wax museum in conjunction with a project in which each student was required to choose a famous person, research and present a report on that person, and then dress up and pose as that person. Pictured are fourth grader Brian Buschlen as Ben Franklin (above) and fifth grader Amanda Franzel as Leonardo da Vinci (below).



## **Down Memory Lane**

By Harmony Doerr



**5YEARSAGO** 

recently donated more than males. One of the boys pulled Lapp presented the flags to was struck several times by Supt. Ken Micklash. The the other boy. No one was ber and Cass City teacher.

Cass City Village officials took steps Monday to help ensure a portion of the funding for construction of Hills and Dales General Hospital's proposed \$2.275 million medical office and rehab center. The Village Council approved several resolutions paving the way to finance \$1.222 million of the project with municipal bonds issued under the authority of Cass City Economic Development Corporation.

was planning to do out here, award.
I got excited because it's the same program that I want for our community." His new job duties require Cleland to coordinate not only off-campus undergraduate classes, but also provide assistance to students seeking graduate studies and professional training for career promotion and enhancement.

#### **10YEARSAGO**

A Cass City Middle School student threatened another student with a small pocketknife during a scuffle last week. Cass City Police Chief The federally financed Gene Wilson said the fight \$338,000 project includes occurred at about 8:30 a.m. installation of a curh and

Thursday in the middle school gymnasium and in-VFW Post 3644, Cass City, volved a pair of juvenile 60 flags to Cass City Schools a small pocketknife and -enough for every classroom made a swipe at the other stuin the middle and high dent, Wilson said, adding he school, Commander George then put the knife away and project was spearheaded by hurt, according to Wilson, Ron Lomasney, a VFW mem- who said the case has been turned over to juvenile au-

> thorities. Unity and perseverance were the battle cries Monday night at the Tuscola County Intermediate School District complex in Caro. Teachers from throughout the Thumb gathered to support 80 Tuscola ISD professional staff members who have been without a contract since their previous 3-year pact expired Aug. 31.

The Coveted Paul Smarks award for the outstanding senior boy athlete went to Ben Schott. It was presented After enjoying retirement by last year's winner, Mark for 5 months, Jerry Cleland Irrer. The Ferguson award, was approached by the given to the outstanding se-Saginaw Valley State Univernior band member, was presity administration about an sented to Lida Blue by Prinopportunity to manage the cipal Russ Biefer. Ellen University's off-campus and Toner, representing the community education pro- American Association of grams in Cass City. "I was University Women, preenjoying retirement very sented a plaque for the outmuch," he said. "However, I standing girl athlete at Cass really missed school and the City High School to Jenny kids. After I heard what SVSU Storm. Toner originated the

#### 25 YEARS AGO

Get those cards and letters in - that is, if you want to beat the higher postage rates. New postal rates go into effect Monday, however, the final pickup of mail before then in Cass City is at 5 p.m. Saturday. For first class mail, the cost is increasing from 13 cents to 15 cents for the first ounce, 13 cents for each ounce after that instead of 11. Rebuilding of portions of Huron, Maple, Sherman and Ale Streets is now underway.

gutter and new pavement. Some of the streets have been gravel up to now.

Dave Asher of Cass City is a lending racer in the open "A" class of the American Motorcycle Association District 14 sanctioned championship enduro series. Currently he leads the open "A" class and is second in the overall class "A" standings.

#### **35 YEARSAGO**

Thirty years of violin playing, a 75-year-old violin, and an 84th birthday to be celebrated June 16, have fulfilled the eventful life of Hector Ross of Cass City. After listening to his brother, Phillip, play the violin for a number of years, Hector "took a notion to learn how to play it," Picking up the violin once used by his brother, he began to seek out notes and chords, until he had taught himself how to play. Now, his 21 grandchildren enjoy the music from the 75-year-old instrument, as their parents and grandparents once did.

Cass City Lions Club members voted to contribute \$200 to the Leader Dog School at Rochester in the name of Alger Freiburger, club member who is now receiving training for a dog.

Danny Surgent of Vassar, a son-in-law of Harry Bohnsack of Cass City, makes a specialty of winning money from his employer, **Buick Motor Division Plant** 31 in Flint. Surgent received an initial payment of \$1,150 Friday from Buick for suggesting an easier method of handling stock, through a conveyor hook. It was his second award. In 1967 he received a two-week trip with a new Buick to the World's

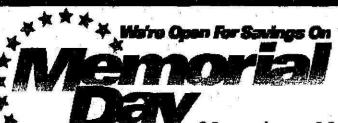


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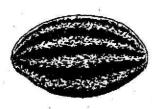
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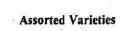


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A charge of \$40.00 per hour shall be charged for cutting, destruction or removal of noxious weeds and will be levied and collected against such property in the manner provided by local and state law. Owners shall not be notified prior to the Village taking action in accordance with the Code. All charges assessed shall be considered a lien on such property.

Joyce A Bemus Village Clerk

## CORRECTED PUBLIC NOTICE

VILLAGE OF CASS CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, 2003 at the Village of Cass City Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan, for the purpose of organization.

Also a Public Hearing will be held at 7:10 P.M. to hear a Petition for an Appeal of the Village Zoning Ordinance No. 71, as Amended. The Petitioner is requesting an exception to appeal the Village Zoning Ordinance Division 12, Sec 46-479 Signs.

Ten (10) days Notice of the Appeal shall be made to the persons to whom real property within three hundred (300) feet of the premises in question is assessed, and to occupants of dwellings within three hundred (300) feet.

Those persons wishing to comment may appear at the Public Hearing, or if unable to attend. may make written comments, directed to the Office of the Village Clerk, 6506 Main Street. P. O. Box 123, Cass City, Michigan 48726-0123.

Joyce A. Bemus Clerk/Treasurer

## Scholarships presented at awards night



THE WALLACE and Helen Zinnecker Memorial Scholarship was presented to Melissa Woodward. The scholarship is given in memory of Wallace and Helen Zinnecker by the Robert and Roger Zinnecker families. The \$500 award goes to a student who is pursuing a career in Christian service or business. Presenting the award is Wayne Dillon.

## Cooper reunion held

The 37th annual Cooper reunion was held April 19 at the home of Juliues and Beverly Jones in Slocomb,

As usual, a potluck dinner was served, games played in the afternoon and also an Easter egg hunt for all the smaller children. Cake and ice cream was served in the evening.

Day

There were 79 in attendance. Those from Deford: Lucille Cooper, Ron and Kay Montei, Rob, Leah, Alyssa and Cody Sangster; Dick and Ardir Hagerman from Clarkston; Glen and Jerry Young from Memphis; Benny, Sandy and E.J. Wrose from Flint; and Gary and Carol Cooper from Caro. A fun time was had by all.



CHUCK AND Amy Emmert presented the first Alison Lauren Emmert Memorial Scholarship to Matt Stoutenburg. Alison Emmert died in 2002 after battling cancer. The scholarship is awarded to a graduating Cass City senior based on academic performance, character, school and community involvement and student response questions.

## Secretary of State branch offices closed for holidays

Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land announced today that all 173 Secretary of State branch offices will be closed in observance of state holidays during May, July and September.

The branch offices will be closed for: Memorial Day on Monday, May 26;

 Independence Day on Friday, July 4; and Labor Day on Monday,

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www.michigan.gov/sos.



CASS CITY LIONS Club President Ken Martin (back row, left) stands with this year's Henry and Rena Leach McCrea Memorial and Cass City Lions Club scholarship winners, who will each receive \$1,000. They are (back row, left) Rajen Raythatha, Chris Maharg, (front row, left) Courtnay Green, Jessica Nicol, Liza Volmering, Laura Barnes, Cyndi Henn, Kristen Wiles and Heidi Cheng. The awards are given based on academic performance, community service, school involvement and leadership.



NORM LUPTON presented the Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 226 of Caro Scholarship to Ashley Froede. The \$500 scholarship is awarded based on civic participation, scholastic achievement and personal character.

## Cass City Area Church Directory Memorial

Each year in the month of May, we set aside a day to honor and remember those who were killed in active military service to our country. The Bible tells: Reflections us that the greatest love a person can have for their friends is to give their life for them (John 15:13): Memorial Day should be a reflection on all that we hold dear in our lives, including all of the special blessings and freedoms we have, because there were those who were willing to lay down their lives for their friends. I truly believe that God has blessed us, because this country was founded on the basic principles of love and respect for one another, and love and trust for our Heavenly Father. Although we are not without problems in this country and may often take for granted all the blessings we have, we should always bear in mind that nothing in this world is forever. Our continued prayer is necessary for God's grace and blessings. The Bible tells us, "if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive And those who know thy their sin and heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14). God name put their trust in thee,

loves our country, and His love and protection are

assured as long as we never forget our Source.

Cass City Church of Christ 6743 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726 Contacts 872-2367 or 872-3136 Worship Service Sunday 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Bible Study Sunday 10:00 a.m. & Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Cass City Church of the Nazarene 3538 Third St., Cass City, MJ 48726 872-2604 or 872-5201 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Norship Service 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer & Bible Study & Children's Activities 7:00 p.m. Pastor - Rev. Darold Ward

For thou, O Lord, hast not

forsaken those who seek thee.

R.S.V. Psalm 9:10

Cass City Missionary Church 4449 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-2729 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

Pastor: David Edwards

Cass City United Methodist Church 5100 N. Cemetery Rd., P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726 Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. (Summer 9:30 a.m.) Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m. Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon) Pastor: Rev. George F. Ward

**Deford Community Church** 1392 Kingston Rd., Deford, MI 48729 989-872-4051(parsonage) 989-872-4055(church) Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m. Contemporary & Traditional 6:00 p.m. Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. Pastor: David Mercer email: dccdca@lband.net

website: defordcommunitychurch.org

Evangelical Free Church of Cass City 6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726 Phone: 872-5060 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Midweek Bible Studies Biblical Counseling .... Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould

First Baptist Church 6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726 989--872-3155 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Eric Holmgren

First Presbyterian Church Barrier Free 6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Dave Blackburn

Gagetown United Methodist Church Lincoln St., Gagetown, MI 48735 989-678-4225 Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Pastor: John Heim

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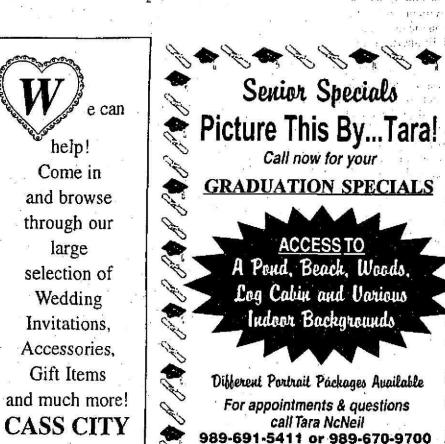
**Novesta Church of Christ** 2896 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3658 or 872-1195 Bible School 9:30 a.m.: Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Youth Group & Sunday Evening Services 6:00 p.m. Minister: Chuck Emmert Youth Minister: Brad Speirs Visit our website at: www.novestachurch.org

> Potter's House **Christian Fellowship Church** Comer of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726 872-5186 Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: F. Robert Tucker

St. Agatha's Catholic Church 4618 South St., Gagetown, MI 48735 665-9966 Sunday Liturgy 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Father Steve Fillion

St. Pancratius Catholic Church 4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3336 Saturday Liturgy 5:30 p.m. Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Pastor: Father Steve Fillion

Shabbona United Methodist Church 4455 North Decker Rd., Decker, MI 48426 810-672-9929 (parsonage) 989-872-8094 (church) Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. UMW Monthly 1st Wed., 7:30 p.m. Youth Group Sunday Evenings 5:00 p.m. Pastor: Ellen Burns Visit our website at: www.dasuparish.com .



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Minor League **Overall Standings** 

Orioles: Wins-5 Losses-0 Wins-4 Losses-1 Tigers: Wins-2 Losses-3 Dodgers: Wins-1 Losses-3 Yankees: Wins-0 Losses-5

05-12-03: ORIOLES 7 -YANKEES 2. Pitchers: Jeff Leslie pitched 3 innings-7 strikeouts; Derek Mozden pitched 2 innings-6 strikeouts; Zac Syacsure 1 inning-3 pitched strikeouts. Hits: Drew-King-- double, Zac Syacsure single & double, Jeff Leslie & Derek Mozden - singles. Summary: On a cold, blustery night; the Orioles scored

5 runs in the 1st inning and 2 runs in the 4th. With solid pitching, they were able to hang on for the win. 05-13-03: TIGERS 10 - GI-

ANTS 9. Pitchers: Austin Deering, pitched first 2 innings-6 strikeouts, with 1 perfect inning; Brett Deering pitched 3rd inning, striking out 2 batters; Cody Orban pitched 4th & 5th innings, striking out 5 batters; Rob Simpson pitched 6th inning, striking out 2 batters. Anthony House struck out 4 batters; Ethan Nichol struck out 3 batters; Morgan Erla struck out 4 batters. Hits: Alex Zaleski - triple. Cody Orban and Austin Deering each had a double & single. Brett Deering - 2 singles. Morgan Erla - homerun & single. Kelby Rowell double & single. Ethan Nicol - 3 singles. Curtis Dickinson - double with 1 RBI. Brett Deering and Rob Simpson each got a runner out at first base. Cody Orban got a runner out at third base. Rob Simpson stole home in the 1st inning and Cody Orban stole home in the 5th inning.

05-14-03: ORIOLES 8 -DODGERS 3. Pitchers: Jeff Leslie, Derek Mozden and Dylan Miller each pitched 2 innings, striking out four batters each. Hits: Zac Syacsure - homerun & single. Brock Thane and Alan Lesle doubles. Derek Mozden and Jeff Leslie - singles. Summary: Dodgers threatened a couple of times with bases loaded; but the Orioles scraped by, getting the 3rd

05-15-03: TIGERS 16 -YANKEES 4. Pitchers: Brett Deering pitched in the 1st inning, with 2 strikeouts. Austin Deering pitched in the 1st, 2nd & 3rd innings, with 6 strikeouts. Rob Simpson pitched in the 4th, 5th, & 6th innings, striking out 8 batters - with 2 perfect innings. Hits Branden Perzanowski - home run. Alex Zaleski - triple & single. Cody Orban & Nathan Simpson - singles. Summary: Cody Orban & Austin Deering made a good play, getting a runner out at first base in the 3rd inning. Rob Simpson struck out 2 batters and made a play on 1st base, getting a runner out in the 6th inning. Alex Zaleski stole home a total of 3 times.

Braeden Perzanowski hit a homerun with bases loaded,

in the 5th inning. 05-16-03: ORIOLES 9 - GI-ANTS 5. Pitchers: Jeff Leslie pitched 2 innings, striking out 3 batters. Zac Syacsure pitched 2 innings, striking out 4 batters. Derek Mozden pitched 2 innings, striking out 6 batters. Anthony House struck out 1 batter. Morgan Erla struck out 5 batters. Ethan Nichol struck out 6 batters. Hits: Derek Mozden - triple & single. -Brock Thane and Alan Leslie

- 2 singles each. Jeff Leslie, Dylan Miller, Zac Syacsure, Morgan Erla and Austin Dunnick each had a single. 05-17-03: ORIOLES 13 -GIANTS 2. Pitchers: Jeff Leslie pitched 2 innings with 4 strikeouts. Dylan Miller pitched 2 innings with 6 strikeouts. Derek Mozden pitched 1 inning with 3 strikeouts. Ethan Nichol struck out 3. Morgan Erla struck out 5. Anthony House also assisted with the pitching, Hits: Dylan Miller homerun, triple, & 2 singles. Jeff Leslie - homerun & triple. Derek Mozden - triple & 2 singles. Zac Syacsure -2 doubles & single. Brock Thane & Mason Erla each had a single. Morgan Erla homerun. Ethan Nichol double.

> LITTLE LEAGUE **STANDING AND** RESULTS

**OVERALL STANDINGS** Yankees: Wins- 4 Losses- 1 Orioles: Wins- 4 Losses- 1 Giants: Wins- 3 Losses- 2 Dodgers: Wins- 1 Losses- 3 Tigers: Wins- 0 Losses- 5

05-12-03: ORIOLES 13 -YANKEES 6. Winning Pitcher - Steffin Bader. This was the game everyone

was waiting for since the

championship game last summer. The undefeated Yankees taking on the challenge of the once beaten Orioles. With that in mind, both teams came out swinging at the sound of the bell. The Yankees showed their guns early, amounting to three runs. The Orioles squirmed to managed two at the end of the first inning. But. Oriole pitcher Travis Mozden would settle down after that striking out four of the next six batters he'd face. However, the mighty arm of Yankee pitcher Austin Babich was going pitch for pitch with Mozden shutting down the Oriole bats. With the score still 3-2 in the top of the fourth, Oriole pitcher Steffin Bader had no plans of letting down the team. He continued to shut out the Yankees the next two innings with four strikeouts of his own. That allowed time for the Oriole bats to wake up and pound five runs in the fourth inning. Taking a 7-3 lead to the fifth inning, the Orioles continued the attack with seven more runs to make

it 13-3. Lukas Varney added

a two-run inside the park

homerun on a deep fly ball.

The Yankees made a short run in the sixth but came up short. The Orioles took the first game, but the next two rematches are sure doglights. Zack Abell was 2 for 4 with a double. Alex Varney added 2 singles. Zack McCreedy notched a double on a 2 for 4 afternoon.

05-13-03: GIANTS 18 - TI-GERS 4. Pitchers: Mason Doerr, Cole Miller, & J.J. Mulrath. Hits: Mitch Frederick and Jack Edwards each had a triple. Jalen Ferris - double. Andrew Teller -single. Summary: Great overall hitting by entire team.

Great pitching. 05-14-03: ORIOLES 21 -DODGERS 3. Winning pitcher: Travis Mozden. After Monday's offensive outburst by the Orioles, things never slowed down. They picked up where they left off jumping to a seven run lead. Lukas Varney hit a tape measure shot that hit the top of the outfield fence that bounced back on to centerfield for a triple. Not only did the offense show up, but the defense was just as solid. The Orioles didn't give up a run until the fifth inning. Varney also was solid on the mound pitching for the first time in his three year, little league career. The Orioles finally slowed down, but the team continued to put a few runs on the board. Rob Van Auken finished with 3 singles, Varney had 3 triples. and a double, Steffin Bader was a home run shy of the cycle, Mozden gathered 4 hits, and Zack Abell, Steven Rychlewski, and new comer Garrett Ashbreck added mul-

hits. 05-15-03: YANKEES 19 -TIGERS 4. Pitchers: Austin Babich, Tyler Warner, Lyle Hutchinson and Brady Wright. Hits: Austin Babich - Over the fence homerun, inside park homerun, triple, & double. Lyle Hutchinson, Brent Doerr, & Joey Packhard each hit a double & single. Aaron Bader double. Kyle Pine, Tyler Warner, Brady Wright, Jim Kelly & Tom Gee each hit a

tiple

05-16-03 ORIOLES 20 - GI-ANTS 7. Winning nitcher: Travis Mozden. If the first game between these two teams was any foreshadowing of the future rematches, this one was sure to be a nail biter. After two innings the score was tied at two. But the determination of the Oriole leadership took over. They stacked up 8 runs in the third, building a solid cushion for the defense. In the next inning they weren'tdone either. They touched home for 5 more scores, building a double digit lead for younger pitchers. The Giants' only counter was five runs in the fifth inning when their bats found the gaps in the outfield. Travis Mozden lead the way with 5 hits for the night. Zack Abell, Steffin Bader, and Lukas Varney each found their way to 4 base hits.



BRANDY RYCHLEWSKI, 12, of Deford, bagged her first turkey during her first hunt April 25 at 5:30 p.m. on private property in Tuscola County. The turkey weighed 24 pounds and had a 10 3/4" beard.

## Hawks bow to Reese and Cros-Lex, top Deckerville

Last week was a busy one ning. Going into the fifth softball team that played 6 games, losing 4 and winning

The Hawks lost a double-Rockets in Greater Thumb West competition. The Hawks lost the first game, 5-1. Schluckbier got the win with relief help from Salgat in the 6th. Becky Hartel took the loss, allowing 5 hits and walking one. Cass City collected 5 hits by 5 different

The Rockets hammered out 10 hits in an 8-1 win in the nightcap. Hartel took the loss, pitching 4 innings before being relieved by Mallory Powell: Schluckbier started and went

4 innings and Hecht finished up as the Hawks were limited to 2 hits. Monday the Hawks topped BRYAN ABBE Deckerville twice. In the opening game Cass City

used a big third inning, scor-

ing 7 runs to take the opener

in 5 innings, 10-0. Hartel hurled a neat one-hitter. The Fluegges, Paula and Kristi, each had 2 hits to lead the

Paula Fluegge

Powell was the winning pitcher in the nightcap as Cass City posted a 14-6 decision. She allowed 8 hits and walked one. The game was decided in the 5th in-

for the Cass City Red Hawk Cass City led, 7-5, and then scored 7 times to cinch the win. Kristi Fluegge had 2 hits for the Hawks.

Pitching dominated the header Friday to the Reese doubleheader with Cros-Lex. The Hawks lost the first game, 2-0, as Rader pitched a no hitter, facing just 19 batters. Hartel pitched well enough to win most games, allowing just 5 hits and no

RBIs led the Hawks. Cage camp set

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Hartel also hurled a fine

game in the nightcap only

to be charged with a 3-2 loss.

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Seidl got the win with a 7-

hitter. Paula Fluegge with 2

hits and Alissa Pasant with 2

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## Bulldog Zaleski tosses first no-hitter in NCTL

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs chalked up a pair of victories Tuesday at Dryden. The Bulldogs won the opener, 6-3, but the game was close until the fifth inning when the Bulldogs exploded for 3 runs. Going into the fifth, Owen-Gage had a narrow 2-1 lead.

The fifth inning 3-run splurge started with a single by Nicole Schmidt. A single by Candi Rhodes drove her in. Mary McKee walked and a double by Michelle Brown scored the final 2 runs.

Katie Swiastyn ripped 3. singles and Brown connected for 2 doubles driving in 3 runs. Schmidt and Dorsch each had 2 singles. We started out slow at the plate, but our bats did come around in the fifth inning, coach Barb Adams said.

Kayla Zaleski allowed 5 hits and struck out 13. Boreman took the loss, yielding 11 hits.

NO HITTER

Kayla Zaleski pitched the

first no-hitter in her high school career in the nightcap that was mercied after 5 innings with the Bulldogs lead-

ing 12-0. Adams said, "Kayla was throwing hard and working the plate very well. It was a job well done. The girls came out strong and played the

way I know they can play." The game was all but settled in the first inning when Swiastyn and Brown got on via errors. Kayla Zaleski and Dorsch drove them home, Dorsch scored on a sacrifice by Schmidt.

The Bulldogs followed the opening splurge with 3 runs in the second and 5 more in the fourth. Maynard was charged with the loss.

Kelly Zaleski led the Bulldogs with a single, double and 3 RBIs. Kayla Zaleski and Swiastyn each had 2 singles and an RBI. McKee and Amber Pillsbury each had a single.

The Owen-Gage record is now 8-10 overall and 6-6 in the North Central Thumb North league.

## O-G sweeps Dryden

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs spotted Dryden a 4-run lead with a big 5-run splurge in the second inning and then came from behind for a decisive 11-6 win in the opener of a doubleheader. The second game was easier for Owen-Gage as it posted a 9-1 decision.

Matt Gaeth started and went 4 innings to get the first game win with relief help from Josh Leinweber. Gaeth allowed 4 hits, walked 2 and struck out 3. Leinweber allowed 2 hits in 2 innings.

Jeremey Kady slammed a single and a double and drove in 2 runs. Aaron Faist contributed a pair of doubles

and 2 RBIs. Others with 2 hits were Adam Kain, Gaeth and Cody Howard.

Leinweber made things easy for the Bulldogs in the second game. He went the distance, pitching a 4-hitter and his teammates backed him with a 5-run first inning. Leinweber was touched for a run in the first and then fired blanks the rest of the way. Gaeth and Kady paced the

Bulldog offence. Both lashed a single, double and triple, Gaeth drove in 3 runs and Kady had 2 RBIs. Coach Josh Hahn said

Leinweber's complete game and a solid defense made the difference for Owen-Gage.

## Diamond drawings aired

prayings for the pre-district the Laker-Harbor Beach and the district softball and games. The boys at 11 a.m. baseball tournaments in and the girls will play 30 Cass City were held Monday. minutes following the The pre-district play will be Tuesday. Harbor Beach will

play Lakers, boys at 5 p.m., girls at 3 p.m.; USA plays Ubly, boys at 3 p.m. girls at 5

The district will be played Friday. Cass City boys and girls will play the winner of ner of the opening game between Bad Axe and the winner of pre-district game.

The finals for the boys will start 30 minutes following the last semi-final game. The girls will play for the title 30 minutes following the boys' championship game.







Wednesday Two Man Golf League As of May 21

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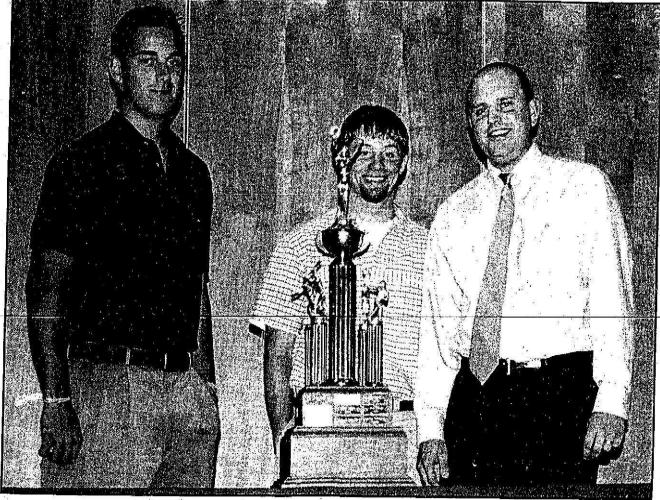
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CHRIS MAHARG (left) and Matt Stoutenburg (middle) were named this year's Paul Smarks' award winners during this year's Senior Honors Night. Assistant principal and athletic director Aaron Fernald (right) presented the award.



ANNJEA TANTON (left) and Becky Hartel (right) were named this year's AAUW Outstanding Woman Athlete Award winners during Senior Honors Night.

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Coach Chuck Reed was Hawk soccer team last week that defeated Sandusky 3-2 and lost 8-1 to Valley Lutheran.

The Hawk offense came alive against Sandusky, putting 16 shots on goal in which Reed said was the best performance of the year. Heidi Cheng scored the first goal, Amanda Sullins the second, with an assist from Jenna Timko, and Annjea Tanton got the game winner with about 3 minutes left in the

Sarah Hobbs and Deanna Newby had multiple scoring chances as the offense kept constant pressure on the Sandusky keeper.

Tanton played an especially good game, Reed said, as did Liza Volmering and Ashley Timon.

The game was played on a wet field with standing water and with a strong cross wind, both of which interfered with several other good scoring chances. The intensity level was high and everyone made a major contribution, the coach concluded. Although the defeat by Valley Lutheran was decisive,

Aditya D. Bulusu, M.D.

than the final score indicates. Cass City scored its goal 8 minutes into the game when Cyndi Henn connected in her first start of the year in

the field. Timko started in net and played a solid game, giving up 3 goals, including a pen-

alty kick. Defense by Cheng, Erica Delamarter, Talisa Talaski and Ally Bell was solid and

kept the Chargers at bay most of the half. Valley Lutheran took charge in the second half with good passing against a tiring Hawk defense. The game was competitive, the

coach pointed out, until the

seniors left to attend awards

much of the game was closer night at the school with about 20 minutes left.

The Hawks continued to hustle and put offensive pressure on until the end. Hobbs and Sullins led the offense and Timko played on the field in the second half and created several scoring opportunities, but none produced goals.

First year players are starting to make a solid contribution to the program, however the team faces the loss of seniors Lindsey Hendrick, Liz Hoyt, Megan Cronk and Tanton who will graduate before reaching their full potential, Reed points out.

Fortunately the freshmen are developing well and should have a solid future.

## Lady Hawks finish third at GTW league meet, USA wins title

Unionville-Sebewaing won 6 events and a host of second places to walk off with the Greater Thumb West championship in the league meet held at USA Tuesday. The Patriots led the pack with 152 points. Saginaw Valley Lutheran was second with 95 and Cass City a close third with 91 points. Fourth place went to Bad Axe, 86 points. Lakers was fifth, 46 points, and Reese sixth with 42 points.

Top individual performer for Cass City was Lindsay Lowry who won the pole vault with a school record vault of 10 feet, 5 inches. She also finished second in the long jump, fourth in the 100meter hurdles and ran a leg in the 400-meter relay team in which the Hawks finished

second. Others on the team were Tara Sherman, Sarah Zawilinski and Kayla Morrish.

Cass City's other first place finish was in the 3200-meter relay. Running the relay were Krista Homakie, Carrie Hillaker, Liz Hoyt and Erika Karavas.

Other Hawks earning points were: Kayla Morrish, 4th in the 100-meter dash; Tara Sherman, 5th, in 100 meter hurdles; and 3rd in the 800meter relay with Sherman, Zawilinski, Morrish and Amanda Sullins,

Liz Hoyt, 2nd, and Annjea Tanton, 5th, in the 1600meter run; Homakie, 3rd, and Tanton, 4th, in the 800-meter run; Hoyt, 3rd, and Tanton, 4th, in the 3200-meter run; Sullins, 5th, and Homakie, 6th, in the 400-meter dash.

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# Cass City's top athletic awards shared by pairs

by Melissa Herren Staff Writer

Cass City High School officials recognized a host of students during this year's Senior Honors Night, held last Wednesday. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the top female and male senior ath-

Due to strong athleticism exhibited among the senior class, Annjea Tanton and Becky Hartel both received the Outstanding Woman Athlete Award, and Chris Maharg and Stoutenburg tied for the Paul Smarks' Award.

A host of other students were honored for their outstanding academic and athletic accomplishments during the evening. Principal Jon Good presented the Harold Ferguson Award to Heidi Cheng for her dedication and leadership in the field of music.

The Outstanding Woman Athlete Award was presented by Sara Homakie, the 2002 award winner, and was sponsored by The American Association of University Women. The award is given to the outstanding female athlete in the graduating class.

Aaron Fernald, assistant principal and athletic director, presented the Paul Smarks' Award because Jeff Storm, last year's winner, was unable to attend. The Paul Smarks' Award is given to the most outstanding male athlete in the graduating class and named in honor of Paul Smarks.

Both of the top athletic awards recognize athletic ability, scholarship, citizenship and sportsmanship.

"It is such a pleasure to receive the Outstanding Woman Athlete Award because we have worked so hard in athletics and acader ics to receive it," Tanton explained. "Our class is highly competitive and I am sure it was a hard decision to make." Stoutenburg agrees that the athletic award is a privilege.

"I think the Paul Smarks' Award is a big honor because coaches' vote for you and so they must think very highly

### Hawks trail pack at GTW league meet

Cass City trailed the pack in the Greater Thumb West League meet Tuesday. USA won the championship with 158 points. Other scores were: Reese, 119; Valley Lutheran, 100; Lakers, 67; Bad Axe, 50; and Cass City,

Cass City placed third in 3 events: Dustin Bitzer, 110 hurdles, 16.60; Zach Toner, 400-meter, 53.4;, and Matt Stoutenburg, long jump, 18-

Other Hawk points were earned by a fifth place in the 3,200 relay, 10:03.39; fifth in the 800 relay, 1:39.73; and fourth in the 400 relay, 46.95.

of you to receive the award," he said.

Tanton's sport record includes 4 years of cross-country (lettered 4 years), 4 years of track (lettered 4 years), 2 years of basketball, and 1 year of soccer (lettered 1

Tanton has received many honors for her athletic accomplishments. In crosscountry she was a state qualifier 4 years, first team All-Conference 4 years, All Conference Scholar Athlete 4 years in cross-country and 3 years in track. In track Tanton was part of the track team that won their league, won the state championship and the Thumb Track Championship.

Tanton will graduate with an average GPA of 3.95. She received the President's Award for Educational Excellence during Senior Honors Night and received recognition for her performance in government, physics and English.

Hartel, who was also awarded the Outstanding Woman Athlete Award, participated in basketball 4 years (lettered 2 years), volleyball 4 years (lettered 4 years) and softball 4 years (lettered 2 years).

Hartel has received many awards for her athletic accomplishments, including second team all-conference and the Red Hawk Award in basketball.

In volleyball she was second team all-conference 2 years and first team all-conference 1 year, Advertiser Athlete of the Week, first team Daily Tribune and Advertiser, Bay City and Saginaw News Dream Team, and in softball she made second team all-district.

Hartel will graduate with an average GPA of 3.4. She received recognition during Senior Honors Night for her achievements in advanced art, government and publications.

Maharg, one of the Paul Smarks' Award winners, participated in golf 4 years (lettered 4 years), basketball 4 years (lettered 2 years), baseball 4 years (lettered 3 years). He received many awards throughout his high school athletic career for his outstanding accomplishments in golf, including first teamall conference two years, third place at regionals, seventeenth in the state competition, and Most Valuable Player.

In basketball Maharg received the Red Hawk Award. made first team all-conference this year, first team Huron Daily Tribune Dream Team, and second team Tuscola Advertiser.

Maharg will graduate with an average GPA of 3.8. During Honors Night he received the President's Award for Educational Excellence and recognition for his academic performance in government, physical education and all-school play.

Stoutenburg, the other Paul Smarks' winner, participated in basketball 4 years (lettering 2 years), football 4 years, (lettering 3 years), baseball 3 years (lettering 3 years), and track 4 years (lettering 3 years).

In basketball Stoutenburg received the Red Hawk Award and was an All-Conference Scholar Athlete for 2 years.

In football he was an All-Conference Scholar Athlete for 3 years and 4 years in track, and was a state qualifier in the 1600-meter relay.

Stoutenburg will graduate with a GPA average of 3.88. He received the President's Award for Educational Excellence and was recognized for his performance in physical education.

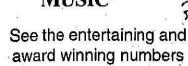


HEIDI CHENG received the Harold Ferguson Award during this year's Senior Honors Night.

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## Cardidation Events

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

### Wednesday, May 21

Ravenous Readers Book Club, 12 noon, Rawson Memorial

#### Thursday, May 22

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

#### Friday, May 23

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran

#### Monday, May 26

Have a safe Memorial Day.

Cass City Memorial Day Parade 10 a.m. with service to follow at Elkland Township Cemetery.

#### Tuesday, May 27

Art Show kickoff and reception, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial

#### Wednesday, May 28

Art Show May 28-June 2, Rawson Memorial Library.

## Planting time, watch for farm implements

will make every effort to let

you pass carefully. But if

there is a mailbox, or utility

pole or steep ditch at their

side, they may not be able to

get over, so passing needs to

be with care," said Anderson.

Anderson added that farm-

ers regularly report drivers

passing them on bridges,

around corners, going up

hills and even where road

lanes prohibit passing.

"These practices are ex-

tremely dangerous," he said.

"The best tip I can give a

Drivers should also be on

the lookout for signs that

farm machinery may be turn-

ing because most farm

equipment in use today is not equipped with standard

If a unit moves toward the center of the road, that piece

of machinery is most likely

either turning left or trying

to avoid an object on its

right, according to Anderson. Drivers can also observe

the behavior of the farm

equipment operator, as many

farmers may signal to the

motorist what they're about

In addition, motorists

should be mindful that farm

equipment used in the spring

may be transporting various

kinds of storage tanks for

products such as fertilizer,

crop protection materials and

This is important to note,

said Anderson, because in

most circumstances where a

driver collides with farm

machinery causing a spill, it

is the driver's responsibility

to pay for cleanup costs and

these costs can be signifi-

cant. Likewise, an anhydrous

ammonia spill, for instance,

would be an inhalation haz-

ard for both the motorist and

During springtime there is

also the chance for sand and

mud from farm fields to be

tracked on roads causing

potentially slippery driving

"The farmer will do his best

to minimize this, but some-

times there are weather con-

ditions that cause this to oc-

cur," said Anderson, adding

that it's more of a threat in

the central and eastern parts of the state where there is clay

For its part, RCAP recently

wrapped up a series of 14

public meetings held across

the Lower Peninsula to train

farm owners and employees

on a variety of safety issues

including transportation.

Nearly 500 farms were repre-

ing sessions on individual

farms in coming months. In

the meantime, Farm Bureau

urges all farmers to make sure

their machinery is equipped

with SMV emblems that are

clearly visible and not faded.

Equipment should also be

properly marked with red re-

flective materials and have

at least one red light in the

rear and one white light in

the front operable from dusk

to dawn and when visibility

is poor.

sented at the sessions. RCAP will continue train-

conditions.

farm equipment operator.

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to do.

motorist is to be patient."

With better weather on the . "Generally, farm operators way, motorists should be mindful that Michigan farmers will soon hit the roads in farm equipment to reach fields in need of spring plant-

Cash crop producers like Kirk Gerstacker of Midland County want drivers to understand that it's no fun for farmers to have to share the roads with motorists but sometimes it's simply unavoidable.

"People should know that we're not there because we want to be there. If we can avoid it, we'll do it - even if it means going further out of our way if we have to," he said.

Craig Anderson, manager of Michigan Farm Bureau's Regulatory Compliance Assistance Program (RCAP), says many farmers take similar proactive steps to avoid collisions, but he stresses that transportation safety is a two-way measure also requiring motorists to do their

With that in mind, Anderson reminds drivers that while farm activity may slow in the winter and summer months, it's a 24-hour job during the spring planting and fall harvest months.

"Drivers need to recognize that farm activity can happen at all hours, day and night," said Anderson.

"Most of us are creatures of habit," he explained. "For instance, we're used to driving 45 mph on this road and 55 mph on another and fiddling with the radio station. But coming off the winter and heading into spring, motorists must remember that there may be impediments on the road that weren't there previously."

On average, there are more than 300 collisions involving farm equipment annually in Michigan, according to Anderson. While serious injury can occur to the farm equipment operator, there is a greater likelihood of serious injury occurring to the driver and occupants of a vehicle colliding with the machinery.

To help prevent becoming a statistic, motorists need to be aware of the Slow Moving Vehicle (SMV) emblem, Anderson said. This orangecolored upward triangle is required by law on all tractors and farm equipment.

"This Slow Moving Vehicle sign should indicate to a motorist that there is a vehicle in his or her path that may be a potential hazard," Anderson said. "A motorist needs to take extra care when seeing this sign."

Rural residents are reminded that it is illegal to use a SMV emblem for any other purpose, including for use as driveway markers.\ Anderson and other safety experts are concerned that these illegal practices lessen the effectiveness of the SMV emblem on roads.

Drivers also need to be aware of wide farm equipment that may have projecting tool bars or chisels for instance,

Tuscola sheriff says

## Buckle up or pay up

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies have a serious message for teens and young adults who drive through Tuscola County - if you won't buckle up to save your life, then buckle up to save yourself a ticket.

That's the theme of an upcoming "Click it or Ticket" safety belt campaign, when the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department will join more than 12,000 law enforcement agencies in a nationwide crackdown on safety belt violators.

The message to teens and young adults will be seen and heard in television and radio ads, and through enforcement in locations where young people congregate, according to Tuscola County Sheriff's Department Lt. Jim Giroux.

"The 2-week enforcement wave, which runs from May 19 through the Memorial Day holiday, will be supported by more than \$20 million in state and national advertising," Giroux said. "It is based on a proven public health model to increase belt use called 'high visibility enforcement'.

"The only proven way to get significant increases in belt use among young people and ultimately save lives, is through high visibility enforcement, including targeted and intense advertising to alert people to the enforcement," Giroux said.

"Teens and young adults are killed at far higher rates in crashes because they are caught in a lethal intersection of inexperience, risk taking and low safety belt use. These tragedies are predictable and therefore preventable, using proven techniques like high visibility

enforcement mobilizations." According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 5,341 teens and young adults, ages

16 to 20, died, and thousands more were injured in traffic crashes in 2001.

Fatality rates for teens are twice that of older drivers, and the risk of crashes for teens is 4 times that of older drivers. Two out of 5 deaths among teens are the result of a traffic crash. In 2000, the estimated economic impact of police-reported crashes involving drivers between 15 and 20 years of age was \$32.8 billion.

"While national safety belt use stands at 75 percent, we know the remaining 25 percent who don't wear their safety belts are disproportionately teens and young men ages 18 to 34," Giroux said, "And at 69 percent, safety belt use for teens and young adults ages 16 to 24 continues to lag behind the rest of the population."

During the national "Click it or Ticket" mobilization, officers will intensify enforcement of all safety belt

"Enforcement gets people to buckle up - safety belt use in states that conduct high visibility enforcement is 10 to 15 percentage points higher than in states that simply conduct public education," added Giroux, who noted deputies have been issued a "zero tolerance" directive in regards to child restraint law violations.

## Drug task force schedules auction

Thumb area residents who are always on the lookout for a bargain may be interested in an upcoming Sanilac County Drug Task Force property auction.

The event, slated for Saturday, May 31 at the Sanilac County Fairgrounds in Sandusky, will feature everything from several cases of new Barbie Dolls to stereo equipment and appliances to firearms.

The drug task force confiscated all of the items during drug investigations over the past 2 years.

Included in the auction will be a customized 1972 Chevrolet pickup truck that has been restored and upgraded with a 427 CI Chevy engine, automatic transmission and late model GM in-

Some of the other items on the auction block will in-

Thirty-five rifles/shotguns,

13 tool chests, several televisions, VCRs and compact discs, new electronic keyboards, new children's clothing and toys, a Kawasaki 4 X 4, commercial power tools and hand tool sets, lawn mowers, new vacuum cleaners, ladies golf clubs, and a new garage door opener.

Additional items from other police departments and local government excess property will also be sold during the auction.

Anyone wanting to bid on any hunting rifle/shotgun will be required to obtain a Permit to Purchase prior to the auction date. Interested bidders can contact Dawson Auction Services at (810) 679-3313, or the Sanilac Sheriff Gun Permit Deck at (810) 648-8356. Residents outside Sanilac County should contact their local law enforcement agency.

No permits will be issued at the auction site.

the accident scene on Bray A Tuscola County man faces felony charges after hit-Road, just north of Brewer ting and killing a bicyclist Road, at 12:10 a.m. and later leaving the scene Jashinske said Manning

Arbela Township. The driver, Robert M. Bank, 56, Tuscola, was arraigned in Tuscola County District Court on charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor - causing death, and failing to stop at the scene of an ac-

Each charge carries a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison. Bond for Bank was set at \$1 million.

cident when at fault - result-

ing in death.

of the accident early last

Wednesday morning in

Tuscola County Undersheriff Jim Jashinske identified the victim as 17-year-old Randy Rae Manning of Millington.

According to investigators, deputies were dispatched to village of Tuscola, obtained

was riding his bike in the southbound lane of Bray Road going north. He was wearing dark clothing. "A northbound vehicle on

SECOND AND third grade Owen-Gage Youth Authors are: (front row,

left) Tiffany Jamieson, Jeremy Jamieson, Daniel Jeffery, Megan Lester,

Celeste Sprague, (back row, left) Erica Mroz, Amanda Muntz, Christin

Bank faces charges

in bike rider death

Harris, Kendra Bucholtz, Alexis Morrish and Nickolas Adkins.

Bray Road had crossed into the southbound lane and struck the bicyclist from the rear." Jashinske said. "The driver of the vehicle initially stopped at the scene, and then along (with) another motorist went back and found the victim." Bank then returned to his

damaged vehicle and left the "The other motorist stayed

with the victim and another motorist stopped. The second motorist (saw) the taillights and caught up to the northbound suspect vehicle, followed the vehicle to the the license plate number and called 911," Jashinske said.

Deputies located Bank and his vehicle at his residence. He was placed under arrest, transported to Caro Community Hospital for treatment of minor injuries, and then lodged at the Tuscola County Jail.

Millington Rescue and MMR ambulance personnel assisted deputies at the scene.



Phone 872-2010

## "MY BACK PAIN WAS SO BAD, I COULD HARDLY WALK."



Roy Jaster Jr. and Dr. Paese

"After six short weeks the pain was completely gone."

Roy Jaster Jr. is in the family business with Jaster Construction. Over the years, he had continuing difficulty with lower back pain. Then, on vacation to the Indian River, a water skiing accident was the final straw.

The agony had finally just become too much. A friend referred Roy to Dr. Paese of The Knee & Orthopaedic Center. The diagnosis was three herniated disks of the lower lumbar region of the back. In 1992 Roy had back surgery, which Dr. Paese also had to consider before treatment was decided upon.

Dr. Paese decided AXIAL Decompression was the treatment of choice. The DRX9000 is one of only three machines in the state of Michigan and is an extremely sophisticated piece of equipment. After four weeks of this unique treatment, Roy was feeling much better. The numbness and tingling were gone and after six weeks the pain had completely disappeared.

Roy is back to work full time with no limitations thanks to The Knee & Orthopaedic Center. Roy continues to do daily stretches to stay in shape. "Thank you Dr. Paese, for giving me back the ability to wrestle and play with my boys again without pain."

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announces the 5th marking

**GRADE 5** 

Zachary Abell, Sumaira

Ahmed, Jordan Arn, Ashlee

Arthur\*, Steffin Bader,

Josiah Battel, Lindsey Bliss.

Brittany Carr, Courtney Do-

err\*, Richard Doerr\*,

Kevven Dorland\*, Abby

Ellis, Jalen Ferris\*, Zachary

Fisher, Kayla Gibson,

Aleisha Guerin, Nicole

Hanselman, Teriona Harper,

Steven Hicks, Kyle Hodder,

James Hudson, Lindsay

Jamieson\*, Renae Janssen,

Richard Jeffrey, Amanda

Kaake\*, Logan Kausch\*, Eli

Kelley, Andrew Knight, Jor-

dan Kus. Kent LaFave\*, Am-

ber LaPonsie\*, Andrew

Leslie\*, Paige Lester\*, Brit-

tany Likens, Jennifer

Manwell\*, Thomas Marker,

Emily Martin\*, Ashleigh

Moore\*, Dylan Murphy,

Tyler Nicholas\*, Brittany

Nicol\*, Elise Nicol\*, Tyler

Perry\*, Dillon Peruski,

Trevor Phillips, Kyle Pine,

Dean Rabideau, LaShae

Radeka\*, Eric Reif, Aaron

Robles, Alex Rowe, Paul

Rubey, Kelsey Rudy, Roch-

elle Rushlow, Steven

Sattelberg\*, Vanessa Scasny,

Angelena Simpson, Nicholas

Shantz\*, David Steely,

Stephanie Steely\*, Courtney

Stewart, Ashleigh Stoeckle\*,

Samantha Swiderski\*, Cami

Tucker, Sara Venema\*, Ed-

ward Vogel, Brandon Weaver,

Timothy Wheeler, Kyle

Weidman\*, Jordan Yax and

**GRADE 6** 

Samantha Auten\*, Krystal

Alexander, Austin Babich\*,

Chloe Bird, Deidre Bowen\*.

Bryan Burk, Thomas Burns

II, Brent Doerr\*, Leigha

Drohn, Marla Eberline, Ean

Elliot, Jessica Galvan, Mat-

thew Hallwood, Brandon

Hartwick\*, Bernadette

Homrocky, Justin Hool,

Carly Howard, Michael

Howard, Sarah Howard\*,

Joshua Inbody, Chelsea

Israelson, Alexandra Kappen,

Megan Zawilinski\*.

Jenna

Rychlewski,

Stephan

Guinther,

period honor roll.



OWEN-GAGE students named 2003 Young Authors include (front row, left) Lauren Mandich, Mitchel LaPratt, Megan McLaren, Dylan Powell, Holly Errer, (back row, left) Kelsey Quick, Christy Schmidt, Devin Prich, Ashley Rockefeller and Zach Mroz. The students were selected to attend a Young Authors Conference held Saturday in Vassar, featuring author Steven Layme and entertainer David McNich.

Cass City Social Item

Beverly Frank and Marion McClorey were lunch guests of Blaine and Luella Kerbyson of Deckerville Friday. She was Luella Spencer, formerly of Cass City. She has retired from nursing.

Letters to the Editor The Chronicle welcomes etters 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

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.

## Letter to the editor

## Prays for students

suspended for selling alcohol, cigarettes, or ritelin on the school bus? I'll tell why: These products are legal and regulated, and therefore not failed and devastating "War as profitable.

I cannot say "Good Job" to anyone bringing an ounce a non-binding petition in and a quarter of weed to school, there is a phrase for that, "Stoner Stupid". But still, now we have 5 students who, if convicted, will never be eligible for financial aid for college, even if their grades recover from their expulsion. These students could have stolen, raped, or ing or circulating, please murdered in Cass City High School, and still have been eligible for financial aid. But because they were caught with an herb Jesus used, they are now being forced into

oblivion. In ancient times, being

Why is it 5 students weren't stoned meant people threw rocks at you, and using cannabis was called prayer.

I'll pray for those 5 students

now being victimized by the on Drugs". I hope you will as well. I plan on circulating Cass City to request the city council stop paying over \$3,000 a year to support the local SS known as Thumb Narcotics, while cutting useful and productive programs and upkeep in our time of worldwide budget crisis. If you are interested in signontact legalizemichigan@yahoo.com or phone 222-6969 and leave

Rev. Happy (Rev. A.S. Wright), Cass City

Kyle Kausch\*, Jayson Kester, Amanda Langenburg, Whitney Laurie\*, Kelli Lautner, Greggory Leslie\*, Brittany Loomis\*, Erika Louks, Travis Mabe\*, Alexander Magiera, Abby McCallum, Blake Messing, Elizabeth Michalski, Amanda Miller, Travis Mozden, Cody Nye, Kelli Pettit, Kimberly Proctor, Carly Rabideau\*, Sarah Reed\*, Jennica Richards\*. Victoria Scasny, Jason Sorenson, Chris Summersett\*, Carl Tacey, Andrew Teller, Krysta Timko, Tyler Tomlinson, Joram Tyson, Megan Van Vliet, Lukas Varney\*, Ariel Veneziano\*, Timothy Vincent, Clark Walsh, Shayna Ward and Ian Wynn.

#### **GRADE7**

Syed Zain Ahmed\*. Rodney Abasso, David Acker, Heather Baker\*. Isaiah Battel\*, Lauren Bennett, Jessica Bessler\*. Christopher Binder, Kendra Bitzer, Chelsea Bootz, Evan Bushong, Samantha Currier, Erica Darr, Anna Deel\*, Ashley Deel\*, Andrew Deering\*, Danielle Delamarter, Rebecca Doerr\*, Madeline Dooley, Clinton Ellis, Kimberly Guthrie, Trey Helwig\*, Zachary Hopper\*, Darrin Howard\*, Lauren Hudson, Ashley Hutchinson, Devin Jamieson, David Janssen Jr, Brittany Karavas\*, Kristie Karr\*, Mark Koepf\*, Adam Kranz\*, Shane McFarland\*, Brandi McKee, Lauren Meck, Laccy Morrish\*, Alyssa Nicol, Alicia Osentoski, Thomas Parrish\*, Magan Raatz, Stephanie Regnerus, Caitlyn Rickett, Kelton Roth, Brandy Rychlewski, Timothy Sangster, Cassandra Simpson, Nicholas Smith\*, Jeffrey Sparks\*, Ashlee Spencer, Marissa Summersett\*, Abrien Swires, Derek Weidman\*, Megan Woodruff, Christopher Zawilinski and Jennifer

GRADE 8

"I haven't felt this good in years...
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Zmierski.

Dustin Arp, Ryan

Biddinger\*, Dennis Bowen, John Brown, Brent Cooper, Alyssa Cryderman, Terra Czekai, Cheryl Davis, Jill Dillon, Jeremiah Fritz, Kurt Hanby, Jaclyn Hendrick, Allison Hillaker, Joseph Homrocky, Ryan King, Meredith Kirn, Whitney Kirn, Kathryn Klco, Lysa Knight, Andrew LaFave, Andrew Martin, Jennifer Hacker\*, Stephanie Jamieson\*, Galen Kuebli\*, Jessica Lange\*, Laura McComas\*, Robert McConnell, Sara Meeker\*, Robert Brandon Miller\*, Lindsey Montgomery\*, Deric Murphy, Megen O'Dell, Andrew Peruski, Kevin Phillips, Ashleigh Rabideau\*; Courtney Rabideau\*, Kyle Reif, Allyn Richards\*, Derek Ricker, Ryan Ross, Nicholas Sattelberg\*, Emily Schinnerer, Bradley Severance\*, Beth Spencer, Kari Spencer, Michael Stevens, Brent Stine, Philip Strong\*, Derek Suro, Kyle Swanson, Rebecca Sweeney, Eric Thick, Courtney Voss, Sheila Wasserman, Brent Weaver, Tyler Whittaker, Jason Wilder and Bobbi Windsor.

Denotes all "A"s.

Cass City High School announces the 5th marking period honor roll.

**GRADE 12** 

All A's Auten, Laura E Barnes, Laura M Barrigar, Jason C Cheng, Heidi C Frederick, Amanda L Froede, Ashley R Green, Courtnay A Hartel, Rebecca A Iwankovitsch, Dara L Lounsbury, Joseph P Maharg, Christopher J Nicol, Jessica L Pasant, Alissa A Poisson, Jessie K Rickett, Cory C Talaski, Talisa M Tanton, Annjea M Veneziano, Andrew K Zmierski, Melissa R

GRADE 12

B or Better

Middle, high schools honor rolls Deering, Deidra A Laming, Luann R Langlois, Bethany M Diegel, Aaron M Fluegge, Paula L Rabideau, Delores M Francis, Tiffany L Richards, Stephanie A Glaza, Jordan A Sherman, Leah M Hartwick, Heidi L Speirs, Jason A Hendrick, Lindsey L Stoeckle, Angela M Henn, Cvndi C Tuckey, Jessie J Hessler, Kurtis D Hoyt, Elizabeth J Kamrad, Jessica R **GRADE 10** Lowry, Lindsay L B or Better Nicol, Chrystal K Nizzola, Anne L Ellis, Allison M Puterbaugh, Rence D

Ferris, Jared S Hanby, Caleb J Havens, Michael E Hoelzle, Paul E McFarland Sean W Mills, Timothy I Montgomery, Christina E Reed, Patrick D Schinnerer, Andrew L Spaulding, Kristina E Stoutenburg, Nicholas L Whittaker, Tara A Wilder, Jake L

**GRADE 11** All A's

Woodward, Melissa H

Raythatha, Rajen S

Samons, Jessica D.

Spencer, Tiffany M

Sullins, Amanda L

Thornton, Ryan A

Turner, Nicholas J

Volmering, Liza L

Wiles, Kristen M

Stoutenburg, Matthew J

Dorland, Krystee R Hacker, Leslie A Helwig, Erik A Hobbs, Sarah E Howard, Amy J Timon, Ashley N

Toner, Megan E

**GRADE 11** 

B or Better

Bell, Allyson M Fluegge, Kristi P Galloway, Lauren A Laming, Nathan L Laurie, Maegan'A Powell, Mallory L Sobczak, Elizabeth J Spencer, Shanna L Swanson, Nicholas E

**GRADE 10** 

All A's

Barrigar, Ashley L Bryant, Tasha N Francis, Chad E Glaspie, Samantha A Helland, Marcel W Hillaker, Carrie M Homakie, Krista N Hoyt, Jessup W Hutchinson, Lee R Krug, Rose E

**GRADE9** 

All A's

Ahmed, Syed U Barnes, Caitlin A Bushong, Donna L Doerr, Libby J Hendrick, Ashley J Hennessey, Aimee M McIntosh, Katie M Meeker, Steven S Powell, Tara L Speirs, Lindsey R Timko, Jenna M

**GRADE9** B or Better

Brinkman, Jennifer B Crandall, Stacy L Cronk, Monica C Froede, Nicole L' Glaza, Justin M Langenburg, Bradley J Laurie, Evan J Miller, Andrea R Nahernak, Philip A Nanney, Nicholas J Otulakowski, Brandon W Papp, Alex S Peruski, Ivan M Putnam, Rebecca J Sparks, Chad G Stoutenburg, Jeffrey A Talaski, Brandi A Trishler, Kalen J Wiess, Amber R

#### Dr. Robert Gabriel

The appointment has been made; they can fit me in first thing this afternoon. I'm a little hesitant about whether or not this is the type of doctor I should be seeing, but my friend told me that Dr. Gabriel is really good and the receptionist assured me that if he didn't feel he could help me with my problem, that he would refer me to someone who could.

Upon entering the office, my first impression is one of calm. The walls are a pale green and there is a hanging plant in the corner by the sign-in desk. I'm greeted with a smile and a "you must be..." (I think to myself - how did she know that - and later discover probably because she knew everyone else by their name - impressive!). The forms are explained to me and before she directs me where to go, she tells me her name and says if there is anything I don't understand, she'll be happy to help. Nice.

As I find a place to sit, I take a brief moment to assess my surroundings. Inspirational prints adorn the walls, a couple of plants, a soothing water fountain and a fist tank - again I think to myself how calming this is. I start to fill out my paperwork, as I listen to a couple of people in the waiting room with me. A gentleman has just come into the waiting room with a big smile as he finishes telling the massage therapist a story he must have started earlier - they both laugh like old friends. He finds a seat across the room and starts to talk to the other lady, who he apparently knows - and tells her he's waiting for his wife. They exchange reasons for being there and the confidence I hear from them is reassuring.

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- ★ Leg Pain

★ Numbness

★ Carpal Tunnel

I've finished the paperwork and returned it to the desk. She assures me it should only be a couple of minutes before they take me back to see the doctor. A couple of minutes - how many times have I heard that! But before I can contemplate just how long a couple of minutes is - I'm called back. The young lady introduces herself as Melissa. She is friendly and very professional. I'm taken to the "exam room"; and asked a few questions and then she tells me the doctor will be with me shortly (I wonder if I should contemplate what shortly means?). So, I do just that, as I look around and again notice the calm feeling that is starting to become familiar. And apparently shortly means just that - the young doctor walks in and introduces himself, (hmm, I think to myself - awfully young). But so far everything has seemed all right, so I listen to his questions and answer them the best I can; he does an examination (I find I'm not as flexible as I used to be), and he tells me he's going to have one of the girls come in to take a few x-rays. He leaves and promptly another young lady who introduces herself as Melissa greets me. I smile, a little embarrassed, as I explain to her I thought the other girl told me her name was Melissa, but I must have misunderstood. Now, Melissa smiles and explains that there are two Melissas that work here. Isn't that fun! She proceeds to take my x-rays and then explains that she has to develop them, but while she is gone she would like me to watch a short video. Ok, I think to myself as she leaves, so far so good. I really feel like I'm in the right place. I watch the video and it makes me start to think in terms of health care like I've never thought before.

The video is over and I sit to ponder my visit so far. I like how I feel. Now if only the doctor will return and tell me he can help, I will feel relieved. He does return shortly and gives me the good news - he can help; and the bad news - it isn't going to get better overnight.

I get on the adjusting table and Dr. Gabriel explains to me as he moves from one area of my spine to the next what he's going to do, what I may hear and what I might feel. Wow! That wasn't bad! I had expected something so much different. I had done it! My first adjustment was over. But I wasn't finished as he explains to me that Melissa (I giggle to myself) will be right in to take care of me. And just as soon as he leaves, she enters.

She begins working on my problem area, asking me if the pressure is ok, and all I can think to myself is, why, oh why did I wait so long to come here!

I felt reassurance after my initial phone call, calmness upon entering the office, and confidence during my visit. There is friendliness in the office that just can't be described - like a feeling of family. These people really want to be here and they love what they are doing.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jessica M. Wright a/K/a Jessica Wright f/k/a Jessica M. Kelch, to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, mortgagee, dated May 22, 2002 and recorded June 13, 2002 in Liber 881, Page 614, and Scriveners Affidavit submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds, Tuscola County Records There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Six and 90/100 Dollars (\$64,556.90), including interest at the rate of 10.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mongage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the 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 the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on June 6, 2003.

The premises are located in the Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1: Commencing 10 rods East and 2 rods North of the North Quarter Stake of Section 1, Town 10 North, Range 10 East: thence North 5 rods: thence East 5 rods: thence South 5 rods: thence West 5 rods to the point of beginning. Being part 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

Parcel 2: The East 53 Feet commencing at the North 1/4 corner stake of Section 1, Town 10 North, Range 10 East; thence East 10 rods; thence North to P.M. Railroad right of way; thence westerly along right of way to intersection of 1/4 line with railroad, thence South to place of beginning. Being part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: May 7, 2003

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for Ameriquest Mortgage Company, As Mortgagee P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000

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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

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP

OF KOYLTON, Tuscola County, Michi-

Part of the East half of the Northeast quar-

mined abandoned in accordance with

MCLA 600,3241a, in which case the re-

demption period shall be 30 days from

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

10:00 AM, on May 29, 2003.

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Dated: April 30, 2003

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven A. Griffith, a married made by Thomas P. Zuraw, a single man, man, and Laurie Griffith, a married woman to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mort-(original mortgagors), to First Perferred gagee, dated June 22, 1999 and recorded Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated July 29, 1999 in Liber 778, Page 117, December 18, 2001 and recorded on Feb-Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage ruary 19, 2002 in Liber 865 on Page 854 is now held by Long Beach Mortgage in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, Company aka Ameriquest by assignment and was assigned by mesne assignments submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola ID FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE AS-County Register of Deeds. There is SOCIATION, a corporation organized and claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand Eight Hunexisting under the laws of the United States of America, as assignee by an asdred Fifty-Four and 75/100 Dollars signment dated November 7, 2002, which (\$69,854.75), including interest at the was recorded on March 10, 2003 in Liber rate of 9.5% per annum. 919 on Page 872, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the 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 the Village of Caro, fuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on June 5, 2003.

The premises are located in the Township of Indiantields, Tuscola County, Michi-

Parcel 1: Commencing at a point on the South line of Section 4. Town 12 North, Range 9 East, 363 feet West of the Southeast corner of said Section; thence West along said South line 118 feet; thence North 165 feet parallel with the East line of said Section; thence East 118 feet parallel with said South line: thence South 165 feet to the point of beginning.

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Dated; April 30, 2003

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made in the conditions of a mortgage

made by Anthony P. Dickenson, a single

man (original mortgagors), to First Chi-

cago NBD Mortgage Company, Mort-gagee, dated July 17, 1998 and recorded on July 20, 1998 in Liber 745 on Page

290 in Tuscola County Records, Michi-

gan, and was assigned by said mongagee

to the Mortgage Electronic Registration

Systems, Inc., as assignee by an assign-

ment dated June 1, 1999, which was re-

corded on November 15, 1999 in Liber

787 on Page 962, Tuscola County

Records, on which mortgage there is

claimed to be due at the date hereof the

sum of ELEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUN-

DREDTHIRTY-NINE AND 40/100 dollars

(\$11,639.40), 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

of Care, Tuscola County, Michigan at

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP

OF VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan,

Commencing at a point 933,00 feet South

of the Northwest corner of the West half

of the Northeast quarter of Section 33,

Town 11 North, Range 8 East; thence East

200.00 feet; thence South 150,00 feet;

thence West 200.00 feet; thence North

150.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Also described as proposed Lot 5 of Harry

& Loretta's Estate, Together with an ease-

ment for ingress and egress to and from

said premises over and across an exist-

ing road in the East 66.00 feet of the West

266.00 feet of the Northwest quarter of

the Northeast quarter of Section 33, Town

The redemption period shall be 12

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

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

11 North, Range 8 East.

the date of such sale.

Dated: April 30, 2003

Team J (248) 593-1311

Attorneys and Counselors

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200

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Trott & Trott, P.C.

File # 200118929

10:00 AM, on May 29, 2003.

and are described as:

trance to the Courthouse in the Village

6.950% per annum.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven L. Plummer and Deborah J. Plummer, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to King Financial, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 21, 1998, and recorded on February 11, 1998 in Liber 730 on Page 248 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated February 10, 1998, which as recorded on November 20, 1998, in Liber 756 on Page 364 Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sunt of NINETY-SIX THOUSAND SEVEN **HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE AND 45/100** dollars (\$96,769,45) including 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 mongaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro. Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on June 5, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the TOWN-SHIP OF WATERTOWN, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

The North 1/2 of a parcel of land described as: Beginning at the East 1/4 corner of section 15, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, Thence along the East line of said Section 15. South 02 degrees, 00 minutes, 54 seconds East, 424.00 Feet; Thence South 87 degrees, 46 minutes, 03 seconds West, 1318.05 Feet to the West line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said section: Thence along said line. North 02 degrees, 04 minutes, 28 seconds west 424.00 feet to the East-West 1/4 line of said section; Thence along said last line west 1/4 north 87 degrees, 46 min-ures, 03 seconds East, 1318.00 feet to the East 1/4 corner of said section 15 and point of beginning. Except reserving all mineral and oil rights as set forth in quit claim deed recorded in Liber 580, Page 20, and any interest in subsequent instruments pertinent thereto.

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

Dated: May 7, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASECALL: Team X (248) 593-1302

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 480325 File #200318451

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE AT-TEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, NOTIFY (248)362-6100 IFYOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

certain mortgage made by Thomas F. Wudarcki, a single person of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to MorEquity Inc. dated the 18th day of March, A.D. 1999, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 29th day of March, A.D. 1999. in Liber 767 of Tuscola County Records, on Page 469, which said mortgage was thereafter on, to-wit the 8th day of June, A.D. 2000, assigned to American General Finance, thru mesne assignments and recorded on August 14, 2000 in the oftice of Register of Deeds in Liber 808 for said County of Tuscola Records, on page 688, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$123,514.39 (One hundred twenty three thousand, Five hundred fourteen dollars and thirty nine cents) including interest thereon at 9.75% (nine point seven five percent) per annum.

And no suit 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 ate of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of June, A.D., 2003 at 10:00 o'clock said mongage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the 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 of land situated in the Township of Watertown, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Commencing at a point that is 665.22 feet and North 00 degrees 16 minutes 06 seconds East, 1322 feet from the South Quarter corner of said Section 13, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, thence continuing North 00 degrees 16 minutes 06 seconds East 267 feet; thence West 663.03 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 40 seconds West, 267 feet, thence West 663.37 feet to the point of beginning. Together with an easement for ingress and egress purposes over and across a 66 foot wide strip of land, the centerline of which is described as beginning at a point on the South Section line that is West 655.22 feet from the South Quarter corner of Section 13; thence North 0 degrees 16 minutes 06 seconds East 1984.26 feet to a point of ending.

Tax ID: 021-013-000-1800-02

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 the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 14, 2003

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO.,

By: Daniel E. Best. (P-58501) Attorney for Assignce of Mortgagee Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co. L.P.A. 755 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820 Troy, Michigan 48084 WWR#02969195

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR AT-TEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, PLEASE BER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Matthew Clinger, and wife, Jennifer Clinger (original mortgagors) to Homestar Mortgage Services, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 18, 2002 and recorded on May 8, 2002 in Liber 877, on Page 455, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY-EIGHTTHOUSAND FIFTY-NINE AND 24/100 dollars (\$88,059.24), inluding 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 the 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 the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on June

The premises are situated in the VILLAGE OF MAYVILLE, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

The West 1/2 of Lot I, Block 6, plat of the Village of Mayville, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 15, Page 564 of Deeds, now being Liber 3, Pages 35 and 36 of plats, Tuscola County Records, l'uscola County, Michigan.

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 redemotion period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 7, 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 #200317524

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR AT-TEMPTINGTO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUM-BER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Raymond A. Rogers and Carol A. Rogers, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 5, 2000 and recorded on June 23, 2000 in Liber 804, on Page 579, in Tuscola County Records, fichigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for the Registered Trust 2000-C. Asset-Backed Certificates. Series 2000-C, without recourse, Assignee by an assignment dated August 1, 2001 which was recorded on August 7, 2001, in Liber 840 on Page 528, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETEEN AND 10/ 100 dollars (\$76,819.10) including interest at 9.800% 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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on June 5, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the TOWN-SHIP OF VASSAR, Tuscola County. Michigan, and are described as:

The East 16 rods of the South 50 rods of the East half of the Southwest quarter of Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michi-

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

Dated: May 7, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Team G (248) 593-1310

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File #200121795

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR AT-TEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WEOBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUM-BER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Randle L. Bassett, an unmarried man (original mortgagors), to Lender, LTD, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 4, 2000 and recorded on May 9, 2000 in Liber 800 on Page 954 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Ontion One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated May 4, 2000, which was recorded on March 4, 2001 in Liber 824 on Page 775, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-SEVENTHOUSAND THREE HUNDRED

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 Team C

FIVE AND 23/100 dollars (\$97,305.23),

including interest at 10,200% per annum

entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 29, 2003.

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

Part of Section 7, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, beginning at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 7; thence North 175 feet to the point of beginning; thence West 511 feet; thence North 150 feet; thence East 511 feet; thence South 150 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: April 30, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Team G (248) 593-1310 Trott & Trott, P.C. Auomeys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200317969

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MORTGAGE SALE- Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paul Lee Hazen, a single man and Wendy June Tompkins, a single woman (original mortgagers) to Independent Mortgage Co. East Michigan, Mortgagee, dated June 13, 1998, and recorded on July 7, 1998 in Liber 744 on Page 263 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be ue at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINE AND 10/100 dollars (\$51,309,10), including interest at 7.375% 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 A.M., on June 5, 2003.

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

The West 1/2 of lot 13, Block 2, Village of Mayville, Tuscola County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) 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.

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

Team F (248) 593-1313 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200318324

MILITARY DUTY.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Alan M. Draper, a single man (original mortgagors), to Community Mortgage Services, Inc./DBA Home Mongage CO., Mongagee, dated September 8, 1999 and recorded on September 15. 1999 in Liber 782 on Page 271 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated September 14, 1999, which was recorded on September 15, 1999 in Liber 782 on Page 278, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTEEN AND 23/100 dollars (\$95,516.23), including interest at 8.500% 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 June 12, 2003.

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

The East 200 Feet of the South 18 Rods of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 10, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: May 14, 2003 FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

Team C (248) 593-1301 44 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025. File # 200221447

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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

Said premises are situated in CITY OF

CASS, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are

Commencing at a point 443 feet East of

the Southwest corner of the East half of

the Southeast quarter of Section 24. Town

14 North, Range 10 East; running thence

North 180 feet; thence East 190 feet;

thence South 180 feet; thence West 190

feet to the point of beginning, Tuscola

The redemption period shall be 6 months

from the date of such sale, unless deter-

mined abandoned in accordance with

MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the re-

demption period shall be 30 days from

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200

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TEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY

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CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUM-

BER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

made in the conditions of a mortgage

made by Ryan L. Kramer, a married man

and Nicole M. Kramer, his wife, to Old

Kent Bank (now by various resolution

duly known as Fifth Third Bank), Mort-

gagee, dated May 13, 1998 and recorded

May 26, 1998 in Liber 740, Page 401.

Tuscola County Records. There is

claimed to be due on such mortgage the

sum of Ninety Thousand Five Hundred

Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County,

1/4 of Section 1, Town 11 North, Range

10 East, described as: Beginning at a

point which is South 01 degrees 30' 11"

east 1/4, 405.01 feet from the Northeast

ing South 01 degrees 30' 11" East, along said East line, 201.54 feet; thence South

88 degrees 34' 16" West, 385,49 feet;

thence North 01 degrees 55' 51" West,

perpendicular to the North line of said

Northeast 1/4, 198,15 feet to the South-

east corner of so-called "parcel R" of a

previously recorded survey (recorded in

Liber 539, Page 851 of Tuscola County

Records); thence North 88 degrees 04

09" East, 386.98 feet to the point of be-

The redemption period shall be 6 months

from the date of such sale, unless the

property is determined abandoned in

accordance with MCLA \$600,3241a, in

which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The

foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the

sale in the event a 3rd party buys the

property and there is a simultar

ution with the borrower.

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC

Dated: May 21, 2003

Troy, MI 48007-5041

P.O. Box 5041

(248) 457-1000

File No. 200.0842

ginning.

rate of 7,5% per annum.

are described as:

County Records.

the date of such sale.

Dated; May 21, 2003

Trott & Trott, P.C.

File # 200216245

MILITARY DUTY.

Team M (248) 593-1306

Attorneys and Counselors

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

10:00 AM, on June 19, 2003.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard Hathaway and Barbara Hathaway, husband and wife, to Meritage Mortgage Corporation, an Oregon Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 19, 2000 and recorded October 27, 2000 in Liber 814, Page 522, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee of CSFB ABS Trust Series 2001-HE17 by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Regis ter of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred One and 20/100 Dollars (\$116,301.2), including interest at the rate of 11,125%

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the 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 the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on June 20, 2003.

The premises are located in the City of Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1: Part of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 17, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 17; thence East 198 feet; thence South 660 feet; thence West 198 feet; thence North 660 feet to the point of beginning, Right of Way for Phillips Road over the Westerly side

Parcel 2: Part of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 17, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, commencing 198 feet East of the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 17; thence East 66 feet: thence South 660 feet: thence West 66 feet; thence North 660 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: May 21, 2003

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee of CSFB ABS Trust Series 2001-HE17, As Assignee P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MJ 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000

File No. 231,2654

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rose Marie Cook and Harry J. Cook, wife and husband (original mortgagors), to EquiVantage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 10, 1998 and recorded on December 11, 1998 in Liber 758 on Page 297 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Credit Based Asset Servicing and Securitization, LLC, Assignee by an assignment dated October 15, 2001, which was recorded on April 25, 2002 in Liber 875 on Page 1109, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-SIX AND 91/100 dollars (\$58,496.91), including interest at 9.450% per annum

Under the power of sale contained in said

morigage and the statute in such case

### **DEQ** says burning regulations restrictive

Open burning of yard debris is a springtime ritual for many Michigan residents, however, the resulting air pollution can irritate eyes and lungs, obscure visibility, soil nearby surfaces, create annoying odors, and is a threat to those with respiratory conditions.

Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) officials remind area residents that Michigan's open burning regulations are very restrictive; only certain materials may be burned and only if specific criteria are

What may be burned usually depends on the type of material, such as household waste or brush, and who is doing the burning, such as a

business or household. Persons may burn solid waste from a one- or 2-family dwelling in an approved container as long as it is not prohibited by a local ordinance and does not create a smoke or odor nuisance. An "approved container" is one constructed of metal or masonry with a metal covering device with openings no

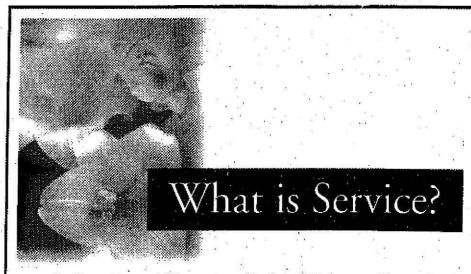
larger than 3/4 of an inch. There are local restrictions. For example, open burning is prohibited in the village of Cass City, and area DNR officials may temporarily suspend all burning permits due to dry conditions that present a risk for grass fires, as was the case this spring.

Ninety-One and 76/100 Dollars (\$90,591.76), including interest at the In general, state law allows the open burning of trees, logs, brush and stumps pro-Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of vided several conditions are Michigan, notice is hereby given that the met and the practice is not mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of prohibited by local law. The the mongaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, conditions are: the burning is conducted at least 1,400 feet from the boundary of an Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on June 20, 2003. incorporated city or village, The premises are located in the City of the burning is not in a listed Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan, and priority area, and the burning does not violate any air Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast pollution rules, such as burning that causes a smoke or

odor nuisance. East, along the East line of said North-The open burning of construction and demolition waste is prohibited, even if the burning is to be conducted on the person's own property, and a person may not take such materials to another location to be

burned. The DEQ, Environmental Science and Services Division's Clean Air Assistance Program has launched a new website designed to provide the public, fire, departments and municipalities with information about open burning regulations in the state. The website provides guidance documents. links to open burning related websites, contact informa-

tion and regulations. The website can be accessed via the DEQ's home page: www.michigan.gov/deq (click on "air", then "open burning information".



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May 31, big day

### At area schools

## Seniors in final swirl

by Melissa Herren Staff Writer

The last day of school for the Cass City School District is Monday, June 9.

The senior's last day was Tuesday and Cass City High School's 117th commencement ceremony will take place on Friday, at 8 p.m. in the Cass City High School gymnasium. Ninety-nine seniors will graduate this year.

The undergraduate awards ceremony will take place May 30 at 8:30 a.m. in the high school.

The eighth grade graduation dinner will take place June 5 at the middle school at 5:30 p.m., and the program will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Cass City's annual commemorative graduation edition, with pictures of all the graduates, will appear next week.

**OWEN-GAGE** 

the Owen-Gage School District is June 6.

The commencement ceremony will take place Thursday at 8 p.m. in the high school gym.

Twenty-two seniors will graduate. The last day of school for seniors was May

Grandparents' Day will take place May 28 at the elementary school.

#### KINGSTON

The last day of school for the Kingston School District is June 6.

The high school commencement ceremony will take place June 1 at 2 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

Seniors' last day of school is Friday. Forty-one seniors will graduate.

School officials will present spring athletic awards June 3, at 7 p.m. at the high school.

The last day of school for

## **CHIROPRACTIC** OUTLOOK

By Dr. Robert Gabriel

TELL IT LIKE IT IS When going for an annual checkup, the physician asks about your most recent health. The more you tell your doctor about medical concerns, the greater chance that you can be treated of any ailments. in the same fashion, you want to keep your Doctor of Chiropractic up to date on any medical problems you have encountered. These

\* Fractures & sprains: Have you sprained or broken an arm or leg since last visiting your chiropractor?

Joint problems: Especially if you are middle-aged or older, are you beginning to feel aches and pains in your joints? This could be the beginning of various forms of arthritis.

\* Chronic aches: Have you recently been plagued by headaches, backaches, or pains in other parts of your body?

\* Circulatory problems: Are you experiencing poor blood circulation, which could be a sign of many other related issues.

Miscellaneous concerns: Any changes such as greater sensitivity to the cold, feeling shaky in the morning, difficulty breathing, etc. The Doctor of Chiropractic will put all the pieces together and determine the best treatment mode.

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The last day of school for the Ubly School District is June 11.

Commencement will take place June 1, at 1 p.m. in the Ubly High School gymnasium. Sixty-one seniors will graduate.

The last day of school for seniors is Friday, and exams will be held the following Tuesday and Wednesday.

The annual high school awards ceremony will take place tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the old high school gym.

Farmers and ranchers are

becoming more aware of

what consumers expect from

their food supply system, but

must keep working to meet

those expectations. That's

the bottom line from a new

study of U.S. farmer and con-

sumer attitudes, released this

week at the annual meeting

of the American Farm Bureau

AFBF commissioned the

study in partnership with the

Philip Morris family of com-

panies, one of the nation's

largest purchasers of agricul-

tural products. RoperASW

conducted the 100-plus

question survey in August

and September 2002. Re-

searchers asked 1,000 cus-

tomers to share their opin-

ions of modern farming prac-

tices and how well farmers

are meeting food supply

needs. At the same time, they

asked 700 farmers and ranch-

ers to assess consumer ex-

pectations and to predict

their future farming prac-

The study is a follow-up to

a 1999 research project spon-

tices.

Federation (AFBF).

COME FOR A DAY-SPEND A LIFETIME summarizes the efforts of a group of volunteers in Cass City to invite visitors from all walks of life to come for a "quality of life" open house on Saturday,

Located just an hour and a half north of the Detroit suburbs (on M-81 between M-53 and M-24) Cass City, like many other towns, has faced tough economic times caused by nationwide recession. Plant closings in the

Thumb area caused some to

what consumers expect

Morris, which revealed sig-

nificant gaps between farm-

ers' and consumers' views on

important food and agricul-

Highlights from the study

are printed below. More de-

tails are available on the

AFBF Website at www.fb.org.

To receive a full research re-

port, contact Karen Potratz,

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consin Ave., Milwaukee, WI

Farmers did the best job of

closing the "gap" between

themselves and consumers in

the area of food safety. In

1999, only 41 percent of

farmers and ranchers said that

consumers worry "some" or

'a great deal" that the food

they buy might not be safe

to eat. In fact, 58 percent of

consumers reported that

level of concern. Three years

later, 58 percent of farmers

predicted that consumers

worry "some" or "a great

deal" about food safety, more

in line with consumer re-

The study revealed contin-

ued consumer support for

sponses (55 percent).

53202, 800-647-7294 -

tural issues.

look elsewhere for jobs.

Open house plans complete

Yet Cass City offers a unique quality of life with good schools; a strong hospital with assisted living and dementia care; a growing library; and a superb infrastructure of paved streets, pure water and complete sewage treatment. And the variety of homes stretches from modest to large and luxurious and includes apartments and condominiums.

In addition, recreational facilities in the community and the surrounding area offer organized sports as well

more than 80 percent of con-

farm subsidies, 44 percent of

should receive financial sup-

In a new series of questions,

researchers asked consumers

and farmers about the rela-

tionship between farming

and the environment, reveal-

ing new gaps in attitudes.

More than half of consumers

said that it is important for

food to be produced in ways

that maintain environmental

resources and productivity

for the future. But less than

half were satisfied that their

food was being produced in

that manner. Farmers under-

estimated consumers' expec-

tations - only 44 percent of

them said that this was an

important consumer con-

Water quality emerged as a

consumers. When asked

which farming practices

from contaminants" and

"protecting surface water

nants".

of farmers agreed.

third weren't sure.

as hunting, fishing and other outdoor pursuits. Above all, the pace of life in the community is slower, rush hour doesn't exist and safety and security are all around.

So the volunteers are determined to show this community to as many residents of the urban areas of east and southeast Michigan as they can in hopes of attracting some to move to the area. In order to do this an open house is being planned for

Funds for advertising and other expenses have been contributed by local businesses and individuals; service clubs are mobilizing to clean the downtown area; Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts will be serving refreshments and setting up flag displays on the day; and volunteers will act as hosts and guides for the visitors.

Between the hours of 10 sumers surveyed think that a.m. and 4 p.m. driving tours farming should be protected from economic ups and of the village will be condowns; more than 80 percent ducted. During that tour, visitors will be able to highlight Asked specifically about particular areas of interest (medical facilities, for inconsumers said that farmers stance, or schools), and return later in the day to have port, although more than a a more detailed look. Programs are planned at the library and at the hospital and tours of the school facilities will be ongoing. A list of representative homes will also

be made available. Stores will be open for shopping, free meals in one of the local restaurants will be available to all visitors, refreshments will be offered at the registration site, and some entertainment will be presented between 2 and 3 p.m. At the end of the day, a drawing will be held among the visitors for five \$100 Cass City cash certificates to be used in any of the local

key issue for farmers and were most important from an . environmental standpoint, both gave the highest ratings time! Call toll free 866-266to "protecting groundwater 3822

from runoff and contami-Consumers (65 percent) and farmers (55 percent) also agreed that farm subsidies should be based on environmentally sound farming

been paid in the past. Significant gaps remain in other areas of food production. Differences remain between consumer and farmer attitudes about:

practices, as opposed to pro-

duction levels as they have

 Pesticides to improve product appearance (40 percent of consumers said they are "never" acceptable, while 70 percent of farmers said they are "always" or "sometimes" acceptable).

 Hormones to increase growth or production (50 percent of consumers said 'never" acceptable; 65 percent of farmers said "always" or "sometimes" acceptable.

 Antibiotics to promote growth (48 percent of consumers said "never" acceptable; 67 percent of farmers said "always" or "sometimes" acceptable). Consumers were more likely to accept the use of antibiotics for treating animal diseases.

As in 1999, the new study showed that agriculture must do a better job of communicating. Farmers and consumers still agree on this topic; 63 percent of farmers and 73 percent of consumers said that the agricultural industry is doing either a "fair" or "poor" job of explaining the benefits and drawbacks of food production techniques to the American public.

Saturday, May 31. Farmers more aware of

establishments.

Volunteer hosts will be continuously available at the central location to talk about the community and its people. So come for a day...and maybe you will find a place to spend a lifecheck

## Council meeting

Continued from page one.

makes the pool harder to clean and some of the springs on the cover were broken.

Al Klco, Knight Insurance Agency owner, represented a group of eighth graders in Monday's meeting when he asked the council to make a financial commitment to help the group maintain and maybe even purchase a building that could be used as a community center.

The council agreed that the community center is a good idea, but it is financially difficult to support under the tight budget. The council asked Klco to get more information.

• The village council approved to renegotiate the installment purchase agreement with Thumb National Bank. The principal amount to be paid by the village cannot exceed \$397,000.

• The council approved to use the law firm of Varnum, Riddering, Schmidt and Howlett, who represent 60 communities in setting up the contract for Cable TV Franchise. The firm will be consulted as a specialist to advise with cable franchise renewals.

· The village council approved fireworks for July 5. • The council approved to pay routine bills.

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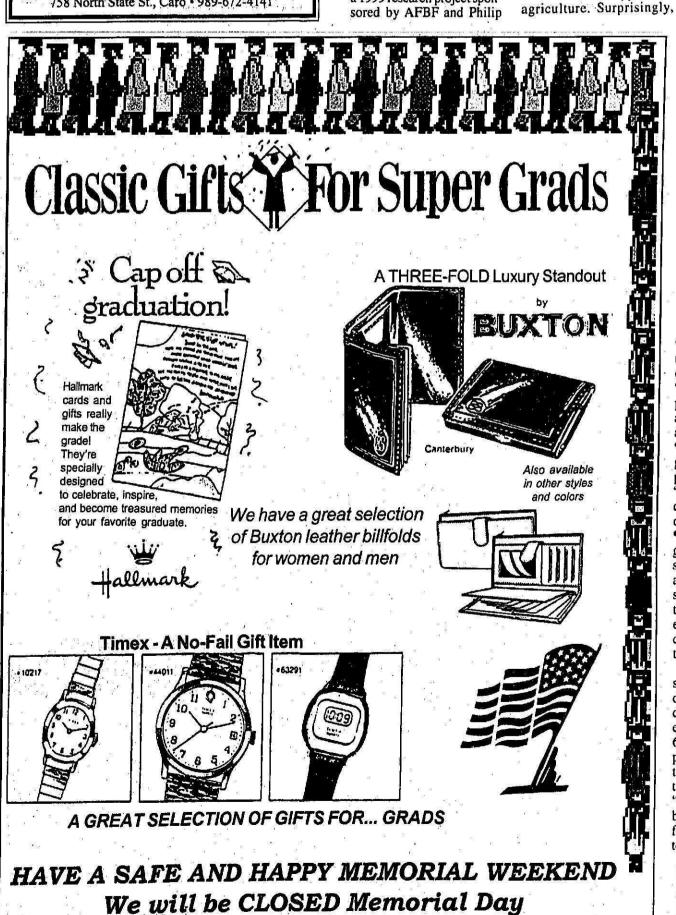


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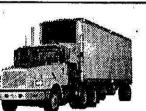
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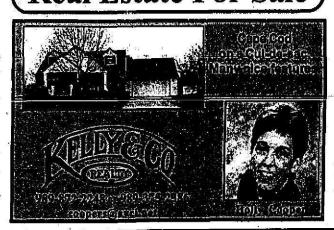
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## **Obituaries**

#### Harold Morrish

Harold "Brownie" Floyd Morrish, 73, of Cass City, died Monday, May 19, 2003 in his home.

He was born Aug. 6, 1929 in Cass City to Charles and Esther (Kittendorf) Morrish. He married Sally Mae Brown May 21, 1976 in

Ubly. Morrish lived in Cass City for most his life. He worked as a truck driver and a welder and retired from RCS in Gagetown. He then went to work at the Cass City Stockyards in the cattle barn up

until his recent illness. He is survived by his wife, Sally Mae; children: Wanda Joy (Carl) Reddick of Anahuac, Texas, Ruth Ann (Paul) Riccardi of Hillsboro, OR, Bonnie Marie (Dennis) Rolston of Cass City, Joy Ann Marie (Ronald) Horning of Mayville, Floyd Harrison (Ethel) Morrish of Gagetown, Gloria Jean (Thomas) Stilson of Ubly, Max Bernard Morrish of Cass City, Janet Lee (Charles) Williams of Gagetown, and Sharon Lynn (Randy) Ashcroft of Freemont, Ind.; step-children: Alvin Joseph Bosley of Cass City, Ronda Beatrice (Steve) Snow of Ubly, and Randy Dean (Ethel) Bosley of Bad Axe; 68 grandchildren; 33 greatgrandchildren; a great greatgrandchild; brother, Charles (Delores) Morrish of Traverse City; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandson, Timothy Floyd Stilson; great-granddaughter, Alison Rolston; sisters: Aletha, Helen, Mildren and Lavara; and brothers: William, Calvin, Louis and Jack.

at 11 a.m., Wednesday, May 21, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Michael Arp of Living Word Worship Center officiating. Interment was in the City.

Elkland Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass

#### Harold McGrath

Harold John McGrath, 92, of Cass City, died Saturday, May 17, 2003 in Tendercare Nursing Facility, Cass City.

He was born July 21, 1910 in Cass City to John and Oreno (Schenck) McGrath. He married Helen Beatrice Muntz Aug. 22, 1936 in Bad

Axe. She died Jan. 26, 1993. McGrath was a lifelong resident of Cass City. He farmed for over 50 years. He was a lifetime member of the Cass City United Methodist Church where he was also the second oldest member. He was also a life member of the Masons.

He is survived by his children: Sally Siegel of Cass City, Robert (Judi) McGrath of Las Vegas, NV, and David (Carol) McGrath of Skandia; 13 grandchildren; 4 greatgrandchildren; brothers: Louis (Phyllis) McGrath of Bruce Crossings, and Ray "Wormy" (Fran) McGrath of Florida; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his sisters: Joann Schotts and Lorine Watts.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Thursday, May 22, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. George Ward of Cass City United Methodist Church officiat-

Interment was in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to Funeral services were held the Marlette Community Hospital, Cass City United Methodist Church, or Tendercare.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass

#### Pearl Spencer

Pearl Helen Spencer, 70, of Caro, died Monday, May 12, 2003 in Tuscola County Medical Care Facility, Caro. She was born Dec. 3, 1932

in Tuscola County to Gerald

and Ethel (Skinner) Spencer. Spencer is survived by her sons: Frank (Joyce) Spencer of Cass City, and Gerald Russell (Vickie) Eggleston of Caro; 8 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; siblings: Edward (Glenna) Spencer, Richard (Sharon) Spencer, Joe (Carol) Spencer, Jenny Vargo, Evelyn Haley, and Judy (Richard) Knight;

She was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Penny; and siblings: Gerald Jr., Charles, James and Ernest Spencer, Rosemary Mills and Delilah Little.

and many nieces and neph-

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, May 14, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Pastor Ron Comfort of Ellington Church of the Nazarene officiating.

Interment was in the Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary

Fund. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass

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The board approved the purchase of a trailer to be used in the program. The trailer will be used to transport the recyclables to the Tuscola County Recycling Center. Money saved is expected to pay for the cost of the trailer in 3 years, sup-

Members of the state champion forensic team were present to receive the congratulations of the school

GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET

2002 - 2003 Proposed Revised Budget

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board. The board listened to Joe Lounsbury in his storytelling skit. Letters of congratulations will be sent to all the members.

School continues cost cuts, Deford closes

The annual year-end luncheon to honor this year's retirees is scheduled at 12 noon Tuesday, June 10.

Teresa Rabideau was appointed to attend the biennial election of Tuscola I.S.D board members June 2.

Dave Hoard, a teacher in the district for 30 years, has resigned. Also resigned is Nancy Weippert, a science

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and biology teacher in the district for 31 years.

Mary Battel, high school secretary for 17 years who

had open-heart surgery, was

granted a severance pay of \$8,000.

The board voted to have the Cass City District again join the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

## Dillon ends career after 29 years

#### Continued from page one.

class has taken, including the trip to the fire station and the butterfly garden. The book also includes special days like pajamarama-day when her students wear pajamas to school and bring sleeping bags and teddy bears and engage in nighttime activities during the school day.

When asked if teaching was rewarding, she quickly responded, "Absolutely, I hope that I have bettered a child's life," she said.

The students are not the only reason Dillon has taught at Campbell Elementary so long.

Dillon said she is so lucky to work with a great staff and principal at Campbell Elementary. "We get along very well and do all the hard things together like curriculum studies," she said.

Dillon said the staff has a lot of fun together. "We love goofing, it keeps us sane," she said. The staff used to pass around an ugly bouquet of purple flowers when a staff member did something really stupid, Dillon noted.

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Dillon promised that she will not be a distant face to Campbell Elementary School after she retires. She said she will come back to visit and help out teachers once in a while.

Dillon said she hasn't made definite plans for the future yet, however, since her husband Wayne Dillon is retiring this year, they want to travel out East and West,

She said retiring will enable her and her husband to spend more time with her son Jeff and his wife Julee and their grandchildren, Jaydee and Drew, who live in Bay City. And spend more time with their son Scott and his wife Suzanna who live in Virginia.

Most of all, Dillon loves it when past students, regardless of age, come to visit her and give her a big hug or when she runs into a student from the past and hears them say, "Boy, I sure did have fun in first grade,"

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Sgt. Garry Biniecki said deputies were dispatched to the scene May 13 at about 9:50 p.m.

Biniecki said one of the drivers was a 39-year-old male from Deckerville who transported McKenzie Memorial Hospital by Sanilac Ambulance. The other driver was a 35year-old male from Kinde. He was transported to Deckerville Community Hospital by private vehicle.

"Alcohol is believed to be a factor and the accident remains under investigation,"

Biniecki said. Deputies were assisted at the scene by troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Sandusky and the Argyle

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Middle Instruction	1,440,307	1,450,741	1,450,641	1,495,272	
High School Instruction	1,187,759	1,258,539	1,252,039	1,227,271	
Special Education	447,948	502,556	502,356	530,098	
Chapter I, II, Prof. Dev.	616,602	644,317	640,373	640,373	
Art. 3, Gifted, CSR & At Risk	8 4	88	***	73	
Vocational Education	61,260	73,712	73,712	75,653	
Employee Benefits	*				
(Instructional)	1,619,428	1,759,168	1,759,168	1,888,893	
Guidance	114,352	118,350	117,450	120,932	
Health	30,086	31,205	31,205	32,096	
Social Worker	35,439	36,885	36,885	37,956	
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Library	204,233	246,520	245,590	251,755	
Audio-Visual	5,423	6,000	4,500	4,500	
Computer Tech./Clubhouse	367,736	158,048	157,913	154,473	
General Administration	12,131	20,340	20,100	20,340	
Executive Administration	179,060	193,391	193,091	197,569	
School Administration	549,077	503,610	499,410	516,446	
Fiscal Services	48,725	26,063	25,431	26,300	
School Plant Planning	255,093	180,000	140,000	130,000	
Operation & Maintenance of				*	
Plant	792,435	999,189	978,719	918,221	
Pupil Transportation	418,973	367,390	374,908	384,666	
Fixed Charges	28,721	46,158	42,747	43,760	ė
Athletics & Cafeteria	182,572	190,000	178,000	183,340	
Employee Benefits	25	i i		OVERACE DESIGNATION OF THE P.	
(Supporting Services)	655,349	717,740	717,740	783,090	
Community Services	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2		3 (4		
(Includes Early Childhood)	98,448	74,758	78,274	78,274	8
Employee Benefits	*			×	
(Community Services)	18,722	25,257	25,257	25,257	
Capital Outlay	218,525	182,460	187,200	198,053	
ransfer from Other Districts	48	18 * ***********************************	100 DT \$000 DT \$000 PT \$44.00	1000000 0200000	
(LAP Grant)	103,190	56,515	56,515	56,515	
GASB Capital Outlay	-0-	58,000	53,627	-0-	
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