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CLAIR AND NANETTE Hosner are replacing their motor home with a large fifth-wheel trailer as they prepare to leave for 2 years of life on the road. The Deford area couple plan to visit friends, family and sites all across the United States.

2 years of travel

Deford couple set for big road trip

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Retirement may be a time of rest and relaxation for some, but Clair and Nanette Hosner have no intention of sitting still.

In fact, the Deford couple is preparing to embark on the adventure of a lifetime.

The Hosners were scheduled to close on the sale of their Kingston Road home Friday with plans to pack up over the next few weeks and leave for 2 years of life on the road in their new fifth-wheel trailer.

"It's going to be a new lifestyle," Nanette acknowledged Thursday as she and Clair talked about their upcoming adventure. "We're looking forward to it."

The decision to become full-time RVers has been in the works for some time, according to Nanette, who retired as a state employee 5 years ago, while her husband Clair, also a state employee, has been retired for 6 years. Both worked at the Caro Center (formerly known as the Caro Regional Center), where she was a secretary and he was a member of the direct care staff.

"I've been working on him (Clair) for about 4 years to sell the house," she said, adding he really wasn't ready to make the commitment until after his daughter was married last spring.

"I'm the one who's been holding back," Clair agreed. "For me, my first reaction was, okay, I really don't want to do this, but the more I thought about it...there's a lot of things I want to see, so let's do it."

"I'm anxious," he added. "I'm looking forward to seeing the stuff I've always wanted to see and the things she's always wanted to see."

The couple, who have been married nearly 25 years, plan to eventually purchase a small winter home somewhere in the south, but they're in no rush.

"For awhile we're just going to see the United States—we figure at least 2 years. For now we just plan on traveling," Nanette said.

Travel and camping is nothing new for the Hosners, who spend more time away, camping in May through October, than they do at home, prompting one friend to jokingly refer to their house as a \$100,000 laundromat.

"We've always enjoyed camping and we've done that all our married life," Nanette said, noting the couple typically spends 3 weeks camping and the fourth week at home, doing laundry and catching up on chores at home.

In the process, they've met a number of full-time RVers who have been more than happy to share their experiences on the road as well as tips to ensure smooth travels.

"If you belong to a camping network or these campsgrounds that are associated with each other, you can get reduced rates," Nanette said. "Being an AARP member helps, too," added Clair, who noted the couple has purchased a road service club membership at a cost of \$90 annually.

The couple said they're making sure they have a reliable cell phone service, and they're taking care of several other details.

For example, Nanette said, it's important to select a good mail service, such as the service she and Clair will use out of Burton, Mich. The service is \$8 a month and the Hosners can call from anywhere in the country to have their mail delivered to them.

Although the couple are excited about the freedom to travel wherever and whenever they want, stopping at every site of interest to them, their family wasn't as enthusiastic initially.

"Some of our family members are a little bit upset," Nanette said. "Our kids are saddened to see us selling the house, but they understand. They know we'll be back. We just tell them we don't have any set plans now. "I don't think I've ever been gone for Christmas. I've always been the reliable one," she added. "We were going

to sell this (house) anyway and get a smaller place, and travel.

"We didn't want that worry," Nanette continued, referring to the prospect of not selling their house.

The couple has already made plans to give away or sell the belongings they won't be taking on their trip. "Most of our stuff, either our children are getting or the people who are buying the house are purchasing," Nanette said, adding her brother will be storing some of their possessions.

Aside from packing, the Hosners were looking forward to taking possession of their new fifth-wheel, a CrossRoads Silverado, which will replace the motorhome they've used over the past several years. The 37 1/2-foot trailer has all the comforts of home, including a large "basement" storage area. Clair is also looking forward to picking up his new truck, a heavy-duty Chevy Silverado.

"The first stop is going to be his brother and our friends in the upper part of Alabama," Nanette said of the couple's itinerary.

Clair said they also plan to visit friends and family in Florida and Nevada. "And then I have a niece in Texas, so we'll head out there and see her."

Asked if they think they'll grow weary of traveling, the couple indicated they don't expect that to happen anytime soon, especially since they have the freedom to do what they want, when they want.

"For me, it might get old, but I think just the idea of being able to see the country - this is the kind of thing I'm looking forward to," Clair said.

"We want to do this now, while we're young enough," Nanette said.

"And healthy enough," Clair added.

"As long as we have our family and friends, the structure we're living in doesn't matter," she said.

Clair agreed. "Home is where the heart is."

Ball already gone, Prieskorn weighing options

3 Cass City councilmen say they won't run in '04

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The Cass City Village Council stands to lose up to a combined 45 years of experience in the spring.

Three council members, including village President Les Karr, confirmed Monday night that they will not seek re-election in the regularly scheduled March 8 election. The news comes one month after Trustee Don Ball tendered his resignation without an explanation.

A fifth council member, veteran Trustee Matt Prieskorn, said Monday that he also may not seek re-election, although he has not made a final decision yet.

The council, along with village Manager Frank Sheridan, has been the target of widespread public criticism in recent weeks over enforcement of a local sign ordinance, specifically related to a patriotic mural on the exterior wall of the Cass City VFW Post annex building. The village's handling of zoning issues related to a new funeral home have also drawn fire.

Three council members said Monday that no single issue has prompted them to leave the council when their current terms expire, but

most of them indicated criticism of their decisions over the past several months was a factor.

Karr, who has served 14 years on the council, including the past 4 as president, said only that he felt it was time. "It's time to give somebody else a chance," he added.

Trustee Cathy Kropewnicki offered a similar explanation.

"I have 10 years in and I feel it's time for other people in the community to come forward and do their share, and volunteer their time," she said. "There seems to be a lot of interest lately from our citizens, (and) I'm just a strong believer in, change is a good thing."

"I think there are a lot of people who would be awesome on the council," Kropewnicki added.

Trustee Steve Wright indicated his time on the council has been an education. Wright said he had initially hoped to have a hand in making some big improvements in the village park, for example, but learned it takes a great deal of time. "The big part (of the job) is operating the village," he said.

Wright said he has enjoyed serving the village, but the combination of several things, including the recent

controversy, and a desire to devote more time to his service, club activities, helped make his decision.

"It's a lot of pressure when people are upset with you all the time. The constant criticism in the newspaper really starts to bug you," he added, referring to letters to the editor. "If they would come to a council meeting, it's not that simple."

MORE DISCUSSION

Council members again revisited the VFW mural/sign debate at the conclusion of an otherwise routine monthly meeting Monday night.

Trustee Dawn Hollis sparked the discussion, saying she was puzzled and doesn't understand why the issue wasn't settled weeks ago, rather than letting the controversy get out of hand. She also asked about previous comments by Sheridan

regarding other zoning violations involving VFW property.

"I think it's ridiculous that this isn't ended," Hollis said, adding she's been hearing a lot of negative comments from citizens.

Sheridan cited 6 different violations, including parking lot improvements, renovations without a building permit and use of the annex building without a certificate of occupancy. He noted no action has been taken on some violations because it was believed that development of a nearby funeral home would have resolved some issues.

Those violations are in addition to the mural, which Sheridan says violates local ordinances, in part due to its size, as well as the fact that VFW officials have refused to seek a permit and variance.

"It's time to stop and say 'follow the rules like every-

body else,'" Sheridan said. Kropewnicki and Trustee Dale McIntosh indicated they agree.

"It's become apparent that we have a group of people who think they don't have to follow the rules," Kropewnicki said. "The general population doesn't have all the facts. They're jumping to conclusions and they're writing editorials (for) the paper."

"It's very frustrating," Karr said. "I'd love to have this thing go away, I really would. But damn it, the rules are the rules."

Sheridan said attorneys for both the village and VFW continue to discuss the matter and are expected to make a recommendation.

In a related matter, the council approved a formal declaration of the vacant trustee position held by Ball.

Village officials have advised. Please turn to back page.

Board approves revised budget

The Cass City School Board adopted a revised budget Monday night at its regular session at the high school that indicates despite several operating cost cuts the school will be \$73,761 in the red at the end of the 2003-04 school year.

The reduction in revenue is the result of fewer students and is computed on the basis of state aid of \$6,700 per student.

The anticipated loss is not a major concern, Supt. Ken Micklash pointed out, and will be taken from the healthy fund balance of \$1,609,974. State aid this year decreased to \$9,903,934. That is \$118,551 less than was received in the last school year. Significant savings were

earned in the cost of elementary instruction and school administration due to the cut in school staff and the closing of Deford School. Together it reduced expenditures \$49,509. General fund expenditures are projected to be \$536 less than they were last year.

At the end of this year the school will pay off the loan for capital improvements that is paid from the general fund. The final payment, including interest, is \$113,080. About half of that reduction in general fund costs will be needed for the purchase of a new school bus.

HERE TO STAY

After comparing the use of Please turn to back page.

Tree debate in village alive, well

By John Haire
Publisher

Over the years, no issue has been more divisive, more heated, or as long lasting as caring for or cutting the trees that dotted Main Street and downtown streets that intersect with Cass City's main stem.

It started nearly 50 years ago and continues today. The Main Street trees were a topic of a recent meeting of the Downtown Development Association. Frank Sheridan, village manager, said that there was a discussion launched by a member that the trees be removed because they tend to obscure views of the businesses. That is very unlikely to

happen, but the trees are due for a severe trimming at the top and Sheridan said he's not sure that they will survive.

The trimming is slated later this year than previously because cutting them before the frost limits the number of blossoms that the trees produce.

In any case, Sheridan explained, the life expectancy for the trees is about 25 years and a decision will need to be made about their replacement.

Although the village manager has come on board recently, he should be made aware that the trees on Main Street have exploded friendships, divided the commu-



BOY SCOUT Troop 500 of Cass City attended the Fall Camporee at Silver Trails Scout Reservation near Port Huron Oct. 24-27. There were many competitive activities available to the Scouts, including wall climbing. Above, climbing the 25-foot wall are Scouts Ray Ellis, Kurt Hanby and Brad Hanby. More than 350 Scouts attended the event, with the Cass City Scouts placing first in the knot tying competition. Troop 500 meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the K of C Hall in Cass City. Interested boys ages 11 and older are welcome to attend.

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 658-2347



Bob Cleland of Cheboygan came Monday to spend a few days with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Ed Schember, Jack and Wayne Kennedy, Allen Farrelly, Jim Foster and Claud Metcalf met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Saturday morning for breakfast.

Edith Jackson visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland on Friday. Recent visitors to see Thelma Jackson were Larry Robinson of Caro, Mr. and Mrs. Al Anthes of Gagetown,

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin O'Connor of Minden City, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz and Mrs. Archie Rumpitz of Ubyly, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stirrett and Marie Perridge of Bad Axe, John and Mildred Peschett of Gots Corner, Rita and Alice Depcinski, Mrs. Ronnie Gracey, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hurford, Clara Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Decker, Brian Sweeney, Mrs. Martin Sweeney, Mrs. Gerald Wills

and Bea Sternberg. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel and Allen Farrelly were among a group who attended the Bingo Party on Sunday at St. Johns Catholic Church Hall in Ubyly.

Jean Voil of Sterling Heights and Mrs. Ken Osentoski were Wednesday guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Eight members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill again next week.

Caitlyn Rickett, Courtney Doerr and Savana Doerr spent some time with their grandmother, Mrs. Jim Doerr, last week. Lana Puterbaugh was a Thursday morning guest.

Edith Jackson visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland on Wednesday.

Engaged



Bobbi Jo King and Jeremy Rayl

Robin and Lori King of Kingston announce the engagement of their daughter, Bobbi Jo, to Jeremy Rayl, son of John and Laurie Rayl of Silverwood.

Bobbi is a 1999 graduate of Kingston High School and a 2003 graduate of Saginaw Valley State University. She is currently working for Independent Bank. Jeremy is a 2000 graduate of Kingston High School and is self-employed.

Bobbi is the granddaughter of Stuart and Bernice Copeland, Ruth King and the late Robert King, and Nancy Copeland, all of Kingston. She is the great-granddaughter of the late Leonard and Blanche Copeland of Cass City.

Jeremy is the grandson of Ed and Marion Rayl of Silverwood, Donna Shaw of Kingston, and Richard and Toni Derezynski of Sebewaing.

A Nov. 29 wedding is planned.



"Sixty is the New Thirty", declare the headlines in the latest AARP Magazine. I confess I didn't read the whole article referred to on the cover. However, it was accompanied by pictures of Lauren Hutton, who turns 60 this month, wrestling alligators, popping wheelies on a motorcycle and diving with sharks.

Somehow I can't help but think that most of us wouldn't make it to 61 if we tried those exploits at 60. Even at 30, it could be considered foolhardy.

It's true that grandparents, even great-grandparents, aren't the senile, white-haired, rocking chair bound characters they were once depicted to be. But regardless of how young and fit we may look, it's hard to deny all the "senior moments."

Besides those mental lapses when you can't remember a common word, the name of your neighbor, or where you put the salad dressing, there's another problem that doesn't get as much attention, but perhaps should.

For lack of a more scientific term, I call it sudden mind shifting.

It's sort of like turning without using your car's directional signal and it's just as

likely to result in a mishap, mentally speaking. It happened the other day when my husband and I were eating lunch with the TV on. We were discussing the sleazy quality of most of today's sitcoms, when [mind shift] I wondered aloud if Russ Tibbits and Lew Tibbits are related.

A guy in one of the commercials reminded me of Russ Tibbits, which led me to wonder if he and Lew are relatives. It was perfectly logical to me, but Stan was at a loss, wondering what connection there could possibly be between either of the Tibbits and sleazy TV shows. Both men are devoted to Christian ministry.

When these mental shifts take place without warning, the fellow you're talking to is either at a total loss or he takes what you say in a way you didn't intend.

It took place again when we stopped at a filling station while returning from an outing with friends recently.

Sitting in the back seat, my friend and I had been discussing the ridiculous cost of prescription drugs, and she had remarked that her husband hates to take medication. He never even likes to take an aspirin.

[Mind shift] I commented, "I don't suppose he'd take anything for gas?"

I'd seen him walk in to pay for the gasoline, and wondered if he'd let us help with the expense.

My friend didn't say anything, just turned and looked out the window, which made me wonder if perhaps they would accept a donation for fuel.

Fortunately, we both realized at the same time that I'd shifted gears again without notice, and we laughed all the way home.

So before you get all out of joint over some remark your older friend makes, find out if he or she has shifted mental gears on you. It could avoid a rift and give you a much needed belly laugh.



Brady Langenburg

Leigh and Sharon (Kanaby) Langenburg of Ubyly announce the birth of their son, Brady Leigh Langenburg.

Brady was born Oct. 11, 2003 at 6:13 p.m. at Covenant-Harrison in Saginaw. He weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

His maternal grandparents are Francis and Marilyn Kanaby, and great-grandmother is Marie Wheeler, all of Ubyly. His paternal grandparents are Jeanette and the late Louie Langenburg of Cass City.

Ethan Gillig

Ethan Michael Gillig was born at Lapeer Regional Hospital, Lapeer, Oct. 4, 2003, to Jeff and Buffie Gillig of Cass City.

Ethan weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 inches long.

He was welcomed home by his sister, Lauren. His grandparents are Jack Gillig of Decker, Bob and Sue Kincaid of Cass City and Lorna Kincaid of Kalkaska.

Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, October 29

Preschool Story Hour, 10 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Halloween & Scary Stories program, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Thursday, October 30

Toddler Story Hour, 10 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library. AAUW Halloween Carnival & Middle School Spook House, 5-7 p.m., ages 3-12, Cass City Middle School. Games, food, prizes! Game tickets 3 for 50 cents, spookhouse 50 cents. Also Krispy Kreme Donuts for sale: 1 dozen - \$6 or 2 dozen - \$10.

Friday, October 31

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

Saturday, November 1

Annual Country Bazaar, 9-6 p.m., St. John Parish Center, 1935 Hamilton St., Ubyly. Craft tables, bake sale, straw raffle, plants, farmer's market, white elephant and luncheon.

Monday, November 3

Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

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Campbell Honor Roll

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Grade 4

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Rowell, Travis Schmitt, Alexandria Smith, Shannon Stec, Heather Sweeney*, David TerBush, Cortney Thompson, Hayley Thorp, Alyse Timko, Cassandra Tomlinson, Michael Tucker, Jared Weidman, Michael Wills, Travis Wright, Alex Zaleski and Sarah Zmierski. * Denotes all "A's".

Offices closed

Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land announced today that all branch offices and the Office of the Great Seal in Lansing will close in observance of the Veterans Day holiday, Tuesday, Nov. 11.

Motorists whose driver's licenses or license plates expire on Nov. 11 should renew early. Branch offices are open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. On Wednesdays most offices are open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. with those in city centers open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Some smaller branch offices are closed for lunch.

Land encourages all customers who have Internet access to check out the department's online services at www.michigan.gov/sos before visiting any branch office.

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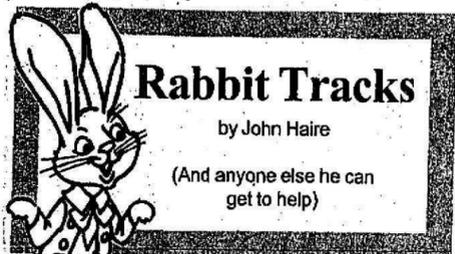
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

If you found us by accident it's because you got lost, the greeter grinned as we were leaving Smith's Steakhouse, about a mile east of Boyne City. There is only a barely discernable homemade sign, about 10x12 inches, telling you when to leave M-75 to wander down another half mile or so to reach the restaurant at 273 Old State Road.

It's been word of mouth to attract customers since the restaurant opened several months ago. It's a converted house and the interior is far from elite, but the friendly service makes up for it. Saturday night when we visited the place was reasonably full.

My order was pistachio crusted Canadian Walleye on orzo rice. Orzo means, I was told, that fine pasta pieces were mixed with the white rice. The fish was garnished with fresh vegetables and the size was more than ample. It comes with an ordinary tossed salad and chunks of special bread. The bread was good, but would have been better if served warm. My wife's choice was the small salad, coffee and (why diet?) warm cherry pie with a big scoop of ice cream.

The salmon was good and cost \$16, the total bill was \$30 with tip. Give it a 6.5 on the 1-10 rating chart.

I violated one of the cardinal rules of good reporting last week and paid for it with an embarrassing goof. I was told by a person close to the program that the win over Bad Axe was the first game that Cass City High School's football team won all season.

I didn't check it out and found out immediately after the paper was published that it was the second win of the year. I apologize. I'm certainly old enough to know better.

From a person who is afraid to pick a morel mushroom because it might be a toadstool, mushroom tales occupy lots of space in this trivia. Here's another one, courtesy of the intrepid fisherman and mushroom picker aficionado Chuck Emmert.

You walk right by some great sites just a few steps from your office, he points out. In the Rotary constructed rest area on Main Street he found scads of fall mushrooms.

They aren't morels, he continued, but they are still great to eat. That is if you pick them when they are small and don't break apart. Cooked incorrectly they will turn black, he said.

Read Meg's Peg

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Cass City Public Schools

PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

from the desk of Ken Micklash, Superintendent

HOMEWORK SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Homework support is available at both Cass City High School and Cass City Middle School. After school hour time has been designated in both buildings to offer free additional help for students that request assistance.

The middle school has been offering students support with their homework for the past few years. Staff members are regularly scheduled to see students after school from 3:10 to 4:00 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays. This year, 7th and 8th grade students can also seek help during their lunchtime on a daily basis. There are also parent and community volunteers that work with students on an individualized schedule which is developed between each volunteer and student.

New this year, at Cass City High School, is homework support on Mondays and Wednesdays immediately after school until 4:00 p.m. in Room 102. National Honor Society students will be available to offer help for students who request homework assistance.

If necessary, please feel free to encourage your child/children to participate in this valuable service. Questions can be sent to me at 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726. Thank you.

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Cass City teenagers recovering from injuries

Two Cass City High School students are continuing to recover from injuries they suffered in a head-on collision earlier this month.

The accident occurred Oct. 17 at about 8:10 a.m. on Milligan Road near

Schwegler Road.

Michigan State Police Trooper Elizabeth Ward reported the drivers, Kyle R. Lowe, 17, Cass City, and Randall J. Tenbusch, 18, also of Cass City, were on their way to school at the time of the crash.

Ward said the pair apparently practiced a ritual in which they swerved into each other's lanes and then returned to their own lanes. However, on this particular morning, she said, the teens - Lowe in the eastbound lane and Tenbusch in the westbound lane - were not able to avoid each other and their pick-up trucks collided head-on.

Both drivers were wearing seatbelts, according to Ward, who said Tenbusch suffered serious injuries, including a fractured leg and lacerations to his liver. Lowe suffered minor injuries. Both teens were transported to Hills and Dales General Hospital. They are now recovering at home.

Cass City police and MMR ambulance personnel assisted at the scene.

Township asks for road sign

Elkland Township officials hope to make a section of Koepfgen Road just north of M-81 a bit safer for motorists.

The Township Board recently approved a resolution asking the Tuscola County Road Commission to install a "hidden driveway" sign at

the intersection of Koepfgen Road and Beechwood Drive.

In other business, the board heard a presentation from county Commissioner Ed Scollon on Proposal U, a county-wide funding proposal that was scheduled to go before voters in a special election Tuesday.

Recycle cell phones

Tuscola County residents can clean their junk drawers of old cell phones, pagers and personal data assistants (PDAs) and participate in a recycling drive for America Recycles Day, Nov. 10-14.

Today there are more than 150 million retired cell phones in the country, with a projected 500 million by 2005.

The recycling drive is part of a statewide event facilitated by the Michigan Recycling Coalition.

Everyone who participates will not only be preventing toxic materials from ending up in a landfill, but will also be donating a phone that can be refurbished for reuse or making precious metals available for recycling.

All participants who turn in a cell phone can enter to win national prizes, including a Ford Focus PZEV (partial zero emissions vehicle), a "Recycle Yourself Weekend"

spa vacation package, or a Trek 4300 aluminum 24-speed bicycle.

Tuscola County Recycling will be collecting the devices Nov. 10-14 from 8 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. More information is available by calling (989) 672-1673.

The Haire Net



It's not surprising that a poll conducted by the Washington Post-ABC News showed that 80 percent of Americans want congress to legalize the importation of lower-priced medicines from Canada and Europe.

It's a given that everyone wants lower prices and importing drugs is one way to achieve it.

The survey found that 60 percent want a system that covers everyone over the present arrangement in which 44-million people lack insurance. But the support for universal health care drops to less than half if it results in limited choice of doctors or waiting lists for care.

The survey also indicated that there is a deep anxiety about the future of the nation's safety net, with more than half saying they are especially fearful of losing health coverage or not being able to afford it in the future.

The drug companies point to the many appreciated advances in medicine that are the result of accelerated research programs in the race to come up with the next money-making drug as the reason for the sky-high prices in patent-protected medicines.

Frequently the high cost of drugs is portrayed in feature stories about persons forced to choose between drugs and food and intellectually we sympathize with their plight.

But it really comes home when the story is one told to you in person by the health victim affected.

In casual conversation at a local store the conversation switched to the cost of medicines. The clerk then told her story, that's both sad and glad.

It's glad because she suffers from migraine headaches and one of the new headache medicines she is now taking

works.

It's sad because she reports that 7 tablets cost her in excess of \$90. That makes a huge hole in the budget, but really there is no alternative.

I repeated this story to others and just about every person who heard it responded with a similar story about people they know.

We appreciate the leadership we have in drug therapy in this country, but not the high cost of maintaining it.

Medical costs have skyrocketed way past the rate of inflation and there is no real choice but to pay the excessive rates.

Like the migraine sufferer pointed out, to get rid of the headaches, I'd pay anything for that.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

One of the problems with living in the country is the occasional visit from denizens of the forest. Our house is relatively mouse proof, but we've had to evict a few salamanders and a couple of bats over the years. Bats are the most exciting.

My last bat encounter began when my wife scampered downstairs to announce, "There's a bat on the living room wall. Get the broom and try to shoot him outside like you did the last one."

"It's not that simple," I thought. Shooting a bat involves a lot of ducking and dodging, flailing the air with one's weapon of choice, and hoping the bat will exit through a window or door. I generally use a broom, but I'd try a tennis racket if I had one. Bats are tricky flyers. The last one struck me out several times before I finally connected and whisked him through the door.

This bat went downstairs, upstairs, and sailed around for several minutes before landing on a large beam in the dining room. I was reminded of the bats we used to shoot off the rafters in our old dairy barn.

Bats weren't a protected species in those days, but we needed a good rafter for a backstop to avoid putting a hole in the barn roof. I wondered if some folks might have got out their .22 rifle and shot this bat off my beam in the house.

I couldn't do that, of course. Bats are an important part of the ecosystem, eating thousands of bugs a day, and contributing to the balance of nature. Besides, it was too dark to see through my scope.

The whole thing reminded me of a country doctor in my old hometown. Doc was a good physician, but he had a mischievous streak. One evening he got upset at a mouse in his office and took a shot at the critter!

The mouse had been spotted in the office several times and Doc's nerves were wearing thin. He took a firm rest over the examination table and touched one off.

My dad described Doc's rifle as an "elephant gun," but I suspect it was more like a deer

rifle. If Dad told the story a few more times the rifle would have been mounted on wheels.

Either way, the blast caused quite a stir in that part of town. Nobody knows if the waiting room was empty when the shot was fired, but everybody knows it was vacant afterwards.

A few folks said, "I'd still go in for a cold or a case of the flu, but I sure wouldn't go into that office with a bro-

ken leg."

This was before modern firearm laws, gun control, and animal rights became a big issue. People had their own code of ethics in those days. Most were more concerned that Doc missed the mouse than anything else.

A local farmer said it best, "Doc's a good friend and he's still a good doctor; but he had a clear shot, and the mouse was so close."

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Red Hawk Talks

by Kristi Fluegge

Dressing up as your favorite cartoon, special animal, or a scary character, and being allowed to shout trick or treat to receive free candy is one holiday all children can enjoy. Many elementary students, and even a few high school students had a "special" Halloween memory to share.

If you have a ninja or skeleton come to your door this Halloween it may be Kevin Coleman or Dakota Erla. They were two of the many students who agreed candy was their favorite part of Halloween. Many of us aren't as lucky as Dakota, but his face sure lit up when he told me "Once I even got two dollars!" Kevin, another second grader said his favorite suit was last year when he was spider man. He always goes trick or treating with his sister, Sara.

Alan Leslie and Shannon Bardwell, both nine, have traditions of their own already. "Every year I am a cat, because I like cats," said Shannon. For Alan, he will be a steer shower along with his friends. Alan also shares a pretty common tradition, first stopping at grandma & grandpa's. Both of these third graders do what I did when I was young by going in the country. They thought they would let everyone in on their secret, "you get more candy in the country!" Alan got three bags full last year!

Shannon even commented, "One year Mr. and Mrs. Steel were handing out Ho-Hos."

Along with the ninja, skeleton, steer shower and cat you may even see a Hippie when October 31st rolls around.

Alexia Kamrad, a fourth grader, enjoys Halloween because "it's scary and I like scary stuff." Knowing this, it makes sense that her favorite costume was being a vampire. Morgan Erla also visits grandpa and grandma on Halloween night. His favorite part of Halloween is dressing up, although he isn't quite sure what he wants to be this year.

Not only do all these students enjoy the candy, but also the elementary school makes Halloween a pretty special day. Every year Campbell has an annual Halloween walk from the school to downtown starting at 12:55 for the students to show-off their outfits.

Many high schoolers even have a few memories from this parade. Leslie Hacker, a senior, remembers wearing a Barbie mask one year during the parade. Actually, the part she remembered was not being able to breathe! However, when we started reminiscing about our past experiences we could remember a few "special" years. The one Leslie could recall most vividly was when Leslie and her friends dressed up as the Spice girls. "Amy Howard took the good one, and I got stuck being the 'bad' one", Leslie said with a little spite. Small things, like dressing up for Halloween, make lasting impressions that are hard to forget. I remember when my mom made pig outfits for me and my sisters and we went as "The Three Little Pigs".

I hope everyone has a safe and special Halloween that they will remember for years to come. See ya next week in the "Red Hawk Talks."

Hospital: safety first for trick-or-treaters

Halloween time is here and that means the trick-or-treaters will be out in full force.

While Halloween brings lots of fun activities, it can also be a very dangerous time of year. In fact, according to the National Safe Kids Campaign, children are 4 times more likely to be hit by a car on Halloween than on any other night of the year.

"In the fun and excitement of trick-or-treating, children can become distracted. Couple that with a driver's limited vision in the dark evening hours, and you have a potentially dangerous situation," said Kathy Droseski, RN, community educator at Hills and Dales General Hospital.

In order to make your Halloween night as safe as possible, there are some important points to keep in mind. All children ages 12 and under should be accompanied by an adult. Remind children to walk, not run, while trick-or-treating. Children should only cross the street at intersections and crosswalks, and avoid crossing between parked cars or darting out into the street. Never assume you have the right of way, drivers may have trouble seeing trick-or-treaters. Having children wear costumes that are bright or light or adding reflective tape to costumes will help to increase visibility.

Motorists also need to take special precautions on Halloween by slowing down in residential neighborhoods, entering and exiting driveways and alleys slowly and carefully and keeping an eye out for children walking in the street or on medians and curbs.

To keep your home safe for trick-or-treaters, remove anything a child could trip over such as tools, toys and lawn decorations. Keep your entrances well lit by checking outdoor lights and replacing any burned out bulbs. Debris

such as wet leaves could cause a slip and fall accident and should be swept away. Jack-o-lanterns with burning candles should be kept well away from landings or doorsteps where costumes may brush against the flame.

Several in court

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

•Matthew E. Kucharczyk, 25, Gagetown, was sentenced to 12 months probation and 7 days in the county jail, with work release, for his plea of no contest to violating Michigan's Sex Offender Registry Act Feb. 12 in Elkland Township by failing to notify law enforcement of a change in address.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,920.

•David W. Belcher, 19, Caro, pleaded guilty to breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny, and larceny in a building Oct. 1 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$6,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Christopher R. Patterson, 17, Caro, stood mute to charges of breaking and entering with intent to commit larceny, conspiracy to commit breaking and entering, larceny in a building and conspiracy to commit larceny in a building Oct. 1 in Caro.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was set at \$10,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Jason L. Winhoven, 28, Holland, Ohio, stood mute to charges of receiving and concealing stolen property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000, driving while his license was suspended or revoked, unlawful use of a license plate, and possession of an open intoxicant in a motor vehicle Nov. 16 in Vassar. He is also charged with being an habitual offender (3 prior felony convictions).

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$15,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Robert P. Grant Jr., 30, Midland, stood mute to charges of second degree home invasion, unlawfully driving away a motor vehicle, stealing a financial transaction device, larceny in a building, and 4 counts of conspiracy July 8 in Reese.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$20,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•John G. Norrington, 18, Akron, pleaded guilty to attempted assault with a dangerous weapon April 24 in Akron Township.

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

•Randy S. Schmitt, 39, Vassar, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 180 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of no contest to assaulting a police officer and domestic violence March 7 in Vassar Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,160 plus \$500 in attorneys fees.

•Lloyd M. Gray, 59, Minden City, was sentenced to 60 months probation and 300 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, April 23 in Elkland Township.

He was also ordered to pay \$1,720 in costs and fines.

•Richard J. Hamilton, 17, Vassar, was sentenced to 22 days in jail for his plea of guilty to aggravated assault Aug. 24 in Vassar.



Bulldog Beat

by Laura Enderle

"Halloween is a time of the year adults can act like kids again," stated Mary McKee, a junior who still looks forward to trick-or-treating every year with her friends. There is so much excitement and preparation that come with this holiday that both young and old look forward to all year. Haunted houses, costumes, parties, hay rides, bon fires, pranks, decorating and, of course, candy. Stephanie Maust, our school librarian, stated how it also represents the changing of the seasons.

It is a unique holiday in itself, but does anyone know how it originated, or where some of the traditions came from? I feel the history is often kept secret because it is not a positive holiday like Thanksgiving, Christmas or Easter.

Most of the traditions we now innocently celebrate on Halloween came from ancient pagan superstitions. According to the Druidic calendar, Oct. 31 is New Year's Eve because of the changing of the seasons. On this holiday they also honored their sun god and Samhain, their "Lord of the Dead." Hundreds of years ago in Ireland, when Halloween originated, winter symbolized a time of fear because there was more darkness than daylight. The people didn't like darkness because of their beliefs, and so on New Year's Eve they believed the dead came back to roam the earth with the living. People would wear masks when they left their homes after dark to avoid being recognized by the evil spirits. Also, to keep the ghosts from entering their homes, they would leave food outside to try and satisfy the demons so they wouldn't play tricks on the house.

At the end of the festival the villagers would put their masks on and parade through town to eventually lead all the spirits to the outskirts of town and away until the next year. If this was not done they thought the ghosts would bring horror into their lives such as having their livestock die, their milk turning sour, or their food spoiling. "Trick-or-Treating" is re-enacted from this ancient superstition.

It wouldn't be Halloween without pumpkins. The tradition of carving faces out of pumpkins came from an old Irish legend. Long ago a man named Jack became known because he could not enter heaven because he was a miser, and he couldn't get into hell because he played tricks on the devil. It was determined his soul had to roam the earth until Judgment Day. The spirit has been

known to tempt people into getting hopelessly lost or actually leading them to their death in a bog or pool. Other tales of a mischievous spirit chasing people until they are confused then stranding them with a mocking laugh-ringing in their ears. Today we traditionally carve a Jack-O-Lantern (also known as will-o-the-wisp, fox fire, fairie fire, friar's lantern, and corpse lantern) with an evil smile, which unknowingly represents the spirit of Jack. In Ireland and England they also carve beats, potatoes and turnips. People may or may not believe in witches and ghosts, but these ancient supernatural beings remain symbols of Halloween.

It has been a tradition at Owen-Gage for many years to have the band lead the elementary children through Gagetown in a Halloween parade. The band plays the school song and a festive song like "The Monster Mash." It is something the elementary students look forward to all season. It is like a preview show of their costumes, which is followed by a class party to give the students a head start on their candy collecting.

This year, student council wants a piece of the Halloween action, too. They have decided to reach inside their bag of tricks and hand out treats in the circle drive in Owendale, Halloween night. Remember if you have any comments about my article feel free to e-mail me at lauralouise85@hotmail.com. Have a happy and safe Halloween.

Memorial service scheduled

Kranz Funeral Homes of Cass City and Kingston will again host an annual Service of Remembrance, Sunday, Nov. 2, at 3 p.m. at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

"The Service of Remembrance is a time of remembering and celebration," explained owner Debra Kranz. "Anyone who has had someone close to them die will appreciate this service. It is not a funeral but a time for us to come together as a community in remembering those we have loved."

The service consists of music and inspirational readings. There is also a time for family members to make a floral tribute. Family members are invited to bring a flower to place in tribute of their loved one.

The annual event is a non-denominational service. "All clergy are invited to participate or to attend in support of their parishioners who have experienced a death," Kranz said.

"Death is one thing that touches all of us. It is one thing we will all have in common," she added. "We need to show our families that it is acceptable for them to still grieve, to still remember, and that we remember, too."

While the service is sponsored by Kranz Funeral Homes, Kranz emphasized that anyone is invited to attend.

The Cass City funeral home is located one-half mile east of the light at 6850 Main St. Cookies, coffee and punch will be served during a gathering time after the service.

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Class of '53 reunited

Fifteen members of the Owendale Class of 1953 held their 50th reunion Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Franklin Inn, Bad Axe.

Attending were Eleanor (Good) Truemmer, Cass City; Dale Mellendorf, Cass City; Barbara (Kretzschmer) Scharich and husband Rich-

ard, Burton; Barbara (Emery) McCallum, Owendale; Mildred (Brining) Singler and husband Wallace, Deckerville; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edler, Owendale; Bonnie (MacCallum) Gaeth, Owendale; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ricker, Pigeon; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Guillet, Stephenville, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Retzler, Unionville; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cummins, Gagetown; Esther (Block) Bedford and husband Robert, Elkton; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Roe, Kalkaska; Shirley (Knowlton) Howard and husband Edward, Owendale; and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Davidson, Alanson.

Nine yellow roses were presented in remembrance of deaths of classmates or spouses by Barbara Scharich. The committee conducted a candlelight ceremony in honor of deceased class members Joann Proudfoot Ricker, Chris Warack, Delores Day and Dorothy Niester McEachin. Golden graduation caps made by Eleanor Truemmer and yellow mums decorated the tables. The mums were given to Bob Guillet coming the farthest, Esther Bedford and Donald Davidson for first time attending, and Ed Howard for his birthday.

Thumb musicians to perform

Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac County schools will be sending a combined 89 of their finest junior high and middle school band students to the 18th annual Huron Area Junior High Honors Band Nov. 8 and 9.

Participating students from Owen-Gage Junior High are Bethany Kovach, Alisha Kovach, Amanda Faist, Stephen Roemer, Christopher Harp, Josh Starks and Tim Neal. This year, the honors band will be presenting its concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, in the new auditorium at Harbor Beach High School. The concert is open to the public and is free of charge.

Somerville honored as "volunteer of month"

Not even spring planting kept Unionville cash crop farmer John Somerville from lending a hand at this year's Farm Safety Camp, held last May at the Tuscola County Fairgrounds in Caro.

Characterized as "an ideal volunteer", Somerville is Michigan Farm Bureau's October 2003 Volunteer of the Month.

"He's the kind of person I wish I could clone and have 4 or 5 of in each county," Somerville's nominator said about the 36-year-old farmer. "He's also the kind of person who not only shows up for something, but helps with it."

Somerville operates a 1,800-acre cash crop farm, raising corn, soybeans, wheat, sugar beets and dry beans with his younger brother, Jeremy. A member of the Michigan Corn Growers Association, Somerville has been farming for 13 years near Unionville, where he lives with his wife, Theresa, and their 2 children, Guy and Alexina.

After several years' experience as Farm Bureau membership chair, Somerville this year exceeded both the attendance and new member objectives, qualifying for Carhart Club status for enlisting 4 new regular members over the past year. He also attended the membership chairman's trip to Cleveland.

Somerville this year also helped out with the buyers' luncheon at the county fair, attended a road commission luncheon and pitched in at the Tuscola County Farm Bureau's annual meeting.

Somerville has also demonstrated an interest in Farm Bureau's political side as well, taking part in the legislative breakfast and legislative seminars in both Lansing and Washington, D.C.

The idea of rugged individualism, completely divorced from the public interest, has a heroic sound, a kind of stalwart simplicity. The only trouble is that for many years it has been inapplicable to American life.

—Eleanor Roosevelt

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



5 YEARS AGO

The Hawks topped Bad Axe on the Hatchets' home floor, 57-52. The teams were tied for second place in the Greater Thumb Conference league before the game. The needed win over Bad Axe

was a clash of top players on each squad with Shelly Ulfig, 28 points, and Kara Mellendorf, 15 points, battling with Aleatha Johnson, 18 points, and Erin Mooney, 16 points.

In preparation for the weekend, the Hawks competed at the Thumb Area Cross Country Championship in Caro Saturday. A pair of Hawk runners brought home medals for their efforts. Craig Emmert recorded Cass City's best time, running the 3.1-mile course in 17:25 that resulted in 5th place. Brad Ypma's time of 17:52 earned him 13th place and the squad's only other medal.

They came, they saw, they made a difference. More than 4 dozen area residents, many of them youngsters, rolled up their sleeves Saturday and spent several hours making the park just west of Gagetown a better place to visit. They painted playground equipment and bleachers, and worked on construction of dugouts. And they did it all as volunteers in conjunction with "Make A Difference Day", an annual, national challenge to do something good.

10 YEARS AGO

Cass City Middle School students set out to make a difference Saturday. The youths, along with a number of teachers and parents, took part in a national project called "Make A Difference Day." The local effort involved doing yard work for the elderly and those physically unable to get out. "This being the first year, we were really surprised with the number of students volunteering," Laura Schinnerer, teacher, said. Schinnerer suggested local participation in "Make A Difference Day" after reading about the project in USA Today magazine last February.

The Cass City Business and Professional Women's Club honored Katie Jackson as its "Woman of the Year" Monday night. A longtime Cass City resident, Jackson grew up in Capac. She graduated from Central Michigan University. She came to Cass City right after graduation and taught home economics in the Cass City Public Schools for 39 years, retiring in 1990. She is a member of the St. Agatha Catholic Church and numerous clubs.

25 YEARS AGO

Leander Rivard usually buys 5-10 state lottery tickets a week. So far it has been a good investment. The Cass City won \$8,000 in the Michigan game last November. Last Thursday, he won \$13,000 in the lottery drawing in Lansing. His winning ticket cost him 50 cents.

Port Austin stayed tied with Owen-Gage Friday night for 13 seconds. After that it was all down hill as the Pirates were clobbered by the host Bulldogs, 65-0. The Owen-Gage win gave it a final season mark in the North Central D League of 6-1, good for a three-place tie for first place with Akron-Fairgrove and North Huron.

A strike at the Evans Products plant in Gagetown loomed as a possibility as the contract between the firm and the United Steel Workers local expired at midnight Wednesday. A final negotiating session between the

two sides with a federal mediator was scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday in Saginaw. The union represents about 95 workers.

35 YEARS AGO

A two-month campaign by Gerald Prieskorn to secure street lights on Kennebec Drive paid off Tuesday night as the Cass City Village Council voted five to one to install two or three shaded lights along the street between Huron and North Seeger Streets. Prieskorn, who recently moved to a home on Kennebec, based his plea on the safety of children and the right of every taxpayer to have adequate lighting.

Don Erla presented Faron Alexander and Debbie Canfield with new bikes from Erla's Food Center as anniversary prizes.

The council briefly reviewed the 1969 street program, but made little headway with plans for next year. The problem, as outlined by President Althaver, is that the blacktopping concern now in the area will move out early next summer and will not be back in the immediate area for at least two years. Oak, Seed and Church streets are ready for blacktop and will be completed early next year. The question is whether to prepare more streets and leave them without a surface for two years, Althaver said.

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Bulldogs split contests with Port Hope and Memphis

Owen-Gage gave North Central Thumb North leader Port Hope all it could handle Thursday before bowing 36-27 in a defensive gem.

The Bulldogs battled the host Blue Stars to a 25-25 deadlock entering the final stanza where they went stone cold and were outscored, 11-2.

Owen-Gage stayed in contention throughout the evening with a brilliant effort at the foul line, where they made good on 14 of 15 attempts.

It was the stripe that allowed the visitors to enter the intermission even with the Blue Stars at 15. The Bulldogs were perfect in 9 trips at the line during the initial half.

Bulldog sharp shooter Katie Swiastyn nailed a trey midway through the 3rd period to put Owen-Gage in front, 22-17. However, Port Hope was able to close the period with an 8-3 run be-

hind triples from Kelsey Mausolf and Tara Oeschger to pull even with the visitors at 25 entering the final stanza.

From there Mausolf, a sophomore, took control scoring the final 7 points of the game.

Mausolf finished with a game-high 17 tallies, including a pair of hoops from behind the 3-point arc in the final half.

Kayla Zaleski's 9 markers paced the Bulldogs.

MEMPHIS

Earlier in the week, on Tuesday, the Bulldogs had little trouble turning back visiting Memphis with a 61-32 victory.

The Bulldogs expanded a 12-8 advantage into a 33-14 margin at the intermission as Zaleski turned in her best scoring night of the season.

The lanky Bulldog junior recorded a career best 34 points, including 14 before

the break. Zaleski continued to have her way with the visitors to open the final half. She netted a dozen points during the 3rd frame, where all doubts of the game's outcome were removed. For the evening, Zaleski recorded 12 field goals, including one triple and connected on 9 of 15 free throw tosses.

Owen-Gage also had Swiastyn in double digits with 13 markers, while Jaci Wessel led Memphis with 11 points as the game's only other double digit scorer.

OWEN-GAGE - Zaleski 11-1 (9-15) 34; Swiastyn 3-1 (4-6) 13; Rhodes 1-0 (1-2) 3; Brown 1-0 (2-3) 4; Dorsch 2-0 (3-4) 7.

TOTALS - 18-2 (19-30) 61.

OWEN-GAGE - Zaleski 2-0 (5-5) 9; Swiastyn 1-1 (2-2) 7; Rhodes 0-0 (2-2) 2; Enderle 0-0 (2-2) 2; Kady 0-0 (1-2) 1; Dorsch 2-0 (2-2) 6.

TOTALS - 5-1 (14-15) 27.



APPLYING PRESSURE FOR Cass City in their victory over visiting Valley Lutheran Thursday is Ashley Hendrick. The Red Hawk sophomore scored 15 points for the winners.

Hawk cagers too strong for visiting Valley Lutheran

It promises to be a testing week for the Cass City Red Hawk basketball team compared to last week when the team overpowered Saginaw Valley Lutheran, 60-48, in the only game scheduled.

The week started with a game at Saginaw Nouvel Tuesday and Thursday will play the Lakers on the road. In the first meeting between the Greater Thumb West division rivals the Hawks were taken into overtime to register the win.

There was little to choose from between the 2 squads in the first quarter and the early moments of the second quarter against Valley Lutheran.

The Chargers were keyed by Kim Sheltraw and Angela Golz who combined for 10 of their team's 14 points, pushing Valley Lutheran into a 14-11 lead with a minute gone in the second quarter.

The Hawks stayed close, led by Ashley Hendrick who converted 3 of 4 charity tosses and a hoop and by Amy Howard who contributed a pair of hoops.

After that slow start Cass City took control. The initial splurge was led by Howard with 3 free throws and a hoop to push Cass City into an 18-14 lead and the team never trailed again.

At the intermission Cass City was in front, 29-22. With balanced scoring, Cass City outscored the Chargers, 13-4, to go in front, 42-26, midway through the third quarter and stretched the lead to 47-29 going into the final quarter.

Valley Lutheran rallied in the last 4 minutes of the game to close the gap to 60-48 as both teams made liberal use of their benches.

Coach John Maharg noted that Krystee Dorland played one of her best games of the year. Although she scored only 2 points, she was all over the floor. Dorland had 6 assists, 5 steals and 6 rebounds.

Howard led the team in rebounds with 13 and points with 16. Howard and Hendrick each had 4 blocks. Hendrick scored 15 points and collected 9 rebounds. The Chargers' Sheltraw was a dynamic out court marksman with 19 points including 4 from 3-point range.

CASS CITY - C. Rabideau 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hobbs 3-1 (2-4) 11; Pratt 0-0 (2-2) 2; Sherman 0-0 (1-2) 1; Dorland 1-0 (0-0) 2; Howard 6-0 (4-5) 16; Hendrick 6-0 (3-6) 15; Brinkman 3-0 (1-2) 7; Hartwick 2-0 (0-0) 4.

TOTALS - 22-1 (13-21) 60.

VALLEY LUTHERAN - Sheltraw 3-4 (1-3) 19; Roekle 3-0 (1-1) 7; Wardin 1-0 (0-1) 2; Minda 3-0 (0-0) 6; Gnatkowski 3-0 (0-0) 6; Golz 3-0 (2-2) 8.

TOTALS - 16-4 (4-9) 48

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Cass City JV 39, Deckerville 29.
Cass City Freshman 43, Valley Lutheran 27.
Cass City Freshmen 41, Deckerville 47.

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| Team | W | L | W | L |
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| Greater Thumb West | 8 | 1 | 11 | 3 |
| Cass City | 6 | 1 | 11 | 3 |
| EPBP | 4 | 3 | 9 | 5 |
| USA | 4 | 4 | 10 | 5 |
| V. Lutheran | 2 | 3 | 3 | 10 |
| Bad Axe | 2 | 6 | 3 | 2 |
| BCAS | 1 | 7 | 4 | 11 |

| Team | W | L | W | L |
|--------------------|---|---|----|----|
| Greater Thumb East | 8 | 1 | 14 | 1 |
| Sandusky | 6 | 2 | 12 | 4 |
| H. Beach | 5 | 3 | 11 | 4 |
| Brown City | 5 | 3 | 8 | 7 |
| Udly | 5 | 3 | 8 | 7 |
| Mayville | 4 | 4 | 6 | 9 |
| Deckerville | 1 | 8 | 2 | 12 |
| Marlette | 0 | 8 | 2 | 13 |

| Team | W | L | W | L |
|-------------|----|----|----|----|
| NCTL North | 12 | 2 | 13 | 2 |
| Port Hope | 9 | 5 | 9 | 6 |
| North Huron | 8 | 7 | 8 | 7 |
| Caseville | 8 | 7 | 8 | 7 |
| Owen-Gage | 5 | 8 | 5 | 10 |
| A-Carpine | 0 | 13 | 1 | 13 |

| Team | W | L | W | L |
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| NCTL South | 14 | 0 | 14 | 1 |
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Freeland falls 50-6

Hawks close out season with pair of victories

Cass City High School's football players would like nothing better than to have the season just starting instead of ending.

The Hawks have ended the season with a flourish, winning their second and third games of the season each by a considerable margin. Friday the victim was the Freeland Falcons, 50-6.

The touchdown parade started the first time the Hawks had the ball. Taking over on the Falcon 46, Cass City scored in 6 plays. Much of the distance was eaten up by sophomore Cody Halasz who posted runs of 21 and 7 yards. Jake Brinkman took it over from the 6 with 8:14 left in the first period. It was his first of 6 touchdowns for the night.

The Hawks' next touchdown was scored at the 4:32 mark as Chris Landrith hit Brinkman with a 36-yard pass.

Nick Stoutenburg returned a Falcon punt 60 yards to set up Brinkman's next touchdown run from the 3-yard line.

The Hawks added 2 more touchdowns in the first half. At the 4:43 mark, Nate Laming dashed for 25 yards and Brinkman ran for the extra points. The Hawks beat the clock for the last score of the half with a 42-yard drive. The 6-play drive was capped by Brinkman's touchdown from the 2-yard line. Brinkman ran for the extra points and Cass City led, 36-0.

In the last half the running clock started. Cass City scored in a 5-play drive capped by a 10-yard jaunt by Brinkman. A pass to Andrew Whittaker was good for the extra points.

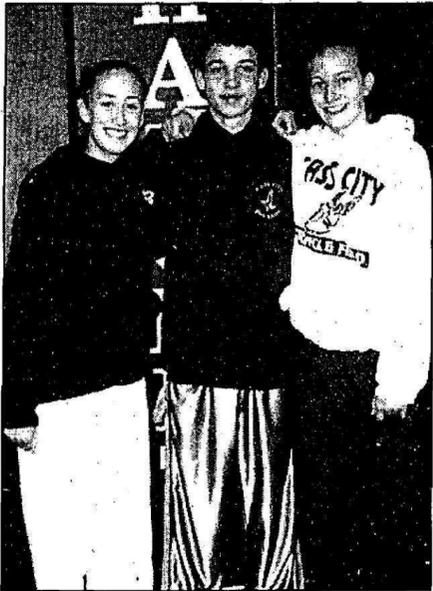
Freeland got on the scoreboard as Nick Francis recovered a fumble and went 25 yards untouched.

The Hawks got that one back on the first play after the Falcon kickoff. Brinkman went 64 yards to make the final score, 50-6.

Introduced at the start of the game were seniors on the squad. They are: Brice Stine, Brinkman, Nick Walther, Greg Dillon, Eric Hollis, Randy Tenbusch, Laming

and Steve Papp. Coach Scott Cuthrell said "This was a great way to end the season, scoring 96 points and allowing 6. I am very happy for our seniors for the way they played. Next year pick the Red Hawks."

The score of the junior varsity game was Cass City 8, Freeland 21.



HEADING TO the cross country state finals are Red Hawks (l-r) Carrie Hillaker, Cameron Lautner and Ashleigh Rabideau.

Cass City trio heading to state finals Saturday

A pair of freshmen paced Cass City Saturday at the Division 3 cross country regional in Bad Axe.

Red Hawk classmates Ashleigh Rabideau and Cameron Lautner each recorded top 10 individual finishes, and will be joined by junior Carrie Hillaker at this Saturday's state final in

Brooklyn for their efforts. Rabideau posted a time of 22:09 resulting in a 6th place finish among the girl competitors, while Hillaker recorded an 11th place finish for her time of 22:23. The top female runner on the day was Reese's Rachel Trombley who turned in a time of 20:12.

While Rabideau and Lautner will be making their first trips to the finals, Hillaker will be returning for the 3rd straight year.

Armada earned the ladies team title with 52 points, followed closely by Bad Axe and Frankenmuth with 54 and 57 points respectively. In the boys' field, Capac easily won the title with 37 points led by Ben Hoover who turned in the day's fastest time at 17:08. Armada (68) and Reese (87) completed the top 3 team spots.

Lautner finished 9th overall with a time of 18:06 and led the Hawk team to a 6th place finish with 133 points.

Also contributing to the Hawk team effort were freshmen Kyle Reif, Adam Wentworth and Dustin Arp. Reif posted a time of 18:41, finishing in the 20th spot, while Wentworth and Arp finished in the 43 and 44 positions for their time of 19:40 and 19:50 respectively. Completing the Hawk team scoring was junior Jessup Hoyt who placed 51st with a time of 20:19.



CASS CITY'S Dan Mittlestat finds running room in Friday's 50-6 season ending victory over visiting Freeland.

O-G defense falters in season ending defeat to Au Gres

The Owen-Gage 2003 gridiron squad will enter the record books with a 2-7 mark following Friday's season ending defeat at Au Gres.

As has been the case on several occasions this season, the Bulldogs simply couldn't hold its opponents' offense in check. Au Gres recorded 48 unanswered points to post a 54-6 non-conference win.

Clinton Anderson recorded his first of 4 touchdowns to put the hosts up 6-0 earlier in the opening period.

The Bulldogs, however, got that tally back when seniors Sam Rogers and Cody Howard connected for the visitors' lone score with 3:29 remaining in the period.

On the night, Howard completed 8 of 15 passes for 130 yards. Rogers hauled in 6 tosses for 114 yards.

Owen-Gage accumulated 225 yards of total offense and 9 first downs against their northern foe. Josh McLaren led the Bulldog ground attack with 70 yards on 16 carries. Owen-Gage also had Andy Kretzchmer with 40 yards rushing on 9 totes and 16 receiving yards on 2 receptions.

It didn't take long for Au Gres to regain the lead. Following the Bulldogs' only

score, Anderson gave the hosts a 14-6 advantage entering the 2nd quarter when he returned the kickoff for his 2nd score. Bobby Lutz added the 2-point conversion and Au Gres would never look back.

Au Gres was able to add 3 more scores in the half and at the intermission they were in front, 34-6.

Josh Powell and Rogers led the Owen-Gage defense with 5 stops each, while McLaren was credited with 4 tackles.

FOOTBALL STANDINGS & RESULTS

| GREATER THUMB WEST | | | |
|--------------------|---|---|---|
| Team | W | L | T |
| #BCAS | 5 | 1 | 8 |
| #USA | 5 | 1 | 7 |
| #Reese | 5 | 1 | 7 |
| EPBP | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| Cass City | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| V. Lutheran | 1 | 5 | 4 |
| Bad Axe | 0 | 7 | 0 |

| GREATER THUMB EAST | | | |
|--------------------|---|---|---|
| Team | W | L | T |
| #H. Beach | 6 | 0 | 9 |
| #Uby | 4 | 2 | 7 |
| #Decker | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| Sandusky | 4 | 2 | 5 |
| Brown City | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| Marlette | 5 | 2 | 7 |
| Mayville | 0 | 6 | 0 |

| NORTH CENTRAL THUMB | | | |
|---------------------|---|---|---|
| Team | W | L | T |
| #Memphis | 7 | 1 | 7 |
| #Peck | 6 | 1 | 8 |
| #CPS | 5 | 2 | 6 |
| Kingston | 4 | 3 | 5 |
| A-Fairgrove | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| N. Huron | 2 | 5 | 3 |
| O-Gage | 1 | 6 | 2 |
| Dryden | 0 | 7 | 0 |

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Uby 44, Bad Axe 0
 Frankenmuth 35, EPBP 14
 Cass City 50, Freeland 6
 Harbor Beach 21, USA 14
 BCAS 50, Buena Vista 12
 Richmond 35, Reese 8
 Valley Lutheran 21, MLS 17
 Decker 32, Shepherd 14
 Brown City 44, Almost 20
 Cross-Lex 47, Sandusky 23
 Peck 48, Marlette 15
 Kingston 36, Mayville 0
 North Huron 68, Warren Zoe Christian 22
 Au Gres 54, Owen-Gage 8
 A-Fairgrove 33, Arenac Eastern 12
 Vestaburg 14, CPS 8
 New Haven 35, Memphis 27
 Wesleyan Christian 28, Dryden 6

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This week's match ups



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| Last week's results | 8-9 | 11-6 | 12-5 | 11-6 |
| Season's results | 95-38 (71%) | 103-30 (77%) | 99-34 (74%) | 100-33 (75%) |

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Obituaries

Milton Connolly

Milton Hugh Connolly, 75, of Cass City, died Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2003 at home. He was born Nov. 17, 1927 in Detroit, the son of Hugh and Helen (Hill) Connolly. He married Ann Lehmann Jan. 31, 1955 in Cass City. Connolly served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He also served in the U.S. Army and in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Connolly was a fire chief of Cass City and served the department for over 30 years. He was a member of the Michigan's Firemen Association, the Masonic Tyler Lodge #317 and the Shriners.

He is survived by his wife, Ann; a daughter, Renate (Bill) Harwood of Grayling; a granddaughter, Suzanne Harris of Grayling; 5 great-grandchildren; a brother, James (Helen) Connolly of Carsonville; and a sister, Bessie Ann Krohn of Illinois.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother-in-law, James Krohn. Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 24, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Carl Palmateer of the Masonic Tyler Lodge #317 officiating.

Interment was in the Elmwood Township Cemetery, Grayling.

Memorials may be made to the Elkland Township Fire Department or the Masonic Tyler Lodge #317.

William Nagy

William Peter Nagy, 91, of Newaygo, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2003 in Fremont.

He was born May 5, 1912 in the Ukraine. He married Elizabeth Roth. She preceded him in death in 1981. He then married Olga Sutake in April of 1985 in Grant.

Nagy was an assembler for a Marlette Mobile Home Manufacturer until 1982. He was a member of Grant Assembly of God.

He is survived by his wife, Olga; three step-daughters;

JoAnn (Gerald) DuBois of Grant, Janet (Larry) McClain of Grant and Bonnie (Roger) Krol of Grant; a step-son, David (Cindy) Sutake of Osage, IA; 14 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren and great great-grandchildren; a sister, Annie Anderson of Colo.; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Monday, Oct. 27, at the McKinley Grant Chapel, with Pastor David P. Andrew officiating.

Interment was in the Novesta Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Grant Assembly of God.

Rosalie Reed

Rosalie Joan Reed, 70, of Cass City, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2003 in Covenant Medical Center-Cooper.

She was born July 16, 1933 in Davison, the daughter of Oscar and Elizabeth (Kenel) Uhl.

She married Carl Reed Jr. Aug. 23, 1952 in Unionville. Reed was a homemaker. She was a previous member of the Moravian Church in Unionville.

She is survived by her husband, Carl; three sons: David (Linda) Reed of Deford, Duane (Jeanette) Reed of Cass City and Jeffery (Terri) Reed of Tallmadge, Ohio; six grandchildren; three brothers: Douglas (Patricia) Uhl of Seminole, Fla., Kenneth (Diane) Uhl of Pa. and Glenn (Wanda) Uhl of Pontiac; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two infant sisters.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Oct. 26, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Debra L. Kranz officiating.

Interment was in the Novesta Township Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

FOOTBALL - GOLF - SOCCER - CROSS COUNTRY

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|----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Aug. 28 | Sandusky 48, CC 22 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 5 | Ubyly 41, CC 6 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 12 | BCAS 22, CC 6 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 19 | Valley Lutheran 14, CC 44 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 26 | Lakers 44, CC 22 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 3 | USA 334, CC 16 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 10 | Reese 34, CC 6 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 17 | Bad Axe 0, CC 42 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 24 | Freeland 6, CC 50 | 7:30 p.m. |

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| Aug. 26 | Marlette 32, CC 51 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 4 | Harbor Beach 44, CC 42 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 9 | Sandusky 61, CC 28 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 11 | Brown City 56, CC 64 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 18 | Valley Lutheran 45, CC 60 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 18 | Ubyly 26, CC 38 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 23 | Lakers 45, CC 49 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 30 | Bad Axe 36, CC 55 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 2 | USA 39, CC 54 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 7 | Mayville 39, CC 40 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 9 | Reese 64, CC 60 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 14 | Deckerville 31, CC 49 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 16 | BCAS 31, CC 44 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 23 | Valley Lutheran 48, CC 60 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 28 | Saginaw Nouvel | 5:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 30 | Lakers | 6:00 p.m. |
| Nov. 4 | Bad Axe | 6:00 p.m. |
| Nov. 6 | USA | 5:00 p.m. |
| Nov. 10 | Reese | 6:00 p.m. |
| Nov. 13 | BCAS | 5:00 p.m. |
| Nov. 17-23 | Districts @ Bad Axe | TBA |
| Nov. 24-26 | Regionals | TBA |

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| Aug. 22 | Bad Axe | 9:30 a.m. | A |
| Aug. 27 | Akron-Fairgrove Invite | 4:00 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 3 | USA Invite | 4:00 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 6 | Bad Axe Invite | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Sept. 11 | Chesaning Invite | 4:30 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 18 | Frankenmuth Invite | 4:30 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 20 | Akron-Fairgrove Invite | 10:00 a.m. | A |
| Sept. 25 | Mayville County Meet | 4:00 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 27 | Harbor Beach | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Oct. 4 | Cass City Invite | 9:00 a.m. | H |
| Oct. 11 | Reese Invite | 8:00 a.m. | A |
| Oct. 14 | League Invite (Reese) | | |
| Oct. 18 | Caro Invite | 11:00 a.m. | A |
| Oct. 25 | Regionals | TBA | |

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| Aug. 14 | Cass City Invite | 9:00 a.m. | H |
| Aug. 27 | 9-Hole Tourney | 4:15 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 3 | BCAS | 4:15 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 5 | Brown City Invite | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| Sept. 8 | Deckerville | 4:15 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 10 | Valley Lutheran | 4:15 p.m. | H |
| Sept. 15 | Ubyly | 4:15 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 17 | USA | 4:15 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 22 | Lakers | 4:15 p.m. | H |
| Sept. 24 | Mayville | 4:15 p.m. | H |
| Sept. 25 | Frankenmuth | 4:00 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 26 | Harbor Beach | 4:00 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 30 | Bad Axe | 4:15 p.m. | A |
| Oct. 3 | Vassar Invite | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Oct. 6 | Sandusky | 4:15 p.m. | H |
| Oct. 8 | League Tourney @ Sandusky | TBA | |
| Oct. 10 | Regionals | TBA | |

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| Aug. 23 | USA Invite | 8:30 a.m. |
| Aug. 25 | North Branch 1, CC 4 | 4:30 p.m. |
| Aug. 26 | Caseville 3, CC 1 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Aug. 28 | Harbor Beach 5, CC 1 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 2 | Caro 6, CC 0 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 6 | Bad Axe Invite | 9:00 a.m. |
| Sept. 9 | Sandusky 0, CC 4 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 11 | Marlette 4, CC 0 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 16 | Valley Lutheran 8, CC 0 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 19 | Lakeville 7, CC 1 | 4:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 22 | Memphis | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 23 | USA 5, CC 0 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 25 | Bad Axe 8, CC 0 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 30 | Lakers 10, CC 0 | 5:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 2 | Valley Lutheran 11, CC 0 | 4:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 7 | Lakers 10, CC 0 | 4:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 14 | USA | 4:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 16 | Bad Axe | 4:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 20-25 | Districts | TBA |

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| Aug. 14 | Cass City Invite | 9:00 a.m. | H |
| Aug. 27 | 9-Hole Tourney | 4:15 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 3 | BCAS | 4:15 p.m. | A |
| Sept. 5 | Brown City Invite | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| Sept. 8 | Deckerville | 4:15 p.m. | A |
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| Sept. 24 | Mayville | 4:15 p.m. | H |
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| Sept. 26 | Harbor Beach | 4:00 p.m. | A |
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| Oct. 3 | Vassar Invite | 9:00 a.m. | A |
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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 A.M., on December 4, 2003.

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

The West 72.0 feet of Lots 2 and 3 and the West 72.0 of the North 12 of Lot 6, Block 6 of Beechwood Annex to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded on Liber 1 of Plats, Page 31, now being Page 32A, 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 the date of such sale.

Dated: October 29, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Team S (248) 593-1304
Troitt & Troitt, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200315743

Team S **10-29-4**

NOTICE OF REVOCATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AND REVOCATION OF AUTHORITY OF MATTHEW J. KOCH TO ACT ON BEHALF OF ELLA SCHROEDER EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2003

Ella Schroeder
22086 Saxony Ave.
Eastpointe, MI 48021-2543

Former Agent:
Matthew J. Koch
5873 Rupprecht
Vassar, MI 48768

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS/ENTITIES:

Effective October 3, 2003 the principal, Ella Schroeder, has revoked the power, capacity and authority of Matthew J. Koch to act on her behalf and as her agent, Attorney-in-Fact, Power of Attorney, or otherwise pursuant to any General Power of Attorney or any other document purporting to grant to said Matthew J. Koch such powers. Any person and/or entity dealing with said Matthew J. Koch in reliance on any such document after October 3, 2003 does so at their own risk. The principal will not honor any obligations, contracts or agreements entered into after October 3, 2003 by Matthew J. Koch acting as agent for said principal in any capacity. Anyone having transacted any business at any time with Matthew J. Koch acting on behalf of Ella Schroeder is requested to contact the principal.

Any questions regarding this matter should be directed to:

Ella Schroeder
22086 Saxony Ave.
Eastpointe, MI 48021-2543

Drafted by:
Sheldon B. Greenblatt
Attorney at Law
25225 Gratiot Avenue
Roseville, Michigan 48066
(566) 498-9755

Team S **10-22-2**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gregory D. Thompson, husband, and Cathy E. Thompson, wife (original mortgagors), to Greater Atlantic Mortgage Corporation, Mortgage, dated September 30, 1999 and recorded on October 12, 1999 in Liber 784 on Page 613 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated September 30, 1999, which was recorded on August 16, 2000 in Liber 808 on Page 884, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE AND 35/100 DOLLARS (\$186,423.35), including interest at 8.000% per annum.

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

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

Parcel C: Commencing at the West quarter corner of Section 34, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes East, 830.95 feet along the West line of said Section to the point of beginning. Running thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes East, 166.20 feet along the West section line; thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes 24 seconds East, 2623.93 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 06 seconds East, 166.20 feet along the East-West quarter line; thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 24 seconds West, 2623.94 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of Northwest quarter, Section 34, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Right of Way for Ring Road over the Westerly side thereof.

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

Dated: October 22, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Team X (248) 593-1302
Troitt & Troitt, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200320818

Team X **10-22-4**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Enrique Palomares and Karen A. Palomares, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Great American Acceptance Corporation, Mortgage, dated January 10, 2001 and recorded on March 23, 2001 in Liber 825 on Page 1254 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee under the pooling and servicing agreement series 2001-B, Assignee by an assignment dated July 24, 2003, which was recorded on September 19, 2003 in Liber 955 on Page 560, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED SIXTYE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-ONE AND 62/100 DOLLARS (\$116,791.62), including interest at 12.990% 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 A.M., on November 6, 2003.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 28, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, more particularly described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 28; thence South 89 degrees 59 minutes 06 seconds East, along the East-West 1/4 line of Section 28 a distance of 1784.41 feet to the point of beginning of the description; thence continuing along said East-West 1/4 line South 89 degrees 59 minutes 06 seconds East, 263.55 feet to a point on the centerline of Bridge Street; thence along the centerline of said Bridge Street the following four courses: 1) along a curve to the right having a radius of 1204.98, a delta angle of 04 degrees 07 minutes 44 seconds and a chord bearing and distance of South 02 degrees 08 minutes 06 seconds West, 86.81 feet; 2) along a curve to the right having a radius of 2594.91 feet, a delta angle of 04 degrees 03 minutes 48 seconds and a chord bearing and distance of South 06 degrees 23 minutes 05 seconds West, 183.99 feet; 3) South 08 degrees 15 minutes 49 seconds West, 130.78 feet; 4) South 07 degrees 50 minutes 09 seconds West, 51.54 feet; thence leaving said centerline of Bridge Street North 82 degrees 14 minutes 25 seconds West, 287.41 feet to a point on the centerline of Fourth Street; thence North 09 degrees 45 minutes 30 seconds East, along said centerline of Fourth Street 148.97 feet to a point on the North-right right of way of Church Street and said Fourth Street; thence continuing North 09 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds East, 288.42 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: October 8, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Team M (248) 593-1306
Troitt & Troitt, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200321798

Team M **10-8-4**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Andrea N. Gonzales, n/a Andrea N. Gonzales, and Randy J. Gonzales, Husband and Wife, of Vassar, Michigan (Mortgagors), to Household Finance Corporation III, a Delaware Corporation, dated December 22, 2000, and recorded in the office of the Register

of Deeds for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, on January 19, 2001 in Liber 819, Page 1142, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of \$98,304.07, including interest at the rate of 11.984% per annum, together with any additional sum or sums which may be paid by the underwriter as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of October 2003 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., the undersigned will, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, foreclose said mortgage, by setting at public auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amounts due on said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

Land situated in the City of Vassar, Tuscola County, State of Michigan, is described as follows:

Lot 21, Swanson's Acres, City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 1, Page 101, now being 51B, Tuscola County Records.

Tax ID #051-500-581-2100-00

The redemption period shall be six 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 thirty days from the date of such sale.

DATED: September 19, 2003

Mortgage
Household Finance Corporation III
Richard L. McDonnell (P38788)
Attorney for Mortgage
38500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 300
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304-5051
(248) 540-7500

Team M **10-1-5**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas F. Ridley and Bonnie M. Ridley, husband and wife, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgage, dated December 7, 2001 and recorded January 24, 2002 in Liber 858, Page 1401, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Citibank, N.A. as trustee by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Four and 12/100 Dollars (\$49,654.12), including interest at the rate of 9.8% per annum.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of November, 2003 at 9:30 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 11.35000% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

Lot 2, Block 15, "North's Addition to the Village (now City) of Vassar" as recorded in Liber 1, Page(s) 21A of Plats, Tuscola County Records.

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: October 1, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Citibank, N.A. as trustee,
As Assignee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000

File No. 209.2325

Team M **10-1-5**

THIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of certain Mortgage(s) made by Nancy L. Brown, also known as Nancy Lee Brown, a single woman, of 6316 Pine Street, Cass City, Michigan 48726, MORTGAGEE, said Mortgage(s) dated July 26, 1996 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan in Liber 694, Page 856, July 26, 1996, on which Mortgage(s) there is claimed to be due at the date of this Notice a principal balance and interest in the amount of Sixty Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Thirty-Five Cents, (\$60,477.35).

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have 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(s), and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that on the 4th day of December 2003, at 10:00 a.m. on said day, at the Courthouse, 440 State Street, Caro, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for said County, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, of the said premises described in said Mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due as aforesaid on said mortgage with interest thereon at the rate of One (1.000%) percent per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the undersigned necessary to protect its interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows:

Property situated in the State of Michigan, County of Tuscola:

Situated in the Village of Cass City, Township of Elkland: Lot 4, Block A of Kelland's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 7, now being page 8A.

Pursuant to Section 27A3240 (3), Michigan Statutes Annotated the redemption period is six months from the date of the above referenced sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MSA 27A3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, unless redeemed according to the law, in such case made and provided.

Dated: October 16, 2003

KIRK C. ELLSWORTH (P39700)
Attorney for USDA, Rural Development

PREPARED BY ELLSWORTH AND HARE FORECLOSURES
BY: KIRK C. ELLSWORTH (P39700)
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Saginaw, Michigan 48603
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Team M **10-22-5**

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jason Schall and Andrea Schall, husband and wife, Mortgagees, to Homeowners Loan Corp., Mortgage, dated the 16th day of July, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 19th day of May, 2003 in Liber 991 of Tuscola County Records, Page 649, said Mortgage having been assigned to Household Finance Corp. III, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Six Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Five and 90/100 (\$86,575.90), and no suit or proceeding 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 statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of November, 2003 at 9:30 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 11.35000% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERTOWN, TUSCOLA COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK 800, PAGE 914, ID #021-033-000-1400-00, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS COMMENCING 255 FEET NORTH OF THE WEST 1/4 POST OF SECTION 33, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST; THENCE NORTH 74 FEET, THENCE EAST 264 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 74 FEET; THENCE WEST 264 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 10/1/03

Household Finance Corp. III
Mortgage
FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
Jonathan L. Engman (P56364)
Attorney for Household Finance Corp. III
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470
Troy, MI 48064
248-362-2600

Team M **10-1-5**

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Marianne Prystajko, an unmarried woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 17, 2003 and recorded January 22, 2003 in Liber 911, Page 1352, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Four and 15/100 Dollars (\$61,004.15), including interest at the rate of 6.25% per annum.

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 November 20, 2003.

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

Lot 10f Shay Lake Heights Subdivision, No. 1, according to the plat recorded in Liber 2 of plats, pages 35-36

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: October 22, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., As Mortgagee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 437-1000

File No. 287.0138

Team M **10-22-5**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by ROBERT W. HAACK JR. and CORRINE B. HAACK, his wife, to North Commerce Financial, Mortgagee, dated December 29, 1998 and recorded on January 8, 1999 in Liber 759 on Page 1425, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee by mesne assignment to STERLING BANK & TRUST by an assignment dated January 7, 1999 and recorded on March 30, 1999 in Liber 562 on Page 464, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR AND 77/100 DOLLARS (\$81,554.77), including interest at 10.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on December 11, 2003.

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

The West half of the West half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 25, Town 10 North, Range 9 East; Right of Way for Goodrich Road over the Southerly side thereof.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 90 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 16, 2003

STERLING BANK & TRUST
Assignee of Mortgage
DAVID J. BENNETT
THAW, GROSS, STENWAY & BENNETT
30150 Telegraph #444
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
(248) 645-1700

Team M **10-22-5**

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David A. Church, n/a David Church, a married man, and Nina Church, n/a Nina R. Church, his wife, in bar of dower, to PCFS Financial Services, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 13, 1999 and recorded May 19, 1999 in Liber 771, Page 1209, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-One and 38/100 Dollars (\$83,831.38), including interest at the rate of 12.375% per annum.

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 December 4, 2003.

The premises are located in the Village of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the West half of the Southeast quarter of Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point which is North 89 degrees 26 minutes 40 seconds West, 1271.18 feet along the South line of said Section 9, and along the East line of the West half of the Southeast quarter (also the East line of Bostick's Addition to the Village of Millington) North 00 degrees 08 minutes 49 seconds East, 909.48 feet along the North line of said Bostick's Addition, North 89 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds West, 334.38 feet to the Northeast corner of Lot 2 of Block B of Bostick's Addition and parallel to the East line of said West half of the Southeast quarter, North 00 degrees 08 minutes 49 seconds East, 200 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 9; thence parallel to the North line of said Bostick's Addition, North 89 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds West, 127.62 feet; thence parallel to the East line of said West half of the Southeast quarter, North 00 degrees 08 minutes 49 seconds East, 64.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East, 127.62 feet; thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 49 seconds West, 64.00 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: October 29, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for PCFS Financial Services, Inc., As Mortgagee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000

File No. 210.0766

Team M **10-29-5**

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Drew Alan Hoelscher and Jeanne C. Hoelscher, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Standard Federal Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated May 7, 1998 and recorded on June 5, 1998 in Liber 741 on Page 1055 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE H

Professional and Business DIRECTORY

CALL 872-2010 TO PLACE AN ACTION AD

ACCOUNTANTS

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Notices

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 Saturday, Nov. 8
 8:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Cass City United Methodist Church
 Cookbook corner, gifts, decorations, baked goods, etc. 5-10-29-2

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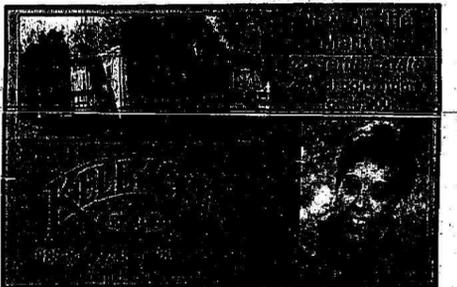
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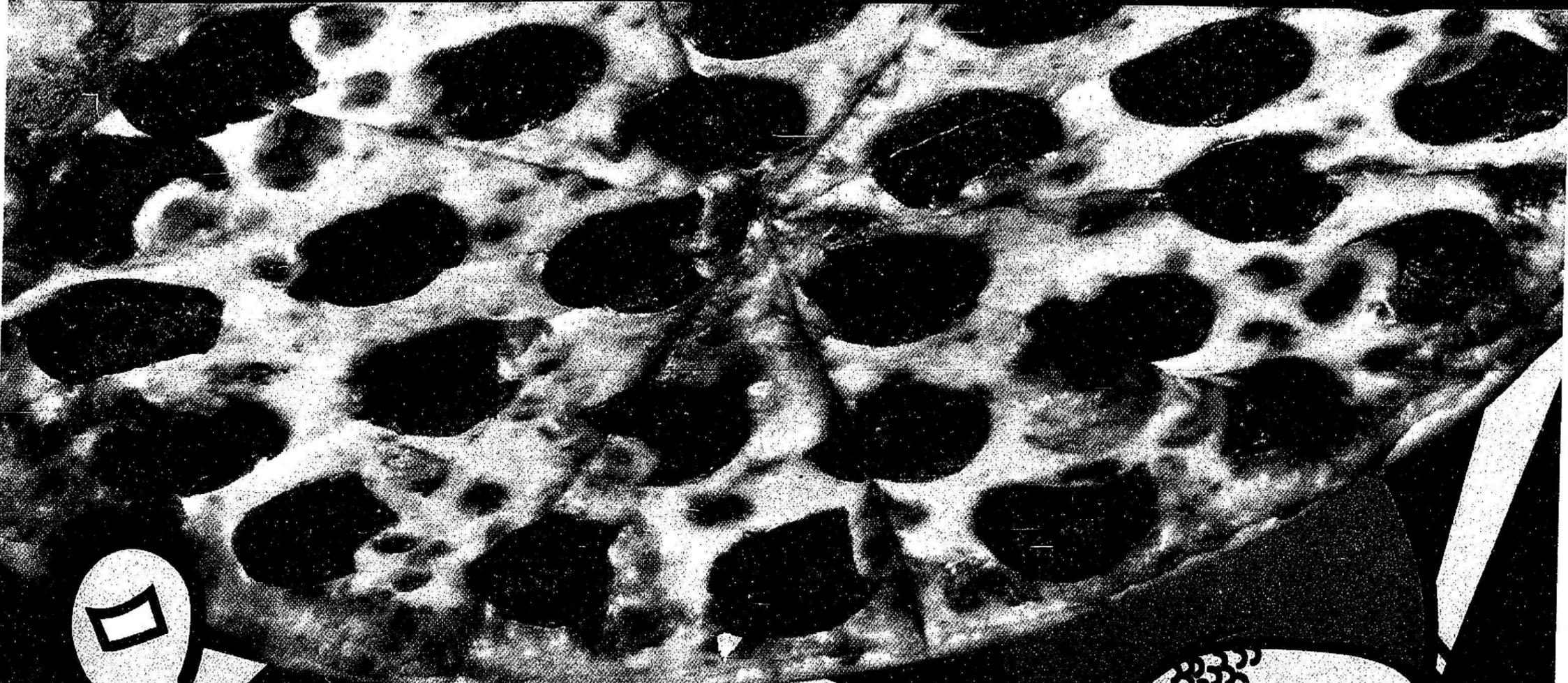
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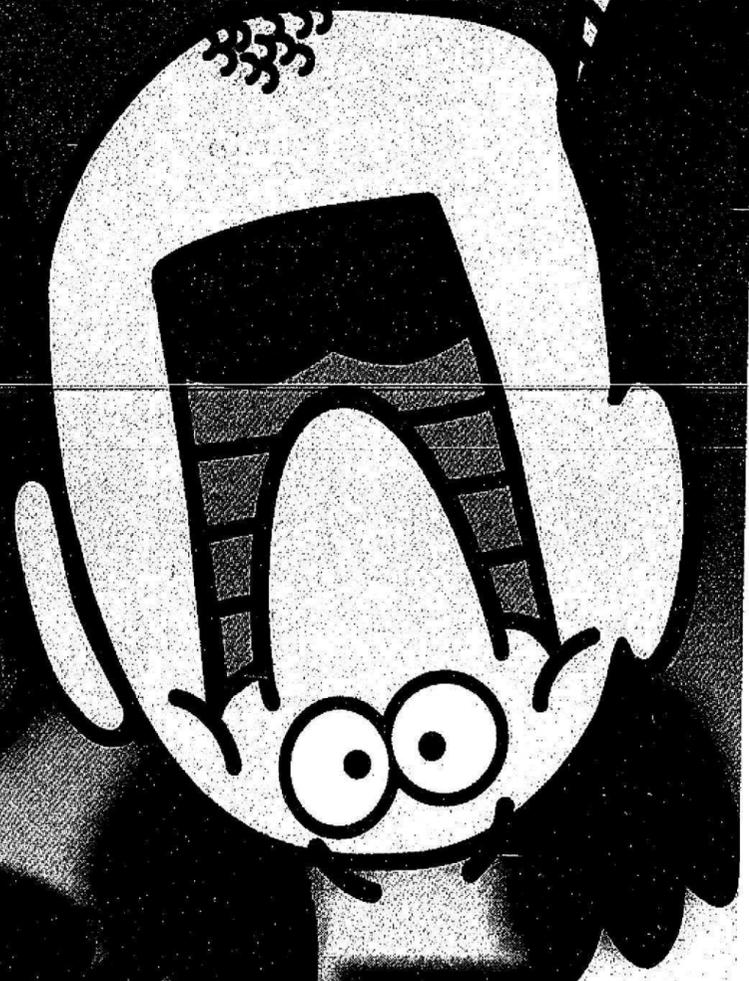
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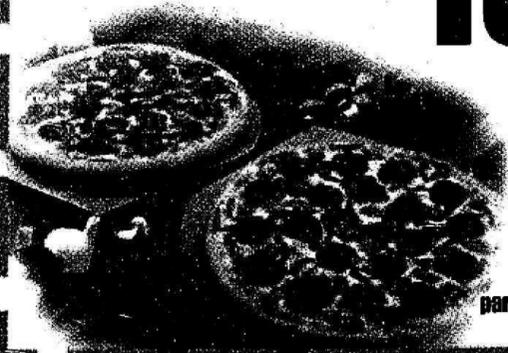


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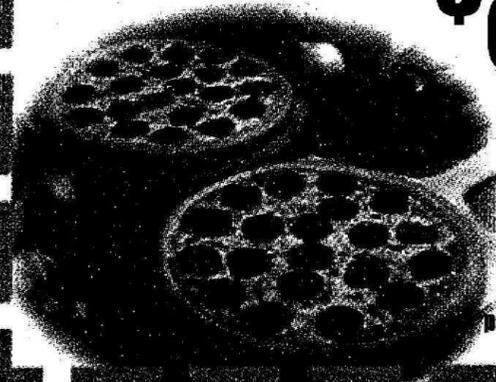


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