

"If It Fitz...."

Health reform beastly?

By Jim Fitzgerald



"Have you had anything nice to say about doctors lately?" That's the question recently asked of newspaper columnists by Cortlandt Forum, a New York-based medical magazine distributed to 140,000 physicians nationwide. According to a letter from Associate Editor Kim Kourtakis, the publication is eager to reprint "columns that focus on the positive aspects of medical care and physician involvement amidst the negative and nasty vapors spewing forth from the health-reform beast."

The purpose of health-care reform is to make doctors and hospitals more affordable for patients. Is that a beastly idea? Not too long ago, I discussed the subject with my favorite doctor. He probably didn't say anything you haven't heard before. But how often do you hear it from a doctor?

"It should be illegal to charge different patients different prices for the same medical services," he said. He was feeling sorry for

Cpl. Pfaff on 6-month tour

Marine Lance Cpl. Steven H. Pfaff, son of Edward J. and Ellen K. Pfaff of Snover, is currently midway through a 6-month Mediterranean Sea deployment with 3rd Battalion, 8th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Pfaff is part of the Mediterranean Amphibious Ready Group, which includes approximately 2,150 Marines.

people without medical insurance. "Hospital bills now run over \$1,000 a day," he said. "An awful lot of people make \$5 an hour and don't have insurance. How can they afford to go to the hospital, or even go to the doctor?"

It's just as unfair with prescriptions, he said. "I just gave a patient a prescription that will cost him \$80. If he had insurance, it would cost him \$6. That's not fair."

Yeah, doctor, but the hospitals, doctors and pharmacists don't really charge different prices, do they? Isn't the only difference how the bill is paid — by the patient alone, by the patients through insurance premiums, by the patient's employer through government- or company-paid insurance premiums, or by some cost-sharing combination thereof?

It's not nearly that simple, the doctor insisted: "Many insurance plans pay only a certain percentage of medical costs. So a hospital, for instance, jacks up the price so the percentage paid will allow the hospital to make money, and the insured patient isn't billed for the difference."

"But the poor guy without any insurance has to pay the jacked-up price."

The guy making \$5 an hour obviously isn't a UAW member working for a big auto company, so he doesn't have a good medical insurance plan; probably he has no insurance at all. And when he pays the top dollar, he is forced to subsidize Blue Cross and government medical insurance programs. The patient who can afford it least not only pays his own bill, which is higher than for an insured patient, but the poor sap also helps

pay the insured patient's bill."

OK, doctor, but whose fault is it? Why are medical costs so high they're out of reach for many people without insurance?

"The blame starts with greedy doctors," my favorite doctor conceded, which is one of the reasons he's my favorite. Too many doctors take advantage of medical insurance financed by employers, unions and government. Too many doctors and hospitals raise prices unreasonably because they know insured patients won't squawk; most of them don't even realize how much their treatment costs. They simply let insurance cover it."

"I told my state representative it should be against the law to force the uninsured to subsidize the medical costs of the insured," the doctor said. "He said he agreed, but didn't know what could be done about it."

That was a couple of years ago. Now government appears poised to do something about a woefully inadequate medical care system. The result may well be less income for some doctors, less choice for some patients, and the elimination of many redundant medical services. That's fine with my favorite doctor.

Cortlandt Forum's associate editor said "if you have recently written a column that recognizes the merits of physicians, we would be interested in reprinting it."

This column recognizes the merits of a physician who charges that many — but certainly not all — of his colleagues manipulate the health-care system for their own exorbitant benefit. Cortlandt Forum is welcome to reprint, but not likely.



THE CASS CITY baseball program recently received a boost in the form of \$10,514 donated by the Pinney Foundation for fencing and other improvements to the baseball field. Above, foundation Chairman Dick Donahue presents the check to Cass City Schools Athletic Director Don Schelke (left) and village Trustee Matt Prieskorn.

Operation H.E.M.P.

5,520 pot plants seized

The Thumb Narcotics Unit, in conjunction with the Army National Guard and numerous local law enforcement agencies, has completed another successful year of operation H.E.M.P. Operation H.E.M.P. is a

program designed to eliminate the planting and processing of marijuana and illegal profits derived from its cultivation.

Judge Joslyn picked as appeals court judge

Tuscola County Circuit Court Judge Patrick R. Joslyn has been selected by the Michigan Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court Administrative Office to sit as an appeals court judge on assignment for the month of October.

The Supreme Court is assigning circuit court judges to the court of appeals because of the tremendous backlog in the processing of appellate court cases.

Joslyn will be on a panel with Judges E. Thomas Fitzgerald and Maureen P. Riley in Grand Rapids Oct. 5, 6

and 7 for oral arguments. About 60 cases will be reviewed by the panel.

Joslyn has served on assignment to the Michigan Court of Appeals on at least 4 prior occasions.

Award bridge contract

The Michigan Department of Transportation has awarded a contract to Wagner Ready Mix of Harbor Beach for replacement of the old camelback concrete bridge on Deckerville Road east of Plain Road over White Creek. Wagner was the lowest of 10 bidders at \$231,020.65 and under the engineer's estimate of \$245,364. Funding will be

80 percent federal, 15 percent state and 5 percent local share.

The contractor plans to open the new bridge to traffic by Nov. 15 and complete all his work next July.

The posted detour during the closure is on Hurds Corner, Shabbona and Dodge roads.

The Haire Net

A little of this and that of no particular importance, but maybe just a little bit of passing interest as we head into the fall season.

Over the years I have forgotten many important occasions and appointments.

More years ago than I care to remember, shortly after arriving at the Chronicle, I left a roomful of important local residents waiting at my office for an appointment. Slipped clear out of my mind.

Figured I had that licked as I became older and more sedate and haven't had an embarrassing incident for what seems like years, but probably isn't.

Anyway, reality set in last week when I clean forgot the 40th anniversary of long-time friends, Mary and Dale Damm, and a recognition dinner for Ben Hobart held in Pigeon.

About 60 persons were at the Hobart bash to see Supt. Ken Micklash present Hobart with a plaque from the Cass City School Board, dated August 1993, that read: To Ben Hobart in recognition of 12 years of dedicated service as a member of the board of education with the Cass City Public Schools.

It was recognition well-earned and richly deserved.

Michigan State University has a respected journalism department that turns out accomplished professionals and I was always happy to claim that I was a graduate. Until now.

Every honcho at MSU should be required to enroll in a public relations course, starting with the board of education.

Time after time the university seems to go out of its way to put its worst foot forward. The feud between the school's former president and the football coach was the first black eye. That's followed by the year-long fiasco that resulted in the hiring of the new president in a move challenged by the media as in violation of the freedom of information act.

Then the Spartans' basketball program is put on the griddle by Parrish Hickman, a disgruntled former player, who claims to have been paid off to play.

Now the board and at least some of the professional staff are at odds over the way the new president was selected.

Meanwhile, the people who care about the school, the active alumni, are looking over their shoulders wondering, what next? Who knows?

Rabbit Tracks
by John Haire
(And anyone else he can get to help.)

The Marina is a restaurant tucked next to Lake Mitchell on M-115 at Cadillac. The sign gives the impression that it is semi-up-scale. Actually it isn't. It's more of a pizza and spaghetti spot. The view over the lake is great, the food doesn't match it. It's not bad, you understand, and the prices are reasonable. A couple of meals with a drink would probably cost about \$20. After eating I left, not feeling that I had been ripped off, but also not ready to mark the spot as a must stop when in the area.

You can get 10 trees for nothing, if you dish up \$10 to join the National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410. The organization made its annual free offer last week.

The 10 trees are: sugar maple, birch, American redbud, white flowering dogwood, pin oak, white pine, red maple, silver maple, red oak and Colorado blue spruce. The trees will be mailed between Oct. 15 and Dec. 10 together with planting instructions. The trees are 6 to 12 inches high and guaranteed to grow.

You can use statistics to prove just about anything, I thought when I read a comparison of the weather this summer and last summer. The gist of the metro paper piece was that when the average temperatures of the 2 years were compared, there was very little difference in the temperature in the summer of 1993 and 1992.

That may well be, but for most of us there's no way that the fine warm summer we are now completing wasn't warmer and better, a whole lot better, than that cold, gloomy summer of 1992.

Airport input set

Residents are encouraged to attend a meeting of the Tuscola Area Airport Authority today (Wednesday) in Caro.

Improvements to the municipal airport in Caro, according to Tuscola County Economic Development Corp. Executive Director James McLoskey, who said suggestions will be considered for inclusion in an updated version of an airport master plan.

The meeting is set to begin at 6 p.m. and will be held at the Caro Village Hall. The authority is seeking public input regarding fu-

The Weather

	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	72	49	.25"
Wednesday	77	53	0
Thursday	72	68	.13"
Friday	68	50	.41"
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NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION

Village of Cass City ORDINANCE NO. 132

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR BASIC CABLE TELEVISION REGULATION

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance No. 132 was adopted by the Village of Cass City on August 31, 1993. A summary/synopsis of the ordinance follows:

Section 1. Definitions. Contains certain definitions and provides that all other words and phrases have the same meaning as defined in the 1984 and 1992 Cable Acts ("Cable Act") and FCC rules.

Section 2. Purpose and Interpretation. Recites the purpose as adopting regulations and procedures governing basic cable service regulation consistent with the Cable Act and FCC rules.

Section 3. Rate Regulations Promulgated by FCC. Provides for compliance with all FCC rules regarding the regulation of basic cable television service.

Section 4. Filing; Additional Information; Burden of Proof. Provides that the cable operator must submit its schedule of rates for the basic service tier and associated equipment or proposed increase in such rate in accordance with the Act and the FCC rules; authorizes the adoption of rules and regulations prescribing information, data, and calculations which must be included as part of the cable operator's filing; authorizes an appropriate official to obtain additional information from the cable operators; and places on the cable operator the burden of proving that its rates comply with the Cable Act and FCC rules.

Section 5. Proprietary Information. Prescribes procedures consistent with FCC rules regarding requests for confidentiality of proprietary information submitted by the cable operator.

Section 6. Public Notice; Initial Review of Rates. Requires publishing a public notice of the filing of the cable operator's schedule of rates or a proposed rate increase; and requires notice to the cable operator of when the rates will first be considered.

Section 7. Tolling Order. The proposed schedule of rates or rate increase shall become effective 30 days after submission unless tolled pursuant to FCC rules.

Section 8. Public Notice; Hearing on Basic Cable Service Rates Following Tolling of 30-day Deadline. Provides for a public hearing to be held subject to certain public notice requirements if a tolling order has been issued pursuant to Section 7.

Section 9. Staff or Consultant's Report; Written Response. Provides that, following the public hearing, municipal staff or consultant shall make a written report and recommendation on rate decisions; and the cable operator may respond prior to final action.

Section 10. Rate Decision and Order. Authorizes rate decisions and orders in accordance with FCC rules.

Section 11. Refunds; Notice. Authorizes refunds in accordance with FCC rules provided prior notice and opportunity to comment is given to the cable operator.

Section 12. Written Decisions; Public Notice. Provides that rate orders shall be in writing, be effective upon adoption, and deemed released to the public upon adoption; requires publication of a public notice and mailing of the decision to the cable operator.

Section 13. Rules and Regulations. Authorizes the adoption of rules and regulations for basic cable service rate regulation proceedings.

Section 14. Failure to Give Notice. Provides that failure to give the notices or mail copies of reports as required will not invalidate decisions or proceedings.

Section 15. Additional Hearings. Authorizes additional public hearings upon reasonable notice.

Section 16. Additional Powers. Provides that the powers exercised pursuant to the Ordinance are in addition to other powers conferred by law or otherwise.

Section 17. Failure to Comply; Remedy. Provides for legal and equitable remedies for failure of the cable operator to comply with the Act, the FCC rules, any rate orders or determinations, any requirements of the ordinance or any rules or regulations promulgated under this ordinance.

Section 18. Severability. The various parts, sections, and clauses of this ordinance are severable.

Section 19. Conflict Provision. In the event of any conflict between this Ordinance and other ordinances or the franchise agreement, this ordinance shall control.

Section 20. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on the day after its publication in the Cass City Chronicle.

The publication of this summary/synopsis of the ordinance is intended to meet the requirements for publication as provided by law. No further publication of the ordinance is required or contemplated. This summary/synopsis is not exhaustive of all provisions and requirements of the ordinance. A true and complete copy of the ordinance can be inspected or obtained at the offices of the Clerk, 6737 Church Street, Cass City, Mich.

Joyce A. LaRoche
Joyce A. LaRoche
Village Clerk

Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Dr. H.T. Donahue of Cass City will be one of 7 persons to be inducted into the Michigan Hall of Fame at the honor induction banquet at Crisler Arena Friday. He will be honored at the organization's 11th induction ceremony for his wrestling record at the University of Michigan.

A handful of Ohio strain muskellunge were planted in the Cass River near Cass City last week. The fish that survive, if any, are expected to reach legal size (30 inches) in 3 to 4 years.

The Cass City Red Hawk football team beat Vassar Friday night, 33-0. Key players were Brent Beecher, Paul Tuckey, Jeff Dillon, Jason Robertson and Steve Wright.

Cass City banker Curt Strickland was awarded a diploma at the 44th annual commencement exercises of the Graduate School of Banking, Madison, Wis., Aug. 19. Strickland is vice-president and branch manager of Thumb National Bank and Trust, Cass City.

Up to 20 youth offenders are expected to enter Michigan's first "work and learn" camp in Koylton Township Oct. 1 following licensing of the camp last week.

10 YEARS AGO

A fire destroyed a house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harold James and 3 sons in Lamotte Township Friday after the driver of a pickup

lost control of his vehicle and slammed into a Detroit Edison pole, which broke, causing electrical lines to drop onto other lines, and causing a primary fuse to blow. The James home was at least a mile away and is at the end of the electrical line circuit. It was thought a high voltage situation, or bulk surge of electricity started a fire in every room of the James house.

Lightning struck a tree in front of the home of Craig and Joan Helwig on Main Street Monday evening. The lightning bolt went down the trunk, through the lawn and then broke the curb.

Kathryn Kim, daughter of Stanley and Betty Kim, received a B.S. degree in medical technology from Saginaw Valley State College, near Bay City. She is now employed at Decker-ville Community Hospital.

Dagmar Brown of Cass City made her 24th trek across the Mackinac Bridge Labor Day in 61 minutes.

25 YEARS AGO

Four persons were killed and one is in fair condition at Hills and Dales General Hospital after a 2-car collision on M-53, just south of Argyle Road, Friday. Killed in the accident were James Wallace MacQueen, 39, of Utica; Abel Ephram Rivard, 22, of Warren; Timothy Ray Jones, 16, of Berkley, and John Metcalfe, 15, also of Berkley. Robert Rivard, 21, brother of the driver of one car, is in fair condition. MacQueen was alone in his

car. Cass City hailed Erla's 14-man softball team this week as the victors returned home as State Class C Softball champions following a weekend of intense competition against the best in Michigan.

The Tuscola County chapter of the American Red Cross will send duty bags to boys serving overseas again this year. Instructions on making the bags and other information is available from the Caro office, Lilia C. Deboer, executive secretary, announced this week.

Albert Whitfield, 81, lifelong resident of this vicinity, died in his home Friday of a heart attack.

35 YEARS AGO

The Cass City Woman's Study Club will start its 50th year in the community Tues-

day with a luncheon honoring Mrs. A.J. Knapp at the Methodist Church. Mrs. Knapp is a past state president of the Michigan Federation and first president of the Cass City club.

Andrew Kozan Jr. of Cass City suffered first degree burns about the left side of his face and forehead Saturday when steam from a boiling radiator exploded in his face.

Village Marshall Bill Wood issued a reminder that the new Michigan law for stopping for school buses will go into effect Sept. 13.

Coach Mike Yedinak greeted 59 football hopefuls Monday as the Cass City High School Red Hawks held their first official practice.

At Erla Food Center - Miracle Whip, 49 cents qt. jar; 3 lbs. ground beef, \$1.45.

Cass City Bowling

CHARMONT LADIES

Elmwood What Knots	4
Cass City Tire	4
Thumb National Bank	4
Pizza Villa	4
Deford Country Gro.	3
Board's	1
Cable-ettes	0
Charmont	0
Live Wires	0
Wild John's	0

Grifka 189, M. Hacker 170.

MERCHANETTE LEAGUE Sept. 2

Nel's Kitchen	4
Cass Tavern	4
Hills & Dales	3
Allen Home Care	3
Crowley Chiropractic	3
Caro Chiropractic	2
Cass City Sports	2
Kingston State Bank	1
Herron Builders	1
Buds & Blossoms	1
Rolling Hills	0
Clean Up Crew	0

High Team Game: Elmwood What Knots 1040.
High Team Series: Elmwood What Knots 2978.
High Series: D. Hill 499, M. Grifka 489, E. Romain 481, S. Seeley 471, B. Kilbourn 471, L. Comment 471, T. Mathewson 468, L. King 464.

High Games: J. Nye 200, E. Romain 196, T. Mathewson 174, D. Hill 179, B. Kilbourn 174, L. Comment 172, L. Kilbourn 170, M.

High Team Actual Game & Series: Caro Chiropractic 699-1890.

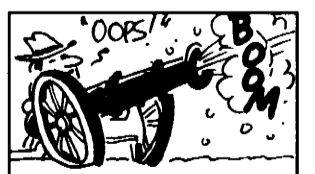
High Individual Actual Game: D. Wischmeyer 190.
High Individual Actual Series: K. O'Dell 517.

Free health assessments available for seniors

Researchers from the University of Michigan, Christopher Benedict and Sara Kole, are becoming regulars at McKenzic Memorial Hospital in Sandusky. Together with the geriatric advisory board and geriatric team, they are implementing the Community Out-

reach Education Project (COEP). Sandusky and the Thumb area is one of the 6 sites selected from around Michigan for this educational intervention targeted on Alzheimer's disease. The researchers will continue to meet with the geriatric advisory board Thursday, Sept. 16, at 10 a.m. Dates for the Thumb area Alzheimer's disease training are set for Oct. 26, 27 and 28. For further information contact Louise Blasius at 648-3770. Sue Noble, R.N., Louise Blasius, social worker, and Dr. Weiner cordially welcome dietician Charlene Biessel to the geriatric team.

This was made possible by a short-term grant from the Region 7 Area Agency on Aging, Bay City. Together they will offer comprehensive assessments to mature adults free of charge from Sanilac and Huron counties. Presently, clinics are scheduled every Friday. Any senior citizen interested in a comprehensive assessment by physician, nurse, social worker and dietician, just needs to call: (313) 648-3770 ext. 181 for an appointment. All referrals are welcome regardless of county of residence.



One of the greatest battles of the War of 1812 occurred after the war was over. The Americans and British signed a peace treaty in December, 1814 but the news didn't reach the U.S. until after the Battle of New Orleans was fought in January of 1815.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

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JEAN ANTHONY

The Hills and Dales General Hospital Employee of the Month is Jean Anthony. Jean has been an employee at the hospital for over 15 years. She has a bachelor of nursing degree and works as the Quality Improvement and Risk Management coordinator. Jean is being recognized for her dedication to the hospital, the quality of care for the patients, and a risk free hospital environment. Her vast expertise and pride in her work are visible to all! Her contributions are countless!

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Cass City woman shares self, love of art with those around her

Kay Periso has taken loss and turned it into gain, and in the process enriched the lives of those around her.

The Cass City native is quick to offer a friendly smile and helping hand, as well as one of the hand-painted pictures she enjoys creating in her home at the Huntsville Trailer Park.

Periso's positive outlook on life and art contrasts with the personal tragedy she has experienced this year. Her husband of more than 38 years, Fred, died in her arms at home last April after a

lengthy battle with cancer. The loss came just 20 days after the death of her mother, Mildred Herr.

But Periso has refused to give up on life. She recently received her first ever driver's license and is devoting her time to touching the lives of others in some small way.

Painting, a longtime hobby, is one such way.

"I've been doing this off and on for about 20 years," she said, adding she's spent more time at the easel since her husband died. "Prob-

ably I'll paint more in the winter."

She enjoys sketching and then painting various scenes featuring farm houses, flowers, birds and animals. Picture frames picked up at rummage sales complete the art works, which are passed on to family and friends in Cass City and beyond.

Periso said her love of art was shared by her mother, a talented artist who specialized in painting scenes on pieces of china.

"It's very good therapy," she pointed out. "You can

just get in there and relax. It's a hobby. I just do it for fun."

Periso said she sometimes sends a painting instead of a card as a way of letting someone know she cares.

Other times, she makes good use of her newly-earned driver's license.

"They say you're never too old to try new things," she said of her decision to learn how to drive at age 57. "I just made up my mind. It's my purpose to help other people and that's what I'm going to do."

Periso is happiest when she's visiting a homebound friend, delivering a fruit basket or fresh home-baked cookies, or simply lending a hand to a neighbor.

Periso, who attends the First Baptist Church in Cass City, indicated the time spent taking care of her husband at home gave her a special appreciation for what's important in life, reinforcing her belief that being a Christian is much more than attending services on Sunday.

"Church doesn't stop at church. You need to get out and help people," she said. "I'm not rich or anything like that, but as long as I'm able, if I can help other people, I'm going to do it."

Often, Periso noted, the greatest way to touch another person is to simply offer some time and a listening ear.

"You can just visit them and they're very tickled. Spread a little sunshine in their heart," she said. "We need more of that these days."



CASS CITY's Andrea Speirs and her horse, "Sensational Poise," recently won Grand Champion honors in the Horsemanship Class at the 1993 Michigan State Horse Show.

Andrea Speirs Grand Champion winner at show

A Cass City teen won Grand Champion honors in the Horsemanship Class at the Michigan State Horse Show, held Aug. 21 at Michigan State University, East Lansing.

Andrea Speirs earned the top award after competing against other finalists repre-

senting all age groups (16 to 19 years) at the show.

Speirs qualified for the championship round after winning a silver medal in the individual horsemanship class.

In all, she participated in 5 separate individual events, competing against 15 to 20 other youths in the 16-year-old age group. Aside from honors in horsemanship, she received a gold medal in showmanship, a silver medal in western pleasure, a bronze medal in trail, and a fourth-place ribbon in English pleasure.

This was Speirs' third year at state competition. She qualified during 2 days of competition at the Tuscola County Fair, where she won 9 out of 12 classes in the 16-18 age group, and took reserve high point honors. A junior at Cass City High School, she is the daughter of Ronald and Randee Speirs, Cass City.

Fuelwood permit deadline set

The Department of Natural Resources recently issued a reminder that permits for fuelwood from state forest land will be discontinued for the period of Oct. 1, 1993, through March 31, 1994.

Permits issued through Sept. 30 will be valid for 90 days after the issuance date and will entitle permittees to gather up to 5 standard cords of wood. There is a \$20 permit fee, with issuance dependent upon the availability of wood suitable for fuelwood purposes. All fuelwood collected must be from downed or designated trees only, must be for personal use, and is not to be resold or traded.

Individuals who would like to obtain a fuelwood permit prior to Oct. 1 should contact their local DNR Area Forest Manager regarding availability. Permits are issued for designated locations in which permittees must exercise care not to trespass on private property and must protect surrounding live trees from injury.

Permit issuance will resume again April 1, 1994, and continue through Sept. 30.

Cass City school menu

SEPT. 13-17

Monday - Ravioli with Dinner Roll, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk.

Tuesday - 2 Tacos w/ Meat, Lettuce, Cheese, Peas, Fruit, Milk.

Wednesday - Chili with Soft Pretzel, Corn, Fruit, Milk.

Thursday - Chef Salad, Breadsticks, Fruit, Milk.

Friday - Cheese & Pepperoni Pizza, Carrots, Fruit, Milk.

2nd Entree: Hamburger w/ Bun.

Obituary

Christopher Bouck

Christopher Patrick Bouck, 23, of Hartland, died Wednesday, Sept. 1, at his residence in Hartland.

He was born Dec. 3, 1969 in Southfield, the son of Ernest and Monica (Lutzen) Bouck, and lived in Hartland since 1975 coming from Detroit.

Christopher was a member of St. John Catholic Church. He graduated from Detroit Catholic Central in Redford in 1988 and was a member of the National Honor Society and was very active in the drama club. He received a scholarship to Michigan State University, where he began in the fall of 1988, receiving Honorary Alumni Status through the Eli Broad College of Business and the Department of Marketing and Logistics Aug. 4. Chris became a Third Degree Knight of Fenton Council #7418 of the Knights of Columbus in a special ceremony Aug. 29. He was active in Indian Guides, Cub Scouts, Webelos and Boy Scouts. He became ill shortly before he could finish his requirements for Eagle Scout. Chris was a major influence in helping to establish the MSU Student Cancer Support Net-

work as a permanent, facilitated group that now meets on a regular basis. The group



is now open to both students with cancer and those providing support for a family member or friend.

Chris is survived by his parents, Ernest and Monica Bouck; 2 sisters, Jennifer M. Bouck and Madeleine M. Bouck of Hartland; his paternal grandparents, Olin and Mae Bouck of Cass City; aunts and uncles, Roger and Vera Bouck of Cass City, Kathryn and John Reidy of Raleigh, N.C., Frannie and Bill Bertin of White Lake and Margaret and William Conner of Plymouth; many cousins and friends. He also leaves 2 very dear friends, Dan Connor and John Marion. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Madeleine and Sylvester Lutzen.

Funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, Sept. 4, at St. John Catholic Church, Howell, with the Rev. David J. Speicher celebrant.

Burial was in St. John Catholic Cemetery.

Bowles-Sharp Funeral Home in Fenton handled the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Christopher P. Bouck Memorial Fund.

First strike organized in 1791

In 1791 journeymen carpenters held the first strike in the building trades. Like most strikes during this period, it was wage related. The journeymen protested against wages "which are, and have been for a long time too low and are meanly attempted to be reduced to a still lower ebb." They also demanded additional pay and reduced working hours, according to the U. S. Department of Labor's History of The American Worker.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

Senior citizens are asked to make reservations on the day of the meal between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. by calling Berenice Sowden, 872-2397.

SEPT 13-15-17

Monday - Oven Fried Chicken, Lima Beans, Salad Bar - Broccoli/Green Peppers, French Bread, Pineapple Tidbits.

Wednesday - Pork Steak with Sauerkraut, Squash, Waldorf Salad, Roll, Rice Pudding.

Friday - Beef Stew with Carrots, Potatoes, Onions, Stewed Tomatoes, Biscuit, Fresh Banana.



KAY PERISO, pictured above with a picture she painted on the back of a china cabinet in her home, shares her time, herself and a love of art with others.

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C-PS next for Bulldogs after defense keys win in opener

Coach Arnie Besonen's Owen-Gage gridders opened their 1993 campaign on a positive note Friday, whipping visiting Arenac Eastern, 20-6.

As anticipated, Besonen credits his defense charges for the win.

"Our defense pulled this one out. The offense looked good only at times."

If Owen-Gage hopes to improve on last year's 4-5 record, it will need another strong showing from its defensive unit this week at

Carsonville-Port Sanilac. The 'Dogs open their North Central Thumb League sea-

son in a rare Friday afternoon contest. Kickoff is slated for 4:00 p.m.

"We haven't scouted CPS yet, but we know we'll have to contain Larry Carter - a 3-year starter at quarterback," commented the veteran mentor.

Ironically, CPS will be attempting to do the same - containing the quarterback. Junior Ryan Radabaugh is a household name in the Owen-Gage area and will run the show at quarterback for the 2nd year in a row.

Owen-Gage was able to build a 13-0 lead by half time against the Eagles, thanks in

part to Mike Tkacz's 40-yard interception in the 2nd quarter.

Tkacz, who handles the kicking duties, is one of only 4 seniors on the young Bulldog roster.

Besides Tkacz, Besonen also expects contributions from seniors Eric Susalla, Steve Story and Mike Merchant.

Against Arenac, Besonen's expectations were fulfilled.

Merchant hauled in a Radabaugh 57-yard pass to account for the hosts' first score of the year. It came at the 8:39 mark of the opening stanza. Merchant, a 2nd team NCTL selection last season, led the winners with 13 tackles and one sack.

Susalla, a 165-pound guard, will help anchor an inexperienced line. He recorded 11 stops in the Bulldog win.

"Our biggest weakness is we have to replace the entire left side of our line," Besonen said. Graduation claimed the services of Bryan Metzger, Jason Karr, Brent Fritz and Gary Emmons. Fritz was a unanimous choice of the league's coaches on the defensive line.

Story, 6' 2" and 195 pounds, will be a key factor if the offensive line is to compete with the league's heavyweights, Kingston, North Huron and Akron-Fairgrove.

The Bulldogs added an insurance marker in the 3rd period, when sophomore halfback Joe Tkacz capped a 10-play, 51-yard drive, with a one-yard plunge.

Tkacz and junior running back Bryan Baker combined for 106 yards rushing in the Bulldog victory. Tkacz finished the night with 6 tackles and one interception.

The visitors' lone score was recorded on a 25-yard pass play from Eric Davis to Dustin Daniels in the final period. Daniels led the losers with 45 yards in 14 carries and had 9 tackles and one interception in a solid all-around performance.

"We're young in the secondary. We had to replace the whole group," says Besonen.

One of those spots will be occupied by 150-pound sophomore Austin Brinkman, who will see action at free safety.

Another underclassman, freshman Bill Schlak, should help the Bulldog defensive cause at noseguard, according to the Hall of Fame coach.

O-G FOOTBALL SCHEDULE





Sept. 10	CPS	Away	4:00
18	Peck	Away	1:00
25	North Branch Wesleyan	Away	1:00
Oct. 1	*Akron-Fairgrove	Home	7:30
8	North Huron	Home	7:30
15	Kingston	Home	7:30
22	Taylor Light & Life	Home	7:30
29	CPS (non-league)	Home	7:30

*Homecoming



THE 1993 OWEN-GAGE football team members are (l-r), front: Bryan Baker, Matt Jaworski, Mike Merchant, Mike Tkacz, Eric Susalla, Ryan Radabaugh and Steve Story; 2nd row: Austin Brinkman, Wade Tetil, Jim Miller, Rick Murawski, Joe Tkacz and Dontae Mays; 3rd row: Don Dorsch, Dion Dronsella, Chad Jahr, Bill Gruber and Adam Metzger; back row: Coach Arnie Besonen, Bill Schlak, Tom Ostrum, John Richmond, Robert Coryell, Manager Andrew Besonen. Missing, Rick Merchant.

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USA vs. Caro	Kingston Peck	Kingston Peck	Kingston Peck	Kingston Peck
Akron-Fairgrove vs. AuGres	Cass City Bad Axe	Cass City Marlette	Cass City Bad Axe	Cass City Marlette
Owen-Gage vs. CPS				
North Huron vs. Kingston				
Peck vs. N. B. Wesleyan				
Lakers vs. Cass City				
Bad Axe vs. Marlette				
Accuracy percentage				



READY FOR THE SEASON are these varsity cheerleaders. Front row: Heather Zawilinski. Second row, from left: Melissa Keller and Jenny Milligan. Third row: Chris Prosowski, Marideth Angle, Karla Kidney. Back row: Coach Chris Weippert, Denelle DeLong, Jen Vandecar, Coach Tina Zahm.



CASS CITY JUNIOR Varsity Cheerleaders are ready for the season. From left, front row: Renee Zawilinski and Crystal McKnight. Second row: Laura Moore, Shelly Ingrao and Becky Smith. Back row: Heather Hulburt, Jenny Rick, L. Emily Miller and Rochelle A. Shaft.

Chip Shots

O-G wins good sports award

The girls' volleyball team of Owen-Gage High School recently received the "Good Sports are Winners" award, which was presented by Dan Clarkson, manager of Mortimer Lumber in Bad Axe, on behalf of True Value Hardware Stores.

According to Clarkson, the award "encourages and rewards good sportsmanship through high school...regardless of the final score, as these young students face the competition and challenges that life shows them. True Value hopes that good sportsmanship continues to be the response because, in the end, good sports always win."

This award, given in conjunction with the Michigan High School Athletic Association, considers the sportsmanship of the team, the student body, faculty and parents.

FINAL STANDINGS

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Ernie Bellew	203
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Low Actual Round for Year - Keven Vincent - 34.

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O-G	AE
First downs	10 2
Rushing yards	125 82
Passing yards	90 61
Passes complete	5-1110-24
Total yards	215 143
Fumbles lost	1 2
Intercepted by	2 1
Penalties	10 5
Yards lost	70 35



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JASON MORGAN, Cass City's workhorse back, carried 25 times for 116 yards. On this play he keeps a Hawk TD drive alive. He scored 2 plays later from 9 yards out.

Cass City rides defense to wins over Mayville, Reese

Coach Marty Daniel predicted that the Cass City Red Hawks would have a very competitive team this season and the first 2 games of the year indicate that his prediction was right on the mark.

The Hawks started their defense of the co-championship of the Blue Bay League with a pair of league victories over Mayville and Reese.

The Hawks topped visiting Mayville, 52-39, charging ahead in the first period and never falling behind after that. Cass City broke out of a 4-4 tie in the first period with 9 unanswered points to go ahead 13-4 in the next 3 minutes.

One of the keys to the win was the Cass City press, which the Wildcats had

trouble handling all night. Cass City caused several turnovers with the defense and the Wildcats did not beat the press for any easy points. Although the Hawks looked good at times, it still was a typical opening game. Mistakes were frequent and the shooting erratic.

Cass City outscored Mayville in each quarter. At the half, the Hawks were in front, 25-16, and after 3 quarters led by 15 points, 40-25.

Jodi Schember and Jodi LaRoche shared scoring honors. Schember banged away from outside, hitting 3 of 6 from 3-point range, while LaRoche scored most of her points from inside the paint. The Wildcats had balanced scoring, led by Kari Robinet with 10 points.

Daniel said the seniors paced the Hawks to the win. Darcie Monroe, Schember and LaRoche each had 7 rebounds. Freshman Peyton Daniel's 3 steals topped the team.

REESE GAME

The Hawks rolled to a win at Reese in the first game on the road this year, 52-35, despite the loss for long stretches of 2 regulars, Kelli VanVliet and Monroe.

Daniel said that the game proved that there is talent on the team that is able to help out when needed.

It was a game of streaks and Cass City posted 3 of them to win. The first came late in the half and enabled the Hawks to leave the floor at the intermission with a comfortable 25-14.

The second scoring run came late in the third quarter to thwart a Rocket comeback attempt and the last, early in the final minutes to ice the game.

Cass City's leading scorers, Schember and LaRoche, paced the offense. LaRoche had her best night of the young season with 20 points and Schember added 15.

Daniel said the defense of Schember, LaRoche, Karla Zinnecker, Daniel and Jaime Caister were keys to the victory.

Friday the Hawks return home with a game against Harbor Beach and next Tuesday will be at Decker-ville. Both games count in the Blue Bay League race. Cass City will be favored in both games.

Golf team clobbered by Caro

The first meet for the Cass City High School golf team was a disappointing one and indicates that the Hawks have a lot of work to do before the league season starts. Cass City was defeated by Caro, 165-215.

Not one player was able to break 50 for Cass City on the Caro course. Our team shoots in the low 170's in Cass City, Coach Jeff Hartel said, and the players have to adapt their game to new surroundings and tougher courses.

The top Cass City score of 50 was posted by Shawn Zawilinski, a junior varsity player.

The varsity scores were: Chris Chappel, 52; Paul Murphy, 53; Chad Zawilinski, 55; Marc Wallace, 55; Sam Hobbs, 68; Aaron Biefer, 76.



THE JUNIOR VARSITY Hawk basketball team. Front row from left, the tri-captains, Cori Britt, Jill Wright, Amy Schelke. Second row: Coach Elizabeth Blom, Becky Laming, Katie Anthony, Rachel Peters, Ashlie Chappel, Beth Wood, Gia Mellendorf and Pam Leiterman. Missing is Mandy Deering.



MEMBERS OF THE 1993 Cass City Junior Varsity football squad, coached by Larry Robinson, are (back row, left to right) Kurt Iwankovitsch, Ray Meredith, Sam Spencer, Corey Ulfig, Tim Spencer, Bob Gengler, Mark LeValley, Andy Gray, (middle row, left) Matt Oesch, Jeff Little, Damian Izydorek, Chad Diegel, Matt Klinkman, Nick Bliss, Chris Hahn, (front row, left) Matt Birkam, Jeremy Krueger, Dan Sherman, Scott Wallace, Don Pischa, Chad Middaugh, Dennis Pischa and Ken Roehl.

Lakers here Friday

Caro's grid speed too much for Cass City, 27-14

The Cass City Red Hawks open the home grid season Friday and the opponent will be the favored Lakers, the team predicted to successfully defend its Blue Bay League crown.

Cass City's pre-season optimism has been tempered by the results of the opening game of the season against the Caro Tigers. The Hawks faded against the Tigers after dominating the game most of the first 2 periods.

It was their speed that killed us, Coach Don Markel said, after the 27-14 loss to the Tigers at Caro.

Until there was a little over 3 minutes in the first half, it appeared that fans who figured that Cass City would be

a very strong team this year were right.

Cass City took it into the end zone on the first possession. It was the team's air arm that accounted for the first score. Two pass plays ate up most of the yardage in the 70-yard drive. Darren Wallace tossed a 57-yard pass to John Phillips and then repeated a moment later on an 11-yard touchdown toss.

That score came with 9:04 left in the quarter. Tavis Osentoski scored the extra points.

The high point of the game for Cass City fans probably came late in the first period. The Tigers returned a Cass City punt to the Hawk 5-yard line. A face mask penalty moved the ball to the 2 1/2-yard line with a first down. Four runs into the line netted just a yard and a half and Cass City took over on the

one. From here the Hawks ate up yardage and the clock. Before Jason Morgan scored from 8 yards out, Cass City had run 21 plays, all of them except for an 8-yard pass to Scott Iwankovitsch on the ground.

The Hawks took over the ball late in the first quarter and when the ball crossed the last white lines there was just 3:30 left in the first half.

That proved to be enough for the Tigers. It took less than a minute for the Tigers to score. Mike Hahn broke loose and scored from the 40-yard line to put his team back in the game. Charlie Gunsell added the extra points.

Caro tied the score on a 32-yard run midway in the third period and took the lead for the first time when Hahn broke loose for 32 yards.

A Hawk drive was

thwarted near the goal line by the Tiger defenders and when Pistro broke loose for 68 yards with about a minute and a half left, Cass City's last chance to open with a win went glimmering.

The Hawks were led on offense by Morgan, who carried 25 times for 116 yards, an average of 4.6 per carry. Pistro netted 115 and Hahn 109 for Caro.

Phillips racked up 70 yards with 3 receptions and also recovered a fumble for the Hawks. Phillips, Osentoski and Mac Connolly each had 7 tackles.

Cass City Caro	
First Downs	12 12
Rushing attempts	43 42
Rushing yards	174 308
Passes complete	7 3
Passes attempted	15 4
Passing yards	95 40
Fumbles lost	1 2
Penalties	3 5
Yards lost	25 50



PRESSURE DEFENSE was one of the keys to Cass City's win over Mayville. Applying the pressure in the front court to the Mayville ball handler is the Hawks' Karla Zinnecker.

CC-REESE

CASS CITY - Schember 5-1 (2-3) 15; Monroe 2-0 (3-4) 7; Caister 0-0 (1-2) 1; Zinnecker 1-0 (2-7) 4; LaRoche 7-0 (6-12) 20; Daniel 2-0 (1-2) 5.
TOTALS: 17-1 (15-30) 52

REESE - Daener 7-0 (0-0) 14; Rodammer 1-0 (0-0) 2; Manley 2-0 (0-0) 4; Wendland 5-0 (5-6) 15.
TOTALS: 15-0 (5-6) 35.

CC-MAYVILLE

CASS CITY - Schember 2-3 (1-2) 14; VanVliet 1-0 (1-5) 3; Monroe 3-0 (4-7) 10; Caister 0-0 (1-2) 1; Burns 1-0 (0-0) 2; Zinnecker 1-0 (0-1) 2; LaRoche 5-0 (4-6) 14; Daniel 3-0 (0-1) 6.
TOTALS: 16-3 (11-26) 52.

MAYVILLE - Barkowska 2-0 (2-2) 6; Brown 0-0 (1-2) 1; McKeller 1-0 (0-0) 2; Will 4-0 (0-0) 8; Stec 3-0 (0-0) 6; Robinet 2-0 (6-8) 10; Baldwin 3-0 (0-0) 6.
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Cass City can now regulate cable TV

Ordinance passed

Cass City officials will be able to regulate rates for basic cable television service following action at an Aug. 31 monthly meeting.

The Village Council approved a resolution petitioning the Federal Communications Commission for certification to regulate cable rates, as well as an ordinance outlining rate regulation.

The ordinance was adopted despite protests from C-TEC Cable Systems of Michigan, which provides cable service to 500

households in the village.

John G. Kopacka, regional systems manager for C-TEC, asked the council to approve several language amendments in the document as recommended by the cable company's legal counsel.

Among the proposed changes was a section that defines an increase in rates as a rate hike or a decrease in programming or customer services.

Kopacka asked that "decrease in programming or

customer services" be deleted. He explained C-TEC negotiates contracts with various broadcasters, and it's possible an individual channel may not be available for one reason or another. "We don't expect that to happen," he said, "but it could."

Kopacka told the council that if the language revisions aren't made, C-TEC will be unable to fully comply with the ordinance.

The council acknowledged C-TEC's objections, but approved the ordinance without changes.

ATTORNEYS ADVICE

Village President L.E. Althaver noted the Grand Rapids law firm representing Cass City and some 70 other Michigan communities in the cable regulation matter was contacted regarding C-TEC's concerns. He stated the law firm advised the council to approve the document as is.

Althaver commented the rate regulation issue has moved very quickly and is a complicated process, resulting in confusion for both local governments and cable companies.

Last week's action was approved in an effort to take advantage of an FCC order allowing municipalities to

regulate basic cable TV rates.

The order, approved under the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, came earlier this year and will go into effect Oct. 1, 1993. At that time, cable companies can be required to maintain rates at or below a "benchmark" figure to be set by the FCC for each community.

The rate regulation affects only "basic" cable service, composed of local TV stations and public, educational and governmental access channels.

Premium channels, such as HBO, will not be regulated. Expanded basic service, including channels such as CNN, ESPN and the weather channel, will be regulated only by the FCC, but only if a municipality or subscriber files a complaint with the FCC.

The law firm retained by the village urged the council to file for rate regulation certification and to approve a local cable rate regulation ordinance as quickly as possible.

RATES FROZEN

Currently, cable TV rates are frozen and will remain so until Nov. 15.

In communities whose filings don't become effective

until after that date, cable operators with rates below the FCC's benchmark formula may be able to raise rates to the maximum allowed by the formula, and the community loses the ability to reduce rates to their former level.

Further, where rates are above the maximum allowed, communities that act promptly will get reductions for their citizens.

Village officials said they expect to receive information regarding the benchmark rate for cable service in Cass City within the next 60 days.

In the meantime, C-TEC officials have announced a revamping of both the company's channel lineups and the rates charged to its customers. The changes were to go into effect Sept. 1.

C-TEC previously offered its customers one level of basic service consisting of

30 channels for \$21.95 per month.

As a result of regulation, the company now offers one level of basic service consisting of 14 channels for \$14.50 per month, as well as

16 premium "Customer Choice" channels for a package rate of \$7.45.

The Customer Choice channels may be purchased separately for \$2 per channel, but if a customer contin-

ues to take all 30 channels previously offered as basic service, the charge will remain at \$21.95. Officials also announced they will no longer charge for use of remote control devices.



STUPENDOUS SPUD—This Mickey Mouse look-alike was recently discovered by Josh Ouvry, 15, while cutting up potatoes for home fries at the Country Bumkins restaurant, which is owned by his parents, Angel and Brian Stomack.

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Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, September 9
Evergreen Township board meeting and hearing at township hall, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 10
Northern Lights Dance Club, 8 till 11 p.m., Cass City Middle School.

Saturday, September 11
Y.M.C.A. Thumb Dance Club, Free Dance, Sandusky Maple Valley School, 8:30 p.m. till 12:30 a.m. Music by Denny Ewald's Music Makers. Bring finger food.

Sunday, September 12
Greenwood School Reunion, 1 p.m., Elkton Civic Center, 33 N. Main, Elkton.

Monday, September 13
First PTA meeting, 7 p.m., High School Library.
Owen-Gage School Board, 7:30 p.m., Owendale.
Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m., Fire Hall.
Regular monthly meeting of Post 3644 V.F.W., 7:30 p.m. at the post hall.

Tuesday, September 14
Thumb Area Writers Club, 7:30 p.m. at First Methodist Church, Sandusky.
Girl Scout registration, 6-8 p.m., Campbell Elementary School.

Wednesday, September 15
Duplicate Bridge, 7 p.m. at Charmingont. Everyone welcome. Last week's winners Ken and Carolyn Martin.

Letters to the editor

Breast cancer focus of teleconference Sept. 30

Bone marrow transplant set

Brinkman family shares good news about Jamie

Dear Editor:

To all friends, neighbors and family who have donated time or money, or have been tested as donors in the bone marrow donation program...

blood during his bone marrow transplant. Sept. 7, he will be admitted to Harper for additional tests, chemotherapy and radioactive treatment. The actual transplant will take place Sept. 15.

Anyone wishing to donate to Jamie may do so by sending their donation to: Robert Brinkman Bone Marrow Fund, Acct. 67-42735, Community Bank, P.O. Box 109, Caro, MI 48723.

Officials with the Regional Educational Media Center #10, Cass City, and Thumb hospital administrators recently announced a breast cancer teleconference will be held Sept. 30 from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at REMC #10. The teleconference, entitled "Saving Lives and Dollars: Worksite Programs for the Early Detection of Breast Cancer," will provide practical information for businesses of every size on early detection programs.

than 50 percent of the American workforce. Late detection of breast cancer takes a toll on American businesses, not only in human lives but in hundreds of millions of dollars each year in lost days of work, hospitalization, employee replacement and retraining.

Wide variety of classes offered

The Cass City Community Education Department is ready for the fall school year with a wide variety of classes, Director Dorland Kuntz reported this week. Among them are a group designed to help with physical fitness. Included are the fitness factory, karate, beginning and intermediate clogging, beginning, intermediate and advanced western dancing, square dancing and ballroom dancing.

Business courses include word processing, database/spreadsheet, math, typing and bookkeeping, and estate planning. There is a Saturday morning gymnastics class for kids.

Predict drop in beef price

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In circuit court

5 enter pleas, 7 sentenced

Five people entered pleas and 7 others were sentenced last week in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

•Ronald R. Fifield Jr., 29, Caro, pleaded no contest to second degree criminal sexual conduct involving contact with a child under the age of 13 years Dec. 6 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation and HIV testing were ordered by the court, which set bond at \$20,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Thomas J. Cragher, 33, Vassar, was sentenced for a plea of guilty to attempted larceny of an antique mirror Nov. 14 in Vassar.

Cragher was sentenced to 2 years probation and 90 days in the county jail, and ordered to pay restitution of \$1,200, a \$200 fine, \$200 in court costs and a \$30 victim crime fee plus attorneys fees.

•Mark A. Jenkins, 32, Unionville, was sentenced to concurrent 240-day jail terms for pleas of guilty to 2 counts of writing a no account check. He was also ordered to pay \$400 in court costs and fines, a \$30 victim crime fee and attorneys expenses.

The case involved checks of \$19.74 and \$60 made payable to People's Choice Market in Cass City May 12 and 13, 1992, court records state.

•Robert K. Tonchen Jr., 18, Vassar, entered a plea of guilty during his arraignment on 2 charges of forgery involving checks of \$21.51 and \$25.54, made payable to Shop Rite, Vassar, June 2

and June 5.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Sentencing is to be set.

•Joseph Y. Davis, 50, Caro, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, June 13 in Juniata Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$250. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Randall E. Burgett, 34, Reese, entered a plea of no contest to second degree criminal sexual conduct stemming from a Jan. 31 incident in Fremont Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$15,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Thomas F. Ridley Jr., 17, Vassar, stood mute during his arraignment on a charge of second degree criminal sexual conduct alleging contact with a youth at least 13 years of age but under 16 years May 6 or 7 in Vassar.

A pre-trial hearing is to be scheduled in the case. Bond was continued at \$2,000.

•Marvin E. Milliken, 33, Vassar, was sentenced to 2 years probation and 60 days in jail (deferred to the end of probation) for his plea of guilty to attempted manufacturing marijuana May 28 in Vassar.

Milliken was also ordered to complete 180 hours of community service work or serve an additional 30 days in jail. He was also ordered to pay \$300 in court costs and fines, \$30 oversight and

victim crime fees, and attorneys fees.

•Jason E. Andrews, 19, Mayville, was sentenced to 3 years probation and 180 days in jail (90 days deferred to the end of probation), and ordered to pay \$1,000 in court costs and fines, a \$30 victim crime fee and attorneys fees for his plea of guilty to breaking and entering an unoccupied dwelling.

In addition, he was sentenced to 180 days in jail and \$200 in costs and fines plus attorneys fees for attempted larceny from a motor vehicle, and 90 days in jail on a count of conspiracy to commit larceny from a motor vehicle.

Andrews, who was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department, broke into a storage shed March 21 in Mayville, according to court records, which state the other counts involved the attempted theft of an amplifier, equalizer and a radio from motor vehicles Nov. 25 and March 29 in Mayville.

•David R. White, 20, Millington, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 180 days in jail (deferred to the end of probation) for his plea of guilty to attempted third degree criminal sexual conduct involving a youth at least 13 years of age but under 16 years June 29 in Vassar.

White was also ordered to complete 90 hours of community service work, and to pay \$200 in court costs and fines, a \$30 victim crime fee and attorneys expenses.

•Anthony J. Rocha, 30, Caro, was sentenced for a plea of guilty to malicious destruction of property stemming from a July incident in Caro involving a motor vehicle.

Rocha was sentenced to 3 years probation and 30 days in jail, with work release, and ordered to pay restitution of \$1,317, \$700 in court costs and fines, and a \$30 victim crime fee.

•Michael W. Swoffer, 20, Mayville, was sentenced for pleas of guilty to breaking and entering an occupied dwelling with intent to commit larceny, and 3 counts of larceny.

He was sentenced to 3 years probation and 270 days in jail (90 days deferred) on the first count, and ordered to pay restitution, \$1,000 in court costs and fines, a \$30 victim crime fee and attorneys fees. On the remaining charges, Swoffer was sentenced to 90 days in jail, to run concurrently, and \$200 in costs and fines plus restitution.

Court records state the charges stem from break-ins of residents in Cass City Dec. 30, Jan. 12 and Jan. 13, and in Gagetown Jan. 23.

Several arraigned in district court

The following people were recently arraigned on separate felony charges in Tuscola County District Court:

•Frank W. Magill, 67, Vassar, faces a charge of making a false certification of a certificate of title involving a motor vehicle March 11 in Vassar.

Bond in the case was set at \$1,000, and a preliminary examination was scheduled for 9 a.m. Friday.

•Lon L. Gallagher, 46, Mayville, was arraigned on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon (kitchen knife) Aug. 31 in Fremont Township.

Bond was set at \$2,000, and a preliminary exam was slated for Friday morning.

•Thomas J. Taylor, 37, Caro, is charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, driving with a suspended or revoked license and possession of an open intoxicant in a motor vehicle Sept. 1 in Caro.

His bond was set at \$5,000. A preliminary exam is scheduled for Friday morning.

•David A. Toner, 34, Flint, was arraigned on charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, subsequent offense, driving with a suspended or revoked license, presenting false identification to a police officer, possession of forged license plate, operating an unregistered vehicle, and unlawful use of a license plate.

The charges stem from an Aug. 28 incident in Millington, according to court records, which state bond for Toner was set at \$15,000. He faces a preliminary exam Friday morning.

MARSP rally slated

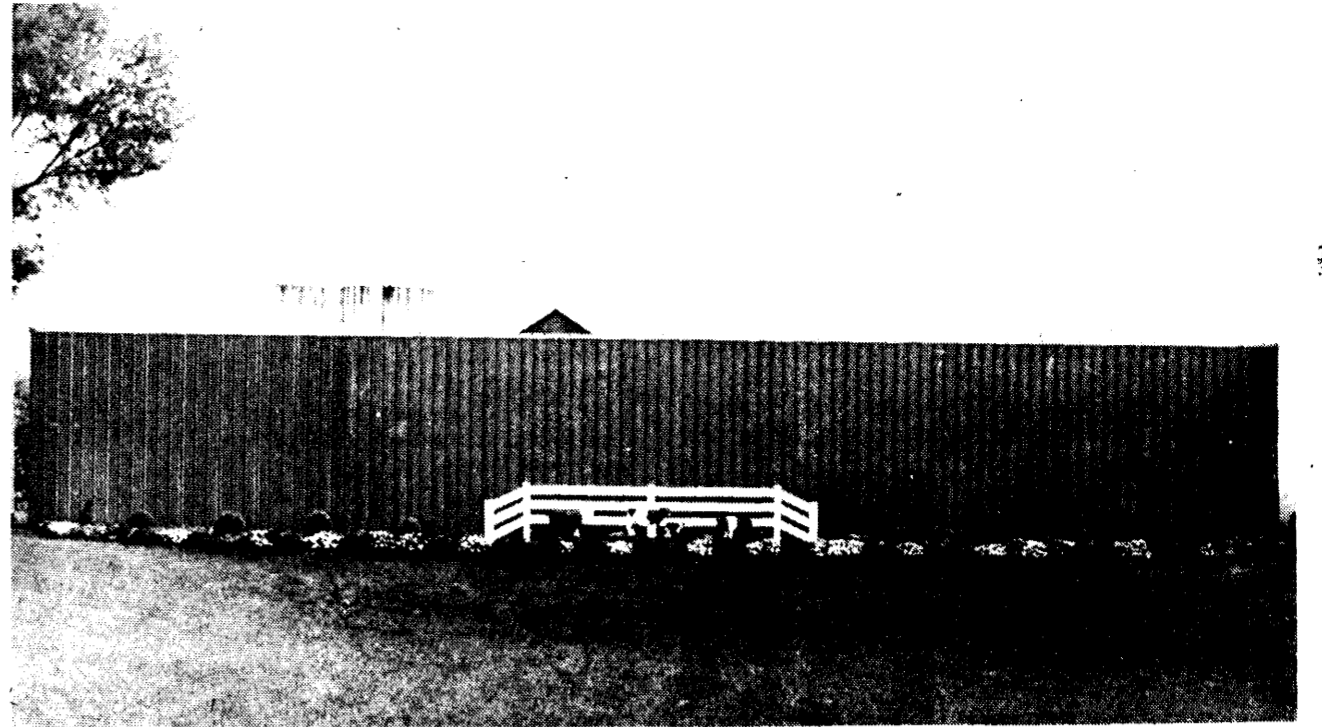
The Tuscola County chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (MARSP) is planning to join other members of MARSP in a massive rally on the steps of the capitol at Lansing Sept. 21. The purpose will be to demonstrate to the legislature that school retirees are opposed to the attempt to move from a "defined benefit" to a "defined contribution" system as proposed in House bills 4936 through 4948. By a march on the capitol the group hopes to convince the legislators, the media, and the general public that this is not the way to encourage and retain qualified school employees, and that we are fearful that our pensions and health benefits are at risk.

Arrangements have been made to travel by bus, leaving Vassar at 9:00 a.m. Sept. 21 and arriving back in Vassar about 5 p.m. Final plans must be made with Dorothy Hoover (517-871-9921) by Sept. 7. Cost will be \$10.00.

Completes training

Marine Pvt. Jason P. Griswold, son of Brenda K. Griswold of Snover, recently completed recruit training.

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An individual must report to the distribution site in person, if possible, to present his or her Yellow Surplus Commodity Registration Card. Anyone who is physically unable to attend may designate a substitute, who must present the card on his or her behalf.

Registration cards may be obtained from any HDC office in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac or Tuscola County. Call (517) 673-4121 for details.

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Cass City PTA's goal to improve education

One of the group that helped reactivate the Cass City Parent Teacher Association 3 years ago was Diane Ramsey of Cass City.

Since it was organized the PTA has had an active role in several school projects including fund raising for the new recreation equipment at the Campbell Elementary School.

Our goal, she says, is to bring parents and teachers together for a better education for our children. To that end, she explained, the PTA has scheduled several workshops this year.

Ramsey says that the biggest problem facing the organization has been membership and low attendance at meetings. People say they are interested, but they don't find time to devote to the group, she added.

Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month during the school year at Cass City High School.

Ramsey is a single parent of 4 children, 2 in high school and one in Campbell elementary. She is a 1973 graduate of Cass City High School.



2 provisions added to Disaster Program

President Clinton has approved 2 provisions pertaining to the Disaster Program and payments which local producers may be eligible to receive.

The first provision authorizes quality adjustments on a producers actual production of wheat, corn, oats, grain sorghum, soybeans, sunflowers and sugar beets which were produced in the years 1990 through 1992.

This means a producer may qualify for disaster payments if they had a significant reduction in the quality of any of these crops grown during that period. Qualifying producers have until Sept. 17 to sign up at their local ASCS Office under this provision.

The second provision authorizes disaster payments to be made on all crops grown in 1993 on which producers have suffered significant production losses.

The crop quality adjustment does not apply under this provision; only actual production loss. Producers that qualify for this program must file their disaster application before March 4, 1994.

Any producer wishing to qualify for the disaster program under either of the

provisions must have suffered a loss of more than 35 percent in production if the crop was uninsured.

Additional information is available by contacting your local ASCS office.

Kirsch serves on cruiser

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Ronald G. Kirsch, whose wife, Nancy, is the daughter of Bill and Joann Peruski of Uby, recently departed aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Normandy, homeported in Staten Island, N.Y., for a 6-month Mediterranean Sea deployment as part of the aircraft carrier USS America Joint Task Group.

The group will relieve the USS Theodore Roosevelt Aircraft Carrier Battle Group, its embarked special purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force and the USS Saipan Amphibious Ready Group.

Kirsch is one of the more than 12,000 sailors and Marines assigned to the Joint Task Group.

Area schools receive state aid increases

Most schools in Tuscola and Huron counties received good news under the state K-12 education budget approved by the Legislature Wednesday, state Rep. Dick Allen has reported.

The \$3.5 billion spending plan for the current school year marks Michigan's final property tax-based school aid budget.

"Although it took a lot of work to get this budget out even as late as it was, I am confident that it meets the needs of schools as we make the transition to a new funding system," said Allen, R-Caro.

In Tuscola County, the following schools received state aid increases above the 1992-93 level: Akron Fairgrove Schools, 2.5 percent; Caro Community Schools, 6.6 percent; Cass City Public Schools, 4.2 percent; Kingstown Community School District, 1.6 percent; Mayville Community School District, 8.5 percent; Reese Public Schools, 6.4 percent; Unionville-Sebe-

waing Area schools, 6.6 percent, and Vassar Public Schools, 1.5 percent.

In Huron County, Bad Axe Public Schools gained 8.3 percent; Caseville Public Schools, 4.0 percent; Church School District, 3.9 percent; Elkon-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools, 2.7 percent; Harbor Beach Community Schools, 2.6 percent; North Huron School District, 0.1 percent; Owendale-Gagetown Area Schools, 21.2 percent; Port Hope Community Schools, 3.4 percent; Bloomfield No. School, 19.7 percent; Bloomfield Township School District, 38.8 percent; Colfax Township School District, 51.1 percent; Sigel Township School District 3, 11 percent; Sigel Township School District 4, 7 percent, and Sigel Township School District 6, 9.2 percent.

In Tuscola County, Millington Community Schools are down 2.2 percent and in Huron County, Uby Community Schools are down 1.1 percent and Verona Township School District 1 is down 3 percent.

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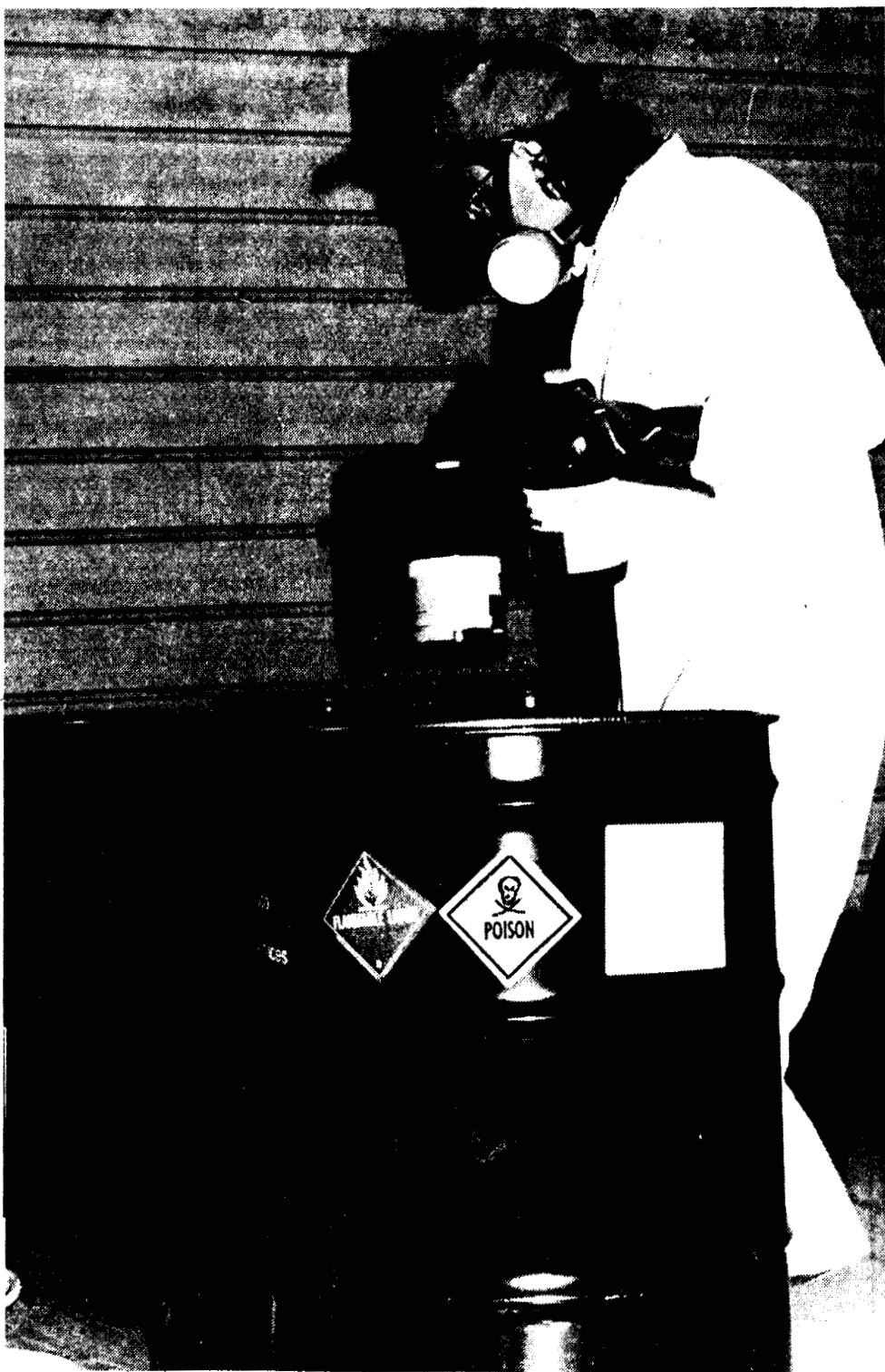
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Farmers dispose of toxic chemicals

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farm-related hazardous materials, although Thursday's collection — one of 7 scheduled this year on the eastern side of the state — was the first held in the Thumb.

The goal, Cabbage said, is to reduce the risks associated with hazardous chemicals.

"Obviously, it's the right thing to do, but the other thing is the liability of fire and underground contamination."

Cabbage pointed out it also provides farmers with an opportunity to dispose of dangerous chemicals at a greatly reduced cost. "These materials cost \$6 to \$7 a pound to get rid of if the farmer has to do it himself," he said. "We're paying less than \$2.50 a pound."

Along with set up expenses, transportation and personnel, Thursday's collection cost an estimated \$21,200.

"The funding is from the Environmental Protection Agency and MDA," Cabbage said. "The total program cost (this year) is \$180,000, and that covers 27

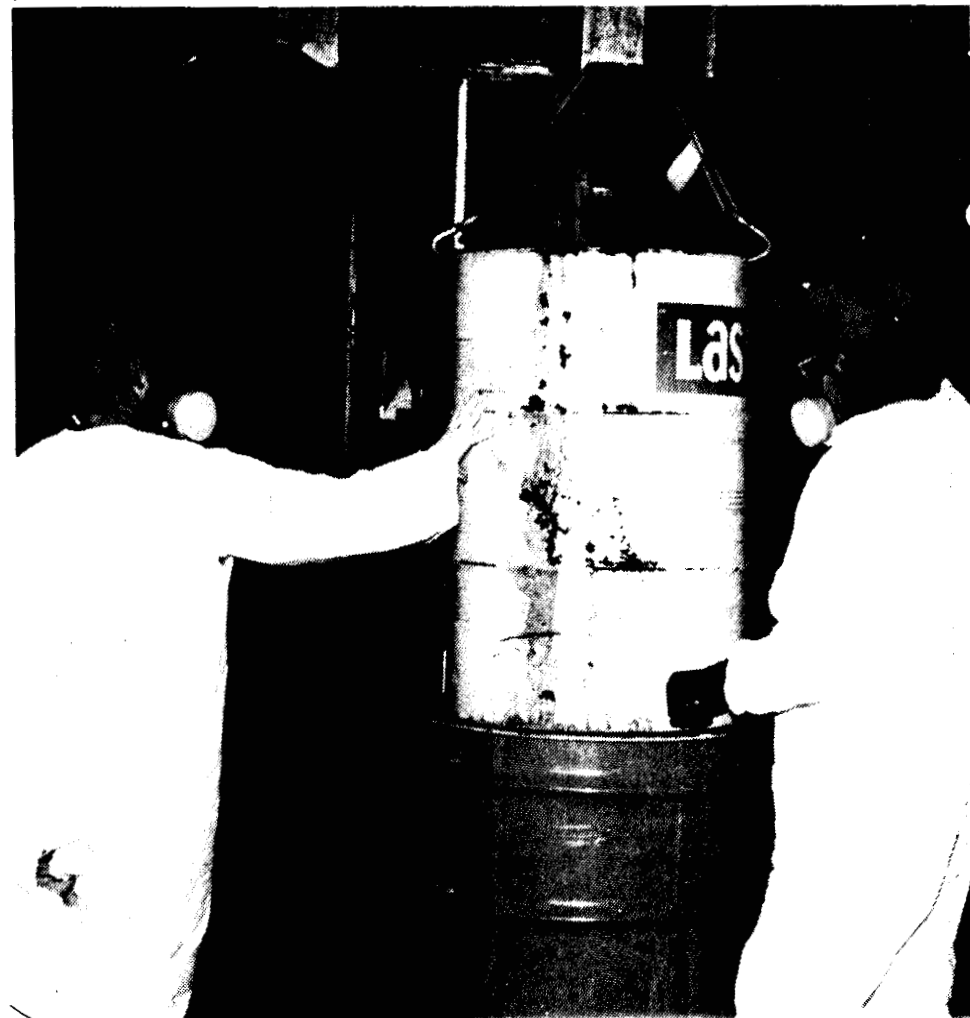
counties."

Sanilac County Cooperative Extension Director Martin Nagelkirk indicated he was pleased with last week's effort.

"For a first time, it's been a pretty good response," he commented. "We're hoping to do it the next couple of years, as long as the grant's available. I'm sure the weight (of materials collected) would double if we ran it again."

Nagelkirk said the success of the Thumb collection was a joint effort, with several agencies and businesses offering their assistance.

The Sanilac County Board of Commissioners agreed to act as the official recipient of the project grant, and officials representing Farm Bureau, Soil Conservation Service and Thumb health departments all played key roles, he said. In addition, Berger and Company, Deckerville, helped deliver some of the chemicals, and Cooperative Elevator Co. provided the collection site. "They let us move right in and take over," he added. "They've been great."



ENSCO WORKERS place an old barrel filled with hazardous farm chemicals into a new barrel to prevent leaks during transport.

SAFETY WAS A big concern Thursday as pesticides were placed in barrels at the Cooperative Elevator plant in Gagetown. The barrels were to be shipped to Arkansas, where they will be ground up and incinerated.

Owendale man charged with obstructing justice

Ronald Grady, 3225 Hartsell Rd., Owendale, was bound over to Huron County Circuit Court on 2 counts of obstruction of justice following a hearing Thursday in Sanilac County District Court.

The charges stem from an Aug. 13 incident at the

Huron County Fairgrounds, where it is alleged Grady threatened and intimidated 2 Huron-Lapeer-Tuscola Citizens' Grand Jury witnesses.

A trial date will be set. Grady remains lodged in the Huron County Jail in lieu of \$100,000 cash bond.

Kingston man injured in 2-vehicle accident

A Kingston man suffered minor injuries in a 2-vehicle accident Tuesday afternoon in Cass City.

According to Cass City police, Frank N. Easlick, 55, Kingston, was northbound on Seeger Street when a pickup truck, driven by Steven T. Zaleski, 24, Cass City, pulled into his path at the Garfield Avenue intersection.

Zaleski told police he did not see Easlick until it was

too late.

Elkland Township firemen responded to the scene and used the Jaws of Life to free Easlick from his vehicle. He was then transported by Cass City-Mercy Ambulance personnel to Hills and Dales General Hospital for treatment. Zaleski was not injured.

Both drivers were wearing seat belts when the 2:17 p.m. accident occurred, reports state.

New books at the library

MRS. BUDLEY FALLS FROM GRACE by Marion Chesney (fiction). When funds are particularly low at the Poor Relation Hotel (established by a small genteel group strapped for cash), one of the owners is dispatched to a country home of a distant relative to snitch some gewgaw worth pawning. Timid, widowed Mrs. Budley is sent off to the country home of a doddering, dying fellow who does not know his relatives from a bedpost. The gossip on this estate is old, and Mrs. Budley winds up captivated by the company of the young new heir. Of course, all ends well.

ALL ABOUT ATTENTION DEFICIT DISORDER by Thomas W. Phelan (non-fiction). Plain speaking from years of personal and professional experience, Phelan, who has helped many families master the discipline crisis with his 1-2-3 Magic workshops, tapes, and guide, gives specifics on ADD, from the early recognition of symptoms through diagnosis and treatment. While there is no cure, medication, counseling, and education can help individuals of all ages cope and master the behavioral, peer, and organizational problems typical of this neurological condition. Phelan supplies specific advice for behavior management in the home and in the classroom, as well as a necessary chapter on adults with ADD. The demands placed on schools and other institutions by the new American with Disabilities Act makes this lucid resource a must for libraries.

GETTING UNSCREWED AND STAYING THAT WAY: THE SOURCEBOOK OF CONSUMER PROTECTION by David Klein and Marymae E. Klein (non-fiction). Where to turn when faced with fraudulent car repairs, shabby mail-order merchandise, travel scams, and other common transaction woes is the focus of the Kleins' guide. In telling consumers how to seek redress, the authors also point out how to avoid getting ripped off in the first place. The proper channels for complaints are outlined, including manufacturers, local courts, state attorneys general, and state and federal consumer protection agencies. The Kleins do emphasize that consumers must take responsibility for product research and price evaluation, but "cumulative complaints play an important role in cleaning up the marketplace."

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Jorg Kimmes

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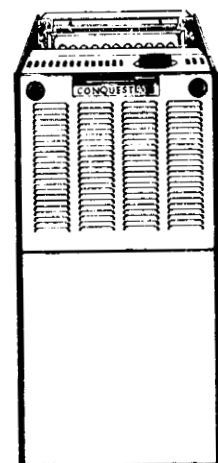
This week's student of the week is Jorg Kimmes, an exchange student from Germany. Jorg is in the 11th grade. His interests are soccer, tennis and golf. Jorg's host parents are Carl and Jenny Zawilinski.

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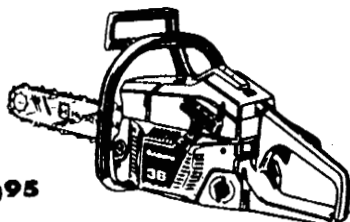
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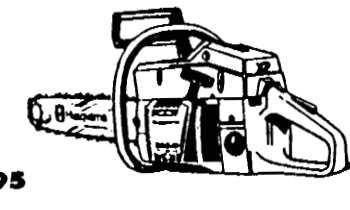
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