Three more property offers made to county commission

By Mark Haney | Reporter

CARO — First there was one. Then came a second.
Now there are five offers of space for the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners to consider.

This started months ago, when Mark Ransford, representing Ransford-Wask LLC, offered to lease the former People’s State Bank building, 171 N. State St., to house a number of county offices, as well as an auxiliary courthouse.

The county commissioners then sought bids from others and received one, from Putman County Judge Amy Grace Gierhart sentenced Denton, 33, of Bad Axe, to two to four years in prison after he pleaded no contest to a pair of felonies. A no contest plea is not an admission of guilt, but is treated as such for sentencing purposes.

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110 YEARS AGO
January 25, 1912

Mr. and Mrs. Max Zenke welcomed a second little girl to their home Tuesday morning, Jan. 16. Max wears a broad smile and says the tiny lady is to be called Marion Louise.

John F. Palmer surprised his friends this week by selling his grocery stock to Albert R. Meredith and T. A. Ealy Evans.

The Johnson-Slocum Co., makers of steel horse collars and steel fireless ranges, are doing a big business this year and their products are shipped all over the country.

J.M. Miller of Ross Crossing recently set a new record in the price of potatoes, selling a carload for $1 a bushel. The highest previous price was 95 cents.

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SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION — The $1,496,000 Mayville High School building is slowly taking shape, despite the deep snow and bitter cold weather which has hampered the progress of workers. The new facilities, built just south of the present school, are being financed by a $1,000,000 bond issue. From the January 26, 1897 edition of The Advertiser.

125 YEARS AGO
January 15, 1897

W.H. Carpen and his wife are moving into Dr. Richardson’s residence on Sherman Street.

Andrew Richards lost his Clydesdale stallion “Adagio” this week. He was valued at $400.

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The railroad has discontinued the minimum rate for small packages and has dropped back to the 25 cent rate. Too many packages were sent by express.

But for the extreme cold weather the new telephone line to Fairgrove would have been completed this week. The line to Cass City will be ready in about two weeks.

W.L. Parker is filling one of the big Heart ice houses and will supply the Caro public with ice superior quality next summer. Last Monday afternoon Dr. Ryan found it necessary to amputate both feet of young Hawley, who is accused of murdering Farmer Brown at Millington, and who, in getting back to Detroit after the deed, had his feet badly frozen.

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CARO — Shelly Lutz doesn’t want to wait for the U.S. Supreme Court.

The nation’s highest court is mulling the validity of a U.S. Occupational Health and Safety Administration emergency temporary standard requiring vaccinations or weekly testing for any business or organization with 100 or more employees. The order requires businesses with at least 100 employees to have unvaccinated workers wear masks and prepare a written coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccine-testing policy. Businesses also must determine the vaccination status of each employee, obtain proof of vaccination and maintain a list of employees and their vaccination status.

Lutz, the county’s human resources director, knows that ruling could apply to the county, so she suggested the county begin to build a roster of employees showing their vaccination statuses. That way, she said, the county both would have started the process if the high court uphold the OSHA order and would have begun a good-faith effort toward compliance to keep both OSHA and the Michigan Occupational Health and Safety Administration from imposing fines.

There would be a $13,653 per-person, per-violation fine. If the court never rules, OSHA would give us to react to it,” she said, “if it’s approved, she said, “I’ve heard so many questions about it just this last week.”

“She is hard to get right now,” she said. “I don’t know how we’d do that.”

“Whatever the court says we have to do it, that’s when we do it. Until then, not at all. I don’t care what OSHA says or what MIOSHA says.”

“We’re not doing anything,” District 5 Commissioner Tom Young said.

“Here’s my view,” District 5 Commissioner Dan Grimshaw said. “When the courts say we have to do it, that’s when we do it. Until then, not at all. I don’t care what OSHA says or what MIOSHA says.”

“We’re just announcing that we have to have some kind of good-faith progress, that’s all.”

Barbould said there still is a lot that could happen between now and Jan. 24, including additional litigation.

Under the Supreme Court halts the OSHA rule, businesses and organizations have until Feb. 9 to ensure that all unvaccinated employees undergo COVID-19 testing on at least a weekly basis and refrain from entering the workplace if they test positive. And MIOSHA already has said it will enforce the OSHA rules.

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- Customers in Sebewaing; and Bad Axe Party Store at 969 E. Pine St. in Pigeon, 46448.

- Those in Washtenaw and Washtenaw County Jail, where he is charged with storing weapons and equipment at a crime scene.

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- “It’s in the best interest of the state that the expansion would convert more acres from habitat to farmland, polluting the air and water, and releasing more greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, according to a June 13, 2019 article by Emily Moon in Pacific Standard magazine. Not all states have embraced E-85 fuel. While 442 stations in Minnesota – the highest number in the nation – sell E-85, only four stations in Oregon, and only three in Washington, sell it.


- Increased sales of E-15 and E-85 in Michigan would slash carbon emissions, save families money at the pump and fuel Michigan’s economy for decades to come,” Corey said.

- “The evidence that was obtained clearly demonstrates that the defendant is an extraordinary risk to public safety,” Reene said. “And while he tells everybody else he is innocent, as evident, as the different levels of information came forward, on that (it’s fortunate) there was not a horrific tragedy.”

- Reene disputed that Denton was only interested in urban intimidation tactics on the premises and targeting the home.”

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Development, for a floor of the new medical building being constructed at 1000 W Caro Road. That proposal, for 7,327 square feet at cost of $38 per square foot, didn’t fit the county’s specifications because it is outside the Caro city limits, but the commissioners kept it in consideration.

On Monday, at their Committee of the Whole session (at such meetings, the commissioners can consider and discuss issues and ideas, but can take no action), three offers stepped up to offer buildings, even though none of them had responded to the county’s initial request for bids. At Michel offered the free use of the two-story building at 133 S. State St. that once housed the Elbow Room. Rene Wood formally offered to lease, to sell or to rent out the former Elbow Room to the county. And the owner of the former Big Boy in M-81 west of Caro, and across the highway from the Putman medical building, offered the use of that structure.

The latter told building and grounds supervisor Mike Miller he would offer a bid that he knew the county would consider buildings outside the city limits, as it did with the Putman medical building.

To clarify all of this, the commissioners asked Miller to talk with attorney Eric Vaughan said. Commissioner Kim Morris to determine what the county legally can do and then to evaluate each potential building and bring back a recommendation for the commissioners to make.

Even though the former Elbow Room has been empty for years, since the Elbow Room closed, the building and its contents were cared for by the city of Caro. Michel said the building has a roof that is only four years old and the windows are new. Michel said the building has 7,900 square feet of space, and the former Big Boy has 3,000 square feet. “You could drive a car in there if you wanted,” he said.

He’d give the building to the county, free and clear, to use it for county offices.

The building doesn’t meet Americans with Disabilities Act requirements and would need infrastructure to add the 60 gigabyte per-second fiber connection required by the county. An elevator alone would cost at least $300,000 to add. Bill Putnam of Putnam Development offered to fund the ADA alterations and would bid for the work.

“We would change the county would want to make to the building,” Michel said. “It is a gamble and it isn’t going to break anybody’s bank,” Michel said, noting there are parking lots near county staff to use even though there’s no parking adjacent to the Elbow Room.

“I just figure the county offices should be in downtown Caro,” he said. “We’re the county seat.

“This is probably the first time in history of the board that someone has ever brought forth a free building,” District 2 Commissioner Thomas Bardwell said. “If I am wrong, please correct me.”

Wood acknowledged the county has been given a great offer and “I would support any offer you make for this space,” she said. “I just ask that you consider my property because I think it is a great deal for the county.”

Her property, she said, would require less investment. she’s asking $296,900 it because it is all one level, is ADA compliant already and includes an adjacent 50-by-60-foot pole barn that can be used for storage. “And it is right next to property the county already owns,” she said, citing the neighboring Mosquito Abatement facility.

It also has abundant parking and because it is on 2.7 acres of land also would allow for expansion of the building, up to 30,000 square feet. Both the building and pole barn have new roofs. As presently, however, the building offers only 2,000 square feet. The county’s specifications were for at least 3,500 square feet of space.

“I think it might be a good fit,” she said. Miller said he and the owner of the Big Boy also said his building is not big enough but is interested in the offer.

District 4 Commissioner Doug DuRussel said he wants to look at what the Michel building has to offer. “I think we need to look at all of the proposals,” District 1 Commissioner Tom Young said, “and decide which offers the most bang for the buck for the taxpayers of Tuscola County. We need a building that is going to serve our needs and not tax the taxpayer.”

Hardwell said they need to ask Morris of the building if they can consider all five, since two of them are outside the city and three of them came in after bidding was closed, adding the county may need to put a second request for bids to see if anyone else wants to offer a building.

“We have five proposals now,” Young said. “If we put it back out for bids and we get five more we’ll have 10 options to consider.”

District 5 Commissioner Dan Grinnell said the county may have to “go back to square one and start all over again” seeking proposals because “we’re living in the city outside the city.” The more knowledge we are getting about the (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) 70% money, it also gives us more (forcing) options than we thought we had to begin with,” Young said.

But he said he prefers a “permanent resolution” at the county of what the resolution will be. “I think we have some options that will fill that need,” Young said.

“I think the commissioners will be looking to Miller, Bardwell and Wood for the best answer to the question.”

“We could keep it open, and we could look at this for another six months,” District Commissioner Kim Ransford said.

Ransford, who is in charge of county land, said the building is 6,500 square feet of space at a cost of $38 per square foot agreed having Miller this building. And if any offer makes the county pay for this building. “All I ask,” he added “is to you trust your opinion.”

TUSCOLA COUNTY

County urged to start process to abide by vaccine order

FROM A3

unvaccinated, untested workers have to be removed from the workplace.

“I could afford not to have people come to work,” Young said.

These requirements would not apply to those who work remotely or those who work mostly outdoors. But if a worker is riding in a vehicle with another county employee, they’d both have to be masked.

If it passes, Lutz said, the county would have eight hours to show good-faith efforts.

“You can decide which county you’d like to live in,” Lutz said.

“But they just don’t know everything is available. That’s what’s going to be in it because that seems to be the direction it will take.”
Customers pound car, help school’s team

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pennies, such as Flint’s 7-year-old Melody Hamilton — who was visiting her grandmother, Linda Williamson — and was provided a standard hammer to pound on the junk car.

Robots team members are coach Andrew Tallman, Victoria DeKalita, Alyssa Fabbro, Gavin Genow, Emily Graham, Evan Hankins, Lucas Hunter, Addison Kodrick, Alivia Perez, Mishon Pore, Dreyden Sousa, Jacob Sylvester and Nicholas Tallman.

Photo by Greg Hall / The Advertiser

Nolan Villalobos, a 2021 Vassar High School graduate, works on smashing the motor of a junk vehicle in the school parking lot Friday. The fundraising event generated $700 for the school’s robotics team.

Vassar High School sophomore Nicholas Tallman, member of the school robotics team, does his part to smash up a junk car at a Friday fundraiser netting $700 for the robotics team.

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Gavin Genow, Vassar High School robotics team member, damages the engine of a junk vehicle at a fundraiser Friday night outside the school. Robotics team members, from left, Nicholas Tallman, Jacob Sylvester and Evan Hankins look on.

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Exam set for man who beat woman, 69, with shovel

By John Schneider
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CARO — A man who was sentenced to 20 to 100 years in prison had his sentence tossed out and is back in the Tuscola County Jail awaiting further proceedings.

Investigators have said Brent W. Geesey, in July 2016, robbed a 69-year-old woman and beat her with a shovel at her Millington home. Two years later, after multiple psychiatric exams and a stay at a mental health facility, Geesey was handed a prison sentence that would keep him behind bars for at least two decades.

Since the incident, defense attorneys have questioned if Geesey, now 30, was mentally fit to understand he had committed a crime, or mentally competent to stand trial.

Geesey had pleaded no contest to armed robbery causing injury. But in the summer, his plea and prison sentence were vacated, and he was ordered back to the Tuscola County jail where charges were reactivated.

Geesey is housed in the county jail, but at a Wednesday hearing in front of Circuit Judge Amy Grace Gierhart, Tuscola County assistant prosecutor Erik Wanink asked the court to allow Geesey to participate in an independent psychiatric evaluation.

Gierhart allowed the request.

The allegations

On July 12, 2016, in the village of Millington, Geesey entered the home of a 69-year-old woman that he knew previously. Police say that while Geesey was in the home, he forced her to write him a check for $250 and then hit her multiple times with a shovel. He also bit her.

The woman lived alone and Geesey had done odd jobs around the house for her in the past, for which he received payment, investigators said. She suffered serious injuries in the assault, including multiple lacerations to her face and head.

After the assault, the victim managed to crawl to a telephone and dial 911, according to court records.

Geesey was arrested soon after and charged with armed robbery causing serious injury, assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, assault with a dangerous weapon and assault and battery.

In March 2018, about 20 months after the incident, Geesey entered a plea of battery.

So the prosecution is asking for an independent psychiatric evaluation, Wanink said. “And so we have conflicting opinions.”

In February 2019, Geesey was sentenced to 20 to 100 years in prison and was sent to St. Louis Correctional Facility.

Geesey’s case was picked up by the Michigan State Appellate Defender Office (MSADO).

“(Geesey) was appointed an attorney who challenged his competency to stand trial at the time he accepted his plea,” Wanink said. “Along comes an expert who in December of (2018) said (Geesey) was not competent to enter a plea.

After his evaluation, Geesey will have an independent (psychiatric) interview,” Wanink said. “So the prosecution is asking for an independent psychiatric evaluation. He is housed in the county jail, and will eventually undergo another psychiatric evaluation.

Wanink said that after the incident, Geesey was sent to the Michigan Center for Forensic Psychiatry in Saline, where mental health professionals determined he was incompetent to stand trial, but that he had restored to competency through treatment. Geesey was admitted to a mental health facility and in November 2017 again went to the Center for Psychiatry, where officials deemed him competent.

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Since the original sentence

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Reese ‘keeps chopping’ to overtake Hatchets

By Scott Bolsby | sports@tcadvertiser.com

BAD AXE — Reese coach Justin Shepherd has a long list of basketball memories at Bad Axe High School, and he added another on Wednesday. His Rockets defeated the Hatchets 67-57 in the first key matchup between the two Greater Thumb West giants.

“I’ve been coaching in the area for 10 to 15 years, I played in here and even had a district game played here,” Shepherd said. “I have memories in this gym. I knew it was going to be an exciting game. Bad Axe has gotten so much better over the last two seasons. We knew this was going to be a rivalry game, sometimes it doesn’t turn out how you want it to. Tonight and I’m proud of every guy in that locker room.”

“Defensively, I thought we pressured the ball great, and we denied,” Pickell said. “I don’t think there is anyone in the area that has more 18-footers than that program and we are working on getting him more 19- and 20-footers to turn those long 2-pointers into 3-pointers.”

Shepherd expressed how happy he was with the comeback by the Rockets, who fell behind early on the road.

“They stuck with it tonight,” he said. “Sometimes when you come out cold and in a rival’s gym, sometimes it doesn’t turn out good for you. They didn’t let that happen tonight and I’m proud of every guy in that locker room.”

Bad Axe went up 16-13 to end the first quarter before the Rockets fell behind early on the road.

“I was proud of my boys. They keep chopping wood, keep figuring out a way to get to the next play and get a stop,” Shepherd said. “I talked to the guards during shoot-around at halftime and then I told Jake he had to step out a little bit more and give the defender more room to recover and we have to be looking for you.”

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Jake Rau led Reese with 23 points.

“I thought there was a couple times Jake passed on shots and a couple times we had one more pass to get it to him and we didn’t see it,” Shepherd said. “I talked to the guards during shoot-around at halftime and then I told Jake he had to step out a little bit more and give the defender more room to recover and we have to be looking for you.”

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“Other girls have stepped up with Maddi injured, including Sarah Gray who had 16- and 22-point performances heading into Tuesday’s game against Bad Axe,” Pickell said. “We have a nice long weekend after Laker on Thursday and Gray isn’t playing at 100-percent right now, but we are hoping that with some time off this weekend she can recover and get back to it.”

The Rockets held Bad Axe’s key scorers in check, allowing a team-high 13 points for Kate Clancy while Sophie Shuart scored six.

“Defensively, I thought we pressured the ball great, and we denied,” Pickell said. “When we pressure the guards, it makes...”

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it difficult for them to get the ball inside. I thought our post players did a great job with their bigs, especially on (Katherine) Himmel.

“I told our post girls that they played a great game defensively. Himmel has been doing great all year and they stepped her from scoring anywhere near where she was usually scoring.”

Low-scoring affairs have been popular in the GTW conference during big matchups, something that Pickell stressed has changed the GTW conference during big matchups, usually scoring.”

“They return to nonconference action Tuesday at Freeland. “I’m not going to lie when I say I’ve spent about the last week scouting Bad Axe, so I have not even looked at Freeland,” Pickell said. “We are just taking it one game at a time, but in general, I know they have a very good program and that it will be a tough game for us. I know our girls very tough game for us. I know our girls will be ready to play whoever is in front of us.”

“We have six seniors and a nice junior class that is coming together,” Pickell said. “These are the games we practice for, and we’ll continue to be ready to play whoever is in front of us.”

“Levi Foss, Markey. Troublesfield and Jesse Stricker scored 10 points each for the Rockets. Troublesfield, one of Reese’s premier scorers, struggled to find his shot on Wednesday, but changed the game in different ways. “I preached to Markey in the fourth quarter that there are so many other ways he can affect the game,” Shepherd said. “I told him whether it be a loose ball battle, a pass, a rebound or a steal, and we saw all of them from him and he changed that lead for us without making a bucket.”

Shepherd applauded the Bad Axe defense and acknowledged how his team learned a lot from the early games, and I hope we can take the lessons we learned in those games forward against teams like Bad Axe.”

“D’Carlos Sageman led the Hatchets with 16 points, while Aaron Sowles added 15 and Noah Kervin chipped in with 10 points. “Bad Axe’s record the past couple of seasons has really improved,” Shepherd said. “They are who they are, and they have a really fine program up here.”

“The two teams square off for a rematch on Feb. 4 at Reese. “We have six seniors and a nice junior class that is coming together,” Shepherd said. “These are the games we practice for, and we’ll continue to be ready to play whoever is in front of us.”

“Reese (7-1, 2-0) returns to action Monday at Saginaw Valley State University for the Louis O’Neal MLK Classic against Croswell-Lexington, with tipoff scheduled for 3 p.m.”
Great wintertime combination

Flintlocks and snowshoes — a
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When it comes to wintertime adventures, I always thoroughly enjoy attending the annual MOWA (Michigan Outdoor Writers Association) Winter Rendezvous, which is held at various sites throughout our great state. In 2011, it was held on the shore of Lake Michigan near the small town of Onekama where our host was the very quaint and charming Castaways, a bed & breakfast inn. It was after reaching the rabbit hunting site in the nearby Quasqueton State Forest and donning my warmest winter gear that I realized I needed some more serious footwear.

Boone, for instance, did use a long rifle throughout his career as it was a necessary tool for his trade, which was mostly market hunting for whitetail deer as the main target, but he also hunted elk, black bear and the occasional bison. In this arena, the longer reaching rifle was a key asset to success. However long rifles were expensive, and unless you were a professional (big game) hunter willing to make the investment, a rifle was a bit out of reach for the average person trying to carve out a living and survive on the frontier. The most common used firearms on the frontier was in fact the smoothbore, or what we refer to today as a shotgun. Just as the name implies, a shotgun had a variety of hunting avenues today, so was the smoothbore flintlock of yesteryear. It could be loaded with fine shot for bagging small game and waterfowl, buckshot for larger game, or a single lead ball for reaching out a bit further on large game. A popular self-defense load was called “ buck and ball” as it entailed a section of buckshot loaded with a large lead ball, making it a highly lethal and nasty combination by any standard’s day.

The versatility of the smoothbore flintlock was why this type of firearm was so popular with Native Americans. Being primarily hunter/gatherers, Native Americans needed their firearms to be able to cover a wide variety of hunting applications, which was key to their survival. Thus the creation of the smoothbore trade gun developed from this in mind. Due to its availability and affordability, the trade guns (as well as surplus, smoothbore military muskets) were quite popular with American settlers as well.

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2. ADVERTISING SLOGANS: Which restaurant chain has the advertising slogan, “Have it your way”?
3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president whose likeness appeared on a U.S. coin?
4. TELEVISION: What is the family’s last name in the “Family Ties” sitcom?
5. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase “lupus in fabula” mean?
6. GEOGRAPHY: What did the city of Mumbai, India, used to be called?
7. MOVIES: Which movie features a character called Rooster Cogburn?
8. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century novel features a type of language called “newspeak”?
9. SCIENCE: What temperature is the same on the Celsius and Fahrenheit scales?
10. FOOD & DRINK: Where was Coca-Cola first sold?

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Answers

1. “Carrie”
2. Burger King
3. Abraham Lincoln
4. Keaton
5. The wolf in the story
6. Bombay
7. “True Grit”
8. “Nineteen Eighty-Four,” by George Orwell
9. -40 degrees C and and -40 degrees F
10. Atlanta

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**ACROSS**
1. Even
5. Apply cream
8. “The Good Earth” heroine
12. “Please go ahead”
13. Baseball stats
11. Tennis barriers
14. Reduced-rate postal delivery
15. The National Pastime
16. Circus structure
17. Carpe diem
18. Scalawags
20. Basilea areas
22. Diving duck
24. Soccer legend
26. Bucking gizmo
28. Greek letter
29. Not — out of place
30. Scull need
32. Looks
34. Applied cream
36. Flushed
37. Baby’s father
38. Diva Streisand
39. Signed
40. Diva Streisand
41. Costumes
42. Pitcher’s tactic
43. Chemical suffix
44. Leader Bobby
45. Back muscle,
46. USN officers
47. Baby’s father

**DOWN**
1. Bar bill
2. “— tree falls —”
3. UFO crew
4. One of the Ramones
5. Cannon of film
6. Mailman’s rival
7. Reduced-rate postal delivery
8. Canada’s capital
9. Actor Schreiber
10. Green Gables
11. Girl
12. Tennis barriers
13. Baseball stats
14. Composting equipment
15. Arctic area
16. Air freshening equipment
17. Olympic Park, Atlanta, Georgia
18. Rising
19. Composting equipment
20. Phone, dial
21. Mobile
22. Mobile
23. Black Panthers
24. Lead singer
25. Appreciative
26. Rich soil
27. Snow cargo
28. Grade-school basics
29. Flushed
30. Hang loose?
31. Diving duck
32. Scull need
33. Baby’s father’s
34. Signed
35. Fed. food inspector
36. Lowering gizmo
37. Modern art
38. Back muscle,
39. [Answer]
40. Back muscle,
41. [Answer]
42. Grip strength
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CLASSIFIEDS
MEETINGS/ EVENTS

FRIENDS OF MUSIC SERIES: January 28th 12 p.m. Wendy Chu - Piano held at Presbyterian Church of Caro.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY 421 meetings are held the second Thursday of the month at 4 p.m. at the Unionville American Legion Hall.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 411 meets the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at 248 W. Main St., Mayville.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 7 meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

CARO CHAPTER #96 Royal Arch Masons meet the second Thursday of each month in the Masonic Temple, 156 N. State St., Caro.

CARO LIONS CLUB meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m. at the Temple. Membership applications available. Call 989-673-5588 for more information.

MI #221 MEETING chapter Thursday at 6 p.m. at Bayshore Beauty Academy, 326 W. State St., Caro. Call 989-551-3546 for more information.

TOPS CLUB 122 VASSAR meets Wednesday at Ivan Middleton Hall, 1007 Lane St. Weigh in from 8-8:30 a.m. meetings at 9-9:15 a.m. For more information, contact Shirley at 989-823-8607 or Diana at 989-224-1549.

TOPS CLUB 182 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 6-7 p.m. at the Renaissance Building. For more information, call Carol at 989-673-4023 or Connie at 989-673-4644.

TO SAFETY (VET TO VET) meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. at the VFW plaza next to former Ace Hardware Building. These meetings provide a chance to talk to other veterans about their experiences while serving and bringing veterans together to learn about available benefits. Referrals are provided. For more information, call 989-673-4188.

VFW POST MONTHLY MEETINGS: VFW Post 4104, Caro, second or 3rd Wed., 3 p.m. VFW Post 3644, Cass City, second Monday, 7 p.m. VFW Post 1088, Mayville, second Monday, 2 p.m.

VFW Post 7406, Fairgrove, first Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Village Hall in Almont, VFW Post 4837, Marlette, third Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. American Legion Post 87 meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at 110 W. Frank Street, Caro.

SELF HELP

Alzheimer and Family Caregiver support and education group meets the second Tuesday of the month from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Huron County Development Commission Intergenerational Building, 430 Monroe Ave. in Caro. For more information, call Susie at 989-673-4121.

Al-Anon Family Group (A.F.G.) – Find help if your life is being affected because of someone else’s excessive drinking. There are regular meetings in the Thumb area. For more information, call the MI Thumb Area AFG at 989-912-5478. (CARO) Meeting every Monday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 503 State St., Caro. (VASSAR) Monday meetings at 7 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church, 885 S. State St., Caro. For more information, call 989-577-9464.

Alcoholics Anonymous – meetings, 7 p.m., every Thursday and Friday at 9 p.m. for Huron and Tuscola Counties go to www.tauz.ca.

AmVets Post 6188 meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Veterans of Foreign Wars, 150 Nogent Road, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merri at 989-673-4121.

American Legion Auxiliary - meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 1005 E. Saginaw St., Vassar. For more information, contact Sue at 989-327-5604 or Lee at 989-790-7533.

Caregivers Support Group (CARO) is held from 6-7:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Caro Area District Library. This is an opportunity to receive emotional support, develop feelings and discuss solutions. (VASSAR) is held from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. the third Thursday of each month at the methodist Church, Vassar. For more information, call 989-673-4121.

Celebrate Recovery every Wednesday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Anchor Cove Church, 1163 S. State St., Caro. A Christ-ian-based 12-step program for your hurts, hang-ups and habits led by Rome Brain and Ben Freitas.

Grandparents Anonymous (weekl-ly on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Marlette Meth-odist Church – open to all grandparents.) Call 989-365-2170 for more information.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren: Kinship Care grants are available in Tusco-la and Huron counties. Kinship caregivers must be 55 or over, live within these coun-tries, have some type of legal custody of the grandchildren ages 0-18. The grants may be used for clothing, toys, personal items, special needs for the children. Administered and funded by the Huron Devel-opment Commission and the Region VII Area Agency on Aging. Call the Huron Devel-opment Commission at 989-673-4121, ext. 1709.

Grief Support Meeting is held the third Wednesday of each month at Cairo Woman’s Commons, 1601 W. Gill Road, Caro. For more information, please contact Chaplain Don Killey, 989-673-4121. Family Grief Support Group is held from 12-2:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at the Holiday Inn Express in Bad Axe, 553 S. Main and Kilgour Streets. For more information, contact Susie at 989-673-4121.

Narcotics Anonymous – For information, call 1-800-342-6525.

Stepping Up AA Group meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Fridays at the Sacred Heart Parish Building, 910 W. Frank St., Caro.

Support for groups affected by sui-cide will be provided at the Huron County Senior Center, 156 N. State St., Caro on the first Tuesday of every month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. If you’re interested in attending or for more information, please call Lisa, 308-782-3577 or Lisa.Lentz@nsb.com.

Thumb Compassionate Friends is a chap-ter of a national self-help group offering support to families who have suffered the loss of a child at any age. Meetings are on the second Tuesday of every month at the Community Church of Christ, 201 E. Deckermeyer Drive, Caro, call Dave 810-376-2001 or visit the website TuscolaCounty.org.

Tuscola Multiple Sclerosis self-help group meets on the second Monday of each month at Mayville United Methodist Church, 601 E. Oliver Rd. (M-24) for 1-2 p.m. Family members and close friends of those with MS are also encour-aged to attend. The church is barrier-free. For more information, call Robert Brown at 989-673-3444 or Lee Ann Kilmanek at 989-673-8522.

The community calendar is available in full at: TuscolaCounty.org/Calendar.
Marlette rallies to squash Yellowjackets

By Scott Bolsby | Sports Editor

MEMPHIS – Trailblazing 5-2 after the first quarter, Marlette rallied to score a 29-22 Greater Thumb East conference win over Memphis here on Thursday. The Red Raiders tied the game 11-11 entering halftime before ousting the Yellowjackets 18-9 in the second half.

Ciatlysis Keys led all scorers with 10 points while Huffie Hutchwel added seven points. Marlette (4-2, 1-1) returns to action on Tuesday at Brown City.

Cardinals can’t keep up with Panthers; fall on the road

By Scott Bolsby | Sports Editor

DEEP RIVER TWP. – Lilly Sherman scored 19 points as Millington pulled away from Standish-Stearling Central here on Wednesday. Sherman added eight rebounds and four steals. Trinity Fessler had 13 points, four rebounds and four steals while Reese Gohman chipped in with nine points and grabbed four rebounds.

Millington (2-3, 1-0) led in the first quarter before the Vikings; fall on the road.

FAIRGROVE TWP. – A Rylee Hooper leads Cass City gymnasts at invite

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CROSWELL – The North Branch girls’ basketball team scored a 19-point victory here on Thursday over Blue Water Area Conference rival Croswell-Lexington. The Broncos led 5-2 after one quarter, 15-4 at halftime and 19-9 entering the final stanza.

Cate Welch led North Branch with 10 points while Maci Kaake added seven. Bailey Gormley and Natasha Bickel contributed six points apiece.

North Branch (5-4, 3-2) returns to action on Tuesday traveling to Imly City.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

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Accepting nominations for 2021 Citizen of the Year and Jr. Citizen of the Year

CARO — The Caro Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for the 2021 Caro Citizen of the Year and Jr. Citizen of the Year, in which honorees have been selected annually for the past 50 years. Nominations will be taken regarding the person’s accomplishments and their unparallel dedication to service and the betterment to the Caro Community. Please include your contact information and their significant contributions toward positive promoting the community in both word and action.

The nominee should be an individual who resides in the Caro area and positively impacts the other contact information in the nomination letter.

Important. Please submit a letter listing the information you are aware of regarding their accomplishments along with your contact information. A committee from the Chamber of Commerce will review the nominations and select the recipients. The Chamber plans to honor the winners at the annual Citizen of the Year dinner on Saturday, March 5, 2022, at the Caro Knights of Columbus. This student needs to be academically talented, an outstanding citizen and have high morals and values. Involvement within the school, church, community and workforce is also important. Please submit a letter listing the information you are aware of regarding their accomplishments along with your contact information. A committee from the Chamber of Commerce will review the nominations and select the recipients. The Chamber plans to honor the winners at the annual Citizen of the Year dinner on Saturday, March 5, 2022, at the Caro Knights of Columbus.

If you know someone deserving, letters of nomination should be addressed to:

Caro Chamber of Commerce
101 State Street, Suite 101, Caro, MI 48723.