Memorial Day fire destroys Wells Twp. garage, camper

WELLS TWP. — Firefighters from four departments responded to a Wells Township structure fire Monday afternoon, stopping the blaze before it did much damage to a nearby house.

Crews were notified of the fire at 1744 S. Murray Road in Wells Township— at about 3:45 p.m. “When I got here the shed was fully engulfed and the camper was on fire,” said Caro Fire Chief Randall Heckroth. “Once the engine got here, we put an attack line between the house and shed. They put up a water curtain, which stops that heat, and then they shot the house with the other hose.”

The house is about 15 feet north of the shed, which also acted as a garage, and while it suffered some damage, firefighters were able to limit it to a minimum.

“We took another attack team into the house after the fire had already reached it,” Heckroth said. “And they stopped it right there. So we limited it to a minimum.”

No one was injured as a result of the blaze.

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Arbela Twp. puts brakes on marijuana law -- for now

ARBELA TWP. — Where marijuana is concerned, Arbela Township is satisfied with the status quo.

The township board voted May 9 to have the planning commission stop work on a marijuana ordinance. The township has opted out of commercial marijuana sales, production and processing in the township. This ordinance would have regulated marijuana growth by medical users.

“The final word on a marijuana ordinance is with the board,” he said. “At this point we are just going to let it ride,” he said. “We can always address it later.”

The board also:

■ Decided to refuse purchasing tax foreclosure property on Pine Court in the township hall.
■ Signed a three-year contract with Mac Assessing Services of Traverse City, Michigan.
■ Agreed to pay $19,200 the first year of a one-year contract with the firm.
■ Authorized Hunt to obtain bids on a garage and a concrete slab for the building.
■ Learned the new police car has been ordered.
■ Learned the township sold a tractor at a foreclosure property on Pine Court in the township hall.
■ Reappointed Gary Woelzlein and Patricia Jewell to three-year terms on the planning commission.
■ Authorized the township to amend a property tax statement for 2002.
■ Authorized Hunt to bid on a propane company for gas for the township hall.
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Hugh Walker

Cass City grad Hugh Walker defies adversity, percentages

CASS CITY — For Hugh Walker, walking up on stage Thursday evening to receive his high school diploma was totally natural.

He had worked hard, like fellow students, over the course of his 12 years at Cass City Public Schools, and now it was time to take the natural leap into adulthood.

Just like his graduating classmates. But family members know Walker’s journey was far from normal.

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To: Editor

From: Mark Haney

Subject: Learning to ‘fly’ -- a sincere wish for the Class of 2022

In time, his father asked him why he wanted this particular career. There was more money in the business than in his father at the time. And for a long time he thought he'd tell you his father as a sign of a lack of faith in his ability. He didn't have a different lesson.

The father’s question is one you hear often: ‘What career are you going to make so many of the people in your life.’ The answer is not, ‘I’m going to make a career out of it.’ Because you will be making a career out of it, and so on. So the father asked him - and it didn’t sound good to him - ‘Not really, he told his father at the end. But then he learned the Air Force. They were things lining that man’s walls. He realized he hadn’t read the history in the books he’d read.

He was not going to be an engineer or a beautician, and life was going to be something else. He couldn’t do it. So at the age of 16, he set his sights on becoming a pilot. He was inspired by the books he’d read about early flyers like Amelia Earhart and Charles Lindbergh. He also inspired by a classmate with a pilot’s license while still in high school.

But he didn’t have the money to do that. So, even though he was a contractor and a chauffeur at the joints given by others – especially if they thought they were capricious and he didn’t have anything in life. For the better part of a school year he worked and learned. And what he learned was no amount of work was going to help him master college-level calculus and physics. He was not going to be an engineer of any kind. But his son would, becoming a computer engineer who creates the computer systems that line those man’s walls. He looked for another path. He considered a business major, so he then could take over his father’s business when he retired. He would hang a career in the law because he wasn’t interested in the clinical cases during classwork in a business law class. He considered an English major but decided against it. He was a student of his English professor, and realized he hadn’t read one tenth of the books lining that man’s walls. He wondered about becoming a history teacher because he enjoyed reading the books he’d read.

Some of those really landed. They were things simply felt he could do, but not things he really wanted to do.

Then a fellow student -- nearly a complete stranger to him -- offered a small suggestion. It came without prompting. It came without a name. He didn’t think it pointed him in a direction he’d never considered.

But it fit him like a glove.

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Cass City grad Hugh Walker defies adversity, percent ages after grim prognosis as baby

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“I was in the first day of the 22nd week (of pregnancy), and they kept telling us that a viable pregnancy isn’t until 24 weeks,” Rebecca Walker said. So Rebecca fought to keep the baby inside of her, and on June 15, baby Hugh was born at just over 24 weeks – a pregnancy, the baby’s birth was far from full-term, which is about 40 weeks. Hugh weighed 21 ounces and the prognosis for survival was grim.

“Hugh’s vital statistics were not very good,” said Ryan Walker. “The survival rate was in the 10 percent range. There were brain issues. We’re very blessed none of the problems got worse.”

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May 28, 2003

Ryan and Rebecca Walker were both teachers with the Cass City school district when, on May 28, 2003 – while Rebecca was teaching her third-grade class – she began feeling sick.

“I was very uncomfortable throughout the day, and I was sitting still, having my students bring me my teaching materials,” Rebecca Walker said. “But I didn’t know what was happening. The doctor said the baby was going to come in, but it’s probably nothing. And by the time we got to Saginaw, they said ‘OK’.”

Ryan was a coach for the Cass City varsity football team, taking in the baseball diamond when he was contacted by his wife. The two got into a car and headed for Saginaw.

“We got there, and it was bleeding a lot,” Rebecca said. “We didn’t know until we got there. The doctor said the baby’s head was right there. He could come out at any minute and there was nothing they could do. They were just trying to keep a lot of blood and that they would try to save my life.”

The rest of the family, left the hospital and Ryan climbed in bed with me so we could have time alone with him.”

Covenant officials explained to the Walkers the funeral process for infants who die at the hospital. Hugh was born on June 15, but his parents were not allowed to hold him until he was two weeks old – when he still weighed less than two pounds.

COMING HOME

Rebecca remained in the hospital with Hugh for three weeks after he was born. The doctor in the neonatal unit was with him, and only members checked in with Hugh constantly when he was in the neonatal unit and in the time between his birth and discharge.

“When Hugh’s life progressed, so did his prognosis.”

“At Covenant, (Dr. Cha) Soonhaeotorkk is the only one who was early as being in the neonatal unit, were confident after we left about his weight, check points and milestones that everything would be pretty normal,” Ryan Walker said.

Hugh was discharged in October 2003, but his parents still had ongoing rules.

“They tell us no germs. Keep him away from everyone and stay isolated until June 15, April – June to April,” Rebecca Walker said. “He couldn’t go to the grandparents’ houses. And then, in April (2004) we were told to get him a cute outfit and take him to church for Easter.”

“So that was his first outing.”

GRADUATION DAY

Hugh Walker walked onto the stage at Cass City High School gymnasium Thursday and was greeted by his father. The two embraced. Ryan Walker explained that he attended a class called senior seminar, which prepares seniors for their post-high-school life. He presided over the graduation ceremony.

In the audience were Rebecca – who now teaches creative arts at Cass City Elementary School – and younger siblings Claire, 13, and Oliver, 11.

Hugh’s experience growing up is quite different than that of his family. At his recollection, his childhood was completely normal.

“I don’t remember anything,” he said. “And I really don’t think about it a lot.”

When he was younger, Hugh was taken to church and for Easter. And then, for a pig hunt. It was a graduation gift from his grandparents. I got a pig too. It was a big one, about 250 pounds.”

Hugh stayed busy during his high school career. He ran track and field and cross-country for Cass City, until a back injury sidelined him his senior year.

He is also an entrepreneur.

“My grandpa helps me sell firewood; we’ve been doing it for about four years,” Hugh Walker said. “I take down trees, chop the wood and sell it. I made enough over the years to buy my first truck.”

Hugh was the 2019 Cass City High School chess champion, but his true passion is hunting.

“I can’t forget to mention hunting season.” Hugh Walker said. “I love hunting. I went down to Kentucky two months ago for a pig hunt. It was a graduation gift from my grandparents. I got a pig too. It was a big one, about 250 pounds.”

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

The same week he graduated, Hugh began working for Kappen Tree Service, a Thumb-based tree-removal and trimming business that services the area and southwest Michigan.

Taking the position was years in the making. For the past two years, Hugh has worked for Bartlett Arborist Supply, near Marlette, which is owned by Kappen Tree Service.

“(Hugh) wanted to work with us, so his grandma confronted me a couple of years ago and asked if there was anything I could do,” said Kappen Tree Service owner Jason Kappen. “We got him on the right track so when he graduated, he’d be ready to go.”

Kappen prohibits employees from being on the tree-cutting and tree-trimming teams until they graduate from high school, so as soon as his graduation was official, Hugh made the move from the store to the field.

“We had him work in the warehouse and around the gear and had some of the employees are what kind of work ethic he has,” Kappen said. “And it’s worked out very well.”

Hugh is presently finishing his commercial driver’s license training so he can drive a Kappen utility truck.

“It’s something I’ve always wanted to do,” Hugh Walker said. “I plan on working there for a long time.”

Kappen said he was familiar with Hugh’s premature birth, but only recently learned how serious the issue was at the time.

“You’d never know it,” he said. “It’s full of energy, honest, hard-working, always on time, a pleasure to be around.” added Kappen. “He’s just a wonderful kid, has a great attitude, and in a breath of fresh air in today’s society.”

“Summary

Hugh Walker is a 19-year-old Cass City grad who defies adversity, percent ages after grim prognosis as baby.

Hugh was born at just over 24 weeks, weighed 21 ounces and had a slim chance for survival. This photo was taken shortly after Hugh’s June 2003 birth. It shows Hugh’s foot alongside the hand of his father, Ryan Walker.

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Wells Twp. garage, camper

Memorial Day fire destroys assistance and the Caro Police Department in case any first responders needed medical Response unit was on site as a precaution responded to the scene. A Mobile Medical Kingston and Mayville fire departments nearby home to a minimum. Monday afternoon. The structures were destroyed but firefighters kept damage to a blaze.

Firefighters were aided by a pond that sits Firefighters from the Caro, Fairgrove, crews remained on scene for a couple of hours, making sure all of the hot spots inside the shed were doused. The shed and a camping trailer parked in the driveway near it were destroyed.

“Unfortunately, the river has stayed pretty clean.” said Robert Zeilinger of the Cass River Greenway group. “And just see how things go.”

Other than one of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic years, the group has hosted one every year since 2008. The cleanups have started in the sections of the river closest to the connection with the Saginaw River and have moved steadily north. So from upstream of Cass City to past Bridgeport has been cleaned and cleared. The group noted there may be some trash remaining in a section upstream of the M-46 launch, but probably not enough to organize a full-scale cleanup.

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The volunteers working on the annual cleanups, he said, have picked up years’ worth of debris dumped in and around the river. And that, in part, is one reason why the river is staying clean.

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The cleanups, he said, have encouraged people to get out on the river. Doing so, he said, also made people more aware of the river and the need to keep it clean.

“Once you get out on it and enjoy it a little bit,” he said, “I think attitudes change and they want to keep it nice. So I think it has been a positive thing for the health of the river.”

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Congratulations Drew Schipinski
Cass City to limit online learning next fall

By Mark Haney / Reporter
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CASS CITY — Two years ago, all students in Michigan were learning online. That diminished in the fall, when schools could return to in-person learning. But virtual education has not gone away. The Cass City Public Schools intends to offer virtual learning for next year, but with some limitations. The district's board of education, at its May 23 session, considered offering it at the elementary, but students would need a medical note in order to continue.

“The primary reason is that we would like to do what we do best, with in-person instruction,” Superintendent Allison Zimba said. “And we’d like to push that as much as possible but we do understand that there are medical cases where we’d like to be able to offer virtual.”

The high school also would continue to offer the option, Zimba said, though primarily for medical reasons as well. The program has worked well, she said, for the 30 students in the program now. “So we’d like to continue that.”

A decision, however, was tabled until June so the board can look at test scores of the students currently in the virtual program before acting.

The board also:

■ Tabled until June the completion of Zimba’s evaluation. The board had a closed session with Zimba, who has been superintendent for only a year, to begin her evaluation. She said they had hoped to complete it before the start of the regular meeting but that didn’t happen. She said that was due to if being the first time for her as superintendent.

■ Approved the Tuscola Intermediate School District’s 2022-23 budget. The principals’ ratings this year.

■ Will host the Truth-in-Taxation hearing at 6:30 p.m. June 27.

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The village’s Department of Public Works employees use that truck regularly to clean storm drains and sewers. It’s also used to locate lead water lines. Powell said this particular experience also has village staff looking at its vehicle fleet in a new way.

The truck is approaching the end of its useful life, she told the council, and needs to be replaced. The Vactor – a vacuum designed to pneumatically suck liquids, sludges, slurry, or the like from places such as storm sewers into the tank of the truck – is really surprised.

“The village’s truck was bought 10 years ago and was given, at that time, a 10-year life span. The truck part isn’t the problem. “It’s not necessarily the truck components itself,” she said, “but the whole vac unit, that is, the BIG vacuum that has been breaking down.”

“It is feeling its age.”

The high cost and long time line put the village in a frame of mind on the Vactor. Rather than purchase new, the village does refurbished, and after adding village staff to look into refurbishing the existing truck.

“It just goes to show what we are experiencing with all sorts of equipment, supplies and products with the supply chain delays,” Powell said.

Powell said this particular experience also has village staff looking at its vehicle fleet in a new way.

“We really need to look at our fleet replacement requirements in a different light,” she said. “We need to be more proactive on our planned capital purchases and evaluating what costs to refuel, again, exhausts and lead times are longer than normal.”

The council said:

- Agreed to pay Nicols and Sons of Cass City $1,855.00 for paving and spread asphalt rolled off Woodland and North Seiger streets onto Scott McGregor Drive in the Municipal Park. The money will come from capital improvement funds originally intended for financing at the softball fields.
- Powell said that project will get moved back a year. The milled asphalt, spread in a 3- to 4-inch layer, will be cut down another 3-4 inches below the curbstone and placed there until it is actually pulverized, she said.
- “At first it is going to be a little bit difficult to work around the different construction stages and the material being placed there until it is actually pulverized,” she said, “and then it is rolled, pared and shaped. But, in the end, say after a season of freezing, it will be a much better surface for our park.”
- Renewed for one year, starting July 1, the employee life insurance coverage with Sun Life Assurance at a cost of $22,713.
- Agreed on a new five-year agreement with Eastern for garbage service. The current contract expires in August. The cost will be $13,85 per house in 2022-23, $13.45 per household in 2024-25, $14.26 per household in 2025-26 and $14.49 per household in 2026-27. The current rate of $12.82 per household is being raised by $1.44 per household.
- Approved the $24,000 bid by Creative Concrete of Cass City for 3,000 square feet of sidewalk repairs. Dean Alexander Concrete of Cass City bid $24,976 for the same work. The bid includes 1,500 square feet along the Main Street business district and about 300 linear feet between Nicile and West streets on the north side of Main Street.
- Set the 2022 millage rate at 18.0587 mills.
- Signed a three-year agreement with Powell, who earned $77,506 in 2019. She was supposed to get merit increases under the old agreement, but lived under a pay freeze and never was evaluated during that time. “If (the new contract) is more conducive to a typical city manager contract,” she said.

It’s summertime, we’re all in a hurry to do get somewhere, and it seems every road is getting worked on! Some of us get frazzled and start rationalizing some self-maneuvers on the road. The solution is to just become a bit more relaxed and wait a bit.

Getting injured in an auto accident is serious stuff and when you’re at fault it’s bad enough that your actions could lead to the injuries of others, it’s also super likely that you’ll face some hefty fines and what you pay for auto insurance will increase.

Driving is a privilege and a responsibility. Safe driving comes from everyone following the rules. Of course, it helps if you know the rules and you keep cool behind the wheel. Thanks.

From left, RJ Stevenson, Advertiser Publisher Tim Murphy, “Bear” Stevenson, Naomi Stevenson and Maggie Stevenson stand in front of a picture of The Advertiser’s first press. The four children recently toured The Advertiser, Classic Rock 102 and Heritage Press.

The homeschooled students reported radiology, buttoning, tours of various departments of a newspaper and also asked questions about all the printing machines in Heritage Press. They are the children of Chris and Megan Stevenson.

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Getting injured in an auto accident is serious stuff and when you’re at fault it’s bad enough that your actions could lead to the injuries of others, it’s also super likely that you’ll face some hefty fines and what you pay for auto insurance will increase.

Three important points under Michigan law: (1) a moving violation can be considered an act of negligence, (2) if you’re negligent and cause an accident, you’re at fault, (3) being even ‘a little’ at fault means you can’t get used for a ‘little’ of a jaw-dropping huge number! Here’s are some situations to reconsider when you’re getting wound up on the road.

Running a yellow light. When the light turns yellow you must stop unless it is dangerous to do so. You CAN get a ticket for running a yellow light. Therefore, if you cruise through a yellow light and cause an accident, the act would very likely be considered negligent and that means you’re at fault.

Merging onto a highway. When you’re the one getting on the highway, you don’t have the right of way. This means you’re responsible for safely merging on to the highway, not everyone else! If you fail to yield to a vehicle that has the right of way, and there’s an accident, you’re negligent and at fault.

Cass City — Boy, some energy is expensive these days.

And the Cass City council knows that all too well.

The council learned May 24, from village manager Deb Powell, that the village’s Vactor truck has been having issues lately. The truck is approaching the end of its useful life, she told the council, and needs to be replaced. The Vactor – a vacuum truck designed to pneumatically suck liquids, sludges, slurries, or the like from places such as storm sewers into the tank of the truck – is really surprised.

“The village’s truck was bought 10 years ago and was given, at that time, a 10-year life span. The truck part isn’t the problem. “It’s not necessarily the truck components itself,” she said, “but the whole vac unit, that is, the BIG vacuum that has been breaking down.”

“It is feeling its age.”

The high cost and long time line put the village in a frame of mind on the Vactor. Rather than purchase new, the village does refurbished, and after adding village staff to look into refurbishing the existing truck.

“It just goes to show what we are experiencing with all sorts of equipment, supplies and products with the supply chain delays,” Powell said.

Powell said this particular experience also has village staff looking at its vehicle fleet in a new way.

“We really need to look at our fleet replacement requirements in a different light,” she said. “We need to be more proactive on our planned capital purchases and evaluating what costs to refuel, again, exhausts and lead times are longer than normal.”

The council said:

- Agreed to pay Nicols and Sons of Cass City $1,855.00 for paving and spread asphalt rolled off Woodland and North Seiger streets onto Scott McGregor Drive in the Municipal Park. The money will come from capital improvement funds originally intended for financing at the softball fields.
- Powell said that project will get moved back a year. The milled asphalt, spread in a 3- to 4-inch layer, will be cut down another 3-4 inches below the curbstone and placed there until it is actually pulverized, she said.
- “At first it is going to be a little bit difficult to work around the different construction stages and the material being placed there until it is actually pulverized,” she said, “and then it is rolled, pared and shaped. But, in the end, say after a season of freezing, it will be a much better surface for our park.”
- Renewed for one year, starting July 1, the employee life insurance coverage with Sun Life Assurance at a cost of $22,713.
- Agreed on a new five-year agreement with Eastern for garbage service. The current contract expires in August. The cost will be $13,85 per house in 2022-23, $13.45 per household in 2024-25, $14.26 per household in 2025-26 and $14.49 per household in 2026-27. The current rate of $12.82 per household is being raised by $1.44 per household.
- Approved the $24,000 bid by Creative Concrete of Cass City for 3,000 square feet of sidewalk repairs. Dean Alexander Concrete of Cass City bid $24,976 for the same work. The bid includes 1,500 square feet along the Main Street business district and about 300 linear feet between Nicile and West streets on the north side of Main Street.
TUSCOLA COUNTY

**Gas thieves target Juniatia Christian bus**

By John Schneider

AKRON TWP. - Two gas thieves recently struck aJuniatia Christian School bus, according to Tuscola County's Elmwood Township.

A sentencing date will be set.

Circuit Court

Christopher Allen Dicks, 35, of Caro, pleaded no contest to domestic violence (third offense). A sentencing date will be set.

Gilbert Herman Freeman, 54, of Caro, pleaded no contest to second-degree criminal sexual conduct. A sentencing date will be set.

Ryan John Horchbach, 25, of Lapeer, was sentenced to 40 days in jail – deferred – with credit for 20 days served for possession of methamphetamine (second offense).

Dean Lee Pueett, 57, of Vassar, pleaded no contest to operating while intoxicated (third offense). A sentencing date will be set.

Enrique Palomares, 64, of Milford, pleaded no contest to operating while intoxicated (third offense). A sentencing date will be set.

Gerald Thomas Baker, 63, of Saginaw, was sentenced to one year in jail with credit for 95 days served for delivering/manufacturing of methamphetamine (second offense). He is to be placed on three years of probation and was ordered to pay $948 in costs and assessments.

Ryan Lee Rathje, 31, of Elkton, pleaded no contest to third-degree fleeing a police officer and being a felony offender (second offense). He was sentenced to one year in jail – delayed – for delivery/manufacture of marijuana.

Charles David Allen III, 34, of Flint, pleaded no contest to assault with a weapon and being a felony offender (second offense). He was sentenced to one day in jail with credit for one day served for possession of a firearm while operating while intoxicated.

Jacob Andrew Komperda, 24, of Saginaw, pleaded no contest to all charges. He was sentenced to be placed on three years of probation (offense). He is to be placed on three years of probation and was ordered to pay $2,477 in restitution and $548 in costs and assessments.

Errol Stephen Kotynia, 45, of Reese, pleaded no contest to two counts of domestic violence.

James Nathaniel McKaissak, 44, of Cheboygan, pleaded no contest to assaulting/resisting/obstructing a police officer with weapon/weapon, resisting/arresting/resisting/resisting arrest and malicious destruction of personal property.

Cody Adam Thomas, 39, of Flint, was sentenced to 180 days in jail – deferred – with credit for 85 days served for operating while intoxicated (third offense). He is to be placed on three years of probation and was ordered to pay $3,130 in costs and assessments.

Jen Coughlin, 27, of Lapeer, was sentenced to 180 days in jail – deferred – with credit for two days served for operating while intoxicated (third offense). She is to be placed on three years of probation and was ordered to pay $3,856 in costs and assessments.

Rebecca Marie Luna, 45, of Kingston, was sentenced to 90 days in jail – deferred – with credit for 20 days served for operating while intoxicated (third offense). She is to be placed on three years of probation and was ordered to pay $4,140 in costs and assessments.

Justen M. Watkins, 26, of Ann Arbor, was sentenced to four years, eight months to six years in prison for conspiracy to deliver/manufacture of marijuana and possession of a firearm while committing or attempting to commit a felony.

Jacob Andrew Komperda, 24, of Milford, was sentenced to four to 28 years in prison with credit for 274 days served for assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder or manslaughter. He was ordered to pay $258 in costs and assessments.

Aaron Nathan Ward, 33, of Vassar, was sentenced to 675 days in jail – deferred – with credit for 162 days served for first-degree home invasion. He is to be placed on three years of probation and was ordered to pay $758 in costs and assessments.

Jared Preston Hodge, 21, of Caro, was sentenced to 150 days in jail – deferred – with credit for 128 days served for possession of methamphetamine/ cortexolone and two to 20 years for operating while intoxicated.

Timothy Joseph Block, 41, of Saginaw, was sentenced to one year in jail – delayed – for delivery/manufacture of methamphetamine (second offense). He was ordered to pay $698 in costs and assessments.

Monique Leslie Combs, 31, of Saginaw, was sentenced to one day in jail – delayed – with credit for one day served for possession of a controlled substance.

Angela Christine Pringle, 55, of Caro, pleaded no contest to assault with a deadly weapon without using a vehicle. A sentencing date will be set.

Mark Allen Karrvat, 45, of Vassar, was sentenced to four years, eight months to six years in prison for conspiracy to deliver/manufacture of marijuana and possession of a firearm while committing or attempting to commit a felony. A sentencing date will be set.

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MDARD offers consumers advice on safe mosquito control this summer season

With warmer summer weather finally making its appearance, Michiganders are urged to remember to take precautions against mosquitoes, ticks, and the diseases they carry. The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) is providing guidance for safely choosing and using insect repellents and insecticides.

Mosquitoes are annoying and potentially dangerous pests. They often seem to appear overnight and can spread dangerous diseases like West Nile virus and eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) through their bites. However, with an early summer mosquito prevention strategy, you can limit mosquito bites and disease spread.

““One of the most effective and inexpensive ways to prevent mosquitoes is dumping standing water on your property at least once a week,” said Brian Verhougstraete, MDARD’s Pesticide Section Manager. “Mosquito larvae live in water and can spread dangerous pests. They often seem to appear overnight and can spread dangerous diseases.”

MDARD recommends the following to reduce mosquito populations:

- **Drain standing water sources**: Mosquito larvae live in and can spread dangerous diseases. They often seem to appear overnight and can spread dangerous diseases like West Nile virus and eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) through their bites. However, with an early summer mosquito prevention strategy, you can limit mosquito bites and disease spread.

- **Use insect repellents**: Insect repellents applied to the skin are one of the most popular and effective ways to control mosquitoes. They can be applied to the skin and help prevent mosquito bites.

- **Avoid using insect repellents on children**: Insect repellents should not be applied on children’s faces or around the mouth.

- **Use insect repellents that contain DEET**: DEET is the only insect repellent that has been proven to be effective against mosquitoes.

- **Use insect repellents that contain permethrin**: Permethrin is one of the most effective insect repellents and can be applied to the skin.

- **Use insect repellents that contain icaridin**: Icaridin is a safe and effective insect repellent.

- **Use insect repellents that contain p-methane-diol (PMD)**: PMD is one of the most effective insect repellents and can be applied to the skin.

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2. MUSIC: When did The Archies’ “Sugar Sugar” hit the No. 1 spot?
3. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What does the Greek translation of rhinoceros mean?
4. MOVIES: Which movie features the song “Raindrops Keep Fallin’ on My Head”?
5. LANGUAGE: What is the American English equivalent of the British English phrase “drawing pin”?
6. U.S. STATES: Which state’s nickname is the Yellowhammer State?
7. HISTORY: Who is believed to be the first to draw a world map, in 6th century BC?
8. AD SLOGANS: Which company advertised its product with the one-word description “Fahrvergnugen”?
9. GEOGRAPHY: How many states are in Australia?
10. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century novel starts with the line, “They’re out there”?

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Answers
2. 1969
3. Horned nose
4. “Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid”
5. Thumb tack
6. Alabama
7. Greek academic Anaximander
8. Volkswagen. It’s German for “driving enjoyment.”
9. Six
10. “One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest”

Posting Date May 30, 2022
ALLEN JOHN MERCHANT
CASS CITY

Gloria Celia Schad
CARO

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SAMANTHA AUTUMN WHITEHAIR
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Visitiation: 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2022 in Kraunz Funeral Home, Cass City and 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, 2022 in Cass City United Methodist Church.

Arrangements by Kraunz Funeral Home, Cass City, Michigan

ALLEN J. Merchant, age 80 of Cass City passed away peacefully Saturday, May 21, 2022 in his home. Allen was born February 22, 1942 at home in Cass City, the second of five children to Clifton David and Mary and Elizabeth (Lemanski) Merchant.

At an early age, Allen began participating in working on his family’s produce and cattle farm using harnessed mules. Allen planted and harvested the fields until he graduated from Cass City High School in 1955. While attending high school, Allen excelled in football earning the title of Captain as well as varsity letters.

After high school, he worked at Walbro as an engineering technician. Allen also purchased his first parcel of land and began his lifelong career in farming. He farmed until December 1960 when he was drafted into the U.S. Army and stationed in Germany. While there he received an occupational specialty of construction machinery operator with the Army Corp of Engineers.

In May 1962, Allen was honorably discharged from the military and returned to Cass City to continue farming. On August 26, 1967, Allen married Carol (Jane) Merchant at Cass City Missionary Church. Together, Allen and Jane built their family home on Merchant Farms in 1970. Allen achieved his private pilot license in February 1977. He served as a trustee on the Elkland Township board for over twenty years and as a founder of the Michigan No-Till Movement. Allen is the recipient of many farm awards and recognitions including Michigan Master Farmer of the Year for 2020.

From 1962 until his semi-retirement in 2010, Allen grew several different crops but corn was his favorite. Over the course of seventy-five years, Allen’s farming career began with mules and ended with modern GPS guided equipment. He was an animal lover, especially his Hereford cattle, many Beagle dogs, sheep, and his kitties. Allen is survived by his daughter, Barbara Jean (Allen) Tilt; son, John Allen (Jaimie) Amy Autumn Merchant; sisters, Joyce (Clinton) Eckelien, Ruth (Gerald) Whitten; sister-in-law: Marlene “Cookie” Merchant; granddaughters: Alexandra Mary Tilt, Claire Elise Merchant; grandson: Jesse Allen Merchant; great-granddaughter: seven years, Gracie Kanrad; many friends, cousins, nieces, and nephews. Allen is preceded in death by his parents, brothers, William “Bill” Merchant, sisters, “Jan” Merchant.

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TUSCOLA COUNTY VETERANS & SURVIVING SPOUSES OF VETERANS

You may be eligible for certain benefits. One office can assist with (but not limited to):

• Applying for health benefits
• Getting a copy of their DD-214
• Military Records
• Resources for financial difficulties
• Applying for Disability Compensation
• Applying for Survivors Benefits

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In Detroit, MI to Darlene and Michael Whitehair.

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Visitiation: 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2022 in Kraunz Funeral Home, Cass City and 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, 2022 in Cass City United Methodist Church.

Arrangements by Kraunz Funeral Home, Cass City, Michigan

CHRISTOPHER DARRELL EWALD
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Samantha Autumn Whitehair
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Samantha was born in the food service industry in Cass. She also loved to ride horses, and getting involved with various activities with family and friends. She liked to camp, loved family gatherings, she liked to bake for others, going to the county fair and she loved to sing. She tried out for America’s Got Talent twice and though she wasn’t chosen, she thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Samantha loved, most of all, being with family. She had a beautiful spirit and she will be greatly missed.

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Monday tributes recall those who gave their lives

By Tom Gilchrist | News Editor
gilchrist@tcadvertiser.com

Memorial Day services occurred at locations throughout Michigan’s Thumb region Monday, as residents remembered those who have died in service to the country.

Boys and girls belonging to Vassar Scout troops joined with Vietnam War veterans at Vassar’s Riverside Cemetery, where Rev. Scott Sherrill of Vassar First United Methodist Church opened the ceremony with a prayer.

Members of the Vassar Veterans Military Support Group recognized Vietnam veterans in attendance: Jim Atwood, Ted Garrett, Mike MacDermad, Ron Rittenberg and Ron Sholty.

Mitzi Hill, an American Gold Star Mother and mother of the late U.S. Marine Corps Cpl. Christopher E. Esckelson, along with Craig Esckelson, second from left, placed a wreath at the Civil War Memorial Monument in the cemetery. Craig Esckelson was standing in for the late Doris Kennard, mother of the late U.S. Army Spc. 5 Michael F. May. Christopher Esckelson and Michael May were Vassar natives who died serving the country.

Haley I. Warnemuende graduated April 30, 2022 with a Master of Science in Nursing/Family Nurse Practitioner from the University of Michigan. Haley and Anthony live in Ypsilanti. She is the daughter of Brian & Sharon Kern of Vassar.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Food Trucks Vendors 50/50 Raffles

JUNE 8-Jedi Mind Trip
JUNE 22-Midwest Dueling Pianos • JULY 13—Stone Street Revival
JULY 27—The Sinclairs Band • AUGUST 10—Family tradition Band • AUGUST 24—The Rock Show

Call Vassar City Hall for more Information (989) 823-8517

Additional Thanks: Daleco Law PLLC of Frankenmuth • Norm’s Heating and Cooling • Treade Tire & Wheel LLC
Frankenmuth repeats as champs, five others compete in MITCA finals; Marlette’s Findlay wins

By Scott Bolsby | Sports Editor

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

The Frankenmuth boys’ track and field team poses after winning the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association Division 2 championship. The title was the Eagles’ second in as many years.

North Branch Broncos gallop to Wolf Pack Title tourney

By Scott Bolsby | Sports Editor

BAY CITY — The North Branch softball team took home the Bay City Central Wolf Pack Tournament championship here on Saturday.

The Division 2 honorable mention Broncos opened the day with a 2-0 win over the host team and followed it up with a 3-1 win over Alpena. North Branch finished off the day with a 10-0 championship game win over Beaverton.

In game one, Jasmine Mauk provided the only runs for North Branch with a two-run home run in the sixth inning. Alana Deshetsky tossed a complete seven-inning shutout, allowing two hits and striking out 13.

Mack Bugg and Hannah Carmack each had two hits in the game two win. Courtney Ludescher commanded the circle for the win, allowing four hits and fanning 12. Mauk led the offense in game three with three hits including her second home run of the day. Deshetsky tossed her second shutout of the day, allowing one hit and striking out seven.

North Branch moves its record to 22-4 and returns to action on Saturday in Division 2 district action in Linden, against Ortonville Brandon at 11 a.m.

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FRANKENMUTH | SOFTBALL
STRUCK OUT 27 BATTERS IN WINS OVER MT. PLEASANT AND SIGEMANN HILLS

COOK GM SUPER STORE

STUDENT SPORTS PACK

Player of the Week

DAYNE REIF
FRANKENMUTH | BASEBALL
DROVE IN FOUR RUNS IN A 16-0 WIN OVER ALMA

DOUGLAS MANSFIELD

Player of the Week

ISAC SLOUGH
MILLINGTON | GOLF
SHOT A TEAM-LOW 78 AT THE T&G CHAMPIONSHIP

MAGGIE THIEL
FRANKENMUTH | SOFTBALL
TOGGED TWO WING IN SWEET 16 OF ALMA
Despite VanOchten’s big day, Rockets sputter in invite

By Scott Bolsby | Sports Editor
sports@caroearthman.com

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Kingston sophomore Keira McCarige stands on second as she waits for the pitcher to throw the ball during Friday’s first-round of district play. Kingston won the game 7-6 to advance to the regional semifinal on Friday against Mayville at Kingston.

Frankenmuth (30-4) returned to action Tuesday against Bull Creek before hosting Division 2 districts on Saturday.
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A Word Luncheon to be held at FAS. All ladies are invited to attend the Frankenmuth Area Christian Women’s Connection. The special guest speaker will be Mr. Jerry Scott Hetzner. The event will feature “Power of Library Services” and how they have changed due to health issues. Call 989-770-0062.

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James R. Brown, Secretary

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### CITY OF VASSAR PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN;**

**VILLAGE OF REESE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**MILLINGTON TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**PUBLIC NOTICE TUSCOLA COUNTY**

The Village of Reese Planning Commision will be conducting a Public Hearing on Monday, June 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Reese Municipal Building located at 2073 Gates Street, Reese, Michigan 48757. The purpose of the hearing is to allow public comment on the proposed rezoning of the property located at 2073 Gates Street, Reese, Michigan 48757. The property is currently owned by Don Davis who wishes to use said property as a Rental Hall and Party Rental Item Service.

Written comments or concerns may be made in the Village of Reese, P.O. Box 369, Reese, Michigan 48757. And must be mailed to the Village of Reese, P.O. Box 369, Reese, Michigan 48757. And must be received no later than noon on June 20, 2022.

Thomas Raymond
Zoning Administrator

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED 2022-23 BUDGET AND MILLAGE RATE**

**VILLAGE OF REESE**

City Council Members. Nominating petitions are due at city hall by 4pm on April 26, 2022 prior to the election. Any registered voter, who has been a resident of the City of Vassar for a period of not less than one year, and is interested in becoming a City Charter Commission member, may pick up a petition at the City's Clerk's office, 287 E Huron Avenue, Vassar. Persons desiring to qualify as candidates for any elective office under this charter shall file a petition therefore with the Clerk signed by no less than (25) nor more than the fifty (50) registered electors of the City.

Non-partisan council seats available and are appointed until the Charter Commission is terminated or ceases to exist pursuant to MCL 117.18. Nominating petitions are due: July 26, 2022

City General Election: September 2022

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**ATTENTION CONTRACTORS INDIFIeldS TOWNSHIP**

Indianfields Township is planning major renovations at the Township Park Scope of work includes the following:

- Re-roof three pavilions with metal roofing
- Construct one new pavilion with concrete slab
- Repair roof and install metal roofing on storage building

See Gary at Indianfields Township Cemetery for details and site survey. Bids must be marked Park Renovation and submitted to Indianfields Township Board prior to 6:30 pm on June 13, 2022, in a sealed envelope.

William Campbell
Indianfields Township Supervisor

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED 2022-23 BUDGET AND MILLAGE RATE**

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2022-23 budget until after the public hearing. The proposed 2022-23 budget, including the property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at 1385 Cleaver Road, Caro, Michigan.

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**Akron Township**

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**Vassar Township**

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**TUSCOLA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2022-23 BUDGET**

**CITY OF CARO PUBLIC NOTICE ON PROPOSED 2022-23 BUDGET AND MILLAGE RATE**

Please take notice that on Monday, June 20, 2022, at 7:00 o'clock a.m., at 1385 Cleaver Road, Michigan, the Board of Education of Tuscola Intermediate School District will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2022-23 budget.

A copy of the proposed FY 2022-2023 budget including the proposed property tax millage rate is available for public inspection on the City of Caro’s website at www.carocity.net and in the City Clerk’s office during normal business hours. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied is 16.1643 (same as 2021) to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. Those persons wishing to comment on proposed FY 2022-2023 budget may appear at the Public Hearing, or if unable to attend may make written comments prior to the Public Hearing to the office of the City Clerk, Rita Papp, 317 South State Street, Caro, MI 48723 or send via email at rita.papp@cityofcaro.com. Written comments received prior to the meeting will be read and entered into the minutes of the Public Hearing.

Rita Papp
City Clerk
Faxed: May 24, 2022

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**CITY OF CARO**

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**TUSCOLA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Tuscola County is currently accepting applications for 2022 Summer Tax Defe-

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**CITY OF VASSAR PUBLIC NOTICE**

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**CITY OF VASSAR PUBLIC NOTICE**

All owners, occupants, or possessors of land in the City of Vassar, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Ordinance No. 22 of the City of Caro, any noxious, poisonous, or injurious weeds, or other weeds, grass, or brush exceeding a height of eight (8) inches on any property in the City of Caro, shall be cut down, destroyed, or removed, as the case may be, prior to June 30, 2022. Each full application consist of approximately 36 acres. In the event the owner or occupant of any persons, agent, firm, or corporation having control or management of any lot, place, or parcel of land within the City of Caro, fails to comply with the above mentioned ordinance, the City of Caro or its authorized representatives shall cause said noxious, poisonous, or injurious weeds, or other weeds, grass, or brush exceeding a height of eight (8) inches to be cut down, destroyed, or removed. A charge determined by resolution of the City of Caro shall be assessed for cutting, destruction, or removal of same and will be levied and collected against such property in the manner prescribed by law.

Published by order of the City Council R Papp, City Clerk

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE

The following property will be sold at public auction:

Lot 02, Tract 4, Section 20, Third Addition, to the Village of Mayville, Tuscola County, State of Michigan, and described as: Commencing 8 rods North along said East-West 1/4 line, South 87 degrees 29 minutes 58 seconds West 2636.99 feet along the West line of the vacated plat formerly known as Bostick Park/Patriot mobile home, Serial Number P51305.

The public auction shall take place for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, in County Court for the place for holding Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, in Caro, Michigan 48723 and the personal representative of the deceased, who are the parties foreclosing the mortgage, will be held responsible to the person who buys the mortgaged premises, or some part thereof, at the sale, or to the mortgage holder for damage to the mortgaged premises, or some part thereof.

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GREAT LAKES COASTAL Cleanup

Public Service Volunteers

MID-MICHIGAN COIN GALLERY NEEDS COINS.


Highest Prices Paid.

For more information, contact Susie at (989) 551-8438

Tuscola County Library

520 W. Huron Avenue in Vassar

For more information, contact Patti at Vassar- Sanford Memorial Library

520 W. Huron Avenue in Caro

For more information, contact the Library at (989) 577-9464.

CARO) meeting every Monday and

Mondays at 7 p.m. at Christ Lutheran

Church in Reese.

Thursday's at the Sacred Heart
door. Twelve miles north of main intersection in Lapeer.

From M-24 & N. Branch Rd/Otter Lake Rd. (M-

On May 25, 2022, the Township of Elmwood (“Township”) adopted MOBILE HOME AND TRAILER COACH ORDINANCE (“Ordinance”). The following is a summary of the Ordinance. A true copy of the Ordinance, including all exhibits, is available for inspection at the Township Hall, 6437 Lincoln St., Gagetown, MI 48735.

Section 1

MOBILE HOME AND TRAILER COACH ORDINANCE

ELMWOOD TOWNSHIP

MOUNTAIN TOP AA

2041 S. Huron Avenue in Caro

Meeting is held the

9am - 6pm

Every Tuesday except for the third Tuesday of every month

Tuscola County

July 23, 2022

Editor’s note: Community Calendar listings are available free of charge to non-commercial organizations and businesses promoting services and organizations that are not charged for their listing. Please limit your listing to 30 words. There is a minimum fee for their listing.

DRIVERS NEEDED: Tuscola County Office of Veterans Affairs needs volunteer drivers to transport veterans to their doctors’ appointments in Ann Arbor, Detroit and Pontiac.

CVR Medical Community has two vehicles for transporting its veterans, but not enough drivers to get the job done. Even 1-2 days a week would be helpful.

Call Susie Vandenheuvel or Mark Zenarski at 989-672-5011 for more information.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED for Care Home Hospice to provide comfortable visi-
tions with patients in Tuscola County.

Please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Gulik Mauksh at 810-241-6201 or email gmauksch@careteammi.com

COST WILL BE CHARGED A MIN-

IMAL FEE FOR THEIR LISTING.

TUSCOLA MS SUPPORT GROUP:

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP CASS COLOMBIAN

Wed. & Fri.

9am - 6pm

Vassar, MI

Dorothy Blackwell, Superintendent

Vassar Public Schools

224 S. Union St.

Vassar, MI 48768

OWNERS RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive all informal-
ities in the bidding procedure.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid or written submission of the Owner; to disqualify a bidder; to refuse to act on any bid; to act on two or more bids, to return any or all bids not accepted by the Owner; or to take such action or take no action that the Owner shall determine is necessary to give the Owner the best and most advantageous bid.

Bids closing date is June 22, 2022. All additional information may be obtained from Rowley & Associates, 2450 N. Center Road, Flushing, MI 48433. Call 248-414-2800.

REQUEST FOR BIDS NOTICE

TUSCARA VASSAR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Tuscola County

July 23, 2022

Notice is hereby given that Vassar Public Schools is receiving bids from trade contractors for the following project:

VRF SYSTEM

Proposals for HVAC installation will be received by Vassar Public Schools (Townsend North, Central Elementary, 6-12 Building) until 1 p.m. on June 13, 2022. Responders re-

sponses are due at the Vassar Public Schools Board of Education for action at their meeting on June 14, 2022.

Proposals should be addressed to:

Dorothy Blackwell, Superintendent

Vassar Public Schools

224 S. Union St.

Vassar, MI 48768

ONWARD TO MOVING AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 4 – 10 AM

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Schoop reps home country with hit No. 1,000 as Tigers continue series with Twins

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The list of players from Curacao to reach the Major Leagues is 16 players long, according to Baseball Reference. Just two, Andrew Jones and Andrelton Simmons, had recorded 1,000 hits in the big leagues — until Monday.

Jonathan Schoop joined the club with his three-hit performance in the Tigers' 7-5 win over the Twins. But as he stepped to the plate in the eighth inning needing a home run for the cycle, he admittedly had his thoughts on becoming part of that exclusive club as well.

"Of course," Schoop said. "I was trying. I was trying to score runs so we could get more runs, but I was aware of it. I was trying to go for it."  

Schoop struck out, but considering the way the game unfolded, it was arguably fitting that the 10-year-old — known for homes for nearly his entire 10-year Major League career — fell a homer shy. On a day when the Twins slugged three home runs off rookie starter Beau Brieske, the Tigers outscored them in large part on the strength of Schoop's one-out double down the left-field line in the fifth — his eighth double of the year and 1,000th Major League hit. It was his 1,000th hit. It includes Schoop, who did not take off efficiently baserunners this season. That's been the difference this year contract extension late last season. That led Detroit to sign him to a two-year contract extension late last season. But with Hinch emphasizing the value of around getting some good pitches to hit and getting some confidence going," Hinch said. "Usually when he gets one, he gets two. When he gets two, he gets three. He can get it rolling because he gains confidence with taking pitches he can't handle. Very productive."  

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Caro's Isabella Langmaid gets ready to compete in the pole vault at Tuesday's Thumb Meet of Champions at Stamats Field in Caro. Pole vault opened the 50th annual event at 2:30 p.m.

Cass City's Dylan Halpin clears the bar on Tuesday while competing in the high jump at the Thumb Meet of Champions.

Good Luck Athletes!
Daniel Hadden of North Branch hurdles the discus on Tuesday afternoon in the 50th annual Thumb Meet of Champions in Caro. The event was mid-Michigan’s first Olympic-style track meet, turning heads when it made its debut in the early 1970s — awarding a gold medal, silver medal and bronze medal for first-, second- and third-place finishers in each of the track meet’s 17 events. Competitors gather for the meet from schools of all sizes from throughout the Thumb area.

Mayville’s Jordan Anders throws the shot put Tuesday afternoon during the Thumb Meet of Champions in Caro.

Alyssa Bussure of North Branch competes in the long jump at Tuesday’s 50th annual Thumb Meet of Champions in Caro.

Tyrese Beedle of Caro was a part of the school’s 3,200-meter relay squad competing Tuesday at the Thumb Meet of Champions.
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