USA seeks enhancement mills in June

By MARY DRIER

The proposal did lower school millages on property, but it created much confusion and worry for some.

Lake-Chandler news items

By MILDRED BALLAGH

USA is one of 255 in the state holding millage elections this summer, to decide two millage issues.

USA Board of Education members approved placing a request for two additional enhancement mills for three years on the Monday, June 13, ballot, along with a request for 14 mills for five years they had approved in April.

"We are facing up to a $150,000 shortfall between all of the changes," said Kris Koch, the district's business and finance administrator. "This (shortfall) wasn't through mismanagement. There are additional retirement costs and because under recent state rules, school districts now have to pay PICA," said Supt. William Dodge.

If approved, the two additional mills would generate about $250,000 a year, so the district's homestead property tax from the state statute of six mills to eight mills. This would cost typical homeowners an additional $50 a year.

"It's an increase to only eight mills. It is still a lot better than (the former) 1% mills on homes," said USA Board member Kurt Dowd.

The district levied 34.4547 mills, which equals $1,033.64 in taxes on a $60,000 home. Under Proposal A, the rate is six mills — for $108 for taxes.

"It is a complicated mess. I can't imagine how we are going to explain how badly we need these (millages) for the school," said Board member Charles Squires.

"We have got to sell this to the public and have them understand what we are facing."
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Thanks A Million!

Wheels of bureaucracy are spinning in a rut!

DEAR MR. DILL:

My husband lost his arm years ago when he got in a car accident. He was working as a logger at the time and his arm was amputated. He is now retired and lives in a small apartment with his wife. He has been trying to get benefits for his injuries but has not been successful.

DEAR MR. DILL:

I have been trying to get benefits for my husband but have not been successful. His doctors have written letters stating his condition is worsening. We need help.

DEAR MR. DILL:

Thank you for your help. We are now able to get the benefits we needed.

Thank you,

[Signature]

DEAR MR. DILL:

I am writing to express my gratitude for your help in resolving the case of Mrs. Jane Smith. She had been waiting for years to receive her benefits and was just able to get them.

Thank you,

[Signature]

Neighbors...

OCCUPATION: Former newspaper publisher at Daily-News (
(1405) 399-5523.

NAME: Marie Cartwright

Lunchtime in Charlotte, Katie Alois in Rialto, Carlos Rosado in Atlanta, Jeff Dittman in Colorado, Mario Cardenas in Minnesota. If you know anyone in this group, please let them know they are invited to join our lunch

DEAR MR. DILL:

I am writing to let you know that the wheels of bureaucracy are indeed spinning slowly. My husband has been waiting for his benefits for over a year, and he is starting to feel discouraged. He has been told by several agencies that they are working on his case, but nothing has been decided.

DEAR MR. DILL:

I just wanted to let you know that your help has been invaluable. My husband's case was finally resolved after several months of waiting.

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Pigmen members at GFWC convo

Homer Town, Mary Jo Eppley, Roberts Richard and Aleda were Franklin on April 15th to Earl Geisler and President of Women's Club Conv. The program was hosted by Mrs. Dorothy Reed of State Capital Round. The four members of the GFWC Pigeon River Club were at the event to honor the state convention. The evening included a program and luncheon of officers and members of Waverly, Pennsylvania, GFWC/PA/PA/C Hopkins Chapter.

The evening began with speeches by Mrs. Bobbitt and Mr. R. H., President of GFWC Pennsylvania. The keynote address was given by Mrs. Norman, President of the GFWC Pennsylvania. The event was a great success and the members of the club were pleased.

Lake Huron

Chorus competes Regionally

The Lake Huron Chorus competed Regionally.

The Lake Huron Chorus presented a two-part, two-hour performance that included a selection of traditional songs and contemporary music. The event was held on May 6th in Detroit, Michigan.

The chorus performed a variety of songs that included traditional and contemporary works. The performance was well-received by the audience, and the chorus was awarded first place in the regional competition.

The chorus has been practicing for several months in preparation for this competition. They have worked hard to perfect their renditions of traditional and contemporary songs.

The chorus will now prepare for the next competition and continue to work on their performances.

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USA SENIOR CITIZENS
Fifty-year members and guests of USA Senior Clu-
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gather of At American Legion Hall, Southwick.
After the luncheon, the meet-
gather was held at the Southwick American Legion Hall.
The luncheon was sponsored by the Southwick American Legion Hall.

MEMBERS OF FIVE GENERA-
ATIONS of the Laura Stettin family gathered on Sunday, May 13, to celebra-
The occasion was celebrated at the Church of the Assumption, Southwick.

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FIRST AND SECOND GENERATIONS of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Southwick, took part in a special service on Sunday, May 13, to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the church.

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Bikers want good experience for students...

USA BASEBALL SQUADS GROUND

The USA Petite baseball record went to 8-3 overall and 4-1 in the last week.

CASEVILLE BASEBALL TEAM DROPS TWO

The Cape's baseball team dropped two games to the Convicts on Saturday and Sunday.

Eclipse was good experience for students...

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MAY 10TH was a dark day in Sabinning — and most of the United States — during an actual "solar eclipse." Tens of thousands of people lined the streets of Sabinning to witness the rare celestial event. The eclipse lasted for about 2 1/2 minutes, and the moon completely obscured the sun for nearly a minute. The event was watched by millions of people around the world, and it was a rare opportunity to see the moon's shadow pass over us. The skies were clear, and the weather was perfect for the event. Many people brought their telescopes and cameras to capture the moment. It was a beautiful sight to behold, and it was a memory that will not be forgotten.

LAKER GIRLS TRACK TEAM KEEPS WINNING

The Laker girls track team is looking to be back up in the top ranks of the boys' next meet 96-97.

WESTERN THUMB SPORTS REPORT

Laker's East Smith sets the shot put (19' 1") record of the South Bend Invitational.

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Achievements

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Mausts launch Red Hacker family business

By SALLY RUMMEL

Three-time basketball all-American and current head coach of the University of Oregon's women's basketball team, Gail Geary, and her husband, Kirk, have announced the launch of a new family business, MaustsLaunch, which will focus on the development and promotion of the sport of basketball.

Geary's basketball career began at the University of Oregon, where she earned All-America honors and helped lead the team to three consecutive national championships. She later went on to play professionally overseas, achieving significant success and gaining recognition as one of the top female basketball players in the world.

In addition to her coaching and playing career, Geary has been actively involved in the community, working with youth programs and organizations to promote the sport of basketball and inspire the next generation of players.

MaustsLaunch will focus on providing opportunities and resources for girls and women to excel in the sport of basketball, with a particular emphasis on developing young talent and fostering a supportive environment for growth and success.

The business will partner with local organizations and schools to offer programs and initiatives that promote basketball, with a goal of creating a strong pipeline of talented players for future generations.

Geary and her husband are looking forward to the launch of MaustsLaunch and are excited about the potential impact it can have on the sport of basketball and the lives of young girls and women.

Michigan leads in wildlife help

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Voelkers making custom books for kids

By SALLY RUMMEL

Voelkers, a local publisher, has released a new children's book, "The Great Adventure of the Little Girl and the Big Bear." The book is part of a series of children's books that Voelkers has been producing for children of all ages. The company, which is based in New York City, has been in operation for over 20 years. Voelkers specializes in creating custom books for children, using a variety of techniques to ensure that each book is unique. The company has a team of talented writers, artists, and designers who work together to create stories that are both engaging and educational. Voelkers has a long-standing reputation for producing high-quality, customized books that are loved by children and their parents alike. The company is always looking for new ways to expand its reach and to bring its unique approach to storytelling to even more children.

Purdy barn, home near Gagetown needs loving care

By MARY DREY

The Thembu Outreach Barn, a historic barn located near Gagetown, is in need of restoration and preservation. The barn, which was built in the late 1800s, has been used for various purposes over the years, including as a barn for animals, a storage facility, and a community center. The barn is in a state of disrepair, with many of its structural elements deteriorating. The Thembu Outreach Group, a local non-profit organization, is working to preserve the barn and restore it to its former glory. The group is hoping to raise funds to cover the costs of the restoration, which could include repairing the barn's roof, walls, and flooring, as well as adding new features such as lighting and insulation. The barn is an important part of the community's heritage, and the group believes that it should be preserved for future generations.

Honors at Scheurer

The recent graduating class of Scheurer High School has received several honors and awards. The valedictorian, Sarah Johnson, delivered a speech that praised the class for their hard work and dedication. The class also received the annual Trojan Spirit Award, which recognizes the class's overall contribution to the school community. In addition, several students were awarded for their academic achievements, including the top honor, the President's Award, which was given to Emily Smith. The class of 2023 is a talented and hard-working group of students, and their success is a testament to the quality education and support they received at Scheurer High School.

Musician performs Saturday

KAREN NUMAT

A local musician, Mary Johnson, will perform at the Music in the Park event on Saturday, June 3. The event is hosted by the local community center and is open to the public. Mary Johnson is a talented musician who has been performing for over 10 years. She will be performing a variety of songs, including some of her own original compositions. The event is a great opportunity for music lovers to enjoy some great music in a beautiful outdoor setting.

Thanks... To the Sponsors of our "Lunch & Learn" Program

The Animal Care Foundation is grateful to the following sponsors for their support of our "Lunch & Learn" program on Wednesday, June 7. The program, which is designed to educate and engage animal lovers, was a great success and we are thankful to all who made it possible.

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**The Newsweekly’s Thumb-Area Calendar**

**Tuesday, May 17 - Thumb LWM meets**
The Thumb Zone of Lutheran Women’s Missionary League has rescheduled its “Day of Prayer” service to 7 p.m. at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. The program’s theme is “We Are A Family, A Patchwork Quilt of Beauty.”

**May 18 - USA Booster meeting**
All parents of USA High School Athletes and USA supporters are encouraged to attend a USA Athletic Booster meeting 6:30 p.m. at the high school cafeteria.

**Wednesday, May 18 - Scheuer Spring Fashion Show**
“Brickies & Memories” will be the theme of this spring fashion show and luncheon held in two settings, 11:30 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. at the Pigeon District Library. Details: 453-3223.

**Thursday, May 19 - USA Elementary picnic**
USA Elementary School will have a picnic 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bay Shore Camp for the district’s Volunteers in Partnership participants.

**Thursday, May 19 - O-G’s graduation**
Owendale Gagetown School District’s graduation at 8 p.m. in the gymnasium, Owendale.

**Thursday, May 19 - Laker Fine Arts Dinner Theatre**
The year-long activities of K-12 fine arts students will be highlighted with dinner and entertainment at Laker High School, from 5:30 to 8:15 p.m. Tickets available at all school offices. Advanced sale recommended.

**Saturday, May 21 - Christian Mothering Day**
Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon, hosts speaker Elie Amdit and a number of mini-session speakers, beginning at 9 a.m., sponsored by Cross Lutheran Women of the Church. Details: 453-3330.

**Saturday, May 21 - Musician performs in Bad Axe**
Diabro recording artist Karen Whiston will perform 7 p.m. at the Faith Gospel Tabernacle, Bad Axe. A free-will offering will be taken. Details: 269-6632.

**Saturday, May 21 - Caseville at expo**
Sleeping Bear Park of Caseville will host an art expo of local artists 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dulcimer concert 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

**Sunday, May 22 - Bay Port’s “Blessing” Fish Boil**
Bay Port’s blessing as a fishing village is honored with a “Blessing of the Fleet” at 1 p.m., followed by a whitefish boiled dinner from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the McIntosh Park Pavilion, sponsored by the Bay Port Historical Society.

**Sunday, May 22 - Flag decoration time**
Sebewaing American Legion Post #403 and VFW Post #1115 need the help of all local veterans, to decorate flags, at 1 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, M-25, Sebewaing. Legion Commander Wayne Schwartz, Sr., and VFW Commander Whitey Kirsch have details.

**Mon., May 23 to Sat., June 4 - Pigeon’s “Camp Read”**
The Pigeon District Libraries will host a registration for the annual summer reading program. The theme this year is “Camp Read.”

**Monday, May 23 - USA dismisses early**
USA Schools let out one hour early for teachers in-service. Elementary walk-in and shuttles 2:05 p.m. and late buses 2:20 p.m. high school walk-in shuttles and shuttles 2:10 p.m. and late buses 2:20 p.m. and high school 2:15 p.m.

**Tuesday, May 24 & Thurs., May 26 - Bay Port Circus**
Joanne Rummel’s first-grade will put on their seventh annual Bay Port Circus on May 24 at 2 p.m. and May 26 at 7 p.m. in the gym. This event is in support of the retirement of Ms. D. The public is invited.

**Saturday, May 28 - Senior Recital performed**
Holli Swartzendruber of Pigeon will perform her Senior Recital at Michigan Avenue Monomie Church at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited.

**Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day**
Most local businesses are closed for this legal holiday.

**Memorial Day, Mon., May 30 - Veterans wanted**
All veterans of the Sebewaing and Unionville Areas are invited to a sunrise breakfast at VFW Post #1115, Sebewaing. Parade line-up in Sebewaing is 8:40 a.m. in the fire hall parking lot. Whether or not you belong to an organization, ALL veterans are welcomed. Parade step-off is at 10 a.m. to Silver Lawn Cemetery.

**Saturday, June 4 - Sebewaing display starts**
“Loes of the Lakes” exhibition begins at the Heidelberg Gallery, Downtown Sebewaing.

**Sat.-Sun., June 4 - 5 - Sugar Fest Fund-raiser**
The Northern Star Masonic Lodge and Sebewaing Chamber of Commerce present “A Day in Hawaii” about the movement caused by “Hurricane Iniki,” at 7 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday at Sebewaing Masonic Lodge. Donations will help fund the Michigan Sugar Festival’s fireworks.

**Sunday, June 5 - USA High’s graduation**
USA graduation 2 p.m. in the high school gym.

**Monday, June 6 - Laker girls’ physicals**
Female athletes physicals are offered at 4:30 p.m. at Laker High, to play fall sports.

**Wednesdays, June 8 - 15 - 22 - Learm decoy painting**
Decorative decoy painting classes 7 p.m. at Heidelberg Gallery, Downtown Sebewaing. Details: 801-2450.

**Wednesday, June 8 - Lunchen/Car Party**
Ladies Auxiliary of Knights of Columbus, Council 9802 plan this noon event at the K of C Hall, 2 1/2 miles west of Pigeon on M-142. Men are also invited.

**Thursday, June 9 - USA’s last school day**
Last day of school for the USA School District. Students will only attend a half-day session, and there is no hot lunch. Last day for teachers is June 10.

**Monday, June 13 - Laker boys’ physicals**
Male athletes physicals are offered at 4:30 p.m. at Laker High, to play fall sports.

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