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Drug unit seizes pot in Thumb

Thumb Narcotics Unit (TNU) officials announced Monday that as a result of operation H.E.M.P. (Help Eliminate Marijuana Production), they were able to seize large quantities of marijuana planted throughout the Thumb this month.

Det./Lt. Mitch Krugielki, commander of Thumb Narcotics Unit reported that 113 separate marijuana plots were located that yielded the seizure of 735 marijuana plants.

According to TNU, each plant, when fully matured, can have a street value of \$1,000 - \$2,000. Each year Thumb Narcotics Unit participates in operation H.E.M.P. and each year the unit is successful. The underlying reason that Thumb Narcotics Unit continues to be successful, Krugielki said, Please turn to back page.



AUCTIONEER Dave Osentoski seeks bids on one of hundreds of items sold during the annual Bluewater Thumb Youth for Christ Summer Benefit Auction, held Saturday at Cass City Recreation Park.



Bader: volunteers the key

Thumb YFC auction rakes in over \$40,000

Bluewater Thumb Youth For Christ officials had some concerns about the potential success of this year's fourth annual benefit auction, given unstable economic times since Sept. 11.

But any doubt quickly melted away Saturday at Cass City Recreation Park, where a record number of bidders combined their generosity to support area YFC programs in the coming year. "At this point it's better than any previous auction," YFC Cass City-Kingston Region Campus Life Director Jeff Bader said.

"We took in over \$40,000. Obviously, expenses have to come out of that, and that has to be divided between the 2 regions (Cass City-Kingston and Caro-Reese), but it was amazing," he added. "There were over 180 bidders, which I think is up 30 over last year, and we had some new bidders, so that's always helpful."

"It's (auction participation) progressively gone up," Bader said, noting last year's event took in about \$33,000. "Overall, I think donations were actually up. It's come around enough times that people know about it."

Bader is quick to say the success of the auction boils down to the work of an army of volunteers whose efforts begin in the spring. "Volunteers - oh my word - dozens of them. There are literally people that no one sees because they help do set-up, they get auction items, they make food, they make phone calls," Bader said. "I couldn't put a number on it. There are probably 50 people (working) that day alone."

And then there's Osentoski Auctioneering, which again donated its services, equipment and crew for this year's 8 1/2-hour sale.

"Without all those people and the generosity of the (bidders) ... that makes the

difference. This day wouldn't happen if it weren't for them."

Proceeds from the auction will go towards expenses for basic operations, including the cost of running local high school (Club Extreme) and middle school (Reality Zone) youth clubs. "It allows us to do the programs weekly and allows us to be in the schools, getting to know the kids," Bader explained.

He said 20 to 30 young people are involved in each

of the youth programs, which were established 4 years ago when the Cass City-Kingston Region was created.

"There's also been a lot of discussion about having the teen center (in Cass City) open after school. I know it's important and we're working towards it," Bader added.

"I'm going to be working with a volunteer base. We're going to try to have it open a few days and see how it goes."

In the meantime, the success of this year's auction means Bader and Campus Life Director Heather Jensen — his counterpart in the Caro and Reese areas — can spend more time working with youth and less time worrying about how to pay for the programs.

"This is huge because there's not a whole lot of events you can do in one day to raise \$40,000," he added. "This will cover half our budget."

It's back to school next week for Thumb pupils

Area school officials are gearing up to welcome students back for the start of the 2002-03 school year.

In Cass City, students will start the new year Tuesday, Aug. 27, with a full day session. School will be closed Friday, Aug. 30, and Monday, Sept. 2, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

All students are to report to their respective buildings. All third through 12th grade students from the Deford and Evergreen areas will be attending school in Cass City.

First and second grade students from Evergreen Township who reside north of Argyle Road will attend Campbell Elementary School or Cass City's Early Childhood Education Center, while first and second grade students residing south of Argyle Road will attend Deford Elementary Schools.

All kindergarten classes will begin Tuesday, Aug. 27. Kindergarten parents will be notified by letter when to attend parent conferences. Parents should present their child's birth certificate, health record and enrollment

sheet before school starts if they haven't already done so.

School day schedules are as follows: Campbell Elementary - 8:06 a.m. to 3:12 p.m.; Deford Elementary - 8 a.m. to 3:06 p.m.; Early Childhood Education Center - 8:06 a.m. to 3:12 p.m.; middle school - 8:15 a.m. to 3:09 p.m.; and high school, 8:20 a.m. to 3:13 p.m.

Buses will begin the year traveling similar routes as last year. Adjustments to balance the bus loads and to provide transportation of new students will be made as soon as possible.

Parents are asked to call 872-4151 to inform the transportation department if students will not be riding busses due to extended illnesses or to make special requests regarding carry-on items.

The elementary and high school cafeterias will open Tuesday, Aug. 27. The price for lunches at Campbell and Deford is \$1.25. The price for middle and high school lunches is \$1.30. Milk is available at 25 cents a carton for all students who carry their own lunch.

The school breakfast program will also begin Tuesday. The cost is \$1 and students who wish to participate will be allowed in each building's cafeteria 15 to 20 minutes prior to the beginning of the school day.

Children from households whose income is at or below certain levels may be eligible for free and reduced price meals. Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to the parents or guardians.

The district's computerized debit system for the breakfast and lunch program is entering its third year. The program operates with a student's pin number, which then generates a picture of the student on a computerized screen while it accesses that student's account.

Envelopes for the program will be provided to students. Parents are asked to fill out the information on the front of the envelope so the money is placed in the right accounts. Checks or money must be sealed in the provided envelopes and put in a

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Marlette woman killed in crash

A Marlette woman was killed and her passenger was injured when their vehicle collided with a semi tractor hauling milk on M-53

(VanDyke Road) in Sanilac County's Marlette Township last week.

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies identified the vic-

tim as Bonnie Jean Rattew, 40.

The crash was reported Wednesday at 7:20 a.m. Investigators said Rattew was

attempting to make a south-bound turn onto M-53 from a private drive at 2236 S. VanDyke when her vehicle

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New stadium facilities shaping up



GAVEL CLUB MEMBERS are hard at work trying to complete construction in time for the football season. Two of the volunteers are, left, Dick Wallace and Craig Weaver, coordinator.

The new concession stand under construction at Cass City Recreation Park promises to solve some longtime problems at the football field, in addition to providing better food service to fans.

At the south edge of the building new restrooms will be built and at the north end ticket takers will work under cover. A more roomy area for the concession workers will be available. When the building opens, the present bathrooms under the stands will be closed to the public.

The present bathrooms have been a problem area for years, Supt. Ken Micklash pointed out at a school board meeting. A major portion of the project is to repair the plumbing for both the present bathrooms and the new units that are being installed.

The football stadium will also be enlarged. Presently, the stands are 20 feet wider than the press box area. The current press box area will be extended to the width of the stands.

The added space, with a repaired toilet area, will be used as lockers for the home and visiting football teams.

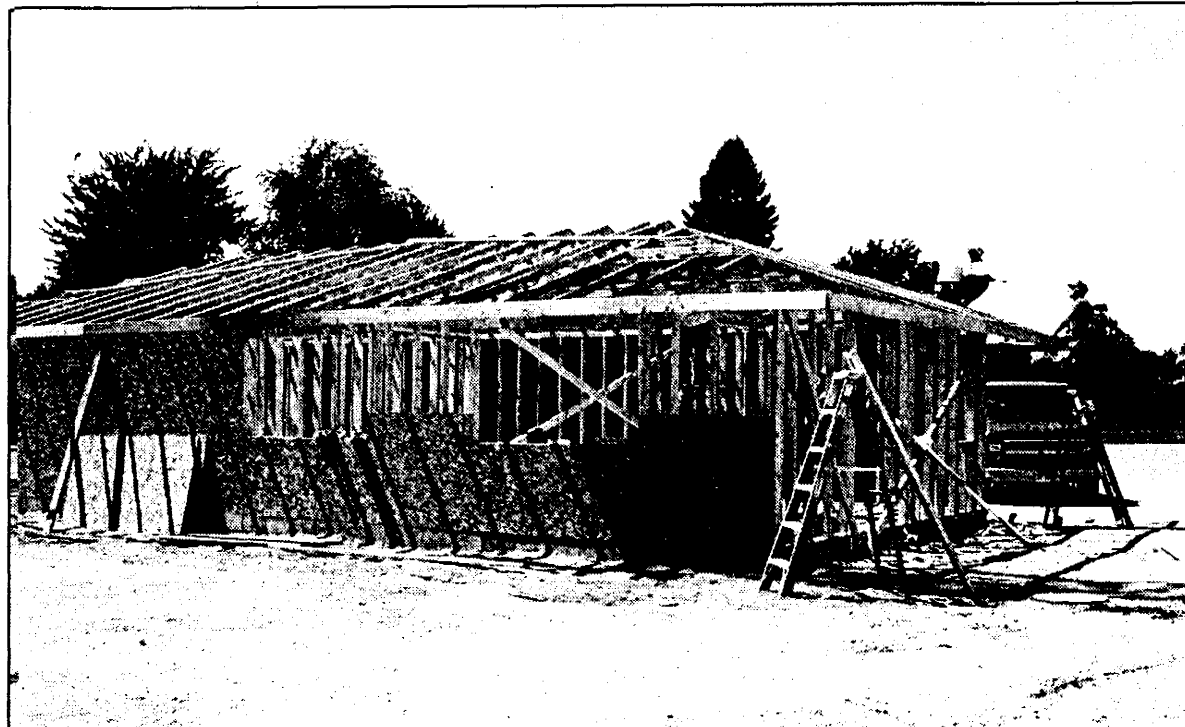
The cost of the project is expected to be in the neighbor-

hood of \$100,000. Gavel Club volunteers will erect the building.

An added bonus is that all of the work, except the asphalt,

has been awarded to local firms. The masonry work was awarded to Mike Spencer, CSS Construction; electrical work by Martin Electric; plumbing by Marv

Klein, Superior Plumbing; painting by Wright's Painting; excavation by Shagene Excavation, and glass by Tim Hallwood, Dave's Glass.



TAKING SHAPE is the new concession stand at the Cass City Recreation Park. It's a joint effort of Cass City Schools, local contractors and the Gavel Club.

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 658-2347



Mrs. Bob Harris (Mary Lou) of Gladwin spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen and visited Mrs. Ben Meske at the medical care facility in Bad Axe.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen and Mrs. Fred Hagen went to the Gephart Funeral Home to pay respects to Joyce Griathouse Sunday.

Bill Cleland of Walled Lake was a Friday overnight and Saturday guest of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Rita Depcinski visited Josephine Patterson at Filion Saturday evening.

Lauren and Katelynn Bell of Cheboygan spent a couple days with Jim and Kay Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western, Mrs. Martin Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. Art Susalla, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Depcinski, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Zurek, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rumpitz, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski, Allen Farrelly and Thelma Jackson were among a large group who attended the chicken dinner at St. Columbkille Catholic Church Sunday.

Charlotte Particka, Jeff Doerr, Harmony Yanowski, Lana Puterbaugh, Mrs. Gerald Wills and Martha Keyser visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland on Saturday.

Dick Wallace visited Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming Monday afternoon.

Bessie Kirsch of Port Hope and her sister Ann Wicker of Madison, Wisconsin were Thursday evening guests of Allen and Alice Depcinski.

Allen Farrelly visited Don Rackhof at the Huron County Medical Care Facility on Monday.

The Over 50 Club of Bad Axe went to the Franklin Inn for dinner on Tuesday and later went to Oswald Hall in Bad Axe for their meeting and played bingo.

Edith Jackson visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly had dinner at the Cass City Stockyards restaurant on Tuesday.

8 members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill in Bad Axe on Thursday. They will meet at the same place next week.

Church to host quartet

The Cass City United Methodist Church will host the Calvarymen Quartet Sunday at 9:30 a.m. The church is located 1 1/4 miles north of town on Cemetery Road.

The Calvarymen minister at churches and concert halls throughout the Midwest United States and Canada. The group has represented Michigan and the Northeast United States at National Quartet Conventions in Memphis, Atlanta, Nashville and Louisville.

Bob Cleland Sr. of Waterford spent Tuesday with Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Linda O'Henley and Alice and Allen Depcinski were Monday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Laming and family, where they helped Gary Laming celebrate his 15th birthday. Birthday cake and ice cream was served.

Ed Schember, Jack Kennedy, Bernard Morley, Don Rackhof, Lyle Rochefort, Ron Wolschlag, Jim Lewis and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wallace and granddaughter Jennifer were Friday evening guests of Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming.

Nancy Carpenter and Dean Jr., Michael, Jessica and Timothy of Caro, Art and Margie Osantoski of Bad Axe and Ray and Rita Depcinski were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Osantoski where they celebrated Nancy Carpenter's 49th birthday and Bradley Osantoski's 14th birthday on Sunday.

Chris Hacker of Fairgrove visited Mrs. Earl Schenk Sunday.

Jim Foster of Caseville, Jack Kennedy, Allen Farrelly, Bernard Morley and Jim Lewis met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Monday morning.

Midge Clemens and Mrs. Hiram Keyser were Monday guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Jean and Jim Howerton of Reno, Nevada were Thursday forenoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson.

Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Jim Sweeney, Lois Wolschlag, Mabel Fisher and Mrs. Polega at the Huron County Medical Care Facility Thursday.

It's a girl!



Adele Lynn Stuever Battel

Adele Lynn Stuever Battel was born Aug. 3, 2002, to Bob and Sue Battel of Marshall. The 3:44 a.m. birth was at Oaklawn Hospital, Marshall.

She weighed 6 pounds, 1 ounce and was 18 inches long.

Grandparents are Diane and Mark Battel of Cass City. Great-grandparents are Marjory and Art Battel of Cass City and Earline Powell of Elkton.



Mr. and Mrs. Brian Waliczek

Waliczek and Wright married

Jill Wright of Cass City and Brian Waliczek of Bay City were married Saturday, July 27, at the First Presbyterian Church in Bay City. The Rev. Dr. Jeffery Weenick officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Steve and Sandi Wright of Cass City and the groom is the son of Paul and Jean Waliczek of Wilkes-Barre, Penn.

Heather Severance of Cass City, sister of the bride, was the matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mishca Wolfe of Liberty, Missouri; and Amy Lowman and Kelli VanVliet both of Cass City.

Olivia Waliczek of Wichita, Kansas was the flower girl and Logan Severance of Cass City was the ring bearer.

Lonnie Waliczek, brother of the groom, was the best man. Groomsmen included Billy Murphy of Wichita, Kansas; Chad Murphy of San Antonio, Texas; and Rich Wolfe of Liberty, Missouri.

Others that added to the special day were Amy Waliczek, soloist; Shaun Johnson and James Roberts, ushers; and Tiana Meyers

and Amy Schelke, hostesses. Hereford and Hops Banquet Hall, Bay City, was the site of the reception, hosting over 200 guests.

The bride and groom will reside in Frankenmuth where Jill will begin her teaching career this year at List Elementary School, while Brian will be on the road beginning in September touring with the PBA.

The couple honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico.

Engaged



Jenny Leigh Parsell and Russell Allen Hudson

Jenny Leigh Parsell and Russell Allen Hudson are engaged to be married on November 1, 2002 at the Cass City Missionary Church.

Parents of the bride-to-be are Jeff and Darlene Parsell of Cass City and parents of the prospective groom are Carl and Renee Hudson of Marlette.

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Meg's Peg
Cheap advice
by Melva E. Guinther

I confess that I get the Detroit Sunday newspaper primarily for the crossword puzzles. It features 2 that are usually quite challenging.

That doesn't mean that I don't read anything else in the paper. I usually check out some of the columns in "The Way We Live", too.

They haven't decided yet who will fill the void left by the death of Ann Landers. And how could readers survive without an advice column?

I realize those columns often perform a service and answer questions that need to be asked. It's certainly cheaper than going to a therapist. But don't you wonder sometimes, "Who are these people?"

A couple weeks ago a woman wrote for help with this monumental problem.

She and her husband like to drink coffee and read the paper together in the morning. But that presented the dilemma caused when after a couple cups of coffee, they both had to use their only bathroom at the same time. What should they do???

Call me cynical, but wouldn't you think that 2 adults old enough to be married and drink coffee should be able to figure something out on their own?

Another column I often read is Steve Dale's "Pet World", although we don't have any pets at present. Our kids have cats, and one of them (the cats) has a few neurotic tendencies, so I'm always looking for any advice that might apply to him.

One reader's question recently involved a cat who started defecating on his owner's bed while she was gone on vacation, and she was unable to make him stop. She figured he was mad at her for going away.

The expert's answer was that the cat was not mad at her. "To the contrary, he missed you while you were gone, offering what amounts to the feline version of a bouquet of flowers. He's defecating where your scent is strongest and mixing his scent with yours. His hope is that this thoughtful gift will encourage your prompt return."

He did acknowledge, "I understand that you don't exactly see it that way!" No, I would think not! Forgoing comments on the expertise of Dr. Ruth as pre-

sented in her columns, we find Miss Manners to be informative, especially if you need to know which way the dessert fork should face when placed above the plate. (The handle goes to the left, while the dessert spoon is placed above it with the handle to the right, in case you didn't know and really cared.) We generally eat dessert with our fingers.

Then there's Dr. Fashion, who delights in keeping people abreast of the latest fashion trends and regulations. I have no idea where the doctor came by his or her credentials or who votes on these rules, but he is quite adamant that they be followed.

They have finally given up on the "no white shoes after Labor Day" edict and say it's okay to wear white any time, but you had better be sure your textures match and are suitable for the season.

The doctor is also firm about not wearing hose with sandals. Your feet should be bare, but pedicured and pretty.

It's probably a sign of the aging process, but a lot of us are perfectly content with anything that covers our poor aching feet and doesn't pinch our bunions or corns. If they look good, it's a bonus.

Shagene's hard work pays off

Local student Kerry B. Shagene's hard work in high school is already paying off - by earning her an award that will pay part of her college tuition.

Shagene, who will enter Albion College this fall, has been recognized for superior academic achievement with an Albion College Presidential Recognition Scholarship.

The Presidential Scholarship recognizes the fact that

Shagene graduated high school with a grade point average above 3.7 and an ACT score above 27 or an SAT score above 1220.

More than 88 percent of Albion's entering first-year students have earned a merit-based scholarship, a statistic which underscores the high quality of Albion's students.

"Our growth was primarily in students whose average grade point average exceeded a 3.75, causing us to

provide more academic, performing and visual arts, and special departmental scholarships to deserving students," says David Hawsey, vice president for enrollment.

This fall, Shagene will be a first-year student at Albion College. She is the daughter of William Shagene and Andrea Shagene of Cass City and a graduate of Cass City High School.



Douglas and Hilda VanAllen

VanAllens mark 50th anniversary

Douglas and Hilda VanAllen of Cass City recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Douglas and Hilda were married Dec. 27, 1951 at Mizpah Missionary Church, Cass City.

A party was held in their honor June 22 at Novesta Church of Christ with 150

guests attending. The party was given by their children: Bill (Melanie) VanAllen of Virginia Beach, Ron VanAllen of Madison Hts., Debi (Craig) Emke of Goodrich, Shari (Bob) O'Dell of Cass City, Jeff (Laura) VanAllen of Cass City, and Mike (Sheila) VanAllen of Cass City.

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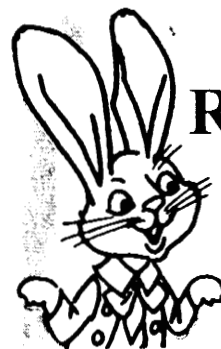
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

It happened in Boyne City at McDonald's, where we stopped for a "senior citizen" coffee to take on the road home. We advanced to the window and were informed that the folks in the preceding car had paid the 37 cents.

When I recovered from the shock I mentally thanked my unknown benefactor and tossed my coffee money into the Ronald McDonald container below the window.

Janet Severance, our ad compositor, cleared up the mystery, explaining that the incident was just a random act of kindness, a campaign started by Oprah Winfrey.

In Charlevoix there is a restaurant that serves only breakfast, but was still busy at about 2 p.m. when we dashed in. I failed to note the name, but it's called something like Ma's Breakfast.

The restaurant hasn't got a lot going for it. There is no air conditioning and no credit cards are accepted.

Mine was a hash omelet. She had a sampler breakfast, an egg, slice of French toast and a strip of bacon. The prices were average and so was the food. Give it a 5 on the 1-10 scale.

The parking was convenient and on Charlevoix's main stem on the weekend that's no small thing. Whatever the reason, the place was packed when we visited.

As long as a fully-grown marijuana plant is worth between \$1,000 and \$2,000 there will be plants grown. The Thumb Narcotics Unit has uncovered 113 separate plots in the Thumb.

It would appear that the only way to stop these criminals would be to legalize pot. But the cost is too great.

With legalization the prices would drop, making marijuana easier to buy and use. When tobacco prices increased significantly, tobacco use declined.

There's no reason to believe that it wouldn't be the same for pot.

Arvis and Lex Tetreau and Joyce Janushowski, on a Sunday drive, made tracks to Port Austin to see the major fire that consumed 4 business buildings.

They saw the fire and much more. Near Grindstone City on M-25, they spotted not one, but 2 eagles.

Evidently the majestic birds are making a comeback. Until 2 years ago I can't recall anyone reporting seeing an eagle. In the last 2 years there have been sightings at 2 other locations in the immediate Cass City vicinity.

Meyer and Kern praise override of Engler veto

Local government officials are breathing a sigh of relief following last week's legislative override of Gov. John Engler's veto of \$845 million in revenue sharing payments for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

The Michigan Senate voted 36-1 Tuesday to override the veto. The vote in the House, meanwhile, was 105-1. A two-thirds majority is required in both chambers to override a veto.

The votes translate into a substantial portion of funding for local governments, including Cass City, which stood to lose \$152,000 next year, or about 11 percent of the village's \$1.3 million general fund budget.

Among Thumb counties, Tuscola would have lost \$1.142 million, while the loss would have been \$912,516 in Sanilac County and \$769,378 in Huron County.

"The veto override was the only way local governments could be assured of having money many boards had already included in their budgets for this year," said State Rep. Tom Meyer, R-Bad Axe, who was one of the first lawmakers to call for the veto override after the governor vetoed the funds.

"Waiting until after the No-

vember elections would have left too big a question hanging over providing crucial services like police and fire protection.

"Thumb area leaders were unanimous in their call for the return and future protection of this funding," Meyer added. "I will continue to work toward that goal, because balancing state spending by putting the health and safety of Michigan residents at risk is not acceptable."

Meyer's opponent in the November general election also lauded the override.

"For fourteen years, I have spoken out against those who bring harm on the families of Tuscola County, and, as such, I also feel it is my duty to commend those who do right by us as well. So, in that light, I am very pleased that the legislature did the right thing, not only for the families of Tuscola and Huron Counties, but for all of Michigan's families, by overriding the governor's veto of revenue sharing today," said Tuscola County Sheriff and

Democratic candidate for the 84th District of the Michigan House Tom Kern. "Hopefully, this is just the first step of many that will undo all the wrongs that have been done through cuts in health care, senior services and fire protection grants this past year to our communities and families," added Kern.

Engler last month vetoed \$1.1 billion from the state budget, including the \$845 million in payments to local governments.

He said the reductions came in response to ballot proposals that could redirect the state's use of tobacco settlement money, require treatment for criminals convicted of drug-related offense, and mandate binding arbitration for state employees.

Last week's override was the first involving a governor's veto in Michigan in 25 years. The previous override targeted Republican Gov. William Milliken in 1977 and involved a dispute over an obscure legislature rules law.

The
Haire
Net



I was all set to kick off a column using information gleaned from an article in an area daily paper.

I read the piece thoroughly and set it aside and returned to work. Since I was walking to work (and back) on a circuitous route that morning, I figured to wait and take it that afternoon when I returned by car.

In just a little over 3 hours that article went poof and disappeared. I looked and looked, examining closely the Bay City Times, Detroit Free Press and Detroit News and my wife swears that she didn't wrap it with the garbage.

I pored over those papers for over an hour (no exaggeration) becoming more frustrated by the minute. And more determined. Finally, I called the Times and using the keys about the story I could remember from the article the library computer couldn't come up with an answer.

I just wasn't up to polling the Detroit papers and now the story is gone forever or at least until this issue was printed and the information became useless.

With that tale of woe complete, let me generalize about the story and why it caught my attention. It concerned a story about a proposed expansion in Gaylord on a recreational site with golf courses and other amenities already in place. It's obviously designed to attract the well-heeled looking for a home in the "unspoiled" north country.

In the development there will be some 2,000 home sites and judging by what happened at Bay Harbor 35 miles to the north, the sites will fill with astonishing rapidity.

Think about that. Once the development starts, those 2,000 homes will sprout up like mushrooms after a warm spring rain.

It's sure that if I were in business in Gaylord I would welcome the development, just as I would if the campaign underway to lure people to Cass City and the Thumb is successful.

For north country businessmen the rapid switch from a rustic, soothing community to a bustling metro-like area similar to those in the south is just great. Perhaps they figure that if they want to relax they can head to Canada.

As a longtime vacationer to the area, each time a little of the land is gobbled up and inundated with people a little of what is great is lost. It's also a lost cause to feel that this people encroachment will subside or even slow down.

But these latecomers will probably be happy anyway. They never know what they are missing.



The back forty

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by Roger Pond

It's time for my annual stock market report: "Bad! Bad! Bad!" This is down from my previous report, which was just "Bad!"

I'm not sure what got small-time investors into this fix, but I have a couple of theories. The common belief, "I haven't lost anything until I sell," might have something to do with it.

And the sister concept, "This dip in the market is a good thing, because it lets me buy more shares with the same money," is almost too silly to deal with.

We don't have the money, anymore! But if we did, we could buy more shares.

What ever happened to those investment experts who said the market always goes up in the long run, you just have to stay in there? How long is the long run, anyway?

Those two concepts, "The market always goes up in the long run," and "I haven't lost anything until I sell," are what got most of us in trouble.

That line of thinking destroyed our common sense. We quit managing investments because we thought we didn't have to.

I sold half of my mutual funds back in 1995 and bought certificates of deposit. I looked pretty dumb for a few years after that.

Now, it turns out I was only half dumb. I should have sold them all.

The stock market has been overvalued for a long time. Mr. Greenspan tried to tell us that (in his own little, circum-spect way).

We could have sold more funds two years ago when the market was headed south. But we didn't. Nobody wants to sell when the market is going down.

An old Ace Reed cartoon from back in the '70's illustrates this line of reasoning. Ace's cartoon shows a cattle rancher talking with his banker.

"You know them 50-cent calves I kept last fall because the price was so low?" the rancher asks. "Well, now I gotta borrow some more money to feed those 40-cent calves I couldn't afford to sell when they was 50-cents."

The "market always goes up in the long run" concept is exemplified by the optimist

and pessimist story.

It seems there were two brothers who were so opposite their parents worried about their future. One was such an optimist, you couldn't reason with him. The other was such a pessimist, nothing made him happy.

At Christmas time one year the little boys' parents decided they would try to shock them out of their extreme attitudes. So they bought the pessimist the nicest train set you ever saw.

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box full of horse manure and wrapped it up for the little optimist. (I didn't say this was going to be funny.)

Christmas morning the little pessimist opened his train set and began crying. "I know this isn't going to work," he said. "It will probably break the first time I start it up."

Then, the optimist opened his box of horse manure and began laughing and clapping his hands gleefully. "Oh, boy!" he said. "I just know there's a pony around here somewhere!"

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Annual gospel music gathering starts Friday

The old wooden tabernacle at Bay Shore Camp will be ringing with harmony in traditional quartet style at the fifth annual Lloyd Severance Thumb Gospel Music Convention, set for Friday through Sunday at the Sebewaing campground. Admission is free, but a free-will offering will be taken to benefit the camp.

Camp officials are preparing for a total of some 3,000 people this year.

Bay Shore Camp is located on the northeast edge of Saginaw Bay, one-half mile west of Michigan Sugar Company's Sebewaing plant. Take M-25 to Michigan Sugar Company and follow the signs.

It was the late Lloyd "Chic" Severance who pursued his dream of holding a major Gospel music event in Michigan's Thumb. After his passing in 2001, convention officials renamed the event to honor Severance's many contributions to gospel singing in the Thumb and greater Michigan.

The 2002 convention begins with a 7 p.m. concert Friday. Singing resumes at 11 a.m. Saturday and will continue throughout the day, uninterrupted, until all scheduled groups have performed.

For those staying in camp or close enough to drive,

there is a 10 a.m. worship service Sunday.

Food services will be available all day Saturday. A breakfast buffet begins at 7:30 a.m. in the camp dining hall, with serving until 10 a.m. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for youth up to 11 years of age.

An outdoor BBQ chicken dinner is planned for 3 to 6 p.m. Saturday. The cost is \$6 per person. Other concessions and refreshments will also be available all day.

Gospel groups committed to this year's convention are: The Allens, Calvarymen, Grimshaws, Joyful Sounds, New Destiny, Northmen, One Destiny, Royal Heirs, Sammons & Co., Hope's Call, Not Ashamed, and Mark and Andrea Forester.

None of the singing groups will be paid for their appearance, but each will be allowed to market their own recordings.

Based on overwhelming success of the first 3 Gospel conventions, camp officials are preparing for a total attendance of some 3,000 people this year. The tabernacle seats 600 to 700 persons, and large tent canopies and a closed-circuit TV system will accommodate overflow crowds. Those planning to sit outside are encouraged to bring portable lawn chairs.

Camp officials noted that all in-camp accommodations and all campsites on Bay Shore's RV campground have already been reserved.

More information on the event, including other accommodations, may be obtained by logging onto the camp's website at www.bayshorecamp.org, or by calling (989) 883-2501.



CURRENT AND former fire fighters were honored during a brief ceremony Saturday in conjunction with the annual Gagetown Country Days celebration.

(Related photos, page 9)

To serve mid-Michigan

Lansing officials delay new pipeline construction

The city of Lansing has delayed construction of a new pipeline that would help meet the gasoline transportation needs of the Tuscola County area.

The Lansing City Council recently voted to deny local consent to the Wolverine Pipe Line Company, Lansing, to replace a 65-year-old, undersized pipeline serving the mid-Michigan area.

The Michigan Public Service Commission and the Michigan Department of Transportation, along with 3 townships along the proposed route have already approved Wolverine's application to build a 12-inch pipeline in the I-96 right-of-way around the city of Lansing. Four miles of the pipeline would go through the city and all of it on the I-96 right-of-way.

Wolverine also has a tentative agreement with the Lansing Board of Water and Light on 21 additional safety

measures to protect drinking water sources.

"We are disappointed that the city of Lansing didn't respond to the facts," said Steve Woodburn, project executive for Wolverine.

"We will have to put on hold our plans to meet mid-Michigan's petroleum transportation needs for the future in the safest manner," he added. "This new pipeline would have eliminated local price spikes caused by a shortage of gasoline and reduce the need for barges carrying gasoline into the Saginaw Bay."

The gas terminals in Bay City and Lansing serve 28 mid and northern Michigan counties, including Tuscola.

Mid-Michigan, including the Tuscola area, has not been able to reliably meet the demand for petroleum products through pipeline transportation since the closing of Total/Ultra Diamond

Shamrock's Alma refinery in 1999. Gasoline to serve Tuscola County is primarily produced at refineries located in the Chicago area.

Wolverine purchased the pipeline system from Total/Ultra Diamond Shamrock with the intention of rebuilding the pipeline network in order to be able to transport additional gasoline from Chicago to meet the present and future needs of the region.

Wolverine completed the first phase of the project, construction of a new pipeline from Jackson to Stockbridge, in 2001. The phase included a new 16-inch pipeline and increased storage facilities in Stockbridge for additional pumping capacity at Stockbridge and St. Johns.

The second phase will be on hold until Wolverine completes a review of the company's options.

When completed, the pipeline system will be able to replace the 2.1 million gallons a day lost when the Alma refinery closed, and will have additional capacity to meet demands well into the future, according to company officials, who say the expanded pipeline system will help to reduce truck and barge transportation of refined products to Lansing, Bay City, and 28 mid-Michigan counties.

Wolverine has been operating pipelines for more than 45 years. The company currently operates more than 750 miles of pipeline in Michigan, and delivers about 35 percent of the state's refined petroleum products.

Huron hospital opens 2 clinics

Huron Medical Center has opened 2 Outreach Clinics.

Larry Davis, the medical center's president and chief executive officer, stated these new clinics will greatly enhance patients' ability to seek health care locally.

The Port Austin Clinic is located at 24 E. Spring St. and the Uby Clinic is at 2269 Main St.

Richard Lockard, MD will serve as the clinics' medical director. Dr. Lockard received his medical degree from the University of Michigan, he is board certified in family practice and practices in Elkton. He is currently serving as Huron Medical Center's chief of staff and Huron County's medical examiner, and is a past president of the Huron County Medical Society.

Dr. Lockard will oversee the 2 highly trained physician assistants. Both PAs were trained in Michigan and have extensive experience in their profession.

Barbara Davis, MS, PA-C graduated from Central Michigan's Physician Assistant Program in 1998. Since her graduation she has worked with Dr. Canfield in Sebewaing.

Michael Davis, MS, PA-C received his training in Western Michigan University's PA Program and graduated in 1974. He was a founding member of the Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants and served as its second president. Davis joined the Navy in 1980 and served in Quantico, Va; Rota, Spain; during Desert Shield and Storm he served aboard the USS John F. Kennedy.

Additionally, Davis served

as the Navy's physician assistant at the White House, where he was responsible for providing care to the first and second families. He finished his naval career assigned as the director of the Navy's Physician Assistant Training Program in San Diego.

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DAVE LITTLE looks over a fine stand of corn near the family farm Friday morning. Irrigation has made a big difference this year, although there have been challenges, including a battle with crab grass.

Adopt-a-Farm series

Littles cautiously optimistic as fall harvest approaches

Editor's note: This is the fourth in a series of agriculture stories the Chronicle is publishing in cooperation with the Michigan Farm Bureau's Adopt-a-Farm program, which pairs members of the media with local farmers. The goal is to give readers a close look at "life on the farm" through stories that track the ups and downs of agriculture through the eyes of a single, local farm family.

In the following story, father and son Keith and Dave Little, who farm 1,300 acres in northern Novesta Township, discuss the progress of this growing season along with recent market trends.

The sky opened up and poured in Cass City early Friday morning, but just about 3 miles to the southwest along Kelly Road, Dave Little watched only a few sprinkles fall as he went about his daily chores.

A lack of rain when neighboring areas are getting pounded isn't new for Dave and his father, Keith Little, who say it's a trend they've seen repeated time and time again.

Fortunately, this growing season has provided fairly timely rains, at least enough to make for a decent crop. Along with the added insurance of about 450 irrigated acres, the father and son are optimistic, at least for now.

"We were really critical there for a while in July. We had corn that started to look just like last year - it got a foot tall and turned brown," Dave recalled. "Then we got that rain during fair week. I never saw corn look so bad and then turn around."

"The corn was already hurt.

We got rains beyond what you would call prime time, but it still saved the crop.

"The corn does look good. We were getting critical again here, but this (recent) rain - we got an inch - will help fill in the ears," Dave added. "At least we'll get a crop this year, barring hail or some other natural disaster."

The Littles' irrigated acres include 140 to 150 acres of corn and about 100 acres of soybeans. "If we hadn't irrigated, we'd have been hurting," Dave noted. "There's going to be decent corn where we didn't water, but not like the (irrigated) crop."

The Littles said they're a bit late this year with their alfalfa harvest - the pair just recently completed a second cutting. Cool temperatures also delayed planting of 110 acres of dry beans in June, but timely rains after they planted made a big differ-

ence.

"The bean crop looks real good. They probably won't be worth much this fall, but we've got contracts on some of it," Keith said, referring to what he's seeing in the commodity markets.

"This week has been pretty wild," he added, noting corn and soybean yield predictions are down, resulting in market gains for both crops. "But the dry bean market is just the opposite. It's pretty flat because the crop looks good and the acreage is up."

"Right now they're talking - corn at \$2.50 to \$2.70 (a bushel)," Keith said. "Soybeans, they're talking in the \$5 to - some optimistic guys are talking \$7. And, of course wheat, the crop is already in. Right now it's in the \$3.50, \$3.60 area."

All 3 price ranges are improvements from a year ago, when the Littles saw prices at \$1.80 for corn, the low \$4

range for soybeans, and \$2.50 wheat.

As for dry beans, the price for navies is around \$14 per hundredweight (cwt.) compared to \$22 last year, and blacks are in the \$16 range compared to \$33-\$34 last year. The Littles also grow some pintos, which are up a bit in price - \$17 compared to \$14 a year ago.

"That's (last year's dry bean prices) where they should be to make money, for all the risk involved," Dave said.

Of course, there's no guarantee when it comes to prices, especially with the crops still in the field. And, the Littles have had to battle insects and weeds.

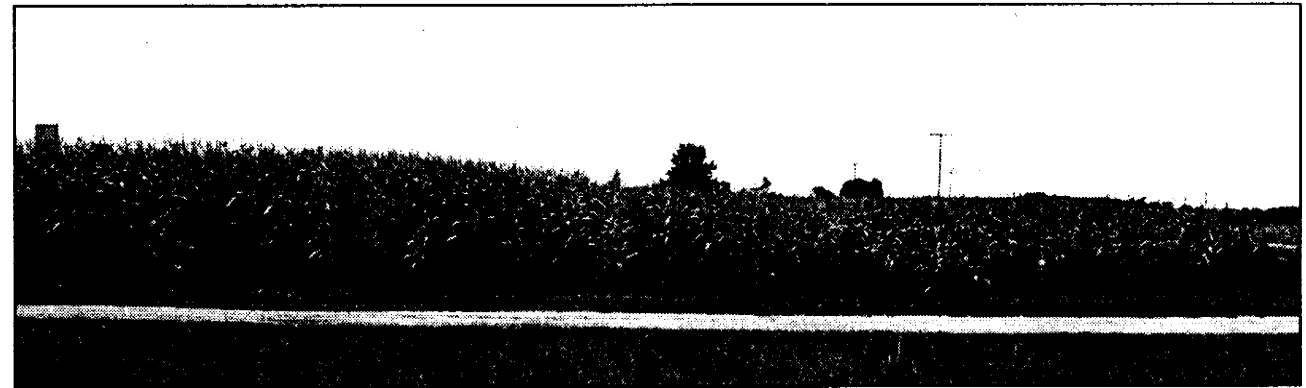
Among the biggest pests this year have been leafhoppers, prompting the local farmers to spray their fields, some of them twice. "They were just sucking the life out of the (dry bean) plants as

soon as they came up," Dave said, adding there has also been a fair amount of corn borer damage, although the extent of loss won't be known until the harvest.

The biggest weed problem this year has been crab grass, according to Keith. On the other hand, he said, aphids have not posed a serious threat.

For now, the Littles are focusing on equipment maintenance and repairs as they prepare for the harvest. They expect to harvest pinto beans in about 3 weeks. They'll begin chopping some corn for silage in the middle of September, and the soybean harvest is expected to get underway in early October.

"Right now it's not too bad," Keith said. "We had some (drought-related) damage earlier, but nothing like last year."



Tall and short of it

THE BENEFITS OF irrigation are clear in this photo of a field of corn at the Little farm. The corn on the left has been irrigated, while the rows on the far right have not.

Hewitt tapped for residency

Three national medical programs selected Central Michigan University physi-

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Goldstein, a specialist in hip and knee reconstruction and repair surgery, founded the institute in 1991. His practice includes 5,000 patients per year at two sites in the suburban Chicago area. He has independently and collaboratively designed hip and knee replacement implants. Currently he is clinical professor of orthopedics at the University of Illinois at Chicago.



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1st Flight (18 Holes)

Sue Ellen Greenlee	127
Joan Montgomery	119
Betty Koepf	117
Fran Bellew	112
Nelle Maharg	103
Mary Rabideau	95.5
Bunny O'Berski	83.5
Dee Pickett	61.5

2nd Flight (18 Holes)

Linda Herron	135.5
Patricia Greenwood	124
Candy Holdship	120
Ardis Haist	119
Blanche Rumpitz	116.5
JoAnn Martin	51

3rd Flight (9 Holes)

Jane Hool	103
Noreen Krug	91
Mary Lou Maurer	87
Linda Helwig	85
Shirley McIntosh	75.5
Marian Harm	23.5

Flight #2 (all scratch)

Fred Leeson	186
Jim Peyer	173
Clark Erla	170
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Dave Oehring	170
Terry Hendrick	167
Anton Peters	163
Kevin Bliss	157
Pat Curtis	157
Doug Lautner	150
Bruce LeValley	148
Jim Mastie	139
Jeff Krol	135
Don Erla	133
Bob Stickel	101
Bob Bredemeyer	74

Flight #5 (handicap)

Tom Lis	189
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REPEAT CHAMPS

THE CASS CITY golf team won its own invitational tourney Thursday at Rolling Hills Golf Course. Participating team members included: (front l-r) Zac Toner, Cyndi Henn, Nick Swanson, (back l-r) Zach Bliss, Chris Maharg and Scott Thane.

Red Hawk golfers capture 11-team Invitational title

Cass City won the 11-team Cass City Invitational with a composite score of 148, 2 strokes better than second place Carsonville-Port Sanilac.

The unique tourney has 3 teams from each school. It features 9 holes of best ball (the best of the 2 scores posted by the 2-person team) and a scramble (using the best shot after each player shoots) for 9 holes. The best score for 2 of the teams count, unless there is a tie when the winner is decided by the score of the third place team.

C-PS took second place over Sandusky when the composite score for both teams was 150. The C-PS third team of Doug Moran and Andrew Bopra scored 75 and Sandusky's Chris Loding and Dan Thomson scored 82.

The other team scorers were: Marlette 152, Lakers, 154, Vassar 154, Caro 156, Mayville 156, Harbor Beach 157, Millington 173 and Deckerville 175.

Cass City's team of Zach Bliss and Nick Swanson

were tourney medallists with a score of 72. Zac Toner and Chris Maharg scored 76. Cyndi Henn and Scott Thane scored 84.

Paced by the 36 netted in the best ball by Bliss-Swanson, Cass City was in front by 3 strokes after the first 9 holes and held on for the 2-point win in the scramble.

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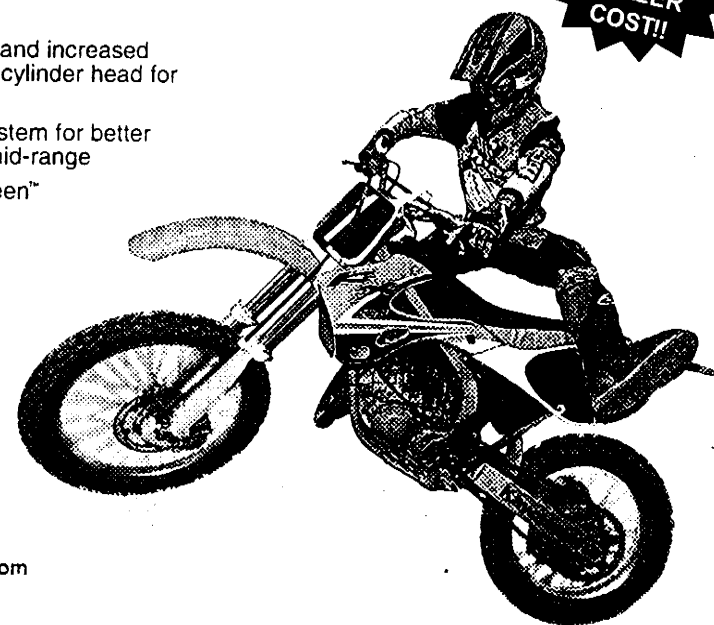
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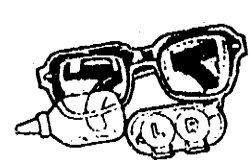
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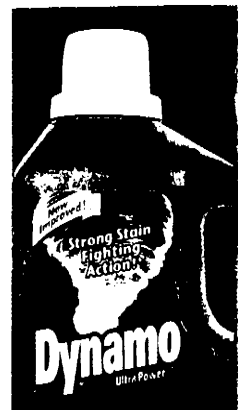
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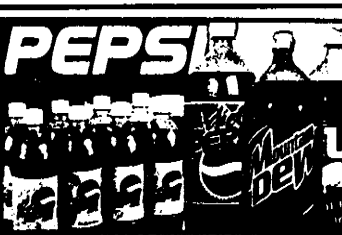
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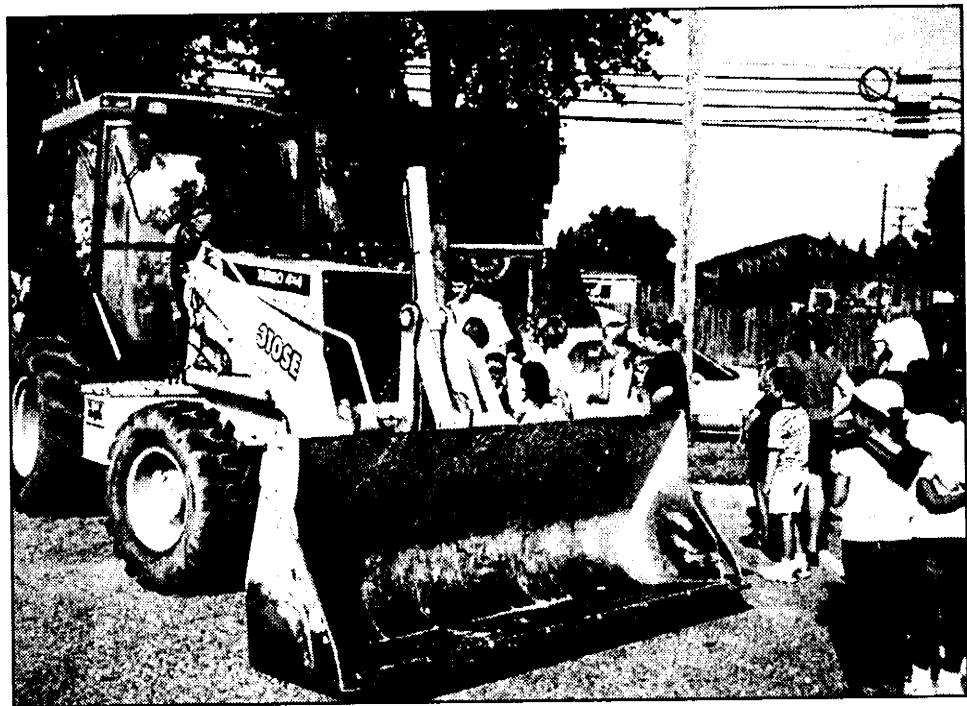
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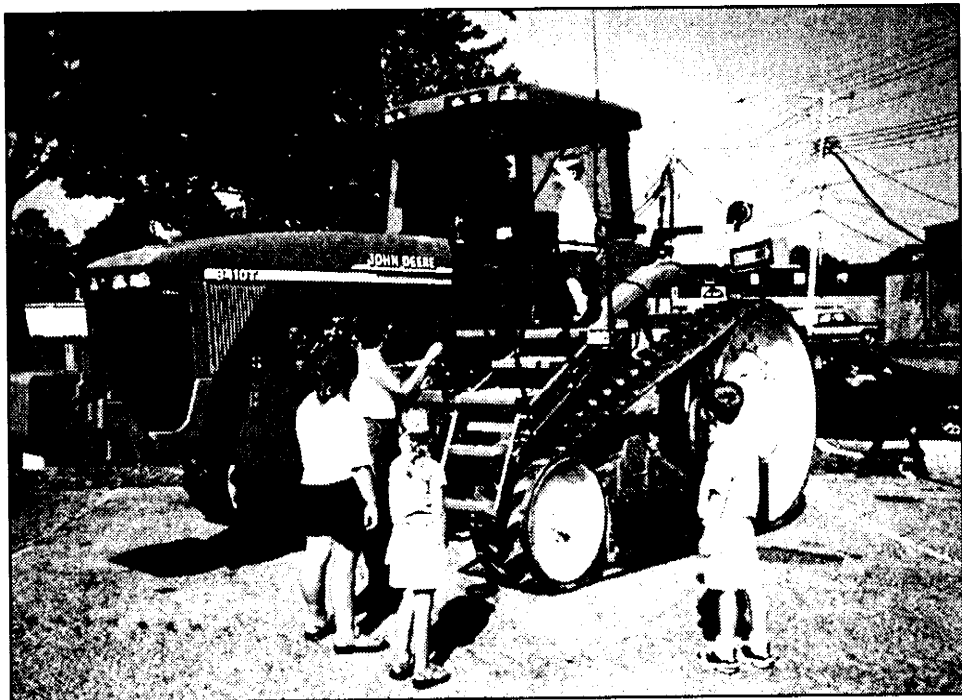
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MORE THAN 200 area children and adults enjoyed a close look at a variety of mighty machines, including farm and construction equipment, during "Truckin' Tuesday". Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City hosted the new event Tuesday, Aug. 13.



Childbirth classes scheduled

The Huron Medical Center, Bad Axe, will be offering a 6-week series of childbirth classes.

The classes will be held on Wednesday evenings at the Medical Center from 7 to 9

p.m. beginning on Sept. 4.

These classes are for any expectant mother who is due before December 2002 and wants to learn more about nutrition, exercise, the labor process, relaxation tech-

niques, pain management and more.

There is a \$30 charge for the class.

For more information or to register call Huron Medical Center at (989) 269-9521.

Think safety first as kids go back to school

The end of summer means the start of school is fast approaching. For parents and teachers alike, a great deal of planning and preparation goes into those weeks before school starts to ensure a smooth and successful year for students.

Safety is not to be overlooked. Getting to and from school safely is paramount. So set rules, establish habits and stick with them throughout the year.

Recent studies show that parents who drop their children off at school are generally buckled up. But more often than not, their child is unbuckled! Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death and injury for children. Further, most crashes occur close to home. So buckle up, even if it's only a few blocks from home.

Safety advocates recommend that children under 80 pounds ride in a booster seat because seat belts don't fit these youngsters properly and can harm rather than help in the event of a crash.

Remember, Michigan law required all passengers under 16 to be buckled up, in the front and back seats!

Safety belt use is lowest among teens and young adults. Consider the vulnerability of novice drivers, who are more apt to make mistakes that can mean anything from a fender bender to a major crash.

School busses are a very safe form of transportation. But children need to take precautions just the same. Students should arrive at the bus stop five minutes early and stand at least five giant steps from the edge of the road. Wait until the bus stops, the door opens and the driver says it is OK before stepping onto the bus.

Be careful that clothing with drawstrings and book bags

with straps or dangling objects do not get caught in the handrail or door when exiting the bus.

Walk in front of the bus - never walk behind it. Walk on the sidewalk or along the side of the road to a point at least five giant steps (10 feet) ahead. Be sure the bus driver can see you and you can see the bus driver. Stop at the edge of the bus and look left-right-left before crossing.

Warn children that if they drop something near the bus, they should never pick it up. Instead, tell the bus driver and follow the driver's directions.

Teach children to cross streets at marked crossings. Children are impulsive - they don't stop to think about safety. Those under 9 have a difficult time judging the speed of approaching cars - they may not even be able to tell if they are moving!

The real message is "Look both ways and see if any cars are coming. If they are, figure out how fast they are going and if there's enough time to cross. If not, wait until one or both go by."

Attention: co-op employers

Cass City High School Counselor Wayne Dillon is putting out the call to all area employers who are considering hiring a local high school student this year through the Cass City District's Co-Op/Work Experience program.

Potential employers as well as students interested in getting a job through the program are asked to contact Dillon at 872-2148.

Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

Judge Brundage presented Friends of the Octagon Barn committee members Norma Wallace and Rose Putnam with a portrait of his grandfather, John Munro. Munro was one of the original builders of the historical site.

A chemical spill caused some tense moments and forced authorities to close several miles of M-81 Friday afternoon. But no injuries were reported, and officials said they're confident a prompt clean-up effort prevented what could have been an environmental nightmare.

Thousands of people gathered Saturday in Gagetown during the 4th annual Octagon Barn Festival to help restoration efforts of the county's 8-sided historical barn and nearby farmhouse. Master of Ceremonies Wayne Dillon opened the gala at 10:00 a.m. from the downtown gazebo.

10 YEARS AGO

Nancy and Richard Taylor, owners of Bigelow's Hardware in Cass City, left Monday for the Middle East, where they will spend the next year teaching at an American K-12 school in Kuwait City.

A fluorescent lighting fixture is being blamed in a Sunday afternoon fire that caused \$75,000 in damage at the Michigan Sugar Company's agricultural and accounting office in Caro. Smoke was pouring out of the building through vents and eaves when the fire department arrived, according to Fire Chief Dave Matlin, who said the blaze contained inside the structure was burning slowly and extremely hot.

Members of Service Employees International Union, Local 79, AFL-CIO, ratified a new 3-year labor agreement Friday for employees work-

ing at the Tendercare nursing home in Cass City. The union represents about 80 workers at the Cass City nursing home.

25 YEARS AGO

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held Monday afternoon for erection of a shelter over the Indian carvings (petroglyphs) in Sanilac County. Construction of the shelter is the first phase in what may someday be a mile-square state park.

Owendale-Gagetown voters will go to the polls Oct. 22 in an election authorized by the school board Tuesday night for residents to decide whether property should be transferred from the district.

Coffee is only one of the many things that Linda Sutter liked in Brazil. The 17-year-old recently returned from that South American country, after having spent almost a year there as a participant in the Rotary Club Youth Exchange Program. Linda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sutter of Cass City. She will be a senior this fall at Cass City High School.

35 YEARS AGO

There was another fire at the dump Saturday and, according to members of the Fire Department, there will be more before the village is finally rid of its greatest eyesore. The reason firemen are predicting trouble is that underneath the top couple of feet of trash the rubbish is smoldering...too hot to touch.

A total of 20 steers, 20 hogs and 15 market lambs were sold at the sixth annual 4-H Future Farmers of America Market Stock Show and Sale held at the Sanilac County 4-H Fair, Sandusky. Keith Sowerby, Sanilac County Extension Agricultural Agent said the sale grossed nearly \$9,000. The total sale for lambs was \$586.44, hogs \$1,799.58 and steers \$6,459.35.

James Edwin Rawson, son of Dr. D.E. Rawson of Cass City, was awarded an MA degree in business administration from Western Michigan University. He was one of 1,836 students to receive a degree Friday, Aug. 11, at the end of the summer session.

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	ENGL 203	Early American Lit	7-10 p.m.	3 cr
	ENGL 271	American Lit	7-10 p.m.	3 cr
	MATH 081	Basic Math	6-8 p.m.	2 cr
Tuesday:	ENGL 111	Composition I	6-9 p.m.	3 cr
	COMM 105A	Fundamentals of Communication	6-9 p.m.	3 cr
	CHEM 102A	Chemistry and Society	6-9 p.m.	3 cr
Wednesday:	SOC 111	Introduction to Sociology	6-9 p.m.	3 cr
	PSYC 100	General Psychology	6-10 p.m.	4 cr
Thursday:	MATH 103	Intermediate Algebra	6-10 p.m.	4 cr
	HIST 100E	World Since 1500	7-10 p.m.	3 cr

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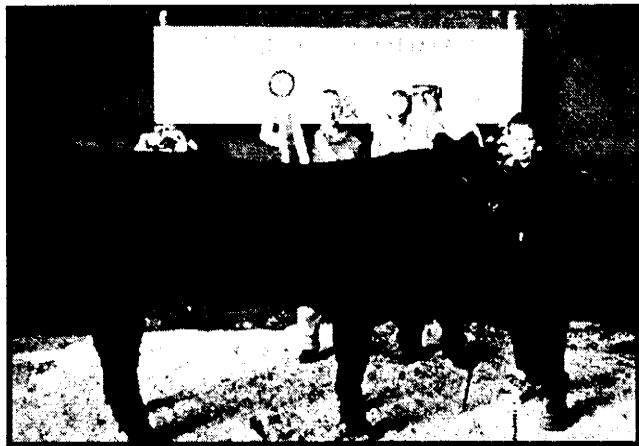
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Brand new this year is Auto-Mation's sister program, Serv-Ustry, which focuses on customer satisfaction, service industry principles, technology and communication in non-manufacturing fields.

Candidates must be 18 or older, unemployed or working part-time. There is limited space so those interested must register by Thursday, Sept. 12.

Classes will be held in every county at the following locations: Huron County - Davenport University, Bad Axe; Lapeer County - Mott Community College, Lapeer; Tuscola County - Davenport University, Caro; Sanilac County - Thumb Area Michigan Works!, Marlette.

Call Thumb Area Michigan Works! at (989) 635-3561 for more information.

Funding will be restored

Indianfields Township will receive its fire protection grant funding under legisla-

tion Rep. Tom Meyer is sponsoring to reinstate money for the program in the 2003 budget.

Meyer is working with House colleagues to undo the budget reduction by Gov. John Engler. The Tuscola County township has depended on about \$1,400 from the program to help operate its fire protection services.

"In a small community every dollar is crucial," said Meyer, R-Bad Axe. "The fire protection grants help defray the cost local departments may incur to cover state-owned property."

"Those funds make it possible for local officials to ensure firefighters are properly equipped to serve area residents."

House Bill 6272 will restore almost \$7.5 million statewide to the fire protection grant program.

F.B. meet slated for Sept. 5

The Tuscola County Farm Bureau will hold a County Annual Meeting Thursday, Sept. 5, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 903 Ryan Rd., Caro.

Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting follows at 8 p.m. This year's meeting features a free Membership Appreciation Dinner.

Local farmers will discuss, debate and approve policy on issues affecting Tuscola County. The Tuscola County Farm Bureau Policy Development Committee, chaired by Myron Orner of Reese, will recommend policies dealing with local issues. Also, the farmers will pass policy on state and national issues, to be forwarded to the Michigan Farm Bureau Policy Development Committee.

Please RSVP to the Tuscola County Farm Bureau office by calling (989) 673-4155.

To keep your marriage brimming/With love in the loving cup/Whenever you're wrong, admit it/Whenever you're right, shut up.

—Ogden Nash

Calendar of Events

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

Friday, August 23

Alcoholics Anonymous, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 24

Lloyd Severance Thumb Gospel Music Convention, 11 a.m., Bay Shore Camp, Sebawaing.

Monday, August 26

Cass City School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

Marlette Community Hospital is offering a Lunch & Learn - Topic is: Colorectal Cancer, 12-12:30 p.m. Marlette Community Hospital, Continuous Learning Center, 3270 Wilson Street, Marlette. For more information call Judy Mahaffy, RN at 989-635-4349.

Wednesday, August 28

Retirement Open House for Doris Jones, 2-5 p.m. & 7-8 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

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3rd Prize - Coke Cooler with pop: Charles Stevens, Kingston
4th Prize - Dr. Pepper cooler with pop: Fred Smith
5th Prize - Free Milk for a year: Lana Deel
6th Prize - Free Ice Cream for a year: Charlotte Kritzman, Cass City
7th Prize - Free Bag of Jays Potato Chips for a year: Anita O'Berski, Cass City
8th Prize - Gift Basket (compliments of Thumb National Bank): Char Fahrner, Cass City

9th Prize - Extreme Scooter: John Wolak, Kingston
10th Prize - Free 1/2 Sheet Decorated Cake from our Bakery: Marge Dickinson, Cass City
11th Prize - 10 Free Dinners from Erla's Deli: Phyllis Wheeler, Cass City
12th Prize - CD Boom box: Elfriede Englehart, Cass City
13th Prize - Faygo Cooler with pop: Mary Lamway
14th Prize - \$15.00 worth of Lottery Tickets: Donna Little
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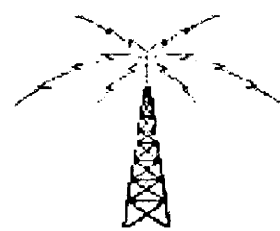
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Jeralyn Herp will be directing the dance studio as well as teaching jazz, tap, lyrical, hip-hop, aerobic kickboxing, and various other specialty classes. Jeralyn has dedicated herself to the studio for several years and has recently taken ownership of the studio. She has competed and performed all over Michigan for the Sally Doerr Dance Studio, taking classes from many well known performers and choreographers. Jeralyn has also been studying physical and health education at SVSU. She will continue to keep the studio involved in dance workshops, conventions, competitions, and performances both in and outside of the community. This will be done in hopes of opening the students to many aspects of arts, performing, physical activity, and entertainment.

Amanda Bennett has grown up surrounded by dance. She is not only an amazing performer, but a very knowledgeable and advanced teacher and choreographer. Amanda will be in charge of the ballet program for the studio and will also be teaching tap, lyrical, hip-hop, and jazz. Amanda's mother and her grandmother were also dance teachers. Amanda has been a competitive dancer since the age of eight. She has been teaching dance since she was sixteen. Her dance students have gone on to win high point scores in regional and national competitions across the nation. Amanda has danced with Enrique Iglesias and Boyz II Men. Amanda is an excellent addition to the Sally Doerr Dance Studio and will offer a great deal of talent and experience to all aspects of the studio's activities.

Alischia Boyl is an extremely talented gymnast who knows fabulous ways of instructing acrobatic and tumbling classes. Alischia is able to not only teach her students everything about acrobatic tumbling, but she can also demonstrate everything she teaches. She was a competitive gymnast for over seven years, winning various awards in Michigan and Georgia. Alischia believes strongly in learning the basics correctly so as to build her students into strong performers and tumblers. Alischia also has been asked to train area cheer and dance teams in gymnastics. She is a fabulous instructor who has built up the studio's acrobatics program and she is awesome at everything she does.

Sarah Taylor is a very hard-working, talented, and beautiful dancer. There is an undeniable natural grace to Sarah's movements. She has been involved with the studio her whole life. Sarah continues to be a fundamental aspect of the competitive groups at the Sally Doerr Dance Studio. She has a great deal of competitive dance experience and has helped the SDDS company win numerous high point scores at competitions. The experience Sarah holds under her belt as a part of the Sally Doerr Dance Studio will be an excellent benefit for the studio.

Sally Doerr and Nicole Doerr would like to congratulate the new owner, Jeralyn Herp. They will continue to be active staff members at the studio offering workshops and frequent master classes.

MAEAP Field Day scheduled Aug. 28

There will be a Michigan Agricultural Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP) Field Day Wednesday, Aug. 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Huron County, held in cooperation with Huron Conservation District, MSU Extension, Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

The field day will begin at the corner of Nugent Road and Atwater Road, 2 miles west of Uby. Buses will be loaded at this location.

Registration will begin at 10 a.m. and introductions will be made by Dennis Weidman, district technician MAEAP specialist. The first stop on the tour will be at the Melvin Bischoff Farm, showing his method of controlling yard runoff including leachate from silos and barnyard.

The second stop will be at Terry and Connie Kramer Farms to see how they put up silage and control leachate.

The third stop will be at Alex Prill's farm to view a field where no commercial fertilizer was supplied. The buses will return to the original location for a field demonstration of custom application of manure.

Speakers will include Natalie Rector, MSU Extension; Jerry Fischer, NRCS; Tom Young, DEQ and Scott Pigott, Farm Bureau.

There will be no charge for registration. Forms, including name, address, and phone should be sent to the Huron Conservation District, 1460 S. Van Dyke, Bad Axe, MI 48413, by Aug. 23.

Registration on the day of field tour will be \$5 per person. Lunch will be provided. For further information call (989) 269-9540 (ext. 3).



SATURDAY'S Gagetown Country Days parade featured everything from fire trucks and politicians to miniature horses and floats. The weekend festival also included a car cruise, softball tournament, children's games, crafters and vendors, and the M-T Pocket Pullers.



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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David W. Duncan and Ruth Duncan (original mortgagors) to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated November 16, 2000 and recorded on November 22, 2000 in Liber 816 on Page 120 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE AND 76/100 DOLLARS (\$54,425.76), including interest at 8.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on September 12, 2002.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Situated in the City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, Commencing at a point where the so-called Goodrichville and Lower Saginaw State Road crosses the section line between Sections 7 and 18, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, running thence South on centerline of said State Road 10 rods; thence East 2 rods to East line of said State Road, which is the place of beginning; thence East 10 rods; thence North 4 rods; thence West 10 rods; thence South to beginning. Subject to easements and building and use restriction of record.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 31, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Hawks 248-593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200222559

Hawks 7-31-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David A. Church and Nina Church, aka Nina R. Church, his wife, in bar of dower, to PCFS Financial Services, Inc., mortgagee, dated May 13, 1999 and recorded May 19, 1999 in Liber 771, Page 1209, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Three and 24/100 Dollars (\$83,553.24), including interest at the rate of 12.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI at 10:00 a.m., on September 26, 2002.

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

Part of the West half of the Southeast quarter of Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point which is North 89 degrees 26 minutes 40 seconds West, 1271.18 feet along the South line of said Section 9 and along the East line of the West half of the Southeast quarter (also the East line of Bostick's Addition to the Village of Millington) North 00 degrees 08 minutes 49 seconds East, 909.48 feet along the North line of said Bostick's Addition, North 89 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds West, 334.38 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot 2 of Block B of Bostick's Addition and parallel to the East line of said West half of the Southeast quarter, North 00 degrees 08 minutes 49 seconds East, 2.00 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 9, thence parallel to the North line of said Bostick's Addition, North 89 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds West, 127.62 feet, thence parallel to the East line of said West half of the Southeast quarter, North 00 degrees 08 minutes 49 seconds East, 64.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East 127.62 feet, thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 49 seconds West, 64.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: August 14, 2002

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorney for PCFS Financial Services, Inc.
As Mortgagee
PO Box 5041
Troy, MI 48067-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 210.0765

8-14-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by ROLLAND J. DAVID JR. and TRACIE WALKER-DAVID, husband and wife, to ALLIANCE FUNDING, a Division of Superior Bank, FSB, One Ramland Road, Orangeburg, NY 10962, dated October 31, 2000 and recorded with the Tuscola County Register of Deeds on December 6, 2000 in Liber 816 at Page 1074. Said mortgage was assigned by an assignment to LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Indenture Trustee under the Indenture, dated as of 12/1/00, Series 2000-4 n/a LASALLE BANK, N.A., 404 Swan Point Marina Road, Seadrift, TX 77983 by an assignment dated November 14, 2000 and recorded with the Tuscola County Register of Deeds on January 24, 2002 in Liber 858 at Page 1493. By reason of such default the undersigned elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of said mortgage due and payable forthwith. At the date of this notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest at the rate of 12.250% per annum on said mortgage the sum of FORTY-SIX THOUSAND NINETY AND 16/100 DOLLARS (\$46,090.16). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided and to pay said amount with interest as provided in said mortgage and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorney's fees allowed by law, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public venue to the highest bidder at the front entrance of the courthouse in Caro, the place of holding the Circuit Court within the County of Tuscola, City of Caro, on Thursday, September 19, 2002 at 10:00 a.m., local time.

Pursuant to Public Act No. 104, Public Acts of 1971 (MSA 27A3240(3)) the redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of the foreclosure sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

The premises covered by said mortgage is situated in the City of Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and more fully described as:

LOT 7, BLOCK 1 OF MERRITT'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF VASSAR, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 21, NOW BEING PAGE 22A OF TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS, ITEM NO.: 79-051-500-401-0700-00

LASALLE BANK, N.A.

Assignee of Mortgagee

Dated: August 21, 2002

Walter J. Russell (P19781)
BRANDS DORFER & RUSSELL
161 Ottawa Ave. NW, Suite 411-5
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 774-8422

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ernest C. Froman, III and Janette R. Froman (original mortgagors) to Royal Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 18, 2001 and recorded on September 14, 2001 in Liber 842 on Page 111 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-ONE AND 44/100 DOLLARS (\$30,791.44), including interest at 23.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on October 3, 2002.

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

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

Parcel 1: Lot 1, Block 2 of Leonard Fox's Second Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 59, now being Page 36A.

Parcel 2: Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 2 of Leonard Fox's Second Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 59, now being Page 36A.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 24, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200211476

Hawks 7-24-5

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donna M. Bosink, a single woman, to AA Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated March 23, 2000 and recorded on March 23, 2000 in Liber 797 on page 036, Tuscola County Records, Michigan and assigned by said Mortgagee to Allan Daniels, Trustee of Allan Daniels Living Trust dated March 23, 2000 and recorded on April 26, 2000 in Liber 799 on page 855, Tuscola County Records, Michigan and assigned by said Mortgagee to Boulder Financial, Inc., by an assignment dated April 14, 2000 and recorded on April 26, 2000 in Liber 799 on page 856, Tuscola County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-one thousand nine hundred nineteen and 44/100 Dollars (\$71,919.44), including interest at 15% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, Michigan, at 11:00 o'clock a.m. on September 26, 2002.

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

Township of Elmwood, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF ELMWOOD, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 13, Town 14 North, Range 10 East; thence running East 506.31 feet along the South line of said Section to a point where Southerly extension of the centerline of Walsh Road intersects said South line; thence N11°50'12"E, along centerline of Walsh Road 976.74 feet; thence S78°09'39"E, 416.54 feet; thence S05°25'24"W, 235.45 feet; thence N78°09'39"W, 262.85 feet; thence S74°43'36"W, 129.72 feet to the centerline of County Ditch; thence S29°19'58"E, 553.47 feet; and S16°29'17"E, 138.79 feet along the centerline of County Ditch to its intersection with South line of Section 13; thence West 493.53 feet along the South line to the point of beginning.

Parcel ID No.: 009-013-000-1250-00

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 31, 2002

Boulder Financial, Inc.
Mortgagee
c/o Alan G. Greenberg (P14326)
5746 Williams Lake Road
Waterford, MI 48329

8-14-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kenneth Vanderaa Jr. (original mortgagors) to Icon Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 19, 2001 and recorded on May 1, 2001 in Liber 830 on Page 219 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated July 1, 2002, which was recorded on July 18, 2002 in Liber 886 on Page 830, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY AND 20/100 DOLLARS (\$65,370.20), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on September 26, 2002.

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

Lot 6, Block 2 of the Plat of Worthington's Addition to the Village of Caro, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 14, now being Page 15A of Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 14, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas C. Fryers and Crystal K. Fryers (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated June 16, 1999 and recorded on June 22, 1999 in Liber 774 on Page 1075 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagors to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated February 1, 2001, which was recorded on March 8, 2001 in Liber 823 on Page 722, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY THOUSAND FIFTY-FOUR AND 29/100 dollars (\$90,054.29), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on September 12, 2002.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point on the West section line that is North 00 degrees 28 minutes 15 seconds East, 772.45 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 34, thence continuing North 00 degrees 28 minutes 15 seconds East, 244.45 feet, thence East 44.50 feet, thence South 0 degrees 28 minutes 15 seconds West, 244.45 feet, thence West 445.50 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 31, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Jaguars 248-593-1311
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Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200221953

Jaguars

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by DENNIS G. BROWN and SHEILA R. BROWN, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to TMS MORTGAGE, INC. d/b/a THE MONEY STORE, Mortgagee, dated the 26th of August, 1999, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 26th day of October, 1999 in Liber 785 of Tuscola County Records, page 1135, said Mortgage having been assigned to WELLS FARGO BANK MINNESOTA, N.A., as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of 2/28/01, series 2001-A, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of Forty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Six & 02/100 (\$45,746.02), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of August, 2002 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 15.4900% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

The land referred to in this policy is situated in the state of Michigan, County of Tuscola and is described as follows:

Township of Freemont
Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20, T11N, R9E, described as beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 20, which is 340 feet of the intersection of the South, East and West 1/8 line of said Section 20 with said East line, thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 18 seconds West along said East line 200 feet; thence West at right angles to said East line; thence North Parallel with the East line, 200 feet; thence East 436 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: 7/24/02

WELLS FARGO BANK MINNESOTA, N.A.
Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
JONATHAN L. ENGMAN (P56364)
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Troy, MI 48064
(248) 362-2600

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage made by Albert H. Kitchen Jr. and Sandra Kitchen, husband and wife, to Bland One Financial Services, Inc. by a mortgage dated October 15, 1999 and recorded on November 22, 1999 in Liber 788 on Page 90, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned to Household Finance Corporation III, by an assignment of mortgage dated March 31, 2000 and recorded on October 3, 2000 in Liber 812 on Page 189, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty Six Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars and Ninety Five Cents (\$146,387.95), including interest at 13.08% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on August 29, 2002.

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

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 16, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, running thence East rods; thence North 16 rods; thence West 20 rods; thence South 16 rods to the place of beginning, being part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 16.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 15, 2002

Michael M. Grand, Esq.
GRAND & GRAND PLLC
31731 Northwestern Hwy., #257w
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sandra Stout, an unmarried woman, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, mortgagee, dated January 11, 2002 and recorded March 25, 2002 in Liber 871, Page 474, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as trustee, without recourse by assignment dated July 23, 2002 submitted to and recorded by Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Forty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Nineteen and 12/100 Dollars (\$42,619.12), including interest at the rate of 9.35% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on September 19, 2002.

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 10, Town 9 North, Range 9 East, described as: beginning at the point on the west section line that is South 00 degrees 30 minutes East 534.60 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 10, thence continuing South 00 degrees 30 minutes, East 209.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees, East 209.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes, West 209.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes, West 209.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: August 7, 2002

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as trustee, without recourse.
As Assignee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48067-5041
(248) 457-1000

File No. 221.0733

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tanya Nunn (original mortgagor) to Mae-Clyra Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated September 22, 2000 and recorded on October 3, 2000 in Liber 812 on Page 251 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated June 21, 2002, which was recorded on July 16, 2002 in Liber 886 on Page 431, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY AND 3/100 Dollars (\$83,170.33), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village

of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on September 26, 2002.

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

Part of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 32, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Section 32, thence along the East line of said Section 32, South 00 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds East 250.00 feet; thence West 150.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds West 250.00 feet to the North line of said Section 32; thence along said North line, East 150.00 feet to the beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 14, 2002

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File # 200219679

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lillie Rosa Lester (original mortgagors) to WMC Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated September 10, 1999 and recorded on September 22, 1999 in Liber 782 on Page 1183 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Bank One, N.A. /f/a The First National Bank of Chicago, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of September 30, 1999, Series 1999-A, without recourse, Assignee by an assignment dated December 19, 2001, which was recorded on February 1, 2002 in Liber 861 on Page 81, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE AND 31/100 Dollars (\$25,231.31), including interest at 10.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on October 3, 2002.

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

Subs 369 and 370, Shay Lake Heights Lodging Unit No. 3, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 21, Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 21, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Attorneys and Counselors
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Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200129405

Raptors

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy Leonard (original mortgagors) to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated November 24, 1999 and recorded on November 29, 1999 in Liber 788 on Page 1334 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgage to the Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated July 24, 2000, which was recorded on September 5, 2000 in Liber 809 on Page 1272, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO AND 93/100 dollars (\$76,182.93), including interest at 6.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on September 19, 2002.

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

Lot 7, Block 1, except therefrom a strip of land 7.00 feet wide across the West side of said Lot 7 of Hamilton's Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 24, now being Page 35A.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 7, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Stallions 248-593-1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200128899

Stallions

8-7-5

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by LIVRADO RIVERA, A. AND VALERY RIVERA, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to BANK ONE, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 13, 2000, and recorded on October 18, 2000 in Liber 813, on page 732 TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred forty four thousand four hundred and 44/100 Dollars (\$144,400.44), including interest at 10.240% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 11:00 AM on September 19, 2002.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF COLUMBIA, TUSCOLA County, Michigan and are described as:

Part of the Southeast quarter of Section 36, Town 15 North, Range 8 East, described as: Part of Lot 3 and 4 of Block 15 of H.C. Marvin's Plat of Unionville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 48, now being Page 49A of Tuscola County Records, beginning at the Southwest corner of said Block 15; thence along the East right of way line of Brown Street North 01 degrees 43 minutes 30 secov., s East 116.66 feet; thence parallel to the North right of way line of Bay Street (M-25) South 87 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds East 132.00 feet; thence South 01 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds West 116.66 feet; thence along the North right of way line of Bay Street North 87 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds West 132.00 feet to the Southwest corner of Block 15 and the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: August 14, 2002

BANK ONE, N.A.
Mortgagee
ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgage

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
For Information, please call:
(248) 540-7701

8-14-4

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by MARK JOHNSON and MICHEL JOHNSON, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to TMS MORTGAGE, INC. d/b/a THE MONEY STORE, Mortgagee, dated the 14th of January, 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 2nd day of February, 1999 in Liber 761 of Tuscola County Records, page 1377, said Mortgage having now held by HOMEFSERVICING CORPORATION, /f/a TMS MORTGAGE, INC. d/b/a THE MONEY STORE, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Sixty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Six & 20/100 (\$67,356.20), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of September, 2002 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 9.850% per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

Commencing at the SE 1/4 corner of Lot 6, Block 3, of William Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, on Page 491, Tuscola County Records; thence N 0 deg 04 min, W 133.65 feet along the E line of Block 3 to the point of beginning, running thence N 0 deg 04 min, W 57.17 feet along the E line of Block 3; thence N 86 deg 55 min, W 62.18 feet along an old fence line, thence S 08 deg 18 min, E 53.31 feet along a once existent fence, thence N 87 deg 43 min, E 65.67 feet to the point of beginning, being part of Lots 6 and 5, Block 3 of William Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, on Page 491, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: 8/7/02

HOMESERVICING CORPORATION
/f/a TMS MORTGAGE, INC. D/B/A THE MONEY STORE
Mortgagee
FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
JONATHAN L. ENGMAN (P56364)
Attorney for HomeF
888 W. Big Beaver, Ste. 1470
Troy, MI 48084
(248) 362-2600

8-7-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christopher J. Whiting (original mortgagors) to 1st Premier Mortgage Co., a sole proprietorship, Mortgagee, d., J. September 3, 1997 and recorded on September 9, 1997 in Liber 719 on Page 1048 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagors to the Sterling Bank and Trust, Assignee by an assignment dated September 3, 1997, which was recorded on September 9, 1997, in Liber 719 on Page 1054, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-NINE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE AND 95/100 dollars (\$49,975.95), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on September 5, 2002.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 1 and 2 and the South 1/2 of Lot 3, Block 4, Bullard's Addition, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1, Page 24A (formerly Page 23) of plats, Tuscola County records, except commencing at the Southeast corner of said Lot 1, thence North 115 feet, thence West 78 feet, thence South 07 degrees 15 minutes West 50 feet; thence South 27 degrees East 98 feet; thence North along Cass Avenue to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 24, 2002

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
Cougars 248-593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 200222278

Cougars

7-24-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sandra K. Inker and Robert J. Inker, Sr., husband and wife, to Investec Corporation, mortgagee, dated August 31, 2001 and recorded October 26, 2001 in Liber 845, Page 44, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Custodian or Trustee, /f/a Bankers Trust Company, As Trustee by assignment dated October 4, 2001 and recorded on May 1, 2002 in Liber 876, Page 577, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Eighty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Six and 75/100 Dollars (\$88,576.75), including interest at the rate of 9.99% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on September 19, 2002.

The premises are located in the City of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 2 and 3 "Manke's Subdivision" as recorded in Liber 1, Page 73, now being page 23B of Plats, Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: August 7, 2002

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Custodian or Trustee, /f/a Bankers Trust Company, As Trustee.
As Assignee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000

File No. 207.0227

8-7-5

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage made by Duane Serven, a single man, to Household Finance Corporation III by a mortgage dated October 25, 2001 and recorded on December 13, 2001 in Liber 852 on Page 759-762, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and re-recorded on August 2, 2002 in Liber 888 on Page 582, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars and Thirty Eight Cents (\$49,740.38), including interest at 12.693% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on September 26, 2002.

Said premises are situated in the Village of Caro, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as:

THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 29, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Thursday, the 29th day of August A.D. 2002, at 10:00 o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

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

Commencing at a point 414.00 feet North of the Southwest Corner of the North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Town 11 North, Range 9 East; thence North 220.00 feet; thence East 236.00 feet; thence South 220.00 feet; thence West 236.00 feet to the point of beginning.


Tax ID: 011-007-000-1950-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated

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Joyce A. Bemus
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3-FAMILY GARAGE SALE - Thursday and Friday, the 22nd and 23rd, 9-5 p.m. 1 mile west of Cass City. 14-8-21-1

GARAGE SALE - Aug. 22-23, 9-5 p.m. 4307 Leach Street. Microwave, something for everyone. 14-8-21-1

Household Sales

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GARAGE SALE - Aug. 22-24, 9-5:30 p.m. 7379 Bevans Rd. (across from Lucky Thumb race track). Kitchen table, bar stools, clothes (newborn to 5 and some adult), miscellaneous household. 14-8-21-1

GARAGE SALE - Friday (9-5 p.m.), Saturday (9-noon). Clothes, 55 gallon aquarium, toys, books, crafts. In the alley behind Chemical Bank. 14-8-21-1

6-FAMILY SALE - multi-purpose scanner/copier, infant-adult clothing, Fisher Price/Little Tikes toys, baby items and much more. 4 miles south of Deford (Kingston Rd.), 1/2 mile east on Legg Rd. Aug. 22-24, 9-5 p.m. 14-8-21-1

GARAGE SALE - Thursday and Friday, Aug. 22 and 23, 9-5 p.m. 4292 Ale St. 14-8-21-1

3-FAMILY GARAGE SALE - Thursday, Aug. 22 (9-6 p.m.), Friday (9-8 p.m.) and Saturday (10-3 p.m.). Furniture, baby clothes, toys, clothing (assorted sizes - children to adults), large mirror, household items, good winter sweaters, jackets, snowsuits, Halloween costumes and much more at 4999 Green Rd., Cass City. Go west from town to DNR, turn right (north) on Green Road. 5th house on left - Count only houses on left side! Special Saturday only \$1.00 a bag. No Early Sales!! 14-8-21-1

GARAGE SALE - Aug. 22-24, 8-5 p.m. 5136 Rescue Rd. 8 miles north, 1/4 west of Cass City. Women's and men's clothing, X-mas and home decor, toys, lots of misc. 14-8-21-1

2-FAMILY GARAGE SALE - lots of glassware, knickknacks, crafts, queen bedding, Home Interior, X-mas dec., clothes (med. to XL), antique horse carriage, vases and butter churn. Weedwhacker, rototiller, Texas saddle and much more. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday; Aug. 21, 22 and 23; 9 to 7 p.m.; 1360 Spencer St., Deford; 2 blocks south Deford store, last house on left - follow signs. 14-8-21-1

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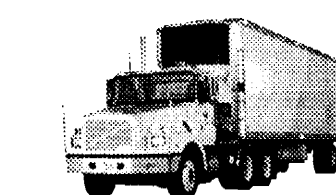
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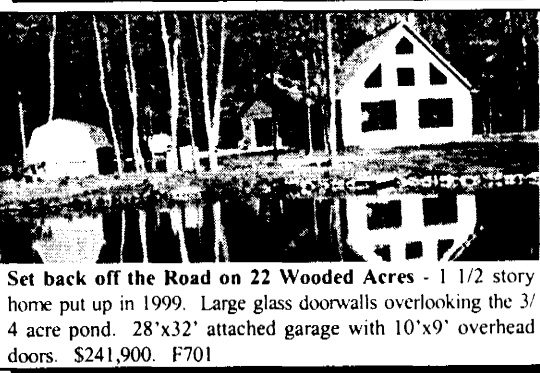
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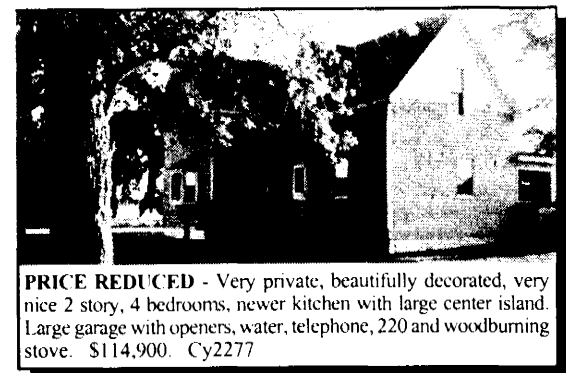
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Obituaries

Mabel V. Francis

Mabel V. Francis, 85, of Cass City, died Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2002. She was born June 26, 1917 in Deford to Harvey and Vina (Spencer) Palmateer. She married James Walmsley Dec. 24, 1938 in Pontiac. He died March 7, 1945. She married Harold J. Francis May 6, 1948 in Wilmot. He died April 29, 1969.

Francis was a Post Master at the Deford Post Office for many years. She was also a member of the VFW Auxiliary of Caro for over 50 years.

Francis is survived by her children: Nancy (Robert) Watkins of Ovid, Janet Thomas of Pompano Beach, Fla., James (Pam) Walmsley of Atlas, Carol (LaVern) Rutkoski of Cass City, Patsy (Dennis) Longuski of Cass City, Harvey (Karen) Francis of Cass City, Dennis Francis of Cass City, Vera (Jack) Glass of Colorado Springs, Col.; step-daughter, Virginia Beaulieu; 12 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; siblings: Leota Anthes and Carl (Joyce) Palmateer of Cass City, Alma (Willard) Darbee of Caro, and Marion (Raymond) Frederick of Nevada.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Friday, Aug. 16 at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Rev. George Ward of Cass City United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was in Novesta Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Rawson Memorial Library. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Rodney A. Keroson

Rodney A. Keroson, age 43, of Cass City, formerly of New Lothrop, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 10, 2002 in Cass City. He was born on Nov. 16, 1958 in Saginaw, the son of Edward and Jean (Dumas) Keroson. He married Mary Cross on April 18, 2000.

Keroson resided most of his life in New Lothrop and the past two years in Cass City. He graduated from Cornua High School in 1978. He had been a member of the New Lothrop Lions Club.

Keroson is survived by his wife, Mary; two children: Tasha and Bobbie Keroson of St. Charles; one step-son, Tony Butler of Cass City; his father, Edward of New Lothrop; two brothers: Paul Keroson of Flint, Dr. Robert (Tamara) Keroson of Winstboro, SC; one sister, Diane (Casey) Spencer of New Lothrop; and many other relatives and friends. He is preceded in death by his mother, Jean; and a baby brother, Ronald.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 14 at the Whelpley-Martin Funeral Home, New Lothrop. Burial was in St. Michael Cemetery.

Dennis M. Meyer

Dennis M. Meyer, 17, of Kingston, died suddenly Monday, Aug. 12, 2002. He was born May 8, 1985 in Cass City to Dennis and Irene (Spear) Meyer.

Meyer finished his junior year at Kingston High School.

Meyer is survived by his parents; sister, Kim Sue Meyer of Kingston; step-siblings, Jeremy and Kristen Meyer of Akron; grandfather, Arthur Spear of Kingston; grandmother, Mary Thompson of Marysville; many aunts, uncles, cousins; and special neighbors, Louis and Mary Gyomory. He is preceded in death by his grandmother, Hazel Spear; and step-grandfather, Jim Thompson.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 15 at Kingston Wesleyan Church, Kingston, with Rev. Ken Boileau officiating.

Memorials may be made to Family Discretionary Fund. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Carmen Root

Carmen Wayne Root, 77, died peacefully at his Santa Rosa residence, Aug. 9, 2002 after a short battle against lung cancer. He was born in 1925 to Clare and Zella Crawford in Michigan.

Root received his B.A. from Michigan State and his M.A. from Wayne State. He was in the Air Corps from June 1943 to Oct. 1945, where he

successfully completed 37 missions in the European Theater. He was awarded the Air Medal with 5 Oak Leaf clusters and 3 Bronze Stars. When he returned from the war, he went into teaching. In 1959, he moved his family from Michigan to Santa Clara County, California where he continued his teaching career in Los Altos. Root also designed custom-built swimming pools.

He was the father of Bridget Root (Hans) Kurz of Sonoma, Kevin Root of Alaska and Maureen Austin of Windsor; the grandfather of Ryan and Scott Austin, Max and Wolfgang Kurz; the friend and former husband of Ruth Evans of Santa Rosa; the brother of Lois Nelson of Santa Rosa and the late Eileen Teeple; the step-father of Betsy Evans of Cotati and Andrew Evans of British Columbia; the father-in-law of Chuck Austin of Sebastopol; and the brother-in-law of Aileen Andresen of Petaluma.

A graveside service was held Friday, Aug. 16 at Cypress Hill Memorial Park, Petaluma, CA.

Memorial contributions may be made to Canine Companions for Independence, 2965 Dutton Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95407.

Arrangements were made by Parent-Sorensen Mortuary and Crematory, Petaluma, CA.

Catherine Sheppard Walpole

Catherine Sheppard Walpole passed away Aug. 2, 2002.

She was a long-time resident of Cass City.

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It's back to school next week

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drop box in the principal's office of each school day before 9:30 a.m.

This year's staff includes one new teacher, Lori Brown, who will be teaching second grade. In addition, officials plan to fill an elementary Title I Reading Recovery position.

OWEN-GAGE

In the Owen-Gage School District, students will begin the new year Monday, Aug. 26, with a full day session.

School will be closed Friday, Aug. 30, and Monday, Sept. 2, for the Labor Day holiday.

The elementary school schedule begins at 8 a.m., with students who participate in the breakfast program reporting directly to the cafeteria. The first bell will ring at 8:12 a.m. and the last, at 3 p.m.

The kindergarten schedule is as follows: Group A - one-half day Mondays (mornings) and all day Tuesdays and Thursdays; and Group B - one-half day Monday (afternoons) and all day Wednesdays and Fridays.

The school district will be offering a preschool program, which will consist of 4

days per week. Registration information is available by calling (989) 665-9921.

At the junior-senior high school, students may enter the building at 7:40 a.m. Students participating in the breakfast program are to report to the cafeteria, and all students are asked to sign up daily for hot lunch. The first bell will ring at 8:12 a.m. and the last bell, at 2:50 p.m.

Busses will begin the year running similar routes to last year. Questions should be directed to Transportation Coordinator Liz Roemer at (989) 678-4261.

Meal programs will be open the first day of school. The breakfast price is \$1 and lunch is \$1.25, with milk available at 25 cents per carton. Free and reduced price lunch applications will be sent to all homes with a letter to parents/guardians.

The elementary and junior-senior high offices will be open this week to register new students. For more information, call the elementary office at (989) 665-9921 or the junior-senior high office at (989) 678-4141.

KINGSTON

In the Kingston Community Schools, students will begin the year with a full day of

classes Monday, Aug. 26.

There will be no school Friday, Aug. 30, and Monday, Sept. 2, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

This year's school hours are 8 a.m. through 2:55 p.m. at the elementary school, and 8 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. at the high school.

Bus routes will be similar to last year.

Both the breakfast and lunch programs will operate the first day of school. The breakfast price is 75 cents. Lunch costs \$1.25 (\$6.25 per week) at the elementary and \$1.50 (\$7.50 a week) at the high school.

New staff members this year include Trisha Belsky, elementary teacher; Sara Creguer, high school Spanish and English; Lori Weingartz, elementary special education; and Karen Bruner, part-time elementary music.

UBLY

Students in the Uby Community School District will report Tuesday, Aug. 27, for a full day.

There will be no school Friday, Aug. 30, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

The breakfast and lunch programs will begin on the first day of school. Break-

fast will be served from 7:40 a.m. to 8 a.m. Prices are 75 cents for elementary students and 85 cents for grades 7-12. Lunch prices will be \$7.50 a week for grades K-6, while grades 7-12 will pay \$8.50 weekly.

Meal payments can be made and mailed to the school in care of "Mealtime". Money can be deposited in each child's account before the first day of school.

Kindergarten and Young 5 pupils will attend school 4 full days each week, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Their classes will be offered in the former St. John School in Uby.

New teachers this year include Jennifer Diebel of Elkton, who teaches instrumental music, and Daisy Harris of Bad Axe, who has been hired as a high school special education teacher.

Motorist killed

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crossed the road centerline into the path of a northbound semi tractor.

The truck driver attempted to avoid the collision, but struck the passenger car head-on, pushing it into a southbound ditch, according to deputies, who said the semi and trailer rolled over onto its side.

Rattew was pronounced dead at the scene. Marlette fire fighters used their Jaws of Life to extricate her from the vehicle.

Rattew's passenger, Jeffrey P. Rattew, 23, Marlette, was transported to Marlette Community Hospital for

treatment of his injuries. The semi driver, Heather M. Lentner, 18, Peck, sought her own treatment for minor injuries.

Reports indicate neither occupant in the Rattew vehicle was wearing a seatbelt, while Lentner was wearing a seatbelt.

The initial investigation revealed that Rattew's vehicle had a defective power steering pump, and deputies believe that is why the car entered the northbound lane of traffic.

Deputies were assisted at the scene by the Marlette Ambulance Service, Marlette Fire Department, and the Michigan State Police Motor Carrier Division, Sandusky post.

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