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County: state funding solution is temporary

Tuscola County officials say the state's solution to letting counties make up for funding they've lost in the form of state revenue sharing doesn't offer long-term security, but it's better than losing revenue sharing altogether.

The state House recently voted on 2 bills that save local communities from significant funding cuts.

The legislation will shift property tax collections from December to July over a 3-year period and create a pool of funding, using one-third of the tax collections. Counties will be able to draw from the pool to fund what the state is no longer paying them in the form of state revenue sharing.

For the state, the solution erased \$183 million in red ink by the start of the new fiscal year Friday.

An alternative proposal would have eliminated state revenue sharing altogether, something state Rep. Tom Meyer said was not acceptable.

"This shift will help local communities continue to fund the necessary services that protect people," said Meyer (R-Bad Axe), who supported the legislation. "Many departments, like fire and police, have already set their budgets for the upcoming year; we need to make sure that these services have the money to function properly."

Tuscola County Controller Mike Hoagland emphasized that the property tax collection shift does not mean higher tax bills for residents.

"It is not a property tax increase; it is a 'roll forward' of when you pay your taxes. You will be paying your taxes sooner," he explained, noting the collection applies only to the county's general operating levy of 3.93 mills.

Under the shift, residents will pay their property taxes as usual this December, and one-third of the collection will be set aside to create a revenue sharing fund, leaving the county with two-thirds of its normal general fund revenue.

"There will be some cash-flow issues, but generally, we think they're not insurmountable," he said.

Residents will first notice the shift in July 2005. "Tax-

payers will get a bill and it will be for one-third of their normal tax bill. That will also go into the state revenue sharing pot," Hoagland said. "Then, in December 2005, two-thirds of the levy will be collected."

In July 2006, two-thirds of the levy will be collected, with the remaining one-third collected in December 2006. In 2007, all of the levy will be collected in July.

"In essence, we will end up with the equivalent of one year of our normal allocated millage levy," said Hoagland, who added the allocated 3.93 mills generates about \$4.7 million, which is used to pay for all county services not funded by special millages or other earmarked revenue sources.

Hoagland pointed out that the tax shift will provide the county with roughly \$982,000 in what was state revenue sharing funding. The shift will not reinstate thousands of dollars the county has lost in recent years.

Tuscola County has an annual budget of about \$11 million. Over the past 4 years, the county has lost a combined \$1.15 million from state and county sources. Those losses include more than \$400,000 in state revenue sharing dollars.

While the tax shift will buy some time, some counties, including Tuscola, will find themselves in serious financial trouble again in just a few years.

"One of the most important

points I can stress is this approach offers much more security to some counties than to others," said Hoagland, referring to state officials' suggestion that the newly-created funding pool should last from 4 to 27 years.

For Tuscola County, he added, the funds generated by the tax collection shift aren't expected to last more than 4 years, largely because of the county's low allocated millage and a weak tax base. "So, there's a day of reckoning."

State officials have indicated they hope to eventually reinstate the old state revenue sharing system, provided the state's economy turns around. "If not, we're

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Following PTO accident

Cass City resident's recovery slow but sure

A Cass City man is continuing to recover from serious injuries he suffered in a power take-off accident and a subsequent stroke in late August.

John Doerr, 45, is expected to be released from the hospital Friday, but will face extensive rehabilitation in the coming weeks, according to his wife, Barb Doerr.

"He's coming along, but he's got a long ways to go," said Doerr, who noted her husband's stroke left him paralyzed on the right side and robbed him of his speech.

Doerr was injured Aug. 29 at his property on Huron Line Road, where he was running a brush hog. "We were just cleaning up deer camp and getting ready for fall," recalled Barb Doerr. At some point, she said, John stopped the machine after thinking he had struck a small log. He reached up into the equipment and his arm became entangled.

"We found out later that a part on the tractor that runs the PTO broke and tore the gears off," she continued. "When he went to turn it off and see if there was something in there, it caught him

on the last tooth."

Barb Doerr noted she was on her way back to the property at the time. She said she arrived at about the same time as a neighbor, Bob Joseph, who had heard John Doerr calling out.

Doerr, who suffered several breaks in his right arm along with massive tissue damage, was transported to Hills and Dales General Hospital, then airlifted by LifeNet helicopter to St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw, where orthopedic surgeon Dr. Brian C. deBeaubien immediately performed surgery to repair the damage.

The 4-hour surgery went well, but Barb Doerr, who works as a registered certified nursing assistant at Hills and Dales, noticed that something wasn't right when she returned to the hospital. Her husband had suffered a stroke.

"They're not really sure when the stroke took place. It could have been at the time of the accident, before the surgery or after the surgery," she said.

Doctors performed a CT Scan, which confirmed Doerr had suffered a stroke on the left side, causing swell-

ing of the brain and paralysis on the right side of his body.

How quickly Doerr will recover is difficult to say, but Barb Doerr said there have been some promising signs, including John getting some movement back on his right side. "At this point he still has some swelling, but he's improving every day," she added. "He lost his speech, but he's slowly getting a word here and there out that we can understand."

Doerr spent 19 days at St. Mary's and has since been undergoing rehabilitation at the Marlette Community Hospital Center for Rehabilitation.

Throughout the ordeal, family and friends have rallied around the Doerrs with encouragement, cards, prayers, and offers to help. Barb Doerr said a handful of friends got together and held a garage sale, then donated the \$500 in proceeds to the family. "It's been pretty amazing," she added.

"It's still a waiting game. You just don't know," she said, referring to the time it will take for John to recover. "At least we're getting him home."



FUTURE CASS CITY band members Briana Prill, 9, and Alexander Messing, 5, enjoy a carnival ride during the Fall Festival hosted by the Cass City Bands Friday, Saturday and Sunday. "It exceeded our expectations for the first year," said Director of Bands Doug Burtch, who estimated attendance at 1,000 people, with total ticket sales topping \$10,000. Burtch expects to clear \$3,000, which will go towards the bands' upcoming trip to Orlando, Fla.

Drug task force arrests trio

Sanilac Drug Task Force officers recently arrested a trio of suspects following separate drug-related investigations.

The first investigation involved anhydrous ammonia thefts and methamphetamine production in central and southwestern Sanilac County, and the second involved cocaine trafficking in western and southwest portions of the county, according to drug task force Director William Gray.

"In the early part of September the task force began an investigation into several re-

ported thefts of anhydrous ammonia from storage facilities in the central portion of Sanilac County," Gray said.

"On multiple occasions large commercial storage tanks containing anhydrous ammonia were found to have been tampered with after being left locked but unattended during non-business hours."

Anhydrous ammonia is a primary ingredient illicitly used in the production of methamphetamine. The most common method that "meth cooks" use to acquire anhydrous ammonia is by

breaking into commercial storage facilities or farm storage tanks.

The drug task force had already set up a surveillance operation at a storage facility in the Sandusky area Sept. 13 when a citizen reported that a suspicious vehicle had dropped off 2 men wearing ski masks at the Crop Production Service storage facility in Brown City.

The drug task force, Sanilac Sheriff's Road Patrol and Brown City Police Department all responded to the Brown City incident.

"A vehicle matching the

description given by the caller was located occupied and parked in a closed business across the street from Crop Production Services," Gray said. "The 26-year-old driver of the vehicle gave officers conflicting and unsatisfactory explanations for his presence in the area."

A task force investigator located 2 large anhydrous ammonia storage tanks that had been broken into and improperly shut off. Officers, assisted by the Brown City Fire Department and the

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Proud to be an American

Brooks anxious to cast first vote in general election

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Draw June Brooks into a conversation about politics and you can count on getting an earful from a very enthusiastic citizen, a staunch supporter of John Kerry, an advocate of exercising the right and privilege to vote.

A proud American, Brooks moved to the United States from her home in Birmingham, England, just a few years ago when she married her American husband, Bob Brooks. She's spent a great deal of time since then working towards earning her citizenship here, and she realized that goal in July, when she was sworn in during a ceremony held in Troy.

"It's a long complicated

thing, especially with this terrorism going on," Brooks said of the process, which began with an interview and concluded about 3 years later after she passed her citizenship test with a perfect score. In between, the Cass City resident annually renewed her green card and employment card.

And she studied American history, preparing for a written test that would qualify her to take the oath of citizenship.

While the test itself consists of only 10 questions, there are a possible 100 questions, "so you have to learn them all. You just don't know which ones they're going to ask," said Brooks, who figures she spent countless hours studying American

history and government. "I'd take the thing (study guide) to work and I'd have people ask me questions," she said.

Brooks' drive to participate in the American political process stems from her zealous opposition to the war in Iraq.

She admitted her strong views on the issue had her at odds with her husband at first, and that he wondered at one point whether she felt the same sort of disdain for the United States and Americans in general as she does for President George Bush.

But that wasn't the case at all.

"I wasn't really bothered about becoming a citizen at first," Brooks recalled, adding she reassured her husband that she just feels very

strongly that America needs another leader in the White House.

"I like this country," she said. "I gave up a lot to come to this country - I've got 3 (grown) children at home, and grandchildren."

Brooks said she has always felt strongly that United Nations inspectors should have been allowed to complete their search for weapons of mass destruction before any country invaded Iraq. Those weapons were never found, and now soldiers and civilians alike are dying.

"I'm just overwhelmed by it all," Brooks added. "I voted at home, but I was never this excited. I've never been so proactive before. It's only because I'm so stirred up about Bush and his poli-

cies. I don't like him. I don't trust him."

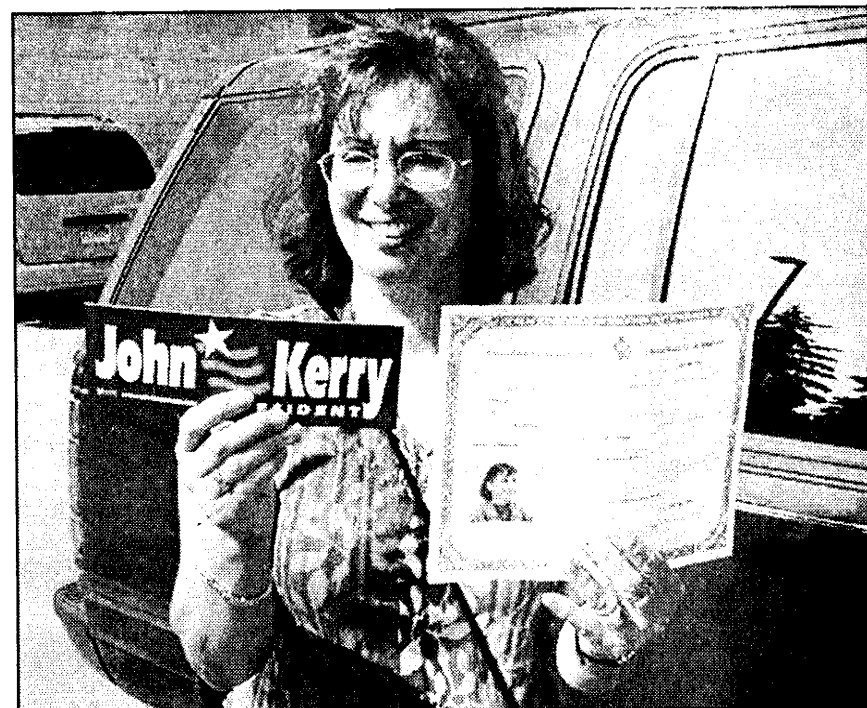
"That was the biggest motivation. I want to be able to vote. That's why I was really keen" to become a citizen.

She also doesn't care for British Prime Minister Tony Blair, whom she believes will be out of a job soon. "They call him Bush's poodle at home," she noted.

Both Brooks and her husband are Kerry supporters, but Howard Dean was her first choice for president. "I think they (Republican Party) were scared of him," she said of Dean's unsuccessful bid for the nomination.

While Brooks enjoys discussing politics, she's also quick to talk about her hus-

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JUNE BROOKS shows off her American citizenship certificate and a John Kerry bumper sticker after taking the oath of citizenship last July in Troy. The former Birmingham, England, resident is eager to cast her first vote as an American in the Nov. 2 general election.

Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 989-269-6994



The Young Ideas Farm Bureau meeting was held Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski. After a video was shown and a business meeting was held, the group played cards and high prizes were won by Dorothy Heleski and Joe Sweeney. Low prizes were won by Josephine Wolschlag and Stanley Heleski. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Heleski on Oct. 21. The hostess served lunch. Ida Sageman of Ubyly, Mrs. Ray Depcinski and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson visited Thelma Jackson Thursday. Mary Catherine Nicol of Mt. Pleasant, June Rutz of Sterling Heights and Mrs.

Dan Franzel went to Atlanta, Ga. to visit Sharon Franzel for her birthday. Tom Talaski, Bernard Morley, Jack Kennedy and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Wednesday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Goodfellow of Onoway came Thursday to visit Mrs. Gerald Wills. Mr. Goodfellow returned home and Mrs. Goodfellow stayed till Sunday when he came back to get her. Mr. and Mrs. Jim A. Sweeney spent a couple of days with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bell, Lauren and Katelynn at Cheboygan. Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen visited Donelda Meske at the Huron County Medical Care

Facility on Sunday. Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski were Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Henley, Karen Rutkowski, Julie and a friend, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Laming, Gary, Lisa and Tracy, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Iseler, Ali and Gina, Andy Depcinski and a friend. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Depcinski and Heather to help Mrs. Allen Depcinski celebrate her birthday. Bernard Morley, Jim Lewis, Jack Kennedy, Bill Iceberg and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe on Friday. Mrs. Curtis Cleland visited Mrs. Hiram Keyser on Thursday. Riva Silver and Mrs. Martin Sweeney spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Curtis Cleland. Ray Depcinski came home Monday after having knee surgery at Huron Memorial on Friday. Allen Farrelly visited Don Rackoff, Henry Leppek, Harley Salisbury and Jack Krug at the Huron Memorial Health Center, Bad Axe. Mr. and Mrs. Bob McCrea of Bad Axe and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hind were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen. Allen Farrelly visited Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Gornowicz on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Peters and Allen Farrelly were among a group who attended the breakfast at the Masonic Hall in Bad Axe Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gornowicz had birthday cake and ice cream at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Depcinski for Heather Depcinski's 13th birthday Thursday evening. Allen Farrelly visited Eleanor Koskie at the Caro Lighthouse Rehab on Thursday. Mrs. Bill Sturgil and David, and Jean Clark visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland. Mrs. Ray Depcinski was among a group who worked for the meal after the funeral of Lawrence Rivard at St. John's Church Hall in Ubyly. Ten members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill in Bad Axe on Thursday morning. They will meet at Stafono's next week in Bad Axe. Mrs. Martin Sweeney, Mrs. Gerald Wills and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson visited Thelma Jackson Thursday.

It's a girl!



Alexandria Harmon

Kimberlee and Corey Harmon of St. Clair announce the birth of their daughter, Alexandria Nickole Harmon. Alexandria was born June 24, 2004 at 3:54 p.m. at Port Huron Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Dale and Sandra Bader of Cass City, Karen Preppernau of Arizona and Wendell Harmon of Florida. Great-grandparents are Naomi Wallace and the late Raymond Wallace of Cass City, the late Lloyd and Irene Bader of Snover, Ellen Harmon and the late Lenard Harmon of Arkansas, and the late Walter and Katherine Grace of Mt. Clemens.

Ruggles joins group

Justin Ruggles, Kingston, is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports John Crouch, executive vice president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Mo. Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association, participate in programs conducted by the National Junior Angus Association and take part in association-sponsored shows and other national and regional events. The American Angus Association is the largest beef registry association in the world, with more than 34,000 active adult and junior members.



Meg's Peg

Senior sounds

by Melva E. Guinther

We might as well admit it. Most of us seniors dwell in bodies that are totally out of control.

Beyond the realm of Botox, tucks, dyes and creams, an indication of advancing age remains. Often heard but rarely addressed is the matter of completely involuntary body noise.

In addition to the creaks, groans and snaps of joints reluctantly responding to duty, there are all the inner workings that once were carried on silently.

There's the gurgle and churning of the digestive system that seems determined to kick in during solemn occasions - church services, especially in the midst of prayer, funerals, weddings - with no regard whatsoever for the piety of the offending person.

You can handle this one of 2 ways: look around with a slightly amused expression as though it's some other poor soul's problem, or ignore it completely, like "What distress? I didn't hear anything."

Grandchildren find it frightfully amusing if Grandma's poor old body issues forth a good belch or something worse. They're used to Grandpa's noises. They've been emulating them for years. But let Grandma do it and they'll be rolling on the floor.

I'm reminded of a slightly indelicate story about a woman who went to the store to buy a rod and reel for her grandson's birthday. Not knowing which to get, she picked one up and took it to the counter to ask the salesman's opinion.

He wore dark glasses and informed her that he was completely blind. "But if you drop it on the counter, I can tell you everything you need to know about the rod."

She was dubious, but did as he requested.

"That's a 6-foot Shakespeare graphite rod

with a Zebco 404 reel, 10-lb. test line, and it's on sale this week for only \$20."

Impressed, she decided to take it. As she prepared to pay, her credit card dropped on the floor. She bent over to pick it up and accidentally broke wind.

Although she was embarrassed, she realized the salesman, being blind, wouldn't know she was the only one around, and proceeded nonchalantly with the purchase.

He rang it up and told her, "That'll be \$34.50."

"But you said the rod was on sale for \$20!" she exclaimed.

"That's right," he responded. "\$20 for the rod and reel, but the duck call is \$11 and the catfish bait is \$3.50."

Recently I've noticed that the respiratory apparatus also has its own sound system, especially if you have the nose/throat/chest malady that's going around.

A whistling often kicks in, sometimes with 2 or 3-part harmony. This is frustrating when you're trying desperately to get some much needed sleep.

You prop your head up on several pillows in order to breathe at all, and the whistling and wheezing begins. It can be very expressive. Sometimes you could swear there's an animated conversation going on in there.

Since it's internal, earplugs don't really help.

You know, with all the ruckus going on within and around us, it may be a blessing that our hearing isn't as keen as it used to be.

Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, October 7

Toddler Story Time, 10 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Please register in advance, 872-2856. Friends of the Library, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Friday, October 8

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. "Things that go BUMP in the Night," 7:30-10 p.m. Admission for adults is \$5, children \$3. For more information, call (810) 679-3333. Sponsored by the Crosswell Lions Club. (Every Friday & Saturday, Oct. 8-30)

Saturday, October 9

Free child car seat check, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., McComb School, 303 Hooper, Caro. For more information, contact Tawnya Stock at the Tuscola County FIA at (989) 673-9181 or officer Matt Gezequel at the Sandusky Police Department at (810) 648-4016.

Tuscola Technology Center's 25th anniversary, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 1401 Cleaver Rd., Caro. Children's activities include: Moon walks, exotic pets, face painting and silk screening T-shirts. Brats and refreshments available. Tours with live program demonstrations, child ID cards, blood pressure checks, alumni registration with a special give-away, and many other activities and give-aways.

Monday, October 11

Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m. Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, October 12

Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown. Tuscola County Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Family Support/Education Group meeting, 1:30 p.m., Adult Day Services building, 435 Green St., Caro. For additional information, call (989) 672-2273.

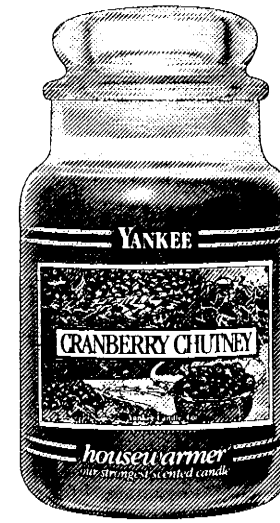
Wednesday, October 13

Band Boosters meeting, 5:30 p.m., high school band room. Traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings, served family style, noon, Cass City United Methodist Church, 5100 N. Cemetery Rd. For takeouts, call 872-4604 and pick up between 11 a.m. and noon or after 12:30 p.m. on the day of the dinner.

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David is married to Cheri and they have four grandchildren. He is a member of the Kingston Lions Club, the Michigan State Employees Retirement Association, the Michigan Association of Chief's of Police, the Greater Thumb Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police, the Caro Moose Lodge and a member of the Commanders Club of Disabled American Veterans.

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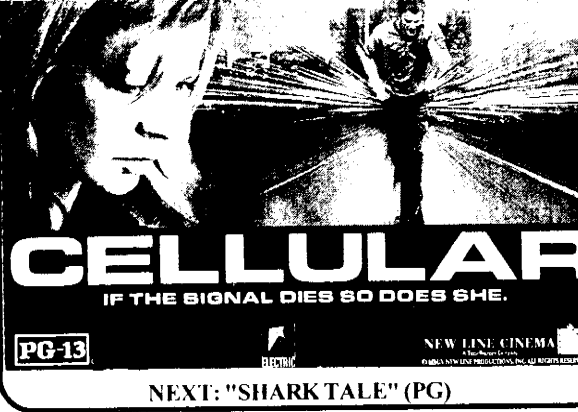
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Nostalgia filled the air for the estimated 60 people that attended the Shabbona Homecoming Saturday held at the Shabbona United Methodist Church. It drew former Evergreen Township residents from a distance, including Bob and Cleo Kritzman now of Bridgeport.

Early artifacts of the area and stories about community events of the past highlighted the day.

Included was an 1896 voter registration list for Evergreen Township shown by Gerald and Ruth Whittaker. All men, of course.

Todd Comment, coach of the Laker girls' basketball squad, scouted the Cass City-Sandusky hoop game.

After seeing both teams in action he told a companion that we will need to bring our A-game to beat these teams.

Evidently the team listened because it was definitely an A-effort that his team produced in handing the Hawks their worst loss of the season.



THE CASS CITY Gavel Club recently elected officers for 2004-05. They are (from left) Vice President Dick LeValley, President Tom Guinther, Treasurer Jim Mastie and Secretary Jack Hool.

Transit authority expanding

The Caro Transit Authority (CTA) and the Human Development Commission (HDC) recently announced that the Thumbody Transportation System will soon be expanding its service area.

Beginning in early October, Thumbody will offer transportation to Caro from Vassar and Mayville, with return trips to these areas later in the day. In addition, Thumbody will begin offering transportation for Cass City residents who wish to travel to/from Caro and will also offer limited local service in the city limits of Cass City.

The expansion is being made possible by additional funding received from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and was received with the assistance of Senator James Barcia.

Additional details will be made available as plans progress. Limited services are currently available, however, and interested parties in Cass City, Mayville, and Vassar can call Thumbody toll-free at 1-888-5-THE-BUS for schedules and additional information.

The Haire Net Walking regime not as enjoyable



The exhilarating thing about walking these days is that I can still do it. The depressing factor after 38 years of wearing out shoe leather is that most times I don't really enjoy it.

Oh, there are times on a beautiful spring or fall day that walking is a pleasure. Those days are negated when the winter weather is cold enough that it bites through the legs of your trousers and it's necessary to cover your face to keep it warm.

I suppose it would make more sense to avoid those extreme days and catch a half hour on the treadmill that sets mostly unused, except when it rains.

There have been changes since my walking regime started. Walking wasn't nearly as popular in 1965 as it is today. For the first few years friends would hail me and offer a ride. Walking just for health's sake wasn't followed by many. Sure, in small town Cass City residents became accustomed to my jaunts to the office and that's part of it, but there is a familiarity today with health walkers and it no longer is a novelty to see walkers on village streets or the Cass City rail trail.

There is another change. In the first 10 years or so walking the village streets, folks were comfortable if you walked by early in the morning or in the dusk of evening. Today there seems to be, not a fear, but a suspicious concern about a walker passing by.


A big bonus is that walkers aren't afraid when walking that they will be accosted or harmed. Although most times I see women walking in pairs and there are many more women walking than men. When it comes to the village walking corps, males are a distinct minority.

The trouble with walking for better health is that the results are intangible on the surface. How do you keep motivated doing something that most times takes effort, many times is inconvenient and really not any fun at all?

You have to convince yourself that it will help in the long run, as all doctors say, and have a healthy fear of becoming dependent on anyone as the years go by.

All of us can point to someone who does nothing to stay in condition but goes on and on in good health, or someone who follows a Spartan regime and has endless health problems.

That's a matter of luck and you can't walk away from that.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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"Where did he get all of those cars?" I wondered. "And what does he plan to do with them?" There they sit, an entire barn full of old cars.

I've driven by that barn hundreds of times over the years, but I never noticed the cars before. We have to give the fellow credit for not creating an outdoor junk yard. He parked all of the cars in the barn, and they are pretty well hidden.

I mulled this over as I drove down the road. The cars weren't terribly old, and they hadn't been restored as far as I could tell. Why was this fellow still keeping them?

It's a familiar pattern when we think about it. Most of us have bought something we really didn't need — and then kept it because we knew we'd never get our money back if we sold it.

It's the old stock market axiom, "I'm not worried about my funds. I haven't really lost anything until I sell."

The same thing applies to cars, guns, boats, and treadmills. We keep them because it's too painful to sell them and admit we shouldn't have bought them in the first place.

Sometimes we give these things to the grandkids. Everyone knows it's a piece of junk, but if we give it away our losses are hidden.

A good example is the \$425,000 worth of reservoir covers purchased by the city of Portland, Oregon. If the City Fathers could give these to the grandkids I think they would be happy to do it.

The whole thing began when the Portland City Council decided to cover city reservoirs to protect them from terrorist attacks. The Water Bureau ordered 221,000 square feet of pond covering material plus hardware at a cost of \$425,000.

Residents said, "What? Are you out of your mind?" So the Council reversed its decision.

Most recently the Water Bureau tried to sell the reservoir covers on eBay and got a top bid of \$18,100. (A loss of \$401,000.) They canceled the sale.

To make matters worse, the top bid came from a city employee. Now, people are wondering if this was an inside job.

A news report says the man with the highest bid has a small farm and raises pigs. What did he have in mind, a bunch of barnyard swimming pools? The world's largest hogwash?

That's his business, as far as I'm concerned. If the city doesn't know what to do with their junk, let somebody else give it a try.

It turns out the Water Bureau rejected all of the really good ideas before the eBay sale. They could have cut the material up and sold it to elk hunters for tent floors. Or created 2 million floor mats for Volkswagens.

No-o-o, they have to see who wants 221,000 square feet of pool covers. It's a limited market.

So what do they do now? The same thing any rational person would do: They put the reservoir covers back in the barn.

Maybe the grandkids will want them someday?

Band exhibition set

The Laker High School Marching Band will host a marching band exhibition Monday, Oct. 11, at the Laker High School football field.

Opening ceremonies are set to begin at 6:30 p.m. Bands slated to perform during the 2-hour event are Cass City, Lakera, Marlette and Uby.

Admission is \$3 at the gate, with the proceeds going to support the Laker Bands. The public is welcome to attend.



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Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 68 Low: 48

Thursday
Partly Cloudy
High: 70 Low: 50

Friday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 67 Low: 49

Saturday
Partly Cloudy
High: 63 Low: 42

Sunday
Partly Cloudy
High: 58 Low: 41

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies in the morning and afternoon with mostly clear skies in the evening, high temperature of 68°, humidity of 39% and an overnight low of 48°. The record high temperature for today is 85° set in 1982. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 70°, humidity of 37%.

Upcoming Moon Phases

| | | | |
|------|-------|-------|-------|
| Last | New | First | Full |
| 10/6 | 10/13 | 10/20 | 10/27 |

Sunrise/Sunset Times


Sunrise today 7:36 a.m.
Sunset tonight 7:04 p.m.

Last Week's Local Almanac

| Day | High | Low | Normals | Precip | Precipitation |
|-----------|------|-----|---------|--------|---------------|
| Sunday | 73 | 36 | 66/46 | 0.00" | 0.00" |
| Monday | 75 | 39 | 66/46 | 0.00" | 0.74" |
| Tuesday | 61 | 48 | 65/46 | 0.00" | -0.74" |
| Wednesday | 63 | 36 | 65/45 | 0.00" | -53.2° |
| Thursday | 70 | 30 | 65/45 | 0.00" | -55.3° |
| Friday | 73 | 34 | 64/45 | 0.00" | -2.1° |
| Saturday | 61 | 39 | 64/44 | 0.00" | |

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Red Hawk Talks

by Leah Sherman

Every school has Homecoming. It's tradition. It's the big game, when college students and high school alumni come home to see old friends and family. This year the Cass City Red Hawks are playing the Bad Axe Hatchets. Cass City has had an awesome season this year and we're looking forward to another win!

Of course the tradition of Homecoming is football, but most people don't realize all of the other events that happen throughout the week of the big game. All week long, students are displaying school spirit in many different entertaining ways. Spirit week is a chance to show how much Red Hawk pride the students really have. Every day of the week has a different theme, and the students are expected to go all out and be as whacky as possible. Monday is Hawaiian day, Tuesday is opposite gender/whacky hair day, Wednesday is superstar day, Thursday is color day, and Friday, like every year, is maroon and white day. On superstar day, each student dresses as a particular famous person. On color day, each grade is assigned a specific color to wear.

The peak of the festivities at school is the pep assembly on Friday. A spirit committee is responsible for planning games and contests between the grades, sports teams, and court members. This year there will be a relay race between the cross country, football, golf, and girls' basketball teams, and the band. Each team will have about three representatives who will have to run the length of the gym to dress in miscellaneous Cass City uniforms. They must be fully dressed in the uniform before returning to the opposite end of the gym, where the next person in line will take their turn doing the same thing.

A tug-of-war has also been planned between the grades. The preliminary competitions will be between the seniors and freshmen, and the juniors and sophomores. There will then be a final round between the two winners to crown a champion.

Something new has been added to this year's pep assembly. It has been titled as the "Teacher kiss a pig contest."

On Monday, four jars will be placed in the office with the names of teachers on them. The students have all week to put money into the jar of their choice. Each cent counts as a vote, and the teacher who receives the most votes will have to kiss a pig. The competitors are Mrs. Sean Zawilinski, Mr. Lee Pavlichek, Mr. Sterling Hermann, and Mr. John Good. I would not be surprised if Mr. Good was the winner, or in this case, the loser. Principals are usually the main target in events such as this.

Finally, there is always a competition between the court members. Each team of two will be given supplies and one teammate will create a costume for the other to be a super hero of some sort. They must be given a name and a special super power. The student body then cheers for the team that they believe is the best. The team that receives the loudest cheer is the winner. First and second places receive prizes of candy, which will be purchased with the funds from the "Teacher kiss a pig contest."

The Powder Puff game on Wednesday between the upperclassmen and underclassmen girls is always an enjoyable event. Paul Hoelzle, one of the upperclassmen coaches, says that this year's defense looks strong and they will be successful if their passes are completed. Alecia Rutkowski played on Uby's football team for two years and says that Powder Puff football is more fun because she enjoys playing with the girls. However, she said that she really misses the tackling.

Float building is another awesome way to get involved. Sammy Glaspie has housed the float for the class of 2005 every year. She says that she enjoys being creative, and then seeing the ideas on paper become 3-D.

There are many other fun activities that go on throughout the week. Andrew Whittaker said that this week is definitely the best week of the year. I would have to agree with him. The school spirit, and the teamwork of the classes, topped off with the big game Friday night make it the week to look forward to.

Feds award \$50,697 to Kingston firefighters

Congressman Dale E. Kildee (D-MI) recently announced that the Federal Emergency Management Agency awarded \$50,697 to the Kingston Fire Department.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the

U.S. Fire Administration awarded these funds under the 2004 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program for Fire Operations and Firefighter Safety.

"We must continue to provide more funding to ensure the safety and preparedness

of those brave men and women who continually risk their lives to protect our lives," said Kildee. "These funds will enable our local fire department to pursue new training and wellness programs and to provide them with access to new equipment."

The Kingston Fire Department was selected to receive a federal grant in order to help fund training activities and purchase new protective firefighter equipment. The competitive grant was awarded after the department submitted a well-written and persuasive grant application that underwent a grueling national peer review process by 300 fire service leaders who evaluated and scored each application.

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program is designed as an opportunity for the U.S. Congress to work with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to enhance basic fire service delivery across the country.

Fire departments nationwide received over \$750 million to support fire protection, EMS delivery, and vehicle purchase and prevention programs in 2004. FEMA received approximately 19,950 applications this year from fire departments across the country.

Total of \$13,734

Firemen "fill the boot"

Fill the Boot is one of the largest fundraising events for the Mid-Eastern District of the Muscular Dystrophy Association, and the Cass City, Fostoria, Gagetown, Kingston, Mayville, Millington and Richville fire departments collected funds for MDA's annual fundraising event.

The efforts of the department and volunteers helped raise \$13,734 for the Patient Services Program.

In 2002, departments throughout the Mid-Eastern District of the Muscular Dystrophy Association came together to raise over \$40,000 for local clients and families.

The Mid-Eastern District of the Muscular Dystrophy Association covers the counties of Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac, St. Clair and Tuscola.

Community support enables MDA to continue to offer the most comprehensive patient services to families. These services include: a clinic at McLaren Regional Medical Center, a weeklong summer camp at Bear Lake in Lapeer, support groups, flu shots, and assistance in funding toward the purchase and repair of leg braces and wheelchairs.

Letters to the editor

Laker coach: Cass City School staff dropped ball

Mr. Doug Burch, Director of Bands

Ms. Kathryn King, Assistant Director of Bands
Cass City Public Schools
4868 N. Seeger Street
Cass City, MI 48726

Dear Mr. Burch and Ms. King,

In my 32 years of coaching, 27 as the varsity football coach, I have never had a problem in pre-game warm up. The host teams have always had the courtesy to sup-

ply an end of the field for uninterrupted, unharassed game preparation.

If anything out of the ordinary was going to take place, we should have been informed by someone in charge, not by a few comments from the students. Since you knew the band was entering the field from our assigned end, couldn't you have had us warm up at the other end where we have for the past 20 years?

When you come to Laker High, you are afforded that respect. Maybe the athletic director, band director and coaches should get together before the game to decide who is in charge and then inform the visiting coaches of any irregularities. That would demonstrate professionalism and we sure would have appreciated not being put in this position.

Sincerely,
Bill McLellan
Varsity Football Coach

Who can we vote for? Who can we vote out?

Dear Mr. Editor,

This is not a forgery processed by the DNC. Here are a few quotes from the founding fathers and a few other famous types about our fine government: "When men get in the habit of helping themselves to the property of others, they cannot easily be cured of it." - The New York Times, in a 1909 editorial opposing the very first income tax.

Well...that one won't go over with either party nowadays. Especially the liberals.

"A democracy cannot exist as a permanent form of government. It can only exist until the voters discover that they can vote themselves largesse from the public treasury. From that moment on, the majority always votes for the candidates promising the most benefits from the public treasury, with the result that a democracy always collapses over loose fiscal policy, always followed by a dictatorship." - Alexander Tytler

"The issue today is the same as it has been throughout all history, whether man shall be allowed to govern himself or be ruled by a small elite (liberals)." - Thomas Jefferson

In 1794, when Congress appropriated \$15,000 for relief of French refugees who fled from insurrection in San Domingo to Baltimore and Philadelphia, James Madison stood on the floor of the House to object saying, "I cannot undertake to lay my finger on that article of the Constitution which granted

a right to Congress of expending, on objects of benevolence, the money of their constituents." - James Madison, 4 Annals of Congress 179 (1794)

Slavery is forcing one group of people to serve another: taxpayers and the people that receive others' money, (after 72 percent is funneled away by bureaucracy). Slavery is alive and well in the USA and both parties are armpit deep in the trade.

Here is one describing Jennifer Granholm and the Michigan Legislature: "We still find the greedy hand of government thrusting itself into every corner and crevice of industry, and grasping at the spoil of the multitude. Invention is continually exercised to furnish new pretenses for revenue and taxation. It watches prosperity as its prey and permits none to escape without a tribute." - Thomas Paine

So, who can we vote FOR and who can we vote OUT? A) Vote for Statesmen (if you can find one), B) Don't vote for candidates who want to increase taxes (most ALL Democrats), C) "Study the Constitution. Let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislatures, and enforced in courts of justice." - Abraham Lincoln

I repeat: this is NOT a forgery...I do NOT work for the DNC, CBS, CNN, PMSNBC, ACB, etc. Thanks so much for reading all this.

Tim Brown,
Cass City



Bulldog Beat

by Mary McKee

Homecoming. For some students it is the highlight of their year. It starts with a week long of events and ends with an exciting football game, and a lucky boy and girl being crowned Homecoming King and Queen.

The week of Homecoming started off on Monday with pajama day. Everyone came dressed in their best morning wear sporting pajamas, bathrobes, slippers, and carrying stuffed animals. It's no wonder pajama day is considered, "The most comfortable day of the year." Next was Tuesday's autograph day. This day is definitely one of the more action filled days, with all the students and teachers roaming around trying to get as many people to autograph their clothes before it is time to go to class. People were signing shirts, pants, shorts, and even socks to try to beat out everyone and get the most autographs.

Wednesday was Michigan vs. Michigan State Day. Needless to say, all you could see was blue, yellow, green and white as you walked down the hall. Mrs. Sattler's English class kept a tally of how many people wore Michigan and how many wore Michigan State. With a vote of 28 to 5, Michigan was the winner. Thursday was class color day. Grades 7-12 each choose a color to wear and the class with the biggest percentage wins. On this day, it is pretty easy to see who is in what class because everyone is color coordinated.

After patiently waiting all week, the big day finally came. All the students came dressed in their red and gray to show off their school spirit. The Homecoming pep assembly started with the announcement of the Homecoming representatives and candidates.

The freshman representatives were Bethany Kovach escorted by Kenny Brown and Brittany Parks escorted by Eric Zaleski. Sophomore Kendra Guilds was escorted by Stanley Krug and Amber Pillsbury was escorted by Jason Seibel. The junior reps were Tiffany Glaza escorted by Drew Eurich and Barbara Littlepage escorted by Michael Edler.

Following the representa-

tives were the queen candidates. Jenny Czewski escorted by Charles Martin, Carol Littlepage escorted by Matt Downing, Nashia Prich escorted by Josh Powell, Katie Swiastyn escorted by Josh Leinweber, and Kayla Zaleski escorted by Aaron Faist. After announcing the candidates, Aaron Faist was crowned the 2004 Homecoming King.

The pep assembly continued on with presenting awards to the spirit day winners and playing games with the elementary students. With the students having so much fun, a couple of lucky staff members got to get in on the fun too.

The cheerleaders had a "Kiss the pig," fundraiser and whoever received the most money from the students' donations had to kiss a real pig. Luckily for the people watching, it ended in a 3-way tie with Ms. Clark, Mrs. Mellendorf, and Student Council President Jessica Neal having to kiss the pig. The pep assembly came to a close with a parade presenting the court members, the Jr. High's decorated trucks, and the high school's floats.

All the excitement didn't end at the pep assembly. It carried on to the football game later that night. With the football team giving us an exciting first half of football, half-time came faster than anyone expected. First, the trucks decorated by the Jr. High students were displayed, followed by the floats. This year's float theme was "Casino," and the winners were as follows: fourth place-freshmen, third place-seniors, second place-sophomores, first place-juniors.

Everyone was filled with anticipation as the homecoming reps and candidates made their way down the football field. It was finally time to see who would be crowned the 2004 Homecoming Queen. The winner is (drumroll please) Carol Littlepage!

Homecoming came to a close with a dance after the football game. Once again Homecoming lived up to its expectations. It will definitely be a great memory to all those who participated, especially the seniors, since it is their last.

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Leaves are NOT to be placed in plastic garbage bags.

Grass clippings are NOT collected by the Village.

No sticks, branches or grass clippings should be mixed in with the leaves at the curb.

Richfield Management will continue to pick up the compost containers through the end of November. Please place grass clippings in these containers along with any other yard waste items.

During the Fall Yard Waste Management, large limbs and brush which are too big to be placed in the containers will be picked up by the Village crew on Fridays. Please call by Wednesday for pick up. Brush and limbs should be no longer than 4' lengths, placed neatly at the curb with limbs parallel to the street.

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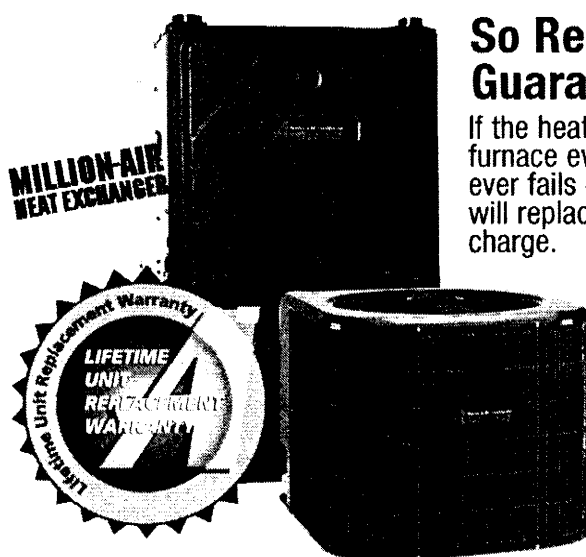
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Obituaries

Justin Decker

Justin Leon Richard Decker, 16, of Caro, died Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004 at St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw, as a result of injuries received in an earlier automobile accident.

He was born March 19, 1988, the son of Marty and Tina (Guinther) Decker. Decker was a lifelong area resident. He was a member of the Caro High School junior class where he was on the football and wrestling teams. He played on the church softball league with his father.

Decker is survived by his parents; two brothers: Jordan and Jeremy Decker; paternal grandparents, Leon Decker of Holly and Marlene Biebel of Caro; maternal grandparents, John and Penny Guinther of Cass City; paternal great-grandfather, Leon Decker Sr. of Davisburg; his Godparents, Edward and Marsha Winczer of Almont; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his maternal great-grandparents, John and Marion Guinther.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Sept. 28, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Caro, with the Rev. Cameron Steele officiating.

Burial was in the Ellington Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Decker Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by the Ransford Funeral Home, Caro.

Patricia Rooney

Patricia "Patsy" J. Rooney, 69, of Verona Township, died Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004 at Covenant-Harrison Hospital, Saginaw.

She was born May 31, 1935 in Flint, the daughter of the late Wesley and Maude (Nicholas) Brown.

She married LeRoy Rooney Jan. 17, 1959 in Bad Axe.

Rooney was a graduate of Bad Axe High School. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Bad Axe. She was employed at Walbro Corporation, Cass City for 6 years and at the Huron County Medical Care Facility, Bad Axe as a nurse aide for 17 years. She retired in 1994.

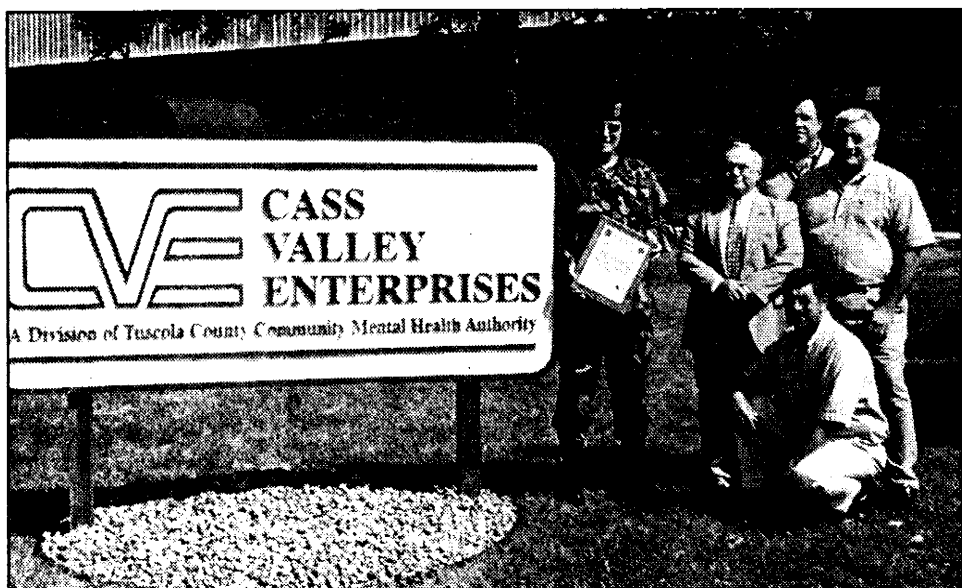
Rooney is survived by her husband, LeRoy; a son, Kenneth Rooney of Auburn; a daughter, Barbara (Randall) DeGrandt of Bad Axe; two brothers: Tom (Virginia) Brown of Daytona Beach, Fla., and Albert (Ruth Ann) Brown of Kingston; four grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Katherine Rooney.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Oct. 2, at the First United Methodist Church, Bad Axe, with the Rev. William Wright, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in the Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.



COLONEL SUSAN Grubb (far left) presented Cass Valley Enterprises (CVE) with its ISO 9001:200 Compliance from the Defense Contract Management Agency during a recent open house. Also pictured are Robert E. Chadwick, chief executive officer of Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems, Executive Director of CVE Pete Lukes, Operations Director Roger Bacon and Quality Control Supervisor Brian Smith.

Cass Valley awarded compliance with DCMA

Cass Valley Enterprises (CVE), Vassar, a division of Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems, Caro, was awarded ISO 9001:2000 compliance from the Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) at its recent open house.

The compliance to ISO 9001:2000, Quality Management Systems Requirements, is based on findings by the DCMA Detroit. The audit consisted of CVE's internal processes of their management systems including, but not limited to, their qual-

ity policy manual and procedures, quality audit reports, continuous improvement actions log and managers' meeting minutes.

CVE is currently registered as an ISO 9001:2000 company by Excalibur Registrations, Inc. of Warren.

Cass Valley Enterprises employs over 140 individuals who have a developmental disability and/or a mental illness. The individuals are not only provided with employment opportunities, but also an environment that provides learning and the chance to enhance the quality of existing work skills,

job performance and communication with co-workers and supervisors in a workplace setting.

Cass Valley Enterprises and Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems places strong emphasis on community involvement and realizes the importance of providing employment opportunities for individuals.

Currently, Cass Valley Enterprises works with approximately 25 employers in Tuscola, Bay and Saginaw counties, providing community employment to 46 individuals.

Cass Valley Enterprises provides manufacturing, assembly and janitorial services to commercial and governmental customers including the U.S. Forestry Service, General Services Administration (GSA), Defense Supply Center Columbus (DSCC), Tank Automotive Command and Walbro Automotive - Mexico.

A collaborative venture between Cass Valley Enterprises and the Arnold Center - Midland, has been formed in supplying services to Delphi Automotive located in Saginaw.

Farmers at risk

Senior farmers are at increased risk from farm accidents and injuries. Farmers no longer retire at age 65 - many farm well into their 70s. Senior farmers often take prescribed medications, work with physical disabilities and/or suffer from hearing loss. All these factors may increase senior farmers' risk for work-related injuries and death.

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



5 YEARS AGO

Nearly 100 people attended a recent open house hosted by Evergreen Township officials to showcase their new township hall in Shabbona. Ribbon cutters included Trustee Ron Rockwell, Treasurer Wayne Whittaker, Supervisor Audrey Leslie and Clerk Arthur Severance.

Red Hawk Craig Emmert recorded his personal best time of 16:32 at Harbor Beach Thursday, earning the Cass City junior a 9th place medal against 138 runners.

Membership of a new Citizens Advisory Committee has been established and an organizational meeting is scheduled Monday, Oct. 18, at Cass City High School. The new group has been formed as a conduit between the school and the community and to share concerns about school issues. Unless a problem arises, tentative plans call for the committee to meet twice a year. With the committee, Cass City Superintendent Ken Micklash stressed, we will be able to act immediately and perhaps solve a problem before it becomes a major disruptive force.

10 YEARS AGO

Lloyd Severance has farmed all his life, but he's rarely stepped foot into a garden. Until this year. At 78, the semi-retired Shabbona area dairy farmer still keeps busy, helping out at his sons' neighboring dairy operations. Last spring he decided to add growing pumpkins to his list of things to do. Judging by the jumbos littering a modest patch of ground near his home, and the broad smile on his face, this won't be his last gardening experience.

There is a grand natural resource wending its way through Tuscola County and the Thumb that is comparatively unrealized and certainly under utilized and some dedicated people are trying to do something

about it. Sparked by a \$15,000 grant, a special committee was formed in January by Tuscola 2001 for a special study of the Cass River, its uses, its problems and possible solutions. Listen to Betty Pattullo, MSU extension agent, tell some of the ways that the river could be used for the benefit of area residents and visitors. We'd love to see a walking trail between Cass City and Caro, she bubbles. More public access locations and how about a park right on the river. Wouldn't that be great?

Getting enough vitamin D in your diet is as close as your carton of milk, and most of us take it for granted. But years ago, before vitamin D was added to milk, many children in northern states suffered from rickets, a condition of vitamin D deficiency. Milk was chosen because milk has lots of calcium, which goes well with vitamin D.

25 YEARS AGO

Tuscola County Magistrate Joan Maki has submitted her resignation, effective at the end of November. She told the Chronicle she is resigning for personal reasons and at this point, she has no future plans. "I guess I just want a change." She first served as magistrate from May 1977 until June of last year. An imbroglio then developed between District Judge Richard F. Kern, who appoints the magistrate, and the board rejected the judge's recommendation for her replacement. Mrs. Maki came to the rescue, applied for the position

and was reappointed in August of last year.

Not Squashed - Fred Periso of Deford grew a 37 1/2-pound squash in his garden this summer. He planted 20 squashes, with the rest averaging about 16 pounds.

COUNT 'EM - That's what Louis Franks of Cemetery Road and his wife, Irene, did. When they were done, they counted 136 pods on a white Navy bean plant. Normal at most is 30-35.

35 YEARS AGO

After 30 years of handling babies in Cass City hospitals Mrs. Lela Wright will retire. She worked for 21 years at the Pleasant Home Hospital and moved to Hills and Dales Hospital as soon as it opened.

A little noted statistic in the breakdown of fatal automobile accidents in Michigan last year is the fact that nearly one third of the persons killed in urban areas were pedestrians. The State Police say 703 persons died in urban traffic accidents and that 486 of these were non-pedestrians with the remaining 217 on foot at the time of the accident.

Time, once again, to check in with the local grocery stores. This week the Cass City IGA Foodliner has bananas for 10 cents a pound, round steak for 89 cents a pound, Borden's Elsie ice cream for 77 cents a half gallon, Smucker's jelly (10-ounce jar) for 29 cents, and VIVA paper towels (2-roll package) for 25 cents. Don't you think those deals were a steal?

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Cass City 53, Reese 21

Hawks whip Reese with big effort in final half

It was the game everyone expected in the first half that ended with Cass City in front, 7-3. It was a game that no one expected in the second half, as the Cass City Red Hawks steamrolled to a 53-21 Greater Thumb West win Friday at Reese.

I challenged the kids at the half, coach Scott Cuthrell said, and they responded. It started with the opening second half kickoff. On the first play Cody Halasz broke a pair of tackles and went 64 yards to score.

Reese responded with a drive that stalled deep in Hawk territory and Josh Wheeler attempted to convert his second field goal of the game. In the first half he boomed a kick for 51 yards for a field goal and observers behind the goal posts said that it would have been good from at least 60 yards out and perhaps more. It was by far the longest field goal that coach Cuthrell said he ever saw in high school.

But Wheeler never got the chance to add to his kicking record on his second attempt. Halasz blocked it and Cass City took over on the

Rocket 9-yard line. Chris Landrith threw to Andrew Schinnerer for the touchdown. It was the first of 3 catches for the Hawk end and the first of 3 touchdowns the passes produced.

That touchdown came with 4:11 left in the third quarter. There was 2:22 left when the Hawks scored again. Reese fumbled and the Hawks recovered on the Reese 33. Landrith then scored on a quarterback keep that covered 27 yards. Justin Glaza kicked the extra point and the Hawks led, 26-3.

That put Cass City comfortably ahead, but the Rockets didn't fold and scored a pair of touchdowns before fading in the last quarter. James Bierlein was a one-man gang for the Rockets. He scored both touchdowns and was credited with 199 yards in 22 attempts.

Working behind an aggressive line, the Hawks picked up 455 yards in 44 carries, led by Halasz with runs of 64 and 45 yards. Dustin Bitzer and Jeff Stoutenburg also contributed to the offense and Bitzer rammed across for 2 touchdowns from

the 2 and one yard lines.

Cuthrell was pleased with the output of the team. We had some players step up when needed and that's what it takes to win, he said.

On defense, Jarod Stoutenburg showed the way with 15 tackles. Halasz had 9 and Nick Stoutenburg also played a key defensive role. The defense turned back the Rockets on 2 drives into the red zone. The Rockets failed to score after moving to the Cass City 5-yard line and 9-yard line.

Cass City will be heavily favored Friday when the Bad Axe Hatchets come to Cass City for the annual homecoming game. With a record of 4-2, the Hawks need to win 2 of their next 3 games to qualify for the state tournament for the first time ever.

If Cass City rolls past Bad Axe it still must defeat one of 2 tough teams, Deckerville on Oct. 15, or Freeland on Oct. 22.

Both of these key games are on the road.

The score of the junior varsity game was Cass City 53, Reese 12.



JEFF STOUTENBURG picked up valuable yardage for the Hawks against the Rockets. The Reese defenders are Jason Bierlein (32) and Tony Spiekerman (82).

Dryden visits Friday

Tigers spoil Homecoming celebration in Owendale

A 4-touchdown performance from Carsonville-Port Sanilac's Jeff Buiting helped spoil the Owen-Gage Homecoming Friday.

With the loss, Coach Scott Gaeth's Bulldogs fall to 1-5 on the season. After an opening game non-conference win, Owen-Gage has now dropped 5 straight North Central Thumb League games. However, their best chance to end the losing streak will come this Friday when Dryden invades Owendale.

The Tigers struck first blood on John Smith's 42-yard punt return and grabbed a 6-0 lead entering the second quarter. The visitors then capitalized on an Owen-Gage fumble on the hosts' next series of downs. Buiting took advantage of the miscue, scoring his first of 4 marker moments later on a 3-yard run.

Trailing 12-0, the Bulldogs got on the scoreboard when Andy Kretschmer got behind the Tiger secondary and hauled in a 35-yard scoring strike from Grant Champaign. Aaron Faist added the point after kick.

However, the Tigers regained their 2-touchdown advantage by the intermission when Buiting closed out the scoring in the initial half on a 5-yard burst.


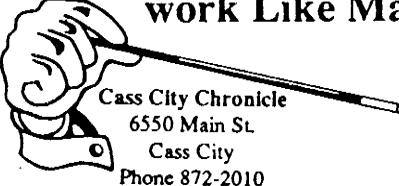
After a scoreless 3rd period, Owen-Gage sliced the deficit to 18-13 when Champaign found pay dirt from one yard out with 9:45 remaining on the clock. But Buiting added a pair of late

scores to secure the Tiger victory.

Offensively, the Bulldogs mustered only 11 yards rushing. Champagne completed 14-of-37 passes for 152 yards, including 7 receptions by Sam Rogers.

Defensively, the Bulldogs had Levi Adams with 19 tackles while Josh McLaren and Rogers were credited with 11 and 9 stops, respectively. Jacob Wald added a blocked kick to aide the defense.

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Hawks blanked in pair of setbacks

Struggles on offense continued to plague the Cass City soccer team as they fell 8-0 Tuesday against visiting Bad Axe, followed by a 9-0 setback Thursday in Pigeon.

Both games were similar in that both the Hatchets and Lakers are strong, talented squads that pass well, play physical soccer, and score when the opportunity presents itself. The Hawks matched up better against Bad Axe, but the difference in talent is still wide and the Hawks have to play a near perfect game just to be competitive, feels coach Chuck Reed.

The hosts played a solid game against the Hatchets, matching them physically and generating some offense at times.

Against the Lakers, however, the Hawks never consistently controlled the ball, spending most of the time in their own end. The effort against Bad Axe, and in the last 20 minutes against the Lakers, was good and although the offense was weak, several opportunities were created even when the games were out of reach.

Caleb Hanby made several excellent saves in both games, and got to play on the field in the second half against Bad Axe, doing well on defense. Ryan Brown played well on the field and played net in the second half. Galen Kuebli, Tyler Little and Gavin Mills had solid games at midfield and Brandon Miller and Jacob Hanby did well in several different

positions during both games. Derek Weidman and Shane McFarland are developing well on defense. David Acker, Chris Binder and Michael Green are getting more playing time. Sam Howard is creating more offense with his speed. Sean McFarland and Eric Reed are still getting their shots, but not enough of them to create pressure on the opponents.

The team is improving overall, and the freshmen are getting a chance to play and develop, but lack of team speed and overall physical strength is still hurting during games against tougher opposition, stated Coach Reed.

FOOTBALL STANDINGS

| GREATER THUMB WEST | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| Team | W | L | W | L | |
| USA | 5 | 0 | 6 | 0 | |
| Cass City | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | |
| EPBP | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | |
| Reese | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | |
| BCAS | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | |
| Bad Axe | 1 | 3 | 1 | 6 | |
| Valley Lutheran | 0 | 4 | 1 | 5 | |
| * Clinched at least share of title | | | | | |

| GREATER THUMB EAST | | | | | |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| Team | W | L | W | L | |
| Sandusky | 4 | 0 | 6 | 0 | |
| Harbor Beach | 3 | 1 | 5 | 1 | |
| Udly | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 | |
| Deckerville | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | |
| Stown City | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | |
| Marlette | 1 | 4 | 2 | 4 | |
| Mayville | 0 | 4 | 1 | 5 | |

| NCTL | | | | | |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| Team | W | L | W | L | |
| Memphis | 5 | 0 | 6 | 0 | |
| Kingston | 5 | 0 | 5 | 1 | |
| CPS | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | |
| Peck | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | |
| Dryden | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | |
| A-Fairgrove | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | |
| North Huron | 1 | 4 | 1 | 5 | |
| Owen-Gage | 0 | 5 | 1 | 5 | |

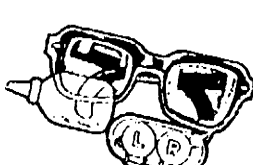


MEMBERS OF THE 2004 Cass City homecoming court include: (front l-r) Maddie Dooley, Sarah Langmaid, Sara Meeker (back l-r) Thomas Parrish and Kyle Reif. Missing is John Guc.

| Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|
| This week's match ups | John Haire | Clarke Haire | Tom Montgomery | Doug Hyatt |
| Friday, October 8 | | | | |
| Bad Axe at Cass City | Cass City | Cass City | Cass City | Cass City |
| BCAS at Lakers | BCAS | BCAS | Lakers | Lakers |
| Reese at Valley Lutheran | Reese | Reese | Reese | Reese |
| Harbor Beach at Brown City | Harbor Beach | Harbor Beach | Harbor Beach | Harbor Beach |
| Sandusky at Deckerville | Sandusky | Sandusky | Sandusky | Sandusky |
| Mayville at Ubley | Ubley | Ubley | Ubley | Ubley |
| Memphis at North Huron | Memphis | Memphis | Memphis | Memphis |
| Dryden at Owen-Gage | Dryden | Owen-Gage | Dryden | Owen-Gage |
| Kingston at CPS | Kingston | Kingston | Kingston | Kingston |
| Akron-Fairgrove at Peck | Akron-Fairgrove | Peck | Peck | Akron-Fairgrove |
| Marlette at USA | USA | USA | USA | USA |
| Last week's results | 10-1 | 8-3 | 10-1 | 11-0 |
| Season's results | 56-21 (73%) | 49-28 (64%) | 55-22 (71%) | 54-23 (70%) |



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Archery range nearly ready

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back into time.

Hendrian, who owns Hendrian's Floor Covering, 6447 Main St., has transformed the second floor of the former Kritzman build-

ing, also known as the old opera house, into a range where archers can sharpen their shooting skills at distances of up to 30 yards.

What Hendrian hasn't done,

is alter the historical significance of the upper floor, which offers a peek into an era long past, when area residents would settle into the balcony for an evening of

entertainment in the form of a play or musical.

The archery range has been in the works for about a year, according to Hendrian.

"I was making it a community center before, but that kind of fell through," he said, noting a community center would have required him to install an elevator at a cost of \$40,000 to \$60,000 to meet handicap access requirements.

Hendrian acknowledged the building, constructed in the late 1800s, has a long and interesting history.

"It was originally built as an opera house, and this (first) floor was a hardware, and there was a creamery and a bakery in the basement," he said. In addition to steps, an old hand-pull elevator links the first and upper floors.

"It's like the original opera house the way it is up there now. I'm not really changing the historical part at all. I'm not going to up and paint the walls," added Hendrian, who removed a drop ceiling on the second floor, which at one time housed a pool hall.

"At first, the pool hall started downstairs and they bowled upstairs," he continued. "My dad bowled up here and he's 78. I talked to a few guys who bowled up here - one guy was a pin setter."

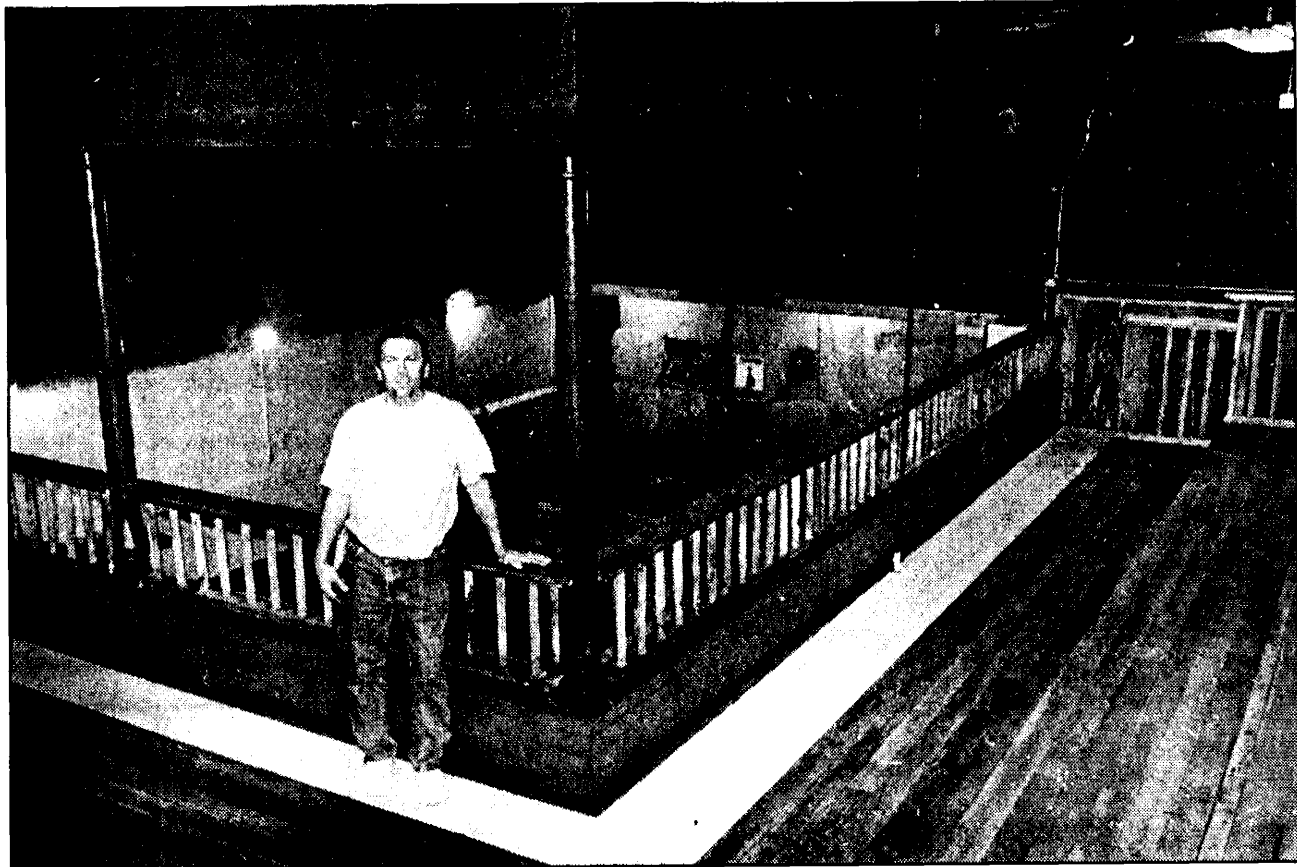
The opera house hosted plays through 1920, and evidence of those years can be seen on the hallway walls, which are covered with the signatures - some dating back to the 1800s — of actors and the names of various performances over the years.

The building was also the site of graduation ceremonies, judging by the many signatures of students who noted their year of graduation. Some even left drawings and poems.

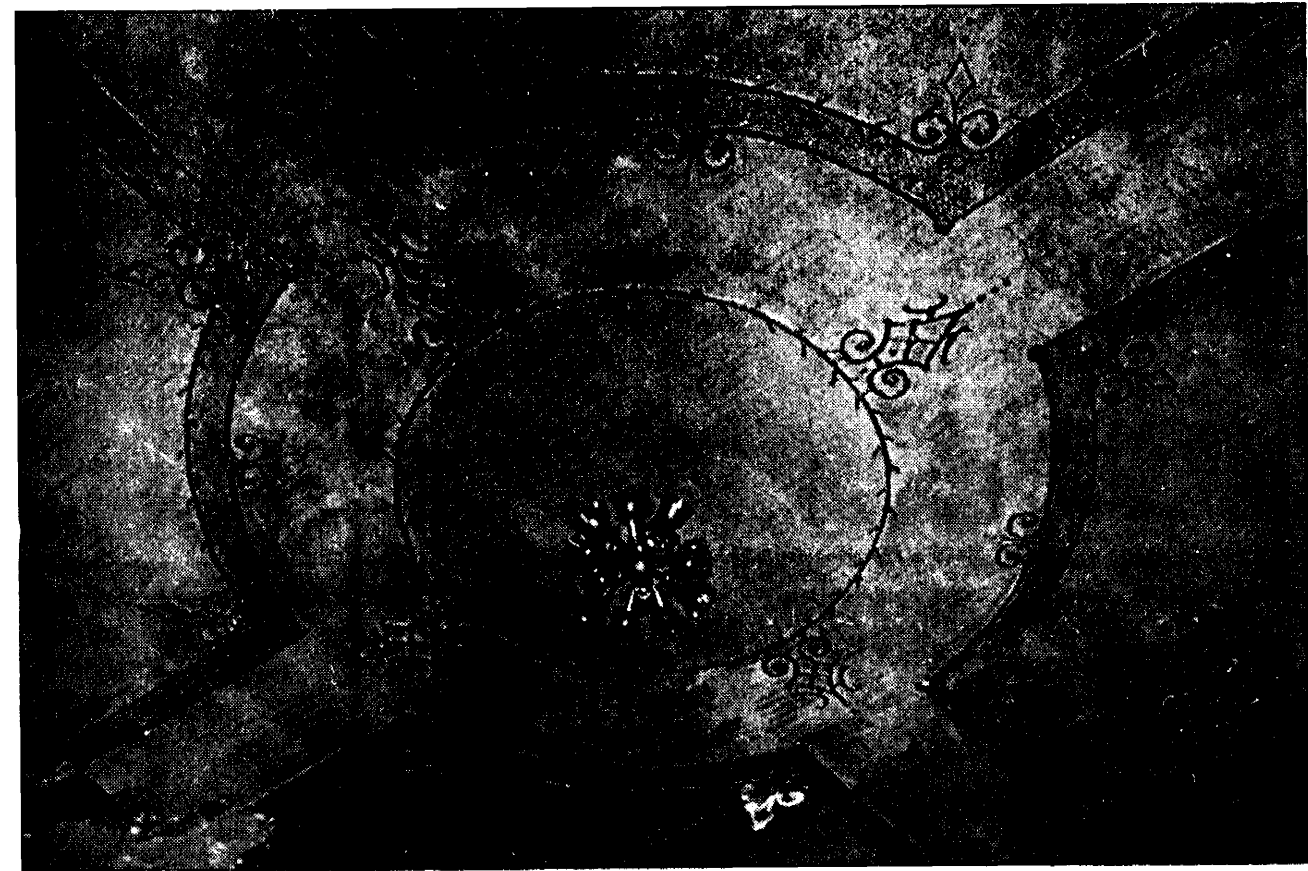
Hendrian plans to preserve the signatures and eventually offer tours of the building.

In the meantime, he's putting the final touches on the archery range. Much of the work has involved installing safety features and improving the lighting. "It's been a lot of building material and a lot of time.

"I'm already basically ready (to open)," Hendrian said. He plans to officially open in a week or 2 and host target shooting 2 or 3 days a week, with special events and 3-D target shooting on the weekends.



SCOTT HENDRIAN STANDS in the balcony overlooking his new archery range on the second floor of the former Kritzman building, which now houses Hendrian's Floor Covering in Cass City. Hendrian has worked to preserve the historical value of the building, also known as the old opera house.



THIS IS A PHOTO of the ceiling above the second floor of the old opera house, where residents enjoyed many a performance during the late 1800s and early 1900s.



SIGNATURES OF local high school graduates are among those scribbled on the hallway walls leading to the balcony. Among them (above, center) is the name, Lottie Nest, Class of '22.

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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 at 10:00 AM, on November 4, 2004.

Said premises are situated in Village of Mayville, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Village of Mayville, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point that is North 2282.89 feet along the North-South 1/4 line and South 89 degrees 51 minutes 0 seconds West, 247.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 25; thence continuing South 89 degrees 51 minutes 0 seconds West, 175.00 feet; thence North 175 feet; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 0 seconds East, 118 feet; thence South 75 feet; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 0 seconds East, 57 feet; thence South 100 feet to the point of beginning.

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Dated: October 6, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph Paquette, a single person, original mortgagor, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 25, 2002 and recorded on March 7, 2002 in Liber 869 on Page 85 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty and 13/100 Dollars (\$67,640.13), including interest at 6.875% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 28, 2004.

Said premises are situated in Village of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

That part of Lot 12, Block 17 of that Plat of the Village of Millington according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 41, now being Page 42A, described as beginning at a point that is East 4 Rods from the Northwest corner of Lot 12, Block 17 of the Plat of the Village of Millington, thence South 20 Rods; thence East to the East line of said Lot 12, Block 17; thence North along said Lot 12, Block 17; thence West along the North line of Lot 12 to the point of beginning, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: September 29, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary D. Gibbs, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Icon Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 14, 2001 and recorded on February 21, 2001 in Liber 822 on Page 113, and re-recorded on April 23, 2001 in Liber 829 on Page 457, and assigned by said Mortgagee to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. as assignee by an assignment dated February 19, 2001 and recorded on February 21, 2001 in Liber 822 on Page 128, and re-recorded on April 23, 2001 in Liber 829 on Page 472 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Three Thousand Sixty-Five and 51/100 Dollars (\$43,065.51), including interest at 8.125% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 28, 2004.

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

Lot 9, Block 3, Wilmot and Walker's Addition to the Village of Caro as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 9, Tuscola County Records, AND commencing at the Southeast corner of said Lot 9, Block 3; thence South 2 rods; thence West 4 rods; thence North 2 rods; thence East 4 rods to the place of beginning, Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: September 29, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Leonard R. Noyes, II, a married man, and Beverly A. Noyes, a married woman, original mortgagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated September 10, 1999 and recorded on November 19, 1999 in Liber 787 on Page 1442, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated September 10, 1999 and recorded on December 9, 1999 in Liber 790 on Page 194 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Ten and 01/100 Dollars (\$86,310.01), including interest at 8.75% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 28, 2004.

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

Part of the Northwest fractional 1/4 of Section 19, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the North line of Section 19, which is North 88 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds West 1594.94 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 19; thence continuing along said North line, North 88 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds West, 107.00 feet; thence South 01 degree 28 minutes 55 seconds West, 228.00 feet; thence

parallel with the North line of said Section, South 88 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds East 107.00 feet; thence North 01 degree 28 minutes 55 seconds East 228.00 feet to the North line of said Section and the point of beginning.

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

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

Commencing at a point that is South 00 degrees, 06 minutes, 26 seconds West 241 feet from the West 1/4 corner of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, South 00 degrees, 06 minutes, 26 seconds West 331.50 feet; thence South 89 degrees, 55 minutes, 51 seconds East 305 feet; thence North 00 degrees, 06 minutes, 26 seconds East 331.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees, 55 minutes, 51 seconds West 305 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 10 East.

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

Dated: October 6, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Randy W. Gouine, an unmarried man, and Jennifer L. Ohman, an unmarried woman, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 28, 2002 and recorded on April 4, 2002 in Liber 872 on Page 1204 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Five and 08/100 Dollars (\$72,365.08), including interest at 7.5% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 28, 2004.

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

Part of the Northwest fractional 1/4 of Section 19, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the North line of Section 19, which is North 88 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds West 1594.94 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 19; thence continuing along said North line, North 88 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds West, 107.00 feet; thence South 01 degree 28 minutes 55 seconds West, 228.00 feet; thence

parallel with the North line of said Section, South 88 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds East 107.00 feet; thence North 01 degree 28 minutes 55 seconds East 228.00 feet to the North line of said Section and the point of beginning.

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

Dated: September 29, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Julie Boddy, an unmarried woman, and Steven L. Plummer, an unmarried man, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 5, 2004 and recorded on March 18, 2004 in Liber 984 on Page 1236 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Seven and 11/100 Dollars (\$123,237.11), including interest at 6.875% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 28, 2004.

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

The North 1/2 of a parcel of land described as: Beginning at the East 1/4 corner of Section 15, Township 10 North, Range 9 East, thence along the East line of said Section 15, South 02 degrees 00 minutes 54 seconds East 424.00 feet; thence South 87 degrees 46 minutes 03 seconds West 1318.05 feet to the West line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said section, thence along said line North 02 degrees 04 minutes 28 seconds West 424.00 feet to the East-West 1/4 line of said section; thence along said East-West 1/4 line North 87 degrees 46 minutes 03 seconds East 1318.05 feet to the East 1/4 corner of said Section 15 and the point of beginning, Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 29, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Elsie Schott and Lawrence Schott, wife and husband, Mortgagors, to Franklin Mortgage Funding, Mortgagee, dated the 21st day of May, 2001 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 25th day of May, 2001 in Liber 833 of Tuscola County Records, Page 316, said Mortgage having been assigned to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., its successors and assigns, said Assignment having been recorded on the 9th day of November, 2001 in Liber 847 on Page 1354, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Thousand One Hundred Eighty Nine & 66/100 (\$100,189.66), 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 statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of October, 2004 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County (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 10.300000% 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 or parcel of land situated in the City of Clifford, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

A parcel of land located in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, described as follows: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 30; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 44' 15" W ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 30 A DISTANCE OF 1033.22 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID SOUTHLINE S 89 DEGREES 44' 15" W 208.71 FEET; THENCE LEAVING SAID SOUTHLINE 00 DEGREES 2' 58" W 417.42 FEET; THENCE N 89 DEGREES 44' 15" E PARALLEL WITH SAID SOUTHLINE OF SECTION 30 A DISTANCE OF 208.71 FEET; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 02' 51" E 417.42 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 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 9/29/04

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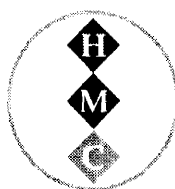
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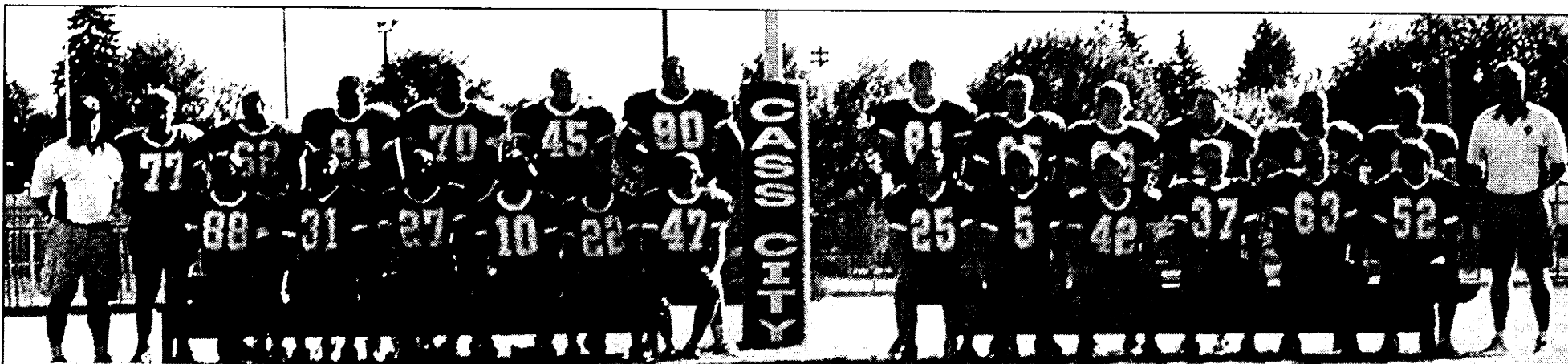
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by C'yde Wakefield, Jr. and Judith K. Wakefield, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Hilton Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 20, 1998 and recorded on December 4, 1998 in Liber 757 on Page 861, and assigned by mesne assignments to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., f/k/a Countrywide Funding Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated December 3, 1999 and recorded on December 29, 1999 in Liber 791 on Page 591 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty and 28/100 Dollars (\$59,440.28), including interest at 7.5% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 21, 2004.

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

The East 3/4 of the West 8 acres of the South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Except the West 98.00 feet thereof, Also the East 12 feet of the South 150 feet of the West 98.00 feet of the East 2 acres of the West 7 acres of the South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 8 East.

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

Dated: September 22, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC 'S (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., f/k/a Countrywide Funding Corporation
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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 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 October 22, 2004 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, MERRITT'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF VASSAR, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 221, NOW BEING PAGE 22A.

LaSALLE BANK, N.A.
Assignee of Mortgage

Dated: September 8, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William W. Hall, a married man, and Cynthia Hall, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 30, 2003 and recorded on June 6, 2003 in Liber 934 on Page 1392 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-One and 75/100 Dollars (\$105,861.75), including interest at 6% 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 at 10:00 AM, on November 4, 2004.

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

Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, being further described as beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 30, thence South 89 degrees 36 minutes 11 seconds West, 250.00 feet along the South Section line; thence North 00 degrees 13 minutes 05 seconds West, 400.78 feet; thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes 56 seconds East, 250.00 feet to a point on the East Section line; thence South 00 degrees 13 minutes 04 seconds East, 400.00 feet, along said Section line to the Southeast corner of Section 30 and the point of beginning.

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

Dated: October 6, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Carl A. Masterson, a/k/a Carl Masterson, a unmarried man (original mortgagor), to Continental Mortgage Corporation, USA, Mortgagee, dated August 7, 2000 and recorded on August 31, 2000 in Liber 808 on Page 435, and assigned by said Mortgagee to PNC Mortgage Corp. of America as assignee by an assignment dated August 7, 2000 and recorded on August 11, 2000 in Liber 808 on Page 449 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty and 41/100 Dollars (\$129,903.41), including interest at 9% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 21, 2004.

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

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 14, Town 13 North, Range 11 East, thence North 0 degrees 07 minutes East 433.50 feet along the West line of Section 14 to the point of beginning, running thence North 0 degrees 07 minutes East, 440.0 feet along the West line of Section 14; thence East 990 feet; thence South 0 degrees 07 minutes 01 seconds West, 443.76 feet; thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes West 990 feet to the point of beginning, right of way for Englehart Road over the Westerly side thereof, Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 22, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lawrence E. Giddings, A/K/A LAWRENCE GIDDINGS, and Faith D. Giddings, A/K/A FAITH GIDDINGS, husband and wife, to Ford Housing Finance Services, a div. of Associates Housing Finance Services, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 9, 1998 and recorded on April 9, 1998 in Liber 734

on Page 1283, 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 ninety-six and 28/100 Dollars (\$71,996.28), 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 o'clock a.m., on October 22, 2004.

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

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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: September 8, 2004

Associates Housing Finance, LLC
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Adam T. Schmidt and Audrey Schmidt, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Charles F. Curry Company, a Missouri Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 12, 1999 and recorded on February 26, 1999 in Liber 764 on Page 1084, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as assignee by an assignment dated February 5, 2001 and recorded on February 16, 2002 in Liber 865 on Page 750 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Nine and 88/100 Dollars (\$45,849.88), including interest at 6.5% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 21, 2004.

Said premises are situated in City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 5 and 6, Block 10, North's Addition to the Village (now city) of Vassar, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 21A of Plats, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: September 22, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Janet Hawes, an unmarried woman (original mortgagor), to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated August 25, 1998 and recorded on August 27, 1998 in Liber 748 on Page 1250, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a Delaware Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated August 1, 2000 and recorded on February 27, 2001 in Liber 822 on Page 730 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Thirty-Five and 91/100 Dollars (\$66,035.91), including interest at 7.5% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 21, 2004.

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

Being in the Northeast fractional quarter of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, and described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, thence West 360 feet; thence North 215 feet; thence East 360 feet; thence North 215 feet to the place of beginning, right of way for Van Geisen Road over the Northerly side and Sheridan Road over the Easterly side thereof.

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

Dated: September 22, 2004

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John E. Reid, a married man, & Tonya M. Reid, his wife (original mortgagors), to Flagstar Bank, Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated December 29, 2000 and recorded on January 8, 2001 in Liber 818 on Page 1420, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated June 21, 2001 and recorded on January 9, 2002 in Liber 856 on Page 121 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Two and 87/100 Dollars (\$147,682.87), including interest at 8.5% 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 at 10:00 AM, on October 21, 2004.

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

Lot 7, of Botmer's Woodland Subdivision, according to the recorded Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Liber 4, Pages 58 through 61, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: September 22, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roger Greyerbiel and Cheryl L. Greyerbiel, Husband and Wife, (original mortgagors), to First Franklin Financial Corp., Subsidiary of National City Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated March 26, 2004 and recorded on April 20, 2004 in Liber 988 on Page 884 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JP Morgan Chase Bank, As Trustee for the Certificate holders of ABFC 2004-FF1 Trust, ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-FF1 as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen and 77/100 Dollars (\$181,516.77), including interest at 7.625% 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 at 10:00 AM, on November 4, 2004.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of section 33, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point which is North 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 30 Seconds West 723.87 feet along the North Line of Section 33 and South 00 Degrees 21 Minutes 43 Seconds West, 736.43 feet from the North 1/4 Corner of said Section 33; thence South 00 Degrees 21 Minutes 43 Seconds West, 241.43 feet; thence North 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 30 Seconds West, 528.00 feet to the West Line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 33; thence along said West Line to the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 33, North 00 Degrees 21 Minutes 43 Seconds East, 241.43 feet; thence South 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 30 Seconds East, 528.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Together with an easement for purposes of Ingress and egress being 66.00 feet wide, 33.00 feet on each side of the following described Centerline: part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the North Line of said Section 33, which is North 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 30 Seconds West, 723.87 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33; thence along the Centerline of said easement, South 00 Degrees 21 Minutes 43 Seconds West, 1045.53 feet to the Terminus of said Centerline; said terminus point also being the Center Radius point of a Cul-De-Sac having a radius of 75.00 feet, said Cul-De-Sac being part of the easement for Ingress and egress purposes, excepting from said easement a parcel of land described as: Beginning at a point on the North Line of said Section 33, which is North 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 30 Seconds West, 690.87 feet from the North 1/4 Corner of said Section 33; thence continuing along said North Line, North 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 30 Seconds West, 9.13 feet; thence South 00 Degrees 13 Minutes 10 Seconds East, 300.00 feet; thence South 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 30 Seconds East, 6.09 feet; thence North 00 Degrees 21 Minutes 43 Seconds East, 299.96 feet to the North Line of said Section 33 and the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: October 6, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Attorneys For JP Morgan Chase Bank, As Trustee for the Certificate holders of ABFC 2004-FF1 Trust, ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-FF1
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10-6-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Eugene Hergenreder, Jr. and Sharon A. Hergenreder, husband and wife as joint tenants, to J. Virgil, Inc. d/b/a Lending Factory, Mortgage Banker, mortgagee, dated September 9, 2000 and recorded September 22, 2000 in Liber 811, Page 119, and re-recorded 3/22/01 in Liber 825, Page 1048, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by LaSalle Bank, National Association f/k/a LaSalle National Bank, in its capacity as indenture trustee under that certain Sale and Servicing Agreement dated 10/1/00 among AFC Trust Series 2000-3 as Issuer, Superior Bank FSB, as Seller and Servicer and LaSalle Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee, AFC Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 2000-3, and any amendments thereto by assignment dated March 21, 2002 and recorded on July 26, 2004 in Liber 1002, Page 53, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Two and 44/100 Dollars (\$97,822.44), including interest at the rate of 11.38% 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 November 4, 2004.

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

Section 33, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, commencing at a point 100 feet North of State Street, said point being on the East boundary line of Pine Street in the Village of Kingston (formerly Newbury), thence running North along said East boundary line a distance of 4 rods, thence East to a point on the West side and 22 1/2 feet from the center of Alder Creek Drain; thence South parallel with said drain a distance of 4 rods; thence West to place 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.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: 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. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: October 6, 2004

ORLAND ASSOCIATES, P.C.
Attorneys For LaSalle Bank, National Association f/k/a LaSalle National Bank, in its capacity as indenture trustee under that certain Sale and Servicing Agreement dated 10/1/00 among AFC Trust Series 2000-3 as Issuer, Superior Bank FSB, as Seller and Servicer and LaSalle Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee, AFC Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 2000-3, and any amendments thereto, As Assignee
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File No. 199.1537

10-6-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Denny Montgomery, a/k/a Denny C. Montgomery, and Becky Montgomery, a/k/a Rebecca L. Montgomery, original mortgagors, to Standard Federal Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated February 25, 1999 and recorded on March 5, 1999 in Liber 765 on Page 315 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Two and 74/100 Dollars (\$57,702.74), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

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doing very well. At present he's at the Marlette Rehab, working very hard to get home soon. The stroke has effected his speech and the right arm and leg. The injury to the right arm is healing well, but will require more surgeries after the bones heal. Marlette Rehab visitors may call Monday-Saturday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Sundays, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Special thank you to everyone for the cards and prayers. And special heartfelt thank you to: Dr. deBeaubien, co-workers at Marshall Distributing, Hills and Dales General Hospital, our families, Faron and Joann Alexander, Kirk and Lisa Winter and boys, Marv and Janice Winter, Dave and Shelly Bartnik, Skip, Bobby and John Churchill and all the go-cart racers, Missy Kelley, Joann Peters, Brian and Sue Simpson, Mike Karr, Dawn Hollis, Rev. Meyer, Dave and Chris Milligan, Joann Merchant, Cheryl Martin, and to everyone for the offers to come to our aid at this time. Thank you truly, John and Barb Doerr. 13-10-6-1nc

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