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Teen dies in weekend fight

by Tom Montgomery Editor

A weekend party turned deadly for a Cass City High School senior, who died as a result of head injuries he suffered in a reported fight in Elmwood Township. Tuscola County Sheriff's

deputies are continuing their investigation into the death of Andrew James Arthur Haas, 18, of Ubly.

Deputies were called to the party location on Cass City

> friends to Hills and Dales Hospital for treatment of his injuries. "Sheriff's deputies went to the party location at the end of Hill Side Drive off Cass City Road," Jashinske said. "All they found (were) remains of a fire and numerous beer cans and bottles. Deputies are continuing to interview people who were at

> > the party. Deputies did not locate the suspect in the case Saturday morning. However, Jashinske said Detective Sgt. Patrick Woidan and Tuscola Chief Assistant Prosecutor Tim Rutkowski plan to make arrangements to interview the suspect through his attor-

Road, at about 1:49 a.m. Sat-

urday, according to Undersh-

"There was a reported alter-

cation and the victim report-

edly received head injuries,"

Jashinske said. "The victim

was then transported by his

eriff Jim Jashinske.

An autopsy was scheduled for Monday afternoon to determine the cause of death.

"Deputies will continue interviewing all the young people at the party," Jashinske said. "When the investigation is completed, it (report) will be forwarded to the prosecutor's office for determination of any charges.'

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THE CASS CITY Middle School choir and student body honored and welcomed 18 area veterans for a red, white and blue draped ceremony on Veteran's Day, Thursday. The choir serenaded the veterans, and seventh and eighth grade performing arts students presented patriotic stories and poetry.

Probe into baby's death continuing

Tuscola County Sheriff's Department investigators say they expect to file a report with the prosecutor's office this week on the death of a Cass City infant early last

The child, Isis Storm Briggs, 23 days old, died at her family's Seeger Street home during the early morning hours Tuesday, Nov. 9. She is the daughter of Justin and Sierra Briggs.

According to published reports, the Michigan Family Independence Agency subsequently filed a petition to have the couple's 4 other children, ranging in age from one to 7 years, placed in protective custody.

An autopsy was performed, but results are still pending, according to Detective Sgt. Patrick Woidan, who is investigating the case. "I think the preliminary cause of death was suffocation," said Woidan, who declined further comment on the case pending a review by the prosecutor's office.

Law enforcement officials familiar with the case say the death appears to have been accidental, but no details are being released.

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Sold!

Buyer agrees to pay \$95,000 for O-G school

Deputies investigating

Andrew Haas

Tractor accident fatal

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies are continuing their investigation in the apparent accidental death of a King-

ston man Friday afternoon. Undersheriff Jim Jashinske identified the victim as Zef Dushaj, 66, 3315 Phillips Rd.

The accident occurred sometime between 1 and 1:35 p.m.

Christmas in village open house set Sunday

A month-long holiday celebration will get underway this weekend in Cass City, and the village's biggest promotion of the season promises to be bigger and better than ever.

The Cass City Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Development Authority (DDA), businesses and other organizations are again joining forces to sponsor this year's Christmas in the Village celebration, which will offer bargains galore for local shoppers as well as an oldfashioned celebration for the whole family.

The events get underway Sunday with a town-wide open house from noon to 4

The day will feature great values and personal service at local businesses along with refreshments and free gift wrapping. Shoppers may want to visit the historical display inside the municipal building, and there will be a free movie for the kids at the Cass Theatre at 2 p.m.

The Cass City DDA and Please turn to back page.

"The victim was across the road from his residence at a vacant residence in the process of pushing over a poplar tree with a Massey Ferguson tractor with a front-

end loader," Jashinske said. "The tractor and loader climbed approximately 10 feet up the tree and then flipped over backwards."

Jashinske said Dushaj was

he could not move or breath.

residence to get help.

"The victim was found by his wife who had left him working on the trees and walked back to their residence and returned with a cup of coffee 30 minutes later," he said. "She then left and walked to a neighbor's

Going the distance...

HILLS AND DALES General Hospital Pharmacy Technician Julie Moore went above and beyond the call of duty last week when she traveled to Muskegon to pick up 1,500 doses of flu vaccine that are now available in Cass City. (See story, page 3)

by Tom Montgomery Wiese asked the board to agreed, saying it's somewhat SUPT. SEARCH wrap up remaining details, including whether to remove or leave a flag pole/memorial, Internet service tower

Editor

Owen-Gage School offi-

cials could close on the sale

of the Gagetown Elementary

School building in as little as

2 weeks, just 3 months after

voting to put the property on

Sue Wiese, broker/owner of

Kelly and Co. Realty and

Auctioneering, Sebewaing,

told school board members

last week that a couple has

agreed to meeting the

district's asking price of

\$95,000 and is in the process

of finalizing financing for the

the market.

purchase.

and a garage. The board agreed with her recommendation to set a time limit for all 3 items. Should school officials not remove the items by their own deadline, the property will belong to the new owners.

Action on the proposed sale stalled briefly when Trustee Mike Mandich questioned which kitchen appliances were included in the sale. He questioned the district's failure to remove a dishwasher and replace it with an older model now in use at what is now the K-12 building in Owendale.

A decision to do that now would require changes in the paperwork because the buyers inspected the property after the district auctioned off school property, and they believe they are purchasing what they inspected during their visit, Wiese said.

Board Secretary Brenda Kretzschmer indicated it would be best to leave the dishwasher and proceed with the sale.

School Supt. Bob Peterson

unusual for a buyer to initially agree to pay the asking price. "Here you have somebody who says, I'll give that much money," he added. "I think I'd take my money and

get on with my life." Wiese said the buyers, who reside in Gagetown, would like occupancy within 30 days of the final purchase agreement.

"They would like to have occupancy as soon as they can," she said. "They're looking at basically...going in and doing weddings and catering and banquets, and taking the rooms upstairs and turning them into conference rooms," she said.

The board voted to accept the couple's offer, and instructed Wiese to proceed with the paperwork once financing has been approved.

School officials closed the 19,000-square-foot Gagetown building after the 2003-04 school year in an effort to cut costs and offset a deficit caused by several factors, including shrinking student numbers. The original building was constructed in 1939 and an addition was

Turning to other matters during the rescheduled regular meeting, the board discussed plans for its upcoming search for a new superintendent.

Peterson, who agreed to serve as a part-time administrator on a temporary basis, presented a recent estimate from the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB), which would conduct the search for about

However, he pointed out, the board must first define the administrative structure they want as well as the duties of the new administrator. For example, he said, does the board want to shift to a single administrator who would also serve as princi-

The board agreed to tackle those issues during a special work session scheduled for

Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 6 p.m. In the meantime, Peterson offered to obtain additional estimates from other organizations and individuals who provide administrative search services.

The board conducted its own search prior to hiring Kretzschmer said the \$4,000 MASB estimate sounds reasonable, given that school officials spent at least that amount by the time McKenzie was hired.

In other business, the board: *Approved a Participating Resolution for the Michigan School Readiness Program. The resolution will bring in \$39,000 in funding for a dozen 4-year-old children enrolled in the Owen-Gage Preschool program, which has an overall enrollment of 20 students, according to K-

12 Principal Diane Warack. "The monies generated from the grant will fund the 12 students that qualify," she told the board. "The 3-yearolds that attend the program pay tuition of \$40 a month if they attend 4 days a week. (and) the students that participate in the After Hours program pay \$6 a day of attendance.

*Voted to hold regular school elections annually in May. A state election consolidation law forced the change from the traditional June election. The board considered 2 other options,

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Sheridan considering 2 job offers

Cass City Village Manager Frank Sheridan has been offered jobs in 2 other municipalities, including the position of village manager in Holly.

According to a story pubthe job.

Sheridan, who has served as village manager in Cass City for 3 years, confirmed the job offer as well as another in a municipality outside of Michigan that he declined to

"I have 2 solid job offers, but no specifics," he said, adding he applied for jobs in 4 different municipalities and was surprised when 2 of

lished last week in the Tri-County Times, the Holly Village Council recently voted unanimously to hire Sheridan, one of 2 finalists interviewed from a field of more than 50 candidates for

them asked him to enter into

Frank Sheridan

contract negotiations. Sheridan said he has not

accepted either offer at this time and is still weighing his career options.

"I haven't decided to leave. I just decided to look," he added, noting that working conditions, economic conditions and quality of life will all play a role in making a final decision.

Sheridan indicated he is not unhappy with his job in Cass City. "We have great employees, we have a great town and we have great civic participation here. That is hard to measure, but you can

feel it," he said. Sheridan's tenure in Cass City has been bumpy at times, most notably last summer when he clashed with members of Cass City VFW Post 3644 over a patriotic painting on the VFW post's annex building. Sheridan maintained the images painted on the building amounted to a "wall sign" in the local sign ordinance. Post members disagreed and refused to apply for a sign permit or a zoning variance.

Sheridan's tenure has also seen a substantial change in the makeup of the village council. Of the trustees who voted to hire him in 2001, only a couple remain on the

council.

Holbrook **Area News**

Mrs. Thelma Jackson Phone 989-269-6994

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski attended the Boy Scouts breakfast at St. Johns Church Hall in Ubly Sunday. Mrs. Melvin Particka and Mrs. Art Guigar attended the Christmas bazaar and craft

Hall in Ubly. Jim Lewis, Jack Kennedy, Don Schember and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Wednesday morning.

show at St. Johns Church

Bonnie Sauceda and Morris Brown of Cass City visited Thelma Jackson Saturday evening.

Allen Farrelly spent Tuesday in Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski were Sunday af-

Students on list

The names of several area students are included in the 27th annual edition of the National Dean's List, 2003-

They are: Saginaw Valley State University students Theresa E. Richmond and Central Michigan University student Julie Westfall, both of Gagetown; Angela King of Kingston, who attends Central Michigan University; and Meaghan Shedd, an Owendale resident who attends Northern Michigan University.

Ken Jimkoski's

ternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Carpenter and family in Caro.

Myron Wruble and Allen Farrelly spent Monday in

Nine members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Big Boy in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Peppermill in Bad Axe next week.

Mrs. Ray Depcinski was among a group who attended the Over 50 Club meeting at Oswald Hall in Bad Axe on Wednesday. After the rosary, a potluck dinner was served. After the dinner, cards were played and prizes were given. The next meeting will be Dec. 14.

Mrs. Hiram Keyser visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland on Fri-

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Doyl of Sandusky, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Filar of Sterling Heights, and Mrs. John Pechett visited Veronica Dolinski and Thelma Jackson last week.

Mrs. Ken Osentoski visited Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol Laming on Saturday and Monday.

Allen Farrelly visited Eleanor Koskie at the Caro Rehab Center Thursday af-

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr and Leone Doerr visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doerr at Argyle.

PICK OF THE WEEK

It's a boy!



Mr. and Mrs. Melvin

Particka, Mr. and Mrs. Art

Guigar, Mr. and Mrs. Louis

Walsh, Allen Farrelly, Doris

Western, Mr. and Mrs. Dan

Franzel, and Alex Particka

were among a group who at-

tended the Senior Dinner at

Reva Silver and Mrs. Curtis

Cleland spent Tuesday after-

noon with Mrs. Martin

Cheboygan spent Tuesday

afternoon with Mr. and Mrs.

Depcinski, Mrs. Allen

Depcinski and Mrs. Dale

Laming went to the Kranz

Funeral Home for the Chris-

tian Mothers Rosary for

Theresa Osentoski on Sun-

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson

and Thelma Jackson went to

the Peppermill in Bad Axe

for dinner for Mr. and Mrs.

Bob Jackson's 41st wedding

Bob Cleland of Cheboygan

is spending some time with

Mrs. Alex Cleland and Carol

Kennedy, Ron Wolschlager,

and Allen Farrelly met at

McDonald's in Bad Axe

Judy Horton visited Mrs.

Curtis Cleland and Mrs. Jim

Doerr on Tuesday.

Bernard Morley, Jack

Laming.

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anniversary on Thursday.

day evening in Cass City.

Bob Cleland Sr. of

Mr. and Mrs. Ray

Argyle Hall on Sunday.

Sweeney.

Dick Wallace.

Brandon Weippert

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Weippert of Dryden announce the birth of their son, Brandon Mat-

Brandon was born Aug. 19, 2004 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Clinton Township. He weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Brandon joins a brother, Carson, and a sister, Jenna, at home.

His grandparents are Ron and Chris Weippert of Cass City, and Tom and Kathy Guarascio of Almont.

Teachers in area honored

A select group of America's teachers are being honored by their toughest critics their former students - in the eighth edition of Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

Among the honorees are: Gail Evans Verhines of Gagetown, who teaches at Millington High School; Marilyn Kapp Biefer and Michael L. Rea, both Kingston residents and instructors at Kingston Junior-Senior High School; Cheryl Brookins of Owendale, who teaches at USA Elementary School; and Brenda Kay Krotchen, also of Owendale, who teaches at the Huron Area Technical Center.

Students were asked to nominate the one teacher from their entire academic experience who made a difference in their lives by helping to shape their values, inspire interest in a particular subject and challenge them to strive for excellence. Students also mentioned enthusiasm about their subject and the knowledge their nominated teachers demonstrated in the classroom.

rednecks by Melva E. Guinther * Unlike clothes and shoes, We received considerable a toothbrush should never be

More

Meg's Peg

One should never perform

ENTERTAINING:

DATING:

* If you go fishing, always

offer to bait your date's hook,

* Be aggressive, yet polite.

Let her know you are inter-

ested. "I've been wanting to

go out with you ever since I

read that stuff on the men's

* If a girl's name does not

appear regularly on a bath-

room wall, water tower or an

overpass, odds are good that

the date will end in frustra-

And here are some signs

you're at a redneck wedding:

* The rehearsal dinner is at

* Sign in front of the church

reads "No shirt, no shoes, no

Instead of "friends of the

bride or groom?" ushers ask,

* Bridesmaids wear pink

tube tops, groomsmen,

* When the minister asks,

"Who giveth this woman to

be married, some guy in the

back stands up and hollers

* Snack trays at the reception

are Vienna sausages and

* Plans for the honeymoon

evening include tickets to the

nacho-cheese Doritos.

monster truck show.

problem.'

"Ford or Chevy?"

Travis Tritt T-shirts.

"Earnhardt!"

贪贪贪贪贪贪贪贪贪贪贪

bathroom wall 2 years ago.

especially on the first date.

feedback regarding a recent a hand-me-down. "redneck" column. Is there * While ears need to be some significance to the fact that it was all from men?

cleaned regularly, this is a job that should be done in private Anyway, here are some bausing one's own keys. sic "redneck" instructions on * The same goes for biting a number of subjects: and picking one's toenails.

this personal endeavor at the dinner table.

* When approaching a 4way stop, the vehicle with the largest tires always has the right-of-way.

DRIVING:

- * Do not allow the dog to eat * Never tow another car usat the table...no matter how ing pantyhose or duct tape. good his manners are. Most consider it unsafe, if not downright stupid.
- down the road with a gas can, it is impolite to ask her to bring back beer. * Never relieve yourself

* When sending your wife

from a moving vehicle, especially while driving. PERSONAL HYGIENE:

* It is best to partake in some form of personal hygiene.

Cake auction on tap

Cass City Cub Scouts are gearing up for their annual Cake Bake Auction, Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the Cass City Middle School cafeteria.

All proceeds from the event benefit the Cass City Cub Scouts and Cass City Rotary for Christmas for Kids program. Over the past 5 years, the Cake Bake Auction has generated more than \$3,000 for the Christmas for Kids program.

Each scout is asked to bake and decorate a cake that will then be auctioned off by Osentoski Auctioneering. The cakes are judged by members of the Cass City Gavel Club, and prizes are awarded in various catego-

All members of the community are invited and encouraged to attend the auction.

Friends, family honor Jackson

and friends gathered Sunday at the home of Bob and Joan Jackson of Ubly to help Thelma Jackson celebrate her 90th birthday.

She was born Nov. 14, 1914 in Greenleaf Township, the daughter of Stephen and Lillian (Vogel) Decker.

Thelma and her late husband, Clifford, farmed together until they retired in 1977. She writes the Holbrook News for the Cass City Chronicle and has been doing so for over 60 years.

Thelma has one son, Robert, and his wife, Joan, of Ubly; three grandchildren: Stephen and family of Sheridan, WY, Cindi of Orem, Utah, and John and

Over 65 family members family of Anaheim, Calif. She has a great-granddaughter and five step great-grandchildren.

Thelma expressed appreciation for all the family and friends who attended the birthday celebration.



Thelma Jackson

Scholastic Book Fair scheduled Nov. 16-19

Cass City Middle School is once again hosting a Scho-

lastic Book Fair. This year's book fair will be decorated to celebrate the theme "Digging for Treasures". Students will have an opportunity to explore various treasures and sign up for drawings.

The book fair will be held Tuesday, Nov. 16 through Friday, Nov. 19, in the middle school media center. The book fair hours are: Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 16 and 17, from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 18, from 8:15 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Friday, Nov. 19,

from 8:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The book fair features traditional children's favorites and new works by popular authors and illustrators. A special family event Thursday, Nov. 18, from 3:15 to 7 p.m. will feature door prizes for adults in attendance. Everyone is welcome. A lighthouse is located outside the media center to guide your

Building classroom libraries is one goal of the book fair. Visitors can purchase and donate requested books for any classroom's library. A bookplate is then placed in the book to acknowledge the

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- 2. Good grades
- 3. A positive attitude
- for the 1st Marking Period

- 4. Regular attendance
- 5. Shows improvement (academic and/or behavior)



5th Grade: (front, 1-r) Cortney Thompson, Korey Hool, Jared Weidman; (back, l-r) Hayley Thorp, Heather Sweeney, Alexis Fetterhoff and Maria Collins.



7th Grade: (front, l-r) Justin Ketterer, Angela Janssen, Haylee Helton, Tyler Forth, Cody Pringle; (back, l-r) Dalton Yax, Eric Monteuil, Elizabeth Lintner and Rebecca Leslie. Missing: Hali Hadd



6th Grade: (front, l-r) Jennifer Manwell, Aaron Bader, Megan Zawilinski, Brittany Nicol, Elise Nicol; (back, l-r) Nicole Pasanski, Tyler Perry, Tyler Nicholas and Emily Martin.



8th Grade: (front, l-r) Travis Mabe, Amanda Langenburg, Bryan Burk; (back, 1-r) Chris Summersett, Andre Rohlfs, Kyle Kausch, Bernadette Homrocky and Tommy Burns.



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by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Area residents proved once again that they have a big heart. The benefit for cancer stricken Marilyn Szarapski attracted over 500 to Friday's dinner at the VFW hall. Profits from the dinner, cash donations and raffle ticket sales netted \$6,500.

Al and Dave Eicher produced the video of "The First 150 years" highlighting Cass City historical events. The fatherson combo has produced 21 other videos of the same genre.

Despite the number, the one produced for Cass City is unique in that it was the first produced digitally. Because it was, the film was compatible with equipment at the Cass Theatre and the theatre was made available by Dick Hendrick for the preview showing Nov. 8.

The videos have been produced in both DVD (\$25) and VHS (\$20) and are available at several stores in the community and at Rawson Memorial Library.

The project was another conducted by the Cass City Historical Society. Estimated cost was about \$16,000, helped get under motion by a \$5,000 grant from the Pinney Foun-

There have been very few times that the Holbrook Area News has been absent from the paper in the over 60 years that Thelma Jackson has been reporting the activities of friends and neighbors from her area.

In a couple of weeks, she reported at her 90th birthday celebration, she will miss an undetermined number of issues because of impending hip surgery.

Add the name of Andrew Whittaker to the list of seniors on this year's first ever Cass City High School football team to qualify and then win a game in the pre-district tournament. Whittaker was inadvertently missed when the seniors were listed in last week's Chronicle.

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Cass City's

Christmas in the Village 2004

When Julie Moore got a tip vaccine, but she said she was from the Tuscola County surprised to hear that vac-Health Department last week cines would be available at that some flu vaccine might the hospital the next day.

community."

be available, she didn't waste

Moore, a certified phar-

macy technician at Hills and

Dales General Hospital, Cass

City, learned last Wednesday

that officials at the Hackley

Hospital Pharmacy in

Muskegon had some vaccine

available, so she called them

When asked when she

could pick up the vaccine,

Moore responded, "in 4

Moore drove to Muskegon,

picked up 1,500 doses and

returned to Cass City so the

vaccines would be available

for people in the area who

meet the criteria set by the

Centers for Disease Control

Hills and Dales President

and CEO Dee McKrow was

also aware that the hospital

might be getting some flu

The Elkland Township

Board approved a pair of ap-

pointments during a regular

monthly meeting last week.

The board appointed Dean

Hoag to the Zoning Board of

Appeals. Hoag, who re-

places township Supervisor

Dan Erla on the board, will

In addition, the board

named longtime Treasurer

Art Randall to the position of

deputy treasurer. Township

Clerk Norma Wallace said

Randall will be assisting

Dale McIntosh in his transi-

tion as the new treasurer.

McIntosh was elected to the

post last August. In other

business, Fire Chief Ron

Pawloski reported he is look-

ing into the possible replace-

ment of a pumper to replace

a 1978 model now in use.

serve a term of 3 years.

Board

Hoag

appoints

a minute.

immediately.

"I was a little surprised to hear on the radio we were able to get the vaccine so quickly," she said. "It wasn't until I got to the facility that I learned one of our own employees volunteered to drive all the way to Muskegon and back in the same day to have the vaccine for our Thumb area residents. "I am proud of Julie's commitment to take care of our

with the health department and going on the Internet every day for any word of the flu vaccine becoming available," recalled Moore, who has been employed at Hills and Dales since 1982.

"I was so relieved when we were able to get a sufficient supply of vaccine that I personally went to pick it up to make sure that we could give it as soon as possible."

Information on getting a flu vaccine is available by calling the hospital at 872-5476 (ext. 286).

The Haire Net Micklash has done it well



But it took much more than

that to get by the Shabbona

School closing. It was a

much more difficult decision

than the closing of the De-

Shabbona School was the

school built by the people in

the area and paid for by the

people in the area. It was

their school. What added to

the problem was that

Shabbona was selected and

Deford School remained

Added to that, there was

potential controversy over

which students would trans-

fer to Campbell and which

would transfer to Deford

When Deford closed gradu-

ally over 3 years, the trans-

fer caused relatively little

friction. Now if the ACE pro-

gram currently at Deford

proves successful it would be

Added to that during his

reign Micklash has had little

trouble with the union. Long.

acrimonious sessions with

the Cass City. Teachers Asso-

Communication and solv-

ing public relations and per-

sonnel problems have been

Keeping the school board,

the teachers, the students and

the community happy is what

Micklash has done it well.

handled well.

it's all about.

ciation have been avoided.

a crowning achievement.

ford School.

School

Prior to his appointment to replace Supt. Don Crouse, who unexpectedly retired in midyear, Supt. Ken Micklash had more than a nodding ac-

Besides serving as high school principal for 18 months he also was a mem-

It is the way he handled what could have been the most divisive issue in the Cass City School District since the abandonment of the country schools.

Shabbona School. It took all of his considerable skills in meeting the public and getting across the need for the

Editor Tom Montgomery the Chronicle.

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quaintance with the school.

ber of the school board. His peers in the Michigan

Association of School Administration will probably point to his many accomplishments since he started in 1988 when he is feted next March, but may not know what puts him at the top of the list among knowledgeable people here.

It was the closing of the

said, boy, we will miss him when he's gone. He always was available to explain school positions to the press and following the mandate of the school board he reports continuously of school activities in messages written in

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Hospital employee goes the distance for vaccine

The back forty by Roger Pond

The flu vaccine shortage has been a shock for many. I've never had a flu shot, but it's been so long since I was too young for anything, I'm kind of getting a kick out of the whole thing.

I can't remember all of the criterion for who gets a flu shot and who doesn't, but being over 65 is one of the qualifiers. There was a piece on the TV news showing a group of the near-elderly lined up for hours in the cold and rain, waiting for their flu

I was yelling at my television, "Get out of the rain, for heavens sakes! You're gonna get pneumonia!"

Now that the election is over we could try to determine who caused the flu vaccine shortage. It's only natural to blame the President, but that's stretching things a

There's pretty good evidence the government had something to do with it, but the President isn't a likely culprit.

A column by Rich Lowry of National Review gives one perspective on the issue. Lowry says it's simple economics. Whether it's vaccines, prescription drugs, or plain old widgets; when something is no longer profitable, companies quit making it.

He says many vaccine makers were driven out of business in the 1980s by litigation costs. Then, the government got into the pediatric vaccine business.

Now the government "buys 60% of pediatric vaccines, dictating cut-rate prices that have dried up manufacturing capacity. More regulation inevitably followed these purchases," according to

He suggests we can expect similar problems if the government negotiates lower prescription drug prices for Medicare benefits, or if reimportation of drugs from Canada becomes the norm.

The big deal now is to head off to Canada for our flu shots. A private clinic at the Vancouver, B.C. airport has been giving shots to about 50 Americans per day at \$30 a

A cruise company out of Seattle got in on the action by offering a trip to Victoria,

featuring flu shots for two and high tea at the Empress Hotel for \$105 U.S. They later discontinued the deal out of concern for Canada's vaccine supply.

I think the cruise company finally realized that flu shots on a boat are a bad idea. When a person orders a shot on a cruise ship, he doesn't expect to see any needles.

We should remember this isn't the first time we've had people running back and forth across the border in response to shortages. Viagra, for example, was sold in the U.S. for quite awhile before it was available in Canada.

A Canadian friend told me about a conversation with a northern Washington phar-

macist during that time. The pharmacist said he got a call from a man at Williams Lake, B.C. in which the caller asked if his pharmacy had any Viagra.

When the pharmacist said, "Yes," the caller asked, "How

"Thirty-four hundred dollars worth," the pharmacist replied.

"Hold it for me," the caller said. "I'll be there in a few

So this man drove 600 miles round-trip to pick up \$3,400 worth of Viagra! I'm not sure what to make of this, but it certainly shows that missing a flu shot isn't the worst thing that can happen to a person.

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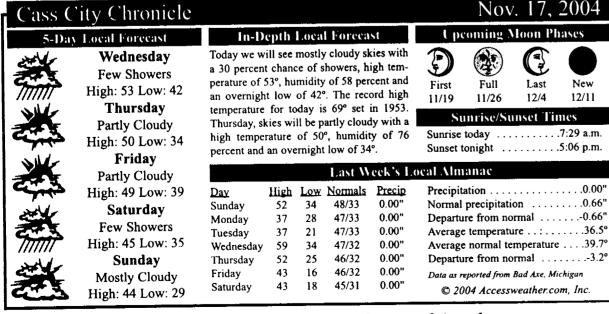




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Red Hawk Talks

by Leah Sherman

While Lenjoy informing the community about what is happening in our schools, everyone should know about another great way to research our school system and its current events. Cass City Public Schools has a fantastic webpage available to the public

www.casscity.k12.mi.us. There are many different links and resources that are easily accessible to students, parents, and other interested

The home page includes a picture of each school in the district: the high school, middle school, elementary school, Early Childhood Education Center, and the ACE facility in Deford.

There is a link provided for each of these schools that leads to a more detailed page of their educational programs, administration, and other facts.

For instance, at the high school link you can read a copy of the Student Council Constitution. At the middle school link you can read about the Media Center that the students use for both research and recreational reading. Helpful links such as these can be found at the elementary school, Early Childhood Education Center, and ACE Facility links as

There are also links to different areas of interest. The Band, Forensics team, and all of the sports teams have player bios, comments from

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the coaches and directors, and season calendars. Since it seems to get harder and harder to remember who's involved in what, team rosters and pictures will help you stay updated on the involvement and usually the performance of the individuals and the teams.

An extremely popular link on the Cass City Schools' web page is the Spirit Store. Here, you can find colored pictures of different clothing items from sweatshirts to polo shirts, along with their prices. You can also peruse a variety of miscellaneous items, such as fleece blankets, coffee mugs, and stadium chairs.

For those of you who are interested in what is happening behind the scenes of the schools, check out the Board of Education link. This lists the members of the Board and also provides the briefs from past meetings and the dates of future meetings. (On a side note, I would encourage anyone to attend these meetings. They are very educational, and are a great way to stay updated about our schools.)

Another way to learn about the school is to research the staff. There is a staff directory that lists all of the staff affiliated with the schools. Many of the teachers and other staff members have taken time to write a little about themselves. This not only allows people to get a sense of who the teachers are, but it also makes the teachers seem less distant and more personable.

Many people work together to update and maintain the website. From students in the advanced computers class in the high school, to elementary school teachers, without the input of everyone this webpage would not be possible. Lyle Severance, our technology coordinator, does a great job of combining the work of everyone to make an effective resource center, and it is evident in the creation of this site.

If you have a free minute 1 would encourage you to check out the Cass City Publie Schools' website! It has many bits of useful information, including what's for lunch today!



STUDENTS AT Campbell Elementary School were recently treated to some super-sized puppet theatre. School fundraising projects paid for the return appearance of Madcap Productions, Cincinnati, Ohio, which presented "Aladdin and Friends" during assemblies.

Sentencing closes book on area pot farm case

Sanilac County Drug Task Force investigators last week closed the books on a major marijuana farm investigation that began more than 8 years ago in Sanilac County's Evergreen Township.

The investigation began Oct. 31, 1996, when investigators discovered a sophisticated marijuana growing and processing operation at a farm in the 5600 block of Argyle Road. The probe subsequently led several law enforcement agencies through 3 states and ended with federal indictments of 10 defendants from southern Indiana and Kentucky.

That investigation was officially closed for Sanilac Drug Task Force investigators Tuesday when the tenth and final defendant was sentenced in U.S. Federal District Court in Bay City by U.S. District Judge David M.

Lawson. Rex R. Robinson, 43, of

Sebewaing

Oakland, Ind., was found guilty at his federal jury trial in June 2001 of conspiracy to manufacture 1,000 or more marijuana plants and travel in interstate commerce to promote-manage-carry on an illegal marijuana enter-

Following his conviction, Robinson filed 3 years worth of appeals that were all denied last August.

"Following the loss of those appeals, Robinson fired his trial attorney and engaged new attorneys to pursue his appeal options and forestall his sentencing," said drug task force Director William

The final chapter was concluded last week when Robinson was sentenced to 10 years and one month in a federal prison on the conspiracy charge and 5 years on the interstate travel charge.

The investigation that began more than 8 years ago revealed that some Indiana

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residents purchased the 75acre Argyle Road farm in February 1995 and immediately converted the property into a large-scale marijuana growing/processing opera-

More than 14,000 marijuana plants were grown and processed that year, and nearly 19,000 plants were grown and processed in

"The barn's processing operation contained more than 11,000 square feet of drying racks to enable the growers to process the marijuana onsite," Gray said. "Upwards of 15 migrant marijuana growers from Kentucky were housed and worked in the barn during the height of the operation.'

Grav said all of the marijuana was transported back to Kentucky and Indiana for wholesale/retail distribution in those areas. "The highpotency marijuana sold for \$1,600 to \$4,000 per pound based upon the quantities purchased," he added.

A total of 10 suspects, all from Kentucky and southern Indiana, were charged during the course of the lengthy and exhaustive multi-state investigation.

Five of the suspects entered guilty pleas and provided various levels of cooperation to investigators prior to trial. The other 5 suspects, includ-

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ing Robinson, were found guilty on all charges following a 5-week federal jury trial that ended in June 2001.

Each of the suspects was sentenced to prison.

This case was successful through the combined efforts of the Sanilac County Drug Task Force and Sanilac Sheriff K-9 Unit, with the assistance of the Saginaw office of the Drug Enforcement Administration and the U.S. Attorney's Office in Bay City," said Gray, who also credited law enforcement agencies in Indiana and Kentucky.



Bulldog Beat

by Mary McKee

In a past article I talked about the "slump" students get in around this time of the school year. The first marking period of school just passed, and report cards were issued. Unfortunately for the students in the "slump" the event that makes them face

their consequences is here. The dreaded parent/teacher conferences. It is the one occasion a lot of students dislike because their parents finally get to find out why they got that detention or what that bad grade was from, but as time goes on, the conferences really don't become the awful thing almost every student thinks it is. It can actually be a good thing.

Even though students don't think parent/teacher conferences are all that great, they actually have a lot of benefits that will end up helping them in the future.

One of those benefits is the communication that occurs. Teachers agree that being able to talk one-on-one opens up communication lines that wouldn't happen if the conversation was written in a letter or spoken on the phone. It also gives parents the opportunity to understand the teacher better, and the teacher to understand the parents better.

Parents can also be informed of what their child is and will be learning in the future, and be informed of what their child has trouble on and what the parents can help them with. By the way it sounds, parents and teachers just discuss the bad things, but that is not true. The student's good points, strong points, improvements, and interests are also discussed, among many other things.

For a lot of students, parent/ teacher conferences come as a reality check. They can't hide behind their excuses anymore, and it makes students realize how important their attitude and behavior at school is, and how critical getting good grades is.

Their school work becomes primary instead of secondary. When I asked some teachers if students change after parent/teacher conferences, they all had the same response. They all agreed that some students do change, and stick with it and improve, but some student's determination declines over time and they get less and less diligent and unfortunately end up back where they started.

All of the changes that can happen, good and bad, cannot occur if a parent doesn't attend the conferences.

When parents don't attend, they can never find out how their child is doing in school. A student can get good grades, but there still might be things to discuss that would only happen if the parent were present at the conferences. For every student, whether they get straight A's or just get by, there is always room for improvement.

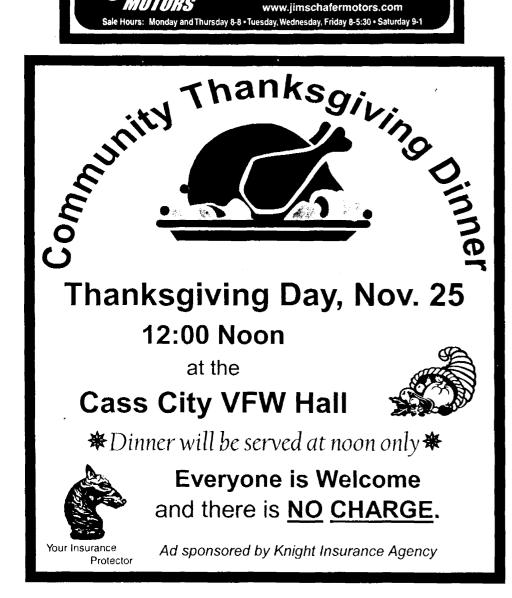
I think everyone would agree that getting a great education is the most important issue and when parent/ teacher conferences come around, it is the perfect time to help gain knowledge on how students receive the education that is so important.

The mention of parent/ teacher conferences will probably always be followed by a cringe from some students, but they will eventually realize that they have to happen for a reason, and that reason is supposed to help, unlike the natural thought that it is to hurt.

Hopefully parent/teacher conferences are the push that those certain students who are in the "slump" need to help get themselves out of it once and for all.

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Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, November 18

Genealogy Group, 7:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Senior Citizen Bingo Party, 1-4 p.m., Cass City VFW Post 3644, 4533 Veterans Dr. Prizes and refreshments. Sponsored by the 3644 Ladies Auxiliary.

Friday, November 19

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran

Senior Citizen Movies, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Northern Lights Dance Club, 8 p.m., Ubly Heights. A variety of dancing and music. Everyone welcome!

Saturday, November 20

Young Adult (YA) Book Club, 11 a.m., Rawson Memorial

Deer Widow's Craft Show, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Mayville Elementary School. Soup and Kogel luncheon, \$3.25.

Sunday, November 21

St. Columbkille breakfast, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., St. John Parish Center, Ubly. Adult, \$5; child, \$3; under 5, free. To benefit Capital Campaign.

Monday, November 22

Cass City School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m. Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Charmont.

Tuscola County Right To Life Organization meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Library.

Wednesday, November 24

Thumb Retired Officers of Police Service (TROOPS) meeting, 11:30 a.m., Franklin Inn, Bad Axe.

Thanksgiving in Cass City 250-300 expected for community meal

steadily since.

food and labor is donated.

The Knights of Columbus,

for example, has purchased

the turkeys for a number of

years. The owners of Sutter's

Bakery have made a tradition

out of cooking the birds, al-

though this year the cooking

will be done at the Cass City

United Methodist Church

because the bakery is closed.

Local high school students,

meanwhile, prepare the

dressing, which is cooked by

employees at Hills and Dales

General Hospital. Some area

A small group of dedicated volunteers are gearing for what has become a "family" Thanksgiving tradition in Cass City - the annual Community Thanksgiving Din-

This year's gathering is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 25, starting at noon at the Cass City VFW Hall.

According to Scott Mills, who has headed up the committee in charge of the dinner for the past several years, attendance is expected to be around 250 to 300 people.

The tradition started about 17 years ago by a group of local residents who wanted to offer members of the community, particularly those who might otherwise spend the holiday alone, an opportunity to celebrate the holiday together.

"The idea grew out of people having to sit home alone, people who don't have family in the area," Mills

said. "The purpose was to sit businesses also donate to the as a family and community." cause, and most of the local service clubs are involved in The idea proved popular. About 80 dinners were one way or another, as are served that first year, and the area churches.

And, Mills pointed out, the attendance has grown local VFW post continues to The dinner has remained a be faithful in offering use of community affair. All of the the post hall.

As has been true in the past, volunteers are needed to make the dinner a success. Anyone interested in lending a hand is asked to contact

The community meal is a big operation. The typical menu features about 16 turkeys and 30 dozen dinner rolls. Volunteers also prepare and serve some 180 pounds of potatoes, 2 roasters full of squash, 3 large roasters of dressing, 8 pounds of corn and dozens of pies.

Employees honored

Several area McDonald's restaurant employees were recently honored and/or promoted, according to owners Jim and Johanne Luth.

Among those honored are Michelle Eckhardt of the Cass City location, Angie Mausolf and Tara Wright, both of the Bad Axe location, Autumn Malmstrom of the Sebewaing location, and Stacy Hoenighausen of the Caro/Mayville locations.

Each of the employees was awarded the annual Luth Ambassador Award for their on-going contributions to the Luth's McDonald's organization. Those contributions include social responsibility and performance excellence. The Luth's also announced

several promotions. "Debra Schad at the Cass City location, Starr Chapman at the Sebewaing location and Tammy Nutt at the Caro location have all been promoted to assistant managers," Johanne Luth said.

"Lorri Marker also advanced to first assistant manager and oversees the operations for the Sebewaing lo-

cation. Roger Godinez now leads the human resources and training and development in the organization, while Robert Strozeski heads the physical plant maintenance for each of the locations.

In addition, Alyssa Stimer and Jeff McMahan, both at the Cass City location, Dee Ann Hiller at the Bad Axe location and Sue Kurtz at the Caro location have all been promoted to shift managers.

Students recognized

Some area students are included in the 38th annual edition of Who's Who Among American High School students, 2003-04.

They are: Melissa Broecker, Hali Brown and Brent A. Shaw, all of Decker; Stephanie L. Dorsch, Gagetown; and Justin R. Cloyd, Candy K. Collins, Jodi M. Gourman, Aaron J. Kolacz, Sarah G. McLellan, Timothy A. Moshier and Tristin J. Pennington, all of Kingston.

painting. It is estimated that the job will take 21 years. It will take 60,000 gallons of urethane paint, a new paint that resists weather and dirt and is expected to last 30 years. The metal grid will be replaced when the bridge gets a new surface. The estimated cost of the paint is \$80

under the actual costs, it's entirely possible that repainting will cost as much as the original construction. The good news is that it will be funded by the \$12 million received yearly in bridge

tolls, not directly from tax dollars. (From Rabbit Tracks) Wrestling dates back to prehistoric times; wrestlers are

20,000 years old.

depicted in French cave

drawings that are 15,000 to

10 YEARS AGO

If universities offered degrees in persistence and determination, Sandy Sheppard would probably have a master's degree in both. The Cass City woman has spent

years nurturing a talent for writing, and the work paid off over the summer with the publishing of her first book, a children's hardcover entitled, "Avaricious Aardvards and Other Alphabet Tongue

Twisters." "I wrote this book

19 years ago," she com-

mented Thursday. "I wrote it

when I was teaching second

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr

5 YEARS AGO

Michigan Sugar Company

officials along with former

and current employees, sugar

beet growers, lawmakers and

others gathered Thursday to

celebrate a century old tra-

dition of sweet success in the

Thumb. They gathered at the

Michigan Sugar processing

facility in Caro, which at 100

years old is the nation's old-

est operating sugar beet fac-

tory. "It really is special,"

Mark Flegenheimer, presi-

dent and CEO of Michigan

Sugar, commented during

the first of 3 days of activi-

ties commemorating the an-

niversary. "The future, I

think, looks bright. We have

excellent growers and an ex-

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was built in the 1950s, it cost

\$86 million. Now it is in the

midst of a repainting job that

includes blasting off the

many layers of paint and re-

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grade." Raw cauliflower contains twice as much vitamin C as the same amount of cooked cauliflower. Michigan is the fifth largest cauliflower producer in the nation.

With the Great American Smokeout coming up on November 18th, it is time to think about stopping smoking again. Most smokers want to quit smoking and have tried to stop at least once. Being successful is the hard part. The most important thing is having a real desire to quit. Without that, no amount of help from doctors or classes will keep you from smoking.

25 YEARS AGO

The only authentic Dutch windmill operating in the U.S. is located in Holland, Michigan. The windmill, "DeZwaan" has five floors; however, from the ground to the tip of the upright sail, it measures 125 feet, equivalent to a 12-story building. Over 200 years old, DeZwaan still grinds grain into flour.

The Michigan Lottery, under Acting Commissioner James R. Culver, continues to be the top lottery in the nation and announced new records for both gross ticket sales and net income for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30. Total sales amount to \$410 million for the year, an increase of 26 percent over the previous year. Lottery profits were also up \$35 million with total net earnings of approximately \$175 million for the period.

Winners in the Elkland Township Fire Department are trained and certified in sponsored Fire Prevention the use of agricultural chemi-Week poster contest for Cass cals.

City School District fifth graders were Tony Yost, Deford, first (plus fourth place in the countywide contest): Meg Brown, Cass City, second; and Kevin Parrish, Deford, third. Honorable mention went to Jim Rabideau, Jeff Hartwick and Steve Ross.

35 YEARS AGO

New this year in the Main Street Christmas decoration plans will be four huge Christmas trees to be placed at the intersections of Main and Oak streets and Main and Leach streets. All Main Street Yule decorations are expected to be up this week-

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Gov. William Milliken has declared Nov. 30 through Dec. 6 as Leader Dog week in Michigan. The annual observance is in recognition of the Lions Club service to the blind and the work being done by the non-profit organization at Rochester, Michigan. Dogs for the program are furnished free through donations. Many types of dogs are used, but the school has found that German Shepherds from one to two years old have one of the best chances of surviving the training.

Professionals

America's farmers prove themselves to be true professionals by bringing a variety of educational experience to their agricultural businesses. For example, most farmers

Thabet earns license Thabet Funeral Home,

6255 Main St., Cass City, recently announced that Elizabeth (Hall) Thabet has passed her state exam to become a licensed funeral director/embalmer, joining the ever growing number of female funeral service professionals. She now joins her husband,

Dwight Thabet, in operating their full-service funeral facility.

In addition to passing the state exam, Thabet, a 1995 Cass City High School graduate, had to pass the National Association of Funeral Service Examining Board's exam, which she completed in 2000.

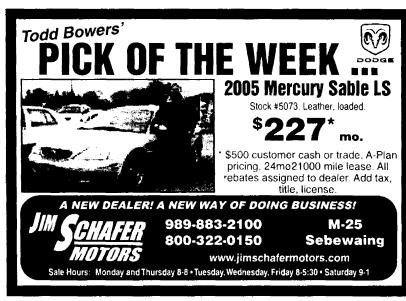
Thabet earned her bachelor's degree in mortuary science at the Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science, Cincinnati, Ohio. She served an apprenticeship partly at A.H. Peter's Funeral Home in the Detroit area, and at the Thabet Funeral Home before obtaining her license.

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Elizabeth Thabet







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Calvary Bible Fellowship 4446 Ale St., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-4088 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m.

Pastor - Chuck Carr Transportation available

Cass City Church of Christ 6743 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726 Contacts 872-2367 or 872-3136 Worship Service Sunday 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Bible Study Sunday 10:00 a.m. & Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Cass City Church of the Nazarene 6538 Third St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-2604 or 872-5201 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer & Bible Study & Children's Activities 6:00 p.m.

Pastor - Rev. Darold Ward

Cass City Missionary Church 4449 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-2729 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Youth Group & Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting & His Kids Bible Club 6:30 p.m.

Cass City United Methodist Church 5100 N. Cemetery Rd., P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726 Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. (Summer 9:30 a.m.) Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m. Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon) Pastor: Rev. George F. Ward

First Presbyterian Church Barrier Free 6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5400 Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Dave Blackburn

Deford Community Church 1392 Kingston Rd., Deford, MI 48729 989-872-4051(parsonage) 989-872-4055(church) Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m. Contemporary & Traditional 6:00 p.m. Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. Pastor: David Mercer email: dccdca@tband.net website: defordcommunitychurch.org

Deford Country Church Assemblies of God 5903 Main St., Box 224, Deford, MI 48729 989-872-5158 Thursday Family Night 7 p.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Dan Strength Sr. Pastor

Evangelical Free Church of Cass City 6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726 Phone: 872-5060 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Midweek Bible Studies Biblical Counseling Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould EFCA

First Baptist Church 6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726 989--872-3155 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Eric Holmgren Youth Pastor: Bryan Heller

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-2770 Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Gerald Meyer

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Novesta Church of Christ 2896 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3658 or 872-1195 Bible School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Youth Group & Sunday Evening Services 6:00 p.m. Minister: Chuck Emmert Youth Minister: Brad Speirs Visit our website at: www.novestachurch.org

Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church Corner of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726 872-5186 Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: F. Robert Tucker

St. Agatha's Catholic Church 4618 South St., Gagetown, MI 48735 665-9966 Sunday Liturgy 10:30 a.m. Parish Administrator: Joan Wyskiel

St. Pancratius Catholic Church 4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3336 Saturday Liturgy 5:30 p.m. Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Pastor: Father Steve Fillion

Shabbona United Methodist Church 4455 North Decker Rd., Decker, MI 48426 810-672-9929 (parsonage) 989-872-8094 (church) Sunday School 9:45 a.m.. Worship 11:00 a.m. UMW Monthly 1st Wed., 7:30 p.m. Youth Group Sunday Evenings 5:00 p.m. Pastor: Ellen Burns Visit our website at: www.dasuparish.com

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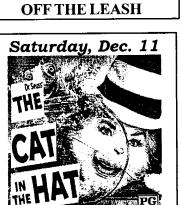
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CASS CITY brothers (from left) Matthew, 17, and Andrew Bock, 14, were the first successful hunters to stop for a photo at the Chronicle Monday, the regular firearm deer season opener. They were hunting in the Cass City area when both shot their first bucks. Matthew bagged a spike horn at 7:30 a.m. and Andrew shot a 3-pointer about 15 minutes later.

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Hawks' season ends in district opener A dismal, cold-shooting of the game and Vassar

third quarter ended Cass City's basketball season Monday in the opening round of the class B district tourney. The Hawks bowed to host Vassar, 49-43.

There was just over 5 minutes left in the fatal third period with the Hawks in front 22-19 when the Vulcans went on a 12-0 run and surged into a 31-22 lead that proved decisive.

Cass City refused to throw in the towel. The Hawks were behind 44-27 when an attempt to stall by Vassar backfired and the Hawks threatened to pull the game out of the fire with an 8-1 run to pull within 4 points with

1:05 left to play.

Cass City fouled to get the ball, but the Vulcans converted 5 of 7 free throws to clinch the victory.

The Hawks got off to a slow start in the opening moments. Hendrick scored 12 points

jumped off to a 5-0 lead. The Hawks then staged a rally, paced by Emily Schinnerer who scored 8 points in a 10-0 Cass City run to end the quarter in front, 10-5.

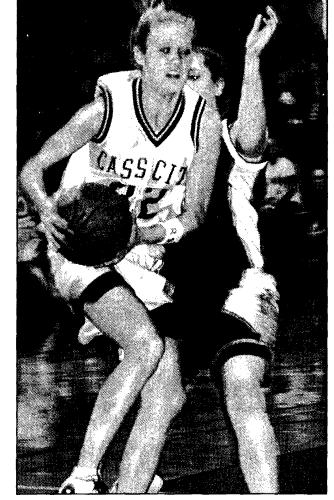
Schinnerer also dominated the scoring in the second quarter with 4 free throws and a hoop to counter a Vulcan rally that tied the score at the 2:30 mark before Cass City spurted to a 19-15 lead at the intermission.

Despite the halftime lead it wasn't a great half for the Hawks. They committed 4 unforced errors in the first quarter and added 5 more in the second.

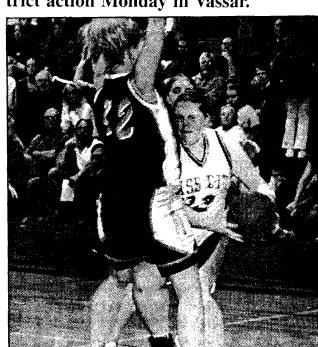
The Vassar coaching staff had the Hawks well scouted. They put 2 players on Ashley Hendrick and held the Hawk ace fairly well in check. and Schinnerer netted 16. The Vulcans were led by Lyndsey Shepherd, who scored 19 points while converting 11 of 16 foul shots. She also handled the ball for Vassar and set up Nikole Lanfear, a big, 6-foot center, under the basket. She netted 11 points. Sara Meeker played well on defense for Cass City and was a major help in the rebounding department.

Vassar moves on and will play Frankenmuth Wednesday night. The Eagles defeated Caro in a barnburner in the first game of the night, 43-42. Tuesday night North Branch plays Millington with the winner meeting Birch Run in the first game Wednesday at 6 p.m. The finals are Friday at 7 p.m. A bright note for Hawk fans

is that the team graduates just 2 seniors, Tara Whittaker and Tara Sherman.



HAWKS ASHLEY Hendrick (top) and Renee Czekai work for baskets in district action Monday in Vassar.



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son Video, 865. Team High Series: Charlie' Angels, 2427.

Eagles fall to Cass City

The Cass City Red Hawks the night with 11 points. tuned up for district play at Vassar with an easy win Thursday at Deckerville, 55-

The game was all but decided in the first half. In the first quarter the Eagles couldn't find the basket and their total offense was a hoop by Marisa Jensen. Ashley • the line. They converted just the first period and the riod. Hawks jumped into a 12-2

The Eagles' shots started to drop in the second period, but Cass City's offense also moved into a higher gear. Brigitte Schultz, 6-1 center, led the Deckerville surge with 3 hoops and equaled their best scoring quarter of

The Hawks counted 16 points in the foul-marred quarter when half of their points came from the charity circle. At the intermission the Hawks were in front, 28-13. The margin could have been greater if the Hawks

had a better shooting night at

Hendrick counted 3 hoops in 8 of 15 attempts in the pe-Deckerville went cold again in the third period, netting just 3 hoops, 2 by Schulz.

Hendrick netted 8 of Cass City's 16 points in the quar-With the game essentially decided, both teams made

sure that everyone got to play

in the final period.

Rabideau with 10. Schulz led Deckerville with 12. CASS CITY - Whittaker 2-0 (1-2) 5; Rabideau 4-0 (2-

Hendrick led all scorers

with 17 points. Also in double figures was Courtney

2) 10; Meeker 1-0 (5-10) 7; Czekai 0-0 (3-4) 3; Trischler 1-0 (2-4) 4; Hendrick 8-0 (1-4) 17; Schinnerer 2-0 (5-7)

TOTALS - 18-0 (19-33) 55.

DECKERVILLE - Keinath 1-0 (0-0) 2; Laci Lindke 2-0 (4-6) 8; Rusesky 1-0 (0-2) 2; Jensen 2-0 (0-0) 4; Hornby 1-0 (0-0) 2; Schulz 5-0 (2-4)

TOTALS 12-0 (6-12) 30.

But after that the Cougars

went into an extended shoot-

ing slump. The Hawks

blitzed All Saints with a 10-

3 run to lead 38-27. There

was just 2:18 left in the

fourth quarter before All

Saints scored their first

points in the period, a pair of

It was the final home game

of the season and the parents

of the varsity players were

feted before the game. The

only 2 seniors on the squad,

Tara Whittaker and Tara

Sherman, were among the

The Hawks' offense was led

by Ashley Hendrick, 13

points, and Sara Meeker, 12.

Middleton led all scorers

starters on the floor.

free throws by Middleton.

Hawks rally in final half

There was little at stake — It was anybody's game — a pair of hoops and 2 free Tuesday when the Cass City through most of the first 3 throws in the period. Red Hawks entertained Bay City All Saints except an uncontested second place for the Hawks in the Greater Thumb West behind league champion Lakers

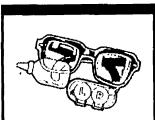
The 2 teams played that way and the crowd was subdued, failing to get really excited when the Hawks came from a point behind at the intermission to rack up a 42-31 decision.

quarters. Starting the second half Sara Meeker connected for 2 quick baskets and Emily Schinnerer added another to put Cass City in front, 23-20, and the team was never behind again. Katie Middleton kept the Cougars in contention with

CASS CITY - Whittaker 0-1 (0-0) 3; Rabideau 1-0 (2-2) 4; Meeker 5-0 (2-4) 12; Czekai 0-1 (1-2) 4; Trischler 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hendrick 4-0 (5-6) 13; Schinnerer 2-0 (0-0)

TOTALS - 13-2 (10-14) 42.

ALL SAINTS - Megan Bergeron 0-2 (0-0) 6; Roth 0-0 (2-4) 2; K. Middleton 4-0 (8-8) 16; Mallot 1-0 (0-0) 2; Weaver 2-0 (0-2) 4; T. Middleton 0-0 (1-3) 1. TOTALS - 7-2 (11-17) 31.



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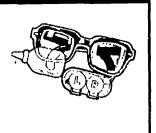
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Thomas stands mute to Caro Center attacks

The Caro Center patient accused of walking away from the facility last June and then returning 3 days later and attacking 4 people stood mute during his arraignment last week in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

Corbin A. Thomas, 28, Saginaw, was charged with 4 counts of assault with intent to murder, a felony punishable by up to life in prison.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case, the time.

bond was continued at \$4 million and Thomas was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

Thomas has already been deemed competent to stand trial. However, Thomas' defense attorney's motion for an independent psychological exam has been granted. Caro Center employees discovered Thomas missing June 25. They reported he was on a 15-minute break at

Police say Thomas allegedly returned to the state mental hospital 3 days later and assaulted 4 staff members with a hammer and 2

The victims were identified as Sarah Cox, who escaped an altercation with the suspect; Larry Gettel, a custodian who was seriously injured and transported to St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw; Patty Spencer, a teacher who was seriously

injured and also taken to St. Mary's; and Kristie Rah, a paraprofessional who was treated at Caro Community Hospital and then released.

According to reports, Thomas allegedly struck Gettel and Spencer with a hammer, and Rah was stabbed during the attack.

Michigan State Police troopers apprehended Thomas 2 days later in an area behind the Caro Learning Center building.

Barcia requests moratorium

(D-Bay City) last week introduced a senate resolution requesting that the Department of Community Health extend its moratorium indefinitely at the Caro Center until adequate security initiatives are in place.

After an "elopement" last June by a forensic patient led to a vicious attack on 4 Caro area residents, the Department of Community Health instituted a moratorium on further admission of forensic patients as well as the issuance of ground passes, which allowed patients to roam the grounds unsupervised.

Corbin Thomas, a patient at the Caro Center with a history of violent behavior,

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walked away from the facility June 25 after being given a 15-minute pass. Three days later, he returned and attacked 3 people, stabbing one and assaulting the other 2 with a hammer.

After several community meetings, department officials felt the action was necessary until additional security measures could be implemented to insure the safety of the community, the staff and other patients.

Although the department has made important strides in addressing this issue, some measures are still in the process of being implemented, Barcia said, adding he felt it was necessary to formally request an extension of the moratorium, which is due to

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expire later this month.

Senior movies slated

Senior Movies to be shown at Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City, Friday, November 19 at 1:30 p.m.:

The Village of Pigeon, Celebrating 100 Years: This video was prepared by longtime Thumb area residents David and Al Eicher. It tells the story of how the town of Pigeon was established and how it has grown in the last 100 years. The video shows the many changes in businesses, churches and schools that have taken place in this town from the time it was established in 1882. Anyone interested in the history of towns in the Thumb area will enjoy this film. (78 minutes).

Wild Animals of Africa: Viewers will be enthralled by the beauty and grace of the animals living in the African wilderness. Take a close up look at baby lions, hippos and elephants as well as flamingos, cheetahs, giraffes, wildebeest, zebras, leopards and many other birds and animals. This gorgeously photographed adventure on the Discovery Channel is photographed by Brownie and Dick Borden, perhaps best known for their camera work on Walt Disney's Academy Award winning True-Life Adventures. (30 min-

Refreshments will be served. This Older Adult Program is offered free of charge.

mandate to protect our citizens and we are going to do whatever is necessary to insure that happens," Barcia added.

"I've said from the very beginning that this issue will not be easy to tackle and will take some time. I am grateful for the timely response by the Department of Community Health in addressing this problem and hope that these measures can be implemented soon."

Barcia along with state Rep Tom Meyer (R-Bad Axe) and Janine Ewald from Neighborhood Watch Indianfields Townships and Pastor Stephen Wright of the Wahjamega Country Church have been at the forefront of solving the safety issues related to the Caro Center.

'We are extremely proud of the way Senator Barcia and Rep. Tom Meyer responded to this. They immediately recognized the impact this is having on our community and have worked diligently to find some solution," Ewald and Wright said in a oint statement. "Major improvements are being made and for that, we are grateful." Barcia read a statement on

the Senate floor Wednesday morning calling on the governor, Legislature and the courts to unite on an issue that crosses all partisan and administrative lines. "The more we looked into

this, the more complicated it became," Barcia said. "It will take a unified effort to address this issue in its entirety.'

Senate Resolution 304 was introduced the same day and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary, chaired by Senator Allan Cropsey.

A Caro man will spend the checking transaction tickets next 7 to 15 years in prison for \$400, \$1,800 and \$2,015 for his conviction on 22 at Community Bank Sept. counts of second degree 11-14 in Almer and Akron criminal sexual conduct intownships, and to 3 counts of

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James F. O'Donnell Jr., 43,

was sentenced last week in

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pleaded no contest to the

charges, which stem from

incidents between January

and August 2003 in

In addition to prison time,

O'Donnell was ordered to

pay court costs, fines and res-

In other circuit court pro-

Brandon R. Meisel, 19,

Saginaw, pled guilty to lar-

ceny of property valued at

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A pre-sentence investiga-

tion was ordered, bond was

continued at \$5,000 and the

defendant was remanded to

the custody of the sheriff's

department. Sentencing is to

Tony J. Emmons, 25,

Mayville, stood mute to 3

counts of forgery involving

titution totaling \$14,550.

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be scheduled.

Watertown Township.

He previously

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$20,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Devin T. Langley, 32, Birch Run, stood mute to a

charge of failure to pay child support from October 2000 to the present. A pretrial hearing was or-

dered scheduled and bond was continued at \$1,000. Daniel D. Robinson, 48,

Kingston, stood mute to a charge of domestic violence, third offense, Oct. 17 in Dayton Township. A pre-trial hearing was or-

dered scheduled, bond was continued at \$30,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's

 Andrew W. Mullin, 40, Vassar, pleaded no contest to unlawful use of a motor vehicle, larceny of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 and larceny of property valued at less than \$200 Aug. 9,

2002, in Vassar. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$10,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the Department of Corrections. Sen-

tencing is to be set. •Chad C. Williams, 31, Vassar, was sentenced to one to 2 years in prison and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to 2 counts of aggravated stalking Jan. 27 in Vassar Township, probation violation, and to being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

BAKER COLLEGE'S Introduction to Business Class recently gathered dona-

tions for the Cass City Food Pantry. The project was part of their study of non-

profit organizations. The pantry was organized and is operated by Cass City

Senior Girl Scouts Jerica Fenningsdorf, Lauren Brzuchowski ad Klyn

Puterbaugh (not pictured), who earned their Gold Award, the highest award

O'Donnell faces prison

He was also ordered to pay \$4,180 in costs and fines.

•Cherie A. Shelton, 28, Vassar, was sentenced to 180 days in jail and 24 months probation for her pleas of guilty to writing no account checks for \$207 and \$80.79 Dec. 7 in Arbela Township. She was also ordered to pay \$640 in costs and fines and restitution of \$681.35.

•Robert L. Stout, 38, Hamburg, Mich., was sentenced to 365 days in jail (deferred on a month-to-month basis), with work release, for his plea of guilty to failure to pay child support from Feb. 1, 2003 to the present.

He was also ordered to pay \$1,660 in costs and fines and restitution of \$45,037.14.

•Shawn L. Rowley, 35, Davison, was sentenced to 2 to 15 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to retaining a financial transaction device without permission of the device holder April 8 in Arbela Township, and to being an habitual offender (3 prior felony convictions).

He was also ordered to undergo substance abuse therapy/counseling and pay \$160 in costs and fines.

Letter to the editor

Vet's Day program at school stirs up pride

Cass City is a nice place to live - to call home. The patriotism and pride in our country shown Veterans' Day at the Cass City Middle School was awesome. The well organized program presented by the students and staff was an extremely moving experience.

The stage was beautifully decorated in red, white and blue with flags flying abundantly. The patriotic readings by the students and staff and songs by the choir were the greatest. The students and staff take pride in our veterans, past and present, who

fought and died to preserve our freedom.

There may be issues with our government we don't always agree with, but when they read the veterans' names present and they stood, it brought tears to my eyes thinking of what they had been through for each and every one of us.

Thank you Cass City Middle School for honoring our veterans so meaningfully. When I left I just wanted to shout, "I'm proud to be an American!"

Evelyn Gruber

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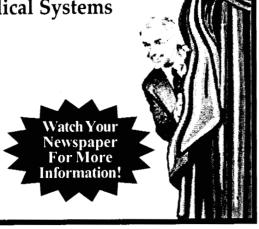
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> Nanette Walsh Village Clerk



WHITE EAGLE Lodge 3046, Polish National Alliance, a fraternal benefit society, has donated 2-year subscriptions of the Polish Weekly, a bilingual newspaper, to 2 Thumb area libraries. The publication features local, national and international news on current events and concerns of the Polish American community. Above, Rawson Memorial Library Director Kate VanAuken accepts a newspaper from Ed Jagosz, the lodge's civic affairs chairman. Below, accepting on behalf of the Caro library is Director Marchia Dievendorf.



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Obituaries

Godfred Bredemeyer

Godfred Bredemeyer, 81, of Cass City, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2004 in Tendercare Nursing Facility.

He was born March 10, 1923 in Detroit, the son of Rudolph and Helen (Matusiak) Bredemeyer. He married Helen M. Bober Nov. 16, 1957 in Plymouth.

Bredemeyer served in the U.S. Army Air Corp during World War II in the Pacific Theatre. After returning from the service he worked for Argus Camera as an inspector, and later for Burroughs and Sycor. He and his wife became motel owners and managers.

Bredemeyer is survived by his wife, Helen; 2 sons: Jim (Brenda) Bredemeyer of Brighton, and Bob (Annette) Bredemeyer of Cass City; 4 grandchildren; 2 greatgrandchildren; and a brotherin-law, Bob Shawdash.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Berniece Shawdash.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Isis Briggs

Isis Storm Briggs, 23 days, of Cass City, died suddenly Tuesday, Nov. 9, 2004.

She was born Oct. 18, 2004 in Bad Axe, the daughter of Justin and Sierra (Wallace) Briggs.

Briggs is survived by her parents; 4 siblings: Caleb, Justin II, Bricade and Justic Briggs; grandparents, Jerry and Elainey Briggs of Arizona, Don Wallace of South Carolina, and Shirley Wallace of Arizona; a greatgrandmother, Carlene Briggs of Nevada; aunts and uncles: Jim Briggs of Arizona, Ron of North Carolina, Alpha Wallace of Arizona, Faith and Mark Lauchner of Sebewaing; and foster fam-

ily, the Boyces.

Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 12, at Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City, with Pastor Tim Tidwell officiating.

Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

Emma Brown

Emma E. Brown, 84, of Mayville, formerly of Cass City, died Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2004 at her home.

She was born June 11, 1920 in McGreggor, the daughter of Adam and Barbara (Frey) Rhein.

She married Ray B. Brown. He died in February 1978. Brown worked for 15 years in housekeeping and other various duties at the Oakdale Regional Center, Lapeer. She retired in 1979. She attended the Golden Years Club. Brown is survived by her

children: Janice White of Mayville, Marilyn (Donald) Miller of Ruth, Joann (James) Eisinger of Lapeer, Rayola (Bill) Barkowska of Mayville, and Daryl (Laurene) Brown of Prescott; 11 grandchildren; a step grandson; 18 great-grandchildren; a brother, Joseph (Sharon) Rhein of Lapeer; and several nieces and nephews

She was preceded in death by 5 brothers: Paul, Peter, Adam "Fritz", Stephen and John Rhein.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 16, at the Hanlin Funeral Home, Millington.

Burial was in the Rich Township Cemetery, Mayville.

Memorials may be made to the Marlette United Hospice. Arrangements were made by Hanlin Funeral Home,

Raymond Randall

Millington.

Raymond E. Randall, 72, of Gaylord, formerly of Caro, died Friday, Nov. 12, 2004 in Tendercare Nursing Facility, Gaylord, after a long illness.

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He was born April 7, 1932 in Koylton Township, the son of John and Pansy (Crouch)

Randall

He is survived by his children: Brenda (Robert) Corbin of Clifford, Linda (Eugene) Rushlow of Silverwood, Judy (Kenny) Swank of Tennessee, Sherri Severance of Alpena, Veronica (Larry) Martin of Gaylord, Kimberly (Tom) Regan of Millersburg, Victoria McConnell of Silverwood, Raymond L. (Kim) Randall of Mio, Ronald (Heather) Randall of Mayville, Garry Randall of Gaylord, and Terry Randall of Gaylord; 38 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; siblings: Harry (Marjorie) Randall of Vassar, Wilford (Donna) Randall of Vassar, Cecil Randall of Caro, Art (Peggy) Randall of Caro, Elsie Johnson of Caro, Thelma Robinson of Mayville, Ethel (Ray) Shaver of Caro; and many nieces

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Debra Randall; 2 grandchildren; 2 brothers: Gerald and Cecil Randall; and a sister, Julia Philpot.

and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Interment was in the East Dayton Cemetery, Caro.

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Donna Schultz

Donna Marie Schultz, 69, of Decker, died Sunday, Nov. 14, 2004 in Marlette Community Hospital, Marlette.

She was born Oct. 15, 1935 at home in Tuscola County, the daughter of Allen and Loretta May (Gage) Gunningham.

Schultz was a former member of the Marlette Eagles and of the Deford Community Church. She is survived by her chil-

dren: Ronald (Jennifer)
Rouse of Deford, Barb
(Mike) Rozumny of Decker,
Cathy (Jim) Wooters of
Decker, and Linda (Lee)
Spencer of Cass City; 9
grandchildren; 2 greatgrandchildren; 3 step-grandchildren; 6 step great-grandchildren; 6 step gre

Donald (Avis) Janneck of Trenton; and many nieces and nephews.

Schultz was preceded in death by a son, William Robert Miners; her parents: Loretta and Clarence G. Miners; a step-dad, Ronald Boomer; and 2 brothers: Jim and Robert Miners.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., today (Wednesday), at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, with the Rev. Robert Parker of Twin City Baptist Church, Grand Blanc, officiating.

Interment was in the Kingston Cemetery, Kingston.
Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Fund.
Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Gerald Stilson

Gerald Dean Stilson, 78, of Cass City, died Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2004 at East Pasco Medical Center, Zephryhills,

He was born Feb. 9, 1926 in Cass City, son of the late Douglas and Vernita

(Wright) Stilson.

He married Betty Jeane Bruce July 25, 1947 in De-

ford.
Stilson worked at Wesley
Milk Co. as plant manager.
He owned Quaker Maid
Dairy, Space Age Motel,
Jerry's Party World in Caro,

and the Bigelow Hardware. Stilson is survived by his wife, Betty; a son, Eldon Stilson of Cass City; 3 daughters: Jill (Elmer) Parrish of Gagetown, Mary King of Deford, and Jeri (Robert) Kitchen of Cass City; 8 grandchildren; 3 brothers: Oliver (June) Stilson of Florida, Don (Evelyn) Stilson of Riverdale, and Carl (Arlene) Stilson of Mayville; 3 sisters: Ruth (Keith) Buehrly of Livonia, Vernita (Earl) Rayl of Gagetown, and Laura (Ken) McRae of Ubly; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held Friday, Nov. 5, at the Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the church.

Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.









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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald R. Gibson, Jr., a single man, original mortgagor, to Flagstar Bank FSB, Mortgagee, dated December 1, 2000 and recorded on December 4, 2000 in Liber 816 on Page 820, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated June 21, 2001 and recorded on January 9, 2002 in Liber 856 on Page 109 in instrument 200200803390 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seven Thousand Five Hundred Fifteen and 42/ 100 Dollars (\$107,515.42), 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 ntrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on December 2, 2004.

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

The East 50.5 feet of Lot 17 and the West 5.5 feet of Lot 18, Block 2 of M.J. Smith's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 13, now being Page 14A, 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: October 27, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC S (248) 593-1304

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corpora-

30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #018557F04

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert A. Mason and Flora Mason, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 3, 2004 and recorded May 21, 2004 in Liber 993, Page 752. Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Eight and 0/100 Dollars (\$93.648.00), including interest at the rate of 6.00% 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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro. Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 16.

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

Being known and designated as Lots 2, 3 and 5. Block 3, Metes and Bounds Property, to wit: The Southwest half of Lot 2, Block 3 of Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, Page 491; Except a place of land six feet wide on Madison Street and 75 feet deep of the Northeast side of said Southwest half of Lot 2, also Lot 3 of Block 3, of said Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, except the Southwest 8 feet thereof, also all of the Northeasterly portion of Lot 5, Block 3 of said Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro lying Southeast of Alone said described property except Commencing 122 feet South of the Southeast corner of Lot 2, Block 3, Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro; running thence West to Division line between Lot 5 and 6 of said Block; thence North to the Southwest corner of Lot 3 in said Block; thence North to the Southwest corner of Lot 3 in said Block; thence Easterly to a point 66 feet South of the Southeast corner of Lot 2 in said Block; thence South along margin of Almer Street to the beginning, Section 3, town 12 North, range 9 East.

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

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Dated: November 17, 2004 ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., As Mortgagee P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000

File No. 280.1114

11-17-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by EDWARD PERRYMAN AND CARMEN PERRYMAN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to WASHINGTON MU-TUAL BANK F.A., A FEDERAL ASSO-CIATION, Mortgagee, dated September 16, 2002 and recorded on October 17, 2002 in Liber 898, Page 876, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred twelve thousand five hundred seven and 10/100 Dollars (\$112,507.10), including interest at 5.500% per annum, with adiustable rate rider.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, Mi, at 10:00 AM on December 16, 2004

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

LAND IN THE VILLAGE OF CARO, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN AND DESCRIBED AS: LOT 18 AND THE WEST 32.92 FEET OF LOT 17. BLOCK 1. WORTHINGTONS ADDI-TION TO THE VILLAGE OF CARO. ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 1. PAGE 15A OF PLATS, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

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

DATED: November 17, 2004

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A., A FEDERAL ASSOCIATION

ATTORNEY FOR: WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A., A FEDERAL ASSOCIATION Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. 401 South Old Woodward Avenue, Suite

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary Leatherwood, an unmarried woman, by her Power of Attorney Patricia Leatherwood, and Patricia Leatherwood, a/k/a Patricia D. Leatherwood, an unmarried woman, original mortgagors, to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated March 12, 2003 and recorded on April 4, 2003 in Liber 924 on Page 98 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Six and 87/100 Dollars (\$117,526.87), including interest at 6.625% 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 December 16, 2004.

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

Beginning at a point on the East line of Section 35 which is North 00 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds West, 839.01 feet from the Southeast corner of Section 35; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds West, 300 feet, South 89 degrees 55 minutes 44 seconds West 871.20 feet; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds East, 300 feet, North 89 degrees 55 minutes 44 seconds East 871.20 feet to the East line of Section 35 and point of beginning. AND, part of the Southeast quarter of Section 35, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan, described as beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 35 which is North 00 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds West, 664.01 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section; thence continuing along said East line, North 00 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds West, 175 feet; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 44 seconds West, 871.20 eet; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 00 seconds West, 300,00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 44 seconds West, 431.17 feet; thence South 00 de grees 05 minutes 53 seconds East, 475.00 feet, thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 44 seconds East, 1302.38 feet to the East line of said Section 35 and place of beginning, subject to the use of the Easterly 33.00 feet thereof as Sheridan Road.

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

Dated: November 17, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE FC W (248) 593-1312 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Flagstar Bank, FSB 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #040452F01 11-17-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Douglas G. Bassett and Carolyn J. Bassett, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Plymouth Exchange Mortgage Corporation, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 21, 2003 and recorded on November 17, 2003 in Liber 964 on Page 884 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Washington Mutual Bank, FA as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Two Hundred Four and 82/100 Dollars (\$92,204.82), 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 December 9, 2004.

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

Commencing at a point in the center of State Highway M-81, 2827.5 feet Southwest of the Northeast corner of Section 35, Town 13 North, Range 9 East; thence Southeasterly at a right angle to said M-81, 195 feet; thence Southwesterly and parallel with said M-81, 75 feet; thence Northwesterly at a right angle to said M-81, 195 feet to the center of said M-81, thence Northeasterly along the center of said M-81, 75 feet to the place of begin-

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: November 10, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL FC R (248) 593-1305 Trott & Trott. P.C.

Attorneys For Washington Mutual Bank, 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #031329F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven W. Blumberg and Tera L. Blumberg, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Sterling Bank & Trust, Mortgagee, dated January 20, 1999 and recorded on January 28, 1999 in Liber 761 on Page 586, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Fleet Mortgage Corp., a South Carolina Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated November I 1999 and recorded on December 8, 1999 in Liber 789 on Page 1133 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Three and 72/100 Dollars (\$87,693.72), 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 December 2, 2004.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 10 North. Range 7 East, described as: Beginning at a point that is East 1299.81 feet along the South Section line and North 3 degrees 55 minutes 43 seconds West, 1108.58 feet along the East line of said Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 12; thence continuing North 3 degrees 55 minutes 43 West, 192.00 feet; thence along the North line of said Southwest 1/ 4 of the Southeast 1/4, South 89 degrees 25 minutes 32 seconds West, 335.00 feet; thence South 3 degrees 55 minutes 43 seconds East, 192 feet; thence North 89 degrees 25 minutes 32 East, 335.00 feet to the point of beginning. Except reserving 50% of all right and title in and to any oil, gas and other minerals as set forth in deed by Corporation recorded in Liber 237 of Deeds, Page 562, and any interest in subsequent instruments pertinent

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

Dated: October 27, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE

FC R (248) 593-1305 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Washington Mutual Bank, FA f/k/a Washington Mutal Home Loans, Inc., successor by merger in interest to Fleet Mortgage Corp., a South Carolina Corporation 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #035807F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been /

made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kimberly J. Johnson and David H. Johnson, wife and husband, original mortgagors, to Aames Home Loan, Mortgagee, dated October 21, 2002 and recorded on October 28, 2002 in instrument 200200821144 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company of California, N.A. as Trustee of Aames Mortgage Trust 2002-2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2002-2 as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Seven and 15/100 Dollars (\$82,597.15), including interest at 9.4%

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 December 2, 2004.

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

Commencing at a point in the Centerline

of the State Highway M081 which is 280 Feet Northeasterly of its intersection with the South Line of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 17, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; thence Northwesterly, at Right Angles to said Centerline, 250 feet thence Northeasterly, parallel with said Centerline, 100 feet; thence Southeasterly at Right Angles to said Centerline, 250 feet; thence Southwesterly, along said Centerline, 100 feet to the Point of Beginning. And also, commencing at a Point, which is 470 feet Northeasterly along the Centerline of State Highway M-81 and 283 feet Northwesterly, at Righ Angles to said Centerline form the Intersection of said Centerline with the South Line of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 17, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; thence Southeasterly, at Right Angles to said Centerline, 33 feet; thence Southwesterly, parallel with said Centerline, 190 feet; thence Northwesterly, at Right Angles to said Centerline 187 feet; thence East to Beginning.

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Dated: October 27, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Deutsche Bank National Trust Company of California, N.A. as Trustee of Aames Mortgage Trust 2002-2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2002-2

30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #038420F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Curtis E. Landrith and Kim E Landrith, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Washington Mutual Bank FA, Mortgagee, dated October 18, 2000 and recorded on October 25, 2000 in Liber 814 on Page 243 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Two and 26/100 Dollars (\$133,792,26), including interest at 4.372% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby giver 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 December 2, 2004

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

Part of Section 26, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, described as follows: Beginning at a point which is South 00 degrees 30 minutes 35 seconds East, 1116.8 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 26; thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes 35 seconds East, 200 feet; thence North 89 degrees 11 minutes 03 seconds East, 250 feet; thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes 35 seconds West, 200 feet thence South 89 degrees 11 minutes 03 seconds West, 250 feet to the point of

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 27, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC R (248) 593-1305 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Washington Mutual Bank 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #037650F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by GENEVA GRAVES, a single person, and IRA B. DOBY, a single person, Mortgagors, to EASTERN SAVINGS BANK, FSB, 11350 McCormick Road, Ste. 200, Hunt Valley, MD 21031, Mortgagee, dated September 28. 1998 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on December 15, 1998 in Liber 758, Page 576 of Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of FORTY-ONE THOU-SAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE AND 84/100 (\$41,585.84) DOLLARS, including interest thereon at 12.490% per

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Thursday, December 2, 2004 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, the Front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage

Which said premises are described as follows: Land in the Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, de-

Lot 44. Shay Lake Resorts Subdivision according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Pages 38-39, Tuscola County Records.

Tax ID No.: 005-014-610-4400-00

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Dated: October 27, 2004

ELAINE W. MARDIROSIAN (P33528) Attorney for Mortgagee 1373 Balfour Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 (313) 881-0296

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary Jacoby, a married woman and Roger L. Jacoby, a/k/a Roger Jacoby, her husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 11, 2003 and recorded on May 7, 2004 in Liber 991 on Page 1117 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the registered holders of Home Equity Asset Trust 2004-2, Home Equity Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-2 as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Six and 23/100 Dollars (\$84,506.23), including interest

at 9.64% 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,

Said premises are situated in Township of Wisner. Tuscola County, Michigan, and

on December 16, 2004.

are described as:

Commencing at a point that is North 1058.44 feet from the East 1/4 of corner of Section; thence North 376.56 feet; thence South 60 degrees 27 minutes West 326.73 feet; thence South 13 degrees 29 minutes 24 seconds East 339.72 feet; thence North 60 degrees 43 minutes 24 seconds East 235 feet to the point of beginning; Section 28. Town 14 North, Range 7 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: November 17, 2004

CALL: FC J (248) 593-1311 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For U.S. Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Home Eq-

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE

uity Asset Trust 2004-2, Home Equity Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #040173F01 11-17-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by JEFF WIRTH, A MARRIED MAN, AND JACQUELINE WIRTH, HIS WIFE, to STANDARD FEDERAL BANK, a Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated November 13, 1998 and recorded on December 16, 1998 in Liber

758 on Page 846, TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some hereof the sum of seventy-four thousand six hundred seventy-five and 17/100 Dollars (\$74,675.17), including interest at December 2, 2004.

that said mortgage will be foreclosed by

part of them, at public venue, at the Fron

entrance to the Courthouse in the Village

of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on

Said premises are situated in City of

Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and

Parcel 1: Lot 8 Block 23 of the Plat of the

of land 65 Feet wide off the Northwest

side of Lot 8. Block 23, according to the

Recorded Plat thereof, as Recorded in Plat

Liber 1 of Deeds, Page 143 and Liber 2 of

Deeds, Page 93, City of Vassar, Tuscola

Parcel 2: Lot 9, Block 23 of the Plat of the

Village (now City) of Vassar, according

to the Plat Recorded in Liber 1 of Deeds

Page 143 and Liber 2 of Deeds, Page 93,

The redemption period shall be 6 months

from the date of such sale, unless deter-

mined abandoned in accordance with

MCLA 600,3241a, in which case the re-

demption period shall be 30 days from

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE

Attorneys For Chase Manhattan Mort-

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822

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THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

made in the conditions of a mortgage

made by Richard G. Wilczynski, a mar-

ried man, and Barbara A. Wilczynski, his

wife, original mortgagors, to American

Financial Mortgage Corp., a Michigan

Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 1,

1997 and recorded on August 1, 1997 in

Liber 716 on Page 1246, and assigned by

said Mortgagee to Fleet Mortgage Corp.,

a South Carolina Corporation as assignee

by an assignment dated November 1,

1999 and recorded on December 8, 1999

in Liber 789 on Page 1100 in Tuscola

County Records, Michigan, on which

mortgage there is claimed to be due at

the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five

Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Seven

and 06/100 Dollars (\$65,287.06), includ-

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,

Said premises are situated in Township

of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the South

west 1/4 of Section 15 Town 11 North

Range 8 East, described as: beginning at

a point on the South line of said Section

15 which is South 89 degrees 21 min-

utes 05 seconds East, 792.00 feet from

the Southwest corner of said Section;

thence continuing along said South line,

South 89 degree 21 minutes 05 seconds

East, 532.82 feet to a point on the West,

North and South 1/8 line of said Section

15; thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes

16 seconds West, along said 1/8 line,

330.03 feet, thence North 89 degrees 21

minutes 05 seconds West, 530.83 feet

parallel with said South line; thence South

00 degrees 03 minutes 30 seconds East,

The redemption period shall be 12 months

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE

Attorneys For Washington Mutual Bank,

FA f/k/a Washington Mutual Home

Loans, Inc., successor by merger in in-

terest to Fleet Mortgage Corp., a South

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822

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330.00 feet to the point of beginning.

from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 17, 2004

FC R (248) 593-1305

Carolina Corporation

File #039443F01

30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200

Trott & Trott, P.C.

are described as:

ing interest at 9% per annum

amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200

Village (now City) of Vassar, except a strip

are described as:

County, Michigan.

Tuscola County Records.

the date of such sale.

Dated: October 27, 2004

FC S (248) 593-1304

Trott & Trott, P.C.

gage Corporation

File #038502F01

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 10:00 AM on December 9, 2004.

Said premises are situated in the TOWN-SHIP OF GILFORD, TUSCOLA County Michigan, and are described as:

PART OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWN 13 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION, WHICH IS SOUTH 806.4 FEET FROM THE EAST QUAR-TER CORNER OF SECTION 15: THENCE SOUTH 210.0 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION: THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 10 SECONDS, WEST 180.0 FEET: THENCE NORTH 210.0 FEET PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE: THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST 180.0 FEET TO SAID EAST LINE OF SEC-TION AND THE POINT OF BEGIN-

TAX ID NO. 012-015-000-1100-00

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

DATED: November 3, 2004

STANDARD FEDERAL BANK Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. 401 South Old Woodward Avenue Suite 300 Birmingham, MI 48009-6616 For Information, please call:

(248) 540-7701

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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 Megan M. Hitter and Steven R Hitter, a married couple, original mortgagors, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation Mortgagee, dated March 19, 2002 and recorded on March 20, 2002 in Liber 870 on Page 960 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Twenty Four and 67/100 Dollars (\$71,024.67), 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 December 2, 2004.

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

Lot 23. Block 3 of Charles Montague's Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11A, 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.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

Dated: October 27, 2004

FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corpora-30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #038441F01

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BER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE

Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 29

2001 and recorded on April 5, 2001 in

Liber 827 on Page 832, and assigned by

said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan

Mortgage Corporation as assignee by an

assignment dated April 3, 2001 and re-

corded on May 22, 2001 in Liber 832 on

Page 879 in Tuscola County Records,

Michigan, on which mortgage there is

claimed to be due at the date hereof the

sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Two Hun-

dred Thirty-Five and 04/100 Dollars

(\$65,235.04), including interest at 7.5%

Under the power of sale contained in said

per annum.

MILITARY DUTY.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be made by Patricia Lynn Roehrig, a single rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee female, to Citifinancial, Inc., mortgagee, In that event, your damages, if any, shall dated March 30, 2001 and recorded April be limited solely to the return of the bid 6, 2001 in Liber 827, Page 1081, Tuscola amount tendered at sale, plus interest. County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Thirty-MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been Six Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-One and 35/100 Dollars (\$36,451.35), includmade in the conditions of a mortgage made by Bradley W. Smith, a single man, ing interest at the rate of 5.75% per anoriginal mortgagor, to Amera Mortgage

> 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 December 9,

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

THE WEST 6 ACRES OF THE NORTH-

EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 6. TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in hich 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: November 10, 2004

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for Citifinancial, Inc., As Mort-P.O. Box 5041

Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 293.0051

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office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Luellen K. Romain, f/k/a Luellen K. Spaulding, and Timothy M. Romain, wife and husband to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Homecomings Financial Network, Inc., a Delaware Corporation Mortgagee, dated August 7, 2003 and recorded October 9, 2003 in Liber 958, Page 896, Tuscola County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$133,935.43), including interest 7.87%

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, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 9, 2004.

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

Lot 12 and the West 1/2 of Lot 13, Block l of Westdale Subdivision, Indianfields Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1, Page 74, now being Page 24B, Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as 834 Allen Street, Caro MI 48723.

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: NOVEMBER 3, 2004

Our File No: 04-29024

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Homecomings Financial Network, Inc.

Attornevs: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd., Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 4830' (248) 844-5123

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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 Gail A. Mellendorf, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 24, 2004 and recorded on April 6, 2004 in Liber 986 on Page 1405 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Nine and 29/100 Dollars (\$64,269.29), including interest at

6.625% 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 strance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on December 2, 2004

Said premises are situated in Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan, and

Commencing 3 rods South and 18 rods West of the Northeast corner of Northwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 14 North. Range 11 East; and running thence South 8 rods; thence West 6 rods; thence North 8 rods to South side of Main Street in Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence East 6 rods to point of beginning, also commencing 3 rods South and 16 rods West of the Northeast corner of Northwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 14 North, Range 11 East; and running thence South 8 rods; thence West 2 rods; thence North 8 rods; thence East 2 rods to the place of beginning, all in the Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: November 3, 2004 FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE

Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200

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mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given EAST QUARTER OF THE NORTH-

CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #038947F01

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4-11-10-3

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Notices

NO SMOKING BINGO-Every Sunday at new Knights of Columbus Hall, 6106 Beechwood Dr., Cass City. Doors open 5:00 p.m., games start at 5:30. Phone 872-8892. Knights of Columbus Council No. 8892.

5-9-30-tf

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Nov. 17, 18 & 19

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WANTED: FARM land to rent for 2005 season. (989) 550-3028. 5-11-17-3

Notices

Shabbona United Methodist

2nd Annual

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All Welcome

Saturday, Nov. 20

PANCAKE SUPPER Friday, Nov. 19 5:30-8:00 p.m. Cass City

Missionary Church

Sponsored by Cass City Missionary Youth Group to help raise funds for the "Revive 05" services our church will be sponsoring April 8-10, 2005.

Spaghetti Dinner Nov. 19 5:30-7 p.m. **Novesta Church of** Christ

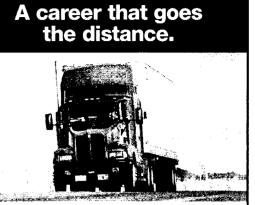
Freewill offering will be taken to help Bible Bowl team with tournament expenses. 5-11-17-1

Notices

HAVE ROOM IN my home for a physically or mentally disabled adult male. Please call 872-4079 and ask for Sandy or leave message.

5-11-10-3

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VILLAGE OF CASS CITY, TUSCOLA COUNTY

The Village Council of the Village of Cass City will conduct a public hearing on the issue of whether to schedule the Village's regular election on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in September in odd years, rather than in March of the even numbered years, by adopting a resolution in compliance with MCLA 168.642, 1954 P.A. 116, as amended, entitled Michigan Election Law. If the resolution is not adopted, the Village's regular election will be held at the November even-year general election and will be conducted by the Township. The resolution must pass by a majority, after a record roll call vote, in order to be effective. The hearing will take place on November 29, 2004 at 7:00 p.m., in the Village Hall, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan. Copies of the proposed Resolution are available from the Village Clerk at the Village offices during normal business hours.

Members of the public are invited to attend and provide public comment.

Dated: November 15, 2004

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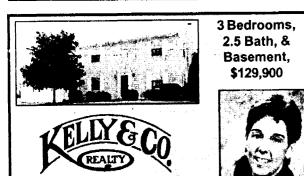
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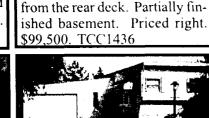
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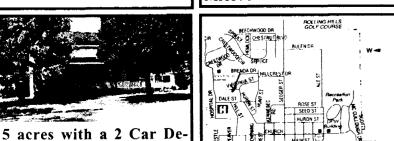
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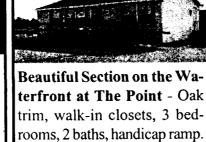
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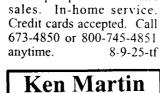
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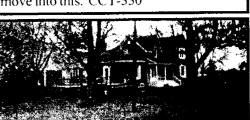
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including holding annual

elections in November, but

decided against the fall date

because of the risk of other

ballot issues overshadowing

Sold!

school votes.

Christmas in village coming

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Economic Development Corp. and Chamber of Commerce are once again offering shoppers the opportunity to purchase "Cass City Cash" at a 10-percent discount.

Cass City Cash, which was slated to go on sale today (Wednesday) at the municipal building, spends just like real currency at local participating businesses. Officials plan to sell \$10,000 worth of the cash this year, and local banks are making it easier for all businesses to participate by accepting the cash in their deposits.

The Christmas in the Village Extravaganza Day is scheduled for Saturday, Dec.

A host of activities are planned, including the annual craft show, which has been moved from the high school to the middle school

and will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food will be available and there will be 50/50 drawings. Crafter space is available.

Also on tap is a free movie matinee for kids at the Cass Theatre at 2 p.m. and, back by popular demand, the annual Christmas Chili Cook-

Many local businesses will be vying for this year's "best chili" honors. Shoppers will serve as judges by purchasing a \$2 button at Thumb National Bank, Chemical Bank, Independent Bank or the municipal building. Each "judge" will receive a ballot and a map of all participating stores. Ballots are due at the municipal building by 3

Rounding out the day's activities will be the big community gathering at 5 p.m. at Rotary Park. There will be free hot bean soup, hot

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Other special events planned for December in-

chocolate, cookies and

horse-drawn carriage rides

along with entertainment,

carol singing and, of course,

Also returning this year will

be the Christmas in the

County Home Tour spon-

sored by the Friends of the

Library. The tour is slated for

Sunday, Dec. 5, from 1 to 5

p.m., with a reception from

3 to 6:30 p.m. at Rawson

Memorial Library. Free

shuttle service will again be

provided by Curtis Chrysler.

Ticket information is avail-

able by calling the library at

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Santa's grand arrival.

•Cass City Rotary's Christmas for Kids program. Shoppers are encouraged to donate a toy so that no child will be without a gift on Christmas.

•Home and Business Decorating Challenge. Residents and businesses can compete for the best decorating jobs and win Detroit Edison electric certificates or Cass City Cash. Judges will be out and about Dec. 18.

•Gift display at Thumb National Bank - great gift ideas and all are available in Cass

•Santa will hold visiting hours Dec. 4, 11 and 18. •Free professional photos

with Santa Dec. 7 at the Book

Mart Photo Studio. •Young Adult Craft Program Dec. 11 and free Children's Story and Craft Hour Dec. 18, both at the li-

brary. •Free movie matinees Dec. 4, 11 and 18.

•Tom Thumb Singers will be presenting community choir concerts Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 5 at 3 p.m.

 Cass City Girl Scouts "Mitten Tree" collection boxes for hats and gloves, and the Lions Club's Community Christmas Tree.

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•The Cass City Historical Society and Friends of the Library will host a Christmas Sing-A-Long at the library Dec. 20.

For additional information, including starting times for the various events, call the chamber office at (989) 872-4618 or 1-866-266-3822.



FORMER CASS City Village Councilman Steve Wright dishes up free hot bean soup during the 2003 holiday community gathering at Rotary Park. This year's event is slated for Saturday, Dec. 4, starting at 5 p.m.

Teen dies in weekend fight

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Cass City School officials said Monday they were prepared to help Haas' classmates cope with the tragedy.

"It was just unfortunate," Principal Jon Good said.

"We do have counselors here to help the kids deal with their grief because this is quite a shock to them.'

OBITUARY

Haas was born Sept. 19, 1986, in Lansing to Arthur E. J Haas and Barbara Janowiak.

He is survived by his father, Arthur E.J. Haas of Port Austin; mother and step-father, Barbara and Donald Janowiak of Ubly; one brother, Richard Haas of Port Austin; maternal grandmother. Bertha Mosey of

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of a loved one during

the Christmas

season.

Bad Axe; grandmother, Sylvia Janowiak of Ubly; grandparents, John and Virginia Pettinger of Grand Ledge; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation was scheduled for Tuesday from one to 9 p.m. and today (Wednesday) from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe.

ment. Funeral services will be held today at 11 a.m. at the

has received an A grade on its state report card. Owen-Gage received satisfactory marks related to its "annual yearly progress" last year, but no letter grade due to the size of the district. However, Peterson explained, state of-

*Learned that the district

ficials are now using a formula to determine grades even for schools with small enrollments. *Filled 3 positions, including a pair of coaching slots. Ashley Adams, an Owen-Gage graduate who played under highly successful former Owen-Gage volleyball Coach Judy Campbell, will take over as varsity vol-

boys' basketball coach. In addition, Pamela Nowaczyk was hired as junior class advisor.

leyball coach. Nathan Haag,

who currently serves as

Owen-Gage athletic director,

was named the junior high

*Approved the nomination of Matt Downing as the November "Senior Student of the Month."

*Recognized a student in each grade, all nominated as "focus students of the month" for being respectful of others.

The students, in grades K-12, are: David Binder, Emmeline Green, Ashley Louks, Stephen Rockefeller, Tiffany Jamieson, Joseph Louks, Jessica Brown, Devin Prich, Kelsey Schuette, Nathan Minkler, Rose Faupel, Amy Powell and Mary Ellen McKee.

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