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THE DRIVER OF this pickup truck failed to negotiate a turn at the intersection of Warner and River roads, about a mile southwest of Cass City Sunday. Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro investigated the mishap. However, no information was available at press time.



<u>Sheridan lands Sheridan</u> Manager is leaving, LaPonsie returning by Tom Montgomery "My proposal is that managers in the Thumb, and we ... bring in an interim man-

CHRONICLE

Editor

The Cass City Village Council didn't waste any time dealing with the challenge of finding a new village manager following Frank Sheridan's resignation early last week.

And, it appears that Sheridan's replacement will be a familiar face, bringing many years of village government experience on board. Council members, meeting

in special session Friday afternoon, voted 6-1 to enter into negotiations to hire Sandusky City Manager and former Cass City Village Manager Lou LaPonsie as Cass City's interim manager. Village President Bert Althaver told the council that he has discussed the village manager vacancy with 2 local residents who expressed some interest in the position.

"The advantages of hiring a local person is that we

the best time to encourage ager, an experienced person someone to move is during

who can pretty much hit the the summer, he said. ground running and deal LaPonsie has served as with the issues, and Frank Sandusky City Manager for has left us in good shape to 4 years and his current condeal with the issues," he said. tract expires in March, ac-In recommending LaPonsie cording to Althaver. "He for the job, Althaver pointed wants to work one more year out the arrangement would. and he's very interested in be ideal for the village, escoming back to Cass City," pecially in light of the time he said.

it will take to hire a perma-"That offers, as you can nent administrator - 4 to 6 imagine, tremendous advanmonths. As it is, there is a tages to us. He knows most lot of competition for village of the employees and he's

very familiar with the arsenic treatment" issue facing municipalities, Althaver added. "He's an experienced manager. It gives us the luxury of looking at some alternatives.

Althaver said LaPonsie is confident he could serve as manager at least on a parttime basis should Sandusky officials not release him from his current contract.

He emphasized the need to have someone experienced

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Sheridan: time to move on

Frank Sheridan says tendering his resignation was the best decision for both himself and the village council. Sheridan resigned last week the most prosperous Indian after receiving a formal job offer from the city of casino is about 6 miles

Cass City Village Manager rently earns about \$63,800. Sheridan, who officially starts his new job Jan. 17,

said the city of Sheridan is a former logging town. "It's in the wine country now, and bers contributed to his decision to accept the job.



Look for May vote on performing arts center

If all goes as planned, look for a May vote in the Cass City School District for a \$12 million bond issue to build a state-of-the-art Performing Arts Center and make necessary repairs on present school buildings.

The Cass City School Board reviewed tentative plans for the building at its regular monthly meeting Monday at the school.

The center would be crected on the southwest side of the building and be connected by a corridor to the present high school.

While the entire project is estimated at \$12, the new center will cost an estimated \$8.102 million including site work, furniture and technology equipment.

The remainder of the money spent will be for maintenance and repair of present buildings. Supt. Ken Micklash has estimated the cost of making all repairs necessary for the buildings for the next 15 years. Campbell Elementary School repairs will cost \$1.135 million and includes major items such as converting steam heat with water in the 1950-built portion of the building. Total repairs for all school buildings are estimated at \$2.342 million.

The new center will have 44,000 square feet and is estimated to cost \$181 per square foot. The auditorium will seat 800, 550 on the floor and 250 in the balcony. The balcony will curve around the stage. The building will be 70-feet tall.

THE COST

Micklash has worked out a plan to pay for the new building and building repairs in as painless a way as possible. The present middle school bond debt will be paid for in

4 years. What the superinten- Micklash said. dent suggests is extending that bond issue for 12 years. He estimates that would increase a taxpayer with an \$80,000 state equalized value home some \$26 more a year. All of the school debt would then be retired at the end of 16 years. Three representatives con-

nected with the tentative building plans attended the meeting. They are Chip Hendrick of R. C. Hendrick & Son, Inc. that was project manager for the middle school; Keith Kosik, architect of TSSF Architects, Inc. of Saginaw, and Charles Nelson, AIA, project director, of Kingscott Assoc., Inc. They presented the plan for the building and explained how soon board authorization is needed if a May vote

is planned. For that reason a special board meeting is planned for Jan. 3 at 7:30 p.m. to take action on the building proposition

The board also settled a discipline issue presented by Helen Pinder at a previous meeting. The issue was how to deal with a student caught stealing food. The student handbook says that 6 points must be assessed and the police called. However, the board policy book says only that 6 points be assessed. The board consensus appeared to be to allow the school representative to decide any penalty other than the mandatory 6 points to be assessed.

Middle school Principal Jeff Hartel offered a suggestion that was immediately approved by the board. That's to place the voluntary food items away from the cafeteria line to eliminate theft. Today it is within an arm's length of the cafeteria line. His suggestion will be immediately, adopted

OTHER BUSINESS

The school will send a letter of congratulations to Unionville-Sebewaing School for winning the Division 7 state football championship.

A letter of appreciation will

be sent to Cole Carbide Co., Engineered Tools Corp., Anrod Screen Cylinder Co. and Millennium Industries for buying the Cass City High School Band trailer at a cost of \$4,500.

The student council and advisor Chad Daniels have

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know that person and, theoretically, that person knows the community," he said, adding, however, that while both individuals he has talked to are experienced managers, neither is an experienced village manager. Althaver suggested that the council seriously consider hiring someone on a shortterm basis to bridge the gap between now and when a

cants remove their names from consideration or accept other jobs, according to a story published in the News-Register.

Sheridan will earn a base permanent manager is hired. salary of \$70,000. He cur-

Yamhill County.

Secret Santa...

CASS CITY MIDDLE School eighth grade student Sarah Reed, 14, helps Erin Zdrojewski, 7, pick out the perfect gifts for her family during the annual Santa's Secret Workshop last week. She is the daughter of Jon and Deidra Zdrojewski.

Sheridan, Oregon, about 60 away," he added, noting the town has a population of miles south of Portland in about 6,000 people, but roughly 2,000 of them are The Sheridan City Council housed in a minimum/maxivoted unanimously to hire mum security prison at the Sheridan following a drawn edge of the city. out city manager search that saw virtually all of the appli-

There are a number of similarities between Sheridan and Cass City, according to Sheridan, who said both municipalities share the same challenges faced by rural communities everywhere.

"The state of Oregon is in about the same financial condition as Michigan, so out there it's downtown revitalization - how do you pull people off the highway (and get them) downtown," he said.

He indicated stability in the city government and his meeting with council mem-

"Sheridan's had 2 city managers in the last 22 years; one 12 years and the other for 10 years," he said.

Frank Sheridan

The move will be a homecoming of sorts for Sheridan, who previously lived in Oregon for 8 or 9 years and earned his master's degree at Portland State University. A New York City native and

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TI Automotive seeks tax break

Cass City may be in line for an economic boost in the coming year.

The village council Friday scheduled a special meeting for Monday, Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. at the municipal building, to consider a request from TI Automotive for a tax abatement on machinery and other equipment the company plans to move into its machine tool center, located across from Anrod Screen Cylinder on Garfield Avenue.

Village President Bert Althaver explained that the Cass City Downtown Development Authority discussed the request last week and recommended approval by the council.

Village officials have approved similar abatements for various firms in the past, giving the companies a tax break of 50 percent for 12 years on equipment.

The agreements obviously reduce the amount of tax revenue for the village in the short term, but they also encourage growth, Althaver pointed out. "We still get something - half of what we don't have now - 12 years, and ultimately all of it," he said.

"They need the abatement - if it's going to be approved by the middle of January," said Althaver, who noted details of TI Automotive's plans, including the amount of money the company expects to invest, should be available for review by the next meeting.

"I would hope it would be in 7 figures. I'm sure it's in 6 figures," he said, adding the TI Automotive officials have said they also plan to construct a loading dock and make other improvements to the building.

p.m., Caro Library.

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CASS CITY CHRONICLE - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2004



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

Thursday, December 23

Seniors' Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

Friday, December 24

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

Monday, December 27

Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Charmont.

Tuscola County Right To Life Organization meeting, 6:30-8 Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal build-Melissa Helen, to Chad



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Engaged Errer Owen-Gage *"student* of month"



Wendy Errer has been named Owendale-Gagetown Schools' "Senior Student of the Month" for December. During high school, Errer was selected by her classmates as freshman representative for homecoming court. As a sophomore, she served as class president.

Errer has been active in sports and has been a member of the basketball team and volleyball team all four years of high school. Also, she was a cheerleader as a freshman. Each year during high school she has been selected by the teaching staff as a "focus" student of the month.

Rumptz has graduated from For 3 years, Errer was a basic combat training at Fort member of the high school band and as a junior served During the 9 weeks of trainas treasurer for the band. ing, the soldier studied the Also, she has been a mem-Army mission, history, tradiber of the 3.0 Honors Club tion and core values, physiall 4 years. cal fitness, and received in-

> As a senior, Errer is involved in the publication of the school newspaper and newsletter. She is currently serving as editor of the yearbook and is a teacher's aide. She is also a member of her church's youth group.

tem, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training Errer is the daughter of Ken and Faye Errer of Owendale. Her future plans are to attend Saginaw Valley State Univer-She is a 2004 graduate of sity to obtain a degree in social work.



If you're feeling harried by Christmas preparations, shopping and spending, this poem by Michael Marks may help put things in better focus.

> The Sands of Christmas By Michael Marks

I had no Christmas spirit when I breathed a weary sigh, And looked across the table where the bills were piled too high.

The laundry wasn't finished and the car I had to fix, My stocks were down another point, the Dolphins lost by 6. And so with only minutes till my son got home from school, I gave up on the drudgery and grabbed a wooden stool. The burdens that I carried were about all I could take, And so I flipped the TV on to catch a little break. I came upon a desert scene in shades of tan and rust.

No snowflakes hung upon the wind, just clouds of swirling

And where the reindeer should have stood before a laden sleigh,

Eight Hummers ran a column right behind an M1A.

A group of boys walked past the tank, not one was past his teens.

Their eyes were hard as polished flint, their faces drawn and lean.

They walked the street in armor with their rifles shouldered tight.

Their dearest wish for Christmas, just to have a silent night. Other soldiers gathered, hunkered down against the wind, To share a scrap of mail and dreams of going home again. There wasn't much at all to put their lonely hearts at ease. They had no Christmas turkey, just a pack of MREs. They didn't have a garland or a stocking I could see. They didn't need an ornament - they lacked a Christmas tree. They didn't have a present even though it was tradition. The only boxes I could see were labeled "ammunition." I felt a little tug and found my son now by my side. He asked me what it was I feared, and why it was I cried. I swept him up into my arms and held him oh so near And kissed him on the forehead as I whispered in his ear, There's nothing wrong, my little son, for safe we sleep tonight.

Our heroes stand on foreign land to give us all the right To worry on the things in life that mean nothing at all, Instead of wondering if we will be the next to fall. He looked at me as children do and said it's always right To thank the ones who help us and perhaps that we should

And so we pushed aside the bills and sat to draft a note To thank the many far from home, and this is what we wrote: God bless you all and keep you safe, and speed your way back home.

Remember that we love you so, and that you're not alone. The gift you give you share with all, a present every day. You give the gift of liberty and that we can't repay.

May God grant them and all of us a safe and Silent Christmas Night!

Officers installed

Members of Kedron Chapductress; Gaynell Dykes, aster 33, Order of the Eastern Star of Michigan, recently Caverly, marshall; Theresa conducted installation of of McCoon, Ada; Tonya Denficers at the Cass City Manis, Esther; Eileen English, sonic Temple. Martha; and Nancy McCloy, Aliene Thurston, past worwarder. thy matron, served as instal-One officer, Lucile lation officer along with Ha-Wehrman, was installed during the regular November zel Chapman, installing marshall; Edward Chapman, meeting, and there are 3 ofinstalling chaplain; and ficers yet to be installed. Lucile Wehrman, installing In other business, it was noted the School of Instrucorganist. Officers installed for 2004tion has been slated for 05 were: Marilyn Cubitt, Thursday, Nov. 18, in worthy matron; Wilfred Sandusky. Rock, worthy patron; Phyllis The December meeting will VanPetten, associate matron; be Tuesday, Dec. 7, with a Lewis Surine, associate papotluck lunch at noon and the tron; Nanette Middough, secregular meeting at 1 p.m. at retary; Shirley Lupton, treathe Cass City Masonic surer; Ruth Hoffman, con-Temple. OPEN CASS CITY fairway 7 **5520 MAIN STREET** DAYS IOURS: Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m.-6 p.m Storewide Specials 50% Off Greeting Cards, Floral Bushes, Sunglass 4"x6" DOUBLES PHOTO DEVELOPING SPECIAL ANY ROLL SE99 3 1/2" Double Prints 994 **D9**9 ADD \$1.50 FOR 36EXP) II Ro , Foot Extension 2005 Two Yes Calendars Cords Planners **99**¢ \$**9**97 2/\$1 Snop # Camera Rag Dolls Puzzzle 2/\$3 \$399 \$ 799 Sale Effective Now thru P. January 8, 2005 Magic Stretch Gloves Hair Dryer We now accept 3/\$7 **\$77**88 VISA

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Brayden Dennis Kessler

Makena Rylee Kessler announces the birth of her baby brother, Brayden Dennis Kessler.

Brayden was born Nov. 18, 2004, at 4:11 a.m., in Bad Axe. He weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce and was 19 inches long.

Makena and Brayden are the children of Heather and Richard Kessler of Cass City.

Paternal grandparents are Dennis and Nancy Kessler of Cass City. Maternal grandparents are Dawn and Scott Woidan of Deford. Greatgrandparents are John and Dixie Crosby of Gladwin and Jackie and Gerald Roeske of Kingston. Great-great grandparents are Ruth Crosby of Caro and Greta and Carl VanPatten of Munger.



The Friends of Rawson Memorial Library would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for making the 2004 Christmas home tour a success.

Homeowners: Joe & Nancy Braun, Jim & Judy Brown, Dewain & Nancy Jones, Kirt & Deb Peruski, John & Mary Lou Sames

Hostesses in the homes and at the library

Cass City Floral for donating centerpieces for each home

Erla's, Inc. for donating food trays

Curtis Chrysler for providing shuttles & drivers

Independent Bank for a financial donation Cass City Chronicle for printing an article about

the tour

The Friends of the Library for providing food & decorations for the reception & helping in so many ways to make this a grand event.

Members of the Community for attending the home tour and supporting the library





Melissa Jewett

David, son of Dave and Vir-

ginia Nowicki of Grand Rap-

Melissa is a 1997 graduate

of Cass City High School

and a 2001 graduate of

SVSU with a bachelor's de-

Chad is a 1993 graduate of

Grandville High School and

a 2004 graduate of the Uni-

versity of Phoenix with a

bachelor's degree in business

An Aug. 20, 2005 wedding

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Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

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and bayonet training, drill

and ceremony, marching,

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and unarmed combat, map

reading, field tactics, military

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Rumptz is the daughter of

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It doesn't seem logical, but evidently it is effective since with a slight modification the ad is repeated some 50 years later. A half-century ago the airwaves were saturated with copy for Pet Milk, extra special because it came from contented cows.

Now there is an ad on the boob tube lauding the quality of cheese from California because the milk comes from happy cows

Contented cows, happy cows? C'mon.

The Park Lake Grill is located cast of East Lansing on eastbound business I-96 about a mile or so before it joins the I-96 expressway.

It is an attractive building. It evidently has entertainment some evenings, but at 6 p.m. it was just a restaurant.

Mine was linguine with clams. The clams were small, the portions ample. Tomato basil soup was excellent. Esther ordered a half rack of St. Louis Ribs, a tossed salad and coffee. She doesn't care for spicy food, so I ate at least half of the ribs the next day at home. The bread sticks, served warm, were very good. The service was good.

Total cost was \$29.27, plus tip. Give it a 6 on the 1-10 scale.

Three great sales girls approached me at the Mayville-Cass City basketball game to buy a clicker. I judge that they were junior high age. The sales leader went through the sales pitch. I asked, how much? \$3.00 was the answer. Isn't that expensive, I gravely queried? Yes, but it's magnetic one of the girls said triumphantly.

We've got change, the third girl announced. Buying that gadget was really enjoyable. A lot of fun, I thought, as the girls danced away smiling from ear to ear.

I certainly got more than my money's worth even though I still don't know what the clicker is supposed to do.







The Haire Net

Sale would make

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FIVE STAR

ing in Gagetown.

MEGAN METZGER,

11, is proudly holding the scooter she won in the Cass City Christmas in the Village prize giveaway promotion. The Cass City Middle School student is pictured with her niece (right) Chelste

4-H Tractor Safety class scheduled

Raymond.

a merry Christmas A great Christmas gift for much hope. Improvements and financ-

the Owendale-Gagetown School District would be to ing will be needed, the superintendent reported. somehow resurrect the sale Perhaps even with concesof the former school buildsions by the school district the buyers won't be able to Admittedly I know very

secure the needed financing little about the value of properties, but I did witness the to make the deal fly, but if it's possible to save the sale with a 5 percent reduction in the selling price, it's still a fine deal.

Not only district taxpayers will be hurt if the building stands vacant. If it were turned into housing or apartments it would be a boost to the Gagetown business district.

Having people living within walking distance of the business district is a boon, second only to having a school operating there. It would make for a merry

Christmas if the dead deal comos alive for the benefit of all concerned.



know better. The good citizens of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania dragged their 27pound groundhog out of hibernation this December to promote a proposed Weather Discovery Center.

The federal government was hoodwinked into a \$100,000 grant for the Discovery Center, and now the town wants Punxsutawney Phil to help publicize it. That's fine in the summer, but you don't drag a groundhog out of bed in December! Phil will be so mixed-up by February he won't know his shadow from a hole in the ground.

Besides, what's a little town like Punxsutawney going to pretty chewed-up by now. do with \$100,000? Buy another groundhog?

Groundhogs don't discover the weather. Nobody discovers the weather: Weather discovers us.

A groundhog knows this. any groundhogs with Seasonal Affective Disorder. I drove through a little town

You would think they would owned by one person. The from strangers. cafe, the hotel, and the laundromat all sported large signs that were equally bitter and enlightening. The one I remember stated,

"It's a grant! It's a grant! It's wasted tax money, stupid!" I'm not suggesting Punxsutawney is going to waste the entire \$100,000. They might, but I wouldn't expect it.

Instead, the town will probably hire a director for the Weather Discovery Center, print up some brochures, and try to trap some tourists. I hope they buy a new hat for the guy who drags the groundhog out of bed in February. His old one must be

Maybe they'll buy Phil a sleeping bag. He's the one who attracted all of this dough in the first place.

I remember when government grants became popular back in the '70s. Some of our That's why you won't find elected officials weren't real enthused about applying for them. These people knew somebody was paying for place up himself, and they last spring where all of the this stuff, and it just didn't surely weren't going to drag businesses appear to be seem right to beg money him out to help promote it!

That seems kind of quaint now that folks depend upon grants for nearly everything. We have reached the point where a little town can barely turn around without a grant to help pay for it.

We send our money to Washington D.C., then ask if we can have some of it back. Even the farmers are getting grants!

If a guy wants to try growing corn in the tundra he can apply for a grant from the USDA. He might not get the grant, but filling out forms is a great way to keep warm in the northern winter.

The Punxsutawney grant reminds me of a \$500,000 request from Strasburg, North Dakota many years ago. The town wanted the money to fix up Lawrence Welk's old house and farmstead. (You can buy a lot of

paint and nails with \$500,000.) Nobody ever said why

Lawrence wouldn't fix the

Cass City Village Council PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cass City Village Council has scheduled a meeting for

Monday, December 27, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.

To interview Mr. Lou LaPonsie and consider a one year contract for an interim village manager.

Nanette S. Walsh Clerk/Treasurer

Posted at the Municipal Building on December 20, 2004



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Bulldog

Beat

by Mary McKee



Red Hawk Talks by Leah Sherman

Trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship are the Cass City Public Schools' six pillars of character. The pillars were adopted by the Board of Education as pillars of character, which all students should strive to achieve as students of this school district.

Many people already know what these six pillars stand for, but I'll briefly explain the specific criteria that the Cass City Public Schools expect from their students.

Trustworthiness involves being honest and reliable. By displaying trustworthiness, students build strong reputations.

Respecting the teacher, the classmates and the school is another important pillar. Students are expected to follow the Golden Rule and be tolerant of differences. They must learn to deal peacefully with anger, insults and disagreements.

Under the title of responsibility, students should be accountable for their choices, and not blame others for their own actions. It is understood that students should think before they act and always do their best in everything they

Playing by the rules, being open minded, and not taking advantage of others all display fairness.

When students are caring, they are kind, forgive others, express gratitude, help people in need and are compassionate toward others.

Finally, citizenship is based on cooperation and obeying the laws and rules of the school. Many students who display good citizenship do what they can to make our school and community bet-

All of the schools in the district stress the importance of



these elements of good character. In the elementary school, middle school, and high school teachers and the administration work hard to enhance the character of the

students Assemblies are held periodically throughout the year in the elementary school that are geared toward the demonstration of the six individual pillars. The children's theatre class in the high school has performed plays for the elementary students based on responsibility and caring. The social worker, Mrs. Howard, has visited classes presenting information about the components of the pillars.

In the middle school, Student Spotlight is a program that is partially based on the demonstration of the pillars of character by the students. Each marking period, students who display all six of the character pillars, good grades, good attitudes, and academic or behavioral improvement are chosen to be honored and recognized for their achievements.

Many teachers in the high school have the character pillar posters displayed in their classrooms, and they stress the importance of the pillars in the students' citizenship grades. Citizenship grades are given each marking period that reflect the demonstration of the character pillars by the individual students. This citizenship grade

also counts toward eligibility in extra curricular activities. Teachers in all of the schools base their classroom rules on the six character pillars. These pillars are ex-

pected to help the students. develop strong personalities that will help them in the future.



IN SPITE OF HIS busy schedule this time of year, Santa Claus made time to welcome customers at the Kingston Post Office Friday. Postmaster Mike Godard dressed up as the jolly old elf and welcomed young and old alike, including Justin Anderson, 1 1/2, his brother, Jacob, 4, and their mother, Crystal Anderson of Kingston. (Related photo, page 10)

Lanctot lauds donations

As the Sanilac County clients. United Way campaign comes to a close, county Victim Service Coordinator Sherri

Lanctot is urging residents to consider making a donation if they haven't already.

Speaking on behalf of the our volunteers. We have Sanilac Area Violence Elimiadded services to the homeless and made several nation Council, Lanctot said changes to our service pro-United Way monies are part vision that has increased the of the reason services have success of our clients. improved for victims of domestic abuse.

"In December 2001, the Eva's Place Shelter Program opened its doors for the first time. The workers at Eva's Place were all volunteers, because funding was not available to pay employees," Lanctot said. "The only funding sources to the shelter program were community

donations, fundraising events, income from the SAVE recovery program and our Sanilac County United Way and Community Foundation.

the shelter was used to pay needed insurance, utilities, alarm costs and the necessary office supplies," she added. "The first year of operation

ter and converted the heating we serviced slightly over 100 system and added air condi-"Today, things have changed," Lanctot said. tioning and a play structure

for the children. Lanctot said the shelter served nearly 500 clients this with 2 full-time and 5 parttime employees as well as year.

"Our success is in no small way a direct reflection of the citizens of Sanilac County,'

she added. "We are still in a fight to prevent and eliminate violence here in Sanilac; however, we have realized we are not alone in this task. We are most grateful to the

Rev. Happy sentenced to jail

in costs and fines in Tuscola Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern will be playing host to a former political opponent for the next 60 days

That's the jail term handed down last week to Cass City's Adam S. Wright, 34, "Any money coming into for his jury conviction on 4

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"Our shelter is now staffed

"With the help of commu-

nity donations, we have up-

graded our security system,

replaced the roof on the shel-

County District Court. Furnishing alcohol to a minor is a misdemeanor charge punishable by up to a \$1,000 fine and/or up to 60 days in jail.

teenage girls, 2 of whom were treated at a hospital after consuming liquor.

have stood by our side."

the lives of others.

Sanilac County."

Wright ran an unsuccessful Green Party campaign for the office of Tuscola County Sheriff in November. He is Cass City police arrested a strong supporter of mari-Wright, also known as "Rev. juana legalization and claims It's that time of year again. was a great moment for them

Christmas is almost here and the excitement of celebrating the holidays is growing stronger and stronger as the days go by.

With the excitement for Christmas also brings the anticipation of Christmas break, having 2 weeks to sleep in and not having to answer to teachers or be stressed by homework.

The people at Owen-Gage have definitely gotten into the holiday spirit. Lockers are decorated with Christmas pictures, bulletin boards in the hallways are spreading "joy," and there is even a Christmas countdown. Classrooms are decorated with festive lights and snowflakes, and with all the snow we have had recently, put together with the freezing temperatures, it has been pretty easy to get into the Christmas mood.

When thinking of Christmas time, everyone has a favorite memory.

Here are what some Owen-Gage students answered when they were asked, "What is your favorite organizations and people that Christmas memory?" Sixth helped us get started and grader Jessica Brown responded, "When I woke up and my dogs were trying to open our presents." Jordan By giving to the United Way, Lanctot said, residents Sprague liked getting lots of can make a big difference in presents last year, with his favorite being his paintball gun. Samantha Radabaugh's best memory is when she got "The United Way sponsors to be with all of her family. Eva's Place and several other Just like a certain character agencies that work very hard in a very popular "Christmas to help better the lives of Story," Stanley Krug enjoyed men, women and children in it when he got his Red Ryder BB gun. Amy Powell's favorite holiday memory happened when she was around 5 or 6 years old, when she was coming home from her grandma's on Christmas Eve. She saw a blinking red light in the sky and thought it was Rudolph, and was scared that she would never

> The thing I liked the most about everyone's answers was how diverse they were. student responses for this ar-No one's answers were the same, they were all completely different, but all had one thing in common. Every answer was meaningful and special in their minds and

get home in time.

to remember.

Even though everyone has their Christmas memories from the past, I am sure evervone would like to make some new ones from this year's Christmas.

Every year, people have that one special thing at the top of their Christmas list that they want more than anything. With that said, some students were asked, "What is Santa bringing you this year?" Seventh grade student Erin Seibel wants money, as does freshman Kevin Bucholtz, along with a new computer and an X Box. Becky Schmidt wants "lots of clothes," and Racheal Biebel would like a dog. Nathan Rogers wants Santa to bring him "a new car or anything that costs a lot of money." Senior Charles Martin wants "To be able to spend Christmas with my real family, brothers and sisters," and Wendy Errer being the caring person that she is wants an ID bracelet and for everybody to be happy.

Everyone has a different idea of what the holidays mean. For some, the holidays mean getting all the presents that they asked for, spending time with their family, or just being happy and healthy.

During this time, we have to remember the troops who are away fighting that do not have the privilege of being able to spend time with their loved ones this year. We also have to remember that the holidays are known to bring out the "spirit of giving" in all of us. With the many food and clothing drives going on, like Clothe-a-Child, Toysfor-Tots, and Adopt-a-Family, people are doing whatever they can to make sure that everyone has a great

Christmas.

Keeping with the "spirit of giving," I want to give a quick thank-you to Nashia Prich and Wendy Errer, 2 brilliant journalists, for "giving" me help to get all the ticle.

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counts of furnishing alcohol to a minor. He was also ordered to pay close to \$1,100

led to the charges involved 4 Life Church in 1994.

Happy", last August. Pros- to have been ordained as a ecutors said the incident that minister for the Universal

No matter what you are celebrating this holiday season, I would like to wish everyone a very, very Merry Christmas!!!

25 attend auxiliary meeting

The monthly luncheon and meeting of the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary was held Nov. 29 at the Charmont. There were 23 members and 2 guests present. Following the luncheon,

Nathan Carr provided an enjoyable presentation playing the cello.

It was reported that 66 units of blood were received at the last blood drive. The next one is scheduled on Jan. 18. A letter was read from Cass City Rotary asking for participation in the Christmas

for Kids drive. There was

agreement to do so.

Members were asked to sign up to work on the popcorn project. Popcorn sales have been going very well on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the hospital lobby. Members were asked to

turn in their volunteer hours by Nov. 30 so they could be tabulated and sent to MAHA. The annual raffle and a bake sale were held in the hospi-

tal lobby Dec. 3. Winners of the raffle were first prize, Judy Gould; second prize, Denise Janssen; third prize, Laura Ball; fourth prize, Mary Ann Opanasenko; fifth prize,

Joann Smithson; sixth prize,

Mary Ann Opanasenko; seventh prize, Craig Bellew; eighth prize, Liz Evans; ninth prize, Bev Frank; tenth prize, Colleen Albasta; eleventh prize, Caroline Brice; and twelfth prize, Jon Fahrner.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 24 at the Charmont, with a new meeting time of 11:30 a.m.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the auxiliary is invited to attend this meeting, contact Kerry Brown at 872-2121 (ext. 319) or Mary Ann Hirn at 872-3761.

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RONALD AND Susan Brzuchowski of Cass City, representing the United States Navy Sea Cadets, pose with one of the organization's newly donated computers.

Cass City group accepts

Ford gives computers to Navy Sea Cadets

The Ford Motor Company/ Henry Ford Community College/Dearborn Rotary Club **Computer Donation Project** recently donated 2 "like new" computers to the United States Navy Sea Cadets in Cass City.

The Ford Motor Company/ Henry Ford Community College/Dearborn Rotary Club **Computer Donation Project** was launched in 2002 and is designed to provide refurbished personal computers systems to non-profit organizations and schools in Michigan

Computers donated by the Ford Motor Company were given to Integrated Systems Analysts, Inc., based in Arlington Va., which sorted and tested the computers at no

Holidays closing offices

All Secretary of State offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed Dec. 23-25, 30-31, and Jan. 1 in observance of the state holidays during Christmas and New Year's.

cost. Then the computers Brzuchowski, Michigan rewere reconditioned by HFCC's Computer Information Systems students studying the maintenance and upgrading of personal computer hardware and Ford Information Technology em-

ployees. This year, the Dearborn Rotary Club was added as a sponsor and the club donated \$1,000 for computer software.

The United States Navy Sea Cadets is dedicated to helping American youth realize personal success and achievement through a nautically orientated training program. The donated computers will be used to train cadets in correspondence courses only available online, according to Ronald

gional recruiter for the United States Navy Sea Cadets. Brzuchowski predicts the computers will be used by more than 50 cadets. "This project has been an

overwhelming success," said Jo-Ann Terry, HFCC's vice president for career education. "The program has many benefits for both the donors and receivers. Computers from Ford Motor Company are recycled, HFCC students gain valuable experience refurbishing the

computers and community organizations can have upto-date technology to continue their work." Since the program's inception, Ford Motor Company

has donated 171 personal computers for the recycling project, according to Terry. "This is the last year of the

project and we are thrilled that we have helped so many that expire on a day when charitable organizations and state offices are closed, such schools all over Michigan," Terry added. "These comas a holiday or weekend, can puters have helped the recipibe renewed the following ents provide more efficient services to hundreds of cli-Motorists renewing license ents and students." The doplates can "skip the trip" to

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5 YEARS AGO

Cass City MMR Supervisor Ron Pawloski said the need for additional ambulance funding is due to several factors, including changes in staffing, improved service and fewer runs in recent years. The requested increase in stand-by fees is the first since 1978.

Many of the ancient traditions surrounding Yuletide are concerned with coping with the darkness of winter and the evils it was thought to harbor, and helping to return light and warmth. Take holly, for instance. Evergreens were cherished at this time of year as a natural symbol of rebirth and life. But holly was particularly prized to decorate doors, windows and fireplaces because of its prickliness - to either ward off or snag and capture evil spirits before they could enter and harm a household. The winners of the annual

Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee were recently announced at Cass City Middle School. They are Ryan Biddinger, Brad Severance, Courtney Rabideau, Allie Richards, Aimee Hennessey, Jessica Chappel, Lauren Rowe, Angela Stoeckle, Kaylin Tack and Kayla Yax. Winners of the local National Geographic Bee held in the Owen-Gage School District are Justin Rogers, first place; Heidi Scott, first runner-up; and Tim Kain, second runner-up.

10 YEARS AGO

Ground was broken, Saturday, Dec. 10, by Herron Builders of Cass City to begin Marshall's 2-year planned expansion program. This phase will effectively double Marshall's customer service, administrative office area. Roger Marshall, CEO and founder of the company, said Marshall Distributing began business as Marshall Plastics in 1968 and was incorporated as Marshall Dis-

"Christmas Town" days to tributing in 1972. "Since the beginning we have built our reputation by providing superior customer service. Our commitment remains as strong today as it was in the

beginning," Marshall said. The odds must be astronomical against having a non-actor from Cass City appear in a motion picture. Well, the town defied the odds not once but twice in the same year. Joe Merchant appeared in "Gettysburg." Now 'The War'', that starts Friday at the Cass Theatre, has another couple with Cass City roots in it. Becky and Brad Gohsman, formerly of Cass City, who now live in Georgia, are among the extras in the show. (From Rabbit Tracks)

USDA researchers say their efforts to map the chromosomes of cattle and hogs could lead to better breeding and eventually better meat for consumers. By making genetic traits easier to identify, the researchers expect the maps to lead to a number of improvements within the meat and livestock industries, including speeding up the breeding of animals with favorable genetic traits.

25 YEARS AGO

The first July 4th festival held in Cass Čity this past summer attracted an estimated 12,000-15,000 persons. Imagine that many on a cold December night. Or a line of cars 3 1/2 miles long. Long time residents of Cass City don't have to imagine that. They remember it. It was back in the 1950s that the community was known as "Christmas Town" and the "Bethlehem of Michigan." It's probably safe to say half the residents of Cass City weren't even around when the last Christmas outdoor pageant was held in 1958. James Bauer and his wife. Jean, have donated a scrapbook of newspaper clippings,

the Rawson Memorial Library, where it can be seen.

35 YEARS AGO

Gerald Romig, assistant manager at General Telephone, is a pilot with his own plane. A veteran, he's logged a good many hours without a mishap. But he glides better in his plane than he slides in a snowmobile. Shortly after borrowing what some cynics describe as the "adult toy" he was casually coming to a stop when he stuck his foot out to help halt the machine and broke his leg. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Save your back: When lifting, crouch close to the object, keep your back erect and lift by using your leg muscles, advised the Michigan Bureau of Safety and Regulation.

When Sherwood Forest County Club in Gagetown was opened five years ago it was hailed as a truly wonderful addition to the area something a long time coming and something truly needed. But many respected businessmen had serious reservations about the club as a business operation and to date their fears have proven to be well grounded. For in its first five years it has been struggling, struggling, struggling.

Soybean meet

Soybean rust information and the latest corn and soybean research findings pack the agenda of the 2005 Michigan Corn and Soybean Winter Meeting, Jan. 5, at the Sanilac Career Center in Peck.

To obtain a registration form, contact Martin Nagelkirk at (810) 648-2515 or email nagelkir@msu.edu. Forms are also available on the MSU Extension Field Crops AoE website at

Several appear in circuit court

ship.

Caro.

The following people ap- Millington, stood mute to a peared in Tuscola County Circuit Court last week on various criminal charges: •Trevor D. Bitzer, 25, Caro, pleaded guilty to assaulting a police officer and 2 counts of assault and battery Aug. 8

in Almer Township. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$10,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to

Offenders Registration Act be scheduled. by failing to register between •Kenneth D. Schultz, 42, Jan. 9, 2001, and Jan: 25, Vassar, pleaded guilty to pos-2004. in Vassar. session of a narcotic/cocaine (less than 25 grams) and opcourt costs and fines totaling erating a motor vehicle while \$120. under the influence of liquor Sept. 2 in Vassar.

Sebewaing, stood mute to A pre-sentence investigacharges of assaulting a police tion was ordered and bond officer, carrying a concealed was continued at \$15,000. weapon and 2 counts of lar-Sentencing is to be schedceny of property valued at uled. less than \$200 Oct. 26 in

•Edward J. Horton, 44 Millington, was found guilty of 4 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct following a jury trial. The charges stem from incidents involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years between the summer of 2003 and February 2004 in Arbela Township, according to court records.

felony May 29 Indianfields Township. A pre-sentence investiga-He was also ordered to pay tion was ordered, bond was \$1.160 in costs and fines. continued at \$100,000 and the defendant was remanded Millington, stood mute to a to the custody of the sheriff's charge of third degree child department. Sentencing is to abuse July 18 in Millington be scheduled.

•Robert A. Leader Jr., 34, Caro, stood mute to charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, driving while his license was suspended or revoked, failure to transfer a motor vehicle title, and operating an unregistered motor vehicle Nov. 4 in Wells Township. A pre-trial hearing was or-

dered scheduled in the case and bond was continued at \$35,000. •Michael R. James, 43,

was continued at \$25,000. •Timothy J. Maurer, 18, Reese, pleaded no contest to second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim under the age of 13 years June 26 in Reese.

The plea was taken under advisement by the court, which ordered a pre-sentence investigation and continued bond at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

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charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influ-

ence of liquor, third offense,

Nov. 13 in Koylton Town-

A pre-trial hearing was or-

dered scheduled and bond

•Thomas J. Zaracki, 27.

Birch Run, was sentenced to

180 days in jail for his con-

viction on a charge of at-

tempted violation of the Sex

He was also ordered to pay

•Robert S. Arnold, 17,

A pre-trial hearing was or-

dered scheduled and bond

•Scott L. Diener, 19, Caro,

was sentenced to 18 months

probation and 30 days in the

county jail, with school re-

lease, for his plea of guilty

to attempted false report of a

•Matthew S. Sykes, 22,

A pre-trial hearing was or-

dered scheduled and bond

in

was set at \$5,000.

Township.

was continued.

The Department of State mails notices to motorists 45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates

the branch office by renewing by mail, or if eligible, by Internet or touch-tone telephone. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice.

day without penalty.

nated PCs are Dell PIII machines with 256 MB RAM and have modems, along with McAfee Virus Scan, Microsoft XP or Microsoft Office software.



Cass City Area Church Directory

Calvary Bible Fellowship 4446 Ale St., Cass City, MJ 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 872-3422 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

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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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

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 Website: www.fbccc.us

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

Living Word Worship Center (Where the Word is Life) 6536 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-4637 Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wed. (Family Training Hour) 7:00 p.m Pastor: Keith Misany

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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

Cass City cagers remain perfect

The Cass City Red Hawks played a rare afternoon game Tuesday with the freshmen starting at 4 p.m. against the Caro Tigers in the 10th annual M-81 clash. The Hawks were aiming for their 5th victory in a row in the series and

have a rare opportunity to start the new year undefeated.

Cass City chalked up win number 4 this season with a one-sided victory over the Mayville Wildcats, 72-38. Chris Landrith opened the

scoring with a hoop and Justin Glaza followed with a trey. Cass City bounced out to a 5-0 lead in the first 4 minutes of the game and was

not threatened the rest of the way. The Wildcats broke into the scoring column with



AKRON-FAIRGROVE'S Dustin Coleman looks for a passing lane as Owen-Gage freshman Brandon Dubs applies defensive pressure. The Bulldogs recorded a 54-36 North Central Thumb League victory.



3:07 left on a basket by Carl Layman.

Leading 12-6 going into the second quarter Cass City went on a 13-2 run to lead, 23-8, and remove any doubt about the outcome of the game. In the spurt 4 Hawks contributed points, including 5 points by Jeff Stoutenburg. One of his hoops came on a nice feed from Brandon Otulakowski on a fast break. Cass City continued to add to its lead the rest of the way, as Glaza scored 3 hoops including a 3-pointer before the half ended.

Coach Aaron Fernald used his bench liberally during the last half and 11 of the 12member squad scored. The Cass City lead was stretched to 52-21 at the end of 3 quarters. Mayville and the Hawks played on near even terms in the last period. The Wildcats were helped by Layman, who scored 9 of his 14 points in the quarter, including 5 of 6 from the charity circle. Tyler Little and Jessup Hoyt

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each scored a hoop and Andrew Whittaker and Brett Babich each swished a three to help the bench keep producing. Glaza with 15 and Jeff Stoutenburg, 16, led the Hawks.

In junior varsity games last week, Sandusky defeated Cass City 51-34 and the Hawks lost to Mayville, 50-

CASS CITY - Glaza 3-3 (0-0) 15; Little 1-0 (0-0) 2; Whittaker 0-1 (0-0) 3; Schinnerer 3-1 (0-3) 9; J. Stoutenburg 3-2 (4-5) 16; Babich 0-1 (0-0) 3; Landrith 5-0 (0-2) 10; Langenburg 1-0 (0-0) 2; Martin 3-0 (2-2) 8; Otulakowski 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hoyt 1-0 (0-0) 2. TOTALS 21-8 (6-12) 72. MAYVILLE - Hoffman 0-0 (1-2) 1; Tomlinson 3-0 (0-0) 6; Mattarelle 0-0 (2-2) 2; Stone 1-0 (0-0) 2: Hascall 2-1 (0-0) 9; Buhl 2-0 (0-1) 4; Torrey 1-0 (0-0) 2; Layman 4-0 (6-10) 14. TOTALS - 13-1 (9-15) 38.

M-81 CLASH HISTORY Season Result MVP 03-04 Cass City 59, Caro 38. Jake Brinkman Cass City 60, Caro 53. Tyler Erla Cass City 56, Caro 53. Jeff Storm Cass City 68, Caro 53. Craig Emmert Caro 58, Cass City 52. Pat Lewtschanyn Cass City 70, Caro 51. Heath Zawilinski Caro 64, Cass City 55. Brian Stephens

Hawks nip Redskins

95-96 Caro 81, Cass City 75. O.T. Manny Villalpando

Despite a perfect 3-0 record in its first games of the season, the Cass City Red Hawks have not been a team that overpowers and dominates the opposition. Tuesday's game last week against Sandusky was typical in that it was a back and forth game that the Hawks won at home, 51-46.

96-97 Caro 76, Cass City 62.

We got a few loose balls and that was the difference, coach Aaron Fernald said. We were beaten badly on the boards, especially in the first half, the coach said. The Redskins collected 12 points on rebounds.

Sandusky moved in front in the first quarter paced by Tim Sheldon, who used his 6'4"

cit to post a victory. The Hawks forged in front by a point at the end of the third quarter, 36-35, sparked by Brad Langenburg who connected for 4 hoops including a trey. Sheldon, who carried Sandusky in the first half was blanked in the third period before coming back with a pair of hoops and a free throw in the final period. He netted 18 for the night. Cass City was especially effective from the foul line in the final 8 minutes, sinking 9 for 12 to preserve the win. Three Hawks were in double figures, Glaza and Andrew Schinnerer netted 13 each and Langenburg counted 11.

Josh Asselin.



TYPICAL OF THE tight defense played by the Cass City Red Hawks against Mayville Friday is illustrated by Nick Stoutenburg, left, as he presses the Wildcat's Evan Buhl.

Owen-Gage on top of NCTL North standings

Owen-Gage racked up its second straight North Central Thumb League victory Friday with a 52-46 decision over host Port Hope,

With the win, coach Arnie Howard's Bulldogs kept pace with Caseville on top of the NCTL North standings at 2-1. If the Bulldogs can handle visiting Peck Tuesday night, they will enter the holiday break with as many regular season wins as the team

span Despite building a 17-point margin halfway through the final stanza, the Blue Stars refused to go down without a fight. Senior guard Joe Gust caught fire and tossed in a dozen of his game-high 22 points as the hosts outscored Owen-Gage 17-6 to the final whistle.

AKRON-FAIRGROVE Earlier in the week, on

tors draw to within 26-22 by

Owen-Gage raced out to a

15-0 start as junior Mike

Edler was on the mark early

and poured in 11 markers to

help the hosts to an 18-6 ad-

vantage after one period of

Viking Kyle Rahn stopped

the bleeding with the team's

first points at the 1:47 point

of the period. Rahn then

added 6 more points in the

opening half to help the visi-

action.

Case (1) at Caro Swan Valley at V. Lutheran Peck at Owen-Gage Dryden at Port Hope Memphis at Caseville CPS at North Huron Kingston at Akron-Fairgrove Last Week's Results Season's Results Season		height to advantage to score 4 buckets and 8 of the 12 Sandusky points in the pe- riod. Justin Glaza connected on a trey and a regular hoop, and Chris Landrith scored 2 hoops and a charity toss for all of Cass City's points in the opening quarter. The teams traded baskets in the second quarter as Sandusky posted a 15-14 edge to lead at the intermis- sion, 27-24. For the second	3; Landrith 1-0 (1-5) 9; Langenburg 3-1 (2-2) 11; Otulakowski 1-0 (0-0) 2. TOTALS - 14-3 (14-21) 51. SANDUSKY - Monzo 2-0 (1-2) 5; Page 2-0 (0-0) 4; Baerwolf 3-0 (0-0) 6; Neumayer 4-0 (0-0) 8 Weiler	posted during last year's en- tire campaign. After falling behind 11-8. Owen-Gage outscored the Blue Stars 33-14 during the 2 middle quarters to take a 41-25 edge entering the final 8 minutes of play. Key for the winners was a huge 18-5 run to close out the initial half. Freshman Bran- don Dubs, the team's leading scorer. sparked the run by recording 10 of his team-	Tuesday, the Bulldogs cap- tured their home opener with an easy 54-36 triumph over the Vikings. OWEN-GAGE - Dubs 6-2 (0-2) 18; Powell 1 0 (2-3) 4; Zaleski 1-0 (0-0) 2; Rogers 3-0 (0-1) 6; Edler 2-0 (1-2) 5; Faist 1-0 (3-8) 5; Adams 1-0 (2-2) 4; Pawłak 4-0 (0- 2) 8. TOTALS - 19-2 (8-20) 52.	the intermission. Owen-Gage turned up its defensive pressure in the fi- nal half, and combined with a pair of treys from Josh Powell, took a 38-26 margin into the final stanza. A balanced scoring attack for Owen-Gage had Dubs with a team best 12 points, while Edler added 11 and Aaron Faist, 10. The Vikings received 12 tallies from Tom Ruppal, while Rahn finished
"SEE WHY YOUR FI	I ~~~~~~~~~~	game in a row, the Hawks rallied from a halftime defi-	3) 18. TOTALS - 19-2 (2-5) 46.	high 18 tallies. Dubs re- corded 2 treys during the	PORT HOPE Woodke 1- 1 (0-0) 5; Koglin 0-1 (0-0) 3; J. Gust 3-3 (7-12) 22; Weiss 2-0 (6-13) 10; S. Gust 1-0 (4-6) 6.	with 11 points. BASKETBALL STANDINGS
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MEN'S

POOL

Cass City grapplers split double dual

team wrapped up its pre-holiday schedule Thursday traveling to Pinconning.

In a double dual meet, the Red Hawks fell to Division 2 powerhouse Gaylord 65-12, before defeating the host Spartans, 60-22.

Double winners on the evening included Cass City's

The Cass City wrestling Jeff Tenbusch in the 152-lb weight class and Kyle Sieradzki in the 145-lb. weight class. With the split Cass City's record stands at 4-7.

> Coach Don Markel's squad will return to action on Jan. 5th when they will face Brown City and Unionville-Sebewaing Area Schools.

Hawk spikers bow in quarterfinals

team advanced to the sists, and 15 points and quarterfinals of the Caro In- Danielle Dohn with 45 revitational Saturday where the Red Hawks suffered identical losses of 25-18 to Greater Thumb East foe Marlette.

As she expected, coach Beth Howard feels her squad is off to a slow start.

"We've lost 4 starters (from last year), who played together forever," commented Howard. Adding, that her girls work hard and have lots of talent, but will need time to bring it all together.

Cass City advanced from the pool play rounds with a 4-4 mark. Using rally-scoring rules, the Hawks spilt games with Kingston (26-28, 25-17) and Bridgeport (24-26, 25-19) while taking a pair from Millington (25-20, 25-8) and bowing twice to Flint Kearsly (9-25, 23-25).

Ashley Hendrick paced Cass City on the day with 30 kills, 28 assists, 20 service points and 7 aces. The Hawks also had Emily Schinnerer with 45 receptions, 8 kills, 24 service points and 9 aces; Luann

The Cass City volleyball Laming with 23 digs, 37 asceptions and 16 digs.

weight class.

CARO

Cass City's season opener was true to form last Wednesday as the hosts bowed to visiting Caro in 3 games.

As anticipated in early season play, several missed serves, bad passes and the like were the rule, rather than the exception, for coach Howard's team as they fell 27-25, 25-14 and 25-22 to the Tigers.

On the night, 61 of the guests' points were the result of Cass City miscues.

Sara Meeker, Jenni Brinkman and Ashley Hendrick combined for 15 kills to lead the Red Hawks on offense, while Dohn and Traci Woodward recorded 8 and 6 digs respectively to highlight the team's defensive effort.

The Hawks are now off until January 6th when they will entertain powerhouse Bad Axe



CASS CITY'S Kyle Sieradzki (rear) battles with a Gaylord

foe during the Hawks' final match before the holidays.

Sieradzki was a double winner on the day in the 145-lb.

RED HAWK wrestler Marcel Helland takes control of his match against his Pinconning opponent on Thursday.



Bottle drive scheduled to benefit girls softball

The Cass City girls softball program will be conducting a bottle drive to help raise money for its spring training trip to Florida. Team members will be

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LEADING THE cheers for the Bulldog cagers in 2005 are: (front) Jenny Czewski (middle l-r) Courtney Lester, Carol Littlepage, Barbie Littlepage (back l-r) Brittany Parks, Crystal Dixon, Kelly Suminski and coach Natasha Sprague.

Cass City Bowling Leagues

Thursday Nite Trio as of Dec. 16 16 Jebco Consulting 12 Martin Electric United Building Centers 12 Schmaltz Construction 10 Dairy Queen Brazier-Caro 10

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received a \$7,996.68 grant

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Community Foundation for

after prom activities. It will

be used to buy equipment

The school administration

received 24 applications for

the custodial job at Campbell

Elementary School. The list

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Obituaries

Olga Aleksink

Olga M. Aleksink, 88, of Cass City, died Friday, Dec. 17, 2004 at Huron Medical Center, Bad Axe.

She was born March 29. 1916 in Lackawana, New York, the daughter of the late John and Catherine (Grymbala) Smakowski. She married Anthony

Aleksink April 15, 1939 in Caro.

Aleksink was a long-time employee of Walbro Corp. and a partner with her husband on the family farm.

She is survived by her husband, Anthony; 2 children: Anthony (Shirley) Aleksink, Jr. of Caro, and Irene (Jarold) Hudson of Cass City; 4 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; 3 sisters: Mary Timko of St. Clair Shores, Helen Vollmar of Caro and Wanda McNeil of Unionville

She was preceded in death by a brother, Edward

Norton new director in Sanilac

The Sanilac County Child Abuse Prevention Council has named a new executive director, Kim Norton.

Norton is a lifetime resident of Sanilac County and is an adult education instructor for the Sanilac Intermediate School District. She has worked for McKenzie Hospital and has extensive experience with non-profit organizations.

Norton replaces Tamera Fracassa, who resigned in September.

The council also named its 2004-05 board members. They are: President Nancy Surbrook, area manager for NEMCSA Head Start; Vice President Kris Kreger, MSU **Extension Healthy Families** and co-chair of the Baby Pantry; Secretary Shelly Kreuger, MSU Extension; and Treasurer Mary Twiss, health department Drug and Alcohol Program.

Smakowski. Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 20, at Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City, with Dan Hittler officiating. Burial was in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

Union

Kathleen King

Kathleen Sylvia King, 88, of Gagetown, died Friday, Dec. 17, 2004 in Caro Community Hospital. She was born Feb. 15, 1916 in Porterwood, WV, the daughter of Frederick and Ina (Poling) Haas. She married Claude Harry King Sept. 20, 1936 in Flint. He died June 19, 1986.

King worked for many years at Erla's Grocery Store at the meat counter. She worked for Anrod Screen Cylinder until her retirement. She supported the Gagetown Church of the Nazarene.

King is survived by her nephews and great-nephews; and a dear friend, Nora McMillen of Gagetown. She was preceded in death by her brothers: George and Fred Haas. Funeral services were held

Cass City, died suddenly Sat-Monday, Dec. 20, at Kranz urday, Dec. 18, 2004. Funeral Home, Cass City, She was born April 5, 1948 with Pastor Donald Ault of in Ypsilanti, the daughter of Gagetown Church of the Wilford and Mariorie Nazarene officiating. (Helkaa) Smith. Interment will be in the She married Floyd Soldan

Elmwood Cemetery, Gagetown. Memorials may be made to

Make-A-Wish Foundation, Gagetown Church of the Nazarene or the Gagetown United Methodist Church. Arrangements were made

by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Brian Kratz

Soldan and Valdora (Ronald) Brian Allan Kratz, 46. of Russell, all of Cass City; 2 brothers: Dale (Luise) Smith Caro, died unexpectedly Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2004 at of Washington and Tom Caro Community Hospital. (Diane) Smith of Owendale. He was born July 1, 1958 by a brother, Dennis Smith. in Caro, the son of Leo D. and Marian E. (Primeau) held Wednesday, Dec. 22, at Kratz. the family home, Cass City. He married Kelly L.

McPhail Aug. 7, 2004 in Caro. Kratz served in the United

States Army from 1975 to 1978. He worked as a merchant seaman from 1988 to ment. 1993 during the Desert Storm Conflict. He was a member of the I.B.E.W. #876

He is survived by his wife,

Kelly; children: Brian A.

Crittinden, Kristin R. Kratz

and Aaron G. Kratz, all of

Caro; his children's mother,

Karen Craft of Caro; a grand-

son, Ethan O. Kratz of Caro;

his father, Leo Kratz of Caro;

2 brothers: Leo (Dawn)

Kratz II of Spencerville, Ind.,

and Greg Kratz of Caro; and

several nieces and nephews.

by his mother, Marian E.

Funeral services were held

Friday, Dec. 17 at the

Ransford Funeral Home,

Indianfields Township Cem-

Memorials may be made to

the Kratz Family Discretion-

Arrangements were made

by Ransford Funeral Home,

Sharon Soldan

Sharon Lee Soldan, 56, of

March 25, 1970 in Cass City.

Soldan worked as a nurses

Soldan is survived by her

husband, Floyd; 4 children:

Leah and Tina Soldan, both

of Cass City, Merry Soldan

and Charlotte (Denzial)

Jones, both of Caro; 7 grand-

children; 3 sisters: Sandra

(Donald) Yax, Shirley (Lee)

She was preceded in death

A memorial service was

Arrangements were made

by Thabet Funeral Home,

Cass City.

aide. She was a judge for the

4-H Fair in 2004.

Interment was in the

Kratz in 1995.

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He was preceded in death

Kratz II and Laurie patrol.

> have 4 fewer guys on the road," he said. "I've got 16 road patrol officers. At the end of the year I'll have 12 road officers.'

eral positions to keep 12 of his officers on the road. Those adjustments have included pulling one officer from the Thumb Narcotics Unit (TNU).

The sheriff has also eliminated \$10,000 to \$15,000 in funding, effective Jan. 1, for DARE and Smart Moves, both drug and alcohol awareness programs presented in schools across the county.

"I've got to cut out \$280,000," said Kern, who noted his department will also be taking a different approach when it comes to responding to calls. For example, it's unlikely a deputy will respond to an animal complaint in the coming year.

"We're just not going to respond if it's not criminal," Kern added.

"It's going to be a little tough. We're going to have to look at what we're going to respond to. I'm obligated by the mandate of the voters to do the best I can do, (but) I can only do the best I can with what I have."

Tuscola County voters in August and again in November rejected a request for a half-mill for 6 years to fund the road patrol. The levy would have raised some \$600,000 a year.

In the past, the county has

Recycle **batteries** in county

This may be the time of

Sheriff wielding budget axe

As expected, Tuscola used \$300,000 to \$400,000 County Sheriff Tom Kern is a year in general fund mongearing up to wield the budies to subsidize the road paget axe on his own departtrol. County commissioners, al-

Kern recently outlined those cuts, which add up to nearly \$300,000 and will be effective Jan. 1. He said he mandated by the state. has been preparing since voters for a second time rejected a tax levy to fully fund the budget of about \$11 million, sheriff's department road and over the past 4 years has lost a combined \$1.15 mil-

"The bottom line is, I've in state revenue sharing.

why some voters have re-Kern has had to shift sevfused to approve the tax proposals, but he questions May vote

where the road patrol stands when it comes to some residents' priorities.

"I have no hard feelings the average homeowner. You against the people. But you're talking \$50 or \$80 for \$50," he said.

go out to dinner, and that's

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SELAH WYATT, 2 1/2, agreed to visit with Santa (Kingston Postmaster Mike Godard) with the help of a candy cane and encouraging words from her mother, Becky Wyatt of Kingston. (Related photo, page 4)



year when area residents are buying more batteries than any other time of the year. Batteries are used in games, toys, flashlights, power tools, laptops, and cell phones to name just a few. Many other products may contain batteries that you do not even realize are there because they never have to be changed.

The Tuscola County Recycling Facility accepts lead acid, alkaline, button, and rechargeable batteries as well as cell phones and used computers.

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Dear Santa,

remember

to stop at

both homes

Savana Marie Doerr

My name is Savana. I am 6

What I really, really want

Please bring some toys for

Don't forget to stop at both of my houses. My mom's in Bad Axe and my dad's in

I will leave some cookies

and milk out for you and some carrots (maybe with

ranch) for your reindeer.

Savana Marie Doerr

cation.

Love,



Christmas is for joy, giving and laughter

Christmas is for joy, for giving and sharing, for laughter, for coming together with family and friends, for tinsel and brightly decorated packages...But mostly, Christmas is for love. It was this love for which Jesus came to this world and sacrificed his life. Thus Christmas is a celebration of love and mirth symbolized by the Nativity, the Santa, the caribou, the poinsettia and the evergreens. All that bring home the spirit of love and life. And this is the spirit that makes Christmas so popular throughout the world.

memorate December 25th as the day of birth of the Christ Child, it has gradually come to be celebrated by the non-Catholics as well. As far as the United States goes, the celebration of Christmas is comparatively of recent ori-

or in other parts of the world Christmas is celebrated as the commemoration of the birth of Christ Child - very likely the heliest event ever to take

So le it the United States and an entirely worthy occasion to celebrate. But don't we often wonder if we've got these things about it right? And why is the difference of opinion regarding the date of place anywhere on the Earth, birth? Is it even on the right

date? Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Alisha Kovach Eighth Grade Owen-Gage Schools

Ashley Rockefeller 7th Grade **Owen-Gage Schools**

•Floyd •Steve •Don •Joe •Barbara WISH YOU A VERY Merry

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Holiday Season

Though originated by the Roman Catholics who comgin. Much of the world was already well into Christmas celebrations by the time the United States began to wake up. In the first half of the 19th century the Sunday schools in America held Christmas celebrations. Alabama was the first state to grant legal recognition to Christmas in 1836. The DC did it in 1870. By 1893, all the states and

territories had made similar acknowledgements.



Courtney Smith

We've been good

Dear Santa,

Hi! My name is Vincent Purtill. I am 8 years old and my little sister's name is milk. Courtney Smith. She is 2 years old.

We both have been pretty good this year. I would like some transformer toys and a

race track and my sister would like a big ball. We will leave you and your reindeer a snack and some

From: Vincent Purtill and Courtney Smith



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Santa Claus is coming...



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I would like a choo-choo train



Jack, Emma and Aleya Smith

Dear Santa, Hello, my name is Jack and I am 3 1/2 years old. I have tried very hard to be a good boy this year. I would like a choo-choo train, a con-

I'll leave apples for your deer

struction worker, and the

Wild Thornberry's movie for Christmas this year.

Hello, my name is Emma and I am 2 years old. I would like a new bed for my dolly and a Mr. Potato Head.

We would both like to ask you to bring a very special toy (maybe another construction worker!) for our new baby sister, Aleya, who is just 5 months old. We promise to leave you

some cookies and milk by our fireplace on Christmas Eve. Love.

Jack, Emma and Aleya Smith



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Sean Severance 12th Grade **Cass City Schools**

Jesse Merchant

Dear Santa,

I wish for treats for my dog Gracie and our 7 kitties. Could you add an extra treat for my grandpa's dog, Lexi? I am also wishing for a sled for Christmas, along with a musical instrument and some strawberry licorice for my stocking. My mom wants me to read

My pets would like a treat

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want any loud toys. I would like both if that's what you bring me.

I am a good boy and I'm working on not throwing so much food. There will be cookies and milk waiting for you and carrots for the reindeer. Love.

books and my dad doesn't Jesse Merchant

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Owen-Gage Schools



I've been a good boy for mom and dad



I'll leave cookies and milk out

Seth Kappen

Dear Santa, My name is Seth. I am 7 months old and have been a good boy for Mom and Dad For Christmas I would like some toys. Could you please bring my sister Mackenzie some toys and a harmonica. Please bring something for Mom and Dad and my grandmas and grandpas. When you come to my house, watch out for Buddy

Finish each day and be

done with it. You have

done what you could.

Some blunders and ab-

surdities no doubt crept

the dog. He bites!!!



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Seth Frank Dear Santa, My name is Seth Frank and I am 3 years old. Dad and Mom said I have been pretty good this year except for picking on my sister, but that is to be expected. I would like a chainsaw and gas for Christmas. Then I can

Sayge Halle Lax







Thanks,



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Ray & Marlene Donaldson





Dear Santa, here's what I would like



Alexis Bogart

Dear Santa,

This year I have been extremely good, but you already know that. You probably also know you have to bring extra presents for my new baby brother, because he, too, has been very good. But let's talk about me first, I want the whack-a-mole game, the dancin' Dora, all the Care Bears at Toys-R-Us and a new 500-watt stereo system with a 5-disc CD changer with a remote. A new doll to carry around, some new shoes and maybe some DVDs for my stocking. I also like jewelry. My ring size is a 3, I like to see you on Christmas Eve, so I'm going to leave you some eggnog and homemade cookies (your favorite). Bring some new rattles for

my little brother. Maybe some noisy Fisher Price toys. He likes to scream, so maybe you could bring him a pacifier or a new blanket.

We hope you stop at our house this Christmas Eve, because we decorated our Christmas tree all pretty, and can't wait to show you. Be careful when you fill our stockings, they have a weight limit of about three pounds. So put the big stuff under the tree.

Be careful driving that sleigh of yours and tell Rudolph I am leaving him some carrots and oatmeal cookies. So make sure you bring him along. Love. Alexis Bogart

This is my



Mom says I've been "medium"



Alexander Messing

Dear Santa, Hi! My name is Alex and I am 5 years old. My mommy says that I am on your medium list this year. I keep trying but it is so hard to be good all the time. There is only one thing that I want for Christmas this year

and that is a Millennium Falcon. I really love Star Wars now that my mom and dad won't let me watch Power Rangers anymore. We are going to leave some chocolate chip cookies for you.

Love,

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Holiday Greetings

from the Staff of the Cass City Chronicle

We wish each and every one of you a Safe and Blessed Holiday Season filled with love and laughter.

> John Haire Clarke Haire JoAnn Asher Larry Bogart Harmony Doerr Thelma Jackson Tom Montgomery Deb Severance Janet Severance



second **Christmas**



Alexandria Mary Tilt

Dear Santa Claus, My name is Alexandria Mary Tilt and this is my second Christmas! I am so excited to have you visit me again this year! I do not need very much but I would like an Elmo, a dolly, and a John Deere Combine like "Grandpa Al" drives. I like to ride in his!

I would also like you to please bring my daddy and mommy something special. Oh, my "Grandma Joanie" loves music, like I do! If you could find room for some books for my cousin Jesse, that would be GREAT, too! My last wish Santa, is that every little boy and girl will find something special under their very own Christmas tree this year! I love you Santa Claus. XOXOXO

Alexandria Mary Tilt

Michigan ranks 3rd

Michigan ranks third in the nation in the number of Christmas trees grown and second in the amount of acreage devoted to Christmas tree production.





I just started to walk, Santa



Kailey Lynn Becker

Dear Santa, Mommy and Daddy say I need some learning toys, Dora toys and clothes. I just started walking on my first birthday, which was celebrated in August 2004. Thank you, Kailey Lynn Becker

This is my first **Christmas**





I have a very









Wishing you great happiness this holiday and beyond. Knowing you has made our lives brighter. Thanks!



Tyler Hinkle

Dear Santa,

This is my first Christmas and I want lots of boxes. I want things inside of them, but I mostly just want the boxes. I think I'd like a truck,



Dear Santa.

home soon.

and a trailer. I know that "Amma" calls you every day to tell you how I'm doin', so I asked her to

Be careful steppin' on the





Sesame Street.

We will leave you some

Wishing everyone a happy Christmas

smart in school."





Edward Guigar



big telescope to study the stars, a chemistry set, big trucks, G.I. Joes, a tan and also a blue pair of pants with shirts and shoes to match and money (our secret, his bank

we make at school. Our dad needs new pants, shirts and socks.

Dutchess, a new collar since kitten, Snuffy, some new toys.

a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with all our love, hugs and kisses along with good health and wealth.

leave out a big bag of sugar. red and shiny apple with lots of sugar on it for Rudolph to give him the energy to pull the sleigh.



Legal Notices

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This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mort gage made by Jay Walter Nazariichuk and Betty L. Nazarijchuk, husband and wife, to The Cit Group/Consumer Finance, Inc.. A Michigan Corporation Mortgagee, dated February 14, 2004 and recorded April 6, 2004 in Liber 986, Page 1497, Tuscola County Records, Michigan and was subsequently assigned to: HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2004-HE2, Asset Backed Pass-Through Ceruficates, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-One Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$192,471.39), including interest 6.95% 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, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI at 10:00AM. on Thursday, December 23, 2004. Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as

Part of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 11 North, Range 08 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said section; thence South 88 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West, 907.00 feet (recorded as South 88 degrees 46 minutes 13 seconds West) along the East-West 1/4 line of said section: thence South 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, 289.01 feet parallel with the East line of said section to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, 288.50 feet parallel with the East line of said section: thence South 88 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West, 754.94 feet parallel with the East-West 1/4 line of said section: thence North 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds West, 288.50 feet parallel with the East line of said section; thence North 88 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East 754.94 feet parallel with the East-West 1/4 line of said section to the point of beginning. Said parcel contains 5.00 acres more or less and is subject to any and all easements, restrictions, and/ or rights-of-way, whether used, implied or of record. Together with and subject to a non-exclusive for ingress and egress described as follows: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner, Section 14, Town 11 North, Range 08 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence South 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, 132.00 feet along the East line of said section to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, 66.00 feet along the East line of said section; thence South 88 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West, 400.00 feet (recorded as South 88 degrees 46 minutes 13 seconds West) parallel to the East-West 1/4 line of said section: thence South 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, 124.00 feet parallel to the East line of said section; thence South 88 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds West, 707.00 feet parallel to the East-West 1/4 line of said section; thence North 00 degrees 35 min-utes 47 seconds West, 66.00 feet parallel to the East line of said section; thence North 88 degrees 45 minutes 14 seconds East, 641.00 feet parallel to the East-West 1/4 line of said section; thence North 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds West 124.00 feet parallel to the East line of said section; thence North 88 degrees 45

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

> 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 Charles Taylor, a married man, original mortgagors, to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated September 21, 2001 and recorded on November 8, 2001 in Liber 847 on Page 1207, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Mortgage Company, an Ohio Corporation as assignee by an assignment dated March 1, 2002 and recorded on March 5, 2003 in Liber 918 on Page 112 in Tuscola County

Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Seven Hundred Seven and 56/100 Dollars (\$106,707.56), 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 January 20, 2005.

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

Part of the South half of the Southeast quarter of Section 29, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, Indianfields Township. Tuscola County, Michigan. Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 29 that is 316.56 feet, North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West from the Southeast corner of said Section 29; thence continuing North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on said South line of Section 29, 200.00 feet; thence North 0 degrees 28 minutes 40 seconds West 380.00 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 200.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 28 minutes 40 seconds East, 380.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 22, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Chase Mortgage Company, an Ohio Corporation 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #005922F02

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. that event, your damages, if any sl

IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

made by Donald A. Teddy and Sandra L. Teddy, his wife, original mortgagors, to Citizens Bank, A Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 17, 1998 and recorded on July 6, 1998 in Liber 744 on Page 035 in Tuscola County Records. Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hun-

dred Eighty and 97/100 Dollars (\$57,180.97), including interest at 7.125% per annum Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village

of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 6, 2005 Said premises are situated in Township of Denmark, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9. Town 12 North, Range 7 East; thence West 210.00 feet; thence North 230.00 feet; thence East 210.00 feet; thence South 230.00 feet to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale Dated: December 1, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION. PLEASE CALL: FC C (248) 593-1301 Trott & Trott. P.C.

Attorneys For Citizens Bank, A Michigan Banking Corporation 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #020054F02

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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 SUE ELLEN WOOD, A SINGLE WOMAN, to HOME LOAN AND INVESTMENT BANK FSB, Mortgagee, dated January 23, 2001 and recorded on February 15, 2001 in Liber 0821 on Page 1235 in TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to LASALLE BANK NA-TIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR THE HOLDERS OF MERRIL LYNCH MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST SE

RIES 2002-AFC1, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of twenty one thousand seven hundred sixty five and 63/100 Dol-12-22-4 lars (\$21,765.63), including interest at 13.100% per annum.

> Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola, MI, at 10:00 AM on January 20, 2005.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OB TAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Randall S Valentine and Angela Valentine, husband and wife, of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Flagstar Bank, FSB, dated the 1st day of November, A.D. 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 8th day of November, A.D. 1999 in Liber 786 of Tuscola County Records on Page 1450. on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$59,718.04 (Fifty-Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Four Cents), including interest thereon at 7.12% (Seven Point

One Two Percent) per annum And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage. and pursuant to the statue of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of January, A.D. 2005 at 10:00 o'clock said mortgage will be forcelosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Village of Mayville in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit Commencing at a point 12 Rods North of the Northeast corner of Block 9. Village of Mayville; thence West 8 Rods;

thence North 4 Rods; thence East 8 Rods; thence South 4 Rods to the place of beginning, being a part of the Southeast Ouarter of the Southwest Ouarter of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 9 East.

Tax ID: 79-040-025-000-0800-00

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

Dated: December 22, 2004

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO.. L.P.A. By: Daniel E. Best (P58501 Attorney for Assignee of Mortgage Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A 755 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820

Troy. Michigan 48084 WWR#04019889 12-22-5

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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

man, original mortgagor, to Coldwell Banker Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated October 1 2003 and recorded on October 13, 2003 in Liber 959 on Page 859 ir. Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Four and 46/100 Dollars (\$150,434.46), including interest at

5.846% 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 January 6, 2005.

Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel B: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 11 North, Range 8 East,

Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan being further described as follows Commencing at the East 1/4 of said section: thence North 01 degrees 25 minutes 37 seconds West 680.60 feet along the East line of said Section to the point of beginning; thence South 88 degrees 39 minutes 43 seconds West, 736.50 feet thence North 01 degree 19 minutes 17 seconds West, 401.70 feet parallel with the East 1/8 line of said section; thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 43 seconds East, 735.76 feet to a point on the East line of said section; thence South 01 degree 25 minutes 37 seconds East 401 70 feet along the East line of said Section to

the point of beginning. Also with a 33 foot wide easement for ingress and egress and public utilities. for the exclusive use of Parcel A, being further described as follows: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section; thence North (11 degree 25 minutes 37 seconds West, 1049.30 feet along the East line of said Section to the point of beginning thence South 88 degrees 39 minutes 43 seconds West. 735.77 feet; thence North

33.00 feet: thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 43 seconds East, 735.76 feet to a point on the East line of said Section; thence South 01 degree 25 minutes 37 seconds East, 33.00 feet along the East line of said Section to the point of beginning. Said parcel also subject to any and all easements, restrictions and/or rights of way whether used, implied or of record

01 degree 19 minutes 17 seconds West,

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

Dated: December 1, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC F (248) 593-1313 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Cendant Mortgage Corporation d/b/a Coldwell Banker Mortgage 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #041042F01

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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

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Page 1184. Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty Three Thou sand Two Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$153,200.00), including interest at 10.8% 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, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI on January 6, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

Said premises are situated in the Town ship of Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as

Commencing 231 feet North of the Southeast corner of Section 9. Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence West 297 feet; thence North 88 feet; thence East 297 feet; thence South 88 feet to the point of beginning.

Tax map or Parcel ID No.: 041-009-000-1000-00

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 22, 2004

Michael M. Grand, Esq. GRAND & GRAND, PLLC 31731 Northwestern Hwy., #151 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 538-3737 66941

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IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

12-1-5

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rose Marie Cook and Harry J Cook, husband and wife, to EquiVantage. Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 10, 1998 and recorded December 11, 1998 in Liber 758. Page 297, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by JP Morgan Chase Bank, as Trustee un der the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of May 1, 2004, among Credit-**Based Asset Servicing and Securitization** LLC, C-BASS ABS, LLC, Litton Loan Servicing LP and JP Morgan Chase Bank, C-BASS Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Certificated, series 2004-RP1 by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Nineteen and 29/100 Dollars (\$55,419.30), including interest at the rate of 9.45% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County. Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on January 13, 2005

The premises are located in the City of Cass, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are

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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 Ricardo Garza, a married man. and Amy Garza, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registraion Systems, Inc, Mortgagee, dated August 26, 2003 and recorded on Novem ber 4, 2003 in Liber 962 on Page 837 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Eight and 56/100 Dollars (\$105,928.56), including interest at 8.5%

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 Jahuary 6, 2005. Said premises are situated in Township of Arbela, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 82.5 feet of the North 247.5 48746.

feet of the North 1/2 of the East 4/5 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 29, Township 10 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: December 8, 2004

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #042428F01

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12-8-4

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 Linda Heinz, a married woman, and Predrick Heinz, her husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee. dated February 24, 2003 and recorded on February 28, 2003 in Liber 918 on Page 11 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-

office at the number listed below MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Arnold L. Chema and Stacey R. Chema, Husband and Wife, to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, a Dela-

This firm is a debt collector attempting

to collect a debt. Any information ob-

tained will be used for this purpose. If

you are in the Military, please contact our

ware Corporation Mortgagee, dated Au-gust 6, 2001 and recorded October 22, 2001 in Liber 844, Page 384, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars and Twenty-Eight Cents (\$123,189,28), including interest 9.75% per annum

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclesed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front enrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County. MI at 10:00AM on Thursday, January 6, 2005.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Township 10 North, Range 7 East, described as the East 100 feet of the East 1/ 2 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Southwest 1/4, except the North 60 rods thereof, and the West 106 feet of the South 20 rods of the Southeast 1/4 of said Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12. Commonly known as 6388 West Millington, Millington MI

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 29, 2004

Ameriquest Mortgage Company Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd., Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 04-29964

12-8-5

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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 Jodi Ann Quick, a single woman. original mortgagor. to Homeowners Loan Corp., a Delaware Corporation, Mon-gagee, dated April 12, 2003 and recorded on August 4, 2003 in Liber 947 on Page 268 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. as assignce by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Three and 03/100

minutes 14 seconds East 466.00 feet par- allel to the East-West 1/4 line of said sec-	In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid	OF FAIRGROVE, TUSCOLA County, Michigan and are described as:	more that the conditions of a more age made in the conditions of a more age made by Brian Riley, a/k/a Brian K. Riley	be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.	Cass, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:	enty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty- Nine and 45/100 Dollars (\$75,959.45), including interest at 6% per annum.	Two Hundred Thirty-Three and 03/100 Dollars (\$58,233.03), including interest at 10.67% per annum.
tion to the point of beginning.	amount tendered at sale, plus interest.	LOT TEN (10), BLOCK ONE (1), OF	and Twila Hart, as Joint Tenants, a Single	MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been	Commencing at a point 443 feet East of		
The redemption period shall be 12 months	MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been	PHILLIPS ADDITION TO THE VIL-	Man and a Single Woman, original mort-	made in the conditions of a mortgage	the Southwest corner of the East half of	Under the power of sale contained in said	Under the power of sale contained in said
from the date of such sale, unless deter-	made in the conditions of a mortgage	LAGE OF FAIRGROVE, ACCORDING	gagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corpora- tion, Mortgagee, dated May 4, 2001 and	made by Mary D. Gibbs. a single woman.	the Southeast quarter of Section 24, Town	mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given	mortgage and the statute in such case
mined abandoned in accordance with	made by Timothy A. Jansen, a single man,	TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF	recorded on January 8, 2002 in Liber 855	original mortgagor, to Icon Financial	14 North, Range 10 East; running thence North 180 feet; thence East 190 feet;	that said mortgage will be foreclosed by	made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by
1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the	and Valarie D. Blackmer, a single woman,	The redemption period shall be 6 months	on Page 1159, and assigned by said Mort-	Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 14, 2001 and recorded on February 21,	thence South 180 feet; thence West 190	a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some	a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some
redemption period shall be 30 days from	original mortgagors, to Mortgage Elec- tronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mort-	from the date of such sale, unless deter-	gagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage	2001 in Liber 822 on Page 113, and re-	feet to the point of beginning.	part of them, at public venue, at the Front	part of them, at public venue, at the Front
the date of such sale.	gagee, dated August 9, 2002 and recorded	mined abandoned in accordance with	Corporation as assignce by an assignment dated May 4, 2001 and recorded on Feb-	recorded on April 23, 2001 in Liber 829		entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM,	entrance to the Courthouse in the Village
Dated: NOVEMBER 16, 2004	on August 21, 2002 in Liber 890 on Page	1948CL 600.3241a in which case the re-	ruary 20, 2002 in Liber 865 on Page 977	on Page 457, and assigned by said Mort-	The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the	on January 6, 2005.	of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 6, 2005.
	1066 in Tuscola County Records, Michi-	demption period shall be 30 days from	in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on	gagee to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. as assignee by an assignment dated	property is determined abandoned in ac-	-	on sandary 0, 2003.
HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee for	gan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of	the date of such sale.	which mortgage there is claimed to be due	February 19, 2001 and recorded on Feb-	cordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in	Said premises are situated in Township	Said premises are situated in Township
the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series	Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred	DATED: December 22, 2004	at the date hereof the sum of One Hun- dred Twenty-Seven Thousand One Hun-	ruary 21, 2001 in Liber 822 on Page 128.	which case the redemption period shall	of Indianfields, Tuscola County, Michi- gan, and are described as:	of Indianfields, Tuscola County, Michi-
2004-HE2, Asset Backed Pass-Through	Ninety-One and 35/100 Dollars		dred Three and 16/100 Dollars	and re-recorded on April 23, 2001 in Liber	be 30 days from the date of the sale.	gan, and the described us.	gan, and are described as:
Certificates, Assignee of Mortgagee	(\$57,191.35), including interest at 6.25%	Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. 401 South Old Woodward Avenue, Suite	(\$127,103.16), including interest at 7.5%	829 on Page 472 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage	TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclos-	Lot 9, Block 7 of W.M. E. Sherman's	Lot 8, Block 2, of W.E. Sherman's Addi-
Automation & Associator BC	per annum.	300	per annum.	there is claimed to be due at the date	ing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the	Addition to the Village of Caro,	tion to the Village of Caro, according to
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd., Suite 100	Under the power of sale contained in said	Birmingham, MI 48009-6616	Under the power of sale contained in said	hereof the sum of Forty-Three Thousand	event a 3rd party buys the property and	Indianfields Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 11 of	the Plat recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds,
Rochester Hills, MI 48307	mortgage and the statute in such case		mortgage and the statute in such case	Seven Hundred Seventy-Three and 95/	there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if	Deeds, Page 491 of Tuscola County	Page 491, except 1 Rod off the North- west end of said Lot 8. Village of Caro,
(248) 844-5123	made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by	ATTORNEY FOR: LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS	made and provided, notice is hereby given	100 Dollars (\$43,773.95), including in- terest at 8,125% per annum.	any, are limited solely to the return of the	Records.	Tuscola County, Michigan.
Our File No: 04-29755	a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some	TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR THE	that said mortgage will be foreclosed by	refest at 0,12570 per aunam.	bid amount tendered at sale.	The endersetion and shall be 6 months	
11-24-5	part of them, at public venue, at the Front	HOLDERS OF MERRIL LYNCH	a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front	Under the power of sale contained in said	Dated: December 15, 2004	The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-	The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-
	entrance to the Courthouse in the Village	MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST SE-	entrance to the Courthouse in the Village	mortgage and the statute in such case	Dated. December 13, 2004	mined abandoned in accordance with	mined abandoned in accordance with
	of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 20, 2005.	RIES 2002-AFC1 Assignee of Mortgagee	of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM.	made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by	ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC	MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the re-	MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the re-
	on sanuary 20, 2003.	mongagee of mongagee	on January 20, 2005.	a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some	Attorneys for JP Morgan Chase Bank, as	demption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.	demption period shall be 30 days from
STATE OF MICHIGAN	Said premises are situated in Township	For More Information Call: (248) 540-	Said premises are situated in Township	part of them, at public venue, at the Front	Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of May 1, 2004,	the date of such sale.	the date of such sale.
54th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FOR THE	of Fremont, Tuscola County, Michigan,	7701	of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan.	entrance to the Courthouse in the Village	among Credit-Based Asset Servicing and	Dated: December 1, 2004	Dated: December 8, 2004
COUNTY OF TUSCOLA	and are described as:	12-22-4	and are described as:	of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 6, 2005.	Securitization LLC, C-BASS ABS, LLC,	THE MODE DECENTION DURAGE	
Case No. 04-22643-CH	Commencing at a point on the Section		Land beginning 8 Rods South of the		Litton Loan Servicing LP and JP Mor-	FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:	FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE
	line 330 feet East of the Northwest cor-		Northeast Corner of Block 33; thence	Said premises are situated in Village of	gan Chase Bank, C-BASS Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Certificated, series	· FC X (248) 593-1302	CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
National City Mortgage Company, Plain-	ner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 8, Town 11 North, Range		West 8 rods; thence South 4 Rods; thence	Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:	2004-RPI, As Assignee	Trott & Trott, P.C.	Trott & Trott, P.C.
uu.	9 East; thence South at right angles 208	Chase Manhattan v.	West 10 Rods; thence South 9 1/2 Rods; thence East 18 Rods; thence North 13 1/			Attorneys For Mortgage Electronic Reg- istration Systems, Inc.	Attorneys For Countrywide Home Loans,
v .	feet; thence East 208 feet; thence North	Maschke Legal	2 Rods to the place of beginning. Except-	Lot 9, Block 3, Wilmot and Walker's	P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041	30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200	Inc. 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Anu and all unknown alaimants, owners	208 feet; thence West to the point of be-	Maschke Legar	ing the East 33 Feet thereof the Plat of	Addition to the Village of Caro as re- corded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 9, Tuscola	(248) 457-1000	Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822	Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
Any and all unknown claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, or assignees of unknown	ginning. Subject to easements, restric- tions, and reservations of record, if any.	STATE OF MICHIGAN	the Village Fostoria according to the Plat	County Records, AND commencing at	File No. 213.0270	File #041528F01	File #029379F02
claimants or owners to the manufactured	2010, 100 10001 - 2010 01 - 100 - 10	54th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FOR THE	thereof as Recorded in Liber 1 of Plats on Page 45 A.	the Southeast corner of said Lot 9, Block	12-15-5	12-1-4	12-8-4
home located at 2900 O'Brien, Mayville,	The redemption period shall be 6 months	COUNTY OF TUSCOLA	·	3. thence South 2 rods, thence West 4 rods, thence North 2 rods, thence East 4			
MI 48744, Defendant.	from the date of such sale, unless deter- mined abandoned in accordance with	Case No. 04-022620 CH-J	The redemption period shall be 6 months	rods, the place of beginning, Section 3,	N.		
Katherine W. MacKenzie (P63550)	MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the re-		from the date of such sale, unless deter- mined abandoned in accordance with	Town 12 North, Range 9 East, Tuscola	DIAL ()	(all for	
Trott & Trott, P.C.	demption period shall be 30 days from	ORDER FOR ALTERNATE SERVICE	MCLA 600.3241a. in which case the re-	County Records	STATION DE	(viting with)	
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200	the date of such sale.						
Dinaham Earns MI 48075		Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee of	demption period shall be 30 days from	The redemption period shall be 6 months	SUN WILL SEL		
Bingham Farms, MI 48025 (248) 594-5418	Dated: December 22, 2004	Chuse Manhattan Bank, as Trustee of IMC Home Equity Loan Trust 1998-1	the date of such sale.	The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless deter-			
(248) 594-5418				from the date of such sale, unless deter- mined abandoned in accordance with			
(248) 594-5418 ORDER FOR ALTERNATE SERVICE	FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE	IMC Home Equity Loan Trust 1998-1 Plaintiff	the date of such sale. Dated: December 22, 2004	from the date of such sale, unless deter- mined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the re-			
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(248) 594-5418 ORDER FOR ALTERNATE SERVICE This complaint was filed in order to es- tablish ownership of the manufactured home located at 2900 O'Brien Road, Mayville, MI 48744. All parties having an interest in this property must file a re- sponse to the complaint in the Tuscola County Circuit Court within 28 days of	FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC R (248) 593-1305 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Mortgage Electronic Reg- istration Systems, Inc. 30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822	IMC Home Equity Loan Trust 1998-1 Plaintiff v. Norval Maschke and Hazel Maschke Defendant Howard & Howard Stephanie M. Smith (P66526)	the date of such sale. Dated: December 22, 2004 FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Chase Manhattan Mort- gage Corporation	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 the date of such sale. Dated: December 8, 2004 FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:		Make illowo	
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Manager leaving Cass City

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in the position immediately because of the January 2006 deadline to meet new federal guidelines restricting the amount of acceptable levels of arsenic in public water supplies. The new maximum level is 10 parts per billion, and Cass City's water typically tests at 16 to 17 parts per billion.

now being exerted on municipalities by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), which last week informed officials that they intend to enter into administrative consent orders requiring local governments to meet specific timelines to meet the new federal standards or face daily fines of \$500, Althaver said.

Add to that the pressure "I didn't sign on for this job to be a village manager," he added. "I'm not comfortable dealing with engineers directly.

> We need to be sharp cility will be up and running on time, although the village at every turn. We're talking about spending something is making significant progress. over a 7-figure amount (on arsenic treatment), and the DEQ isn't going to care looking for; progress towards the goal," he added. "It's about whether we've lost our

Sheridan: time to move on

"I'm not able to read this

group," Sheridan said. "

don't feel I have the full faith

and confidence of the coun-

cil, and that they should

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retired 22-year U.S. Army veteran, he left Oregon and moved to Michigan in 1997 to accept a job as assistant city manager in Wixom. Sheridan left that job in October 2001 to accept the manager position in Cass City.

Sheridan said he has enjoyed his time here, but felt it was time to leave, in part due to a lack of direction on the part of the village council in recent months. He at- choose a village manager to

Letters to the editor

lage limits.

A nomination for **Cass City's Man of** the Year -- Burtch

Nomination for Cass City's Man of the Year - Doug Burtch, conductor of the Cass City High School Band. He and his musicians are

putting Cass City on the map. The holiday concert at Standish Dec. 18 was unbelievable. Many citizens made the trip and were so proud of the appearance and musical performance of the students and their leaders

Do yourself a favor, go hear one or more of our bands (last count there were seven of them), I don't remember ever having tears of joy at a band concert before.

Thank you Mr. Burtch, Miss King and band members. It is indeed a good time to be a Red Hawk.

Sincerely, Elaine Proctor, Cass City

tributes much of that to the lead them in the direction fact that the council that they want to go." "There's friction," he said. hired him 3 years ago no

'The community doesn't longer exists - a majority of need that, the employees the council members opted don't need that. That's a not to seek reelection last spring, another resigned and good reason to pull out. "We have different visions another was forced to resign of how we should be workafter moving outside the vil-

ing.' Sheridan's 3-year tenure

has had its share of controversy, particularly a battle with members of Cass City VFW Post 3644 over a patriotic mural painted on the post's annex building. Sheridan felt the painting amounted to a wall sign and required a sign permit and variance under local ordi-

nances. In spite of the controversy, Sheridan said he's pleased with what he's accomplished in the village, including taking measures to reduce fund deficits, and work that is paving the way for a federally mandated treatment plant to remove arsenic from the

village's water supply. He said he will miss Cass City. "I think what I'll miss most are the employees," he added. "I like the commu-

nity. I enjoy living here. I didn't really want to move. I like the people, the business community. It's a very comfortable place to live."

Sheridan, who interviewed in Oregon during a vacation in early October, was also up for the job of village manager in Holly, Mich. The village council there offered him the position, but he turned it

problem." Should the council hire a permanent replacement for Sheridan with less experience 6 months down the road, LaPonsie could assist that individual in making the transition, according to Althaver, who acknowledged that under this scenario, there would be some overlap in terms of paying 2 salaries temporarily.

manager or not."

Sheridan said it's difficult to

say for certain whether Cass

City's arsenic treatment fa-

"That's what they're (DEQ)

touch and go right now

whether we can do it (build the plant) this construction

season. If everything goes

right, we'll break ground in

August. If everything

doesn't go right, it will be

April 2006. Therein is our

Trustee Don Richards, who voted against making any hiring decision immediately, voiced concern over the cost involved. He said he also would like to explore other

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"There's wisdom in not acting too hastily and without having all the facts," Richards said. "You're making the assumption that Lou is the only one with that qualification. I want to know more before I authorize it, personally."

Althaver, however, urged the council to move reasonably quickly.

Trustee Dawn Karr agreed, noting LaPonsie is already familiar with Cass City, its employees and its facilities. "I really think that if we don't move today, we're going to lose some valuable transition time," she said. Following the vote in favor

of entering into negotiations with LaPonsie, the council agreed to finalize the deal during a special meeting scheduled for Monday, Dec. 27, at 7 p.m. at the munici-

pal building. In other business during the 75-minute session, the council scheduled another special meeting for Monday, Jan. 31, to meet with the village's

engineers and bond attorney to review the status of Cass City's arsenic treatment plan.

THERE WERE plenty of young shoppers filling their lists during the Santa's Secret Workshop, held in the Cass City Middle School cafeteria. Proceeds raised during the 2-day event help to pay for the annual eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C.



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