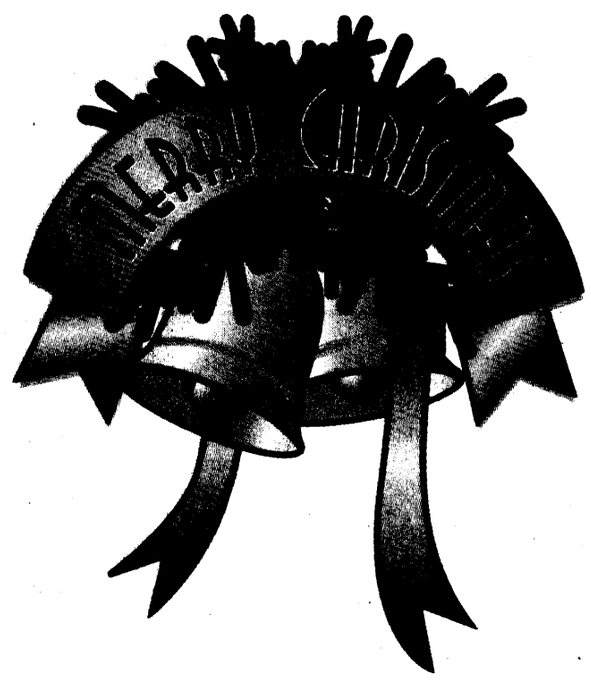

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**A SNOWSTORM THAT dumped nearly 6 inches of snow in the Cass City area Thursday closed schools and left area roadways slick. Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies responded to this rollover accident on Cemetery Road, just north of Cass City, Thursday morning. Deputies reported the driver, Stephanie Jamieson, 16, Cass City, was not hurt.**

## Cass City board buys 2 buses

The savings provided by new 77-passenger buses were so compelling that the Cass City Board of Education reluctantly authorized the purchase of 2 new buses from Hoekstra, Inc. of Troy at its regular meeting Monday night at the high school.

Hoekstra was low from among 4 bidders for 2 77-passenger units, each costing $61,157. A 65-passenger low bus bid was $58,946, also from Hoekstra.

Supt. Ken Micklash said the difference in cost with the larger unit could pay for itself in 2 years by eliminating one of the trips to the Skill Center where 2 smaller buses are used.

That is just one of the savings. Parts for the 1991 and 1992 buses are expensive and getting very hard to find and maintenance costs will continue to escalate, it was revealed at an earlier meeting by Rich Sattelberg, bus mechanic. It is estimated that the new units will have a fuel savings over the older units being replaced that will save the school about $1,300 a year.

The 2 oldest buses, a 1991 and a 1992 model will be sold to Kalamazoo Recycling for $1,150 and $1,250 respectively. Hoekstra offered $750 each as a trade-in.

While the new buses make economic sense, it makes balancing the budget much more difficult. The budgeted deficit will now be some $50,000 greater than the $500,000 anticipated. The cost of one of the buses was included in the original budget.

The cash crisis also entered into replacing the secretary at the Campbell Elementary School. After considerable discussion it was decided to post the position internally with the stipulation that the job could be lost at the end of the current school year as the board wrestles with the deficit.

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## O-G preparing to meet new graduation standards

Owen-Gage School officials are preparing to meet new, tougher graduation standards recently approved by the Michigan Board of Education.

It won't be easy, and smaller school districts are facing even bigger challenges both in terms of money to finance curriculums and the teaching staffs to provide the education. However, meeting the new standards will be possible through cooperation with other districts in the same boat.

That was the message Owen-Gage School Supt. Dana Compton offered his board of education during an informational discussion of the topic Monday night.

"We're going to have to be more creative and more cooperative than we've ever been before to meet these standards," Compton said. "What we have to do is work together to make that happen."

Under the new requirements, Compton explained, students will be required to complete 4 years of English and language arts; one year each of Algebra I and Algebra II plus a senior math class; biology, physics or chemistry and an additional, third year of science; 3 years of social studies; 2 years of world (foreign) language; one year of health or physical education; and one year of visual/performing arts.

"A lot of these requirements — we already have these as graduation requirements," Compton noted. The challenge for smaller schools, he said, will be to find a way to pay for expanded curriculums. "The solution to this is, is that we (smaller districts) work together."

One possible solution is that 2 or 3 districts could share an instructor, Compton suggested.

At the same time, he continued, school officials need to focus on serving the needs of all students, including those who are not bound for college.

"What's going to happen is, if every student is pushed into this set of academic courses, you're drop-out numbers are going to increase," he said.

Compton said he believes the state board will allow some latitude and time in meeting the new standards when it comes to developing career education-technology education programs. And that's what schools will have to do in order to provide an equally solid but different line of study for students who can go on to be successful even if they don't pursue a college degree.

"But in order to be compliant, we're going to have to have a very strong program for these students to follow the career ed track," Compton said. We're all go-

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### In Caro robberies

## *Teen faces 32 counts*

Investigators say a Tuscola County teen who went on an armed robbery spree last week in Caro was already in trouble with the law before he made his first stop.

John R. Prosser, 18, of Fairgrove, was arraigned last week in Tuscola County District Court on 32 charges stemming from the robberies of 4 businesses Monday night, Dec. 12.

Topping the list are 4 counts of armed robbery, a felony punishable by up to life in prison. He also faces 4 counts each of larceny from a person, transporting/receiving and concealing a stolen firearm; transporting/receiving and concealing stolen ammunition, carrying a concealed weapon, larceny in a building, and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

And, prosecutors say they plan to file additional charges related to stolen firearms and ammunition.

Prosser faces a preliminary examination in district court Thursday. Bond in the case has been set at $1 million cash.

Police say Prosser's crime spree lasted for about 35 minutes, starting with the robbery of the Rite-Aid Pharmacy on the east side of the village. He then hit an Admiral gas station on the west end before circling back and robbing the Speedway West Service Station and then Family video, all at gunpoint.

Caro police officers, assisted by Tuscola County

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## Christmas for kids

### *Rotary brightens holidays for families*

Christmas morning will be a lot merrier this year for dozens of area youngsters thanks, once again, to the Cass City Rotary Club.

Club members took over the former Toys for Tots program in Cass City several years ago, and since then have utilized plenty of teamwork to make the holidays special for youngsters who might otherwise not have much under their Christmas trees.

This year's campaign wrapped up Saturday with the last of 2 days of sorting and packing toys at the Curtis Chrysler dealership in Cass City. Club members were scheduled to distribute the toys along with clothing items Tuesday.

"It's going very well. It's (number of families served) probably going to be around 100," Pat Curtis said Friday of this year's campaign. He along with Colleen Langenburg and Mary Cunningham head up the Rotary Club's Christmas for Kids Committee.

*"That's one project for Rotary that everybody gets involved in, willingly."*

The club annually relies not only on donations of toys collected in boxes throughout downtown businesses, but also cash contributions from individuals and organizations.

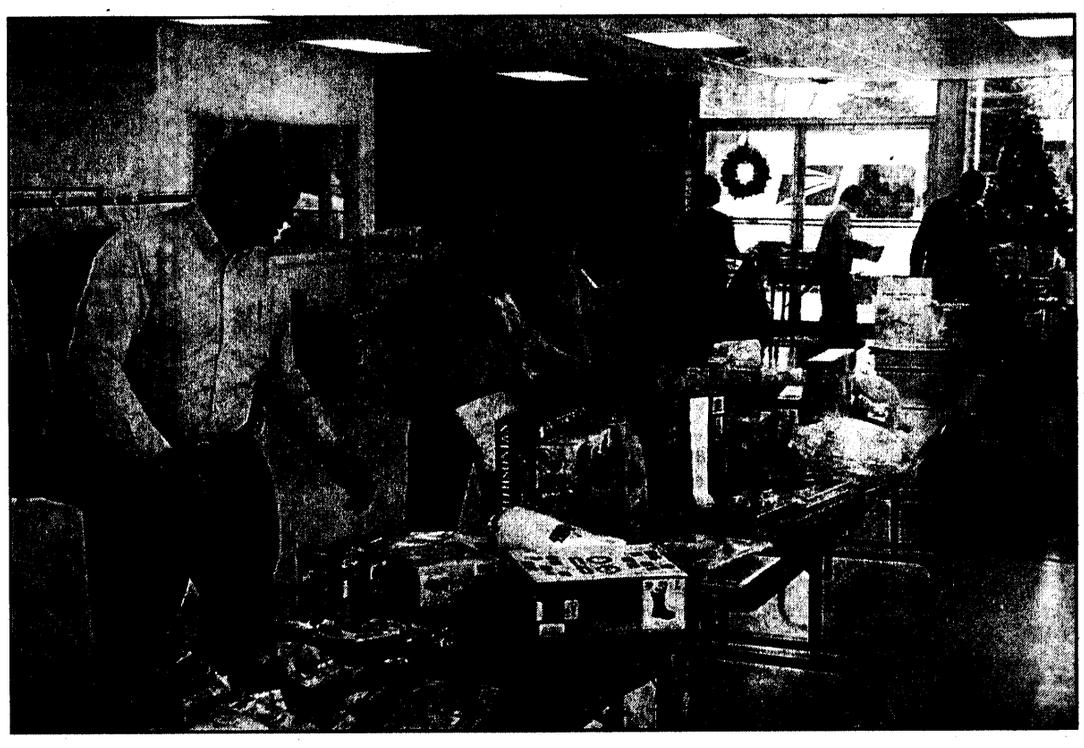
Judging by this year's toy sorting sessions, there will be no lack of presents for needy children.

"It's going great. As far as the toy contributions, I would say it's been better this year," Langenburg commented, noting students at Cass City High School have again come through with a load of toys they collected. "That helps a lot."

The distribution day is always a highlight for Rotary Club members, according to Curtis.

"We get a lot of thank-yous. People will come in in tears saying they didn't know what they were going to do," he said. "So, it's a great program.

"That's one project for Rotary that everybody gets involved in, willingly," Curtis said. "That's one project everybody loves."



**MEMBERS OF THE Cass City Rotary Club, including (above, foreground) David Osentoski and Michelle Hill gathered at Curtis Chrysler in Cass City Saturday morning to finish the task of sorting and packing toys, clothing and other items. The club's Christmas for Kids program has been helping to make Christmas merrier for hundreds of area families over the past several years.**

# Holbrook Area News

Mrs. Thelma Jackson
Phone 989-269-6994

Twelve members and one guest of the Greenleaf Extended Homemakers group met at Northwood Meadows for lunch Thursday. After lunch, Christmas bingo was played and there was a Christmas gift exchange. Each member brought a donation for the Baby Pantry in Bad Axe. The next meeting will be Jan. 12 at Northwood Meadows in Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western and Allen Farrelly met at the home of Margaret Cook for donuts and coffee.

Edith Jackson was a Tuesday guest of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mrs. Bryce Hagen was among a group of the Ubly Presbyterian Church Ladies for a potluck supper at the home of Matt and Marie Jurgess. The Secret Service Sisters revealed their 2005 sister and gifts were exchanged for Christmas Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka were Sunday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Particka, Matt and Andrew of Adrian.

The Traveling Breakfast Club met Thursday morning at Coffee Cup Plus in Bad Axe. They will meet at the home of Mrs. Harold Ballagh in Cass City next week.

Mrs. Ray Depcinski was among a group who attended the Over 50 Club Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 13, at Oswald Hall. After the rosary was said, a chicken dinner and potluck dinner was served. After the dinner was served, a meeting was held with a $3 Christmas gift exchange and Bingo was played. The next meeting will be in April.

Sandy Cleland of Alabama, Steve Saubaugh of Troy, Barbara Minick of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sturgil, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cleland of Bad Axe, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Cleland and family, and Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cleland of Bad Axe. Sandy Cleland of Alabama is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Cleland and a former resident of this community.

Rick Shuart and Allen Farrelly helped deliver food from the Care and Share Program in Bad Axe Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen attended the Ubly School Christmas Program Wednesday.

Bernard Morley, Jack Kennedy, Claude Mestack, Tom Talaski and Allen Farrelly met at McDonald's in Bad Axe Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Depcinski for birthday cake and ice cream for Brooke's 7th birthday.

Allen Farrelly and Dan Franzel attended the Lions Club dinner at the Franklin Inn Monday evening and later went to the health center for their Christmas party.

Visitors to see Thelma Jackson were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hurford of Cass City, Mr. and Mrs. John Pechett, Mrs. Ray Depcinski, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. William Goodell, Laura and Amy at Lincolnshire, Ill.

Allen Farrelly visited Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel Friday.

**Holbrook News - Delayed**

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hurford, Grant and Jenilee of Attica, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kotz, Landon and Mikayla of Waylands, Debbie Siebel, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Damm, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson, Thelma Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Rubey and Paul, and Clara Bond were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hurford of Cass City.

Mrs. Ray Depcinski and Mrs. Allen Depcinski attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Olive Booms, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, at 11 a.m., Thursday.

June Rutz of Sterling Heights, Allen Farrelly and Doris Western were Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Krozek, Ryan and Samantha of Filion, Donald and Nancy Carpenter of Caro, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski were Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Carpenter, Michael, Jessica and Timothy of Caro.

Ida Sageman was a recent visitor of Thelma Jackson.

## Christmas service slated

The Novesta Church of Christ, 2896 Cemetery Rd., Cass City, will host a family-oriented Christmas Eve service beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The evening will feature several family groups sharing, special music, the reading of the Christmas story, communion and congregational singing of Christmas carols.

The public is welcome. For more information, call (989) 872-3658.

Dawn & Matthew Bussey

## Enderle and Bussey wed

Dawn Marie Enderle and Matthew David Bussey were married at a Christian ceremony Nov. 5, 2005 at the Cass City United Methodist Church, Cass City. The Rev. Alice Sheffield and the Rev. George Ward officiated the ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Frank Enderle.

The maid of honor was Laura Enderle, sister of the bride. The bridesmaids were Nickki Zinger, friend of the bride; Sheri Justin and Kim Ulrich, both cousins of the bride. The junior bridesmaids were Kayla and Allison Jamieson, step-sisters of the bride. The flower girl was Summer Gilliam, cousin of the bride.

The best man was Andrew Bussey, brother of the groom. The groomsmen were John Bussey, brother of the groom; John Taylor and Joshua Hansen, both friends of the groom. The ring bearer was Gabrial Sweeney, cousin of the bride.

The ushers were Tim Blome, uncle of the bride; and Randy Davis, fiend of the groom. The soloist was David Good. Scripture readers were Joshua Errer and Steve Pridemore. The pianist was Tanya Evans.

Three hundred guests attended the reception held at the Ubly Heights Golf and Country Club.

The bride is the daughter of Frank Enderle of Bay City and Ron and Arlene Jamieson of Cass City. The groom is the son of Mike and Marcia Bussey of Wheaton, Ill.

The couple spent a week-long honeymoon in St. Thomas and then returned to duty. Matt is currently deployed on a submarine in the Persian Gulf with the U.S. Navy, and Dawn is deployed with the U.S. Army stationed in Germany. They hope to return to their home in Georgia in a year.

## 25 attend auxiliary meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary was held Nov. 28, at Northwood Meadows, with 22 members and 3 guests attending.

The guest speaker was Ron Pawloski from the maintenance department at Hills and Dales General Hospital. His presentation was on fire safety. He explained how drills were set up and the appropriate response of auxiliary members. He also emphasized the importance of knowing the location and correct use of fire extinguishers.

Following a special project, "TY" patriotic beanies were sent to our servicemen and women. Our local VFW provided the shipment. The auxiliary also voted to support Cass City Rotary's "Christmas for Kids."

The next blood drive will be Jan. 17.

The annual raffle and bake sale was held in the lobby of the hospital Dec. 2. Winners of the prizes were first prize-Jo Ashmore, second prize-Sara Brandmair, third prize-Carol Rutkoski, fourth prize-Georgia Hammett, fifth prize-Gwen McLachlin, sixth prize-Celia House, seventh prize-Nina Davis, eighth prize-Donna Schuette, ninth prize-Marilyn Peters, tenth prize-Dot Knight, eleventh prize-Annette Pinney, and twelfth prize-Barb Doerr.

The next meeting will be held at Northwood Meadows, Jan. 23. Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m., with the meeting to begin at 12:30 p.m.

Meg's Peg

## Senior Christmas

by Melva E. Guinther

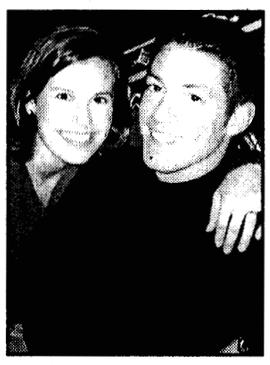
If you can't laugh at yourself, even about senility, you're really in a bad way.

Fred MacKay sent the following take-off to The Night Before Christmas. Don't laugh too hard, because as the anonymous author points out, we soon may be there.

ROCK-AWAY REST
HOME CHRISTMAS

'Twas the night before Christmas at Rock-Away Rest,
And all of us seniors were looking our best.
Our glasses, how sparkly, our wrinkles, how merry;
Our punch bowl held prune juice plus 3 drops of sherry.
A bedsock was taped to each walker, in hope
That Santa would bring some soft candy and soap.
We surely were lucky to be here with friends,
Secure in this residence in our Depends.
Our grandkids had sent us some Christmasy crafts,
Like angels in snowsuits and penguins on rafts.
The dental assistant had borrowed our teeth,
And from them she'd crafted a holiday wreath.
The bedpans, so shiny, all stood in a row,
Reflecting our candle's magnificent glow.
Our supper so festive - the joy wouldn't stop -
Was creamy warm oatmeal with sprinkles on top.
Our salad was Jell-o, so jiggly and great,
Then puree of fruitcake was spooned on each plate.
he social director then had us play games,
Like "Where Are You Living?" and "What Are Your Names?"
Old Grandfather Looper was feeling his oats,
Proclaiming that reindeer were nothing but goats.
Our resident wand'rer was tied to her chair,
In hopes that at bedtime she still would be there.
Security lights on the new fallen snow
Made outdoors seem noon to the old folks below.
Then out on the porch there arose quite a clatter
(But we were so deaf that it just didn't matter).
A strange little fellow flew in through the door,
Then tripped on the sill and fell flat on the floor.
'Twas just our director, all togged out in red.
He jiggled and chuckled and patted each head.
We knew from the way that he strutted and jived,
Our social security checks had arrived.
We sang - how we sang - in our monotone croak,
Till the clock tinkled out its soft 8 p.m. stroke.
And soon we were snuggling deep in our beds,
While nurses distributed nocturnal meds.
And so ends our Christmas at Rock-Away Rest.
"Fore long you'll be with us.
We wish you the best.

## Engaged



Ashley Ouvry and Kyle Greenwood

Ron and Karen Ouvry of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley, to Kyle Greenwood. Kyle is the son of Roy and Chris Greenwood of Caro.

Ashley is a graduate of Cass City High School and Grand Rapids Community College. She is continuing her education in gerontology and is currently interning at Covenant Village of the Great Lakes, a retirement community in Grand Rapids.

Kyle is a graduate of Caro High School and Ferris State University. He has a degree in marketing and is a certified PGA Professional. He is currently employed at Maple Hill Golf Course in Grandville.

A July 1, 2006 wedding is being planned.

## Recycled trees are used again

There are many uses for recycled real Christmas trees after the holidays. Many communities chip the trees and use the chippings for mulch, hiking trails, playground areas, animal stalls or landscaping. Whole trees are recycled for an even greater variety of uses: river shoreline stabilization, sand dune erosion prevention, marshland sedimentation, fish habitat, winter garden decorations, wild bird feeders, and even hazardous chemical clean-ups.

# Calendar of Events

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

## Thursday, December 22

There will be NO senior lunch at Shabbona United Methodist Church. Dinners will resume in January.

## Friday, December 23

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

## Monday, December 26

Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For additional information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

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

There will be NO Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting. Meetings will resume in January.

Tuscola County Right to Life Organization meeting, 6:30 p.m., Caro Library.

## Wednesday, December 28

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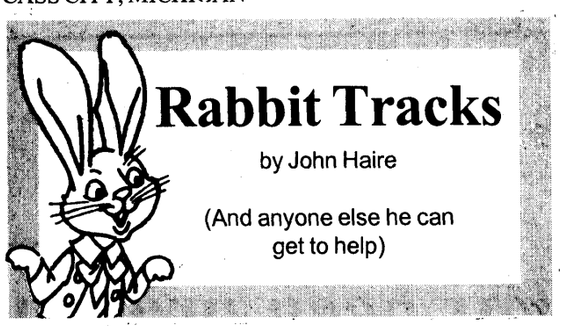


There is a petition going around seeking support from Cass City School District members that is designed to assure that Doug Burtch, suspended band director, is paid his regular salary until his case is decided in court.

It's not only going to be ineffective, it probably will also be unnecessary. The school board not only has not even discussed termination in an open meeting, but also will tread softly when making decisions, not because of any petition, but because of potential liability.

Make no move without an opinion from a lawyer appears to be the modus operandi.

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Ashley Hendrick's selection as TV5-McDonald's High School Scholar-Athlete of the week will be aired twice. The award presentation is slated at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20. An interview with Hendrick will be aired at 11 p.m. Jan. 22.

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It's time, says editor Tom Montgomery, to give credit where credit is long overdue. He was referring to Judy Hoelzle, art teacher at Cass City Schools. Each year in our Christmas edition a sample of the outstanding art created by her students is presented.

All we need to do, Montgomery says, is call her and every year that's all that is needed. She does the rest.

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# 6 injured in separate auto crashes over the weekend

Six people were injured in 2 separate traffic accidents over the weekend in Tuscola County.

Both drivers were hurt in a 2-vehicle accident at about 8:58 a.m. Sunday in Denmark Township, troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro reported.

Troopers said a 19-year-old Reese resident was driving south on Bradford Road near M-81 and failed to stop at the intersection. The car collided with an eastbound pickup truck driven by a 38-year-old Caro resident.

The driver of the car was transported by ambulance to Covenant Hospital in Saginaw, and the driver of the pickup truck was airlifted by FlightCare to St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw.

Neither of the drivers' names was released. Troopers described their injuries as non-critical.

Troopers were assisted at the scene by Reese-Blumfield Fire-Rescue, Vassar MMR, Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies and a traffic crash investigator from the Michigan State Police post in Gladwin.

The accident remains under investigation.

Troopers also investigated a 3-vehicle accident that left 4 people hurt Sunday morning.

According to witnesses, a sedan traveling eastbound on Saginaw Road crossed the road centerline and struck a semi truck traveling westbound.

"The sedan then spun out of control and the semi lost control as well. The semi 'fish-tailed' into oncoming traffic and a third vehicle struck the semi head on," said Trooper Jennifer Coulter.

Coulter said the driver of the sedan was airlifted to Covenant Hospital, where he was listed in serious to critical condition. The semi truck driver sustained minor injuries and was also taken to Covenant Hospital, and the 2 passengers in the third vehicle were taken by ambulance to St. Mary's Medical Center. Their condition was not available.

The names of the occupants were not released. Coulter said they are all Tuscola County residents.

## *Common areas of specialization*

The most common areas of specialization reported in 2004 were family practice, internal medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, and pediatrics. Together, these four areas of specialization were reported by approximately 43 percent of all currently active Michigan physicians.

## The Haire Net

***Best of wishes to these folks***

Some days things go smoothly, other days are buggers and believe me, as I write this it's a good thing that we are nearing the joyful holiday season because instead of Merry Christmas I feel that I want to lash out with Bah Humbug.

This is the second time that the column for this week has been written. The first one was lost and I want to blame it on this ancient computer, but the truth is the operator probably caused it. I ended up with 3 taglines that brought up Rabbit Tracks and none that filled the screen with my column for the week. I mentally congratulated myself for writing the original column last week so I could enjoy a blissful, non-stressed weekend having that weekly chore completed.

It was not to be. But looking at the bright side of this minor catastrophe that gobbled up my work into the wasteland of modern electronics, it wasn't a work of art anyway.

It was written to call attention to some of the movers and shakers in the community that have devoted time to help the community.

As this is written Monday afternoon, the temptation is great to say Merry Christmas to you all and forget about it.

But if I did that I couldn't say "best of luck" to Peter Cristiano, village manager, as he struggles with a new Federal government required water system and a "grin and bear it" to all village residents who pay the piper and should enjoy crystal clear water.

Or best wishes of the season to Supt. Ken Micklash as his days at the helm at Cass City Schools wind down to a precious few.

And to wish the new superintendent a career as long and as successful as that enjoyed by Micklash and the 2 superintendents before him, Willis Campbell and Donald Crouse, that have kept the school on course for over a half-century.

Can't help but extend the best of the season and a fun-filled holiday to the Cass City School Board, because it's extremely likely that some of the days ahead will be anything but joyful-managing a deficit operating budget and facing a decision concerning Doug Burtch, suspended band director, who has wide support in segments of the community.

It's great that the members, president Teresa Rabideau, Michelle Biddinger, Danny Haag, Cathy Kropewnicki, Doug Lautner, Randy Severance and James Turner, have set as one of their goals for choosing a new superintendent that he/she will stay in Cass City and continue the enviable record of continuity that is inherited and not use the school as a stepping stone.

There's a long list of regulars who have contributed on a volunteer basis to help the community. Many have been previously recognized. On the business scene Al Klco stands out for his work this year and in previous years.

So kudos to Al and to all the rest that make Cass City and the Thumb a little nicer place to be fortunate to live in.

Merry Christmas.

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# The back forty

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**by Roger Pond**

Let me get this straight: We're supposed to be thankful at Thanksgiving, merry at Christmas, and happy for New Years. Is that right?

I'm always getting my holidays mixed-up — and apparently I'm not the only one. The controversy over what we call the Capitol Christmas tree is a case in point.

We're told some folks are outraged by what they call the War on Christmas: Including an underhanded attempt to replace the word "Christmas" with "Holiday" for many types of events and objects.

Last week I asked my wife, "Did you know the Capitol Christmas tree has been called a "Holiday Tree" for the past 10 years, and now they're going to start calling it a Christmas tree again?"

"No kidding?" she said. "What else happened in your world today?"

"Well, I got the barn cleaned out enough to get your car in between the boats," I told her.

Don't you just hate it when people come home from work with no interest in what's going on in the world? I sure do. If I had known they renamed that tree I could have been mad for the past 10 years!

Someone finally discovered a band of liberals renamed the tree, and they changed the name back. Good on them.

It's important to remember that trees have been an important part of Christmas ever since the Pilgrims went out and whacked one down. It's tough on the trees, but if you leave a little branch on the stump, they'll grow back.

I've always thought naming trees is a bad idea, anyway. You can hug them, and you can talk to them, but don't give them a name.

As evidence I offer up The Sad Christmas Fable. The Sad Christmas Fable is a fairy tale or a redneck story, depending upon how it's told.

A fairy tale begins with, "Once upon a time," whereas a redneck story begins, "You ain't gonna believe this."

You ain't gonna believe this, but once upon a time there was a little fir tree growing way out in the National Forest. (In a roadless area, no doubt.)

The little fir had a bad case of needle rust and a few budworms, but still it was hoping a nice family would come to the forest and take it home to celebrate Christmas.

But try as he might the little fir just couldn't compete with the fancy pines or the elegant spruce that grew nearby. One by one families came into the forest to cut their trees, but nobody noticed the little fir who wanted so badly to celebrate Christmas with a family.

Finally, the day before Christmas the little fir tree had almost given up hope, when suddenly, he heard a rustling in the bushes! Maybe this is a nice family coming to take him home for Christmas?!

Nope. It was a big ol' beaver! And it chewed him to bits!

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### 5-Day Local Forecast

**Wednesday**
Partly Cloudy
High: 25 Low: 13

**Thursday**
Partly Cloudy
High: 29 Low: 23

**Friday**
Mostly Cloudy
High: 35 Low: 26

**Saturday**
Cloudy
High: 33 Low: 25

**Sunday**
Cloudy
High: 31 Low: 20

### In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 25°, humidity of 86% and an overnight low of 13°. The record high temperature for today is 55° set in 1967. The record low is -5° set in 1989. Thursday, skies will remain partly cloudy with a high temperature of 29°, humidity of 80% and an overnight low of 23°.

### Upcoming Moon Phases

| Last | New | First | Full |
|---|---|---|---|
| 12/23 | 12/30 | 1/6 | 1/14 |

### Sunrise/Sunset Times

Sunrise today .....8:03 a.m.
Sunset tonight .....4:59 p.m.

### Last Week's Local Almanac

| Day | High | Low | Normals | Precip |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Monday | 21 | 9 | 33/22 | 0.00" |
| Tuesday | 21 | 3 | 33/21 | 0.00" |
| Wednesday | 27 | 16 | 33/21 | 0.00" |
| Thursday | 30 | 25 | 32/21 | 0.00" |
| Friday | 30 | 21 | 32/20 | 0.00" |
| Saturday | 27 | 23 | 32/20 | 0.00" |
| Sunday | 23 | 10 | 31/20 | 0.00" |

Precipitation .....0.00"
Normal precipitation .....0.49"
Departure from normal .....-0.49"
Average temperature .....20.4°
Average normal temperature ....26.5°
Departure from normal .....-6.1°

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# Red Hawk Talks

by Donna Bushong

Sometimes we get so caught up in the hustle and bustle of Christmas, buying presents and preparing dinner, we forget the things that really matter around Christmas time. The fourth graders in Room 22 at Cass City Elementary School have a very good perception of what Christmas is all about.

Many of the students brought up the origins of Christmas. Katherine Manwell wrote, "Christmas is important to me because you celebrate Jesus' birthday." Evan Eberline likes to take time during the holiday season to learn about Jesus. Lucas Baker wrote about the story of Christmas and how it was important to him. Ashtyn Janiskee, Kayla Schneeberger, Rachel Bartnik, Nicholas Middaugh, Justin Zaleski, Madison Brinkman, Lauren Bukoski, and Emily Mason all agreed that the birth of Jesus is a very important part of Christmas.

There are many visuals to the story of Jesus' birth. Look at the many Nativity scenes put up this time of year. Another way is in the pageants presented in the many churches around town, like the one Dakota Wilson participates in every year.

Thanksgiving is only a month passed, but these fourth graders in Mrs. Gogola's class are getting hungry again. Justine Phelps is looking forward to her VanAuken await all the delicious foods that they will have around Christmas. Curtis Dickinson can't wait to eat dinner with his family that will come from out of town, and Hannah Hulburt enjoys waking up on Christmas Morning and having cinnamon rolls and hot chocolate.

A common occurrence for Christmas morning is for children to get up unbelievably early to see the presents brought by Santa Claus. Hannah's usual awakening time is 2 a.m. Audrey Van Auken gets up at 5 a.m. A Christmas morning tradition for my brother and me is to wake up early and sit on the stairs until our parents wake up.

Family is also a very important part of Christmas. Audrey VanAuken, Dakota Hartel, Justin Zaleski, Evan Eberline, Madison Brinkman, Lauren Bukoski, Justine Phelps, Emily Mason, and Tyler Kamrad all believe that family is part of what Christmas is all about. Many times family members travel from out of town to visit. Other times we travel to our relative's to celebrate and share the precious times together.

Snow, decorations, Christmas carols, lights, and many other things bring about the spirit of Christmas. We all celebrate in different ways but each way is special and

**TERRY DANIELIAN (right), president of the Lapeer and Upper Thumb Association of Realtors, presents a $3,537 check to Lorrie Offenbacher of the Human Development Commission. The money will be used to help provide emergency assistance to area residents.**

*$3,537 donation*

# Realtors help needy

The Lapeer and Upper Thumb Association of Realtors (LUTAR) caught the Spirit of Christmas Giving early this year... along with a heartfelt concern for their community members in need.

The association presented a check in the amount of $3,537 to the Human Development Commission (HDC) to help fund emergency services to families in need.

The money was raised through an auction at the association's Harvest Party held Nov. 18. LUTAR generally raises funds for this cause at their annual Christmas party each year. Sharon Buckner, executive officer of LUTAR, explained, "We raised the money in November this year so that HDC could utilize the money earlier."

With heating costs on the rise and a slow economy

# *Guilds completes*

# Letters to the editor

## *Nothing has been proven in band director's case*

The story is told that in Germany before and during the Depression, the 20s and the 30s, a well meaning philosophy and attitude spread that at all costs we must protect Germans, the native people. Over a long period there had become the prevalence in the land of groups and individuals who didn't necessarily belong to the majority. Concern among many grew. Something must be done.

So the "powers that be" perceived that the Jewish people were a threat to the social and economic system. They set out to eradicate this difficulty within the Fatherland. They took members of this group into custody, sending them off to "camps." So while friends, neighbors and acquaintances disappeared...well, most weren't Jews so they didn't protest.

And when professors of the great schools challenged this affront to civil liberties, they were hauled off to work camps and jails. They were good people but few were professors so society didn't protest.

There were in the land some poor, deprived, handicapped, medically and mentally challenged citizens. They were perceived by some as a burout procedure. Our school bandleader has been denied running his program and his students have seen their achievements and successes put on hold, many with their last anticipated experience drifting away.

All this with unproven accusations!

And many who have the most at stake in their own lives and careers have stood by, not having the will or strength to stand up for one of their own. In fact, some who should have been leaders for fairness and justice have openly put aside responsibilities for protection and advancement of their own careers.

By our American way, nothing has been proven. Innocent until proven guilty.

Hopefully our school board, which so far has tried to stand up for the rights of all, will not be prematurely drawn into the temptation to be judge and jury and play any unauthorized role in the destruction of the career and reputation of a heretofore trusted and enthusiastic employee. Any premature action and change of status will prejudice justice and truth.

Please God, may all trust our American system.

Do we have to be politically correct and offer best wishes of the holiday season or can we wish the Blessings and Peace of Christmas for all our friends and neighbors, our community.

Leo R. "Bob" Gengler
Retired CCHS teacher
A member of the community

## It's time to move on in Cass City

I've read letters in the Chronicle, attended school board meetings, and observed political aspiration of members of this school district and am left feeling dis-

teacher in question, as I understand, has full legal representation.

The statement that it could happen to any of us is not true. If I felt this statement

**WALLY ZAWILINSKI brought this school photo in to the Chronicle in hopes of identifying his former classmates. The picture was taken at the McConnell School April 19, 1932. The names of students Zawilinski recalls include: Miss Flint, Rita Seeger, Jan Withfield, Kermit Hartwick, Nelson Harrison, Jon Zawilinski, Cass Zmierski, Ed Zmierski, Elmer Ball, Bud White, George Galloway, Frances Zawilinski, Walter Zmierski, Jerry Seeger, Hubert Bond, Vern Galloway and Marty Zawilinski.**

**PICTURED ABOVE are the top spelling bee finishers in grades 5 and 6. They are (from left) Jared Weidman (first), Alison Blattner (second), Madie Lively (third), Ali Smith (fourth), Alexandra Pena (fifth) and Jessa Prieskorn (sixth).**

**SPELLING THEIR way to the top in grades 7 and 8 were (from left) Jordan Yax (fifth), Mason Doerr (first), Jalen Ferris (third), Kelsey Rudy (second) and Angie Janssen (fourth).**

## Cass City Middle School

# *Bee winners announced*

Cass City Middle School officials recently announced the winners of this year's Knights of Columbus Council 8892 Spelling Bee.

In the grades 5 and 6 division, the top finisher was Jared Weidman, followed by Alison Blattner, Madie Lively, Ali Smith, Alexandra Pena and Jessa Prieskorn.

Mason Doerr finished in first place in the grades 7 and 8 division. The other top spellers were Kelsey Rudy, Jalen Ferris, Angie Janssen and Jordan Yax.

The top 4 students in each division are now eligible to participate in the Knights of Columbus Saginaw Diocese Spelling Bee, which is scheduled for Jan. 14 in Auburn.

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# Campbell students named to honor roll

Campbell Elementary School announces the second marking period honor roll.

**Grade 4**

Alex Adams, Taylor Burleson, Curtis Dickinson, Jodi Engel, Kristin Ewald*, Drew Field, Greg Finley, Ian Habicht, Jacob Hacker, Adrien Hartsell, Austin Hatmaker, Chelsea Hoppe, Hannah Hulburt, Ashtyn Janiskee, Amaris Janos, Matthew Lintner, Katherine Manwell, Elisabeth Milligan*, Brett Morrish*, Michael Mulligan*, Rachel Patera, Jacob Perry, Braeden Perzanowski, Lakin Radeka, Shane Rasmussen, Kara Reif, Ethan Robertson, Alex Robinson, Michaela Romain, Erin Schuette, Alex Tabar, Brock Thane, Cody Thompson, Audrey VanAuken, Miranda Williams, Brennen Winter, Kayla Wright and Kayla Zmierski.

*Denotes all A's

# Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr

**5 YEARS AGO**

Toys for Tots volunteer Angie Eckert filled the wish list of some children on her list Monday at the Detroit Edison North Area Energy Center. More than a dozen volunteers gathered Monday to sort and pack toys for distribution Thursday at the Cass City VFW Hall.

John Maharg says don't publish this in Rabbit Tracks. But I'm going to do it anyway because right is right and wrong is wrong and I was wrong. Wrong when I said that Frankenmuth was the only team to score 100 points against Cass City. Several teams did it. One of them that Maharg remembers from his playing days was North Branch, who beat Cass City in a game in which both teams raced up and down the small floor unchecked. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Riding on the shoulders of Corey Ulfig, the Cass City Red Hawks defeated the Sandusky Redskins Friday, 83-65. Ulfig's 43-point effort was better than any single game posted by his brother, Paul, who holds the career scoring record for Cass City, and second only to John Maharg's 44 points set in 1968. In addition to his points, Ulfig grabbed 12 rebounds and had 3 assists.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Owen-Gage School officials didn't have to look far to find a qualified candidate for the district's vacant principal's post, and they ended up with a veteran administrator with more than 3 decades of experience to boot. The Board of Education Monday hired Gagetown Elementary Principal William Britt to serve as K-12 prinicpal. The hiring marks a downsizing in the district's administration. Previously, the staff included elementary and junior-senior high principals. However, new Supt. Dan McKenzie recommended a single administrator, in part to offset anticipated red ink in this year's budget.

Last week's ferocious winter storm shortened the Elkland Township's Board's monthly meeting, but not before the board voted in favor of supporting a local business' liquor license application. Township Clerk Norma Wallace reported the board endorsed the application Kevin Mulligan is submitting to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. Mulligan and his wife, Dee Ann, purchased the former Northwood Shores Golf Course last summer from Joe and Barbara Howard, Cass City, and have since renamed the business Mulligan's Irish Links.

The Cass City DPW crew has worked tirelessly to keep village streets clear since last week's snowstorm, but the white stuff just keeps coming. As of Dec. 11, Cass City had received 19.5 inches of snow, with another 3 to 5 inches predicted for Monday night.

**25 YEARS AGO**

The legislature passed the annual subsidy for the Silverdome in Pontiac again. At a time when all state employees are going to be forced to take six days off without pay because of Michigan's financial crunch, taxpayers are subsidizing multi-millionaire William Ford who is making additional millions as owner of the Detroit Lions football team. No wonder the Tisch amendment received such support in the last election. (From Rabbit Tracks)

United Steelworkers of America, District 29, raised $60,000 for the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan through its Charles G. Younglove Golf Day. "Cass City steelworkers have to be complimented for the outstanding role they played in the success of local kidney program ticket sales," said Harry E. Lester, a union official and chairman of the golf outing. "Trying to raise so much money for charity in such a difficult year is very hard," Lester continued. "Everyone in Cass City and the surrounding area can feel very proud of the help their contribution will make possible for kidney patients in Michigan."

LUCKY BUCKS - Naomi Smith of Caro was one of 2 winners of $250 in Lucky Bucks Saturday in the final Christmas drawing sponsored by the Cass City Retail Committee. The other winner was Willis LaBlanc of Cass City.

**35 YEARS AGO**

After a two-month search from among scores of candidates Village President Lambert Althaver announced Monday that the community has hired James Blades, 34, of Livonia as superintendent of the village. His salary will be $12,500 annually. Blades will be the first full-time administrator with authority over all village functions to serve the village. Hiring a man for this job has been under consideration for several years as the village expanded and municipal government expanded with it.

Fred Knoblet keeps me straight on sports history. When I reported that Greg Eshelman didn't play freshman basketball, he not only assured me that he did, but recalled that he was one of the point men for the Frosh that year. The other one? Tim Knoblet, also a member of this year's varsity. Incidentally, our hero medal with an oak leaf cluster goes to Mrs. Robert Ryland and the rest of the family. They never did mention the boo-boo until I brought it up. . . .saying simply that they enjoyed the story. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Linda L. Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Smith of Cass City, has been promoted to H. N. E-3. Miss Smith has been in the Navy since May 15, 1969, and stationed at the U.S. Naval Hospital at Great Lakes for one year. She graduated from Cass City High School in 1968. She will be home for the Christmas week end with her family.

# *Cochrane promoted at agency*

Emil Rummel Agency recently announced the promotion of Michelle Cochrane to the position of sales producer.

Cochrane joined the Rummel Agency in 2002 and previously held the position of account manger. She earned her CISR designation and agent's license in 2003. She is originally from Millington, graduating from Millington High School, and now resides in Cass City with her husband Don and 5 children.

# Cass City Area Church Directory

**Calvary Bible Fellowship**
4446 Ale St., Cass City, MI 48726
989-872-4088
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m.
Pastor - Chuck Carr
Transportation available

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

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

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

**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

**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
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**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.
AWANA 6:45 p.m. Wednesdays
Pastor: Eric Holmgren
Youth Pastor: Bryan Heller
Website: www.fbccc.us

**First Presbyterian Church**
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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

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**
6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-2770
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
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**Living Word Worship Center**
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872-4637
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Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
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Pastor: Keith Misany

**Novesta Church of Christ**
2896 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726
872-3658 or 872-1195
Bible School 9:30 a.m.
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Youth Minister: Brad Speirs
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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 Catholic Church**
4618 South St., Gagetown, MI 48735
665-9966
Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.

**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., 7:00 p.m.
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# Red Hawk mat men win GTC opener

Wednesday, in the first of just 2 home meets slated this season, the Cass City Red Hawks walked off with a pair of victories that included a Greater Thumb Conference win over tough Marlette, 36-34. The Hawks also topped Unionville Sebewaing in a non-league match, 54-23.

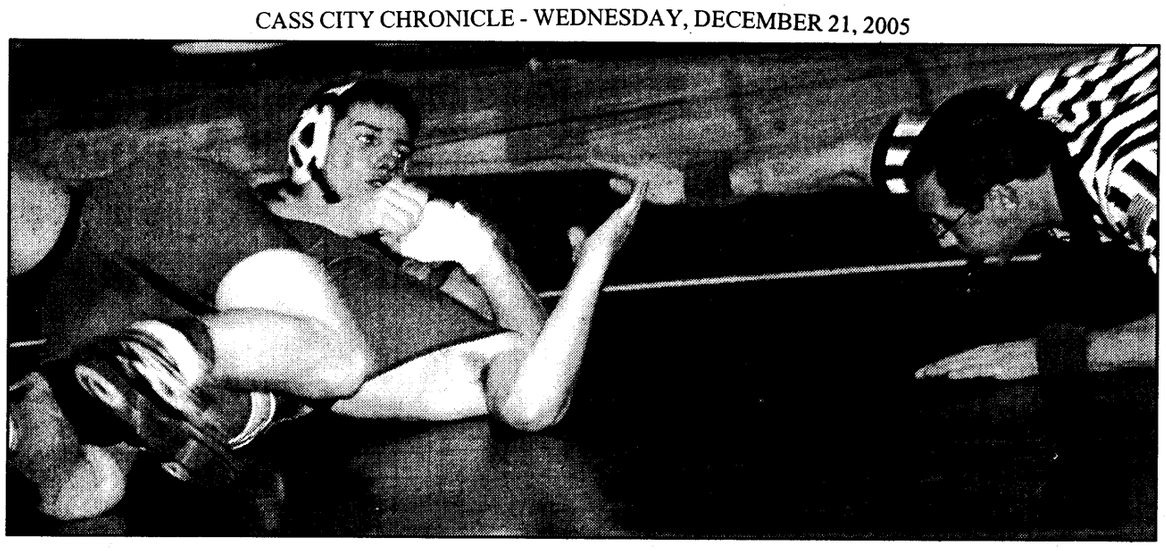
Coach Don Markel said the key to the narrow win over the Red Raiders was that 3 Hawk wrestlers were able to go the full 6 minutes against superior opponents without getting pinned. Cass City's wrestlers won with pins to overcome a 7-6 edge that Marlette had in the matches.

We were able to fight off our backs, Markel said, when we got in trouble and that kept Marlette from scoring valuable team points.

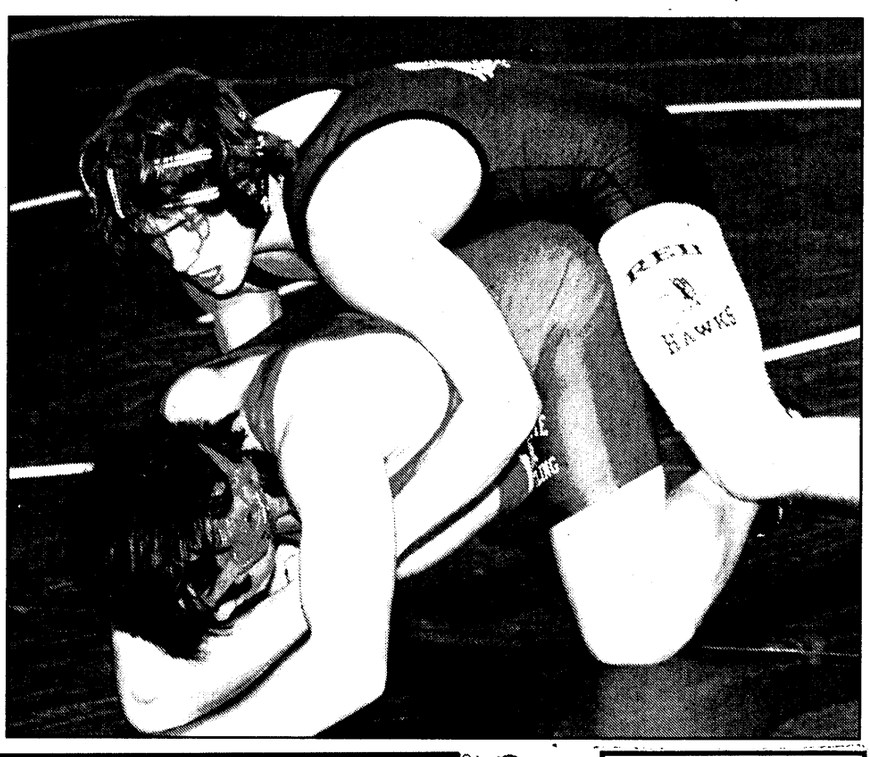
In other action, USA topped the Lakers, 39-21, and Marlette defeated the Lakers, 42-30.

Cass City's league record is now 6-5.

Double winners for Cass City were: Kyle Reif (140/145), Dean Wilson (152), Kyle Sieradzki (160), Dennis Bowen (171/189) and Scott Meeker (275).



**RED HAWK Kyle Sieradzki locks up his Marlette opponent during Wednesday's match in Cass City that included Unionville-Sebewaing. Sieradzki was a double winner in the 160 lb. class with 2 pins.**



**DEAN WILSON works his way towards a pin in non-conference action against Marlette. The Cass City sophomore recorded a pair of pins on the night in the 152 lb. class.**

# Young Cass City spikers show promise

If the Cass City volleyball team's opening week of action is any indication, the Red Hawks should be poised to improve on last year's Greater Thumb West record of 5-7.

Coach Beth Howard's spikers opened their season last Wednesday night with a strong showing in Caro and then continued to sparkle in early season play Saturday at the Caro Invitational.

Although it is premature to label the Hawks as a GTW contender, coach Howard is pleased how her squad is coming together approaching the conference schedule.

"It's nice so far," commented Howard. "All the girls get along and we have a good mix of front and back row players. I am looking forward to this year."

Despite graduation losses of Tara Sherman, Luann Laming, Traci Woodward and Danielle Dohn, the Hawks were able to dispose of Unionville-Sebewaing, Millington and Marlette in the pool play rounds of the Caro tourney, winning 8 of 9 individual games.

Cass City also had its way during a quarterfinal match up against Flint Kearsley, who fell by a pair of identical 25-19 scores.

But in the semifinals, the Hawks' inexperience may have caught up as they were narrowly eliminated by Valley Lutheran 25-21, 16-25 and 15-13.

"Being young hurt us against Valley," said Howard. "At times we have 3 freshmen and one sophomore out on the floor."

Although the Hawks may be young, contributions from freshmen Carly Howard, Amanda Langenburg, Sarah Howard and sophomore Lauren Dillon have helped offset the heavy graduation toll.

While it is certain the Hawks will need plenty of help from the team's underclassmen to challenge for a GTW title, it will be the squad's lone senior member that will provide much of the leadership.

Ashley Hendrick, a 2-time first team all-conference performer, will anchor the team's front wall along with junior returnee Sara Meeker. Also expected to supply the Hawks with offensive punch is junior returning outside hitter Emily Schinnerer. During the invite, the trio combined for 88 attacks. Hendrick and Meeker, both of whom are 6' tall, added 10 blocks. Cass City also used a strong defensive effort from Courtney Rabideau, who recorded 14 digs, in the victory.

In the Caro game, Meeker collected 8 kills and 3 blocks to pace Cass City at the net. Schinnerer was the team's top receiver with 9.

Cass City will travel to face Essexville Garber Thursday in their final tune up before GTW play.

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| BCAS | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| USA | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Lakers | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Reese | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| V. Lutheran | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Bad Axe | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |

**GREATER THUMB EAST**

| Team | W | L | W | L |
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| Brown City | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Marlette | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Sandusky | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Harbor Beach | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Ubly | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Deckerville | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Mayville | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |

**NCTL NORTH**

| Team | W | L | W | L |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Owen-Gage | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Caseville | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| North Huron | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
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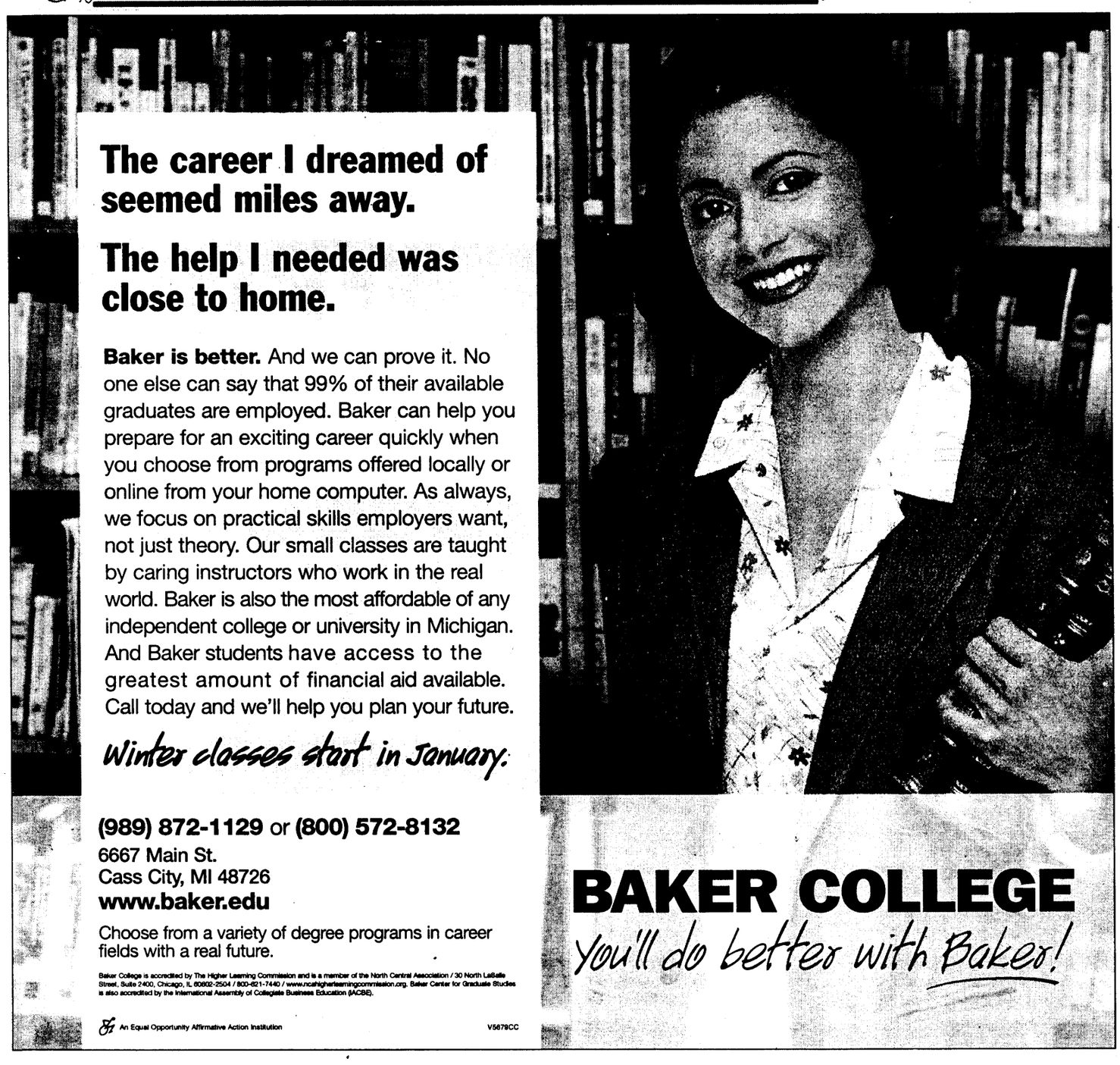

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# Landrith's clutch free throws help turn tide against host Sandusky

The Cass City Red Hawks racked up their third win of the season last week in a game that was no prescription for the faint hearted. In fact, 2 of their 3 wins have gone to the final minutes before it was decided. The first was a 53-49 decision over Ubly and Tuesday previously undefeated Sandusky fell, 53-51.

Sandusky had obviously done its homework on Cass City and concentrated on keeping Justin Glaza from getting the ball. The Hawk ace was held to just 5 points. On the bright side, coach Aaron Fernald said, it was good the rest of the team came up to fill in the slack.

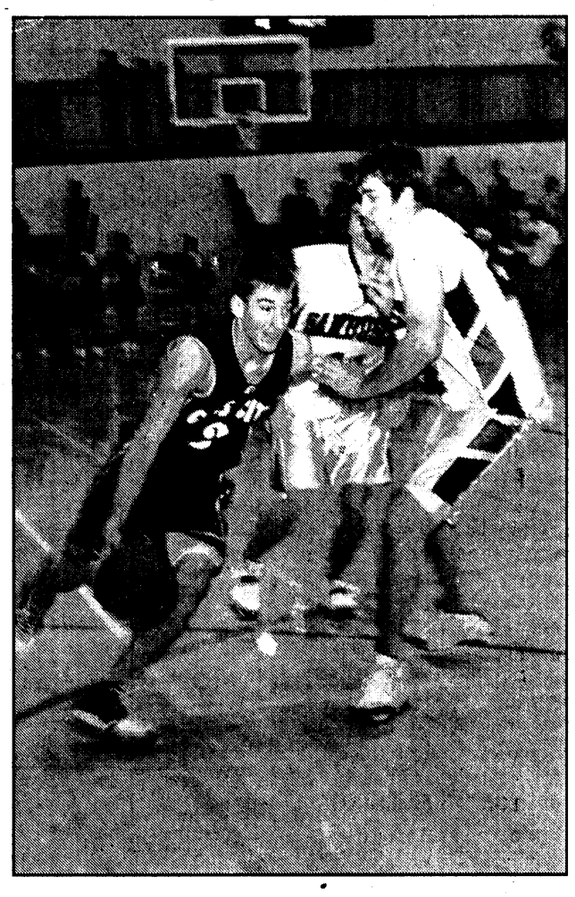
It didn't hurt either that Cass City continued its torrid shooting from the free throw line, especially when the game was on the line. The Hawks were 11 of 11 from the charity stripe, paced by Chris Landrith who was 7 for 7.

The last 4 that he converted decided the game.

Cass City had struggled all night to overcome a narrow Sandusky lead. The Redskins were in front until the last quarter after Mike Monzo tied the game at 10-all with 2 free throws midway through the first quarter. Monzo had a red hot first half, keeping Sandusky in front with 16 points on his way to a game-high 21 points.

Cass City finally tied the score with 4 minutes left as Brad Langenburg swished a 3-pointer. The score was tied again at 49 and the Hawks had the ball after Sandusky failed on a pair of shots from the free throw line. It stayed knotted until there were 47 seconds left. Landrith went to the line and converted a pair. With 16 seconds remaining Sandusky tied the score as Corey McPherson hit 2 free throws to set the stage for Landrith to put the game in the win column for Cass City with 2 more free throws with just 2.7 seconds left to play.

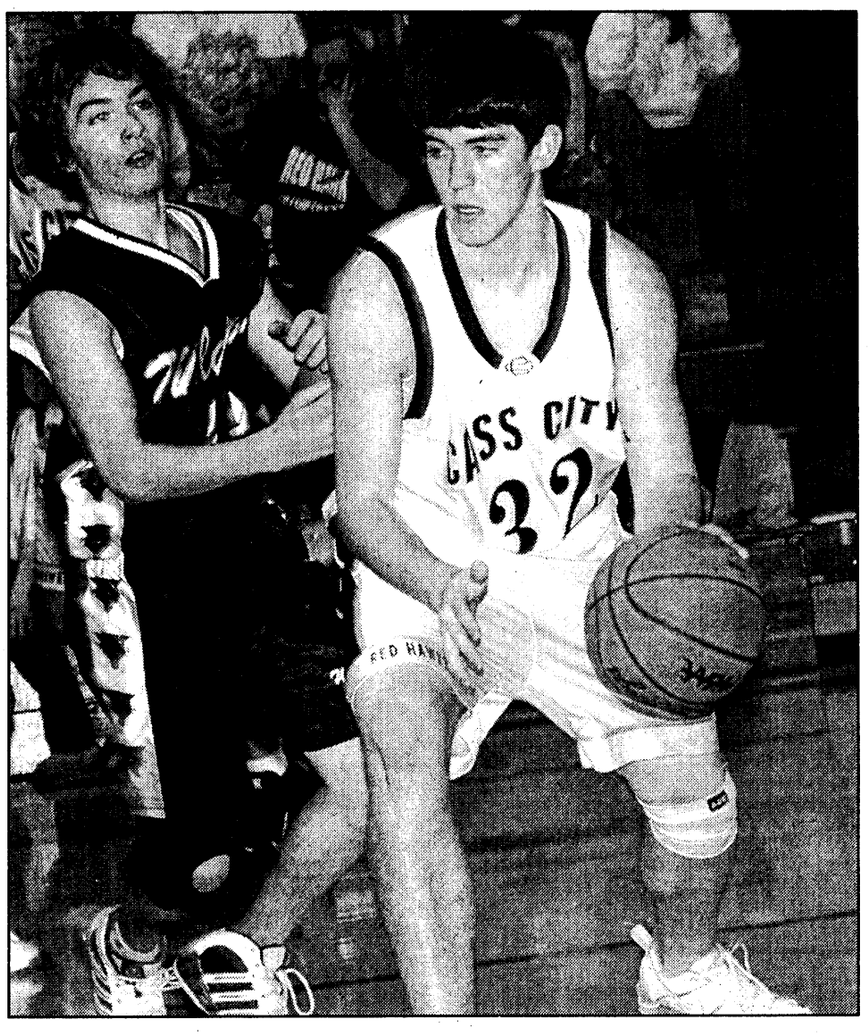
Andrew Martin continued his fine shooting in the paint and from 3-point range with a team-leading 16 points. He also was Cass City's top rebounder with 8 boards, closely followed by Derryll Schenk who picked off 7. Schenk was in double figures with 10 points.



**CASS CITY'S Justin Glaza draws the attention of the Redskin defense in Tuesday's 53-51 Red Hawk victory.**

**CASS CITY** - Langenburg 1-2 (0-0) 8; Landrith 1-0 (7-7) 8; Martin 4-2 (2-2) 16; Glaza 0-1 (2-2) 5; Schenk 5-0 (0-0) 10; Stoutenburg 0-1 (0-0) 3; Lautner 1-0 (0-0) 2. **TOTALS - 12-6 (11-11) 53.**

**SANDUSKY** - McPherson 2-0 (3-4) 7; Monzo 3-4 (3-4) 21; Katt 0-1 (0-0) 3; Loding 3-0 (0-1) 6; Neumeyer 2-0 (0-4) 4; Thomson 0-0 (2-2) 2; Weiler 0-2 (0-1) 6; Schmidt 1-0 (0-0) 2. **TOTALS - 11-7 (8-16) 51.**



**TYLER WHITTAKER was one of several Hawks from off the bench to see action against the Wildcats Friday.**

# *Defense keys O-G win*

Old Man Winter flexed his muscles - again - and saw that the Owen-Gage cage team wouldn't play in a Friday contest before the holiday break. For the second straight week, the Bulldogs' weekly affair was postponed due to inclement weather.

Coach Arnie Howard's Bulldogs, 1-1, are scheduled to wrap up their 2005 schedule entertaining Dryden on Thursday. It's a contest that could reveal plenty about the upcoming season. Both squads are young, but return several key players from last season. A win against the Cardinals would help set the stage for an important early season North Central Thumb League meeting with Kingston to kick-off conference action in 2006 between 2 schools near the top of their NCTL divisions.

Coach Howard has to be a bit eager to see if his team's latest outing can be duplicated on a consistent basis. The Bulldogs opened the NCTL season on a positive note last Tuesday, cruising to a 74-31 victory against host Akron-Fairgrove.

The Vikings were able to match their guests basket for basket throughout the opening quarter and took a slim 10-8 edge as Owen-Gage's offense was unproductive, except for the play of sophomore Brandon Dubs.

Dubs took care of the scoring burden on the night with a game-high 26 points, including 10 in the opening half when the Bulldogs were being challenged.

But it was the Owen-Gage defensive charge that proved fatal for the Vikings. A hustling and scrappy Bulldog effort yielded only an Adam Foster field goal over an 8-minute span, while closing out the initial half with 12 unanswered points.

The Vikings went to the long ball after the intermission in an attempt to catch their guests and treys from Nathan Freeman and Mike Allen kept the score respectable.

The Vikings, however, wouldn't score from the field in the final stanza and were outscored 25-2 to the final buzzer.

Every player on the Bulldog roster entered into the scoring column. Besides Dubs, Brent Reil and Andy Dronsella each reached double figures with 14 and 10 points, respectively. Grant Champagne added 9 for the winners.

Allen was the only Viking to score in double figures, with 11 markers.

**OWEN-GAGE** - Reil 5-0 (4-5) 14; Dubs 7-2 (6-9) 26; Dronsella 5-0 (0-0) 10; Howard 2-0 (0-0) 4; Rogers 1-0 (3-3) 5; Zaleski 2-0 (0-0) 4; Champagne 4-0 (1-1) 9; Gaeth 1-0 (0-0) 2. **TOTALS - 27-2 (14-18) 74.**

**AKRON-FAIRGROVE** - Burkette 0-0 (2-6) 2; Allen 1-2 (3-4) 11; Ruiz 0-0 (0-1) 0; Streeter 0-0 (0-1) 0; Foster 3-0 (0-4) 6; Freeman 1-2 (0-0) 8; Lewis 2-0 (0-0) 4. **TOTALS - 7-4 (5-16) 31.**

# Mayville falls, Hawks remain perfect on year

Despite their undefeated record in the first 4 games of the season, there's little danger that the record will make the Cass City Red Hawks overconfident when the season resumes after the holidays. Cass City had little trouble Friday adding Mayville to their list of victims in the early games and was a heavy favorite to add Valley Lutheran to the list Tuesday.

Cass City is a veteran senior-laden team this season and they all know that the early success doesn't mean that they are on the way to a Greater Thumb West championship, or to success in the districts of the Class B Tournament. The deciding games don't come up until the last half of the season.

Mayville was victimized by weather postponements and was playing just its second game of the season. The game was all but decided after a quarter and a half and Cass City coasted to a 57-41 victory.

Coach Aaron Fernald used the game to experiment with various team combinations and for the first time this season used a full-court press extensively.

We've got plenty of rough edges to iron out, he said, and we are having trouble finishing out our plays.

For the first time this season he started Jeff Stoutenburg at the point position. We needed to work in smaller players like Cameron Lautner and Brad Hartel. The coach pointed out.

In addition he was able to give his entire squad playing time.

There wasn't much excitement in the game for the fans. After a quarter and a half the game was decided for all practical purposes when Cass City forged in front 23-10 with 4:08 left in the half.

Leading the early charge for the Hawks was Brad Langenburg, who netted 5 of his team-high 16 points in the quarter. Justin Glaza swished a trey and added 3 free throws on his way to 13 points and Brad Hartel racked up 6 of his 10 points and the Hawks were in front, 21-4 at the end of the period.

Fernald turned to his bench in the second period and the bench was active for much of the rest of the game. Mayville bounced back a little in the second quarter to trail, 30-16 at the intermission.

The starters returned in the early moments of the third quarter to lengthen the lead as Glaza, 7, Chris Landrith, 5, and Langenburg, 4, paced the attack.

After that the benches of both teams took over to finish the game. Nine of the 13 players that saw action scored for Cass City. Eight Wildcats scored and Ashton Workman with 10 points was in double figures.

**CASS CITY** - Langenburg 4-2 (2-3) 16; Landrith 2-0 (1-1) 5; Martin 1-0 (0-0) 2; Glaza 2-2 (3-3) 13; Otulakowski 1-0 (0-1) 2; Schenk 1-0 (2-2) 4; Hartel 4-0 (2-2) 10; Clifton 0-1 (0-0) 3; Halasz 1-0 (0-0) 2. **TOTALS - 16-5 (10-12) 57.**

**MAYVILLE** - Buggia 1-0 (1-2) 3; Tomlinson 1-0 (0-0) 2; Muncy 1-1 (0-0) 5; Lorenz 1-0 (0-0) 2; Stone 0-0 (3-6) 3; Beckett 2-1 (0-0) 7; Grisham 0-0 (2-2) 2; Workman 5-0 (0-0) 10; Layman 2-0 (3-3) 7. **TOTALS - 13-2 (9-19) 41.**

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*Seniors Chris Landrith, Brad Langenburg and junior Andrew Martin helped the Red Hawks remain perfect on the year last week with wins over Sandusky and Mayville. Landrith calmly sank 7 free throws in the final quarter to turn back the Redskins, 53-51, while Martin poured in a season high 16 points. Langenburg paced the Hawks Friday against the Wildcats with a team best 16 tallies.*

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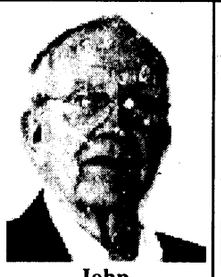
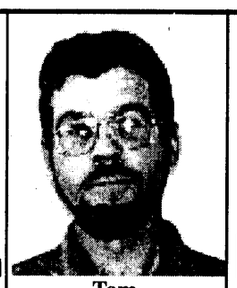
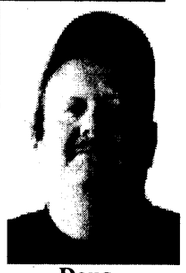
| *This Week's Forecast* |  John Haire | Clarke Haire |  Tom Montgomery |  Doug Hyatt |
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| **Last Week's Results** | **8-1** | **7-2** | **6-3** | **9-0** |
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gregory John Ashbreck, a single man, to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, mortgagee, dated November 19, 2002 and recorded December 4, 2002 in Liber 905, Page 831, and re-recorded to correct legal description in Liber 911 on Page 1292 on January 22, 2003, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Deutshce Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee, of Ameriquest Mortgage, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series 2003-1, Under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dates as of February 1, 2003, without recourse, 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 Seventy Eight Thousand Six Hundred Nine and 09/100 Dollars ($78,609.09) including interest at the rate of 9.50% 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 19, 2006.

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

Premises situated in the Township of Almer, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan to Wit: Section 15, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, South 60 acres of West half of Southwest quarter except commencing at a point that is North 89 degrees 36 minutes 35 seconds East 396.23 feet from Southwest corner Section; thence North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds West 379.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 36 minutes 35 seconds East 760.56 feet; thence North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds West .5 feet; thence North 89 degrees 36 minutes 35 seconds East 135 feet; thence South 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 380 feet; thence South 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 380 feet; thence South 89 degrees 16 minutes 35 seconds West 895.56 feet to Point of Beginning, also except commencing at Southwest corner of Section; thence East 97 feet: thence North 184 feet, thence West 97 feet, South 184 feet to Point of Beginning, also except commencing at a Point that is North 89 degrees 36 minutes 35 seconds East 166.67 feet from Southwest corner of Section; thence North 89 degrees 36 minutes 35 seconds East 229.56 feet; thence North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds West 379.50 feet; thence South 89 degrees 36 minutes 35 seconds West 229.56 feet; thence South 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 379.50 feet to Point of Beginning.

Also, premises situated in the Township of Almer, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan to Wit: Section 15, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, commencing at Southwest corner of Section; thence East 97 feet; thence North 184 feet; thence West 97 feet; thence South 184 feet to Point of Beginning.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: December 21, 2005

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Deutshce Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee, of Ameriquest Mortgage, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series2003-1, Under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dates as of February 1, 2003, without recourse, As Assignee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 214.2681

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jason Schenk, an unmarried man, a/k/a Jason T. Schenk of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Long Beach Mortgage Company dated the 23rd day of September, A.D. 2003, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 8th day of October, A.D. 2003, in Liber 958 of Tuscola County Records, on Page 731, which said mortgage was assigned to Long Beach Mortgage Company, a Delaware Corporation, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of $80,122.65 (Eighty thousand, One hundred Twenty Two dollars and Sixty Five cents), including interest there on at 9.90% (nine point nine zero) 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 5th day of January, A.D., 2006, at 10:00 o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in 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 situate in the Township of Vassar, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Part of the Southwest fractional quarter of section 30, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: beginning at a point on the South line of said Southwest quarter, which is South 88 degrees 49 minutes 31 seconds East along said South line, 489.07 feet from the Southwest corner of said section 30; thence continuing South 88 degrees 49 minutes 31 seconds East along said South line, 192.00 feet; thence North 91 degrees 54 minutes 59 seconds East parallel with the West line of said Southwest quarter, 330.03 feet; thence North 88 degrees 49 minutes 31 seconds West, parallel with said South line, 192.00 feet; thence South 01 degrees 54 minutes 59 seconds West, parallel with said West line, 330.03 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 5940 Ormes Road

Tax ID: 020-030-000-8800-02

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 7, 2005

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Veronica Saunders and Darrell Saunders, her husband, of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Flagstar Bank, FSB dated the 26th day of June, A.D. 2000 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 3rd day of July, A.D. 2000, in Liber 804 of Tuscola County Records, on page 1480, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of $70,728.89 (Seventy thousand, Seven hundred Twenty Eight dollars and Eighty Nine cents), including interest there on at 6.87% (six point eight seven) 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 5th day of January, A.D., 2006, at 10:00 o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in 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 situate in the Township of Arbela, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Part of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 22, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as beginning at the Southwest corner of Section 22; thence along the West line of said Section 22, North 00 degrees 37 minutes 50 seconds West 217.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes 37 seconds Ease, 233.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 37 minutes 50 seconds East, 217.00 feet; thence along the South line of Section 22, North 09 degrees 52 minutes 37 seconds West 233.00 feet to the Southwest corner of Section 22 and the point of beginning. Subject to the use of the Westerly and Southerly 33.00 feet thereof as Barkley and Birch Run Roads respectively and other easements and rights of way of record. Commonly known as: 9487 Barkley Rd.

Tax ID: 003-022-300-0330

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 7, 2005

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)
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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 David J. Kenward and Lois J. Kenward, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Bank One N.A., Mortgagee, dated November 10, 2000 and recorded on December 28, 2000 in Liber 818 on Page 344 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Ten and 35/100 Dollars ($53,310.35), including interest at 10% 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 5, 2006.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter; thence North 10 rods; thence West 34 rods; thence South 10 rods; thence East 34 rods to the Point of Beginning, Koylton Township, Section 20, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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 7, 2005

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC G (248) 593-1310
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #071366F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donna K. Adams, a single woman, to Chase Home Finance, L.L.C., successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, mortgagee, dated June 12, 2003 and recorded August 1, 2003 in Liber 946, Page 1360, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand Seventy-Four and 48/100 Dollars ($89,074.48) including interest at the rate of 6.00% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of 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 19, 2006.

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

Lots 4 and 5, Block 2, Daniel M. Woodruff's Addition to the Village of Gates (now Reese), according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 25 A.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: December 21, 2005

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Chase Home Finance, L.L.C., successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, As Mortgagee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott R. Kutsch and Amy K. Kutsch, original mortgagors, to The Prime Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 6, 2004 and recorded on February 10, 2004 in Liber 978 on Page 914, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Seven and 48/100 Dollars ($161,257.48), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 5, 2006.

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

Lots 6 and 7, Block 5 of Johnson's Addition to the Village (now City) of Vassar, except the North 6.00 feet of Lot 7, Block 5, and also except the East 2 rods thereof.

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

Dated: December 7, 2005

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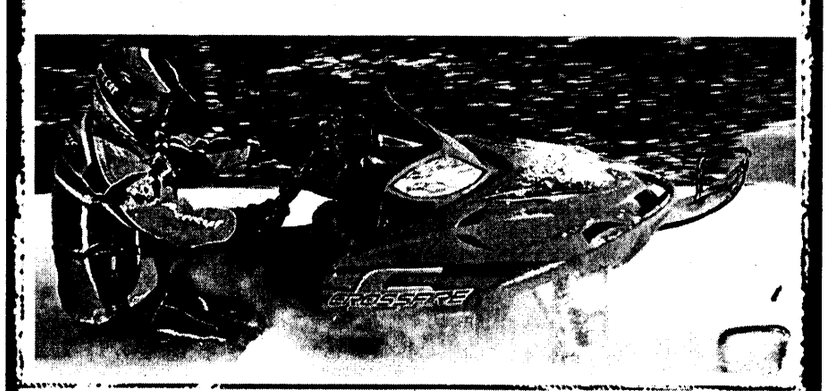

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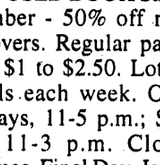

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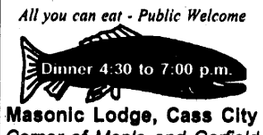


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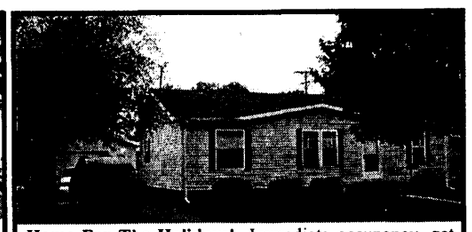

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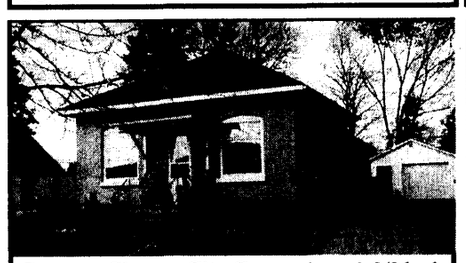

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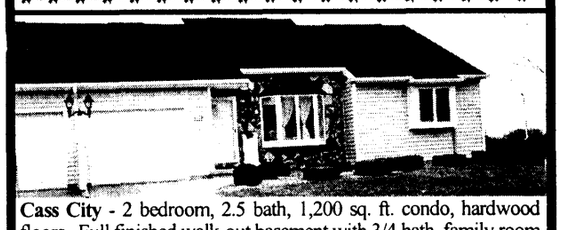
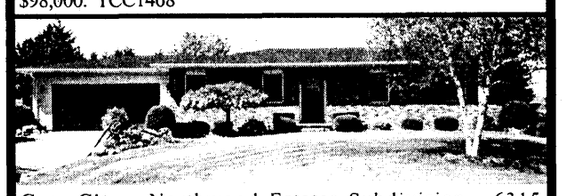
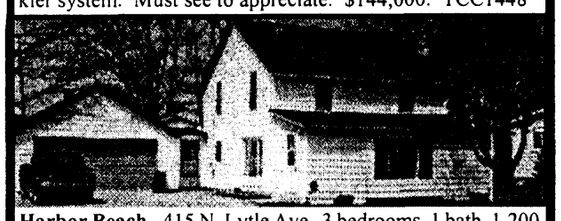


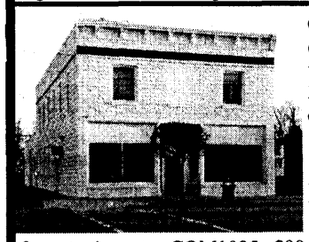
**Cass City** - 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 1,200 sq. ft. condo, hardwood floors. Full finished walk-out basement with 3/4 bath, family room and 2 other rooms with plenty of closets. Immediate possession $98,000. TCC1468



**Cass City** - Northwood Estates Subdivision - 6315 Beechwood Dr. 1,700 sq. ft., 3 B/R, 1 1/2 plus bath. Ranch home with 2 car attached finished and heated garage, finished basement. 1st floor laundry, family room & H/W heat new in '94. Beautifully landscaped yard with front & backyard sprinkler system. Must see to appreciate. $144,000. TCC1448



**Harbor Beach** - 415 N. Lytle Ave. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1,200 sq.ft. home with recent updates. Has a heated attached garage and 12'x12' storage shed in backyard. TO701. $71,900



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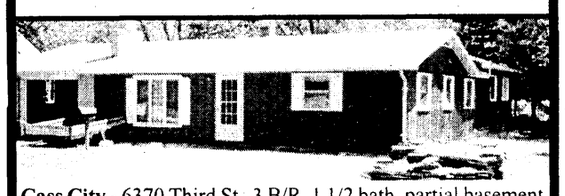
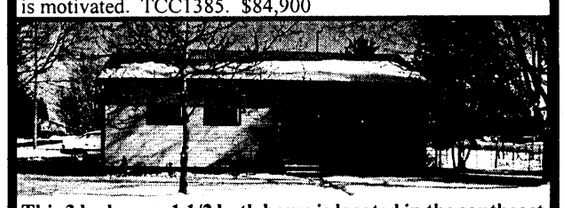
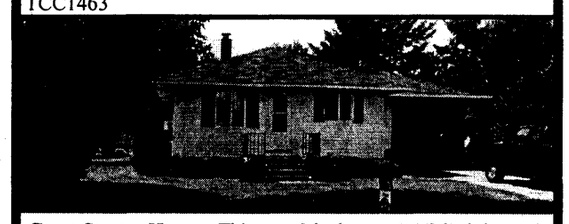


**Cass City** - 6370 Third St. 3 B/R, 1 1/2 bath, partial basement - semi-finished, natural fireplace. Ready to more in. Many updates within the last few years. Quiet neighborhood. Seller is motivated. TCC1385. $84,900



**This 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home is located in the southeast section of Cass City on a double lot.** Included is a two car attached garage and a 9'x9' shed. This home is surrounded by many fruit trees, and has a great garden spot. TCC1459

**Owners Moving** - This 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home is located in the northwest section of Cass City near the hospital. The kitchen/dining room has hardwood floors. The deck outside overlooks the beautiful backyard and also the golf course. The family room and large utility room are in the basement. TCC1463



**Great Starter Home** - This cute 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home is located in Cass City. Many updates recently are new vinyl siding and new double hung windows. The inside is well kept with a full finished basement that has sectioned rooms. TCC1462

**Deford Country** - 3 B/R, 1 bath, attached garage on 2 acres. Home has had many updates inside and out within the last 5 years. Solid home, easy to heat. Cy2475

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# Obituaries

## Maynard Helwig

Maynard Joseph Helwig, 71, of Cass City, died Thursday, Dec. 15, 2005 in St. Mary's Medical Center, Saginaw.

He was born Sept. 20, 1934 at home in Tuscola County, the son of Levi and Marion (Mellendorf) Helwig.

He married Nancy Little May 4, 1957 in Caro.

Helwig served in the U.S. Army in Korea. He worked for Walbro Manufacturing for 26 years and then began working at Croft Clara Lumber. Helwig coached the Croft Clara softball team for many years. He owned his own lawn care business with his grandson.

Helwig is survived by his wife, Nancy; daughters: Judy (Dave) Ware, and Lynda (Dale) McIntosh, all of Cass City; 3 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; a brother, Elwyn (Linda) Helwig of Cass City; sisters: Lenora (Veron) Gingrich, Wenola Lowe, and Joyce (Bob) McArthur, all of Cass City; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Lisa Ware.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 17, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Brad Speirs of Novesta Church of Christ officiating.

Interment was in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the Novesta Church of Christ.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Linda Remsing

Linda Remsing, 58, of Pontiac, died unexpectedly Friday, Dec. 2, 2005 at her home.

She was born April 26, 1947 in Cass City, the daughter of Albert "Dart" and Leona Curtis.

She married Joseph Remsing July 25, 1964.

Remsing retired from General Motors.

She is survived by her children: Kelly Knight of Cass City, Joseph (Sherri) Remsing of Pontiac, and Christy Bell of Norfolk, Va.; 4 grandchildren; a sister, Judy Rabideau of West Branch; 3 brothers: James (Charlene) Curtis of Cass City, David Curtis of Decker, and Joe Curtis of Mio.

Remsing was preceded in death by her parents; an infant sister, Janet Curtis; a grandson, Joe; and a brother-in-law, Elden Rabideau.

Funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 9, at Collon Funeral Home, Caro, with Pastor J.T. Mabe officiating.

Burial was in the Novesta Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Remsing family discretionary fund.

Arrangements were made by Collon Funeral Home, Caro.

## Georgia Thompson

Georgia Rena Thompson, 90, of Cass City, died Saturday, Dec. 17, 2005 at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

She was born Aug. 31, 1915 in Gagetown, the daughter of the late Walter and Georgia (Rasmussen) Thompson.

Thompson was a member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union and of Faith Gospel Tabernacle in Bad Axe where she worked in the nursery.

She is survived by nieces and nephews: Douglas (Hilda) Van Allen of Cass City, Donna (the late Theodore) Earl of Mt. Pleasant, Ronald (Doris) Van Allen of Troy, David (Kim) Van Allen of Canton, Sharon (Jack) Hartwick of Cass City, and Edie Fields of Caro.

She was preceded in death by her step-mother, Elsie; a brother, James Raymond Fields; a sister, Gen Van Allen; and nephews: Richard and Charles Fields, and Jack and Bobby Van Allen.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 19, at Living Word Worship Center, Cass City, with Pastor Keith Misny of Living Word Worship Center, and Pastor Mike Beeler of Faith Gospel Tabernacle officiating.

Burial was in the Novesta Township Cemetery.

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# O-G preparing to meet new standards

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In other business Monday, the board approved a motion to adopt a 2006-07 school calendar that mirrors that of the intermediate school district, including the Huron Technical Center. The calendar will comply with a new state law requiring schools to open after the Labor Day holiday.

The board also approved spending $22,476 for a Dodge Caravan from McCormick Motors Inc., Pigeon, for school use. The van, which replaces a vehicle totaled in a car-deer accident, will be used for driver's education, athletic events, and to transport some students to and from school.

# Robberies

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Sheriff's deputies and troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro, caught up with the teen downtown, arresting him without incident.

Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark Reene praised the officers, saying they did a "tremendous job" of putting an end to Prosser's crime spree and at the same time avoiding injury to anyone.

At the time of his arrest, Reene noted, Prosser had a semiautomatic handgun in his possession. there was one round in the chamber and the safety was off.

Reene said it isn't known why Prosser circled back into Caro after committing his second robbery of the evening, rather than continuing west towards Saginaw. However, he said drug use was involved in the crimes, which briefly netted Prosser about $1,500 in cash along with checks and some food items.

Reene said Prosser previously had a minor misdemeanor record, but was out on bond on 2 felony charges at the time of the robberies. Those charges are safe breaking and breaking and entering stemming from an incident Sept. 27 in Fairgrove.

# School buying 2 new buses

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The committee to study ways of reducing costs at the school has held an initial meeting. Another is scheduled and a report is expected at the January meeting of the board.

The board will send a letter of appreciation to Sandy, Dan and Brian Taylor for their work on the landscaping project at Campbell school. They have donated many hours of work building a new wall and berm in front of the school. They planted trees and took care of all the mulching. Funds were from memorials for Hedwig Biggle and Lois Selby.

The annual round table meetings with the school staff will be on hold until spring. Planned is an informal meeting with the staff and the new superintendent.

There were perhaps 50 persons at the meeting because a rumor circulated that there was to be action on the Doug Burtch, suspended band director, case. There was none and the meeting was the shortest regular meeting in the last several years.

# HDC: sponsor a senior

Human Development Commission (HDC) officials are promoting a new "Sponsor a Senior" project through the agency's Home Delivered Meals Program.

Home delivered meals are designed for seniors who are homebound and unable to prepare meals for themselves. The program provides a daily hot meal, frozen meals, cold lunches and extended shelf-life meals that should be saved for emergencies such as power outages or inclement weather.

In the Thumb, meals are delivered 5 days a week in Sanilac County and 4 days a week in both Huron and Tuscola counties (there are no Thursday deliveries).

Currently, HDC provides more than 200,000 home delivered meals annually to seniors in the 3 counties.

The program is supported by donations from those who receive the meals, but many of these seniors are on a limited income and could use a helping hand.

HDC officials say the "Sponsor a Senior" project is a great opportunity for area residents to do just that. On average, a donation of $35 can provide meals for a senior for 2 weeks, and $70 will help a senior receive meals for a month, $210 will provide 3 months worth, $420 will cover 6 months, and $840 will feed a senior for an entire year.

Anyone interest in sponsoring a senior can send a donation to: Human Development Commission - Home Delivered Meals Program, 429 Montague Ave., Caro MI 48723. Or, to learn more, contact Ruthann Osterhout, HDC fundraising manager, at (989) 673-4121.

# Santa, here is my list

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel Stover, Jr. and Debra Stover, husband and wife as joint tenants, original mortgagors, to IndyMac Bank, F.S.B., a federally chartered savings bank, Mortgagee, dated August 30, 2001 and recorded on October 31, 2001 in Liber 846 on Page 70 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Four and 24/100 Dollars ($37,104.24), including interest at 10% 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 5, 2006.

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

The East half of the East half of the Southeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 20, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, EXCEPT that part lying Southwesterly of the centerline of South Kingston Road. Right-of-way for Kingston Road over the Southerly side thereof.

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

Dated: December 7, 2005

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Shannon Smallwood, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 25, 2005 and recorded on April 13, 2005 in Liber 1034 on Page 966 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Four and 63/100 Dollars ($40,124.63), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 19, 2006.

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

Lot 2, Block 9 of the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 35.

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.

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# PEACE ON EARTH

## This is my first Christmas

**Keagan Voss**

Dear Santa,

This is my first Christmas and I am almost 1 year old, so I would like big boy toys this year.

I want a toy car and a football. Maybe you could throw in a pair of Scooby-Doo slippers.

I promise I have been a good boy. Grandma and Grandpa sure think so!

And don't forget mommy and daddy, they have been pretty good to me this year.

Thanks Santa,
Keagan Voss

# *Local art students showcase talents*

Tim Vogel
Tenth Grade
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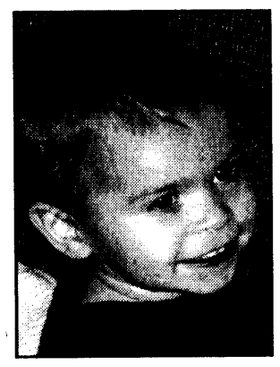
## *Don't forget us, Santa*



**Tyler Hinkle**

Dear Santa,

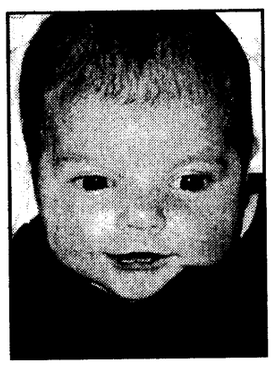
My name is Tyler Dale Hinkle. I am almost 2 years old.

Me, my daddy, my mommy, and my baby sister live in Jacksonville, N.C. We had to move there from Michigan because my daddy is in the Marines. All my grandmas, grandpas, aunts and uncles live in Michigan.

I am a wild boy, but mostly I have been a good little boy this year. What I would love for Christmas the most is for my daddy to be able to stay here in the U.S.

I would like to have my own cell phone and maybe a few movies.

Tyler Hinkle



**Leah Hinkle**

Dear Santa,

My name is Leah Renee Hinkle. I will be 3 months old this Christmas. My brother, Tyler, and I live in North Carolina with mommy and daddy.

I have been a really good girl. I don't have much use for toys yet, but I would look pretty cute in a couple of outfits. Mommy loves to dress me up in little dresses and adorable little outfits.

Leah Hinkle

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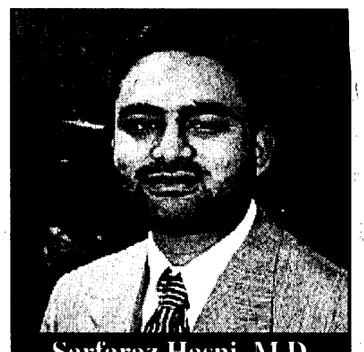
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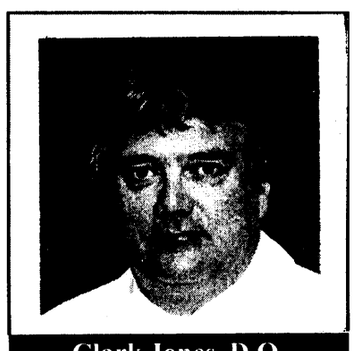
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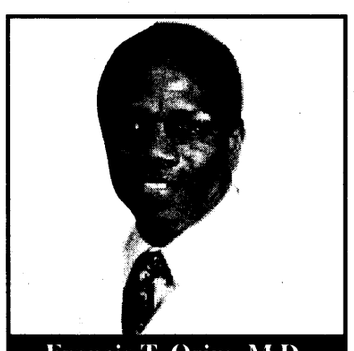
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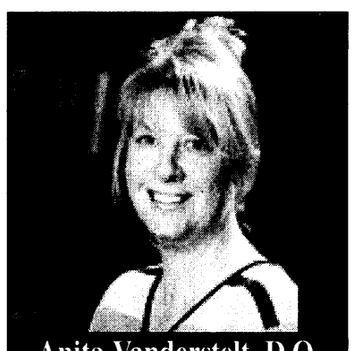
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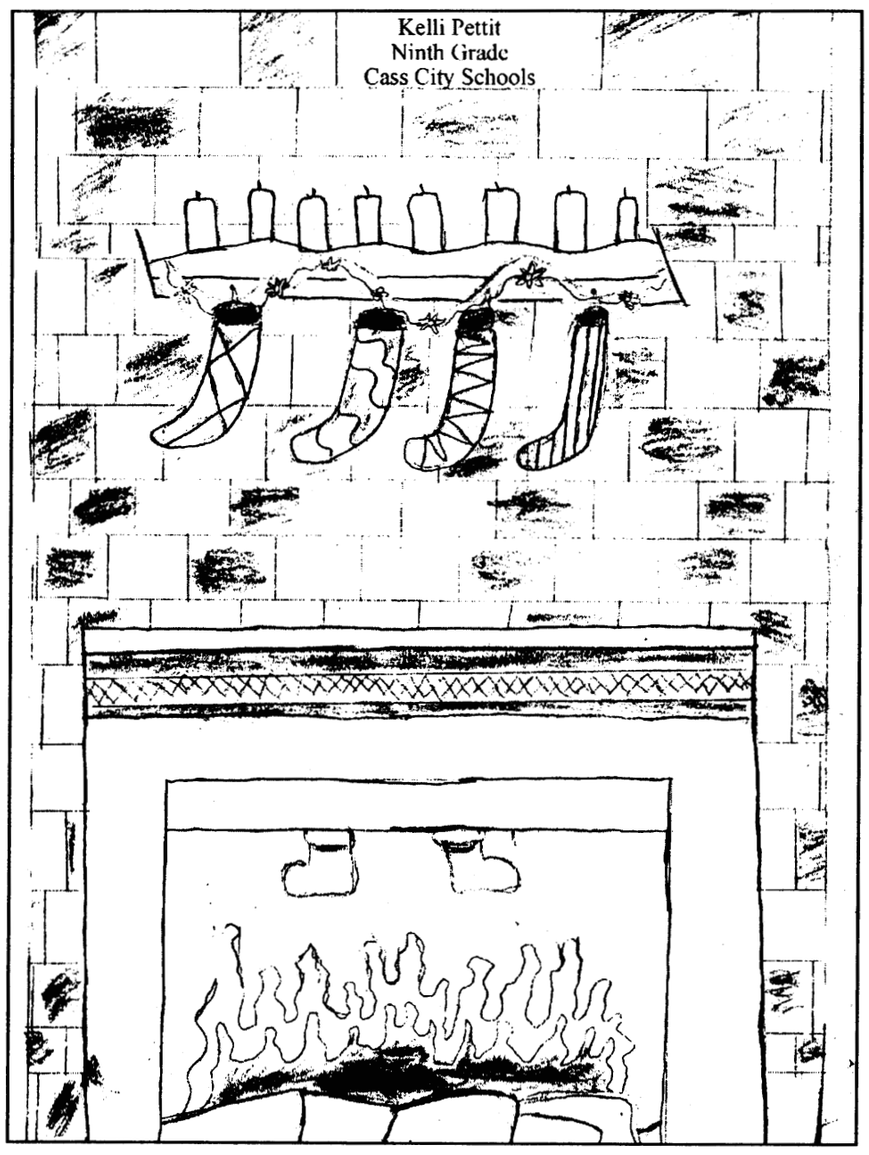

Kelli Pettit
Ninth Grade
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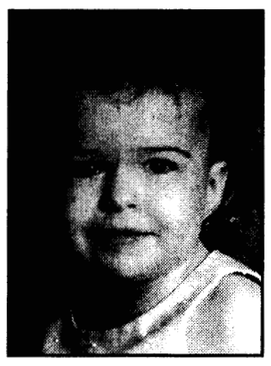
# I'm so excited this year, Santa!



**Alexandria Mary Tilt**

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas this year! Now that I am 2, I am starting to really enjoy all of the lights, snow, and Christmas trees.

I don't need very much Santa, but I would like a Dora the Explorer doll and some coloring books. I have been working hard on my coloring and Mimmie has been teaching me Spanish.

My cousin Jesse and I have been learning how to swim. Two round floatie toys would be a lot of fun for us in the pool!

I also need a set of coveralls to wear when I go farming with Grandpa.

If you happen to have an extra Christmas kitty that needs a good home, my Aunt Barb needs a new friend for the flower shop. She loves kitties like I do.

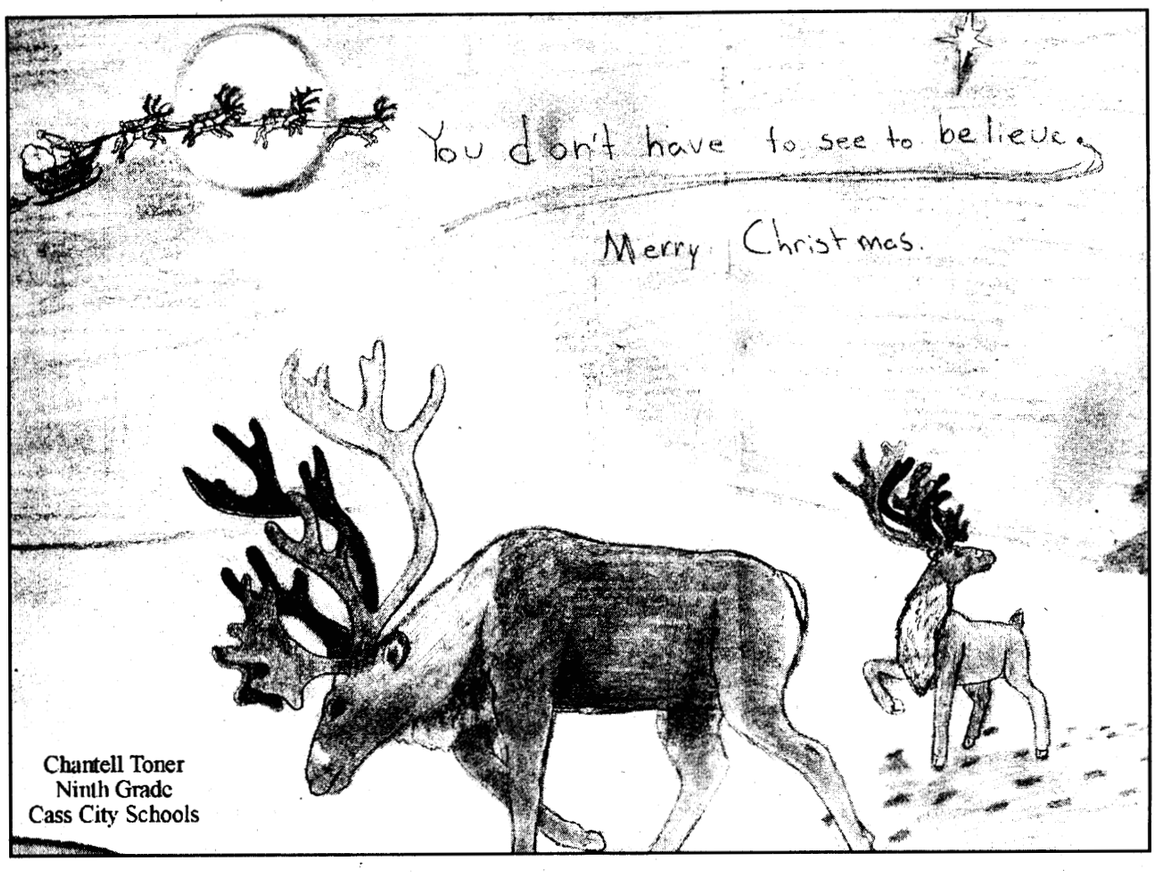
I hope that you stay warm enough on Christmas Eve and that you enjoy Jesus' birthday as much as I do!

I love you Santa!

Feliz Navidad and Merry Christmas to everyone!

XOXOXO

Alexandria Mary Tilt




Chantell Toner
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Cass City Schools

# The worst practical joke

**The Worst Christmas Practical Joke Ever**
By Greggory Leslie, ninth grade, Cass City Schools

This story begins last year 2 weeks before Christmas. It was the worst Christmas practical joke ever, but it resulted in the best present I've ever gotten.

My Aunt Vicki asked me what I wanted for Christmas while I was looking through a Wal-Mart flyer. I didn't really know what I wanted until I turned the page and saw exactly what I wanted.

It was a big black stereo with a 6 CD changer. I showed my Aunt Vicki and she said, "Sure, but don't count on it."

Then on Christmas, my Uncle Jamie brought in a huge box with my name on it. I opened all my other presents first and then he brought out that box.

As soon as he set it down, I tore it open. The picture on the box was the stereo I wanted, but inside was a note with my aunt's old stereo. The note read, "Dear Greggory, I know you wanted a stereo, but the one you vanted was too expensive, so here you go. It's my old one. Maybe next year."

I was so disappointed, I was aboutto cry. Then she started laugling and mumbling something. She repeated it louder, "It's in the garage."

As soon as I heard that, I was running to the garage like I was Tony Stewart in the Daytona 500. I hauled that clumsy stubborn box into the house like a pirate hauling in his treasure.

I couldn't believe my Aunt Vicki pulled that off, but she did. I won't ever forget that night, or my Aunt Vicki's present.

# We'll leave you goodies

Dear Santa,

Hi! My name is Vincent Purtill. I am 9 years old and my sister is 3 years old. Her name is Courtney Paige Smith.

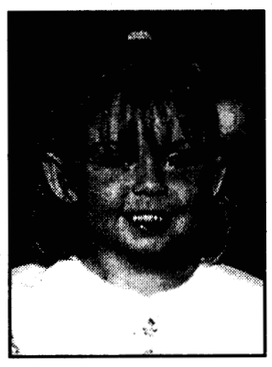
We have been pretty good this year. I would like a talking tractor and whatever else you think I would like.

My little sister would like a Barbie computer and whatever else you think she would like.

We will leave you and the reindeer some milk and cookies.

Love,
Vincent Purtill and Courtney Smith

Vincent Purtill



Courtney Smith

# This was a different Christmas

**My Different Christmas**
By Travis Mabe, ninth grade, Cass City Schools

One Christmas my family and myself celebrated Christmas in a way that we hadn't done before. I was 11 when instead of celebrating Christmas on Christmas day we had it on Christmas Eve.

This was mainly because my mom had to work Christmas Day, so we decided that Christmas Eve was the best time to celebrate.

There are 2 main things that I remember about that Christmas. The first was that my brother had a stubborn cold and was as sick as a dog. The second was that it was the last Christmas with my grandma.

My brother had to wear a surgical mask so my grandma wouldn't get sick, which made it kind of funny. Whenever he coughed with the mask on, it sounded like thunder.

That Christmas turned out just great because my family was happy together (except for maybe my brother)!

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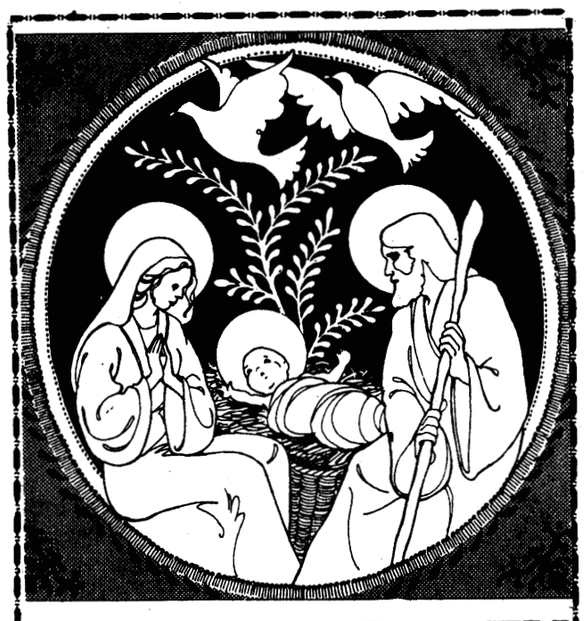

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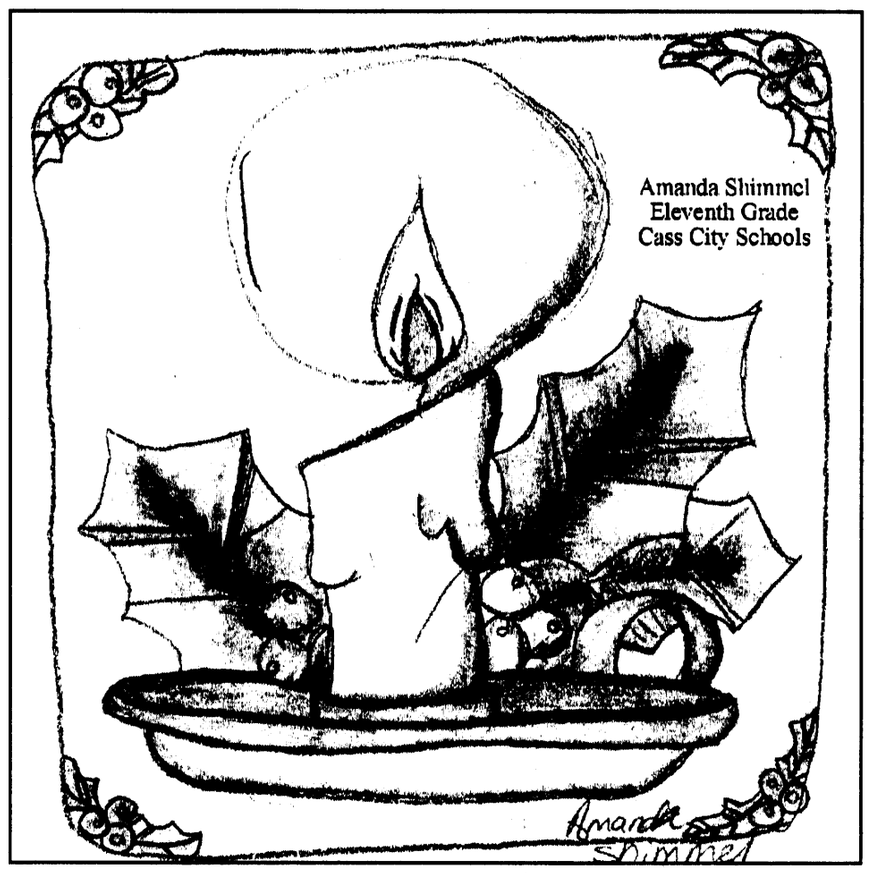

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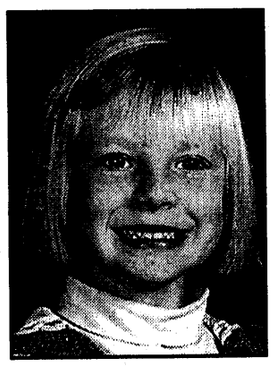

Kacey Haire

## Santa, hope you're not sick

Dear Santa,
I hope you're not sick. I hope it's not too windy for you at night. We're going to make cookies for you.
I like my brother and your elves and reindeer very much too! Be ready Rudolph and Santa!
I want the Bratz Babies and a Dora house too and nothing else.
I like your nose Rudolph. I love my mom and dad too.
Love,
Kacey Haire, 5

## Will you wake me up, Santa?

Aidan Bogart

Dear Santa,
I have been very busy growing and learning everyday.
Educational items will be very useful.
Santa, will you wake me up when you get here? Please!! Ha, Ha, Ha.
Sincerely,
Aidan Bogart, 14 months

## Santa, what was it like?

Parker Haire

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a merry Christmas. What was it like when you were a kid?
For Christmas I want a video movie, gloves and I'm an artist, so can I have some StarLightz gel pens please?
I think it's better and funner to give than receive.
Sincerely,
Parker Haire, 8

## Memories do stay with you

**Christmas Memory**
By Jennie Thorp, Cass City Schools

Do you have a memory of a past Christmas? My favorite memory is from when I was 7 years old.

On Christmas day my sister, Hayley, and I woke up and opened presents like we never saw one before. We got some really pretty green velvet dresses.

After we finished opening presents, we put on our dresses and went to my grandparent's house for more presents and a delicious Christmas dinner.

Memories stay with you forever. This memory has remained with me for 7 years and will be there even when I'm a grandparent.

## Memory to last a lifetime

**A Memory to Last**
By Krysta Timko, Cass City Schools

Have you ever felt that rush as you soar down a hill on a brisk December day? Every year on a chilling December day, my family and I drove to Frankenmuth and would go sledding for a whole day.
We took a few sleds and would all go down the hill together. We would sled until our legs couldn't carry us anymore.
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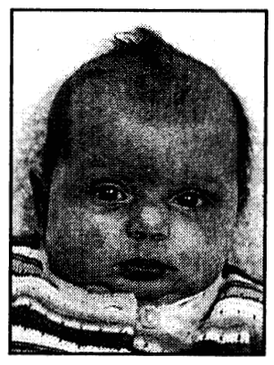
# You sound cool!

Hello Santa!
I'm only 3 months old, but my big sister has told me a lot about you. So far, you sound pretty cool!

I don't really need much for Christmas, but if you have a little something that blinks that would be great.

Have a good trip!
Love,
Claire Schroder, Boise, Idaho



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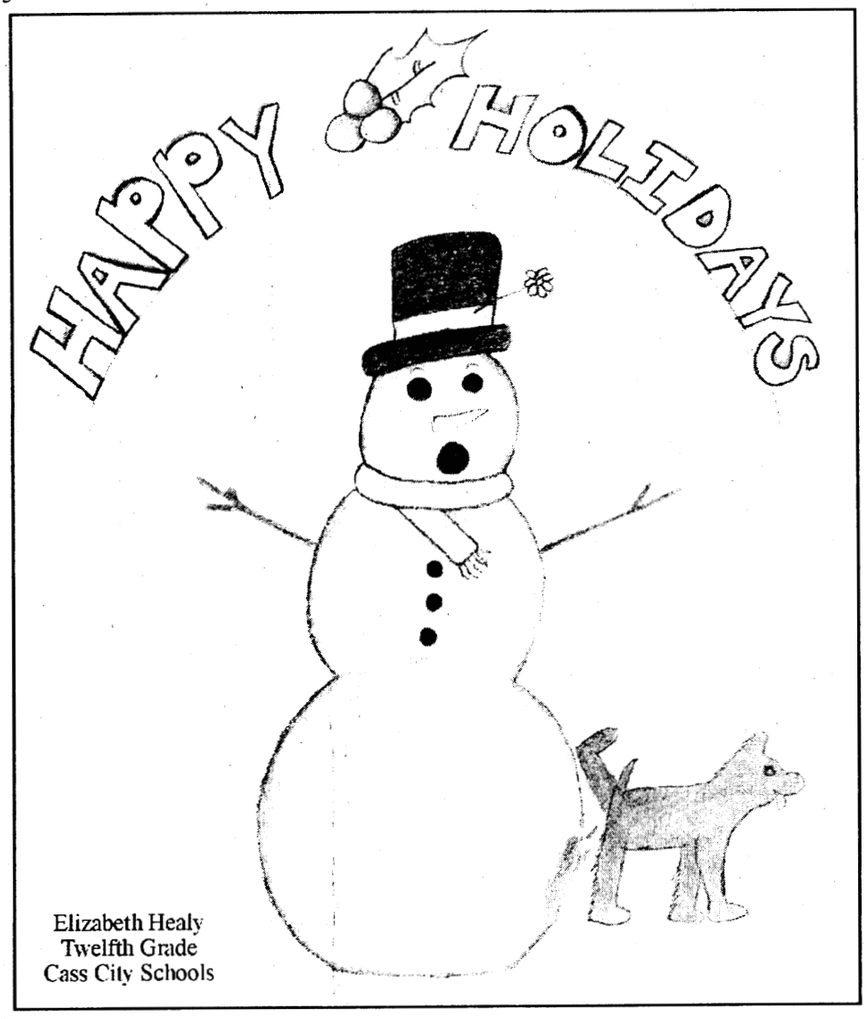


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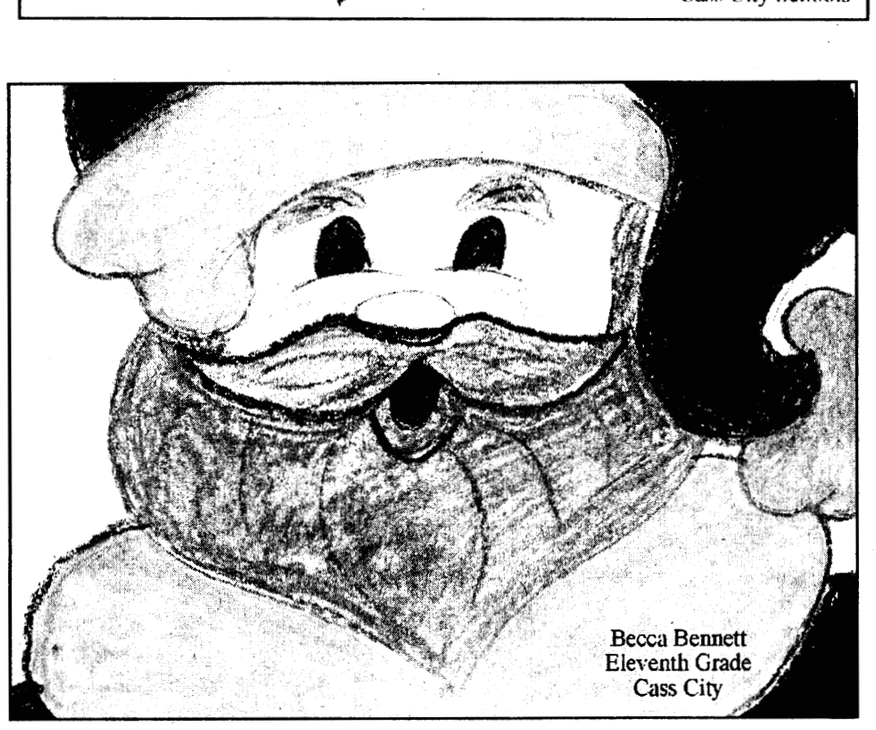

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# The smell of Christmas

**The Smell of Christmas**
By Whitney Laurie, ninth grade, Cass City Schools

Have you ever stepped outside on Christmas Eve? Everywhere you go the smell of Christmas fills the air. Wondrous smells fill the air.

The most noticeable smell is the smell of evergreen trees and the amazing smell of sugar cookies baking throughout the neighborhood.

One other distinct smell is my grandmother's cooking. All of these smells bring back great memories about past Christmases with my family.

If there was one thing I could change about Christmas, it would be that Christmas would come more than once a year.


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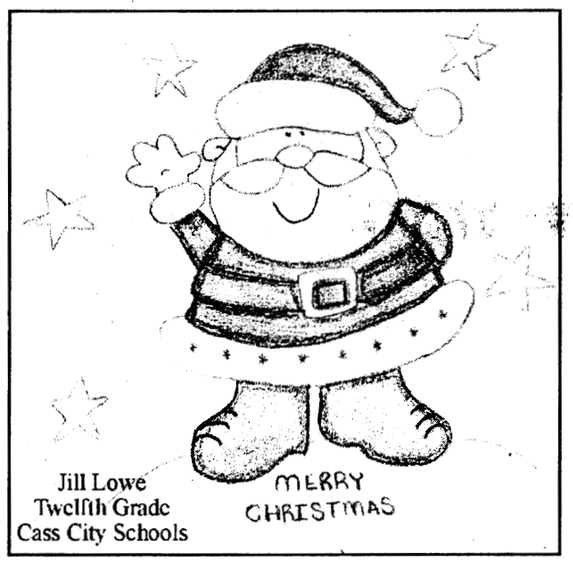


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**Jordan Burpee**

Dear Santa,

My name is Jordan Alan Burpee and I am 4 1/2 years old. How are you and all your reindeer?

Thank you for my toys last year, and for sending my "Amma's" dog Terra. I love Terra and she loves me.

For Christmas could I please have a little train with tracks and could I please have a big ball and a kid's computer.

Please send something nice for the baby that isn't born yet. I'm not sure I like babies, but I guess I'll find out when it gets here.

I love my mom and all my family a whole bunch, and I hope they will have a merry Christmas too.

I hope my papa Danny "Gee" can get better this year so we can go to deer camp someday, and he can teach me to fish and hunt.

Please tell my papa Lloyd up in heaven Merry Christmas from me. I miss him.

I wish for my Jadie to come visit me soon. Can you help him get here?

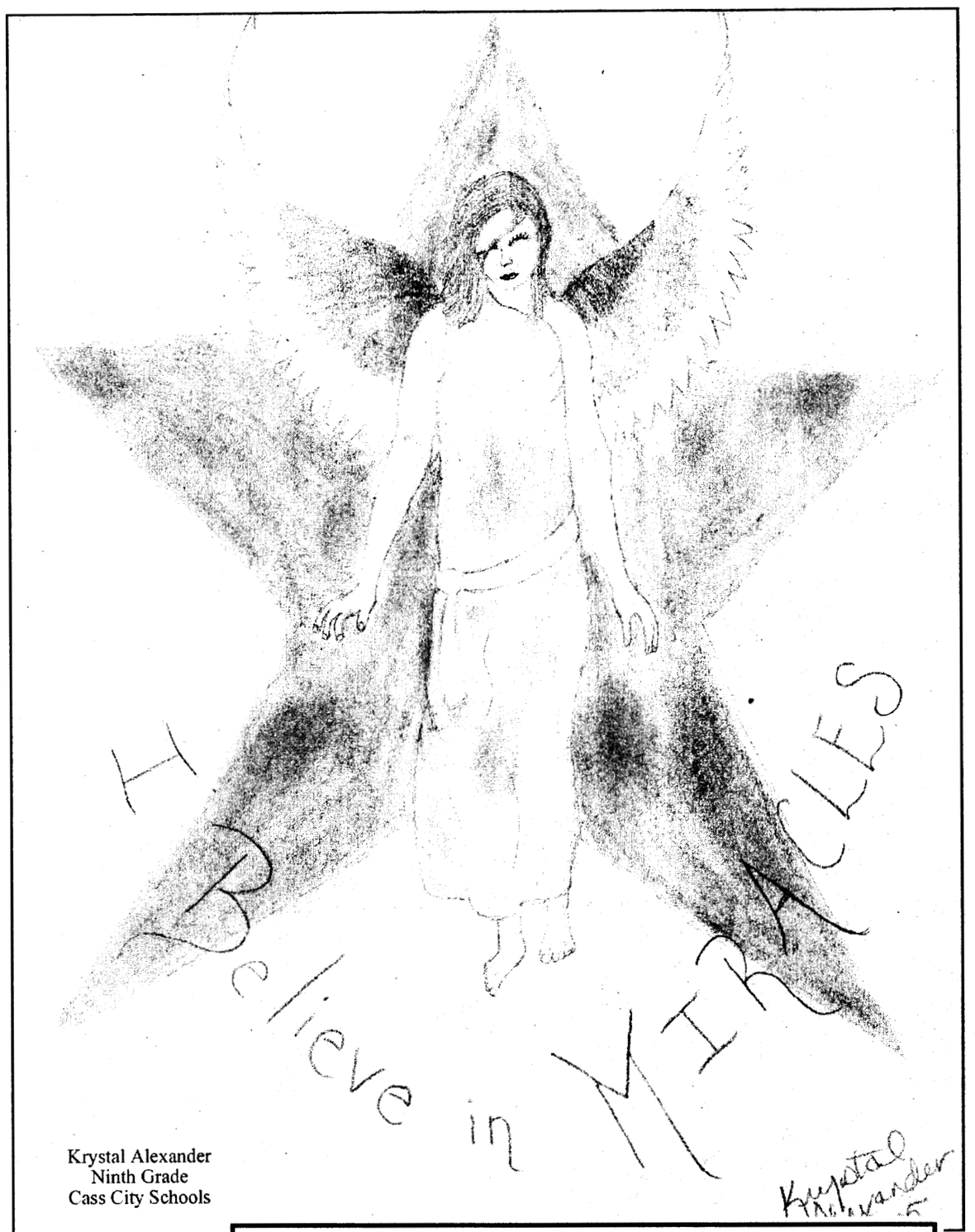
I will leave you some cookies and milk, and some corn on the cob for your reindeer.

Please don't forget that I moved. I hope you can still find me.

Thank you!

Love and Kisses,

Jordan

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**Ella Schroder**

Hi Santa!

It's Ella here hoping you have taken good care of yourself this year! You have a big job ahead of you.

I'm 3 now so I have a much better understanding of what you're all about. I'd like a Madagascar DVD and a dolly. I want to come up on our roof to help you out, but my mom says I will have to stay in bed. Sorry!

I will leave some cookies and milk for you and some gummi bears for Rudolph.

Please remember to stop by my Grandma and Grandpa Smith's in Decker.

Thanks Santa!

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# Christmas: a time for families

By Brad Hanby, ninth grade, Cass City Schools

Christmas is a time of family. My family has plenty of traditions.

My brothers and I wake up early and make a huge breakfast including pancakes, sausages, bacon, eggs and toast. We are usually hungry as bears and eat it as fast as we can.

After breakfast, we go to the living room and my dad pulls out the Bible and reads the Christmas Story, which is cool as ice.

After the story, we open presents. We start with stockings first then move on to regular gifts.

When we finish, we go to our grandma's house for another Christmas, making Christmas a real time of family togetherness.

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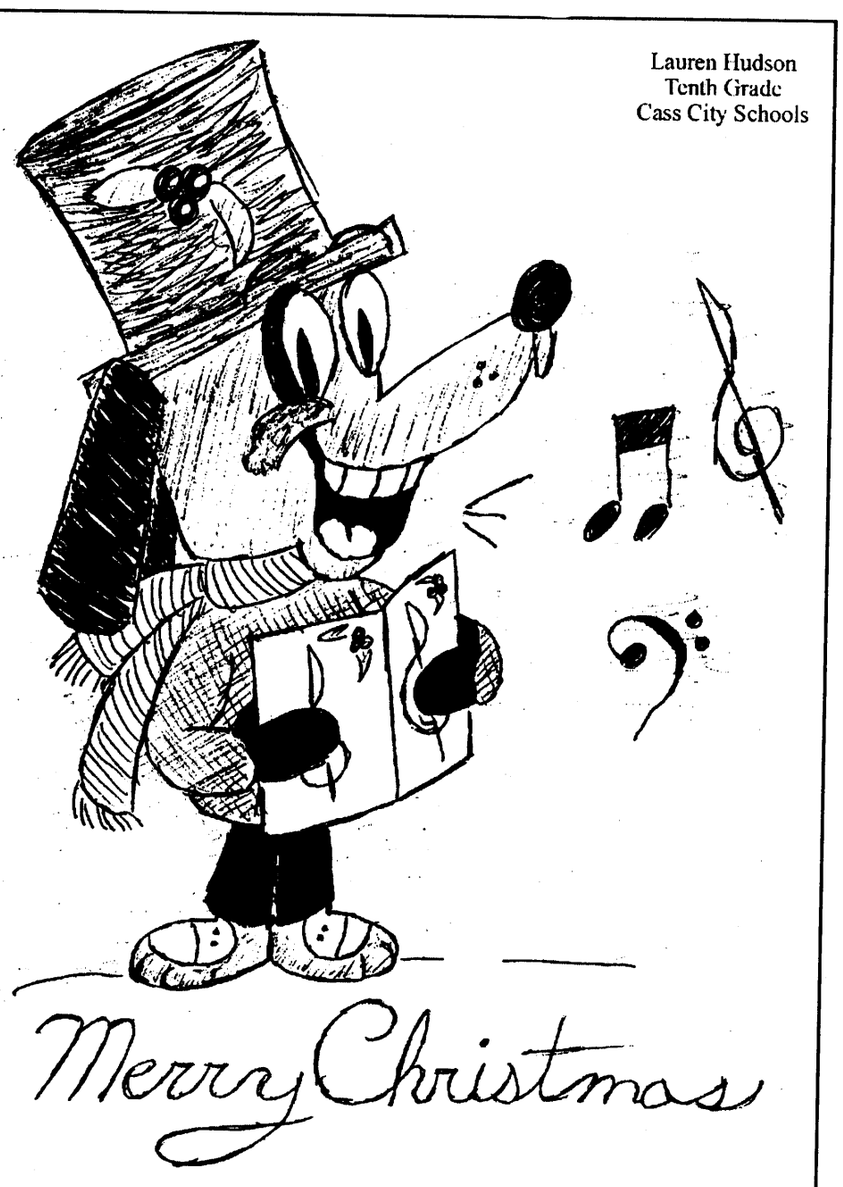



# *Santa, Hello! It's me*

**Brady Kolacz**

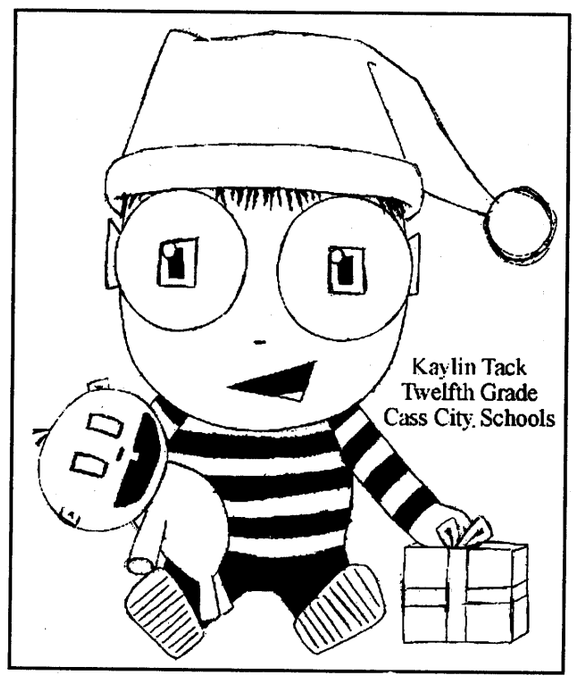
Dear Santa,

Hello! It's me, Brady, one of the new boys on your list this year.

I heard mom and dad talking about how they're gonna leave some milk and cookies out for your snack. It sure would be nice if you could leave one cookie on the plate and a little milk in the cup. I never seem to get fed the "good stuff."

I could really use a brother or a sister. I'm not picky. I'm just feeling a little out-numbered and need to even things out a bit. Thanks Santa!

Love,
Brady Kolacz




# *Everyone has certain memories at this time*

**Christmas Memory**
By Sarah Howard, ninth grade, Cass City Schools

Everyone has memories that come to mind when thinking about the holidays. One of my favorite Christmas memories is decorating the Christmas tree the day after Thanksgiving.

We would go to a tree farm and find a Christmas tree. Normally, it was easy to find the right one, but sometimes it was like finding a needle in a haystack.

Once we found the right tree, we would take it home and begin decorating. My job, which took forever, was to untangle the lights.

My family and I would all work together until it was finished. The tree always ended up looking like a masterpiece.

I will always cherish this Christmas memory.

# I've been very good

**Kailey**

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year and I would really like a new baby doll, an Elmo doll, and Little People.

Please bring learning toys to my cousin, Nathan. This is his first Christmas. Please make it special.

I will make fresh cookies and leave a glass of milk for you.

P.S. I will leave a bowl of sugar for your reindeer.

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Kailey

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**Seth Kappen**

Dear Santa,

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Could you please bring me a toy tractor, snowsuit and a dump truck.

Could you also being something for my sister, mom, dad, Grandma Sherry, Grandpa Rob and all the dogs.

Mom will leave a treat out for you.

Merry Christmas!

Love,
Seth

# *Favorite Christmas memory*

**A Christmas Memory**
By Amanda Langenburg, ninth grade, Cass City Schools

Christmas memories are always good to hold onto and look back on. When I was 6, I remember waking up really early on Christmas Eve. I was so excited to finally get to open all my presents.

When my family woke up, we began opening our presents. When I was finished with my last present, my mom and dad told me to go in my room. I thought I was in trouble, but couldn't figure out what I had done wrong.

When I opened my door to my room, I found a little puppy as black as coal just for me! I will always hold onto that memory.

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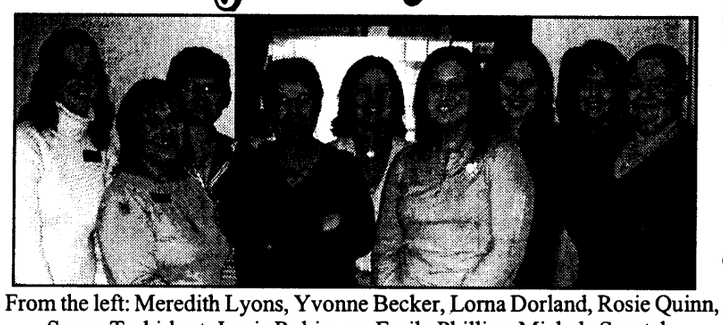

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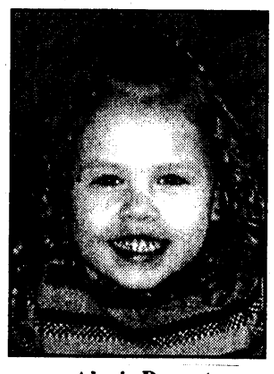
# Hey, Santa, how do you like Michigan weather?



**Alexis Bogart**

Hey Santa,

How are you liking our weather here in Michigan? Pretty cold, huh?

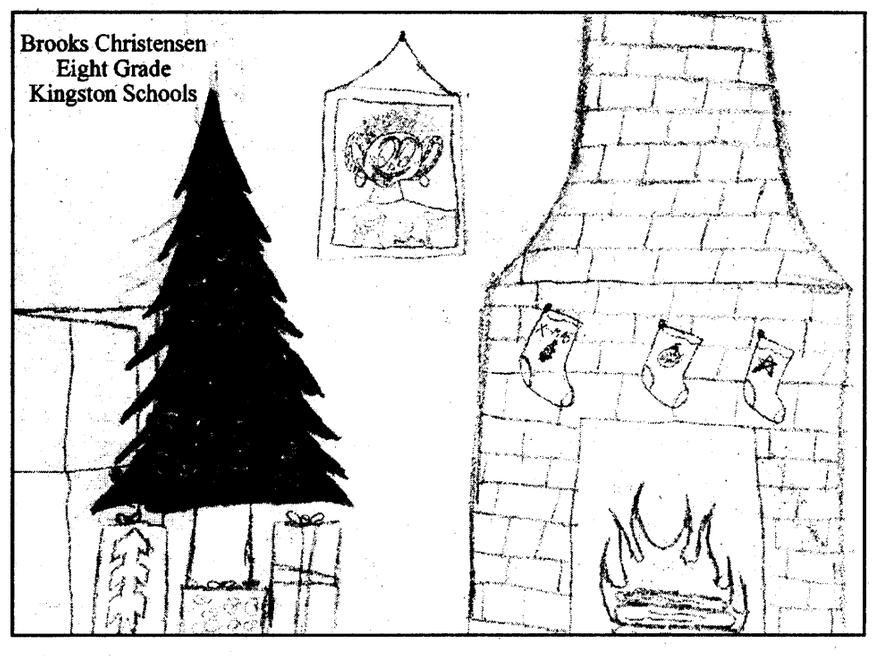
Mom put a new rug in front of the fireplace so be sure you wipe your feet. Mom will be really mad if you don't.

This year I am looking forward to finding a Furby under the tree.

I will leave you a cookie and a hot cocoa, carrots and sugar beets for you flyers, and sending bean soup home with you for your elves.

Please don't wake up my brother.

Sincerely,
Alexis Bogart, 3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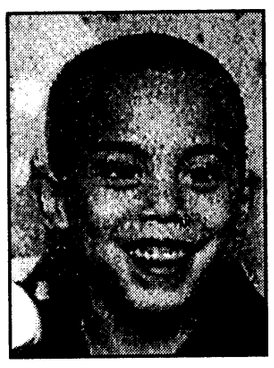
# *I'll leave carrots, Santa*



**Christopher Fifer**

Dear Santa,

My name is Christopher Jonathon Fifer. I am now 5 years old.

For Christmas I want a Star Wars tape, a game that goes up the mountain, a Jesus toy because I love him and a snowman toy.

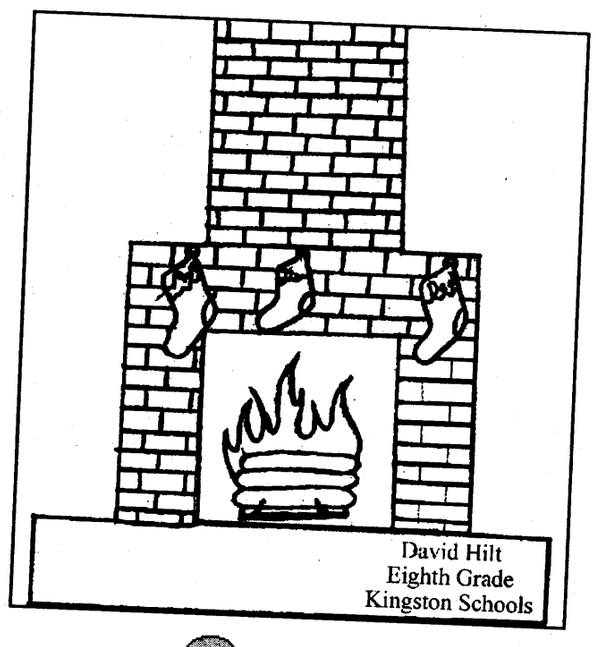
I will leave you a map to go to Grandma's.

I love you Santa, my heart lifts for what you do.

I will leave the reindeer some carrots.

Christopher Fifer

Laura Broekaart
Twelfth Grade
Cass City Schools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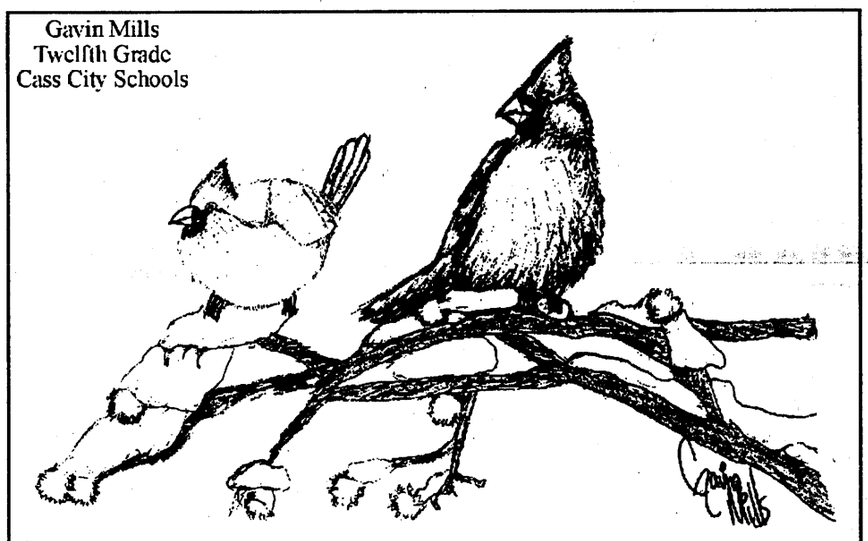

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Merry Christmas!
-Wendy

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# *Holiday Greetings*

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*Thelma Jackson*
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*Janet Severance*

# Letters to Santa

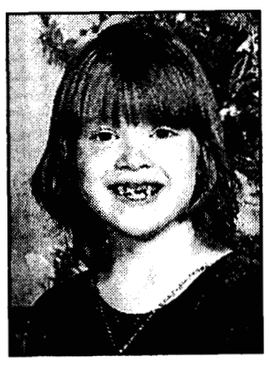
## I will leave you cookies and milk

**Enick Osantowski**

Dear Santa,
My name is Enick Thomas Osantowski. I am 4 years old. Christopher is my cousin.
For Christmas I want an airplane and a motorcycle.
I will leave you some hot chocolate and cookies.
Love,
Enick

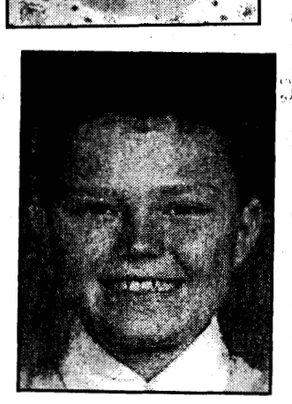
## I've been good

**Hailey Guinther**



Dear Santa,
My name is Hailey Sue Guinther. I am 6 years old.
I would like Bratz dolls and a DVD player for Christmas. Bring my sister and brother some toys.
I have been good this year.
I will leave some cookies and milk. I will leave some apples for your deer.
Love,
Hailey

## Here's our lists



**Tiffanie Guigar**
**Joshuah Guigar**

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Tiffanie Kay Guigar, and I am 6 1/2 years old. I am in the first grade and this is my seventh Christmas.
My brother's name is Joshua Edward Guigar, and he is 10 1/2 years old. He is in the fifth grade and this is his eleventh Christmas.
Santa, Christmas just will not be the same without "our loving Nanna." I wish upon a star, but Nanna has gone to Heaven to be with God. She is our Guardian Angel and is the biggest and brightest star in the sky.
Nanna, we love and miss you very much!
What I would really like for Christmas is a Game Boy Advance and games to go with it (so I do not have to beg to use my brother's), and maybe a new winter coat and snow pants. I also love money to put in my piggy bank.
Please bring my brother, Joshuah a complete set of G.I. Joes, a new winter coat and "lots" of money (maybe a money tree so he can buy anything he wants, which is everything just like me).
Bring baby E.T. (was our Nanna's little Chihuahua) some small bone toys and rawhides so she does not chew on our toys when we do not pick them up (which we never do).
Santa, we will leave out a big cup of hot cocoa and a plate of chocolate chip cookies for you to snack on.
For your reindeer, we will leave out a big bag of sugar and a red light bulb for Rudolph (in case his nose burns out).
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**Cass City Red Hawks 2005-06 Volleyball**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dec. 10 | North Branch (JV) | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Dec. 14 | Bay City/USA/Caro (V) | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Dec. 14 | Caro/Bay City/USA (JV) | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Dec. 14 | Caro/USA/Bay City (F) | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Dec. 16 | Caro Invite (JV) | 4:30 p.m. | A |
| Dec. 17 | Caro Invite (V) | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| **Dec. 19** | **Ubly/Owen-Gage (JV)** | **6:30 p.m.** | **H** |
| Dec. 19 | Ubly/Owen-Gage (V) | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Dec. 22 | Essexville Garber (V) | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Jan. 6 | Bad Axe (JV/F) | 4:00 p.m. | A |
| Jan. 7 | Bad Axe (V) | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| **Jan. 9** | **Sandusky** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Jan. 14 | Birch Run (V) | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| Jan. 19 | BCAS | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| **Jan. 26** | **Valley Lutheran** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Jan. 28 | Birch Run (JV) | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| Jan. 28 | Brown City (F) | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| Jan. 28 | Northwood (V) | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| Feb. 2 | Lakers | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| **Feb. 9** | **USA** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Feb. 11 | SVSU Invite | TBA | A |
| Feb. 11 | Lakers League Tourney | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| **Feb. 16** | **Reese** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Feb. 18 | North Branch (V) | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Feb. 18 | USA League Tourney | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Feb. 23 | Bad Axe | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Feb. 25 | Bad Axe League Tourney | 9:00 a.m. | A |

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**Cass City Red Hawks 2005-06 Wrestling**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Nov. 30 | Imlay City/Capac | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Dec. 3 | Cros-Lex Invite | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Dec. 7 | Almont/Armada | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Dec. 10 | Marlette Tourney | 8:00 p.m. | A |
| **Dec. 14** | **Marlette/Lakers/USA** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Dec. 21 | John Glenn | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Jan. 7 | N. Branch Tourney | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Jan. 11 | Brown City/USA | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Jan. 14 | Mayville Invite | 8:00 a.m. | A |
| Jan. 18 | V. Lutheran/Lakers | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Jan. 21 | Imlay City Invite | 8:30 a.m. | A |
| Jan. 25 | Marlette/Sag. Nouvel | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Jan. 28 | Marysville Invite | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| **Feb. 1** | **Mayville/Sandusky** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Feb. 4 | Standish/Sterling Invite | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Feb. 11 | USA League Tourney | 10:00 a.m. | A |

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**Basketball**
**Tuesday, Jan. 3**
**Cass City vs. Caro**

**Volleyball**
**Monday, Jan. 9**
**Cass City vs. Sandusky**

**Wrestling**
**Wednesday, Feb. 1**
**Cass City vs. Mayville/Sandusky**

**Gymnastics**
**Tuesday, Jan. 10**
**Cass City vs. Midland**

**Cass City Red Hawks 2005-06 Boys' Varsity Basketball**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dec. 6 | Vassar 38, Cass City 65 | | |
| **Dec. 9** | **Ubly 49, Cass City 53** | | |
| Dec. 13 | Sandusky 51, Cass City 53 | | |
| **Dec. 16** | **Mayville 41, Cass City 57** | | |
| Dec. 20 | Valley Lutheran | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| **Jan. 3** | **Caro** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| **Jan. 6** | **Bad Axe** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Jan. 13 | Lakers | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| **Jan. 17** | **Harbor Beach** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Jan. 20 | USA | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| **Jan. 27** | **Reese** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| **Jan. 31** | **BCAS** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| **Feb. 3** | **Deckerville** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| **Feb. 7** | **Valley Lutheran** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Feb. 10 | Bad Axe | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| **Feb. 14** | **Lakers** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| **Feb. 17** | **USA (Snowcoming)** | **6:00 p.m.** | **H** |
| Feb. 24 | Reese | 6:00 p.m. | A |
| Feb. 28 | BCAS | 5:00 p.m. | A |
| March 2 | Saginaw Nouvel | 4:30 p.m. | A |

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**Cass City Red Hawks 2005-06 Gymnastics**

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Dec. 20** | **Vassar** | **6:30 p.m.** | **H** |
| **Jan. 10** | **Midland** | **6:30 p.m.** | **H** |
| Jan. 28 | Troy Athens Invite | 9:00 a.m. | A |
| Jan. 31 | Midland | 6:30 p.m. | A |
| Feb. 7 | Vassar | 6:30 p.m. | A |
| Feb. 11 | Vassar Invite | 12:00 p.m. | A |
| Feb. 14 | Midland Invite | 6:00 p.m. | A |

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph D. Simpson, a/k/a Joe D. Simpson, and Amanda M. Simpson, husband and wife, to Fifth Third Mortgage-MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated February 25, 2004 and recorded March 17, 2004 in Liber 984, Page 903, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Four and 43/100 Dollars ($111,334.43), including interest at the rate of 6.13% 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 5, 2006.

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

Lots 1 and 10, Block 34, Map of the Village of Fostoria, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, on Pages 44-45, now being 45A-46A, Tuscola County Records.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: December 7, 2005

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Fifth Third Mortgage-MI, LLC,
As Mortgagee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 200.1504

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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 Terry D. Gast, a single man, original mortgagor, to Icon Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 4, 2003 and recorded on September 11, 2003 in Liber 953 on Page 563, and assigned by mesne assignments to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Two and 62/100 Dollars ($48,292.62), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 19, 2006.

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

The Southeast square 5 acres of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 13 North, Range 9 East.

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

Dated: December 21, 2005

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #076926F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nancy Petzold, a single woman, to Flagstar Bank, FSB, mortgagee, dated August 22, 2002 and recorded September 3, 2002 in Liber 892, Page 103, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC successor by merger with Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation by assignment dated June 20, 2003 and recorded on May 27, 2003 in Liber 932, Page 1156, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Fifty Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Eight and 82/100 Dollars ($50,478.82), including interest at the rate of 7.50% 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 19, 2006.

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

That part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 25, Township 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbela Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the Northeast, corner of said Section 25; thence South 251.50 feet along the East Section line; thence North 89 degrees 34 Minutes 00 Seconds West 400.00 feet parallel with the North Section Line; thence North 251.50 feet parallel with the East Section line; thence South 89 Degrees 34 Minutes 00 Seconds East 400.00 feet along the North Section Line to the Point of Beginning. Subject to the Right of Way for Birch Run Road along the Northerly side thereof. Also subject to the right of way for Vassar Road along the Easterly side thereof. Also subject to all easements, restrictions, and rights-of-way, if any, of record.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: December 21, 2005

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Chase Home Finance LLC successor by merger with Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, As Assignee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 310.0227

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel L. Watson and Nina Watson, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. "MERS", solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns GMAC Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 20, 2003 and recorded on September 17, 2003, in Liber 954 on Page 439, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY THREE AND 16/100 DOLLARS ($35,543.16), including interest at 5.5% 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, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on, January 5, 2006.

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

Beginning at the Northeast corner of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 16, Town 12 North, Range 11 East; thence West 250 feet; thence South 300 feet; thence Southeasterly to a point which is 403 feet South and 165 feet West of said Northeast corner of the Northwest one-quarter of said Section 16; thence East 165 feet; thence North 403 feet to the point of beginning.

TAX ID NO. 015-016-000-0450-00

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: December 1, 2005

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. "MERS", solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns GMAC Mortgage Corporation
Mortgagee

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, Michigan 48075

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David Haynes II and Lisa Haynes, husband and wife, to New Century Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 6, 2004 and recorded February 2, 2005 in Liber 1025, Page 1028, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2005-NC1 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 Seventy-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Five and 18/100 Dollars ($78,985.18), including interest at the rate of 7.30% 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 December 22, 2005.

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

Lot 4, Block 19, T. North's Addition to the Village (now City) of Vassar, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 9 of Plats, Page 570, Tuscola County Records.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: November 23, 2005

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2005-NC1, As Assignee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 269.1135

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Valorie J. Barrett and Derrick M. Barret Sr., wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 15, 2004 and recorded October 29, 2004 in Instrument Number 200400858091, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Nine Hundred One and 50/100 Dollars ($93,901.50), including interest at the rate of 7.34% 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 December 22, 2005.

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

Part Section 23, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, Town 10 North Range 9 East, commencing at a point that is South 665.62 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section; thence South 410.38 feet; thence West 435 feet; thence North 410.38 feet; thence East 435 feet to Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: November 23, 2005

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., As Mortgagee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 207.3894

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rodney Withers, Sr. and Corina Withers, husband and wife, to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 2, 2000 and recorded August 7, 2000 in Liber 807, Page 1152, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Fifty Thousand One Hundred Ninety and 30/100 Dollars ($50,190.30), including interest at the rate of 11.50% 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 5, 2006.

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

Part of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 28, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point on the North line of Section 28, which is South 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 East, 252.5 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 28; thence continuing along said North line, South 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds East, 118.00 feet; thence parallel to the West line of Section 28 South 313.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds West 118.00 feet; thence North 313.00 feet to the North line of Section 28 and the Point of Beginning.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: December 7, 2005

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., As Mortgagee
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 326.0349

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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.

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

PARCEL 2: PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 27, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, FREMONT TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST 300.78 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH SECTION LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 88 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST 273.37 FEET ALONG SAID SECTION LINE; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST 492.04 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 87 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 56 SECONDS EAST 195.26 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST 39.22 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 44 SECONDS EAST 378.78 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST 239.77 FEET ALONG THE EAST SECTION LINE; THENCE SOUTH 55 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 362.08 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

Dated: November 30, 2005

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #074927F01

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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 Joseph H. Kramer, a single person, and Jacqueline Durr, a single person, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 11, 2001 and recorded on November 30, 2001 in Liber 850 on Page 660 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Seventy-Nine and 73/100 Dollars ($57,079.73), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 5, 2006.

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

Part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning on the South line of said Section 12, distant South 89 degrees 56 minutes 30 seconds West 548.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said section; thence continuing along said section line, South 89 degrees 55 minutes 33 seconds West 175.00 feet, thence North 00 degrees 04 minutes 30 seconds West 360.72 feet to a Traverse line along the Southerly Bank of the Applegate Drain, so-called thence along said Traverse line, South 88 degrees 33 minutes 48 seconds East 67.07 feet and South 87 degrees 24 minutes 15 seconds East 108.06 feet; thence South 00 degrees 04 minutes 30 seconds East 354.34 feet to the place of beginning, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: December 7, 2005

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #075857F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Stephen M. Krueger and Michelle Krueger, by Stephen M. Krueger her attorney-in-fact, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns GMAC Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 30, 2004 and recorded on March 2, 2004 in Liber 982, on Page 712, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR AND 02/100 DOLLARS ($107,584.02), including interest at 5.5% 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, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on, January 5, 2006.

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

Commencing at the Northwest corner of the South half of the Northwest quarter of Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence along the North, East and West One Eighth line of Section 15, Easterly 242 feet; thence parallel with the West line of said Section 15, Southerly 175 feet; thence parallel with the North, East, and West One Eighth line of said Section, Westerly 242 feet to the West line of said Section; thence along said West line, Northerly 175 feet to the point of beginning.

And commencing at the Northwest corner of the South half of the Northwest quarter of Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, along the North, East-West One Eighth line of Section 15, Easterly 242 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing Easterly 242 feet; thence parallel with the West line of Section 15, Southerly 205 feet; thence parallel with the North, East-West One Eighth line of Section 15, Westerly 484 feet; thence Northerly along the West line of Section 15, 30 feet; thence parallel with the North, East-West One Eighth line of Section 15, Easterly 242 feet; thence parallel with the West line of Section 15, Northerly 175 feet to the point of beginning.

TAX ID NO. 79-005-015-000-1200-01

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 21, 2005

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns GMAC Mortgage Corporation
Mortgagee

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, Michigan 48075

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Linda L. Maharg and Paul J. Szelogowski, her husband, and Richard Kukulski, a/k/a Richard L. Kukulski and Viola M. Kukulski, his wife, original mortgagors, to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated February 5, 1996 and recorded on February 6, 1996 in Liber 685 on Page 994, and assigned by said Mortgagee to NationsBanc Mortgage Corporation as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Four and 42/100 Dollars ($56,924.42), including interest at 7.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 5, 2006.

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

Lots 1 and 2 of Weber Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 47, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: November 30, 2005

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC G (248) 593-1310
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Bank of America N.A. successor by merger to BA Mortgage, LLC (A wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of America, NA) successor in interest by merger of NationsBanc Mortgage Corporation
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #073565F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jerry Allen Stoick, a married man, 2120 W. Wells Road, Caro, Michigan 48723, to Franklin Bank, a division of First Place Bank, 24725 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield, Michigan 48034, Mortgagee, dated August 31, 2004 and recorded on September 17, 2004 in Liber 1008, on Page 1241-1264, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Three Hundred One and 92/100 Dollars ($253,301.92), including interest at 6.125% 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 vendue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock on January 5, 2006.

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

Parcel 1: A piece of land commencing 25 rods SE of where the State Road intersects the quarter line of Section 20, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; running thence South 16 rods; thence East 10 rods; thence North 16 rods; thence West 10 rods parallel with said State Road to the Point of Beginning.

Parcel 2: Part of the Northeast quarter of Section 20, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as: beginning at a point which is North 88 degrees 40 minutes West along the East and West quarter line of said Section 20, 1994.81 feet and North 1151.97 feet from the East quarter corner of said Section 20; thence continuing North 494.03 feet; thence North 70 degrees 22 minutes West 115.98 feet; thence North 80 degrees 52 minutes West 214.00 feet; thence South 566.97 feet; thence East 320.54 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Parcel I.D. 013-020-200-0410-00

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 16, 2005

Franklin Bank, a division of First Place Bank
24725 W. Twelve Mile Road
Southfield, MI 48034
Mortgagee

Attorneys: Anthony G. Mammina
370 E. Maple Road, Suite 230
Birmingham, MI 48009

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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 Earl L. Bailey III and Kathryn S. Bailey, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to New Century Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 14, 2004 and recorded on August 19, 2004 in Liber 1005 on Page 266 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, trustee as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Eight and 78/100 Dollars ($78,708.78), including interest at 8.99% 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 12, 2006.

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

Part of Lots 3, 4, 5, and 8, Block 15 of H.C. Marvin's Plat of the Village of Unionville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 48, now being page 49A, described as: beginning at a point on the East right of way line of Brown Street, which is North 01 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds East, 116.66 feet from the Southwest corner of said block 15; thence continuing along said East right of way line, North 01 degree 43 minutes 30 seconds East, 116.56 feet; thence parallel to the North right of way line of Bay Street, South 87 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds East 132.00 feet; thence South 01 degrees 43 minutes 30 seconds West, 116.65 feet; thence parallel to the North right of way of Bay Street, North 87 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds West 132.00 feet to the East right of way line of Brown Street, and point of beginning, Tuscola County Records.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John E. Reid, a married man, and Tonya M. Reid, his wife, original mortgagors, to Flagstar Bank, Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated December 29, 2000 and recorded on January 8, 2001 in Liber 818 on Page 1420, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Sixty-Seven and 00/100 Dollars ($157,067.00), including interest at 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 19, 2006.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 31, Township 10 North, Range 7 East, described as: Beginning at a point that is North 89 Degrees 16 Minutes East, 601.9 Feet from the Southwest corner of Section 31; thence North 00 Degrees 10 Minutes 30 Seconds West, 250 Feet; thence North 89 Degrees 16 Minutes East, 100 Feet; thence South 00 Degrees 10 Minutes 30 Seconds East, 250 Feet; thence South 89 Degrees 16 Minutes West, 100 Feet along the South line of Section 31 and the point of beginning.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William Besaw III, a single man, original mortgagor, to Irwin Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 24, 2005 and recorded on February 28, 2005 in Liber 1028 on Page 1256 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Four and 28/100 Dollars ($52,264.28), including interest at 7% 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 19, 2006.

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

Lot 18, Block 7 of Charles Montague's Subdivision, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 10, now being Page 11A, Tuscola County Records.

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

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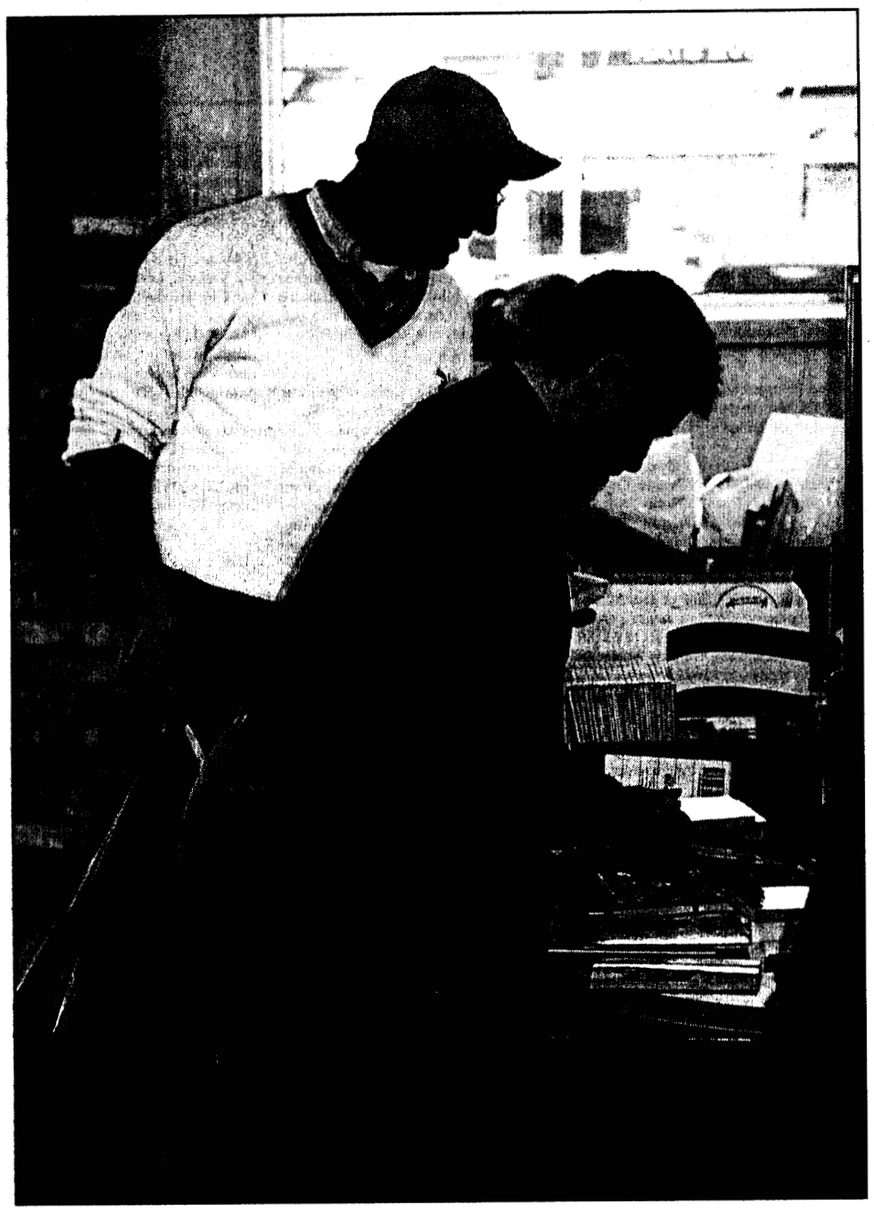

**ROTARY CLUB members (from left) Doug Laurie and Ben Varney sort toys and other items for distribution to area families in conjunction with the club's annual Christmas for Kids program (see story, page one).**

*Youth ChalleNGe Academy*

# Deford youth among teens to complete 'survivor' program

Dozens of teens from across the state, including a Deford area resident, recently graduated from a real-life "Survivor" program designed to help them overcome problems at home, at school or brushes with the law, and to give them a second chance at life.

The teens are graduates of the Michigan Youth ChalleNGe Academy (MYCA). The most recent class included Cadet Blaine T. McGowan of Deford. The Chronicle was unable to arrange an interview with the McGowan family.

"Some of these kids have gone through things that I could not have imagined," said Michael McNees, former program recruiter for the Michigan Youth ChalleNGe Academy.

The 87 cadets and their families celebrated the completion of the academy's 22-week intensive training program that was developed to give them the discipline, education, guidance and goals they need to finally believe in themselves. The graduation ceremony was held at Battle Creek's Northwestern Middle School.

"What we're actually doing is giving them a better hope for the future," McNees said of the academy program. "And a lot of them don't have hope. It was bleak for them."

McNees said that each of the 16- to 18-year-old cadets has his or her own personal stories of their triumph over adversity after graduating from the academy.

"You have to see it and be a part of it. To see them walk across the stage," he added. "You can see the pride in their faces and in their eyes. They believe in themselves. They're proud of themselves."

The academy is a tuition-free, military-based, 17 1/2-month program targeting at-risk youth who have dropped out of school or are at risk of dropping out. MYCA, located on the grounds of the Battle Creek VA Medical Center, is one of 30 academies run by the National Guard Youth Foundation to give troubled teens an opportunity to turn their lives around.

Although the Michigan National Guard administers the program, there is no military obligation or participation.

"The goal of the academy is to produce men and women who are well-rounded in many areas and ready to become productive members of society," said James J. Luce, deputy director of the academy. "This class is a fine representation of how the program helps them achieve their goals."

Another example of the program's success took place last week in Lansing, when the cadets were honored with a tribute from Michigan Senator Mark Schauer and Rep. Mike Nofs, both of Battle Creek, for their work supporting hundreds of victims of Hurricane Katrina who were evacuated from Louisiana to the Fort Custer Training Center in Battle Creek last fall.

The cadets also received a letter from Gov. Jennifer Granholm saluting them for their work with the hurricane victims.

"The cadets put a warm, welcoming face on an unfamiliar state and helped give our guests the most important gift: a warm, dry refuge for their families," Granholm wrote. "It is truly amazing to see these once at-risk kids - who entered the academy only a few weeks ago - now helping others."

During the 22-week residential cycle, the cadets' schooling is administered by the Battle Creek Public Schools. At the end of the residential phase, cadets have the opportunity to take their GED test and then return to their community to meet with a mentor on a weekly basis.

The mentor's role is to help transition the cadet back into their community and keep them focused on their career and personal goals.

Cadets volunteer for the program and are trained and evaluated on 8 core components: life coping skills, education excellence, vocational skills, citizenship, leadership, health, physical fitness and community service.

The academy's recent graduates are the 13th class to graduate from the program.


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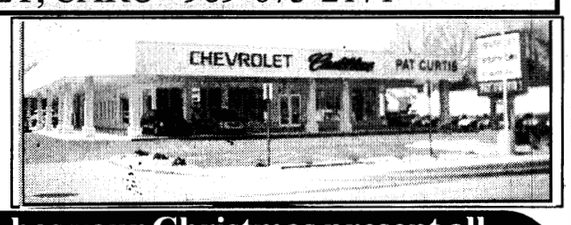

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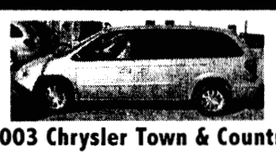
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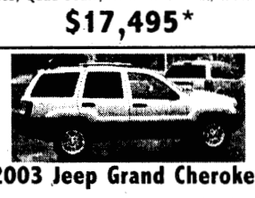
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