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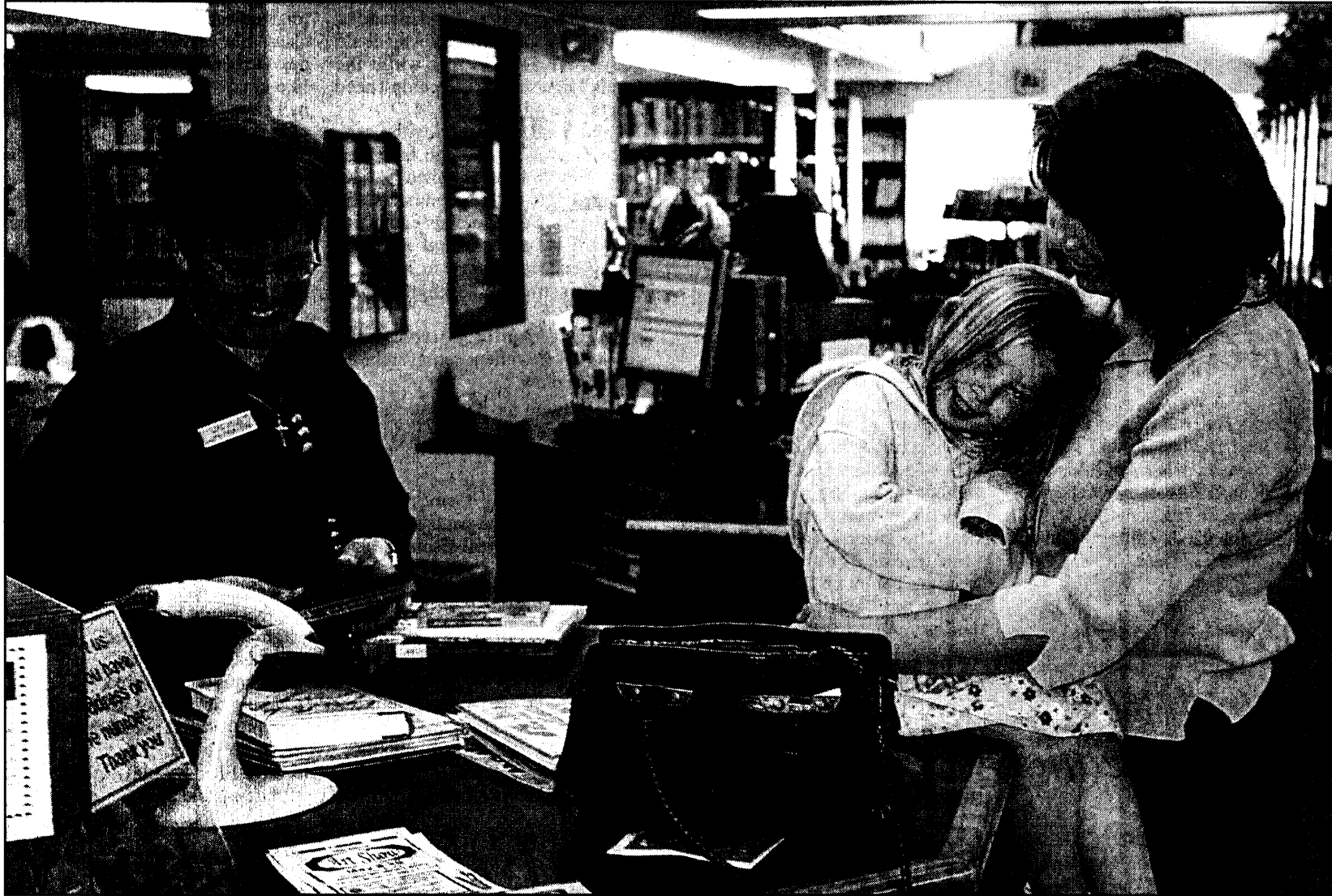
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RUTH STEELE (LEFT), special programming librarian at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City, assists patron Lori Mazure and her daughter, Sophie, 3, last week. Area voters will be asked to approve a millage renewal in August to continue funding operations at the library.

## Van Auken: library millage "vital"

Kate VanAuken has worked hard to give Rawson Memorial Library patrons the biggest possible bang for their millage buck.

She hopes voters will agree when they go to the polls in the Tuesday, Aug. 8, primary election.

VanAuken, director of the Cass City library, has been busy visiting with township boards in the library district - Elkland, Elmwood and Novesta — explaining the importance of a millage renewal that will be presented to voters this summer.

One of the reasons, VanAuken pointed out, has been to explain the ballot wording, which this year includes a note about a portion of the millage revenue being collected by the Cass City Downtown Development Authority (DDA). The DDA has always captured a small amount of the money within a portion of its district in the village of Cass City, VanAuken explained. The difference is that Michigan's new election con-

solidation law requires that the wording be included on the ballot.

The millage renewal request for the library is .35 of a mill for 4 years, which would raise about \$53,000 the first year.

The renewal is vital because it would enable the library to maintain existing services, according to VanAuken, who noted the millage provides roughly 60 percent of the revenue for the library's annual budget, which totals about \$270,000.

"We need it for operations and to continue to do all the programming we've been doing these past 4 years," she said. "We need it to keep the library going at the level the community has come to expect from us."

The library has other funding sources, including penal fines, but revenue from fines has become increasingly unstable, VanAuken said, and state funding has dwindled to virtually nothing.

VanAuken said the millage provides

money for a variety of programs, services and facilities.

They include a community meeting room, free Internet and e-mail, children's services (story hours, summer reading program and Christmas crafts), computer classes, copy and fax machines, adult and young adult book discussion clubs, genealogy and local history resources, services to the homebound, senior citizen movies, products and services for the blind and physically handicapped, interlibrary loan resources, and an Elkland Township Cemetery database.

The local library has some 25,248 books available for loan along with 2,656 magazines, 778 books on tape/CD, 507 DVDs, 155 music CDs and even 12 puppets.

Library patrons checked out more than 55,000 items last year and accessed another 900 items from other libraries. More than 4,100 people attended special programs, the

library's 11 computers were used some 11,768 times during the year.

The library is staffed by 4 full-time employees and 6 part-time workers. "Because we have that much staff, we are able to be open 60 hours a week," said VanAuken, who noted the business hours are above and beyond the typical hours for a library the size of Rawson Memorial.

As for programming, VanAuken has established a number of new programs, including young adult offerings targeting middle and high school students, and shared programs with the local school district.

"We try to encourage these kids just to feel comfortable here," she said. "We've also rejuvenated the adult book club, the Ravenous Readers."

"We've tried to do more programming to get more people into the library," VanAuken added. "We want the library to continue to be an integral part of our community."

## Special meeting Friday

# Board postpones Burtch decision

The expected fireworks that drew some 50 spectators to the regular monthly meeting of the Cass City school board Monday fizzled and in its place was a mundane meeting that answered none of the questions that most of the spectators attended to hear.

Postponed was a decision on the status of band director Doug Burtch, who has been suspended with pay since last July. Also not announced because of a legal time limit were the names of the teachers who opted to take the school's retirement incentive, open to all teachers at the top of the pay scale.

Burtch asked that his evaluation be a matter of public record. The board's evaluation and vote will be at a special meeting slated Friday at 7 p.m. at the school cafeteria, starting at 7 p.m.

Also at that time the board will vote to accept resignations of teachers eligible for a bonus previously approved by the board.

Burtch's trial in Sanilac County Circuit Court in Sandusky was scheduled to get underway Tuesday and may be settled by the time that he appears at Friday's special meeting. The jury selection may take most of the opening day.

In Sanilac County he faces 2 counts of third degree and 2 counts of fourth degree criminal sexual conduct. Burtch is accused of having a sexual relationship with a former student, then 17, at his former residence in Sandusky.

He also faces criminal sexual conduct charges for allegedly having sex

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## Arsenic treatment bids meet estimates

Construction of Cass City's arsenic treatment plant is a step closer to becoming a reality.

Cass City Village Manager Peter Cristiano told the village council Monday night that bids were opened Thursday and were in line with engineers' estimates for the projects.

"It was well within the estimates," Cristiano reported during the regular monthly meeting. In all, he said, 8 contractors submitted bids for the project. Those bids ranged from a low of about \$1.4 million to a high of \$1,972,550.

"The bids are being analyzed by Spicer Group (the village's engineering firm)," Cristiano noted. "We will be prepared for recommendations at a special meeting to be scheduled for May 8."

Village officials earlier this year completed requirements to secure a \$1.858 million U.S. Rural Development Agency loan for the project, which will include construction of a treatment plant that will also provide a new home for the village's depart-

ment of public works.

The arsenic treatment plant is the result of a federal mandate lowering the acceptable level of arsenic in public drinking water supplies, from 50 parts per billion to 10 parts per billion.

The federal loan will be paid back over a 40-year period, with payments of \$96,000 annually. Village officials have already established a new water rate fee structure, charging residents higher water fees to help cover the cost.

### IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business during the hour-long session, the council:

•Received a clean financial bill of health from the village's auditing firm, Yeo and Yeo, which has been conducting the annual audit for the past several years.

"It was a good audit," said company representative Joel Chamberlain.

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## Cass City, O-G name top graduates

### The Class of 2006 boasts 4 valedictorians, 2 salutatorians

Four valedictorians and 2 salutatorians top the Cass City High School Class of 2006, school officials announced last week.

This year's valedictorians, all with perfect 4.0 grade point averages, are Katherine M. McIntosh, Steven S. Meeker, Lindsey R. Speirs and Jenna M. Timko. Earning salutatorian honors, with point averages of 3.976 and 3.9, respectively, are Jeff Stoutenburg and Donna Bushong.

McIntosh, daughter of John and Pat McIntosh, has been a member of the National Honor Society for 2 years and currently serves as president. She has been active in band for 3 years, including 2 years as band president, and has participated in soccer the past 4 years.

A Bible study leader at school, she

is also very active at the Novesta Church of Christ, where she has been a member of the Bible Bowl Team for 3 years.

Her future plans include attending Saginaw Valley State University to study occupational therapy.

Meeker, son of Steve Meeker and Judy Hopkins, has been an active volunteer, taking part in events such as can and penny drives throughout his high school career.

He has been a standout in athletics, serving as captain of the football and wrestling squads and earning Academic All Conference honors in both sports along with track in each of the past 4 years.

Meeker plans to attend Michigan

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### Brown and Rogers lead the Owen-Gage Class of 2006

Owen-Gage School District officials recently named their top graduates of the Class of 2006.

Michelle M. Brown, daughter of Sam Brown and the late Brenda Brown of Gagetown, has been named valedictorian with a grade point average of 3.96. Nathan C. Rogers, son of Patti Rogers and Brian Rogers of Gagetown, earned a 3.56 grade point average and has been named salutatorian.

Brown has been a student council representative all 4 years. As a junior, she served as student council vice president, and currently is president.

Brown has been a member of the district's 3.0 Honors Club and on the honor roll throughout her high school career. She has been a member of the National Honor Society since her

sophomore year and currently serves as the organization's vice president.

As a senior, Brown was selected as the 2005 homecoming queen. She was also a prom committee member. A teacher's aide, she has been selected as a "focus" Student of the Month each year in high school and was also selected as Senior Student of the Month. Brown has been involved in many community activities such as volunteering for the elementary "Fun Fair", read-a-thon, Penny Wars for Cystic Fibrosis, food drives, and the Thumb Octagon Barn Festival. She has also served on the Youth Advisory Council for Huron County. Brown has participated in volleyball and softball throughout her high

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VERA HOADLEY is quick with a smile and a chuckle when she recalls her days as a one-room schoolhouse teacher in the Cass City area. The Northwood Meadows resident will celebrate her 100th birthday Friday. See story, page 5

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## Holbrook Area News

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Easter Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski was Kristin Depcinski of Kalamazoo.

Ten members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermill in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They will meet at the Franklin Plaza next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski went to the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach for Earl Masaulf Sunday evening.

Rosemary Rutoski of Dayton, Ohio, and Veronica Priestley of Caro visited Thelma Jackson Saturday.

The Greenleaf Extended Homemakers met at Northwood Meadows Thursday. Dotty Korth read on different sections of the brain and a contribution to our health. The next meeting will be in May with Olga Schneberger as hostess at Northwood Meadows with an exchange student as speaker.

Allen Farrelly came home Wednesday after spending a week with June Rutz and family of Sterling Heights.

Jim and Kay Sweeney visited Frances Tschirhart Thursday.

Amy Doerr, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Doerr, Jamie Doerr and Courtney, Mrs. Curtis Cleland, and Wendy Rickett and Caitlyn and Cory were Easter Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Franzel, Doris Western, June Rutz and Allen Farrelly visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pettinger at a Port Huron hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Marty Chockley, Christopher and Amy of Alganac, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Weiss of Gaylord were Easter Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Robinson of Cass City, Mrs. Ray Depcinski and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson visited Thelma Jackson last week.

Betty Myers of Gladwin, Susan

Krozek, Ryan and Samantha, Nancy, Tim and Jessica Carpenter of Caro, Carol and Bob Osentoski of Bad Axe, Kristin Osentoski of Kalamazoo, Charles, Theresa and Nicole of Bad Axe, and Shawn Depcinski of Big Rapids were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski for Mrs. Ray Depcinski's birthday for a pizza supper. Birthday cake was made and decorated by Carol Osentoski and ice cream was served.

Mrs. Harold Ballagh, Mrs. Gerald Wills, and Mr. and Mrs. John Pechette visited Thelma Jackson Thursday.

Seven hundred people attended the fish fry at the K of C Hall in Bad Axe Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kemp of Sebawaing, Mr. and Mrs. Marc Hill and Tyler of Pigeon, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown of Cass City, Mr. Eric Brown of East Lansing, Ms. Karn Jensen of East Lansing, Mrs. Karen Nicol of Cass City, and Mrs. Fay Ballagh of Cass City attended the wedding of Melissa Kinsey and Andrew Stieg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stieg at Reed City Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Swanson and sons, Nicholas and Kyle, Mrs. Lorraine Sieker of Wisconsin and Debbie Swanson of Wisconsin visited Texas for the weekend for Lorraine's 80th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marc Hill had guests for Easter dinner: Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Hedley, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Hill and girls, Mr. and Mrs. John Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown, Eric Brown, Karn Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nicol, Elise and Ethan, Mrs. Lorraine Wills and Mrs. Fay Ballagh.

Christopher Stieg of Korea was home at his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stieg of LeRoy.



Melissa and Chad Nowicki

## Jewett, Nowicki married Aug. 20

Melissa Helen Jewett of Cass City and Chad David Nowicki of Wyoming were married Aug. 20, 2005 with an outdoor ceremony at Spring Grove Park in Hudsonville.

Melissa is the daughter of Tim and Kathy Jewett of Cass City and Chad

is the son of Dave and Virginia Nowicki of Wyoming.

The bride wore a Ura strapless dress with a cathedral train. She carried a fresh flower arrangement of pink daisies. The groom wore a black and white tuxedo. The bridal party wore wedding colors of black and white with an assortment of fresh picked daisies.

## Dotty Korth recognized by organization

Dotty Korth, RN, BSN, CDE, was recently awarded the "Outstanding Achievement Award" by the Michigan Organization of Diabetes Educators (MODE). The award was presented at the Marriott Hotel in Livonia March 31 at the Spring Symposium for MODE.

The award was based on years of service to the diabetes community, and for pioneering the education of people with diabetes in the Thumb area.

Korth is a member of both MODE, where she served on the board for several years, and also the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE). She was cited for her visionary view of nursing. She worked in critical care and as a floor nurse for many years, when there was no patient education available. She recognized that the amputations and kidney failure that she cared for could be prevented with self-management training. The state and national certification of 2 programs have helped many receive education that enables them to take control of their diabetes.

Korth is employed by Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City.

The maid of honor was Cara Graichen, friend of the bride. The bridesmaids were Tara Lenhard, friend of the bride; Crystal Jewett, sister-in-law of the bride; Tina Catrell, sister of the groom; and Brandy Kzinowek, Sheila Wasserman, Charity Halasz and Jolynn Halasz, cousins of the bride. Flower girls were Stephanie and Tiffany Matera, cousins of the bride.

The best man was Derek Ketchum, friend of the groom. The groomsmen were Chuck Nichols, Mike Dombrowski, Joe Merryweather and Josh Hendrick, friends of the groom; Tim Jewett, Jr., brother of the bride; Mike Catrell, brother-in-law of the groom; and Tom Halasz, cousin of the bride. The ring bearer was Orion Halasz, cousin of the bride.

After the wedding, a reception was held at the ballroom of English Hills Terrace. The couple honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico for 2 weeks.

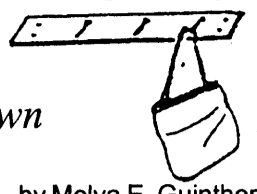
## Kedron Chapter slated to meet

The Kedron Chapter #33 of Caro is scheduled to meet Tuesday, May 2, at 1 p.m. at the Masonic Temple in Caro.

A lunch will be provided at noon. All members are urged to attend.



## Meg's Peg



Slowing down

by Melva E. Guinther

By now just about everybody has heard about the 82-year-old woman who got a ticket costing \$114 for walking across a street in Los Angeles too slowly.

I've seen the traffic in LA, and that poor soul deserves a medal for even attempting to cross the street.

For that matter, getting across Main Street in Cass City is a challenge.

My dad, who lived to be 101 and was quite active and independent, used to say that anybody who could get across Main Street while the "Walk" sign was lit really didn't need a light. I tend to agree.

My husband, who walks with a cane since his stroke 5 years ago, has found himself halfway across when the light changed. He didn't get a ticket and the drivers were gracious enough to wait till he made it, but even the young and agile have to hustle to cross that street in the length of time allowed.

Anyway, senior citizens have enough trials without getting ticketed for being slow.

A friend sent me this all too accurate verse on the subject:

### The Examination

Thought I'd let my doctor check me 'cause I didn't feel quite right. All those aches and pains annoyed me and I couldn't sleep at night. He could find no real disorder, but he couldn't let it rest. What with Medicare and Blue Cross, we would do a couple tests. To the hospital he sent me though I didn't feel that bad. He arranged for them to give me every test that could be had. I was fluoroscoped and cystoscoped, my aging frame displayed, Stripped on an ice cold table while my gizzards were x-rayed. I was checked for worms and parasites, for fungus and the crud. While they pierced me with long needles, taking samples of my blood. Doctors came to check me over, probed and pushed and poked around, And to make sure I was living, they wired me for sound. They have finally concluded (their results have filled a page) What I have will someday kill me. My affliction is old age!

## LaFave, Zimba exchange vows

Estee Elizabeth LaFave and Benjamin Jesse Zimba were married Saturday, March 4, 2006.

The wedding took place at sunset on the beach at the Raddisson on Marco Island, Fla. The bride was escorted by both of her parents.

Estee is the daughter of John and Pam LaFave of Cass City and Ben is the son of Jesse and Sally Zimba of Deford.

The maid of honor was Rebecca Hartel of Cass City, friend of the bride. The bridesmaid was Chelsee Zimba of Bay City, sister of the

groom. The flower girl was Emmie Zimba of Deford, niece of the groom.

The best man was Jesse Zimba, father of the groom. The groomsmen were Jeremy Kilbourn of Deford, friend of the groom. The ring bearer was Chad Bower of Marlette, cousin of the groom.

After the wedding, a dinner at Captain Brian's Crab Bar was enjoyed by all.

After a week-long honeymoon to Jamaica, the couple reside in Deford.

A reception for the couple will be held July 22, at Ubyly Heights Country Club in Ubyly.

## Sebawaing church to host band

A bluegrass band, The Lonesome Mountain Boys, will be the featured

### 67 donate blood

Sixty-seven people donated blood recently during a blood drive sponsored by the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary and the VFW.

First-time donors were Katie Shrock, Erica Kortman, Thaddeus D. Phelps, Christopher Summersett and John Henry Mullet. One-gallon donors were Dale Churchill and Richard Brown; 2-gallon donors were Brian Peters and Danny Haag; 3-gallon donors were Robert Bender and Janie Kus; 4-gallon donor was Mary Fritz; 7-gallon donor was Chris Diegel; and 9-gallon donors were Marlene Erla and Melvin Shrock.

The next blood drive is scheduled for June 13.

group at an outreach musical concert at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebawaing.

Billed as "ABLAZE! Celebration," the event will be held Sunday, April 30, from 2 to 5 p.m. in the great room of the church, located at 800 E. Bay St.

Other performers will include Dave Schnitker, a well-known local artist, as well as 2 young guitarists, Alexandra Tegg and MacKenzie Eurich.

There is no charge for this concert, but a freewill donation will be accepted for World Missions. Refreshments will be served. The event is coordinated by the Board of Evangelism, which cordially invites the public to attend.

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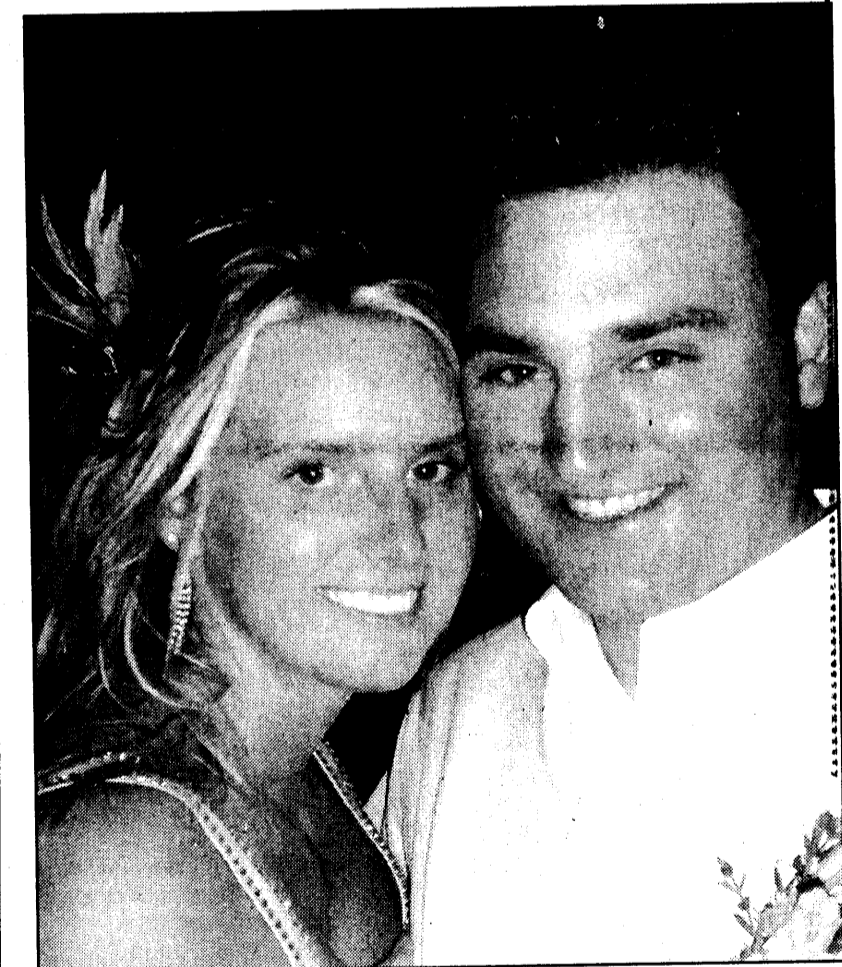
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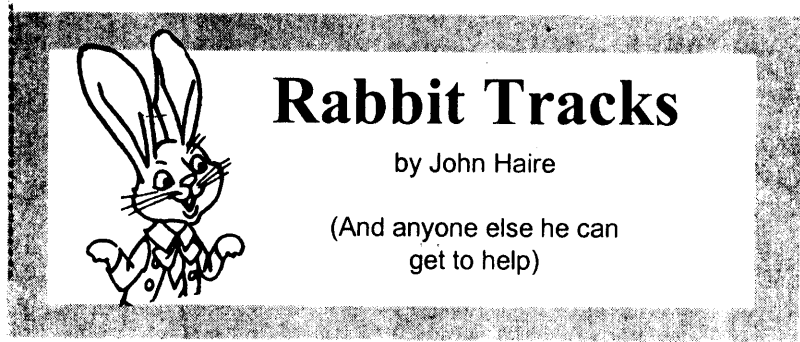
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# Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Several times over the years I have mentioned how the unique and tasty Coney Island hot dogs at the Red Lion Restaurant in downtown Bay City hit the spot.

Regrettably, new owners switched the menu and today the venerable business is closed.

Today I can report that I have found at the Mega Coney Island a hot dog that is very similar to the ones I savored in Bay City. The restaurant is located at an exit off of U.S. 23 about midway between I-96 and I-69. Sorry, I can't pinpoint it any closer until the next time I jaunt to Plymouth.

The restaurant offers Detroit Coney or Flint Coney. Detroit Coney dogs swim in sauce. Flint Coney dogs have just enough meat sauce, onions and mustard, just like the Coney hot dogs of yore at the Red Lion.

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Anna Neal, Cass City, says she really enjoys getting the Chronicle and she will be getting it the next 39 months. Her daughter sent her renewal for the 3-plus years' subscription last week.

Her daughter, Shirley Haag, said that her mother is now 93 years young.

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The last Saturday in April once was a red-letter day. It marked the opening of the stream trout season in Michigan. It was more important years ago because there was no open season, as there is today, in some streams before the official opening. I thought about the opener walking to work Monday and wondered if it would be a cold, miserable day. More often than not, it is not too pleasant.

Fishermen will be lucky if the weather is the way it was late last week.

The weather has been kind to the more pickers this spring. Both of these activities have avid enthusiasts.

Two fanatics I know, one in each sport, love to participate, but the fisherman doesn't like fish and the mushroom picker doesn't eat mushrooms.

# Vandals taking toll on mailboxes in area

A rash of vandalism incidents involving mailboxes in the Cass City area has prompted local Postmaster Bob Garske to remind those responsible that the acts are no laughing matter.

"Taking a bat to a mailbox, or hitting it with a brick, or setting off a firecracker or pipe bomb inside may sound like fun to some rambunctious teens. However, it's not a rite of passage - 'boys just being boys,'" Garske said. "It's a criminal act that hurts our neighbors and our community."

"Mailboxes are protected by federal law, and crimes against them and the mail they contain are considered a federal offense," he added. "Violators can be fined or imprisoned for each act of vandalism."

Garske pointed out that damaged mailboxes have to be replaced, costing the owner time, money and inconvenience.

"Meanwhile, the mail cannot be delivered. Many people depend on receiving monthly checks and other financial support through the mail, so doing without their mail negatively affects their lives," he said. "And

some damaged mail cannot be replaced - family photos, letters from sons and daughters in the military overseas, and other priceless keepsakes that mean so much to the recipient.

"The impact of mailbox vandalism affects all of us," Garske said. "We don't feel as secure in our neighborhoods and communities. Property values can drop as a result of vandalism and crimes. And prospective new residents may think twice about moving here, knowing that our young people can have such callous disregard for the property of others."

Garske urges parents with teenagers at home to talk to them about the downside of damaging mailboxes and vandalism in general. "Remind them of the penalties, the impact on the victims, that they can get hurt or killed in the process, and that the Postal Service doesn't take such crimes lightly," he said.

Anyone with information about vandalism to mailboxes is encouraged to report it to their local post office (in Cass City, the number is 872-2565), or the Postal Inspection Service at 1-800-ASK-USPS.

# The back forty

by Roger Pond

It's only a matter of time now. Spring is fast arriving, and the bass and crappies should be biting pretty soon. Finally, I'm going to get some fish to eat!

I get really hungry for white-meated fish during the winter, and I'm surely not going to buy any at the store. That would be admitting defeat.

I've been fishing for sturgeon for months, but they are really hard to come by. Catching a sturgeon isn't all that difficult, but getting one of a legal size is a bit of a chore.

Keeper—size sturgeon are hard to get because the Department of Fish and Wildlife came up with a diabolical slot limit years ago. Then, they kept narrowing it down until now a fish with any sense at all is going to be too small or too large to keep.

This led one old-timer to comment, "You know, the game department says you can't eat those little sturgeon. But you can. They're just as good as the bigger ones."

The minimum length for these fish is 48 inches and the maximum is 60 inches in the part of the Columbia River where I commonly fish. Obviously, the sturgeon know this. I've seen them shrink four inches or stretch eight inches right beside the boat!

A sturgeon can be growing an inch or two a year for 25 years. Then when they get to 47 inches, they suddenly grow 14 inches overnight. Then they're too big to keep.

Once these fish get too big, you can't throw them back like you would a

bass. We have to just ask them to leave.

Even the bait a sturgeon fisherman uses is mysterious. Some folks say you need the freshest bait you can find, while others recommend the most rotten, foul-smelling concoctions one can imagine.

I'm kind of in the middle. I like the pickled stuff: Pickled squid, pickled salmon, pickled herring. It doesn't look very good, but the mixture of fish and vinegar, spices, and onions smells great.

Once in awhile one of my fishing friends will open a jar of pickled bait and say it smells good enough to eat. That leads me to one of two conclusions. Either I have really good bait or really bad friends.

The sturgeon's ability to grow so big and their strange looking appearance leads to all sorts of tales about their habits and lifestyle.

There's an old story, for example, about a man who caught a huge sturgeon in the Snake River around 1920. He tied a rope on the fish and hooked up a team of horses to pull it out of the river.

Once the sturgeon realized what was happening, it got a sudden burst of energy and drowned both horses.

And there was the fish that used to climb out of the Columbia River at Sauvie Island, Oregon and eat apples off the trees. I don't know if any of that's true, but it probably doesn't matter.

A fish like that wouldn't fit the slot limit, anyway.

# The Haire Net

Families won't likely stay home



The bright, sunny days with temperatures that reached into the lower seventies sparked thoughts of anticipated vacation jaunts to favorite beaches, parks and summer cottages.

When gas reached \$3.00 a gallon, some of the anticipated great times escaped like air from a punctured balloon.

Without any reliable statistics I'm predicting (guessing) that the number of visitors to northern Michigan will not be substantially decreased because of the big jump in gas prices.

More than likely to affect tourism is the kind of weather that we experience. Hot, sunny weather, especially in late May and June and in the fall color-tour time, will do more to affect the tourism industry than will the excessive gas prices.

Just for fun I figured out the cost of driving round trip (374 miles) to our cabin in Boyne City today and 25 years or so ago. My car has an 8-cylinder engine and I figure that it gets about 22 miles per gallon on trips. Twenty-five years ago I drove a car with an 8-cylinder engine and I generously figured that it averaged 14 miles per gallon.

With gas at \$3.00 per gallon the trip costs \$51. With gas at 20 cents per gallon the trip cost \$5.34. Now, I realize that in the year selected the price of gas may have been 10 cents higher and that would add \$3.74 to the bill. Not a trifle amount, but surely

not one that would significantly change vacation planning.

Discounting the variable of the weather, I suggest that there will be at least as many, and probably more, tourists in northern Michigan as there were in 2005.

The numbers will be there, but the dollars may be missing. When the cost of fuel and the related cost of heat, lights and general operation expenses skyrocket there will be less free-wheeling spending than is usually a staple of folks on vacation.

Yes, this guessing game disregards the dismal employment picture in the auto industry. I'm influenced by history during the depression years, a time that makes our economic difficulties look like a walk in the park.

There were no jobs and no money and the banks across the nation were forced to temporarily close.

During these tragic times, cars of deer hunters lined up for 18 miles and for 20 hours or so waiting their turn to get on the ferry to the Upper Peninsula.

There will be cuts made necessary by fuel costs and families may spend less, but they won't stay home unless there is no alternative.

# Quiet school election scheduled next week

It will be a quiet school election in the Cass City area this year, although residents in the Ubyly Community Schools will decide one race in the Tuesday, May 2, vote.

Only one candidate filed for a lone, available 4-year term on the Cass City Board of Education. The candidate is incumbent Randy Severance, currently a trustee on the board who has served for the past 12 years.

In the Kingston Community School District, Ray Wolak is seeking a one-year term. He was appointed to the board last spring to fill a vacancy left by Carol Nicol. In addition, board Treasurer Jason Koehler and Vice President Sherri Diegel are seeking reelection to 4-year terms.

Likewise, Owen-Gage Board of Education incumbents Jeff Leinweber, currently serving as board president, and Trustee Kathy Champagne were the only candidates to file for 2 expiring 4-year terms in that district.

In the Ubyly Community School District, incumbent Donald Koglin, who is currently school board vice president, is seeking one of 2 available 4-year terms along with newcomers Donald Booms and Jeanette Hagen. Incumbent Trustee Jim Philp is not seeking reelection.

# Troopers: beware of scam

Michigan State Police (MSP) officials are warning area residents about a disturbing new scam that involves telephone callers who identify themselves as MSP personnel.

In this scam, a victim is contacted via telephone by an individual claiming to be a law enforcement officer or dispatcher. The pretend officer/dispatcher informs the victim that a family member (who they name) has been involved in a serious traffic crash and needs to be transported to a hospital for immediate medical care.

A second con artist claiming to represent the medical transport company then contacts the victim and informs them that payment must be received in advance. The victim is directed to wire a significant amount of money to a third individual before their loved

one can be transported.

State police officials remind residents that their policy is to notify the next of kin, if at all possible, in the case of a fatal or potentially fatal accident. If the next of kin resides out of state, a local law enforcement agency may be used to relay the message.

In addition, citizens are never asked for payment prior to emergency transportation. The cost of transporting a patient is handled by the receiving hospital, the transport company and the appropriate health insurance provider.

Anyone who receives a suspicious telephone call from someone claiming to represent the state police is encouraged to call their local state police post for confirmation. In Tuscola County, the number is (989) 673-2156.

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## Cass City Chronicle

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### 5-Day Local Forecast

|           |               |                  |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|
| Wednesday | Partly Cloudy | High: 55 Low: 34 |
| Thursday  | Mostly Sunny  | High: 50 Low: 29 |
| Friday    | Mostly Sunny  | High: 55 Low: 32 |
| Saturday  | Mostly Cloudy | High: 59 Low: 40 |
| Sunday    | Mostly Cloudy | High: 58 Low: 41 |

### In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 55°, humidity of 50% and an overnight low of 34°. The record high temperature for today is 86° set in 1990. The record low is 27° set in 1966. Thursday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high temperature of 50°, humidity of 49% and an overnight low of 29°.

### Last Week's Local Almanac

| Day       | High | Low | Normals | Precip |
|-----------|------|-----|---------|--------|
| Monday    | 52   | 36  | 53/33   | 0.00"  |
| Tuesday   | 63   | 34  | 53/33   | 0.00"  |
| Wednesday | 68   | 36  | 54/34   | 0.00"  |
| Thursday  | 72   | 36  | 54/34   | 0.00"  |
| Friday    | 75   | 52  | 55/34   | 0.00"  |
| Saturday  | 66   | 46  | 55/35   | 0.00"  |
| Sunday    | 54   | 41  | 55/35   | 0.00"  |

### Upcoming Moon Phases

|      |       |      |      |
|------|-------|------|------|
| New  | First | Full | Last |
| 4/27 | 5/5   | 5/13 | 5/20 |

### Sunrise/Sunset Times

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| Sunrise today  | 6:32 a.m. |
| Sunset tonight | 8:29 p.m. |

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Precipitation              | 0.00"  |
| Normal precipitation       | 0.65"  |
| Departure from normal      | -0.65" |
| Average temperature        | 52.2°  |
| Average normal temperature | 44.1°  |
| Departure from normal      | +8.1°  |

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# Red Hawk Talks

by Donna Bushong

One of the newer and lesser-known sports in the United States is soccer. An even newer and lesser-known sport at Cass City High School is girl's soccer. The girl's soccer team has only been in existence for a few years. Before the team was formed, the girls had to play on the boy's team. Now there are 17 girls on the team.

In soccer you have 11 players on the field. These players are split up into defense, midfield, forwards, and one goalie, depending on what format you run. On our team we have 2 forwards, 4 mid-fielders, and 4 defenders.

The forwards are the passers. Their job is to get the ball and look for an open pass. The mid-fielders are the runners. They go up to receive passes from the forewords and run back to help the defenders. The defender's job is to stop the ball from getting near the goal. When the person with the ball beats them, the goalie is there to stop it if they can. The object of the game is to get more goals than the other team.

Because the program is relatively new, it is still growing. The team is only in its third week of games and

has already shown more improvement than last year. They have not yet come across with a win, but have had some close games and kept opponents' scores minimal.

One thing that has not improved on the girl's soccer team is the uniforms. They have had the same uniforms since the team was formed. These uniforms do not match and do not fit most of the team. It is too late to do anything this year, but in an effort to get new uniforms for next year, the team is holding a can and bottle drive. On Saturday May 20, starting at 10:30 a.m., the girls will be going around town collecting cans and bottles from willing donors. If you have any cans or bottles you would like to donate, contact any of the players on the team and leave your name, number, address, and any specific time that we should come and collect.

If you'd like to come out and watch the soccer team, there are 4 home games left. They are on April 26, May 8, May 15 and May 24.

Hopefully, the program will continue to get better throughout this year and the years to come.

# Uby Community Schools Bolda, Puvalowski top grads

Uby Community School officials recently announced the honor students for the Class of 2006.

This year's valedictorian is Jaimie Bolda, daughter of William and Patricia Bolda of Port Austin. She will graduate with a grade point average of 3.99. The salutatorian is Jared Puvalowski, son of Claude and Denise Puvalowski. He has earned a 3.98 grade point average.

She earned the All-Conference Scholar Athlete Award each year and also picked up first and second team all-conference honors.

She has also been involved in music as a member of the concert, pep and marching bands all 4 years, and has been a member of a host of school organizations.

Bolda became a member of the National Honor Society during her junior

and state competitions all 4 years. She placed third at the regional level in Extemporaneous Speech in her sophomore year, second in her junior year and fourth place this year. In Payroll Accounting, she finished in first place last year and fourth place this year. As a freshman, she competed with the school's Spelling Team, which took second place at the state level.

Following her sophomore year, Bolda attended the Young Peoples Citizenship Seminar at Alma College. Her future plans include majoring in pre-medicine at Alma College.

Puvalowski has also won several academic awards throughout his high school career. He was named Co-Student of the Month in February, was nominated for the Wendy's High School Heisman Award, and earned the MEAP Merit Award.

Puvalowski has been a member of the Uby Cross Country Team for 4 years, earning his varsity letter all 4 years along with the All-Conference Scholar Athlete Award. He was nominated team captain and team MVP this year.

Puvalowski has also been active in many clubs and organizations, including the National Honor Society since his junior year. He served as an honor guard at last year's graduation ceremony, is currently the chapter's president, and has volunteered for MDA shamrock sales, Walk for Warmth, Relay for Life and the Hurricane Katrina Relief Effort.

Puvalowski currently serves as student council president and yearbook editor, and has been a class representative. He participated in Quiz Bowl as a junior, earning MVP honors for the A Team. He was also crowned the 2006 Uby Coming Home King.

He has been active in the Business Professionals of America for 4 years, currently serving as parliamentarian. Puvalowski was a member of the first-place Parliamentary Procedure

Team for 2 years at regionals, finished in first place in Parliamentary Procedure Concepts in his senior year and second place in his junior year, second place with the Spelling Team in his freshman year at regionals and second place at state-level competition, and second place in Payroll Accounting in his junior year.

Puvalowski is an active member of the Family-n-Friends 4-H Club and has earned various awards and participated in many community service projects, talent shows, and spring and fall achievement programs.

He is a member of St. Mary's Church in Parisville and has served as an altar server for 7 years.

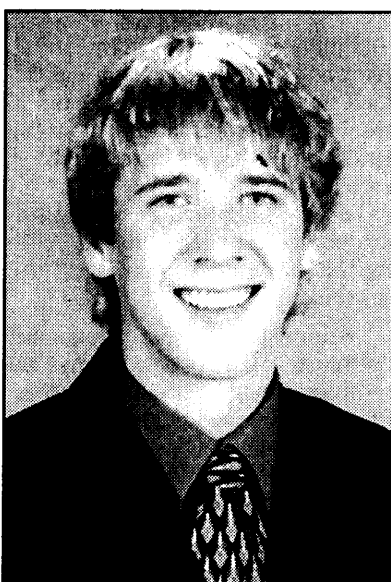
Puvalowski plans to attend Michigan State University in the fall to study chemical or electrical engineering.

Other Uby seniors earning high honors are: Mark Recker, son of August and Lucille Recker; Kimberly Lackowski, daughter of Ronald and Doreen Lackowski; Ashley Romzek, daughter of Dennis and Paula Romzek; Laura Pollum, daughter of Alvin and Diane Pollum; Jessica Maurer, daughter of Terrance and Sheryl Maurer; Krysta Cleary, daughter of Robert and Mary Jo Cleary; Eric Rutkowski, son of Albert and Geraldine Rutkowski; and Sarah Walsh, daughter of Steve and Hollie Walsh.

Earning honors are: Sarah Roberts, daughter of Kenneth and Lauretta Roberts; Eric Pionk, son of Gary and Laurie Pionk; Sarah Pettinger, daughter of Ronald and Cynthia Pettinger; Bobbi Gentner, daughter of Allen and Deborah Bischer and the late Robert Gentner; Seth Briolat, son of Charles Briolat and Kay Briolat; Nicholas Lindquist, son of Daniel and Connie Lindquist; Mary Tibbetts, daughter of Monica Tibbetts; Amy Schroeder, daughter of Randy and Marcy Schroeder; and Jenni Guigar, daughter of Pamela Jaworski and David Guigar.



Jaimie Bolda



Jared Puvalowski

Bolda has won numerous academic awards during her high school career and was nominated for the Wendy's High School Heisman Award. She has also earned the MEAP Merit Award.

Bolda has been a member of Uby's Varsity Cross Country Team for 4 years, serving as captain in her senior year. She earned the All-Conference Scholar Athlete Award 3 years, won Academic All-State honors 2 years, and received Academic All-State honors along with the rest of her team as a senior. She also has received first team and second team all-conference honors.

Bolda has also been a member of the Uby Varsity Track Team through-

out year and served as an honor guard at last year's graduation ceremony. She has served as class vice president in her senior year, has participated in Quiz Bowl and forensics, and was a member of the cast for the school's production of "Little Women".

Bolda is a member of St. Edward Catholic Church, Kinde, and has volunteered at the Saginaw Soup Kitchen and helped prepare food for funeral dinners. She has also been active in vacation Bible school.

Bolda's other activities include membership in the Uby Business Professionals of America for 4 years, serving as the chapter's treasurer for the past 2 years and attending re-

## Calendar of Events

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

**Thursday, April 27**  
Toddler Story Time, 10 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Please call to register, 872-2856.

**Friday, April 28**  
Senior Citizen Movies, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

**Saturday, April 29**  
Young Adult (YA) Book Club, 11 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

**Monday, May 1**  
Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Uby. For additional information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, May 2**  
Aftercare Program for Grief Counseling, 6:30 p.m., VFW Annex Building, 4530 Veterans Dr., Cass City. Everyone is invited to attend. Sponsored by Thabet Funeral Home, Inc.

# Kern and Tibbits appointed to serve

Two Thumb area sheriffs will continue to play an active role with the Michigan Sheriff's Association (MSA) in the coming year.

MSA President Gary Finstrom recently announced that Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern has been reappointed to serve on the MSA Awards Committee, and Huron County Sheriff Kent D. Tibbits has been reappointed to chair the Standardization Committee and will also serve on MSA's MISSION Team Committee.

The Awards Committee reviews nominations for MSA awards, which are presented at the annual Summer Training Conference in June. MSA

awards recognize both law enforcement officers and ordinary citizens who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to help others.

The Standardization Committee advises the association on matters related to uniforms, equipment and other distinguishable markings related to the office of sheriff. The MISSION Team Committee oversees statewide implementation of the Michigan Sheriffs' Special Investigative Operations Network.

The MSA is the official professional organization of Michigan's 83 sheriffs. The organization provides training to sheriffs and their personnel throughout the year.

# Drain clean-out set

A group of Cass City youths and adults are gearing up for some serious spring cleaning in the village, and they're asking other members of the community to roll up their sleeves and pitch in.

The group, headed up by residents Bob Haselhuhn, Rita Hanby and Jim Baker, along with Cass City Boy Scout Troops 500 and 594, plan to clean out the Center B Drain Satur-

day, June 3. The village is also lending a hand, according to village Manager Peter Cristiano, who said DPW Supt. Gary Barnes will be offering his expertise to the group.

The work will focus on sections of the drain from the west side of the village (M-81) north to Koepfgen Road. An alternate work date, in case of inclement weather, has been set for Saturday, June 17.

"Everybody's welcome to help," said Hanby, who noted contributions of refreshments for the volunteers are welcome.

Anyone interested in participating or donating is asked to contact Haselhuhn at 872-4946 or Baker at 872-2285.

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CAMPBELL ELEMENTARY School Principal Jody Miklovic was all "wrapped up" last week after fulfilling a promise to students, who raised more than \$10,000 during this year's Jump Rope for Heart event.

## Local students raise \$10,000

Campbell Elementary School students duct taped their principal to the gym wall last Wednesday, but it was all in good fun as Principal Jody Miklovic rewarded the kids for a job well done. Miklovic agreed to the tape treat-

ment when he challenged the Cass City students to raise more than \$10,000 during this year's American Heart Association's "Jump Rope for Heart" event, held on Valentine's Day. "Students jumped 'all over' heart

disease and stroke by participating in Jump Rope for Heart, said Campbell Elementary School physical education teacher Betsy Dillon. "About 500 students participated in this year's event, raising more than \$10,150 for the American Heart Association.

"This year's event was a huge success," added Dillon, who participated in last week's celebration by taking a few whipped cream pies in the face. "We're very proud of all the jumpers, and we all had a lot of fun. They brought in a record amount of donations."

Jump Rope for Heart teaches kids about the importance of a healthy lifestyle, Dillon explained. "The event empowers children as they provide a vital community service, and discover that they can make a difference," she said. "At the same time, students enjoy being part of a team while jumping in the spirit of this fun-filled event."

## Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



### 5 YEARS AGO

Lou LaPonsie was looking forward to retirement when he stepped down as Cass City's village manager in 1998, although he wasn't certain how he was going to spend all of his free time. It's just as well. LaPonsie, who continued to work for the village as a part-time consultant, has twice accepted appointments as interim city manager for the village of Sandusky - a year ago for about 4 months, and again last February. He also served as interim DPW superintendent for the village of Sebawing from November through the end of February. More recently, LaPonsie was hired as the full-time city manager in Sandusky. "They asked me if I would do it and I thought, I'm working a number of days anyhow, so I might as well. It worked out well for us the last time, so they asked me to come back again," LaPonsie commented Thursday from his office. "I like the community. There are a lot of challenges," he added.

The Paula Red apple variety was discovered around 1960 near some McIntosh trees by grower Lewis Arends of Sparta, Mich. Arends named the new variety after his wife Pauline.

Lindsey Mills, a former standout distance runner at Cass City High School, is enjoying success in her collegiate running career. Mills, the daughter of Janeen and Scott Mills of Cass City, is a freshman at Grand Valley State University, where she's part of the school's 130-member track team. In her first meet, hosted by Aquinas College March 31, Mills ran in the 3000, finishing fourth out of 30 runners with a time of 10:48. Her finish was the best among 5 Grand Valley runners. Mills was ranked number one in her conference at the meet.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Barring a miracle, and a quick one at that, Orbital Fluid Technologies, 4260 Doerr Rd., will leave Cass City this summer and move into another facility in the Saginaw area. That was the word from Orbital President Lou Horner during a monthly Cass City Village Council meeting Monday night. Horner emphasized the decision to move was not the result of anything the village has or has not done, but rather was based on the need for additional space and its availability by September, and the cost involved in leasing the Saginaw facility versus constructing a new building in Cass City. The apparent loss of Orbital Fluid Technologies was tempered a bit during Monday night's monthly Cass City Village Council meeting with news that another local firm is expe-

riencing growth. In a letter to the council, Greg Biddinger, president of Anrod Screen Cylinder Co., 6160 Garfield Ave., announced to expand its facilities, and will be requesting tax abatements in conjunction with its expansion.

There's a long history of gambling in Michigan and the Michigan Trivia book lists one that was significant way back in 1880. That's the year the county courthouse for Iron County was won in a poker game, Michigan Trivia reports. (From Rabbit Tracks)

### 25 YEARS AGO

Ten bio-disc filters, part of the second stage in the treatment process, were installed at the Cass City wastewater treatment plant Thursday and Friday. Each weighs 12 tons, is 12 feet in diameter and 27 feet long. They were manufactured in Wisconsin.

Seventy-five percent can - According to the National Gardening Survey three out of every four vegetable gardeners preserved some of their homegrown produce for fall and winter eating last year. Freezing was the number one method of preservation with canning not far behind.

Two area residents were among 3,043 students at Eastern Michigan University recognized for academic achievement at the 33rd honors convocation April 8. They were Roberta M. Leslie of Decker, and Jennifer L. Ziehm of Owendale. Students honored needed a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

### 35 YEARS AGO

It's Monday afternoon and a warming trend has set in. The sun is pouring through the window at my back and it just may be by tomorrow (Tuesday) spring will re-appear. All of which makes it absolutely positive that I won't weaken a year from now and attend another trout season opener in Michigan. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Tip to Motorists: Slow down - it's better to be pinched for time than pinched for causing a fatal accident.

There is an overpowering impression that the clock has been turned back 30 years when you visit with Stanley Walk of the rural Kingston area. And, truthfully, things haven't changed much for the 59-year-old mild mannered Walk in a lifetime spent on the sandy 80 acres nestled near the Deford State Game Area, southwest of Wilmot. You won't find any tractors or modern hydraulic operated implements on the place. They just don't fit with horses and horse-drawn equipment. The horses blend in well on the Walk farm. A little past their prime, they bend to their chores with a sort of weary

## Hospital providing lithotripsy procedure

Huron Medical Center, Bad Axe, has received notice from the Michigan Department of Community Health of the decision to approve a Certificate of Need to provide Mobile Lithotripsy Service.

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Procedures will be scheduled in advance and performed two full days every month. During these scheduled days, mobile Lithotripsy equipment will be brought into the operating room. An engineer sets up and calibrates the equipment and a registered technician, who specializes in Lithotripsy Services, assists the physician with the procedure.

With this procedure being performed at Huron Medical Center, Thumb area patients will now be able to receive treatment locally, rather than having to drive to the city for care. Outside of Saginaw, this Lithotripsy Service will be the only one available throughout the Thumb.

The Mobile Lithotripsy Network providing service to Huron Medical Center is operated by Great Lakes Lithotripsy, LLC and is managed by United Medical Systems, Inc., a Delaware Corporation. This network also provides the same service at 11 other hospitals throughout Southeastern and Southwestern Michigan.

For more information on this service, contact Huron Medical Center at (989) 269-9521.

## 100 years young!

### Cass City's Vera Hoadley to celebrate special birthday

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Maybe it was growing up on a dairy farm or an active, athletic lifestyle that has kept Vera Hoadley young at heart.

Maybe it's her love of oatmeal, and the fact that she doesn't start a day without first enjoying a heaping bowl. Or, perhaps her longevity has something to do with the many years she spent educating young minds in one-room schoolhouses in the Thumb.

Regardless, Hoadley, 99, is still going strong and looking forward to celebrating her 100th birthday Friday. She was born April 28, 1906, a year that saw its share of notable personalities born, including Henry Youngman (Jan. 12 in London); Astronomer Clyde Tombaugh, who discovered Pluto; Lou Costello (March 6 in Paterson, N.J.); and Gracie Allen (Mrs. George Burns - April 26).

The year also saw W.K. Kellogg and Ch. Bolin incorporate the Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flake Co. Einstein introduced his theory of relativity that year, and the first animated cartoon was copyrighted.

Hoadley is a Sanilac County native who grew up on her parents' Greenleaf Township dairy farm.

"I taught school several years. I wish I'd kept track of everything," Hoadley said Friday at Northwood Meadows in Cass City, where she now resides.

Hoadley recalled teaching for 10 years in a country school in the Deford area.

"I wasn't very old," she said, grinning. "I enjoyed it. Sometimes I had to get after them (children), but they were quite obedient. It was interesting. I always enjoyed teaching and I loved the children. I liked to play games and jump and play just like the children did. "We always had a good time. I was

a regular tomboy. "I liked to teach math and spelling, and we had contests. The kids liked that, too," Hoadley added. "You had responsibilities, and you gave the children responsibilities, and they liked that."

Hoadley acknowledged that teaching has changed drastically over the years, but she said many of those changes have been positive. "I think it's for the better," she added. "They have better schools (today), for one thing, and the teachers are better educated."

Both education and athleticism ran in her family, according to Hoadley. "My sister (Erma Cardew) taught school, too, and my brother (Elmer Flint) was very athletic. He liked sports and he was good, too," she recalled.

"I played basketball in high school - at the Greenleaf School, and later we moved to Cass City and I went to school in town. Of course, that was a long time ago," she said.

"I like sports. I still like to play," Hoadley continued, noting she's slowed down a bit, but still enjoys watching baseball and basketball on television.



Asked if she feels old enough to be 100, she smiled and shook her head. "I can't imagine it myself," she said. "I don't know. It just came natural for me, I guess. I think it's just healthy living."

"Some days are more speedy than others, but it hasn't seemed like it (100 years)."

Editor's note: Northwood Meadows officials, along with family members, are planning a birthday celebration for Hoadley. The event is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. Friday. The family is bringing cake and ice cream, the Cass City Chamber of Commerce is providing the flowers and balloons, and local elementary school students are making the birthday cards.

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THE CASS CITY junior varsity baseball team members are: (front, l-r) Chris Childs, Clinton Ellis, Cole Miller, Lukas Varney, Rob Packard, Trent Vatter, R.J. McKee (back, l-r) Chris Zawilinski, Chad Bolton, Luke Newton, Alex Hoyt, Blake Messing, Joshua Inbody, Robin Sutherland, Brent Doerr and coach Bill Hartzell.

## Hawks continue to roll at pair of invites

The Cass City boys' track team turned in another fine outing Friday at the 7-team Brown City Invitational. The Red Hawks racked up 113 points to finish third in the team standings behind champions Harbor Beach, with 121 points, and Marlette with 118. Completing the team standings and their point totals were Ubyly (70), Bad Axe (49), Brown City (39)

and Sandusky (16). Cass City recorded 4 first place finishes at the meet, paced by individual double winner Lukas Varney. The speedy freshman captured the 800-meter and 1,600-meter runs with times of 2:10:58 and 4:46:05, respectively. The Hawks also won the 3,200-meter run as Cameron Lautner posted a time of 10:38:88, while

Chris Zawilinski topped all competitors in the high jump with a height of 5' 8". Varney and Lautner teamed with Kyle Reif and Chris Childs to take first in the 3,200-meter relay with a time of 8:52:86. Finishing in second place at the meet for Cass City were Scott Meeker in the shot put and Mark Koepf in the

pole vault. In the girls' field, Ubyly ran away with the team competition with 184 points. The Bearcats were followed by Bad Axe (98), Harbor Beach (73), Sandusky (58), Marlette (48.5), Cass City (36.5) and Brown City (26). The Hawks' top finish on the day was recorded by Jennica Richards in the 300-meter low hurdles, where she clocked a time of 50.79 to place second behind Bad Axe's Jackie Howard.

Most of Cass City's success on the day came from a trio of third place efforts in the 400-meter, 800-meter and 1,600-meter relays. The 800-meter relay team of Becca Doerr, Richards, Caitlin Sorenson and Ashley Weiss posted a time of 1:54:62, while Doerr, Richards, Sorenson and Carly Howard registered a time of 55:00 in the 400-meter relay. The Hawks' 1,600-meter relay team posted a time of 4:37:57. The relay team members were Brittany Karavas, Brittany Loomis, Howard and Leah Whittaker.

### UBLY INVITE

Croswell-Lexington narrowly edged Unionville-Sebewaing, last week Wednesday, 126-125 to capture the boys' team title at the Ubyly Invitational.

Cass City finished third at the 8-team invite with 86 points. Following the Red Hawks in the team standings were Caro (66), Ubyly (50), Bad Axe (32), Kingston (31.5) and Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port (14.5).

Cass City's top finish came from Scott Meeker in the shot put with a winning toss of 47' 4 1/2". The Hawks also notched a runner-up finish in the event as Dennis Bowen recorded a distance of 46' 08 1/2". Bowen added a 4th place finish to the Hawks' cause with a toss of 115' in the discus, while Zawilinski's leap of 5' 8" resulted in a runner-up finish in the high jump. In the running events, Varney placed second in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:42:08. Cass City recorded individual third place efforts from Lautner (10:52) in the 3,200-meter run and Gavin Mills (11.89) in the 100-meter dash.

On the girls' side, Ubyly captured the girls' team title with 151 points. The Bearcats easily defeated runner-up Croswell-Lexington with 108.5 points, followed by Bad Axe, 93, Unionville-Sebewaing, 67, Cass City, 53, Caro, 34, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port, 28, and Kingston, 7.5.

Cass City's best showings came in the field events as Ashley Puterbaugh captured the shot put with a distance of 33' 2" and added a runner-up finish in the discus with a toss of 102' 3". Howard cleared 4' 8" to finish in a tie for second in the high jump.

Doerr recorded Cass City's best individual finish in the running events with a time of 51.47 in the 300-meter hurdles, good for second place.

Cass City's 800-meter relay team, consisting of Sorenson, Weiss, Sarah Reed and Doerr, added a runner-up finish with a time of 1:56:79.

## Schneeberger's ATHLETES of the WEEK



RED HAWK Varsity Baseball team members are: (front, l-r) Austin Babich, Jarod Stoutenburg, Dustin Bader, Chris Clifton, Jeff Stoutenburg, Cameron Lautner, Brandon Miller, Brett Babich; (back, l-r) Coach Ryan Pritchett, Derrill Schenk, Bradley Hartel, Cody Halasz, Brad Langenburg, Kyle Monroe, Justin Glaza, Andrew Martin and Coach Joe Langenburg.



Courtney Rabideau



Ashley Puterbaugh

The Cass City baseball team remained perfect on the season last week with a pair of victories over previously undefeated Ubyly. Individually for the Hawks, thinclad Ashley Puterbaugh paced her team's efforts with a first place effort in the shot put and a runner-up finish in the discus during the 8-team Bearcat Invite. On the softball diamond, hurler Courtney Rabideau helped the Hawks earn a split against Ubyly by tossing 7 scoreless innings en route to a 8-0 decision.

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## Ubly honor roll

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 Kara Booms\*, Mitchel Cleary, Heather Depcinski\*, Emily Dropiewski, Sean Fligger, Kayla Franzel, Rebecca Gentner, Amanda Grifka\*, Paul Halifax, Kalyn Helewski, Carley Holdwick, Jordan Kaufman, Leandra Kramer, Kayla Kubacki, Eric LaBuhn, Mary Lancaster, Alicia Leipprandt\*, Nathan Leppok, Adam Maurer, Danielle Mazure, Alexander Messing, Jennifer Messing\*, Lauren Messing, Taylor Messing, Kenneth Murray, Alexander Osentoski, Alexander Peruski, Chelsie Peruski\*, Isaac Peruski, Kenneth Peters\*, Nicholas Pichla, Sheila Pichla, Ross Pionk, Robert Pollum\*, Elaine Romzek, Jordan Ruthko, Jason Schroeder, Janee Snyder, Brandon Sorenson, Alexandria Stevenson\*, Alicia Susalla, Kayla Vogel, Marlena Walsh and Lyndsay White\*.

**Grade 10**  
 Calvin Booms, Gena Briolat, Eric Gentner, Teri Gentner\*, Stephanie Glaza, Tricia Heleski\*, Chelsey Kubacki, Jason Kubacki\*, Lisa Laming, Shelby Lemke\*, Thomas Loss, Brandi Messing, Kevin Messing\*, Patrick Murdock, Bree Ann O'Connor\*, Tyler Osentoski, Ernest Peltier II, Nicole Peplinski, Torrie Peplinski, Grant Pichla\*, Gwen Pionk\*, Nathan Roth\*, Tammy Rutkowski\*, Emily Sullivan, Janelle Susalla, Parsaraporn Vootapanich, Beth Weber\*, Shannon Weber\*, Travis Wolschleger, Trevor

**Grade 11**  
 Lindsey Baslock, Sarah Block, Evan Dropiewski, Heath Farrelly, Andrea Geiger, Rita Gentner, Bryan Glaza, Andrea Hill, Jade Kaufman, Nicole Klee, Rebecca Kubacki, Shelby LaBuhn\*, Kara Lackowski, Joshua Loss, James Mazure, Alison McDonald, Jonathan Mellas\*, Renee Melnik, Megan Morell, Courtney Ney, Shawn Oberski, Amanda Osentoski, Faith Osentoski, Shelby Partaka, Justin Peruski, Kendall Peruski, Jalisa Pierson, Lucas Priemer, Cynthia Rumpitz\*, Steven Rutkowski, Imke Schmidt-Eylers\*, Ryan Simmerlein, Paul Smaglinski Jr., Nathan Smalley, Jacob Soper, Cassandra Stephan, Nicholas Taylor, Bianca Weltin and Shaun Wolverton.

**Grade 12**  
 Julio Alvarado Velez, Anna-Luisa Bartmuss\*, Jaimie Bolda\*, Seth Briolat, Nicola Burgazzi, Krysta Cleary\*, Kevin Geiger, Bobbi Gentner, Jenni Guigar, Joshua Holdwick, Kimberly Lackowski\*, Nicholas Lindquist, Jessica Maurer, Andrea McCarty, Danielle McLean, Megan Mellas, Samuel Osentoski, Stephanie Peruski, Sara Pettinger\*, Eric Pionk, Laura Pollum\*, Jared Puvalowski\*, Mark Recker\*, Sarah Roberts\*, Ashley Romzek, Amy Rutkowski, Eric Rutkowski\*, Mary Tibbetts\*, Sarah Walsh\* and Daniel Weber.

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SUCCESSFUL HUNTERS. Cass City's Kyle Rick (left) and Josh Vincent display the bounty of a recent morel mushroom search in Tuscola County.

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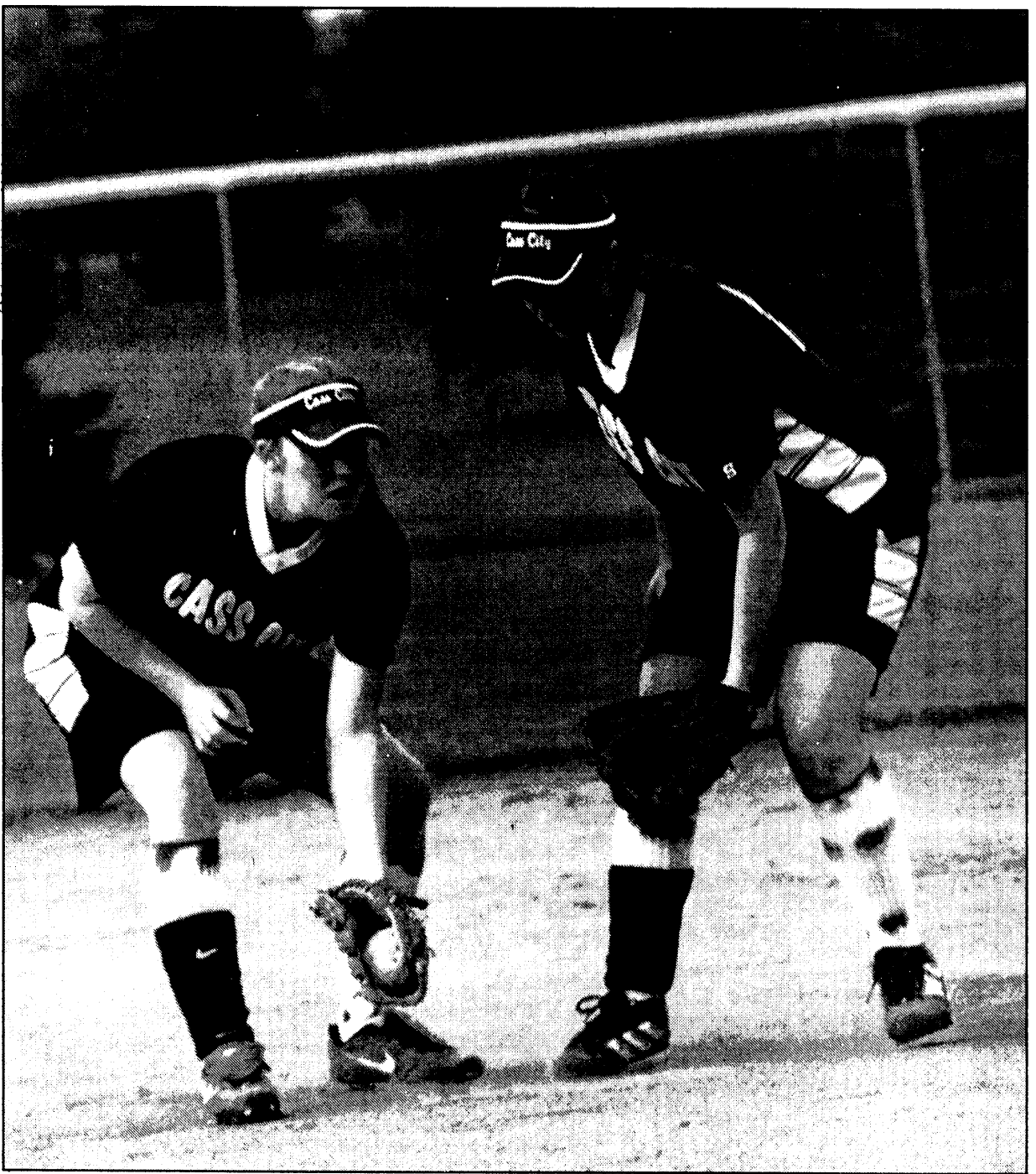


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THE UBLY BEARCATS tried to hold Justin Glaza close on first base. He beat the throw to first on a pickoff and later stole a base.



HEATHER MOORE gobbled up this ground ball in the first game against the Ubyl Bearcats. Waiting to assist is Jenni Brinkman.

# PERFECTION

## Ubyl falls in non-conference affair

The Cass City Red Hawks added to their undefeated win streak with doubleheader, non-league wins over the undefeated Ubyl Bearcats at Cass City Thursday.

The Hawks will have little time to savor the victories, as the schedule calls for 3 more doubleheaders this week that started Monday at Harbor Beach and includes back to back games Wednesday at Cros-Lex and Thursday at Sandusky.

In the opener against the Bearcats, Cass City jumped off to an early lead with 3-runs in each of the first 2 innings. That was more than enough to settle the issue as Brad Hartel's south-paw slants kept the Hawks in control. He pitched the distance and didn't allow a hit until Justin Fess hit a ball

just out of the reach of Cameron Lautner that fell for a double to drive in a run and later scored. The final score was 7-2. Fess was charged with the loss and yielded 4 hits. Hartel allowed one earned run with 3 walks and 5 strikeouts.

Jeff Stoutenburg, Justin Glaza and Brad Langenburg each scored 2 runs. Cody Halasz doubled in his only official at bat and drove in a run.

In the nightcap, Cass City lashed out 13 hits and posted an easy 7-0 decision. Coach Ryan Pritchett was happy that the Hawk offense came to life. "The defense was excellent again and the bats finally came alive", he said. Austin Babich started and got credit for the win. He allowed 3 hits, walked 3 and struck out 4 before Deryll

Schenk relieved him with 2 out in the fourth. Schenk allowed one hit and struck out 3. Evan Dropewski took the loss.

Cass City pounded out 13 hits. Jeff Stoutenburg collected a hit in 3 trips and batted in 2 runs. Glaza was 3 for 4 including a double and a stolen base. Hartel rapped a pair of hits in 3 attempts, drove in a run and scored a run. Lautner was one for 2 with a stolen base and a run scored.

Knocking out a hit each for Ubyl were Grant Pichla, Dan Weber, Evan Dropewski and Joe Mazure.

The Hawks broke open a 0-0 ballgame with a 3 run splurge in the third and then added 2 more in both the fourth and fifth innings.

Cass City's season record is 7-0.

## Hawk pitchers shine against Brown City

Half the battle for baseball teams is the ability of pitchers to get the ball over the plate and limit the number of walks issued.

The Cass City Red Hawk pitchers capitalized on their letter-perfect control, not walking a batter, while posting twin wins over the visiting Brown City Green Devils last week, Tuesday. Cass City's Brad Langenburg won game one, 4-3, and Andrew Martin dispatched the Green Devils in the nightcap, 5-1.

In the opener the Hawks edged in front with a single run in the first and then added a pair in the second to lead 3-0. Brown City staged a 3-run rally to tie the game in the top of the third and Cass City countered with a run in the bottom of the inning to regain the lead. After that the pitchers were

in control and both Ryan Smith of Brown City and Langenburg for the Hawks pitched shutout ball the rest of the way. Langenburg went the distance for the win, his third of the year without a loss. He gave up 7 hits and struck out 5. Ryan Smith took the loss, and yielded 6 hits.

The Hawk attack was paced by Cody Halasz with 2 hits, including a home run, in 3 tries. Justin Glaza had a hit, walked twice and scored a run. Jeff Stoutenburg and Brad Hartel collected hits and Deryll Schenk garnered a hit and a run.

Ryan Smith did his best to win the game for the visitors as he accounted for all his team's runs with a circuit clout with 2 mates aboard. Kurt Gabbard had 2 hits for Brown City.

### NIGHTCAP GAME

Martin pitched a 4-hitter as he went the distance in the 5-1 victory in the second game. He struck out 2. Jake Meadows gave up 7 hits and took the loss.

It was a poor exhibition on defense as the Hawks were charged with 5 errors and the Green Devils with 4.

Halasz rounded out a good day at the plate as he banged out a double while posting 2 hits in 3 tries. Cameron Lautner was 2 for 3 with a stolen base and Schenk had a hit in 2 trips and an RBI. Hartel was one for 2 and scored a run. Jeff Stoutenburg batted in a run with a hit in 3 at-bats.

For Brown City, Ryan Smith slapped 2 hits in 3 trips and scored a run. Ed Rayba and Ben Kelly each collected a hit.

## Lady Hawks gearing up for GTW competition

Although the Cass City Red Hawk softball team won 3 of 4 games played last week and came within an eyelash of winning them all, coach Josh Stern feels that the team's best efforts are still ahead.

That's the way it should be, Stern says, as we prepare for the tough Greater Thumb West competition dead ahead.

First, though, the Hawks must get through one of the busiest weeks of the year. Monday they were to be at Harbor Beach, Wednesday at Cros-Lex and Thursday at Sandusky. Next Monday a league game at Valley Lutheran looms.

The lone loss of the week was a game not decided until the final out of the final inning. The Ubyl Bearcats, behind the 5-hit, 12-strikeout pitching of Kim Lackowski, won 2-1.

The Bearcats scored twice in the first inning. Becky Kubacki opened the game with one of her 2 hits and Sarah Block singled. Two Hawk errors were committed and Ubyl scored their only runs of the game. Courtney Rabideau took the loss although she yielded just 4 hits and struck out 10.

Cass City got one of the runs back in the fourth. Jenni Brinkman was safe on an error and came home on a single by Ashleigh Rabideau.

The Hawks trailed by a run going into the last inning. Ashley Rabideau opened the inning with a double to center field and moved to third on an infield out. With one out, Becca Bennett dropped a bunt down the third baseline and the umpire ruled that Rabideau ran into a tag for the out that killed the rally.

In the nightcap, Courtney Rabideau hurled a 3-hit shutout and the Hawks used a big third inning, scoring 7 runs to win, 8-0. The Hawks bunched 3 of the team's 4 walks in the game in the third inning. The walks coupled with 3 errors and a hit pushed across the runs that decided the game. Lackowski yielded 4 hits in the losing effort.

Courtney Rabideau and Renee Czekai led the Hawks with 2 hits each.

### BROWN CITY GAMES

Pitching dominated in the first game with Brown City Monday. Courtney

Rabideau, Cass City, dueled with Kelly Burton, Brown City. The game went into extra innings before the Hawks pushed across a run in the eighth inning to win 2-1.

Both teams scored a run in the second inning. Jenni Brinkman opened with a single and scored on a hit by Heather Moore. Brown City scored on a hit by Pichla and a 2 out hit by Wisniewski.

Sara Meeker singled with 2 out in the extra inning and then rode home on a double by Courtney Rabideau to win it.

Burton allowed 5 hits and struck out 5. Rabideau allowed 3 hits and struck out 3.

In the nightcap, Emily Schinnerer went the distance to register a 4-1 decision. She allowed 4 hits and walked 3. McIntosh took the loss, allowing just 3 hits, but walking 6.

A big second inning was decisive for Cass City. An error and 3 walks pushed across the markers without benefit of a hit. A walk and 2 errors netted another run for the Hawks in the 5th inning. A walk and a hit netted the Green Devils their only run in the last inning.

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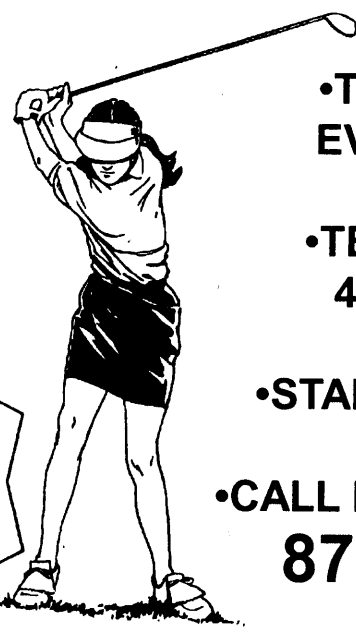
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# Obituaries

## Adeline Butler

Adeline Edna Butler, 82, of Cass City, died Monday, April 17, 2006 in Tendercare Nursing Facility, Cass City.

She was born May 29, 1923 in Unionville, the daughter of Edward and Mollie (Spangler) Holzwarth. She married Francis A. Butler Nov. 14, 1942 in her parent's home in Unionville. He died April 26, 2002.

Butler was a member of the Elmwood Sewing Circle and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. She sang with the choir for many years. She taught Sunday school, weekday school, Vacation Bible School, and was a part of many other activities at church, including prayer chain, ladies aide, altar guild and Bible study groups.

Butler is survived by her daughters: Bonnie (Bill) Zeidler of Cass City, Linda (Ron) Voss of Deford, Mollie (Scott) Hartel of Caro, Mari (Ken) Lowe of Cass City, and Paula Butler of Ypsilanti; 8 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; a great great-grandson; sisters: Dorothy McAlpine of Fairgrove, Florence Heintz of Unionville, Ardella (Richard) Berg of North Carolina, Doris (Lyle) Fritz of Sebawaing, and Vida (Lawrence) Ewald of Unionville.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Kaye; a sister, Dorlis Nutt; and a brother, William Holzwarth.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 21, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City, with the Rev. Gerald Meyer officiating.

Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Memorials may be made to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Choir Fund or the Family Discretionary Fund. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## James Knechtel

James Knechtel, 65, of White Lake, died Friday, April 21, 2006.

He was born July 31, 1940 in Saginaw, the son of the late Milton and Beatrice Knechtel.

Knechtel grew up in Elkton. He was a journeyman welder for GM Truck and Bus and was a member of the UAW Local 594. He retired Aug. 1, 2005 after 30 years of service.

He is survived by his wife, Judy (Harbec); 4 children: Richard Knechtel of Waterford, Scott (Laura) Knechtel of Naples, Fla., Bobbi Jo Knechtel of White Lake and Terry (Krystyn) Knechtel of Waterford; 3 granddaughters; and 2 sisters: Linda Adams of Elkton and Sally Van Hoorne of Cheboygan.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Johnny Knechtel.

Cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made to Karmanos Cancer. Arrangements were made by Coats Funeral Home, Waterford.

## Roger Peters

Roger F. Peters, 63, of Allegan, died Monday, April 17, 2006 at St. Mary's Hospital, Grand Rapids, after a long battle with cancer.

He was born Nov. 14, 1942 in Deckerville, the son of the late Virgel and Sophie (Konkel) Peters.

He married Judy Spencer July 2, 1966.

Peters and his wife moved from Cass City to Allegan in 1975. There, he owned and operated Allegan Hardware and later Hi-Way Variety.

Peters is survived by his wife, Judy; sons: Greg (Jody) Peters and Kirk (ShellyJo) Peters, all of Allegan; 2 grandchildren; siblings: Patricia (Howard) Kelley of Glennie, Ronald Peters, Dwaine (Helen) Peters, and Larry (Harriet) Peters, all of Cass City, Mary Lou Kerr of Bay City, and Randy (Julie) Peters of Sherwood; sisters-in-law: Laura and Dorothy Spencer; a brother-in-law, Clinton (Diana) Spencer; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by 2 brothers: LaVern and Gordon Peters; a sister-in-law, Nancy Peters; a brother-in-law, Raymond Spencer; and his mother- and father-in-law, June and Wayne Spencer.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 21, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City.

Interment was in the Novesta Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family. Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

## George Plummer

George Albert Plummer, 82, of Gaylord, died Thursday, April 13, 2006 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

He was born Sept. 25, 1923 in Detroit, the son of William Tucker and Dorothy Mae (Drake) Plummer.

He married Nancy Wojton June 27, 1942 at St. Louis the King Church in Detroit.

Plummer served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Tripoli during World War II. He was discharged in 1946, and the couple moved to Vanderbilt. There, he worked for the Michigan DNR for 9 years. During this time, he and his wife owned the Sportsman's Rendezvous, a general store in Vanderbilt. Later, Plummer joined the Michigan State Police. He was a trooper and a sergeant, retiring after 25 years of service in 1979.

During his career, Plummer worked at posts in White Pigeon, Pontiac and Sandusky. He was a member of St. Mary Cathedral, the American Le-

gion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Knights of Columbus in Marlette. He was a volunteer with Otsego County RSVP.

Plummer is survived by his wife, Nancy; 6 children: George (Mary) Plummer Jr. of Williamston, P. Christine Zimmerman of Hartland, Sandra (Bill) Russell of Mason, Linda (Gary) Geister of Hillman, Barbara (Joe) Howard of Marlette, and Dave (Vicky) Plummer of Gaylord; 18 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; 2 great great-grandchildren; a sister, Edith (Al) Threlkeld of Cortez, Colo.; and a sister-in-law, Lorraine Plummer of Utica.

He was preceded in death by 2 sons-

in-law: Ned Ruggles and Jim Zimmerman; siblings: Dorothy (Merrill) Nunamaker, Thelma (Mack) McInnes, Edna (Charlie) Moorison, Hilda (Frank) Pozinck, William Plummer, Arthur (Dorothy) Plummer, and Lilly (Roy) Rinnen.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 18, at Nelson Funeral Home, Gaylord, with the Rev. John McCracken officiating.

Interment was in the Resurrection Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the St. Mary Cathedral, Holy Redeemer Church or the Diabetes Association. Arrangements were made by Nelson Funeral Home, Gaylord.

# Seniors can get a ride for free

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There is no charge for the service. However, donations are requested to

help continue the program.

For those seniors who are able to utilize public transportation for local errands and appointments, the Senior Transportation Service can provide savings on bus coupons or tokens to ride a bus system in their county. Coupons are available by donation at Thumb HDC offices.

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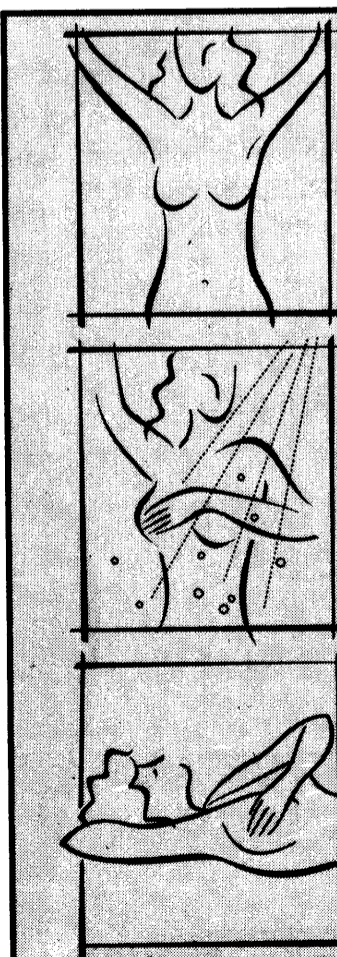
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# Cass City's top grads announced

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State University to study physics and nuclear engineering.  
Speirs, daughter of Dave and Karen Speirs, is a member of the National Honor Society and has won numer-

ous class pins as well as the Red Hawk Award of Excellence.  
Speirs is a counselor at Wolverine Christian Service Camp and has been active at the Novesta Church of Christ, where she has been a member

of the Bible Bowl Team 7 years, earning first place in individual testing several times, and finishing in the top 15 twice at the National Bible Bowl Tournament. She is also a worship leader at the church.

Her future plans include attending Saginaw Valley State University to prepare for a career in nursing.

Timko, daughter of Mark and Wendy Timko, is a 2-year member of the National Honor Society. She has also been involved in organizing blood drives and serving as Bible study treasurer.

She played basketball for 2 years and soccer for 4 years.  
Timko plans to attend Saginaw Valley State University to study social work.

Stoutenburg, son of Ed and Susie Stoutenburg, is a member of the National Honor Society and student council and the Executive Board. He has won several class pins, is an honor roll student and was a recipient of the Red Hawk Award of Excellence.

He has been active in Little League as a coach and has participated in blood drives, Adopt-a-Highway clean-ups, Rotary 3-on-3 basketball tournaments, Big Brother-Big Sisters, Lunch Buddies Program, baseball clinics and Vacation Bible School. He is also an usher at the Cass City United Methodist Church.

Stoutenburg also made his presence known in high school athletics. He was named all conference in baseball and football, and was also an All Conference Scholar Athlete.

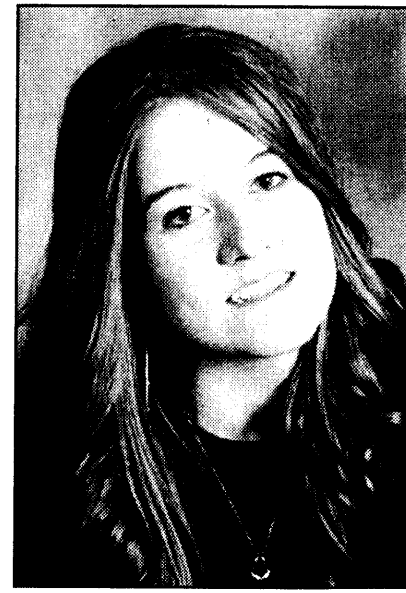
His future plans include attending Central Michigan University, where he will major in education administration.

Bushong, daughter of George and Rosemary Bushong, has been a National Honor Society member for 2 years. She also served 2 years as yearbook editor, was drum major of the marching band the past 3 years, and earned a Division I rating at the State Solo and Ensemble Festival.

Bushong plans to attend Grand Valley State University to study music education.

Rounding out the top 10 students in the Class of 2006 are: Tara Powell, daughter of Fred Powell and Ronda Erla; Chad G. Sparks, son of Carolyn and Gregory Sparks; Philip Nahernak, son of Dr. Nicholas and Veronica Nahernak; and Libby Doerr, daughter of David and Janice Doerr.

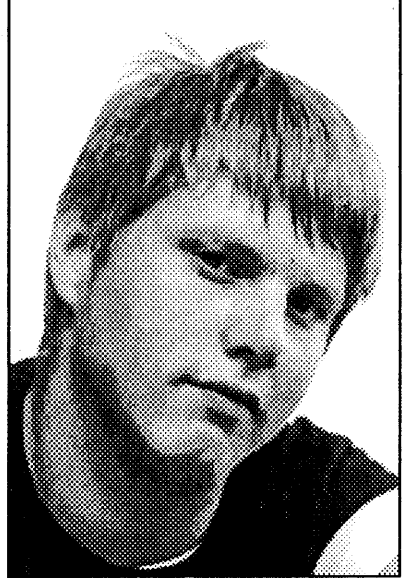
Also graduating with honors are: Ashley Hendrick, Jeffrey Wills, Aimee Hennessey, Bradley Langenburg, Amber Williams, Justin Glaza, Ashley Puterbaugh, Jarod Stoutenburg, Rebecca Putnam, Eric Reed, Ivan Peruski, Matthew Koepf, Kalen Trischler, Nicole Froede, Klyn Puterbaugh, Jennifer Brinkman, Caitlin Barnes, Dean Little, Nicholas Nanney, Ivy Hiatt, Brandy Talaski and Stacy Crandall.



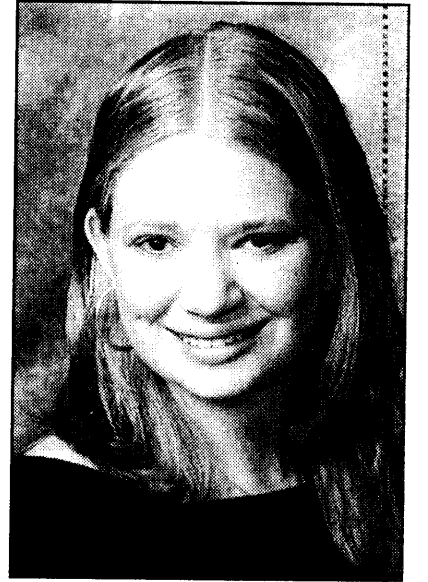
Katie McIntosh



Jenna Timko



Steven Meeker



Donna Bushong



Lindsey Speirs



Jeff Stoutenburg

# Brown and Rogers top O-G class

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school career and has won numerous awards.

After graduation, she plans to attend Saginaw Valley State University (SVSU) and then a graduate school to study dentistry. SVSU officials have already awarded her a Presidential Scholarship.

Rogers has also served on the Owen-Gage Student Council. He was elected to the organization as a junior and currently is treasurer.

He has been a member of the 3.0 Honors Club and on the honor roll throughout his high school career, and became a member of the National Honor Society during his sophomore year. He currently serves as the organization's secretary.

Rogers has been honored as a "focus" Student of the Month 3 years and was named a Senior Student of the Month this year. He currently serves as a teacher's aide and has worked with the school's publication staff this year.

Rogers has also been an active volunteer for various community projects, including Penny Wars for

Cystic Fibrosis, kindergarten round-up, the elementary "Fun Fair" and the Thumb Octagon Barn Festival.

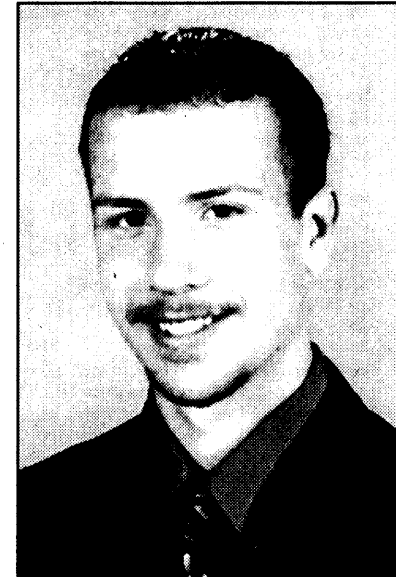
Rogers has also been active in athletics as a member of the football, basketball and track teams. He has



Michelle Brown

earned a host of awards and, as a senior, was named captain of all 3 squads. He was also elected homecoming king in 2005.

Rogers' future plans include joining the U.S. Marine Corps.



Nathan Rogers

# Arsenic treatment bids reviewed

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"Overall (we found) very, very healthy looking revenues and expenditures."

Chamberlain noted general fund revenues in 2005 totaled \$1,278,800, with expenditures topping out at \$1,251,000, enabling officials to add about \$27,000 to the general fund balance. That fund totaled \$454,356 at the end of the year, she said.

Held a brief public hearing on a \$45,000 Community Development Block Grant for new sidewalk construction. The council subsequently approved a resolution supporting the grant, which requires a local funding match of \$45,000.

Village President L.E. Althaver said village workers have documented the village's entire sidewalk network, which totals about 60,000 linear feet. Of those, about 11,000 linear feet are considered to be in very poor condition, he added, and the grant will go a long ways in upgrading those sections.

"The plan is to complete this application," Althaver told the council. "We're guaranteed this money unless there's a major problem with our application."

"Authorized village officials to seek bids for replacement of the municipal building roof.

"The current one is 25-plus years old and in dire need of replacement," Cristiano said. "We estimate this project at \$30,000. Roof bids will go out by April 28 and will be opened on May 12 at 2 p.m. at the municipal building."

"Approved a slate of board appointments.

Re-appointed to the Cass City Downtown Development Authority-Economic Development Corporation board were Barbara Ball, Geraldine Prieskorn, Jim Rutkowski, Jeff Doerr, Bert Althaver, Orvil Beecher, Gary Jones, Jim Kranz and Dwayne Peters.

In addition, Greg Biddinger will serve another 4-year term on the Tuscola Area Airport Authority Board, representing the village of Cass City; Bob Stickle will serve another 3-year term on the zoning board of appeals; and 4 individuals - Doug Lautner, Tavis Osentoski, Sherry Seeley and Walter Szostak - will all serve additional 3-year terms on the Cass City Planning Commission.

Heard a brief report from Biddinger, who thanked the village for its support of the county airport authority, presented a 5-year plan for future improvements, and described what the authority is and what it does.

Biddinger noted the authority was established in 1993 and is comprised of Caro and Cass City along with the townships of Almer, Elkland, Ellington and Indianfields.

# Cooperative pays nearly \$1.6 million to members

Michigan Milk Producers Association recently paid nearly \$1.6 million in cash patronage refunds to its dairy farmer members.

This cash allocation represents approximately 29 percent of the \$5.5 million allocated taxable net earnings generated by the cooperative in fiscal year 2004-2005. The cash patronage returned includes 100 percent of the farm supply earnings and 25 percent of the milk marketing earnings.

All members who marketed milk through MMPA for fiscal year 2005 will be receiving a portion of the \$1.6 million.

MMPA members received other cash payments in May 2005 of just under \$4.2 million through retirement of the cooperative's 1995 equities and retirement of half of the 1996 equities. In October 2005, MMPA members received \$2 million in cash payments in the form of a "13th" milk check. With the current payment of \$1.6 million, cash payments in the last 10 months total \$7.8 million.

"The ability to make these cash payments and maintain a competitive pay price is the essence of a strong cooperative," says MMPA President Elwood Kirkpatrick. "MMPA has consistently generated premiums and net savings while requiring no capital equity retain from its members."

Cash patronage funds and equity allocations are based on the amount of milk each individual member farm marketed and on the supplies purchased through the cooperative during the year in which the earnings were achieved. Under the current board policy, the non-cash balance of the equity allocation will be revolved back to the members in future years.

Since 1987, MMPA has operated without an equity capital retain, relying on the association's plant operations, milk marketing and member dues to fund the cooperative.

Michigan Milk Producers Association is a member owned and operated dairy cooperative serving nearly 2,400 dairy farmers in Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin.

# Postpones

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with a 17-year old student in Tuscola County.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Bids from Chemical Bank Thumb Region and Thumb National Bank, Cass City were received for a loan against anticipated state aid for \$2.3 million. Low bidder was Thumb National Bank at 3.93 percent. Chemical's bid was 4.63 percent.

The school will spend some \$600 to furnish nametags to be worn by all school employees. That will enable us to determine if an individual is a worker or a visitor and help him or her accordingly, Superintendent Ron Wilson explained.

The school and the Cass City Teachers Association will confer to change the school break next year because as written in the contract it falls during the regular spring break.

Names of board members eligible to sign district checks were established and Wilson was authorized to replace retired Ken Micklash as eligible to sign checks.

He said authority officials have leveraged state and federal dollars to complete a number of upgrades at the airport, located in the Caro area. Activity at the airport has increased from 5,000 landings and take-offs annually in the early 1990s to some 20,000 per year today.

\*Approved a resolution establishing a Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

\*Authorized village officials to sell 2 former police cars to the highest bidders.

\*Approved a resolution urging the state to support local economic development and increase statutory revenue sharing.

# Senior movies slated

Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City, will show the following Senior Citizen Movies Friday, April 28 at 1:30 p.m.

**Dinosaur Hunters** - More than 80 million years ago, the Oviraptor, a strange bird-like dinosaur walked the sandy banks of an oasis in what is now the "Gobi in Mongolia." A creature that measured some 8 feet in length, its razor-sharp claws were weapons of protection for guarding its offspring from constant danger. Now join a daring expedition of scientists as they uncover a treasure trove of fossils, shattering long held myths about this dinosaur's behavior. Through spectacular on-location filming and computer animation, National Geographic takes you on a journey to a lost world. (60 minutes)

**Sedona, The Spirit of Wonder** - Filmed in panoramic high-definition Supruev, Sedona, the Spirit of Wonder rises out of the darkness, enveloping viewers in a breathtaking spectacle of sight and sound. Dramatic aerial footage whisks you across sweeping vistas and the original music score, encompassing the spectrum of sound from a lone Indian flute to full orchestral scoring, enhances the imagery on the screen. (37 minutes)

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

# Talent show set Tuesday

The sophomore class at Cass City High School is hosting its annual talent show Tuesday, May 2, in the high school cafeteria.

The doors will be open at 6:15 p.m. and the show will start at 6:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in performing in the talent show may sign up in the high school office. Prizes will be awarded for the most creative, most talented, and most entertaining acts. Performers must adhere to Cass City rules of conduct.

Admission is \$3 and cookies and punch will be provided. Contact Kathy Wright or Susan Dubs at 872-2148 for more information.

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Timothy J. Kern and Darlene J. Kern to TCF National Bank, A United States of America Corporation Mortgagee, dated May 10, 2000 and recorded May 16, 2000 in Liber 801, Page 61, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars and Forty-Seven Cents (77,994.47), including interest 9.5% 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 Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 4, 2006.

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

Parcel I: The North 125 feet of the following described land, commencing at a point 362.5 feet North of the Southeast corner of Section 11, Town 11 North, Range 7 East; thence North 232 feet; thence West 199 feet; thence South 232 feet; thence East 199 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to right of way for Cottrell Road over the Easterly side thereof.

Parcel II: Commencing at a point 362.5 feet North of the Southeast corner of Section 11, Town 11 North, Range 7 East; thence North 232 feet; thence West 199 feet; thence South 232 feet; thence East 199 feet to the point of beginning, except the North 125 feet thereof. Subject to the right of way for Cottrell Road over the Easterly side thereof. Commonly known as 4950 Cottrell Rd., Vassar MI 48768.

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

Dated: March 27, 2006  
TCF National Bank  
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potesivko & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd., Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No. 06-45086

4-5-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Glen H. Brown, an unmarried man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated March 11, 2004 and recorded March 26, 2004 in Liber 985, Page 1341, and Scrivener's Affidavit to correct legal description submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Eighty-Three and 73/100 Dollars (\$138,083.73), including interest at the rate of 6.88% 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 April 27, 2006.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of the East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 2, Town 10 North, Range 9 East; thence South 8 rods; thence West 20 rods; thence North 8 rods; thence East 20 rods to the Point of Beginning.

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

**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: March 29, 2006  
**ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC**  
Attorneys for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 310.0697

3-29-5

**CIRCUIT COURT SALE BELOW WILL BE ADJOURNED WEEK TO WEEK FROM APRIL 20, 2006 TO MAY 4, 2006**

Case No. 04-22743-CH  
**CIRCUIT COURT SALE**

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 4th day of November, A.D., 2005, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein **MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.**, was the Plaintiff, and **ANTHONY DICKENSON, MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS, OWNERS, HEIRS, DEVISEES, OR ASSIGNEES OF UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OR OWNERS TO THE MANUFACTURED HOME LOCATED AT 7118 DOWN CREEK ROAD, VASSAR, MI 48768**, were the Defendants.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder,** at the Front Entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, (that being the building where the Circuit Court for Tuscola County is held), on the 2nd day of MARCH, A.D., 2006 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, Local Time, the following described property, To-Wit: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the City of Vassar, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, described as follows:

City of Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, which is legally described as follows:

Commencing at a point 933.00 feet South of the Northwest corner of the West half of the Northeast quarter of Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 8 East; thence East 200.00 feet; thence South 150.00 feet; thence West 200.00 feet; thence North 150.00 feet to point of beginning. Also described as proposed Lot 5 of Harry & Loretta's Estate. Together with an easement for ingress and egress to and from said premises over and across an existing road in the East 66.00 feet of the West 266.00 feet of the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 8 East. More commonly known as 7118 Down Creek Rd., Vassar, MI 48768 ("Subject Property").

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT Defendant Dickenson's interest in the manufactured home, a 1972 Parkwood and identified by the serial #MB50894 (hereinafter Mobile Home), that is affixed to the real estate comprising the Subject Property, is extinguished.**

This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale.

Dated: January 11, 2006  
**THOMAS T. KERN, Sheriff**

**TROTT & TROTT, P.C.**  
By: Christopher S. Asfalk, P53129  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
(248) 723-6595  
T&T #200118929

4-19-2

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

**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by James F. Watt, a married man, and Carrie L. Koeltzow, a single woman, of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB, dated the 16th day of December, A.D. 1999, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 30th day of December, A.D. 1999, in Liber 791 of Tuscola Records, on page 962, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$96,473.99 (ninety six thousand, four hundred seventy three dollars and ninety nine cents), plus accrued interest at 8.37% (eight point three 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 statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of May, 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 Arbelia, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to-wit: THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 SECTION, OF SECTION 30, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, EXCEPT THE EAST 250 FEET THEREOF, AND ALSO EXCEPTING THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCEL: BEGINNING AT A POINT 400 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION; THENCE EAST 220 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 198 FEET; THENCE WEST 330 FEET; THENCE NORTH 198 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as: 9643 South Reese Rd.

Tax ID: 003-030-200-0400-00

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale, unless determined otherwise in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 31, 2006  
**WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.**  
By: Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)  
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee  
Welman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S  
Troy, Michigan 48064  
WWR#05152537

4-5-5

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

**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael L. Jenkins and Jeanette M. Jenkins, his wife, originators, to Advanta National Bank, Mortgagee, dated January 22, 1999, and recorded on January 27, 1999 in Liber 761 on Page 509 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen and 76/100 Dollars (\$78,516.76), including interest at 8.25% 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 May 25, 2006.

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

Lot 13 and 14 of Lake Hill Farms, Recorded Liber 4, Pages 18 through 20.

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

Dated: April 26, 2006

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:**  
FC S (248) 593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #020390F06

4-26-4

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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 Labombard, a married man, original mortgagee, to DMR Financial Services, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated September 2, 1999 and recorded on September 3, 1999 in Liber 781 on Page 321, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan 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 Forty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Thirteen and 03/100 Dollars (\$49,113.03), 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 May 25, 2006.

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

Part of the West Half of the Southeast Quarter of section 30, Township 14, North, Range 9 East, Columbia Township, Tuscola County Michigan beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 30 that is 182.00 feet east from the South Quarter corner of said section 30; thence continuing East on said south line of section 35 253.00 feet; thence North 193.50 feet; thence West 253.0 feet; thence South 193.50 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: April 26, 2006

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:**  
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File #042555F03

4-26-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has occurred in a mortgage made by Daniel T. Gilmore, a single man, to First National Bank of America, dated August 30, 2004 and recorded on September 21, 2004 in Liber 1009, Page 305, Tuscola County Records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$17,978.89.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property, at public auction, to the highest bidder, on Thursday, May 11, 2006 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front steps, Tuscola County Courthouse, Caro, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 11.99 percent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in JUNIATA TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, and is described in the mortgage as:

Commencing at a point 86.46 feet North of the Southwest corner of the North half of the Northwest quarter of Section 22, Town 12 North, Range 8 East; thence East 18 rods; thence South 5 rods; thence West 18 rods; thence South 5 rods to the point of beginning. Township of Juniata. Also a 1972 Skyline Mobile Home, Serial #SE1455F

The redemption period will be six months from the date of sale; however, if the property is abandoned, the redemption period will be one month from the date of sale.

Dated: April 4, 2006

Joseph B. Backus  
Attorney for Mortgage Holder  
P.O. Box 794  
East Lansing, MI 48826  
(517) 337-1617

4-12-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Edward C. Bates, a single man, to DMR Financial Services, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated December 15, 1998 and recorded December 18, 1998 in Liber 758, Page 1411, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance, LLC, successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Three and 22/100 Dollars (\$83,833.22), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 11, 2006.

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

Lot 7, Block 15 of the original plat to the Village of Caro, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1, Page 59A.

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

**TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: April 12, 2006

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 310.0735

4-12-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timm E. Ames and Kelly Ames, f/w/a Kelly Pappenfuss, husband and wife, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 11, 2004 and recorded December 13, 2004 in Liber 1020, Page 619, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2005-OPT1, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand One Hundred Two and 86/100 Dollars (\$95,102.86), including interest at 8.80% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 11, 2006.

Said premises are located in the Township of Arbelia, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 22, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 22 that is South 475.00 feet from the Northwest corner of said Northwest quarter of the Southwest Quarter (West Quarter Corner), thence East 250 feet; thence South 200 feet; thence West 250.0 feet; thence along said West Section Line North 200 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

Said premises are located in the Township of Arbelia, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 22, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 22 that is South 475.00 feet from the Northwest corner of said Northwest quarter of the Southwest Quarter (West Quarter Corner), thence East 250 feet; thence South 200 feet; thence West 250.0 feet; thence along said West Section Line North 200 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

**TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: April 12, 2006

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
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Troy, MI 48007-5041  
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File No. 221.3020

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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 Timothy J. Korpi, Sr., a/w/a Timothy J. Korpi, and Krystal K. Korpi, a/w/a Krystal Korpi, Husband and Wife, original mortgagees, to Household Finance Corporation III, Mortgagee, dated February 5, 2003 and recorded on February 10, 2003 in Liber 914 on Page 995 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Ninety-Three and 76/100 Dollars (\$100,093.76), including interest at 9.47% 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 May 11, 2006.

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

Commencing at the Southeast Corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Southeast 1/4 of Section 32, Township 12 North, Range 9 East; thence West 10 rods; thence North 16 rods; thence East 10 rods; thence South 16 rods to the Point of Beginning. Except Land Deeded to the State Highway Commission recorded in Liber 344 of Deeds, Pages 484 and 485, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: April 12, 2006

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:**  
FC H (248) 593-1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #089461F01

4-12-4

**McDONNELL, CONLEY, ARSLANIAN & NEVEUX, LLP BY: RICHARD L. McDONNELL**, 38500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 300 Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304-5051

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**SHARP / 250051653 - MORTGAGE SALE - Default** having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Eugene R. Sharp and Jean M. Sharp, Husband and Wife, of Akron, Michigan, Mortgagees to Household Finance Corporation III, a Delaware Corporation, dated May 7, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, on May 10, 2002 in Liber 877, Page 875, Tuscola County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of \$117,601.78 including interest at the rate of 10.48% per annum together with any additional sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned as provided for in said mortgage and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of May, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., the undersigned will: At the front entrance of the Courthouse in Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan foreclose said mortgage by selling at public auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amounts due on said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: Land situated in the Township of Akron, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, is described as follows:

Land commencing at a point in the centerline of Bay City and Cass River State Road, 400 feet Northeastly from the intersection of said centerline of said road with the West line of the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 18, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, and running thence South 150 feet; thence Northwesterly parallel with the centerline of said Bay City and Cass River State Road 100 feet; thence North 150 feet; thence Southwesterly along the centerline of said road 100 feet to the place of beginning.

Tax ID #001-018-000-2500-00 Commonly known as: 5841 M-25

The redemption period shall be six 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 thirty days from the date of such sale.

DATED: April 5, 2006

Mortgage Household Finance Corporation III  
Richard L. McDonnell (P38788)  
Attorney for Mortgagee  
38500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 300  
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304-5051  
(248) 540-7500  
ASAP# 764957

4-12-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Theodore L. Kabat, II, an unmarried man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 30, 2004 and recorded January 3, 2005 in Liber 1022, Page 1239, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Five Hundred Three and 90/100 Dollars (\$16,503.90), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 4, 2006.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 27, Town 12 North, Range 7 East; thence running North 16 rods; thence West 10 rods; thence South 16 rods; thence East 10 rods to the place of beginning. EXCEPT the North 90.00 feet thereof.

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

**TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: April 5, 2006

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James B. McGee and Vivian L. McGee, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated September 26, 2002 and recorded on October 17, 2002 in Liber 898 on Page 776 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Seven and 43/100 Dollars (\$133,887.43), 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 May 4, 2006.

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

Lot 18, of Caro Lake Subdivision No. 1, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2, Page 12, 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: April 5, 2006

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Charles M. Winchester, a married man, and Stacey K. Winchester, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 13, 2002 and recorded on September 19, 2002 in Liber 894 on Page 1195 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Nine and 79/100 Dollars (\$77,729.79), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on May 4, 2006.

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

Commencing at a Point that is 66 Feet East and 70 Feet North of the Southeast Corner of Lot 5 of Block 2 of Seed's Addition to the Village of Cass City, running thence North 62 feet; thence East 66 feet; thence South 62 feet; thence West 66 feet to the Place of Beginning. Being Part of Section 27, Town 14 North, Range 11 East.

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

Dated: April 5, 2006

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey S. Woodbury, a single man, and Leroy D. Woodbury, a married man, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 11, 2003 and recorded on August 12, 2003 in instrument 200300835881, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Washington Mutual Bank as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be

due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighteen Thousand Sixty and 52/100 Dollars (\$18,060.52), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on May 18, 2006.

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

Part of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Township 10 North, Range 7 East, described as beginning at a point on the North line of said Section 26, which is West 661.17 feet from the North 1/4 Corner of said Section 26; thence continuing West 661.17 feet along said North Line of said Section 26 to the West Line of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 26; thence South 00 Degrees 43 Minutes 15 Seconds East, 1022.03 feet, along said West Line of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 26; thence East 664.20 feet; thence North 00 Degrees 53 Minutes 25 Seconds West, 1022.07 feet, to the Point of Beginning, except the North 363 feet of the East 60 feet of the Subject Property.

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

Dated: April 19, 2006

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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, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Three Hundred Forty and 56/100 Dollars (\$109,340.56), including interest at 6.13% 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, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 11, 2006.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: April 12, 2006

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
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P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 200.1504

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard W. Frederick and Norma L. Frederick, Husband and Wife, Tenants by the Entirety, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Solutions of Michigan, Mortgagee, dated April 29, 1998 and recorded on April 30, 1998 in Liber 737 on Page 1419, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Nationsbank Mortgage Corp., a Texas Corp. 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 Sixty-Five Thousand Thirty-Five and 71/100 Dollars (\$65,035.71), including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on May 11, 2006.

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

Commencing at a point on the South line of Section 19, Town 13 North, Range 10 East that is 128 feet West of the Southeast corner of the West 1/2 of Southwest fractional 1/4 of said Section 19; thence West on South Section line 195 feet; thence North 150 feet; thence East 323 feet; thence South 38 feet; thence West 128 feet; thence South 112 feet to point

of beginning.

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

Dated: April 12, 2006

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4-12-4

## 26 attend auxiliary meeting

The monthly luncheon and meeting of the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary was held March 27 at Northwood Meadows. There were 23 members and 3 guests present.

Guest speakers from Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems were Susan Rickwalt and Amie Schember. They spoke on "maintaining good mental health."

Reports were given on the successful uniform sale, bake sale and first-time used book sale held in February. There are still used books available at the gift shop along with some collectible books.

A book and gift sale is scheduled for Thursday, May 4, at the hospital from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Three new members were welcomed to the auxiliary: Lee Simms, Ellen Schmidt and Nita Carlson.

Plans are being made to attend the East Central Meeting, May 17, at the Horizon Center.

Auxiliary volunteers will be honored at a luncheon at Northwood Meadows April 24 in recognition of "Volunteer Week."

## Library to host annual art show

It is time for local artists to start getting their artwork ready for Rawson Memorial Library's 16th Annual Art Show set for May 8-20.

The show will include items from a variety of media including sculpture, pottery, stitchery, photography, etc. Paintings will be exhibited in the Pinney Room and other types of art throughout the library.

Please submit work that has not been previously shown at the library. If you plan to participate in this year's show or have any questions about what you may exhibit, contact Ann Craig at 872-2856.

## ELECTION NOTICE

**TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN ALL PRECINCTS IN TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN ON TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2006**

The following will be submitted to the electors at the election on Tuesday, May 2, 2006:

**Members of the Board of Education**

Also, Kingston Community Schools will be voting on an Operating Millage Proposal Exempting Principal Residence and Qualified Agricultural Property.

Full text of the ballot may be obtained from the County Clerk's office by calling (989) 672-3780 during regular business hours.

**The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.**

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| <b>Cass City Public Schools</b><br>VFW Hall<br>4533 Veterans Drive<br>Cass City, Michigan               | <b>Reese Public Schools</b><br>Denmark Township Hall<br>9386 W. Saginaw Rd<br>Richville, Michigan           |
| <b>Kingston Community Schools</b><br>Kingston Community Library<br>5790 State St.<br>Kingston, Michigan | <b>Vassar Public Schools</b><br>Vassar City Hall<br>287 E. Huron Ave.<br>Vassar Michigan                    |

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### Questions, problems?

We also welcome your questions and comments - both positive and negative. Your input is important to us, whether you appreciate our handling of a story, or you believe we need to correct an error or clarify an article.

# Concert to aid area home repairs

A large number of area musicians will gather together in Caro Sunday, April 30, beginning at 5:30 p.m. to sing for their neighbors.

That's the day that the annual "Rebuilding Together with Christmas in July" Benefit Concert will take place at the Church of the Sacred Heart. In fact, this is the 13th annual such event, and it brings together musicians and singers who share the common goal of helping their neighbors.

This year's concert features a wide variety of performers, presenting many different styles and selections of music.

The Caro High School Jazz Band, under the direction of Rachel McGinness, will provide a rousing kick-off for the event. Other performers in the first half of the show include well-known favorites Tom Krause, Russ and DeeDee Tibbits, and Barb Graff of Cass City, who is fresh from her stellar performance in the Thumb Area Center for Arts production of "Love always, Patsy Cline."

Following an intermission during which a free-will offering will be taken to support Rebuilding Together with Christmas in July, more great performances will be presented by hometown sisters Lisa Bondarenko

and Mary Hodges, and the Sacred Heart Men's Choir. The second half of the show will be rounded out by Gospel-singing family favorites the Grimshaws, and the Caro St. Paul Lutheran Choir, under the direction of Mabel Hollender.

The Rebuilding Together with Christmas in July Benefit Concert is a fundraising event for the Tuscola County Christmas in July Program (now known nationally as Rebuilding Together). This a volunteer effort which brings together people of all ages who repair and refurbish the homes of their neighbors in the Thumb area.

The 2006 work date is set for Saturday, July 8. Typical homeowners are those of limited income, often including the frail and the elderly.

Homeowners and their families are encouraged to participate in the improvement efforts in any way that they can, and volunteers are always needed; contact Rebuilding Together President Julia DeGuse at HDC at (989) 673-4121.

As always, there is no admission charge for this fundraising concert. All are welcome to attend, especially music lovers who are prepared to be generous to their neighbors.

# Meyer airs proposals

State Rep. Tom Meyer recently announced a pair of House Republican proposals that would boost revenue sharing to help keep communities safe, and encourage economic growth throughout Michigan.

Meyer, R-Bad Axe, said he wants to increase state revenue sharing payments to local governments by \$20 million, giving communities the opportunity to earn at least a 2-percent increase, or \$2 million.

Communities use revenue sharing funds to pay for essential services like police and fire protection.

"Keeping our communities safe is a top priority for all Michigan families, and state government has a responsibility to help local governments fulfill this important goal," Meyer said of the first plan. "Revenue sharing continues to be one of the most effective uses of taxpayer funds, and local communities desperately need a boost in funding to pay for critical public safety services."

Meyer is asking local government officials to join House Republicans in supporting the plan. The lawmaker said if they speak together with one concerted voice during the appropriation process, the proposal would

more than likely be signed into law.

The second House Republican proposal provides for tools designed to boost job creation and economic development to all Michigan communities, regardless of size or location.

The incentives target critical needs such as redeveloping abandoned facilities and contaminated properties, new investment by business, and rehabilitating local neighborhoods. Currently, only a select group of Michigan communities, known as CORE communities, can take advantage of the incentives. The legislation would give every community in the state the opportunity to use the incentives to create jobs.

"We're losing jobs to states like Indiana and Ohio because communities don't have the tools necessary to keep and attract new businesses," Meyer said. "Giving all Michigan communities an opportunity to offer tax incentives is only fair. It would be a tremendous catalyst to improve our economy and create jobs."

While other states in the Midwest are experiencing economic growth and expanded employment, Michigan was the only state in the country to lose jobs in both 2004 and 2005.

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GARAGE SALE - Friday, April 28, 9-6 p.m.; Saturday, April 29, 9-noon, 4295 Sherman, Cass City. 14-4-26-1

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## Mother's Day event slated for May 13

Carol Williams really misses talking to her mom. "All my life I had my mother rooting for me, praying for me," Williams says. "We always celebrated our birthdays together-but we can't anymore."

The Caro woman's mother, Grace Dudley, passed away nearly 2 years ago. And even though she was 87 years old when she died, Carol says it was still hard to say goodbye.

"It's still a loss. We're hesitant to talk about it," she says. "We don't want people to think we're looking for a pity party." But, she adds, talking about the loss is exactly what daughters need to heal.

United Hospice Service is offering a special Mother's Day event for women just like Carol Williams. "Remembering Our Mothers" will be held Saturday, May 13, from 10 a.m. to noon.

"No matter how long ago your mother died, it still hurts-especially around Mother's Day," says Bereavement Coordinator, Elise Kelly. "We want to give women a safe place to go to honor and celebrate their mothers' lives."

The special event will be held simultaneously in 2 locations. One program is being offered at Marlette Community Hospital while the other will take place at Country Gardens Assisted Living Center in Pigeon. The event features a buffet luncheon, musical entertainment, a time for sharing memories, and the opportunity to create a scrapbook craft page.

"This event is a great idea," says Williams. "It's an opportunity for all of us who have lost our moms to be with others who understand. We can all learn from someone else."

Williams started volunteering for United Hospice after her mother died. She and her family brought hospice into their home to assist them during the end of her mother's life. "The hardest thing was when she never said my name and she didn't know how she knew me," Williams says.

"(This event) will be great for women who don't have a mom on Mother's Day. We can show that we still love and appreciate our moms even though they're not with us anymore," she says.

For more information about the Remembering Our Mothers event, call United Hospice at (989) 635-4134.



## Scouts do their part...

KELLY SMITH AND Maureen Kawecki, co-leaders of Girl Scout Troop 604, Cass City, recently cleaned up litter around Cass City High School for the troop's Clean Up America Day project. Pictured above are troop members hard at work — Kristen Kawecki, Ali Smith, Samantha Clapper, Alison Blattner, Amanda McCormick, Natasha Wright, Stephanie Heckroth, Katie Michalski and Marisa Schneeberger.

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**AND NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

**Village of Cass City**  
6506 Main Street, Cass City, 48726  
(989) 872-2911

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about May 12, 2006 the above named Village of Cass City will request the State of Michigan to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for the following project:

2006 Sidewalk Replacement  
Removal & replacement of deteriorated sidewalks  
Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan  
\$90,000 - Estimated cost of project

**Finding of No Significant Impact**

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and accordingly the above-named Village of Cass City has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190).

The reasons for such decision not to prepare an EIS are as follows:

Minor construction activity causing no significant short or long term impact.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the proposed project has been made by the above-named Village of Cass City which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why an EIS is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request at the Municipal Building between the hours of 8:30 and 4:30. No further environmental review of such project is proposed to be conducted prior to the request for release of federal funds.

**Public Comments on Finding**

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the Village of Cass City to the Office of the Undersigned on or before May 11, 2006. All such comments so received will be considered and the Village of Cass City will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the proposed project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

**Release of Funds**

The Village of Cass City will undertake the project described above with Community Development Block Grant funds from the State of Michigan under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The Village of Cass City is certifying to the State of Michigan that the Village of Cass City and Peter Cristiano in his official capacity as Village Manager consent to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval the Village of Cass City may use the Block Grant funds and the state will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

**Objections to State Release of Funds**

The State of Michigan will accept an objection to its approval only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the certifying officer or other officer of applicant approved by the State of Michigan; or (b) that applicant's environmental review record for the project indicated omission of a required decision finding or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process. Objections must be prepared and submitted to the State of Michigan, MEDC, 300 North Washington Square, Lansing, Michigan 48913.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the state. No objection received after May 30, 2006 will be considered by the state.

Peter Cristiano, Village Manager  
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