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NICOLE FROEDE, a senior at Cass City High School, visits with second grade student Sarah Pitcher during lunch at Campbell Elementary School Friday. The 2 were paired through a Thumb Area Big Brothers-Big Sisters program called "Lunch Buddies".

"Buddies" share more than lunch

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Sometimes, a little does mean a lot. Just ask Jan Penn, or Beth Howard, or any one of dozens of children involved in a Thumb Area Big Brothers-Big Sisters program known as "Lunch Buddies".

The program matches high school students and adults with children. Together, they share lunch once a week at school. They talk, they laugh, they bond.

The program has proven successful locally, but officials say more adult

mentors are needed. No special training is needed; they are simply asked to spend some one-on-one time with an elementary student, and to have the desire to make a difference in that child's life simply by extending a hand of friendship.

"The Lunch Buddies Program matches mentors with children who are in need of someone to listen to them and be a friend," explained Jan Penn, site-based coordinator for the program. "Our mentors eat lunch with, talk to, play with and sometimes just read to their 'buddy'."

"This small act of sharing your time has an immeasurable impact upon the children," Penn said.

The Big Brothers-Big Sisters program serves Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties, with about 170 student or adult mentors currently matched with children in grades K-5. Participating schools include Cass City, Caro, Kingston and Vassar in Tuscola County; Peck, Crosswell, Lexington and Sandusky in Sanilac County; and Uby, North Huron, Bad

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Groundbreaking in May

Arsenic treatment plant project ready for bids

Cass City officials are still tying up loose ends on a \$1.858 million USDA Rural Development Agency loan to fund construction of an arsenic treatment plant, but they say the project is on track.

Village Manager Peter Cristiano said officials expected to have bid proposals for construction ready to go this week.

"The plans are all set, the specs are all set, the bids are all ready," said Cristiano, who noted property title descriptions were needed to finalize the loan requirements.

The village should be able to open and review bids in about a month, and contractors are expected to break ground on the project in early May, according to Cristiano.

The village has also met another requirement - publishing its annual drinking water report, which is included in this week's issue of the Chronicle.

According to that report, arsenic levels in the village's wells ranged from 16 parts per billion to 27 parts per billion during the most recent testing period.

While those levels are considered acceptable under the old U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) rules for public water supplies, a more stringent standard approved by federal officials has forced Cass City and many other municipalities to build arsenic treatment plants to reduce the levels of arsenic.

Cass City will spend more than \$2 million to meet the non-funded federal mandate. The project will include another \$150,000 to incorporate new department of public works facilities into the water treatment plant building.

In order to pay for the project, the village council last November approved water rate increases.

Those increases include a 61-percent hike in the first year. However, officials said the overall increase in residential customers' utility bills, which also include refuse and sewer charges, would not exceed 10 or 11 percent due to the elimination of a

federally-mandated charge for engineering fees related to construction of the arsenic treatment plant, along with a \$2.50 water meter charge.

Cristiano said the new fee structure "provides the dollars to insure meeting the annual (federal loan) payment of \$96,000 and a reserve of \$12,000."

Once on-line, the water treatment facility is expected to reduce the level of arsenic in Cass City to 2 parts per billion or less.

In Michigan, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is overseeing the implementation of the new federal arsenic standard - reduced from 50 parts per billion to 10 parts per billion.

The new standards affect community water systems such as municipalities, apartment complexes and manufactured housing; and non-community water systems such as

schools, child care centers and businesses with their own wells.

According to DEQ Director Steven E. Chester, a majority of Michigan's water utilities are meeting or are in the process of meeting the new standard, which went into effect Jan. 23 and affects about 3,000 public water systems in the state. Of those, officials operating 380 water systems have been faced with making changes in their water sources or installing treatment systems.

Since EPA officials announced the new standard in 2001, the DEQ has been working with water systems to help them meet the deadline.

In Cass City's case, village officials entered into an agreement with the state that provided an extension after the village demonstrated good faith in trying to achieve compliance.

Troopers arrest 2 after chase Sunday

A chase early Sunday morning in Tuscola County involving a stolen car out of Ohio ended with the arrest of 2 suspects.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro reported the chase covered about 8 miles, beginning on East Dayton Road and ending at a residence on Cat Lake Road just north of M-46.

After attempting to escape through the yard of the residence, the male suspect driver and his female passenger fled on foot, according to troopers, who caught and arrested the female after a brief chase. Troopers and a DNR officer, utilizing a tracking dog, caught up with the driver 2 1/2 miles away from the scene after a 90-minute search.

Both were lodged in the Tuscola County Jail. The driver was scheduled to be arraigned Monday in district court on charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs, unlawfully driving away an automobile, malicious destruction of property, fleeing and eluding a police officer, resisting and obstructing a police officer, driving while his license was suspended, and several traffic offenses.

Troopers are seeking a charge of unlawfully driving away an automobile against the female suspect.

The vehicle occupied by the couple was reported stolen in Celina, Ohio, last month, according to reports.

Troopers were assisted by the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department, troopers from the Bridgeport Post/K-9 unit and the Caro Police Department.

Full house

Owen-Gage Preschool, once closed, now at full capacity

In a time when Thumb area schools have continued to watch their enrollments shrink, Owen-Gage School officials are enjoying a capacity enrollment in their preschool program.

It's a trend they would like to see continue, given the vital role student numbers play in the amount of state funding the small district receives.

"We have 18 students, that's the maximum Michigan Readiness will allow us," Owen-Gage Preschool Director Ann Garske said of the state program that provides about \$3,000 in funding for 12 of those students.

"All the rest are tuition-paying students. Some are 3-year-olds, some are 4-year-olds, and some are Schools of Choice students," Garske added.

The preschool numbers have been strong in each of the years since Garske took over the program in 2002. "We always fill to the max. We've been really blessed that way," she said, noting the program was resurrected in the late 1990s after being closed for 3 years.

Garske and Mary Jamieson, a para

professional, are the program's full-time staff. They are assisted by parents who take turns coming in each week.

Garske said the preschool has had a positive impact not only on enrollment, but also on the quality of education the district is able to provide the community.

"It feeds into our kindergarten classroom and it offers services to the parents, because when the preschool shuts down for the day, the Latchkey program kicks in. So, it's a great outreach," Garske said.

The Latchkey program provides a safe place for children to stay from the late morning hours until 3 p.m. The cost is \$2 per day per student. "The Latchkey program fluctuates from day to day. We have 6 children on a regular basis, and then other kids come in as the need arises."

Although both programs have been welcomed by parents, it's the preschool that has the greatest impact on

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ANN GARSKE (right), director of the Owen-Gage Preschool, along with para professional Mary Jamieson serve breakfast to their students Monday morning. The program has a full enrollment, with 18 students attending 4 days a week.

Gagetown man facing prison term

A Gagetown man will spend the next 5 to 20 years of his life in prison following his recent sentencing on several charges, including arson, in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

Jason L. Winhoven, 31, was sentenced after entering pleas of guilty and no contest to several counts.

He pleaded guilty to arson of real property involving a building at 6485 Lincoln St., Gagetown, Nov. 14, 2004. In a separate case, he pleaded no contest to receiving and concealing stolen property (an automobile) valued at more than \$1,000, fleeing and eluding a police officer and assaulting a police officer with a dangerous weapon Feb. 27, 2005, in Reese.

Winhoven also pleaded guilty to being an habitual offender. According to court records, his past convictions have included grand theft, breaking and entering and attempted receiving and concealing stolen property in Ohio, and receiving and concealing stolen property in Tuscola County.

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$360.

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Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doerr of Detroit, Lana and Klyn Puterbaugh, Janet and Arianne Hoyt of Snover, Wendy and Caitlyn Rickett, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Doerr, and Jamie and Courtney Doerr, where they enjoyed homemade ice cream.

Mr. and Mrs. Marty Chockley and daughters of Algonac spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cleland. Mr. and Mrs. Marty Chockley, Christopher and Amy of Algonac and Mrs. Marge Murdick of Snover were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Hagen had supper at Big Boy in Bad Axe and later visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob McCrea. Mr. Ronnie Gracey and Charlie visited Mr. and Mrs. Art Morell at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe on

Wednesday. Evelyn Polk of Ubyly visited Mrs. Martin Sweeney Tuesday.

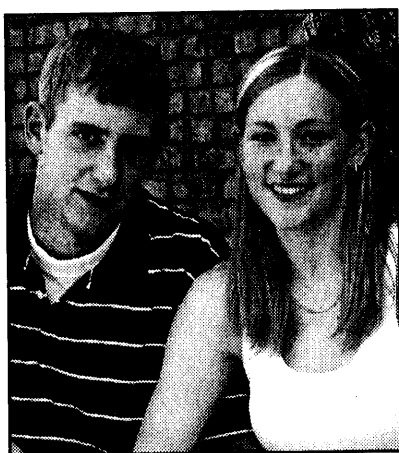
Seven members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Coffee Cup Plus in Bad Axe. They will meet at the Peppermill next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Filar and daughters of Shelby Township, Mr. and Mrs. John Pechette, Mr. and Mrs. Whitey Puwalowski and grandson, Brian Sweeney, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson visited Veronica Dolinski and Thelma Jackson last week.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Collins and Brian Sweeney visited Mrs. Martin Sweeney Thursday.

Mrs. Ronnie Gracey and Charlie visited Thelma Jackson last Wednesday.

Engaged



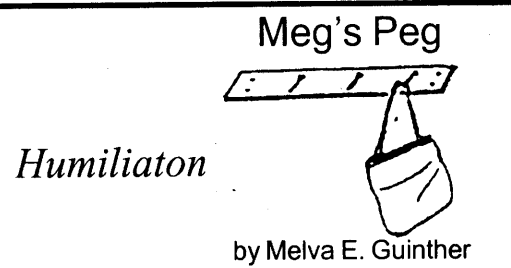
Kimberly Morrish & Jeffery Koslakiewicz

Sandy and Bernie Wolny and Max Morrish, all of Cass City, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Rae Morrish, to Jeffery Alan Koslakiewicz, son of Karen and Gary Gibson of Caro and John Koslakiewicz of Detroit.

Kimberly is a 2000 graduate of Cass City High School. She is the granddaughter of Tom and Norajan Little and Roberta Darr and the late Harold "Brownie" Morrish, all of Cass City. She is the great-granddaughter of Jean Boyl of Kingston.

Jeff is a 2002 graduate of Lake Shore High School in St. Clair Shores, and a 2005 graduate of the University of Northwestern Ohio. He is currently employed with Warehouse Associates in Lima, Ohio.

The couple is planning an Aug. 5, 2006 wedding.



by Melva E. Guinther

The words "humble" and "humiliation" come from the same Latin root word "humilis", which means low. But humiliation takes a person a whole lot lower, and I have a few incidents to demonstrate what I mean.

The names have been changed because the poor souls have suffered enough.

Sara has had more than her share of humiliation.

She left work one day and stopped for gas along a busy highway. She was baffled when a number of cars drove past the station, blowing their horns and waving. That is, until she discovered that she'd tucked the back of her skirt into her pantyhose, which was the only thing between her backside and the great outdoors.

On another occasion, at the beach, she was coming in from a swim and noticed her companions on shore pointing and shouting.

As she got closer, she could see that they were focusing on her chest area. Looking down, she discovered that the top of her swimsuit was missing. I'm not sure if she went back for it or just got dressed in a hurry.

One day, after she'd hastily put on the pants she wore the previous night, Sara was at the front of the line in a busy public office and glanced down to find a pair of underwear had slid out her pant leg and was lying on the floor.

By now she'd become quite accustomed to humiliation and nonchalantly picked them up and put them in her purse.

You may recall poor Nadine's tale, which has been mentioned before. Nadine is the pathetic creature who became a prisoner of her seat belt and had to hail a passing man in the parking lot to help her escape. It took quite an effort on the part of both of them, but she was finally freed.

Maggie's tale requires a little background.

Maggie was truly frustrated with her car, which had taken to starting only when it wanted to. She'd had it in the shop repeatedly, but the workers there couldn't make the temperamental vehicle NOT start.

So each time she'd take it home and wait for it to misbehave again - often at the most inopportune times - at the gas pump, when she was late for an appointment, etc. You can understand her frustration.

So it was that she drove her husband's more reliable pickup to a neighboring town, not wanting to be stranded there.

Alas, when she came out of a store, the pickup wouldn't start!

Needless to say, she was upset. A car dealership was about a block away, so she walked there and asked if someone could help her.

A kind employee said "Sure", and told Maggie that she could ride back to the scene with Joe in his pickup. He walked out the door, went over to a parked pickup and proceeded to speak with the driver.

Maggie waited a couple minutes, then, assuming the driver of the pickup was Joe, climbed in beside him. The 2 men ignored her and went on talking.

After a bit, she began to suspect that the conversation was not between 2 employees, but between a customer and the mechanic.

By this time she was so flustered that she promptly got out of the pickup, walked past the driver's wife, who had returned from inside the shop and was standing at the back of the pickup looking puzzled.

Maggie walked away without a word. In retrospect, she really hoped her unexplained action hadn't resulted in any serious marital fallout.

Experiences like these will definitely make one humble.

Polish dinner set April 9

The Thumb Area American Polish White Eagle Lodge No. 3046, a fraternal benefit society of the Polish National Alliance, will host its 9th annual Swieconka Sunday, April 9, at the Caro American Legion Hall in Caro.

Doors will open at 1 p.m. and dinner will be served at 2 p.m.

The Swieconka, a traditional Polish family blessed 8-course Easter dinner, will be served with wine and will begin with opening prayers by the Rev. Rich Tremi, pastor of St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in North Branch.

This special dinner will feature the honoring of Polish American teachers in public education. The honored guest will be Superintendent Carol Socha, Tuscola County Intermediate School District. Other educators being honored are Irene Aymer, Dennis Harrand, Louise Jankowski, Cecilia Kapcia, Diane Sroka and Lori Weingartz.

Proceeds from the dinner are for the benefit of education in the arts and humanities.

For tickets and information, call Vicki Wolak at (989) 683-2465.

Littlepage "student of month"

Barbie Littlepage has been named Owendale-Gagetown School's "Senior Student of the Month" for February.



As a freshman at Flint C a r m a n Ainsworth, Littlepage was a member of the softball team. Since coming to Owen-Gage in her sophomore year, she has been a member of the softball team and cheerleading squad each year, along with being a member of the dance team in her junior year.

Littlepage was chosen as a class representative for homecoming in her junior and senior years, and was recently selected as the 2006 homecoming queen. She has been named a "focus" student of the month each year.

Littlepage currently serves as the senior class vice president. She also is a member of the school's yearbook/newspaper staff and is a teacher's aide. An honor roll student, she is a member of the 3.0 Honors Club.

Littlepage is the daughter of Karen L. Apley of Owendale and the late James Littlepage. She plans to attend Saginaw Valley State University in the fall to prepare for a career as a special education teacher.

Wilder named to dean's list

Jake L. Wilder of Cass City has been named to the dean's list at the University of Northwestern Ohio, Lima, Ohio, for the January session at the College of Technologies.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average.

MASB honors local board member Turner

The Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) last week announced the presentation of awards to 3 Tuscola County board of education members, including a veteran Cass City trustee.

The honored members are James Turner, who has served 18 years on the Cass City Board of Education; Galen Smith, Akron-Fairgrove Schools; and Randy DePottey, Millington Community Schools.

The awards recognize their efforts to improve their leadership skills and become more effective leaders, demonstrating their commitment to achievement, MASB officials said.

The awards are earned for classes

completed in MASB's leadership training program as well as for conference attendance, years of service and leadership activities.

This year, more than 1,000 school board members statewide participated in the association's professional development program for elected school leaders.

"A recent survey by MASB shows that the public supports school board member training," said Justin King, executive director of MASB. "The public has made the connection between school board governance and student performance and it's important that school boards make that connection as well."

Senior movies slated

Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City, will show the following Senior Citizen Movies Friday, March 17 at 1:30 p.m.

Country's Reminiscence Hitch, vol. 1 - First Leg of Coast-to-Coast Trek by 6-Horse Hitch: This first segment details the hitch's pre-trip training period in Iowa. Then lets you "ride along" as the hitch starts its cross-country journey on Easter Sunday at Kennebunkport; prances through beautiful rural Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and New York; and 4 months later trots down Main Street at the Fourth of July celebration in the charming village of Chaffee, New York. (60 minutes)

Poland: Poland is a vibrant country undergoing great changes. Illustrating the solidarity of the Polish people and the beauty of their cultural history - a history, which has remained constant for generations - this program highlights current political changes. Surveying the economic and environmental history of Poland, the viewer gains knowledge of the past, the present, and then, may speculate on the future of this nation (18 minutes).

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

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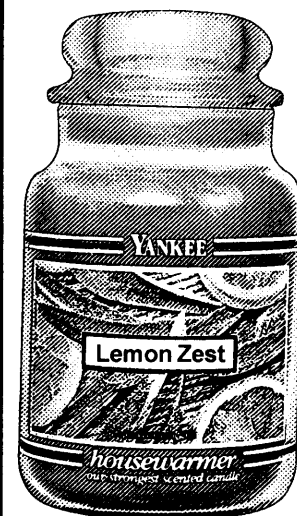
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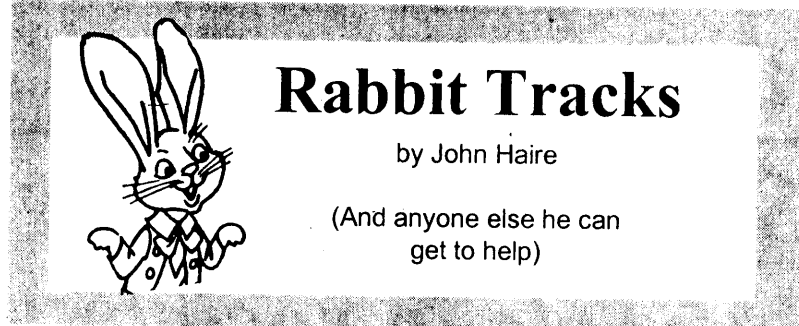
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Small world department.

Attending the Big 10 tournament at Indianapolis, Clarke Haire's seats were in the middle of the 18,000+ people attending the game. Sitting about 12 rows behind him was Sally Peters, daughter of Anton and Marilyn Peters of Cass City.

On the way home Sunday we took a second look at a small bus we passed after noting that the bus identification was lettered "Novesta Church of Christ." It was traveling on I-69 some 30 miles south of Lansing.

Later investigation revealed that it was returning from Kalamazoo, where members attended a Christian teen convention.

Indianapolis has family-type attractions. They include the Children's Museum that featured dinosaurs and the Indianapolis Zoo where dolphins were the center of attention. Both facilities were great for Clarke and Karen's children, Parker, 8, and Kacey, 5.

The basketball tournament was 80 to 90 percent sold out all 4 days, but if we ever attended another (a real long shot) we would not buy a ticket to the finals. Tickets were available at cut prices. The ticket's face value was \$75, but the best seats in the house were going for \$20 each, or less.

College fans, like high school fans, lose interest as soon as their team is eliminated, leaving just fans of the teams in the finals to watch.

Can't leave home without a comment about a restaurant. We had supper at the Cheesecake Factory. After we ordered, we noted some sumptuous desserts served and regretted not taking that route.

Mine was Hungarian beef goulash, beef served with a bowl of noodles and Esther's was a shrimp salad. Oatmeal flaked white bread was unusual.

The portions were gigantic, more than we could eat. Total cost was \$33.37 plus tip. Give it a 6 on the 1-10 scale.

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Health officials offer thermometer exchange

Tuscola County Health Department officials are offering area residents to get rid of old mercury thermometers through the "Catch the Fever" Saginaw Bay Watershed Mercury Thermometer Exchange Program.

"In an ongoing effort to safely dispose of thermometers containing mercury, the Tuscola County Health Department is going to offer another free exchange program," said Sally Belsky, R.N.

"The public is invited to bring in their oral or rectal mercury thermometers and receive a free non-mercury fever thermometer, with a limit of one per household," Belsky added, noting funding for the program is sponsored by the Saginaw Bay Watershed Program. The cost is covered by General Motors.

The exchange is scheduled for March 27 through April 21 at the health department in Caro. The hours will be Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 12:30 p.m. through 3 p.m.

The exchange will continue while supplies last, and participants are

asked to bring in their old thermometers in a Zip-Lock type baggy.

"The hazards of mercury exposure present a potent threat to humans and our environment," Belsky explained.

"Exposure can result in damages to the nervous system and the kidneys, and is especially hazardous to pregnant women. Mercury has the potential to leak from thermometers in the home or those placed in a landfill, resulting in exposure or contamination of our water supply."

It has been illegal to sell mercury thermometers in Michigan since January 2003.

In case of a spill, Belsky said, homeowners should ventilate the room with outside air, then close it off from the rest of the house, pick up the mercury with an eyedropper or piece of heavy paper, and put the mercury, glass and items used to pick it up in a plaster zipper bag, then 2 more bags before placing it in a sealable plastic container.

More information is available by contacting Belsky at (989) 673-8114 (ext. 182).

The Haire Net

It's "no dice" for indoor ice here



Every so often, boosters bring up the need for an ice rink to serve the community. It's not a new idea or one that hasn't been tried before, again and again.

The truth is that a working ice rink would see plenty of use in Cass City. The truth is that rinks have always appealed to the youngsters. The truth is that making a rink with ice that is useable is a long shot and after several failures volunteers reluctantly give it up.

To create a facility that is top-notch calls for expenditures of big bucks. It takes more than a solid foundation and an enclosed building to make the ice serviceable.

Cass City has had ample opportunities to experience the pitfalls of building a rink. One year the tennis court area was used. The Elkland Township Fire Department members fostered another project. Plastic was used under the ice to keep it from draining away. Everyone had high hopes that this was to be the answer, especially because the firemen were ready, willing and able to resurface the rink when necessary.

My memory of the sad results was jogged by a story in the Frankenmuth News. That community has an indoor ice rink in the Harvey Kern Community Pavilion.

No trouble with snow removal or

melting/freezing snow, making the ice as rough as a cobblestone drive.

The Frankenmuth Parks Department has been trying to provide a rink since mid-December, but a couple of weeks ago announced that it wouldn't be possible to have a rink this winter due to the weather.

The story outlines the problems: "Every time it got cold enough to establish a new layer of ice it would warm up and wipe out what we did. Most people do not realize it takes 4-7 days to establish a sheet of ice. After a couple of warm days it takes a couple of days for the slab to cool down. Once (20,000 gallons) water floods the rink it takes 2-3 days to set up. Finally the crew puts down smooth top layers with an ice surface."

There's an answer to these problems, one that guarantees smooth ice during the entire season. After the building is erected make sure that it includes an in-floor chiller system.

In Cass City a project like this is merely a dream. A study was conducted to build an indoor recreational building for winter sports. It never got off the ground after the estimated cost details surfaced.

It remains "no dice" for indoor ice in our foreseeable future.

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The back forty

by Roger Pond

The fashion designers are at it again. They've taken a simple little cotton coat, sewn a few buttons on it, and named it "the barn jacket."

Then, they put this flimsy, little coat on a pouty-faced model to show how adorable our children will look when we send them off to school in a brand new barn jacket. Upscale department stores are offering these at \$59 apiece.

Can you imagine that? They're selling brand new "barn jackets" to folks who don't realize what an ugly and disgusting garment a barn jacket really is.

Even fashion designers should know a barn jacket isn't a garment; it's a condition. It's like a barn hat, a barn shirt, a barn cat. It's a mess!

"Barn jacket" isn't a style. The word "barn" explains what happened to it!

The genuine barn jacket is covered with axle grease, dog hair, calf slobber, and other compounds fashion designers don't know much about. It's like a cowboy's hat. The one his dog sleeps on in the back of the pickup.

I had several barn jackets when I was a kid, and I can't imagine sending anyone to school in them. A coat like this has a special character only its owner can appreciate.

I've never seen a barn jacket with buttons, either. The calves chew those off in a matter of days.

My barn coats all had a zipper that was permanently stuck about half way

between my navel and Adams apple. I put them on arms first, and often wore them backwards as a matter of convenience.

I always took those jackets off before going into town, though. My brothers told me I might get into a car accident, and the ambulance people would see the zipper in the back — and try to turn my head around straight.

My favorite barn jacket was procured from the army by my older brother, Kenny. Kenny served in the infantry before the volunteer army took over; and like others of his era, he conscripted a couple of field jackets and some "Mickey Mouse" boots when he left the service.

That army field jacket was the best barn coat I ever had. It had a zipper, and buttons, and a removable liner for winter use.

Best of all, it had enough pockets for candy bars, muskrat traps, shotgun shells, and a can of Bag Balm.

I finally had to throw the old army jacket away last fall. I hadn't worn it in quite awhile; and the buttons and zipper rotted off years ago.

I asked my wife to fix it, but she started looking for the matches instead of her sewing machine. The old coat still had its character, though.

That's the main reason we had to burn it. My barn jacket's character was getting so strong, I had to take a shower every time I took it off.

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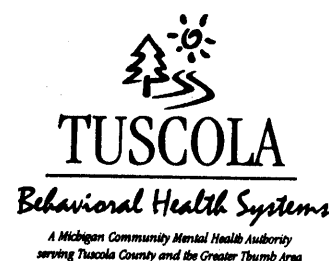
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5-Day Local Forecast

Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 37 Low: 18

Thursday
Snow Possible
High: 35 Low: 21

Friday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 34 Low: 19

Saturday
Partly Cloudy
High: 37 Low: 20

Sunday
Mostly Sunny
High: 39 Low: 23

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 37°, humidity of 69% and an overnight low of 18°. The record high temperature for today is 78° set in 1990. The record low is -5° set in 1956. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 40% chance of snow, high temperature of 35°, humidity of 74% and an overnight low of 21°.

Upcoming Moon Phases

Last 3/22 New 3/29 First 4/5 Full 4/13

Sunrise Sunset Times

Sunrise today 6:45 a.m.
Sunset tonight 6:39 p.m.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Monday	34	12	35/19	0.00"
Tuesday	36	7	35/19	0.00"
Wednesday	39	28	36/20	0.00"
Thursday	46	36	36/20	0.00"
Friday	46	30	37/20	0.00"
Saturday	54	25	37/21	0.00"
Sunday	52	39	37/21	0.00"

Precipitation 0.00" Normal precipitation 0.49" Departure from normal -0.49" Average temperature 34.6° Average normal temperature 28.1° Departure from normal +6.5°

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FIVE STAR



Red Hawk Talks

by Donna Bushong

This weekend I, along with many members of the community, took a journey through the looking glass and joined Alice in this year's school play "Wonderland".

The play took place Friday through Sunday. The cast for the play started rehearsing in mid-December after their auditions at the beginning of the month. They started with the music part of the show and learned the songs before they started learning lines. The cast practiced 3 days a week for 3 hours to learn their parts before the production date.

Wonderland is about a girl named Alice. Alice stumbles through the looking glass where she finds the chess pieces that she is so fond of, to be alive. She joins the kings, queens, knights and pawns, in a game of chess. If she makes it to the eighth square, she will become a queen of Wonderland.

Alice meets the most unlikely characters in Wonderland. The first of these characters (other than the chess pieces) are some talking flowers who tell Alice to talk to the red queen if she wants to be in the game. Thus Alice begins her game of chess.

As she moves across the "chess-board" she meets many more inhabitants of Wonderland. She plays a game of baseball to slide to the next square. On square 4 she meets the well known Tweedle-Dee and

Tweedle-Dum. Alice catches the train to the fifth square where she meets Humpty Dumpty. Humpty tells her the story of how he didn't fall off the wall, but jumped. In the middle of his story Humpty suffered an unfortunate fall that was unwritten and unplanned for in the play.

As Alice leaves the fifth square she approaches the white king's square. Here she witnesses a fight between a unicorn and lion. When the lion steals the king's crown, Alice gets it back and saves the day.

On the seventh square, the red and white knights have a sword fight, Star Wars style (with light sabers), and then both knights help Alice to the eighth square. Alice becomes queen but to her surprise is presented with responsibilities and demands for lower taxes, a new health plan for Humpty Dumpty, and a new auditorium. Royalty wasn't all that Alice expected it to be and she travels back through the looking glass and back to everyday life.

The main character, Alice, was played by Whitney Kim. Other members of the cast included Kelton Roth, Mitchell Ertman, Chelsea DeLuyck, Jareth Tyson, Vicki Scasny, Derrick Mallory, Jennifer Hadd, Shelby Russell, Katie Ozorowicz, Elisa Ellis, Ashley Hutchinson, Cassie Wilson, Cassie Simpson, Joram Tyson, Andrew Rolfs, Katie Klcio, Trevor Copeland, CJ Warmbier, Danielle Delamarter, David Wade, Deryll Schenk, Alex Walsh, Chelsea Paladi and Kaylin Tack.

The play couldn't run without its crew. Mrs. Connie Iwankovitsch and Mrs. Judy Hoelzle directed the play. Mr. Wayne Karavas built the set that Mrs. Hoelzle's art class designed. Mrs. Kathleen Nizzola and her daughter Anne Nizzola designed the costumes. Alex Walsh handled the curtains and sound was taken care of by Ben MacGown. Alyssa Cryderman and Stephanie Healy managed the stage lights and Bria Romstad ran the spotlight.

With the final curtain call Sunday evening, another Cass City High School production was successfully completed and the actors have a long rest until next year's play.

Several charged

The following people appeared in Tuscola County Circuit Court last week on various criminal charges:

•Malcolm V. Maitland, 26, Kingston, pleaded guilty to failure to stop at a personal injury accident and impaired driving June 17 in Wells Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled in the case.

•Jeremy A. Langenburg, 30, Vassar, stood mute to 3 counts of possession of a firearm by a felon, possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, 3 counts of possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and domestic violence Feb. 13 in Tuscola Township.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$8,000.

•Joshua A. Bouchard, 19, Otter Lake, was sentenced to 73 days in the county jail and 18 months probation for a plea of guilty to assaulting a police officer Dec. 22 in Watertown Township.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,720.

•Brian K. Bables, 39, Millington, was sentenced to 180 days in jail for his plea of no contest to second degree child abuse involving a victim under the age of 13 years between January 2002 and September 2004 in Millington Township.

He was also ordered to pay \$1,220 in costs and fines.

•Robert F. Taylor Jr., 43, Lapeer, was sentenced to 2 years and 6 months to 15 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to absconding or forfeiting bond April 18 in Caro, and to driving without insurance and possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, Nov. 12, 2004, in Dayton Township, and to being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

He was also ordered to pay fines and costs totaling \$3,685.

•Edward Bukraba Jr., 50, Caro, was sentenced to 3 to 10 years in prison for his pleas of no contest to assaulting a police officer, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, and fourth degree criminal sexual conduct Jan. 27, 2005, in Caro, and to being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

He was also ordered to pay \$240 in costs and fines.

•Mary A. Lucik, 42, Caro, pleaded guilty to attempted discharge of a firearm at or inside a building June 25 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Zane M. Snear, 25, Cass City, pleaded guilty to assault Sept. 10 in Cass City.

The plea was taken under advisement by the court, which continued bond at \$50,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Daniel W. Thomas, 42, Flint, pleaded no contest to fleeing and eluding a police officer, assault with a dangerous weapon, assaulting a police officer and possession of marijuana May 8 in Arbel Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$15,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Kelly J. Searles, 41, Deford, pleaded guilty to larceny in a building Oct. 18 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$3,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Robert E. McEnrue, 30, Vassar, pleaded no contest to negligent homicide stemming from a fatal traffic accident July 30 in Millington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$50,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•David M. Swadling, 17, Millington, pleaded guilty to assaulting a police officer Oct. 29 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$200. Sentencing is to be set.

Dinner slated

The Huron County Right to Life "Focus on Life" annual benefit dinner will be Tuesday, March 21, starting at 6 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bad Axe.

The guest speaker will be Cassandra Vaughn, who urges others to take a pro-life stand in their life and community by sharing her own testimony.

Ticket information is available by calling Jeanne Gusa at (989) 658-8701.

Letters to the Editor

Social workers play key role in society

Dear Editor:

More than 77 million Americans are considered part of the baby boom generation. Adults born between 1946 and 1964 have the distinction of being the largest generation, representing 27 percent of the population.

With the aging of baby boomers and the lengthening of life spans, both the number and proportion of older people is rapidly increasing.

Social Work Month provides an opportunity for social workers to highlight the essential role they play in alleviating some of America's most difficult problems. Through education, training and dedication, social workers provide assistance in many different practice areas including health, mental health, child welfare, adolescent health, developmental disabilities and family violence.

Social workers understand that the best elder care requires a broad view of social, environmental, psychological, economic and health care options. It is the ability to see the intersection of these elements that allow social workers to connect clients with the best resources for them - the best resources to help them along life's journeys.

March is National Social Work Month and the perfect opportunity to highlight the essential role that social workers play in working with all vulnerable populations, especially with older people. Social workers have the specialized knowledge and expertise to address issues facing older Americans, including providing individual and family counseling, psychosocial assessment and coordinating care.

This year's Social Work Month theme - "Life's Journey: Help Starts

Here" - focuses on how social workers help all people at every stage of life, while promoting dignity for everyone, especially the most vulnerable among us.

Social workers strive to promote independence, autonomy and dignity for all of their clients. They offer families ways to deal effectively with long-term care responsibilities and work through hospitals, nursing homes, senior centers, independent and assisted-living facilities, public agencies and even in client homes.

If you would like information regarding available programs and services at Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems, call (989) 673-6191.

Robert E. Chadwick, II, chief executive officer
Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems

Letters to the Editor

The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper.

Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason.

The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

We will not publish thank you letters of a specific nature, for instance, from a club thanking merchants who donated prizes for a raffle.

Sammons Family to appear

The Shabbona United Methodist Church will serve as hosts to the Sammons Family Sunday at 7 p.m.

The Wyandotte-based family music ministry is composed of Jack Sammons, his wife, Cissy, daughter, Crysta, and son, "Little Jack", all of whom have grown up listening, playing, singing and loving Gospel music. Their combined experience adds up to a diverse program featuring a variety of music styles.

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Exchange student likes life in a small village

If the success of a Rotary exchange student's year abroad were measured by the ability to adapt in strange surroundings, Cansu Caglar would receive high marks.

Less than 2 hours after moving into the Barb Karr home in Cass City Sunday evening, Caglar, 16, appeared relaxed and comfortable.

Not bad, considering Karr is the third area resident to host Caglar since she arrived here from her home in Turkey last August. She previously lived with Beth and Guy Howard and

Bill and Sally Pergande. "Everybody says she's fit right in, that she becomes part of the family," Karr said.

"This is my second Rotary exchange student and I've gotten more involved just being a Rotarian," she noted. "It's been a good experience. It's been good for my kids, too. They've learned about other cultures, too."

Caglar came to the United States from Izmir, Turkey, a city of some 3.5 million people. But she said the tran-

sition to living in a small town hasn't been difficult.

"It has been fun. I have met a lot of new people and seen new places," said the teen, who has been able to do some traveling - she's already visited New York and Chicago during her stay here, and she will be going to Texas during spring break.

Caglar has mastered English, but noted the use of slang threw her a bit at first. "The first week, I was like, I didn't know what was going on, but I caught up," she said.

Getting around in a small town also took a big of getting used to, Caglar acknowledged.

"In my city, because it's a large city, there is (public) transportation, so transportation has never been a problem, but here you have to have a car and a license," she said.

Caglar, a sophomore, has found attending classes at Cass City High School different than what she's used to, but she said her studies have been easier to tackle here.

"The math and science - they're harder in Turkey, I guess, because we do a lot more stuff," she said.

"We see more hours than they do (here). They only have 6 hours," Caglar added. "I have 12 different classes and every day the schedule is different. We have 4 or 5 (40-minute classes), then lunch, then 3 more classes."

Caglar said her school in Turkey offers sports, so she was quick to get involved in athletics in Cass City, joining the junior varsity volleyball squad. "And I'm going to be in track and soccer."

And, like when she's at home, Caglar said she enjoys hanging out with her friends.

Caglar keeps in touch with family and friends via the Internet. "My mom is an architect and my dad is an engineer, and I have a brother, he's 14," she said, adding her brother visited her a couple months ago for about 10 days.

Caglar is trying to convince her brother to experience a year abroad as an exchange student.

"It makes you see everything from a different perspective," she said. "You leave everything back home. You get to judge what is good or bad, you have to make decisions. You become more mature and you learn a lot about life."

Karr said Caglar has done a great job of making the most out of her year abroad.

"She's one of the first exchange students we've had that didn't get homesick around the holidays. She's really fit in," she added.

The transition wasn't difficult at all, according to Caglar, who indicated she has come to appreciate life in a small town. "It's more secure and everyone knows each other," she said. "It's more like family."



EXCHANGE STUDENT Cansu Caglar, 16, (right), gets acquainted with Kristie Karr, 15, daughter of Barb Karr of Cass City, who is hosting Caglar for the next several weeks.

Preschool program full

Continued from page one.

educating the district's youngest students, which is a priority under the federal No Child Left Behind mandate.

"One of the biggest values is preparing them so they go into kindergarten ready to settle into their studies and learn. This gives them cognitive skills, social skills, behavioral (guidance)," Garske said. "It also gives them the feel for the building. They get to know the routine."

The preschool room at Owen-Gage is fully equipped with 10 different "active learning centers" that utilize everything from blocks to computers to art.

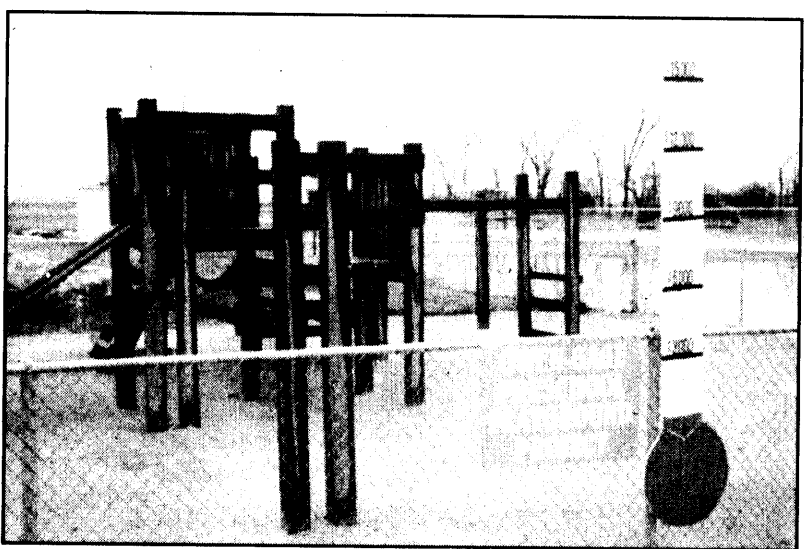
"And with our smaller numbers, we can individualize, so we are able to spend more quality time with the children," Garske said.

According to Liz Roemer, who serves as the district's bookkeeper and secretary to the superintendent, the preschool program is self-sustaining, with the Michigan Readiness program providing \$3,300 per student, or a combined \$39,600 in funding for 12 students. The remaining students pay a tuition fee of \$40 per month.

Provided those students remain at Owen-Gage, they will bring in \$7,079 in funding - the current per-pupil amount the state pays the district - once they enter kindergarten.

Keeping those students would also go a long way towards stabilizing the district's K-12 enrollment, which has decreased by 65 students (from 263 to 198) since the fall of 2001.

"That's the hope," Roemer said. "That's one of the reasons we try to keep it going."



Fundraiser underway...

THE OWEN-GAGE Preschool program is at full capacity, and officials are hoping to provide some new playground equipment. Volunteers are trying to raise \$14,000 through projects such as an adopt-a-brick program. (See story, page one)

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Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



5 YEARS AGO

In 1860 tomatoes were still regarded so suspiciously that magazines recommended they be cooked for at least three hours.

The Cass City freshman girls' volleyball team has Red Hawk backers smiling after completing one of the school's most successful campaigns. Capturing the freshman league title was a goal that was set in the beginning of the season for the Lady Hawks, according to Coach Amy Cuthrell. Cass City accomplished that goal with a 10-2 showing in GTW tournament play. The 2 Hawk losses came by splitting tilts with USA and Lakers. "What is so special about this group of ladies is not only are they individually talented, but also that they are capable of working together as a team."

The Cass City Red Hawks charged into the finals of the district tourney at Uby Wednesday with a convincing victory over the Lakers, 55-35.

"Joel (Brinkman) really opened things up early for us tonight with his hot shooting," Coach Jim Green pointed out. It was 3 points or no count for the Hawks guard as he poured in 3 of 5 3-pointer shots in the opening minutes of the first quarter on his way to 7 for the night and a team-high 21 points.

10 YEARS AGO

Super Spellers - Elizabeth Hillaker and Erik Helwig claimed first and second place in the 15th annual Tuscola County Fourth Grade Bee Friday. Also representing Cass City in the competition were Dorothy McFarland, Leeann Missovich, Arielle Urban, Krystee Dorland, Sarah Hobbs, Mallory Powell, Brandon Stec and Alison Emmert.

Sandy Parks' second grade class at Gagetown Elementary School recently raffled off a quilt created by the students. The full-sized quilt featured a "9 patch" design and was made up of deep jewel toned colors with each student making a pair of nine patch quilt blocks. The quilt was tied by the class. Parks added border strips and assembled the quilt.

Here's a piece of trivia that may surprise. Last year supporters of Michigan's Nongame Wildlife Trust Fund donated \$576,000. A total of 60,000 persons contributed. The fund started over 10 years ago has raised over \$6 million. Beneficiaries include bald eagles, wolves and peregrine falcons. (From Rabbit Tracks)

25 YEARS AGO

There's a new member of the Marv Winter family. Sue Ellen, a five-month old lion he purchased from Lion Country Safari in Florida. The lion eats 6-8 pounds of raw meat ev-

ery other day and will reach the full size of 250-300 pounds in 2 years. Winter plans to keep the animal, which will be declawed, unless it gets too wild. If it does, he will give it to a zoo.

Economics is the reason why six Mennonite families have moved to Sanilac County. Farmland in their native Indiana got too expensive. The families have purchased farms in Lamotte, Argyle, Evergreen and Moore townships. A 219-acre farm has been purchased by Donald Martin. He said three other farms are 160 acres in size, one is 120 and the other is 270. The families, members of the Whisler Mennonite Church, lived near Goshen, in northern Indiana. According to Martin, the reason for the move was that farmland in the area got too expensive for younger farmers to purchase. In order to expand, or to buy farms, they had to move. At 28, he is the youngest of the group. The oldest is about 40.

Jim Baker has been a scout leader in Cass City for 10 years. He's stepping down next month, but he leaves a scout program that is alive and well in Cass City. There are plenty of parents in the community that owe Jim a very big thank you for that. Perhaps you should tell him so. A bright note, Jim's quitting at the local level, but is keeping a couple of jobs at the district level. You might say he's following in his father's footsteps. Ed Baker is one of five Cass Cityans to earn the Silver Beaver award, the highest in scouting for adults. The other four are Ray Fleenor, Keith McConkey, Curt Hunt and the late Horace Bulen. (From Rabbit Tracks)

35 YEARS AGO

SP/5 Terry Hile, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hile of Cass City, was promoted to sergeant, Jan. 28, 1971. Sergeant Hile was informed of his promotion while at home on a 30-day leave. He has returned to his base, near Mannheim, Germany, where he has been stationed since January 1970.

Bankers, Agri-businessmen, dairy-men and wives plus other friends of the county's dairy industry attended the Thursday, March 11 "County Dairy Dinner." A crowd of over 150 persons joined in recognition of Tuscola County's second largest industry, dairy farming, states Bill Bortel, Tuscola County Agricultural Agent. The county-wide activity was sponsored by the Tuscola County Dairy Herd Improvement Association under the chairmanship of Jack Laurie of Cass City. The trophy winners of the dinner were Chuck Baldwin of Vassar; Francis DeLong of Cass City; Hessel Venema of Deford; Don Koepfgen of Cass City; Lloyd Walz of Vassar and John Graham of Caro.

Clarence R. Bukoski of Uby is an avid reader and his hobby has resulted in a windfall for the Sleeper Public Library in Uby. Bukoski recently donated some 125 books to the facility. The books included true adventure stories for adults and teens, as well as fiction and classics. Bukoski said that he donated the books because he feels that good books are written to be read and shared.

Cass City band students qualify for state festival

Several Cass City High School band students have qualified to perform in the Michigan State Solo and Ensemble Festival Saturday, March 25, at Walled Lake Northern High School.

In all, 27 Cass City students performed in the District Solo and Ensemble Festival held recently at North Branch High School. The students presented 16 solos and 4 ensembles, and 14 of the musicians received Division I ratings - the highest mark possible - qualifying them for the state festival.

Local students participating were: Percussion ensemble - Jimmy Luana, Derrick Mallory, Sam Howard, Jamie Monas and Bobby Windsor; clarinet quintet - Laura McComas, Kari Spencer, Chelsey Bootz, Ivy Hiatt and Kati Hill; clarinet trio - Sarah Reed, Ariel Veneziano and Chelsea Israelson; snare duet - Bobby Windsor and Eric Thick; so-

loists - Danielle Delamarter (flute), Ashlee Spencer (trumpet), Kyle Kausch (French horn), Evan Bushong (trumpet), Lysa Knight (trumpet), Donna Bushong (oboe), Galen Kuebli (alto saxophone), Adam Kranz (marimba) and Alyssa Nicol (piano and harp).

The students along with the rest of the Cass City High School Concert and Symphonic bands performed at a district band festival March 4 at Laker High School. The seventh and eighth grade bands also participated.

The high school bands enjoyed an outstanding day, earning straight Division I ratings from all judges. The Cass City bands were the only ones out of 17 bands to receive perfect scores on the day.

The seventh grade band, appearing at its first festival, earned Division I ratings, as did the eighth grade band, which received a Division I rating for its sight-reading performance.

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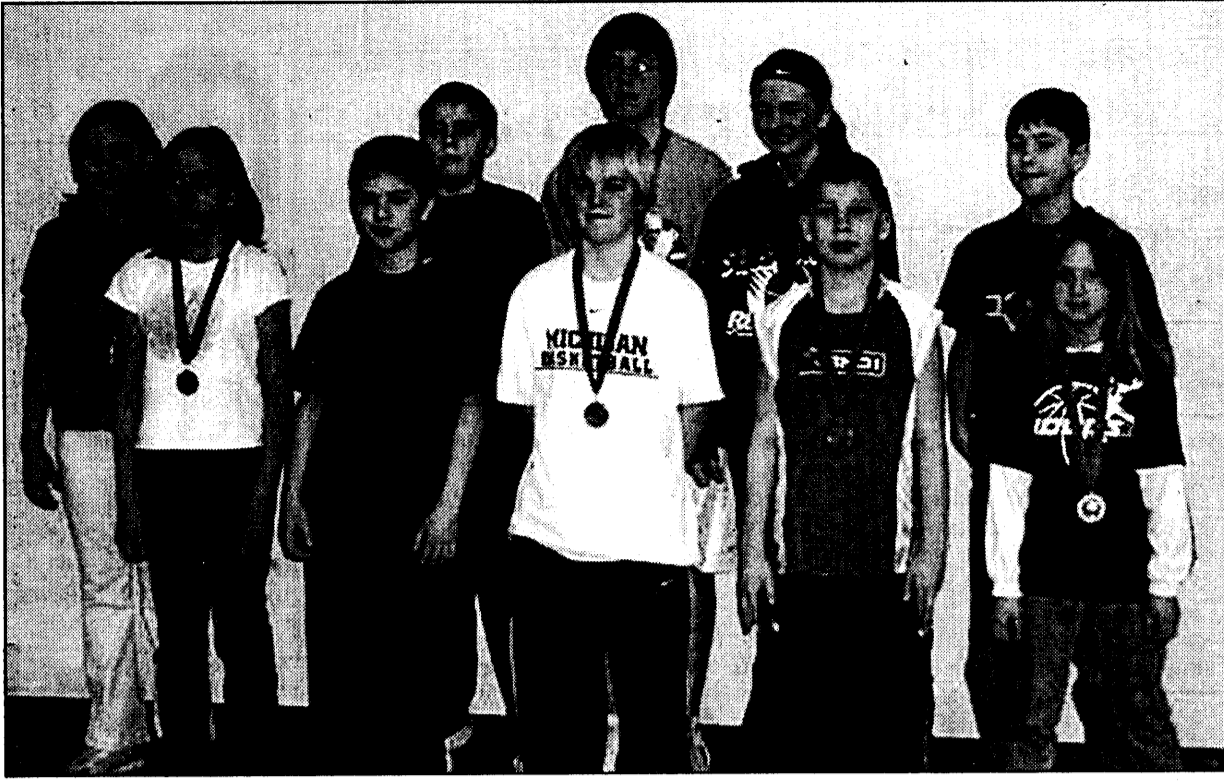
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WINNERS OF THE Knights of Columbus Council 8892, Central Thumb Free Throw Competition, making them eligible for the district competition, are: (front row, left) Lucas Wright, Alliah Riddle, Adrianna Pena, (back row, left) Kyle Hanby, Jalen Ferris, Andrew Knight, Cody Ross, Jared Weidman and Alexandra Pena, all of Cass City. Missing is Megan Parrish.

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why Frankenmuth had its way over Cass City in a Class B district semifinals tilt

Frankenmuth ended Cass City's cage season Thursday with a lopsided victory over the Red Hawks in a Class B district semifinal match-up on its own floor.

The Tri-Valley East champion Eagles improved to 20-2 on the season by advancing into the finals, where they defeated Birch Run, with a 95-63 decision. The district champs now move on to regional action in Ionia where they were to have faced Freeland Tuesday night.

Behind 6' 4" Aaron and 6' 3" Jarod List the hosts wasted little in setting the tone for the night as they jumped out to a quick 13-0 advantage before most fans had a chance to settle into their seats.

"They were just a little bigger and a little quicker. We had a hard time finding our shots," assistant coach Jeff Hartel said.

Andrew Martin finally put Cass City on the scoreboard at the 2:37 mark of the opening quarter, only to see Frankenmuth close the stanza on an 11-5 run to take a huge 24-7 margin into the next period. The List twins combined for 15 points in the game's opening 8 minutes.

Frankenmuth continued to have its way with the Hawks before the intermission. Sophomore guard Brad Redford, who was held scoreless in the initial frame, sparked another Eagle scoring spurt as the hosts stretched their gap to 37-11 with less than 5 minutes remaining in the half. Redford poured in 13 of his 21 markers in the period that ended with the hosts in front 57-25.

To Cass City's credit, the Hawks matched the hosts nearly basket for basket in the final half as 4 straight field goals for the visitors from Justin Glaza helped slow the Eagle drubbing. But leading 68-39, Aaron List tossed in 3 quick baskets and combined with solo field goals from Jarod List and Redford the Eagles led 79-45 at the quarter's end where coach Tim Crawford sent in his reserves. Aaron List matched Redford with 21 points to share game scoring honors for Frankenmuth while Jarod List and Dan Bernthal each added 17.

Glaza paced Cass City with 18 points while Chris Landrith added 13. Joining the senior pair in their final contest for the Hawks were Brad Langenburg, Derryl Schenk, Chris Clifton and Brandon Otulakowski.

CASS CITY - Glaza 5-2 (2-2) 18; Hartel 1-0 (0-0) 2; Biddinger 1-0 (0-0) 2; Lautner 1-0 (0-0) 2; Stoutenburg 0-0 (2-2) 2; Schenk 2-0 (0-0) 4; Landrith 5-0 (3-3) 13; Langenburg 0-2 (0-0) 6; Martin 2-0 (0-0) 4; Halasz 1-1 (0-0) 5; Otulakowski 1-1 (0-0) 5. **TOTALS** - 19-6 (7-7) 63.

FRANKENMUTH - B. Redford 4-2 (7-8) 21; Nuechterlein 2-0 (0-0) 4; J. List 3-3 (3-3) 17; A. List 8-1 (2-2) 21; Kidd 1-0 (1-3) 3; Bernthal 7-1 (0-2) 17; O'Connell 2-0 (0-0) 4; Gilmour 2-0 (2-3) 6; Biddle 1-0 (0-0) 2. **TOTALS** - 30-7 (14-22) 95.

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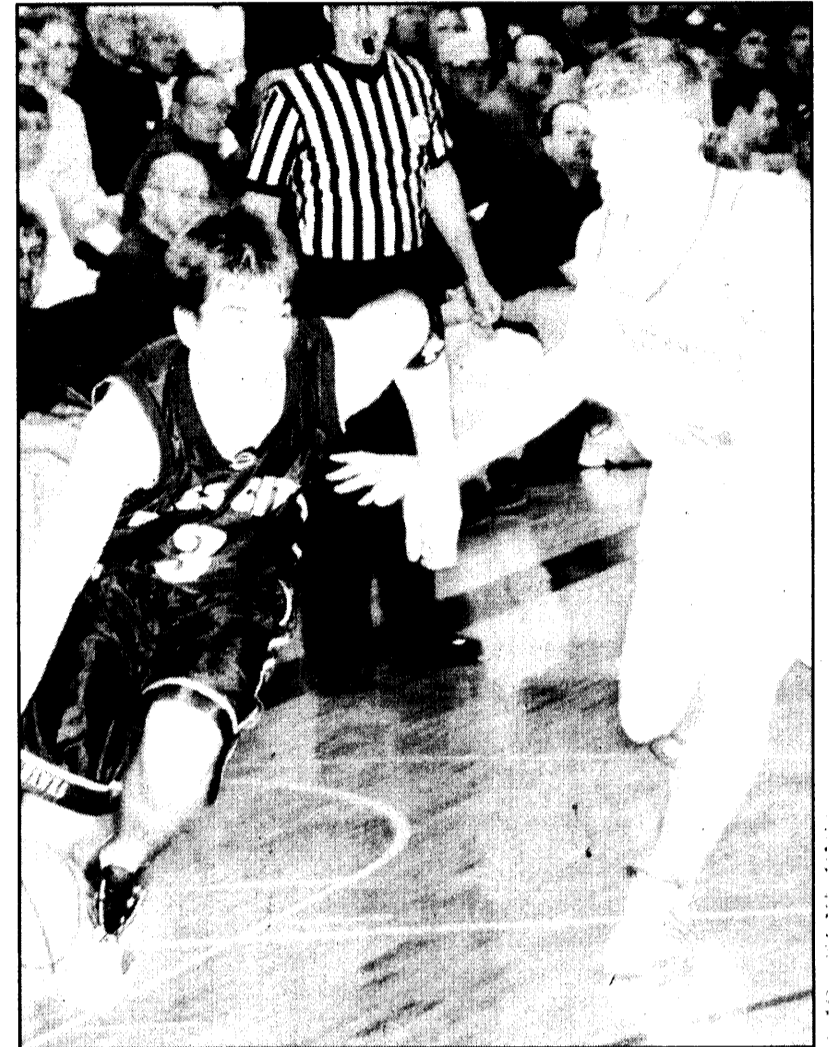
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CASS CITY'S Justin Glaza (top) and Brad Hartel (bottom) face defensive pressure in Thursday's Class B district loss against hosts Frankenmuth.



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Hawk spikers bow to Mason in regional play

Future looks promising as young team beats expectations

The Cass City volleyball team bowed in the opening round of the Class B Linden Regional Saturday to eventual champions Mason.

After dropping the opening 2 games by the scores of 25-17 and 25-14, the Red Hawks bounced back with an exciting 25-23 decision in game 3. However, Mason was able to close out the match in 4 games by posting a 25-18 decision and spoiling any comeback hopes for Cass City after its maiden win.

Still, veteran coach Beth Howard was more than happy with her young team's efforts in the school's first trip into regional action in 29 years.

"The girls played hard and played good. They never gave up," Howard said. "Sometimes when the girls get behind you can see it (fear) in their eyes, but we didn't crumble."

One difference in the contest, according to Howard, was the Hawks had trouble handling Mason's serves on the day.

"Mason is a good team. They were a more experienced team and probably a little deeper and a little stronger at the net," she said.

However, the Hawks' veteran mentor took some gratification that they

were able to capture one game, something Corunna wasn't able to do in the finals as they fell in straight games.

Individually for Cass City, Ashley Hendrick recorded 19 kills, 2 blocks; Sara Meeker 7 kills, one block; Emily Schinnerer 4 kills, 4 blocks, 13 receptions; Carly Howard 21 digs, 18 receptions; Courtney Rabideau 12 digs, 16 receptions; Amanda Langenburg 30 assists; Ashleigh Rabideau 16 receptions; and Sara Howard, one block.

Howard is confident her team, which loses only one senior member, will be able to build on what it accomplished this season.

"We had a great year. Usually, after 5 months, I'm ready for the season to be over, but this year I was sad it ended," she said. "We should be tough next year as I won't have many spots to fill."

And although that loss - senior 4-year starter and all conference performer Hendrick - will be hard to replace, Howard will return 5 juniors, 3 freshmen and a sophomore for the team's 2006-07 campaign.

Cass City finishes the season with an overall record of 40-15-3.

CASS CITY BOWLING

Sunday No Rollers as of Feb. 26

Pinheads	14
Par-T-Ranch	12
Damn Near Last	10
JebCo	9
CB's	9
Sometimers	6

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Individual High Games & Series: J. Baker 238-218 (661); T. Lis 225-224-210 (659); E. Schmaltz 231 (646); K. Martin 258-221 (622); R. Doerr 215 (595); G. Robinson (594).

Awards: Doug Hyatt - 200 Game (160 Avg. or less) (204). Team High Game & Series: Martin Electric 662 (1777).

Merchanettes

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Charlie's Angels	86
All Season Video	78
Thumb Octagon Barn	71
Cablettes	66
Crowley Chiropractic	64
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Individual High Games & Series: M. Gray 210 (504); J. Morell 198; K. Maurer 186; R. Diaz 184; B. Watson 174 (484); M. Sieradzki (481); L. Churchill (474); J. Dickinson (472).

Split Conversions: L. Pabst 3-7. Team High Game & Series: All Season Video 815 (2355).

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Bud's Bar	54
Blue Moon	52
Pigeon 1	50
Mulligan's	46
Pigeon 2	38

Cass City Girls' Little League

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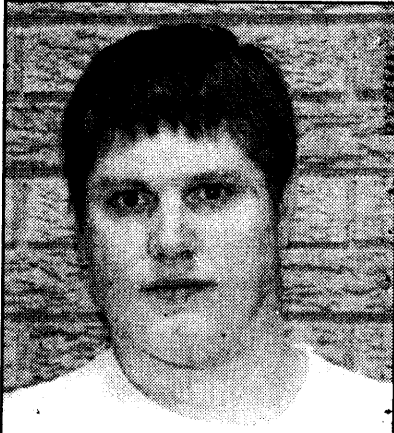
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LEADING THE CHEERS at the Red Hawk home basketball games this season were, from left, Robyn Hill, Kim Proctor, Karisa Elie, Ashley Frankowski and Amanda Shimmel.

Meeker ends bright career for Cass City

Cass City senior Scott Meeker's Red Hawk wrestling career came to a close Friday during the individual state finals in Auburn Hills.

Meeker, a 2-time state finalist, fell to South Haven's David Harding at 3:52 by pin Thursday in his opening 275 pound Division 3 match. Meeker then rebounded on Friday, in the consolation bracket, to pin Napoleon's Todd Anderson in 56 seconds before being sent home by Frankenmuth's Alex Deschaine who recorded a pin



Scott Meeker

in 3:28. Meeker's season ends with a lofty 47-8 mark and a career record of 130-43.

"Scott is a dedicated wrestler," coach Don Markel said. "He's a good leader. His win/loss percentage puts him into the top 10 all time wrestlers in Cass City."



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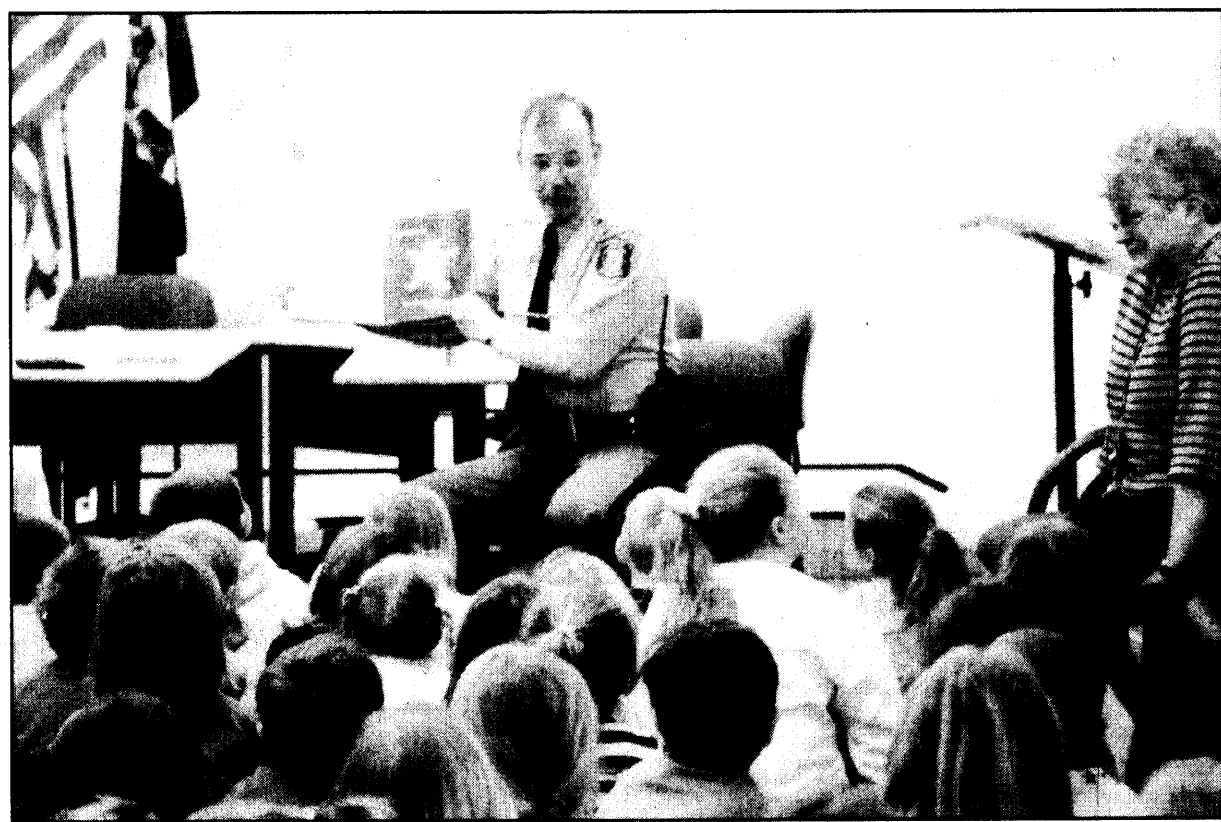
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Obituaries

James Henderson

James William Henderson, 71, of Silverwood, died Wednesday, March 8, 2006 in his home. He was born June 2, 1934 in New Bedford, Ind., the son of Thornton James and Alice (Stannard) Henderson.

He married Carolyn Bright March 17, 1956 in Traverse City.

Henderson graduated from Rochester High School. He served in the U.S. Air Force. During his time in the service, he was a radar tech stationed in Alaska. Henderson worked as an electrical engineer for Sun Electric in Pontiac and for General Motors Tech Center in Warren. He was a member of the Kingston VFW Post #5317.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn; children Matthew, Valerie, Pamela, Dave and Janna; several grandchildren and great grandchildren; and a special friend and caregiver, Alice Bauer.

A memorial service was held Monday, March 13, at the Kingston VFW Post #5317, who officiated and presented military honors. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

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Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, March 16

Genealogy Group meeting, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Multiple Sclerosis and Fibromyalgia Support Group meeting, 7 p.m., Northwood Meadows, 6086 Beechwood Dr., Cass City. For more information, call Deb at (989) 872-2121 (ext. 216).

Friday, March 17

Senior Citizen Movies, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Monday, March 20

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.

Tuesday, March 21

Watrousville-Caro Area Historical Society meeting, 7:30 p.m., Juniata Township Hall, 1971 Ringle Rd.

Thumb Area Parkinson's Support Group meeting, 1 p.m., Northwood Meadows.

Wednesday, March 22

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

Alaskan author and musher tells story

Cass City Middle School students and staff were able to learn first-hand about the Arctic expedition made by Pam Flowers when she recently visited Cass City.

Flowers presented an assembly about her 2,500-mile journey across the Arctic from Barrow, Alaska, to Repulse Bay in the Northwest Territories of Canada. This journey began in 1993 and was completed in 1994.

Flowers was the second woman to have completed the entire route, the first woman and the first American to do it solo.

Accompanying Flowers on her 2,500-mile journey was her 8-dog team. After traveling 2,000 miles, enduring darkness, isolation, cold, one of the stormiest winters on record, a polar bear encounter, and melting, flooded sea ice, the expedi-

tion was temporarily halted when ice break-up arrived in the Arctic more than 5 weeks early.

Flowers is the author of "Hug a Husky" and co-author of "Big Enough Anna" and "Alone Across the Arctic: One Woman's Epic Journey" and is currently working on a new book with the working title of "Doggie's Story."

She has written several magazine articles, produced 2 educational videos, published an educational newsletter, spoken at the Smithsonian and the St. Louis Science Center and has a website. Although she is a registered respiratory therapist, Flowers is currently earning her living as a lecturer, author, and arctic adventurer.

The middle school assembly was partially funded by the American Association of University Women.



ALASKAN AUTHOR Pam Flowers was this year "Young Authors" guest at Campbell Elementary School Thursday.

County to share road funds

Senator Jim Barcia (D-Bay City) last week applauded the announcement of \$1.4 million in federal Transportation Enhancement and MDOT funding that will go towards improving and beautifying downtowns and business districts.

The grants are part of a \$20 million grant package for 37 projects in 25 Michigan counties recently announced by Governor Granholm.

"I'm extremely pleased at the news of this funding for our area," Barcia said. "The grant will not only improve the aesthetics of our communities, but will attract new businesses and create jobs."

A project in Tuscola County includes construction of 5.3 miles of 2-directional paved shoulders on Saginaw Road from Washburn Road to Lobell Road as part of a larger plan to facilitate safe pedestrian and bicycle commutes between Marysville and Vassar. The project will be coordinated with a road construction project scheduled for 2006.

The budget is \$655,780, including \$524,624 in federal funds and \$131,156 from the Tuscola Road Commission.

"Improving accessibility, boosting the economy, and enhancing quality of life makes this an ideal investment," Barcia said.

Weight restrictions on nows

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) officials last week imposed weight restrictions for commercial truck traffic on M-46.

The restrictions cover the highway from Muskegon on the west side of the state east to Port Sanilac in Sanilac County.

There are no restrictions for legal axle weight loads on roads designated as "all-season" trunklines. All extended permits will be valid for oversized loads in the weight-restricted area on the restricted routes. Single trip permits will not be issued for any overweight loads or loads exceeding 14 feet in width on the restricted routes.

For weight restriction information and updates, call 1-800-787-8960, or visit MDOT's website at www.michigan.gov/mdot.

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Village of Cass City, Michigan Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2005

In 1996, Congress amended the Safe Drinking Water Act. This legislation added a provision requiring all community water systems deliver to their customers a brief Annual Water Quality Report.

The Village of Cass City is pleased to provide you with this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. We want to keep you informed about the water quality and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is, and always has been, to provide a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. The Village of Cass City obtains its water from three different municipal wells. All three wells are located in the Village Park, at the east end of town. Wells No. 1 and No. 2, located just east of the tennis courts, were installed in 1946. They are 290 feet and 240 feet deep respectively. Well No. 3 is located on the west side of the volleyball courts. Well No. 3 was installed in 1998 and extends to a depth of 311 feet. All three municipal wells are drilled into the bedrock of the Michigan Formation. The Village now has the capacity to pump 1,656,000 gallons of water per day.

The State of Michigan has produced a Source Water Assessment for each of the Village's wells. This Assessment reports the susceptibility of our water supply sources to contamination. The susceptibility score is broken down into 7 categories: Very Low, Low, Moderately Low, Moderate, Moderately High, High, or Very High. The score, given by the State, for all three of the Village wells, is Moderately High. The complete Source Water Assessment is available by contacting the Village office.

This report shows our water quality and what it means to you, our customers.

If you have any questions concerning this report, or about your water, or your water utility please contact Gary Barnes, Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. thru 3:30 p.m., 989-872-2911. The Village also has regularly scheduled Village Council Meetings the last Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 6506 Main Street, Cass City Michigan. The public is welcome at all meetings of the Village Council.

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) "Safe Drinking Water Hotline" at 1-800-426-4791.

The Village of Cass City routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The Village has conducted tests for over 150 different contaminants, on each municipal well and throughout the system. The following table shows the results of our monitoring, for the period January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005.

TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED IN TABLE BELOW

Non-Detects - (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.
Parts Per Million - (ppm) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
Parts Per Billion - (ppb) - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
Maximum Contaminant Level - (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
Action Level - (AL) is the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Picocuries per liter - (pCi/l) picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

The State of Michigan allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. All of the data is representative of our water quality, but some are more than one year old. The table below represents the most current testing information available.

VILLAGE OF CASS CITY MICHIGAN DRINKING WATER TEST ANALYSIS - 2005

Contaminants Regulated by The State of Michigan

Inorganic Contaminants Detected in Village Wells							
Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Highest Level Detected in our Water	Range detected in our water	Violation Yes/No	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	7-13-05	27 ppb	16ppb to 27ppb	No	50 ppb*	NA	Erosion of natural deposits
Barium	1-27-03	18 ppm	12 ppm to 18ppm	No	2 ppm	2 ppm	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	1-31-05	8 ppm	7 ppm to 8ppm	No	4 ppm	4 ppm	Erosion of natural deposits, water additive which promotes strong teeth
Volatile Organic Contaminants Detected in Village Wells							
Total Trihalomethanes	9-12-05	ND	only one sample was taken each year	No	80 ppb	No MCLG	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Total Haloacetic Acids	9-12-05	ND	ND	No	60 ppb	No MCLG	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Radiological Contaminants Detected in Village Wells							
Gross Alpha	1-16-02	1.3 pCi/L	8 pCi/L to 1.3 pCi/L	No	15 pCi/L	0	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226	1-16-02	4 pCi/L	3 pCi/L to 4 pCi/L	No	5 pCi/L	0	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 228	1-16-02	9 pCi/L	7 pCi/L to 9 pCi/L	No	5 pCi/L	0	Erosion of natural deposits
Lead and Copper Detected in the Distribution System							
Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Number of sites Tested	90th Percentile	Number of sites over Action Level	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination	
Lead	7-19-2005	10	1.8 ppb	1	15ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing	
Copper	7-19-2005	10	370ppb	0	1300ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing	

Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

* On January 23, 2006 the MCL for arsenic will be decreased to 10ppb and the MCLG will be 0. The Village of Cass City was not in violation of the new arsenic standard, in 2005.

The Village of Cass City will not meet the January 23, 2006 deadline for the new Arsenic standard. The Village has entered into an Administrative Consent Order (ACO), with the Department Of Environmental Quality. The ACO gives the village until February 1, 2008, to begin providing water that meets the new MCL for arsenic.

POTENTIAL HEALTH CONCERNS FOR CONTAMINANTS LISTED IN TABLES ABOVE:

Arsenic - Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL, over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Barium - Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL, over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.

Copper - Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor.

Fluoride - Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL, over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Children may get mottled teeth.

Total trihalomethanes - Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Lead - Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

Radiological - Gross Alpha - Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Radium 226/228 - Some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS

Unregulated Contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. Monitoring helps EPA to determine where these contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. Potential health concerns are not listed for these contaminants.

Contaminants Not Regulated by The State of Michigan

Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Average level detected from all of our wells	Range of levels detected from our wells	Likely Source of Contamination
Sodium	1-31-05	8ppm	7ppm to 9ppm	Erosion of natural deposits
Sulfate	1-31-05	25ppm	10ppm to 43ppm	Erosion of natural deposits
Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Level Detected in Distribution System	Likely Source of Contaminant	
Bromoform	7-8-05	1.9ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Chlorodibromomethane	9-12-05	ND	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Chloroform	7-8-05	12ppb	By product of drinking water chlorination	
Dichlorobromomethane	7-8-05	15ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination	

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be:

Microbial Contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and residential uses.

Radioactive contaminants, are naturally occurring, or can be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public systems. The FDA regulates contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

MCL's (Maximum Contaminant Levels) are set at very stringent standards. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime, to have a "one-in-a-million chance" of experiencing the described health effect.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by crypto sporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at: (1-800-426-4791).

Please call the Village Office if you have any questions or would like to see the reports for all of the tests the Village has conducted. The contact person for this information is Gary Barnes, telephone: (989) 872-2911.

Collections set in Huron and Sanilac

Both Sanilac and Huron counties plan to host household hazardous waste (HHW) collections.

Sanilac County citizens are invited to participate in a HHW - pesticide collection scheduled for Saturday, March 25, in Peck. The event is sponsored by the Sanilac County Board of Commissioners, Michigan Department of Agriculture, Sanilac County Conservation District and the Sanilac County MSU Extension Office.

Pre-registration is required. More information is available by contacting Jim Kneebone at (810) 648-2515.

Over the past 4 years, the Sanilac County Resource Recovery Advisory Committee and the Sanilac County Conservation District have collected more than 38,000 pounds of hazardous waste, including 11,000 pounds of pesticides.

Huron County officials, meanwhile, are looking for residents to participate in an HHW collection planned for Saturday, April 1.

Acceptable materials include toxic (poisonous), flammable, caustic or chemically reactive materials such as oil-based paint, drain cleaners, pool chemicals, pesticides and antifreeze.

Unacceptable items include ammunition/explosives, biohazards (syringes), prescription medications, smoke detectors, latex paint, motor oil and batteries.

Residents are required to pre-register and will be assigned an appointment time to participate. All applications must be turned in to the Huron County MSU Extension Office by Tuesday, March 21. More information is available by calling (989) 269-9949.

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STUDENTS WHO recently represented Campbell Elementary School in the Tuscola County Spelling Bee are (back row, left) Kristin Ewald, Michael Mulligan, Curtis Dickinson and Brennen Winter, and alternates (front row, left) Kayla Zmierski, Jodi Engel, Audrey VanAuken and Alex Robinson. Dickinson was the school's top finisher, placing sixth overall among 31 fourth grade students.

**Advertisement for Bids
VILLAGE OF CASS CITY
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Separate sealed Bids for the construction of (briefly described nature, scope, and major elements of the Work) - A complete pre-engineered metal building with CMU, that contains vehicle storage, offices and arsenic treatment equipment by Tonka Equipment Company, with HVAC and dehumidification equipment, water main and misc. sewer and gas piping, generator with ATS, electrical and controls for treatment equipment and upgrades to existing well control system.

In submitting a bid for this project, the bidder agrees to sign an installment purchase agreement in a form to be provided by the Village pursuant to the provisions to Act 99, Public Acts of Michigan 1933, as amended, in order to enable the Village to obtain financing under Michigan law.

Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Village Office on March 28, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.

Will be received by the Village of Cass City at the office of Village of Cass City, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, MI 48726 until 2:00 p.m. (local time), April 20, 2006, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following location:
Spicer Group, Inc. 230 S. Washington, Saginaw, MI 48605

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the Issuing Office, Spicer Group, Inc., located at 230 S. Washington, Saginaw, upon payment of \$65 (non-refundable) for each set.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Marvin B. Plaznich and Kristie Kelly Plaznich, husband and wife, to JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NA, f/k/a BANK ONE, NA, successor by merger to NBD BANK, dated November 12, 1996 and recorded on November 25, 1996, in Liber 701 on Page 1098, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Forty and 39/100 Dollars (\$119,840.39), including interest at Twenty-Eight and 07/100 Dollars (\$28.07) per day.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on March 30, 2006.

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

Commencing 78 feet East and 33 feet South of the Northwest corner of Section 4, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, thence South 122 feet; thence West 45 feet; thence North 132 feet; thence East 92 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of Lots 1 and 2, Block 2 of Village of Kingston, formerly Newberry, being part of Stephen's Addition, ALSO known as Stephenson's Addition to the Village of Kingston, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 24 of Deeds, Pages 304-305. Commonly known as 5976 State Street, Kingston, Michigan 48453.

Tax Parcel Identification Number 039-500-402-0150-00.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948 CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. The foregoing mortgage can rescind the sale in the event a third party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: February 7, 2006

JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, NA Mortgagee

Attorney for Mortgagee: Dingeman, Dancer & Christopherson
JASON P. ECKERLY (P64955)
100 Park Street
Traverse City, Michigan 49684
(231) 929-0500

2-22-5

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION SERVICES

Riverhaven Coordinating Agency (RCA), a Division of Bay Arenac Behavioral Health Authority (BABHA), administers federal and state substance abuse treatment and prevention funds for Arenac, Bay, Huron, Montcalm, Shiawassee and Tuscola counties. RCA is seeking proposals for the provision of treatment and prevention services for the fiscal years 2007-2009 (October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2009).

Interested parties must submit a Letter of Intent to RCA at 5455 Hampton Place, Saginaw, Michigan 48604, no later than March 31, 2006 to be considered for this proposal. Bidders should indicate whether they intend to bid on Treatment, Prevention or both. Upon receiving the Letter of Intent, a hardcopy of the RFP will be sent to the provider.

A Bidder's Conference will be held Monday, April 17, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at BABHA's Staff Development Facility, located at 1415 West Center Avenue, Suite B-110, Essexville, MI 48732. Arrangements for special services are available upon request.

RCA will distribute a Bidder's Conference Question and Answer Summary approximately seven (7) days after the Conference date. This will be the only source of RFP information available after the Conference.

Treatment proposals are due at the RCA offices no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 15, 2006. Prevention proposals are due at the RCA offices no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31, 2006.

Please RSVP your attendance to the Conference by Wednesday, April 12, 2006 to the RCA Offices by calling (989) 497-1344. Please indicate the number of attendees from your agency. If possible, please submit questions on the RFP in writing no later than April 12, 2006. This will expedite RCA's responses at the Conference. Questions can be submitted to secretary-aam@is-alliance.org. Please note that Letters of Intent must still be mailed to RCA.

State and Federal Funds have been provided to support in the project costs.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR
TUSCOLA COUNTY

In the matter of the Estate of SHARON HEIDELBERG, deceased

FILE NO. 03-31126-DA

ORDER TO ANSWER

At a session of said Court held in the Courthouse in the Village of Caro on the 9th day of March, 2006.

HONORABLE W. WALLACE KENT, JR.
PROBATE JUDGE

TO: MICHAEL HEIDELBERG, Whereabouts unknown

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition for Commencement of your Mother's Estate has been filed by Elizabeth Shoop, one of the heirs of the estate, and the appointed Personal Representative, and there is a hearing to allow the Final Account scheduled for April 3, 2006.

Legal Notices

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that your whereabouts shall be known by notifying the TUSCOLA COUNTY PROBATE COURT at 440 North State Street, Caro, Michigan 48723, before APRIL 3, 2006.

If your whereabouts are unknown at the time of distribution and closing of the estate, your share of estate distribution shall be turned over to the Tuscola County Treasurer pursuant to MCL700.391(6)(2).

W. WALLACE KENT, JR. (P15902)

Prepared by: DUANE E. BURGESS (P30248)
Attorney for Estate and Personal Representative
429 N. State Street, Suite 102
Caro, Michigan 48723

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

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Marie L. Vernier, a married woman, and Lola M. Rogers and Jack W. Rogers, wife and husband, all as joint tenants, original mortgagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 7, 2001 and recorded on March 15, 2001 in Liber 824 on Page 977, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Washington Mutual Home Loans, Inc. as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Twenty and 27/100 Dollars (\$12,520.27), 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 April 13, 2006.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 10, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 10, which is South 89 Degrees 49 Minutes 40 Seconds East, 200.00 feet from the Southwest corner of Section 10, thence continuing along said South line, South 89 Degrees 49 Minutes 40 Seconds East, 130.00 feet; thence North 335.24 feet; thence North 89 Degrees 49 Minutes 57 Seconds West, 130.00 feet; thence South 335.64 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the use of the Southerly 33.00 Feet thereof as Millington Road. Subject to easements and rights of way of record. Survey recorded in Liber 1 of Surveys, Pages 538 to 539, 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: March 15, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC R (248) 593-1305
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Attorneys for Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #077975F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Anthony H. Makinson and Kellie S. Makinson, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 23, 1998 and recorded on June 30, 1999 in Liber 775, Page 806, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which said mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One and 39/100 (\$120,751.39) Dollars, including interest at 9.8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, on Thursday, April 13, 2006, at 10:00 a.m.

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

Part of the South 20 acres of the South-west fractional 1/4 of the Northwest fractional 1/4 of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: beginning at a point on the West line of said fractional Section 30, which is North, 229.90 feet from the West 1/4 corner of said Section 30; thence continuing along said West line North 165.00 feet to the North line of the South 20 acres; thence along said North line of said South 20 acres, North 88 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East, 264.00 feet; thence South 165.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds West, 264.00 feet to the place of beginning.

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

Dated: March 3, 2006

Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation
n/k/a Green Tree Servicing, LLC
Mortgagee

Keith A. Sotiroff, Esq.
SOTIROFF & ABRAMCZYK, P.C.
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(248) 642-6000

3-15-4

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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 Debra L. Clayton, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 26, 2005 and recorded on June 6, 2005 in Liber 1041 on Page 397 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Thirteen and 12/100 Dollars (\$14,213.12), including interest at 7.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on April 13, 2006.

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

Part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 4, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 4, which is South 659.77 Feet from the West Quarter corner of said Section; thence continuing along said West line, South 334.15 Feet; thence North 89 Degrees 39 Minutes 55 Seconds East 264.00 Feet; thence North 498.33 Feet; thence South 89 Degrees 45 Minutes 19 Seconds West 525.00 Feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: March 15, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC D (248) 593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #085630F01

3-15-4

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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 Jay Herman, a single man, survivor of himself, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 16, 2000 and recorded on October 30, 2000 in Liber 814 on Page 640, and re-recorded on March 7, 2001 in Liber 901 on Page 462, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Seven and 15/100 Dollars (\$54,527.15), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on April 13, 2006.

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

Beginning at a point on the East line of Section 16 which is South 528 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section; thence continuing along the East line, South 395 feet; thence parallel to the South line of Ellington Cemetery, Westerly 792 feet; thence Northerly 386 feet; thence along the South line of said Cemetery Easterly 792 feet to the East line and point of beginning.

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

Dated: March 15, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #086021F01

3-15-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been

made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Diana L. Hatch and Byron E. Hatch, wife and husband, to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, A Delaware Corporation Mortgagee, dated February 4, 2004 and recorded March 2, 2004 in Liber 982, Page 587, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R3 under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of April 1, 2004, without recourse, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Seven Hundred Two Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$111,702.51), including interest 7.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, April 13, 2006.

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

A Parcel of Land in the Southeast one-quarter of Section 29, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as follows: beginning North 89 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds East, along the South line of Section 29, a distance of 528.47 feet from the Southeast corner of Section 29; thence continuing North 89 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds West along said South line 214.86 feet; thence North 0 degrees 12 minutes 40 seconds East, 666.38 feet; thence South 89 degrees 38 minutes 35 seconds East, 215.27 feet; thence South 0 degrees 14 minutes 50 seconds West 666.57 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as 9070 Arbela, Millington MI 48746.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: MARCH 6, 2006

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R3 under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of April 1, 2004, without recourse Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 06-44613

3-15-5

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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 George Gean and Kathleen Gean, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 28, 2002 and recorded on November 6, 2002 in Liber 901 on Page 462, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Seven and 15/100 Dollars (\$54,527.15), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on April 13, 2006.

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

Commencing 46 rods East of the quarter stake on the North side of Section 16, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; thence East 5 rods 1.5 feet; thence South 16 rods; thence West 5 rods 1.5 feet; thence North 16 rods to the place of beginning. Except commencing at a point which is 46 rods East of the quarter stake on the North side of Section 16, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; thence 14 feet East; thence South 108 feet; thence Southwesterly to a point which 7 feet East and 116 feet North of the Southwest corner of a parcel of land described as commencing 46 rods East of the quarter stake on the North side of Section 16, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; thence North 16 rods to the place of beginning; thence South 116 feet; thence West 7 feet; thence North to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: March 15, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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3-15-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Peggy M. Peacock, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Grand Oak Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated August 23, 2002 and recorded on September 12, 2002 in Liber 893 on Page 990 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. d/b/a Americas Servicing Company as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Four Hundred Seventeen and 46/100 Dollars (\$94,417.46), 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 to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 30, 2006.

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

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLINGTON, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: PARCEL B: COMMENCING AT THE CENTER OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, MILLINGTON TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN; THENCE NORTH 02 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST 90.0 FEET ALONG THE NORTH AND SOUTH QUARTER LINE OF SAID SECTION 9 TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; RUNNING THENCE NORTH 87 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST 199.81 FEET; THENCE NORTH 02 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 50 SECONDS EAST 289.10 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 87 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST 198.91 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 02 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST 289.10 FEET ALONG THE NORTH AND SOUTH QUARTER LINE OF SAID SECTION 9 TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; BEING A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 9, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST.

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

Dated: March 1, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #084217F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Derek D. Trower, a married man, and Kristina Trower, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 29, 2003 and recorded on January 20, 2004 in Liber 974 on Page 847 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to Bank of New York as Trustee for the Certificate Holders of CWMBS 2004 HYBS as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Fifty-Eight and 57/100 Dollars (\$17,058.57), including interest at 4.375% 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 March 23, 2006.

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

Beginning at the Northeast Corner of Section 24, Township 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; Thence South 00 Degrees West along the East line of said Section 24, 316.50 feet; thence North 87 Degrees 00 Minutes 12 Seconds West, along the approximate center line of a farm drainage ditch, 397.53 feet; thence North 00 Degrees East 299.50 feet; thence South 89 Degrees 27 Minutes 15 Seconds East along the North Line of said Section 24, 397.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; Being in and a part of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Township 12 North, Range 10 East, Except Easements and Rights of Way of Record.

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: February 22, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #083665F01

2-22-4

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Chuck Dailey, a married man, and Judith Dailey, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. Mortgagee, acting as nominee for lender Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. dated September 24, 2002 and recorded on October 30, 2002, in Liber 900 on Page 685, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety One Thousand, One Hundred Forty Eight and 56/100 Dollars (\$91,148.56), including interest at 6.375% 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, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on April 6, 2006.

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

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of Section 14, Town 12 North, Range 8 East; thence West on the Section Line 20 Rods; thence South at Right Angles 12 Rods; thence East 20 Rods; thence North 12 Rods to the Place of Beginning, commonly known as: 3505 W. Caro Road.

Tax Parcel No.: 79-014-014-000-0200-00

The redemption period shall be six (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: February 24, 2006

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
P.O. Box 2026
Flint, Michigan 48501
Mortgagee, nominee for lender Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., 4500 Park Granada, Calabasas, California 91302-1613

Prepared by: Brandon K. Buck, Esq. Maddin, Hauser, Warrell, Roth & Heller, P.C.
28400 Northwestern Highway, 3rd Floor
Southfield, MI 48034

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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 Christopher A. Huizar II, a single man, original mortgagor, to DMR Financial Services, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 1998 and recorded on July 22, 1998 in Liber 745 on Page 694, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Alliance Mortgage Company as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Two and 95/100 Dollars (\$54,622.95), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on April 6, 2006.

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

Lot 11, Block 1 of Agar Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 86, now being Page 36B.

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: March 8, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #086051F01

3-8-4

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by MARY ANN CULLEN, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, to DMR FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. Mortgagee, dated March 10, 2000 and recorded on March 13, 2000, in Liber 796, on Page 207, and assigned by said mortgagee to M&T MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Dollars and Twenty-Three Cents (\$70,330.23), including interest at 8.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on March 30, 2006.

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

LOT 10 AND THE EAST HALF OF LOT 11, BLOCK 1 OF WILMOT & WALKER'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF CARO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 9, NOW BEING PAGE 10A.

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

Dated: February 22, 2006

M&T MORTGAGE CORPORATION Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
Client I.D. MT.0014

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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 Gregory Spencer, a married man, and Carlene Spencer, his wife, original mortgagors, to Today's Home Mortgage, Inc., a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 15, 2005 and recorded on March 7, 2005 in Liber 1029 on Page 978 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust, 2005-6 as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Five and 22/100 Dollars (\$101,775.22), including interest at 6.85% 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 April 6, 2006.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 32, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 32; thence East 135.00 feet along the South section line to the Point of Beginning; thence North 0 degrees 01 minutes 22 seconds West, 625.50 feet; thence East 532.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 01 minutes 22 seconds East 417.00 feet; thence West 417.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 01 minutes 22 seconds East 208.50 feet to the South Section Line; thence West 115.00 feet along the South section line to the Point of Beginning, above described parcel being recorded in Liber 465, Page 191, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: March 8, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #084874F01

3-8-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by NORMAN R. BECKROW and ANN E. BECKROW, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to REPUBLIC BANK, Mortgagee, dated August 29, 2001 and recorded on October 30, 2001, in Liber 845 on Page 1296, and assigned by said mortgagee to GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Twenty-

Two Dollars and Ninety-Eight Cents (\$148,022.98), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on March 23, 2006.

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

THE S 1/2 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF SECTION 13, T10N, R7E, WITH THE S 40 FEET RESERVED FOR PUBLIC EASEWAY.

TAX ID NO. 003-013-300-0900-00

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

Dated: February 16, 2006

GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION Mortgagee/Assignee

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23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
Client I.D. GMAC.0312

2-22-4

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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 Karen McLaskey, a single woman, original mortgagor, to American Home Mortgage Co., Mortgagee, dated October 21, 2004 and recorded on November 18, 2004 in Liber 1018 on Page 149 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to FV-1, Inc. as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Nine Hundred Ten And 35/100 Dollars (\$91,910.35), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 23, 2006.

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

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 13, Town 14 North, Range 10 East; thence running East 506.31 feet along the South line of said Section to a point where Southerly extension of the centerline of Walsh Road intersects said South line; thence North 11 Degrees 50 Minutes 12 Seconds East, along centerline of Walsh Road 976.74 feet; thence South 78 Degrees 09 Minute 39 Seconds East, 416.54 feet; thence South 05 Degrees 25 Minutes 24 Seconds West 235.45 feet; thence North 78 Degrees 09 Minutes 39 Seconds West, 262.85 feet; thence South 74 Degrees 43 Minutes 36 Seconds West, 129.72 feet to the centerline of County Ditch; thence South 29 Degrees 19 Minutes 58 Seconds east 553.47 feet and the South 16 Degrees 29 Minutes 17 Seconds east 138.79 feet along the centerline of County Ditch to its intersection with South line of Section 13; thence West 493.53 feet along the South line of the point of beginning.

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

Dated: February 22, 2006

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North 150.00 feet to point of beginning.

Also described as proposed Lot 5 of Harry & Loreta'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 mortgage 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. Astalk, P53129
Attorneys for Plaintiff
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3-8-7

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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 Cortimila and Linda Cortimila, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 29, 2003 and recorded on December 11, 2003 in Liber 968 on Page 1024 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 Sixty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred One and 56/100 Dollars (\$63,901.56), 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 to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 23, 2006.

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

Lot 7 and the West 1/2 of Lot 8, Block 3 of the Plat of Gates, now Village of Reese, except beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 7; thence North 8 rods; thence East 24.00 feet; thence South 66 feet; thence East 75 feet; thence South 66 feet; thence West 6 rods to the Place of Beginning, as recorded in Liber 29 on Pages 115 of Plats.

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: February 22, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Ralph E. Bills and Kelly Bills, husband and wife of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for People's Choice Home Loan, Inc. dated the 21st day of January, A.D. 2005, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 17th day of February, A.D. 2005, in Liber 1028 of Tuscola County Records, on Page 216, which said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Indenture Trustee under the Indenture relating to People's Choice Home Loan Securities Trust Series 2005-2, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2005-2, through mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$90,090.32 (Ninety thousand, Ninety dollars and Thirty two cents), plus accrued interest at 7.50% (seven point five zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of March, 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 the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Akron, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Part of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-half of Section 27, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West line of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of said Section 27, said point being along the East-West one-quarter line said Section 27 North 89

degrees 59 minutes 02 seconds West, 1311.06 feet to said West line, and along said West line South 00 degrees 26 minutes 52 seconds East 664.98 feet from the East one-quarter corner of said Section 27; thence continuing along said West line, South 00 degrees 26 minutes 52 seconds East, 653.40 feet to the South line of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of said Section 27; thence along South line North 89 degrees 59 minutes 08 seconds East, 200.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 26 minutes 52 seconds West, 653.40 feet; thence South 89 degrees 59 minutes West, 200.00 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 4200 Tobias Rd.

Tax ID: 001-027-000-1400-00

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 15, 2006

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgage
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2-15-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Veronica Barnes, original mortgagor, to Mercantile National Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated July 2, 2004 and recorded on August 23, 2004 in Liber 1005 on Page 778 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Sovereign Bank as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Two and 69/100 Dollars (\$96,072.69), including interest at 9.5% per annum.

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"Buddies" share more than lunch

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Axe and Harbor Beach in Huron County.

"We match a mentor, one-on-one, with an elementary student in grades K through 5. They only meet one lunch hour per week during the school year," Penn said, noting the weekly meetings are the only contacts between the mentors and students.

Students are selected to participate based on teacher referrals. Penn said the youngsters who are matched typically need some extra attention.

"Sometimes they have social issues

or they have trouble developing friendships," she said. "This gives them a good friendship - someone to talk to and spend time with."

"Really, every child that walks out the door - no matter what their home situation is - is at-risk, and who couldn't use a friend?"

As for the mentors, Penn added, they are asked to offer a listening ear once a week.

"They're there to be a friend, not a parent, not a social worker," she said. "They're there to share experiences, to (encourage the kids to) make good

decisions and encourage good citizenship.

"It's a tremendous self-esteem building program."

Beth Howard, social worker at Campbell Elementary School in Cass City, agreed.

"Most of them (mentors) are here for maybe 20 minutes, a half-hour, but that little bit of time means so much to them," said Howard, who coordinates the Lunch Buddies Program in Cass City along with Sandi Smith, social worker at the middle and high schools.

"I love it, and the kids - I don't even think the kids at the high school know how important they are to these children."

"Our mentors - we take high school students as well as adults, and Cass City High School, they're doing just a tremendous job," said Penn, who noted the program is in just its second year in Cass City, and yet the number of student mentors has increased significantly.

"It's really grown this year. I must have at least 20 high school students that are involved in Cass City, and that's special," she added. "That's impressive. My adult mentors are wonderful, too, don't get me wrong, but they're (high school mentors) truly amazing."

"I just started this year. I like it a lot," said Klyn Puterbaugh, a Cass City High School senior who serves as a mentor to Campbell Elementary first grade student Jade Galinski. "It's fun to come and eat lunch with the younger kids."

Puterbaugh, who also spends some recess time with her "buddy", added she enjoys her time at the elementary school "just being able to talk with her and give her someone to talk to."

Fellow Cass City senior and mentor Nicole Froede began participating in the program last year.

"I thought it would be a great opportunity to be involved with the younger generations as a role model," she said. "(I enjoy) just interacting - seeing what they like to do at their age and getting their opinions, what they think about things. Just being able to be there for someone."

Froede's Lunch Buddy, second grade student Sarah Pitcher, said she has really enjoyed meeting someone new and spending time together. "We're getting to be really good friends," Pitcher added.

Penn pointed out that mentors are required to undergo a screening process before they are allowed to participate. The process includes filling out an application and submitting references, a criminal background

check and a personal interview.

Penn would like to see more individuals willing to get involved because there are more children in need than there are adults available. "For every mentor that I get, I could probably have 5 kids," she said.

"I just wish we had more community involvement, and we need more men," said Howard. Of the participating mentors in Cass City, only one is an adult, and there are only 4 male mentors.

Interestingly, children who might have difficulty making friends quickly become surrounded by their classmates once they are matched with a mentor, something Penn calls the "pied piper" effect, another positive aspect of the program.

"And it's not just what happens to the kids - it's the mentors, the good feeling they get," she said.

The bottom line, Penn added, is that once the basic need for self-esteem is met, children participating in the program feel better about themselves, and that is often reflected in better grades and in their behavior. "Things start to improve everywhere," she said.

Editor's note: Anyone interested in volunteering as a mentor, or who would like more information about the Lunch Buddies Program is encouraged to contact Penn at Thumb Area Big Brothers-Big Sisters. The phone number is (989) 673-6996.

UM Women air March 6 meeting

The United Methodist Women met March 6 for a luncheon at noon, with 20 members present.

Connie Schwaderer and Shirley Wisenbach are the co-chairpersons for group one, which prepared and served the luncheon.

Sheryl Seeley reported the craft show will be held in May.

It was noted that the School of Christian Missions will be Sept. 22-23 at Bay Shore Camp.

Jane Mitchell gave a brief program on prayer and self-denial, and members' gifts were turned in.

An interesting program was presented by Pat Ehler, Ruth Gruber and Sean Smith from the Human Development Commission. Their mission is to help people in need.

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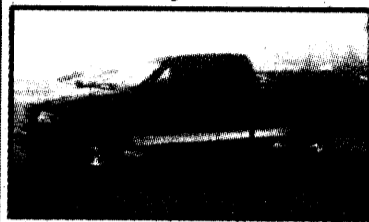
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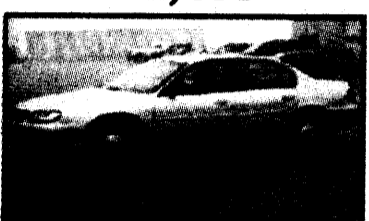
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