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Driver pleads guilty in cell phone incident

A former Cass City School District bus driver faces sentencing in early February following her plea of guilty in Tuscola County Circuit Court last week to one count of distributing obscene matter to children.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case against Leah K. Soldan, 37, of Cass City. Bond was continued at \$3,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Monday, Feb. 4, at 8:30 a.m.

Distributing obscene matter to children is punishable by up to 2 years imprisonment and/or a fine of \$10,000. Soldan was originally charged with 3 counts stemming from an incident Feb. 21 in Novesta Township.

Cass City Police Chief Craig Haynes said Soldan allowed a student on her bus to use her personal cell phone, and that the photo on the phone's screen saver was that of male genitals. In all, he reported, 3 boys, ages 12, 13 and 14, stated they saw the photo.

Soldan told police that the photo was stored in her phone and not the screen saver, according to reports, which state that a parent contacted school officials, who confronted Soldan with the allegations.

Cass City School Supt. Ron Wilson said Soldan resigned her job shortly after the allegations were made.



DAVE BURNETTE of Cass City was the first successful area hunter to stop by the Chronicle with his deer on the opening day of the regular firearm deer season opener Thursday. Burnette shot the 8-point buck at about 8 a.m. while hunting on private land about 2 1/2 miles west of Cass City.

Charges sought in stand-off

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies are seeking charges of domestic violence, probation violation and felonious assault against an Evergreen Township man following a standoff with police officers from several departments early last week.

Sanilac County Undersheriff Garry Biniecki reported the incident began Monday at about 10:20 a.m. with a reported assault at a residence in the 4500 block of Lampton Road.

"Dispatch received information that a 23-year-old female had been assaulted, went to a second story window, and attempted to escape with a 7-month-old child," Biniecki said. "The female was screaming for help, (and) a nearby neighbor saw and heard the incident and contacted central dispatch, at which time deputies were dispatched."

When deputies arrived at the scene, they met with the female who stated she had been assaulted by her boyfriend's bother, a 26-year-old who resides at the residence. She also told police that the suspect said he was not coming out, and that there were several other people in the house with him, including a 2-year-old child.

"From information gathered at the scene, including that there were several weapons in the home and possibly some of them may have been stolen, the Sanilac County Special Re-

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Committee meets to prioritize "wish list"

A committee of about 20 area residents was scheduled to meet Tuesday night to prioritize a "wish list" of physical improvements to Cass City School facilities in preparation for a spring vote in which residents will be asked to fund the work by extending an existing debt millage.

The group, composed of local business people, parents, school officials and others, was slated to meet with Chip Hendrick of R.C. Hendrick & Son Inc.

The Cass City Board of Education last May approved school Supt. Ron Wilson's recommendation to ask voters to extend an existing millage levy used to pay for construction of the new middle school.

"We're not looking at increasing the tax rate. Rather, we're looking at maintaining it for a few more years," said Wilson, who explained the current levy of 3.25 is scheduled to remain in place this year and next, and would fall below 2 mills in 2009. For the owner of a home with a market value of \$100,000, the levy adds up to about \$325 a year.

Residents will be asked to extend the tax for another 12 years, which would generate about \$7 million for much-needed capital/facility improvements.

School officials have struggled financially over the past couple years, slashing more than \$1.5 million in expenses. Unfortunately, Wilson said, major capital improvement and upgrades are needed at each of the district's buildings, and the school simply doesn't have the money to pay for the work. For example, he noted, portions of the roof at Campbell Elementary School are more than 20 years old, and the district's bus fleet is aging. "And, we're about 2 years away from having to put a new roof on the middle school."

The goal, according to Wilson, is not construction of new facilities, but to prevent roofs from leaking and ensure students have safe transportation. "We're not looking for an auditorium or anything like that," he said.

"Using bond dollars preserves the general fund dollars for classroom instruction and programs," Wilson added.

He explained the purpose of Tuesday's gathering was to pare down a "wish list" of projects from

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CASS CITY Rotary members (from left) Colleen Langenburg, Doug Laurie and Pat Curtis pack toys and clothing during last year's Christmas for Kids campaign in Cass City. Langenburg says she expects this year's effort to top last year by 30 or 40 families.

Christmas For Kids

Rotary gearing up to help tots

Thanksgiving is still a day away, but members of the Cass City Rotary Club already have Christmas on their minds.

And for good reason. The club has made it a tradition to reach out to families in need at Christmas, fulfilling the wishes of youngsters who might otherwise find very little under their trees.

Club members took over the former Cass City Toys for Tots campaign 10 years ago and renamed the project Christmas for Kids. Since then, they have utilized plenty of teamwork to make the holidays a little brighter for dozens of children.

The need for that effort today has never been greater as area families continue to struggle financially due to job losses and other money troubles.

"Obviously, this year, we're down in donations and up in families. We definitely need donations," said Cass City Rotary Club member Colleen Langenburg, who serves on the club's Christmas for Kids committee along with Pat Curtis and Matt Prieskorn.

"At this point, we have 100 families. I'm anticipating we're going to end

up with 120 families by the time we're done, which is 30 to 40 more families than last year."

Those families are selected based on referrals from local school officials.

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104 years young Cass City's Grigg enjoying a wonderful and healthy life

It's remarkable that Earl Grigg of Cass City celebrated his 104th birthday earlier this month. It's remarkable and astonishing that he reached this age in a physical and mental condition that many 25 years younger would envy.

Grigg lives on a farm near his daughter, Betty Fuller, moving to the area from Munger when he was about 60 years old. His son, Neal, still lives in Munger.

His professional career and jobs he may have had in his long life, he summed up with one word - "farmed".

At a dessert staged by his daughter following the morning service, he thought for a moment when asked

what were the greatest changes he has experienced since he came to Cass City.

It's the large machinery they have today and the size of the farms. You can't get by anymore without a lot of acres to work, he replied.

What about his health? Well, he said, I do have a doctor's appointment Tuesday. But he has no pacemaker or other aids often needed as the years pass by.

A clue to his very unusual physical health is apparent when he attends services at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Cass City. At the

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Joel and Lindsey Brinkman

Brinkmans exchange vows at Colwood

Lindsey Lee Hendrick of Decker and Joel Richard Brinkman of Cass City were married July 21, 2007 at Colwood United Brethren Church, Caro. Chuck Emmert of Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City, officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Charles and Kelli Hendrick of Decker. She is a 2003 graduate of Cass City High School, and currently attends Saginaw Valley State University majoring in elementary education/special education.

The groom is the son of Richard Brinkman of Caseville and Marcy Brinkman of Cass City. He is a 2001 graduate of Cass City High School, and will graduate in December from Saginaw Valley State University with a degree in elementary education.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a strapless one piece beaded satin gown. The veil was a rhinestone tiara with veil trimmed in rhinestone edging. She carried a cascade bouquet with pink roses, freesia, amaranthus and ivy.

The maid of honor was Ashley Hendrick of Decker, sister of the bride. Matron of honor was Rebecca Walker of Cass City, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Carley Hendrick of Decker, sister of the bride; Jennifer Brinkman of Cass City, sister of the groom; Paula Fluegge of Cass City,

friend of the bride; and Estee Zimba of Deford, friend of the bride.

The best man was Joshua Brinkman of Cass City, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Jacob Brinkman of Cass City, brother of the groom; Nate Brinkman of Cass City, cousin of the groom; Craig Emmert of Cass City, friend of the groom; Derrick Holland of Sebawaing, friend of the groom; and Isaiah Gainforth of Unionville, friend of the groom. Ring bearer was Hugh Walker of Cass City, friend of the bride and groom.

The hostess was Heather Brinkman of Frankenmuth. Door greeters were Brennen and Chase Winter of Cass City, cousins of the bride; and Dustin Miller of Cass City, cousin of the groom.

Ushers were Ryan Brinkman of Cass City, Austin Brinkman of Frankenmuth and Anthony Brinkman of Cass City, all cousins of the groom.

The organist was Donald Greenleaf and the soloist was Amy Emmert, both of Cass City and friends of the bride and groom.

A reception was held for 475 guests at Ubyly Heights Golf and Country Club, Ubyly. After a honeymoon trip to Delray Beach, Fla., the couple currently reside in Essexville.



Eric and Margaret Pawlosky

Pawlosky, Weltin wed in Bad Axe

Eric Paul Pawlosky and Margaret Jo Weltin, both of Auburn Hills, were married Saturday, June 16, 2007 at Sacred Heart Church, Bad Axe. Father Jim Carlson officiating the ceremony.

Eric is the son of James and Marilyn Pawlosky of Bad Axe. He is a 1995 graduate of Bad Axe High School, and graduated from Central Michigan University in 2001 with a Bachelor's of Science Degree. He currently works as an outside claims adjuster for Hanover Insurance of Southfield.

Margaret is the daughter of Darrell and Bernice Weltin of Ubyly. She is a 2000 graduate of Ubyly High School, and graduated from Saginaw Valley State University in 2005 with a Bachelor's in elementary education. She is currently pursuing a Master's Degree at Oakland University in special education with an autism endorsement. She currently works at West Maple Elementary in the Birmingham School District as a preschool teacher.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a strapless A-line organza gown with a sweetheart neckline. It was embellished with tiers of beaded chiffon and had a chapel train. She carried a bouquet of red roses.

The maid of honor was Alicia Walsh of San Diego, Calif., friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Kim Affer of Bad Axe, sister of the groom; Kirsten Schenk of Bad Axe, cousin of the bride; Janet Wahl of Irvine, Calif., cousin of the bride; Carol Maurer of Grand Rapids, friend of the bride; and Shannan Curry of Overland Park, Kan., friend of the bride. The flower girl was Camryn Affer, niece of the

groom. The best man was Matt Pawlosky of Saginaw, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were Jim Pawlosky of Livonia, brother of the groom; Darrell Weltin of Ubyly, brother of the bride; Rob Kling of Ferndale, friend of the groom; and Jared Pulaskey of Port Huron, friend of the groom. Ring bearers were Austin and Carson Affer, nephews of the groom.

Ushers were Paul Pawlosky of Ubyly and Lucas Pawlosky of Mt. Pleasant, both cousins of the groom.

The organists were Wally and Ryan Tenbush of Bad Axe, and the soloist was Mikki Frank of Bloomfield Hills.

The reception was conducted at the Franklin Inn, Bad Axe, for 350 guests attending from Michigan, Wisconsin, California, Virginia and Ohio. After a honeymoon in Negril, Jamaica, the couple reside in Auburn Hills.

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Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Depcinski and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski attended the chicken dinner at Parisville Sunday.

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

Alice Depcinski, Karen and Julie Rukowski had lunch at McDonald's Foodliner Thursday.

Betty Myers of Gladwin and Mrs. Ray Depcinski had dinner Saturday at McDonald's in Bad Axe.

Mrs. Allen Depcinski and Mrs. Ray Depcinski attended the bazaar at Ubyly Saturday. Ray Depcinski came for the luncheon.

Larry Robinson of Caro visited Thelma Jackson Thursday.

Mrs. Allen Depcinski, Mrs. Al Anthes, Hilda Wills, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson and Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Thelma Jackson Monday.



Nicholas Turner and Ashley Pattullo

Michael and Carmell Pattullo of Caro announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Ann to Nicholas James Turner, son of James and Joyce Turner of Cass City.

The bride to be expects to graduate from Central Michigan University with a degree in Commercial and Community Recreational Management.

The groom to be is a graduate of Grand Valley State University and is currently employed with Wolverine Worldwide in Rockford as a systems analyst.

The wedding will take place at Colwood United Brethren Church, Caro, Dec. 1, 2007. The couple will reside in the Grand Rapids area.

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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

It's Thanksgiving and the Michigan Farm Bureau again reveals the cost of traditional Thanksgiving meal that includes turkey, stuffing, cranberries, pumpkin pie and all the trimmings. The average cost is \$42.26 for a dinner for 10 persons.

The bad news is that the cost is \$4.16 more than it was last year. Much of the increase is for the turkey, which costs 12 cents more per pound than last year and the cost of dairy products that are uniformly higher.

The good news is when prices are adjusted for inflation the \$42.26 cost is equivalent to \$20.46 in 1989 dollars when the surveys first started and the price was \$24.70.

You can't get by on publicity or public relations in small communities. Over the years, Rawson Memorial Library has served the community well and in return has received support at tax times.

The various millages have been approved even during times when tax increases for roads and schools have been axed.

The facility has been fortunate to have a string of capable librarians over the years, starting during my years in Cass City with Mrs. Reva Little and continuing uninterrupted today.

Wrestling fans had better keep their gas tanks full if they want to see Coach Don Markel's charges in action.

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Thursday
Snow Likely
High: 34 Low: 23

Friday
Partly Cloudy
High: 32 Low: 21

Saturday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 36 Low: 28

Sunday
Partly Cloudy
High: 48 Low: 35

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 60% chance of showers, high temperature of 42°, humidity of 93% and an overnight low of 31°. The record high temperature for today is 59° set in 1982. The record low temperature is 13° set in 1969. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 60% chance of snow, high temperature of 34°.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Monday	54	43	46/32	0.00"
Tuesday	55	27	45/31	0.00"
Wednesday	57	43	45/31	0.00"
Thursday	43	32	44/31	0.00"
Friday	39	28	44/31	0.00"
Saturday	39	28	43/30	0.00"
Sunday	37	21	43/30	0.00"

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Thumb Ag Day slated Dec. 12

Thumb Ag Day is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 12, at the Ubyl Heights Country Club in Ubyl.

This year's event will again feature educational programming as well as the opportunity to visit up to 85 agribusiness exhibits.

The doors will open at 8:30 a.m. and remain open until 4 p.m. for participants to view exhibits and attend various programs slated to get underway at 9:15 a.m.

Programs on tap include "A Commodity Market Update" by Dr. Jim Hilker from Michigan State University Agricultural Economics Department; "Ag Review: Results of this Year's Field Trials" by Thumb field

crops extension educators; and "Fertilizer and Manure Applications to Maximize Profit" and "Crop Production Costs Analysis for 2008" by Natalie Rector, MSU nutrient management educator, and Jeannine Grobbel, district extension educator.

Lunch will be available at a cost of \$6 per person. Admission otherwise is free. More information is available by contacting the MSU extension offices in Tuscola County (989-672-3870), Huron County (989-269-9949) or Sanilac County (810-648-2515).

Thumb Ag Day is sponsored by Michigan State University Extension and supported by the area's agricultural businesses.

The Haire Net

Deer hunting and hunters have changed



It's Thursday, Nov. 15 and the town was buzzing in the early hours just like the rest of the Thumb. It is the first day of the rifle deer season.

For decades, when the season opens in midweek there has been a rising crescendo to have the traditional opening date changed so it opens on the weekend nearest Nov. 15. That, supporters say, would give the hunters an extra weekend to hunt without needing to take time off from jobs.

That could help business in the northern Lower Peninsula, but there are major obstacles that a change in date won't cure.

Several come immediately to mind. One is the continual shrinkage of hunting land open to the public. Another is the abundance of deer in central and southern Michigan.

Go back 4 or 5 decades or so and Cass City was alive with visiting hunters for the opening of the pheasant season and on Nov. 15 you could fire a shotgun down the main stem and find no one in the way. Most of the hunters were "up north."

In fact, there was an unwritten rule not to make business calls on opening day because there were not enough decision-makers available.

Special dinners by churches, and civic groups and extended hours by restaurants were routine during pheasant season. Now, there has been a 100 percent switch and what had occurred in pheasant season now comes during the deer season.

Undoubtedly, a good percentage of the hunters that spread cash like confetti from West Branch north are now helping the economy in the Thumb.

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The back forty

by Roger Pond

An item about fish hatcheries reminds me of how much fish and game management has changed. The story says Idaho Fish and Game biologists are studying how to produce trout that are easier to catch. The idea is to improve the return on the sportsman's dollar by releasing fish that are too dumb to get away.

This might make sense to a lot of folks, but there's something about catching a fish that has "Duh?" written all over its face that kind of ruins it for me.

The Idaho study began with 2750 hatchery rainbows, kept in raceways for one year and then tagged with individual numbers. The following summer the trout were caught and released repeatedly with biologists recording the number of times each fish was caught.

Fish caught only once or not at all were removed from the study. Fish that were caught more than twice were mated with other easily caught fish to produce the next generation.

The question of whether the fish that got caught were the dumb ones or the smart ones is still being kicked around in scientific circles. The biologist who suggested the new strain should be called "blonde trout" has found a job tending bar in Boise.

The Idaho experiment reminds me of the days when every farm had a horse trough, and nearly every trough had some fish. The trough was left over from the time before tractors — so even farms that no longer had horses still had a trough.

The horse trough was made of concrete and held around three or four hundred gallons of water. Every summer we would come home with some bluegills or bass that were too big to throw back — but too small to eat, and these went into the horse trough.

Kids who claim there's nothing to do today should have grown up on a farm 50 years ago. "Nothing to do" by modern standards would have seemed like an absolute circus when I was a kid.

We spent our recreational time hunting sparrows, catching horse flies, or throwing walnuts. Sometimes when we had nothing to do, we would go fishing in the horse trough. That's where I learned how dumb a fish can be.

We only had a few fish in the trough and there was little for them to eat — so catching these fish was pretty easy. It got to the point where we could recognize a fish by the expression on its face.

There was Billy the bluegill, for example. No matter how often Billy got caught, he always had that same hopeful look.

Each time Billy came out of the water he seemed to be saying, "That's the fifth time you caught me. Now can I go to the mating tank?!"

Then there was Charley Catfish. Charley didn't care if he got caught or not. He was like a team player in that regard. Each time we pulled Charley out, he would burp, and we'd put him back in.

Sometimes I wonder where fish biologists get their education these days. Wherever it is, I suspect a few hours at the horse trough would do some of them a world of good.



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“The Maroon and White”

by Lauren Hudson

Thanksgiving is coming up and you know what that means—turkey, lots and lots of turkey. It's also when the family gathers together to feast on this poor, defenseless, pathetic bird. Sometimes people don't have the traditional “sit down and eat!”...um...dinner. Some diners choose to do other things during Thanksgiving weekend.

Shane Brandmair, 17, told me his plans were to go to Disney World. “I'm going to Animal Kingdom and Epcot...we're having (the) dinner this Saturday and flying out this Wednesday.” The 4th of July is one of Shane's favorite holidays.

“Probably going to my aunt and uncle's for dinner,” was the response from Darlene Gibson, 15, “and to watch the football game.” The “scary” night of Halloween is her favorite holiday.

Eighteen-year-old David Wade said that he might go to Grand Rapids for Thanksgiving. “Hang out with my friends. I'm going to [also] eat dinner with my friends' families,” he said.

Alicia Osentoski, 17, commented, “Thursday, I'll be going to Thanksgiving dinner in Bay City (and) Friday (I'll be) shopping at Bay City or Saginaw.” Christmas has the longest in-school year break, and it also happens to be Alicia's favorite holiday.

“Either (I will be) going to my (father's) house or (I'll be going) with my mom,” Scarlett Helland, 18, said, adding her favorite holiday is her birthday.

Ashlee Spencer, 18, meanwhile, is planning on having dinner out of state. “I'm going to Iowa with my boyfriend to see his family,” she said. Her birthday is also her favorite holiday.

When I was younger, students in

my grade were taught about Thanksgiving. We were taught the same boring facts over and over again: Pilgrims at Plymouth Rock, Indians with corn, and a huge turkey that fed them all. Boring. History is something I've had a knack for, so, seeing Thanksgiving history as boring was very odd to me. Until, I realized why it affected me in that way. That's because the information is always presented in the same fashion. Kind of childish, like cute turkey cartoons, Indians shaking pilgrims' hands, the cornucopia (try saying that 10 times fast!), and maybe the reason that the stereotype is “shoved-down” the public's throat from an early age. So, now it seems mundane.

I bet the folks in 1815 wanted to strange themselves because Thanksgiving was twice that year. Another thing, the hunters around here are in luck too! The main dish thought to be turkey was actually venison at the first feast! And the Indians and Pilgrims had plenty of it.

So, there's an excuse for the hunter to use his/her prize from last Thursday's opening day.

The pilgrims' did not have ham (they most likely didn't have pigs), sweet potatoes were not yet introduced to New England, corn-on-the-cob was unlikely because their Indian corn was used more for cornmeal, popcorn was not introduced during the original dinner because the Indian corn couldn't pop well and probably would've tasted bad, and cranberry sauce wasn't at the dinner either (they had cranberries but sugar wasn't available).

I hope my rambling with these facts have made the holiday a little less mundane!

Several appear on charges last week

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

•Dean F. Revesz, 48, Richville, was sentenced to 53 days in the county jail and 36 months probation for his plea of guilty to failure to pay child support from Sept. 1, 2003, through April 1, 2005. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$720 plus restitution of \$18,696.94.

•Roy J. Klinesmith, 44, Caro, was sentenced to 180 days in jail (101 days deferred) and 12 months probation for his plea of guilty to assaulting a police officer July 21 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay \$1,020 in costs and fines.

•Ryan A. Haslett, 19, Brown City, was sentenced to 3 to 15 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to second degree home invasion, larceny of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000, and larceny in a building Nov. 8-9 in Kingston Township.

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

•John C. Colling, 61, Caro, was sentenced to 90 days in jail, with work release and worksite privileges, and 18 months probation for his plea of guilty to manufacturing marijuana and his plea of no contest to assault and battery Aug. 2 in Indianfields Township.

He was also ordered to pay \$1,465 in costs and fines.

•Robert J. Severn, 17, Vassar, was sentenced to 270 days in jail and 36 months probation for his plea of guilty to conspiracy to commit unarmed robbery July 14 in Vassar.

He was also ordered to complete his GED and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,360.

•Michael J. Bauer, 40, Vassar, was sentenced to 270 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of no contest to aggravated stalking June 16-17 in Vassar.

He was also ordered to pay \$470 in costs and fines.

•Alisa A. Jacques, 22, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence for her plea of no contest to assaulting a police officer Aug. 17 in Caro.

She was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$820.

•Antonio B. Willson, 26, Cass City, stood mute to a charge of possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, Oct. 24 in Cass City.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case and bond was continued at \$10,000.

•Dustin M. Zimmerman, 28, Reese, pleaded guilty to assault with a dangerous weapon Sept. 29 in Unionville.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Kirk I. Pero, 36, Vassar, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of failure to pay child support from Jan. 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at a combined \$11,882. Sentencing is to be set.

•William R. Blackmer, 19, Vassar, pleaded no contest to charges of second degree home invasion and conspiracy to steal firearms Aug. 2-3 in Tuscola Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$25,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Alyissa K. Main, 18, Southfield, pleaded guilty to unlawfully driving away an automobile Oct. 6 in Fremont Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was set at \$500. Sentencing is to be set.

•Mark T. Vogel Jr., 19, Caro, stood mute to 15 counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim under the age of 13 years between Nov. 8, 2002, and October 2007.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$75,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Matthew R. Humes, 17, Caro, pleaded guilty to second degree home invasion Aug. 22 in Almer Township.

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

•Shannon M. Ray, 23, Caro, pleaded no contest to making a false report of a felony (breaking and entering/larceny in a building) July 23 in Wells Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Keith E. Acre III, 25, Mount Morris, stood mute to charges of domestic violence, third offense, Oct. 20 in Caro, and to being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$5,000.

More than 60 attend ceremony for veterans

The Cass City Veterans Support Group recently honored area veterans with a candlelight ceremony at the Cass City Veterans Memorial.

More than 60 people gathered and lit candles to show their support for U.S. servicemen and women.

Veteran Mark Zmierski introduced Pastor Keith W. Misany from the Living Word Church of God Worship Center, who provided an opening prayer, followed by a song performed by Rick Fibranz.

The guest speakers included state Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon); Mary Drier of Caro, who lost her son in Iraq; and Kris Gamet, mother of an Operation Desert Storm veteran.

Zmierski read the names of local residents currently serving in the armed forces. Currently there are 18 serving overseas and another 18 serving stateside, many of whom previously served in either Iraq or Afghanistan, according to Gamet, who noted that Rob Lowe and Casey Howe were mentioned in memory.

Gamet offered a tribute to honor the family members and friends who stand behind the troops. The event concluded with Marla Steeley playing Taps.

Gamet, who organized the ceremony along with Diane Traster and Alice Hoppe, said she was pleased with the turnout and plans to make it an annual event.

“The (local) veterans work hard each year on Veterans Day, placing the flags and plaques along Main Street - a display that is second in the state, with only Fort Custer National Cemetery having a larger display,” Gamet said. “They need to know that their service was and is appreciated by the community.”



“The Taste of Ink”

by Becca Troop

Two sports down and many more to go at Kingston High School.

Although this season may have seemed normal as usual, looks can be deceiving. This fall, instead of girls' basketball, there was girls' volleyball to coincide with football. Next will be girls' and boys' basketball for the winter season in which practices have already begun.

Before this school year, Michigan was one of the only states to have girls' basketball in the fall and volleyball in the winter. This left girls with less opportunities such as buying a good pair of shoes or being scouted to a good college out of the area. These seasons were scheduled this way because it's what Michigan schools chose to do as sports were emerging for high school girls up to 35 years ago.

Although to outside states this scheduling may have seemed to be a huge disadvantage, people in Michigan thought otherwise. Playing basketball in the fall was an activity girls had become quite accustomed to and really didn't give a second thought to. The thought of playing basketball in the winter with the guys never seemed to cross anyone's mind.

“It's the same for the guys, nothing has changed,” says Emily Kolacz, a senior sports player. “I liked it for volleyball, but so far it just seems longer for basketball.”

Now that the seasons have been changed to what America dictates is correct, girls are definitely getting used to the changes. While girls have had to switch basketball and volleyball, guys haven't had to change anything involving their sports. For instance, games have been switched to Mondays and Thursdays for girls, while boys still play on Tuesdays and Fridays. This gives people games to watch almost every day of the week.

Talking to people about this issue has given off an almost positive reaction. Most of the guys at our school seemed pretty excited about playing basketball the same time as girls do.

“It's easier to compare if boys are better than girls are this way,” said Jahmaul Spencer, a varsity sports player.

It was also explained to me that when the seasons were different and the guys from our school went to the girls' basketball games, they had an immense urge to get out there and play also. Now that the seasons are the same, they're already playing basketball and can even compete and compare themselves more to the girls.

On the other hand, when I spoke to the girls, I got a different reaction. It wasn't really positive or negative because they haven't actually begun

to play games yet, so there's not an actual experience on their hands until the games start up. The girls I spoke to seemed to be okay with playing in the winter when the guys do, but it's also something new that they'll definitely have to get used to.

The changing of these seasons may have been thought to be a big deal at first, but high school sports athletes in Michigan are getting used to it as time goes by. The fall season flew by in no time for athletes and the winter season will probably be just as smooth if not more interesting.

It's not particularly about the time period in which you play the sport, but how you play it that matters.

Grocery program to help community

Lamotte Missionary Church and Angel Food Ministries are working together to bless their community.

Groceries will be offered once a month for only \$25 per box unit. Box units include name brand, high quality fresh and frozen foods at an average retail value of about \$60. One box of food assists in feeding a family of 4 for about one week, or a single senior citizen for almost a month.

All the food is high quality—not damaged or outdated. There is no limit to the number of boxes an individual may purchase, and there are no applications or qualifications. Angel Food Ministries participates in the U.S. Food Stamp program, using the Bridge Card Food Stamp system.

To take advantage of this opportunity, you will need to attend one of the order days.

Orders will be taken at Lamotte Missionary Church, 6445 Adams Rd., miles north of M46 at the corner of M-53 and Adams Road. Order days are Nov. 28 and 29 (Wednesday and Thursday) between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and Nov. 30 (Friday) between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Orders must be paid for on the order date in the form of cash, check, or Bridge Card. No phone orders will be accepted.

All orders must be picked up Dec. 15 (Saturday) between noon and 2 p.m. For more information, call (989) 635-7204.

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2007 Cass City graduate

Badgley training to join Navy Seabees

As a student at Cass City High School, Andrea Badgley didn't have a lot of direction when it came to career choices.

She does now.

Badgley, 18, the daughter of Jim and Kristina Russell and Tracey Badgley, recently graduated from naval basic training at Great Lakes Naval Base in Chicago, Ill., and is now preparing to join the U.S. Navy Seabees.

"I love the military. I loved basic training, I love 'A' school. I'm loving it," Badgley said from her current homebase at the Navy Construction Training Center, Gulfport, Miss., where she is in the third of 13 weeks of training.

"We're learning the basics of construction. We're learning to do reinforcing, woodworking, concrete," she explained.

For more than 60 years, the U.S. Navy Seabees (the word from the first letters of construction battalion - CB) have repeatedly demonstrated their skills from the islands of the Pacific,

the jungles of Vietnam, the mountains of Bosnia and the sands of Saudi Arabia, according to the official website of the U.S. Navy.

In 1941, Rear Admiral Ben Moreell, then-chief of the Navy's Bureau of Yards and Docks, recommended establishing a naval construction battalion in order to create a construction force that, unlike civilian contractors, could defend itself and its projects during times of war. On Jan. 5, 1942, after the December 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor and the United States' entrance into the war, Admiral Moreell was given the go-ahead to establish the naval construction force, enabling the allied force to extend its reach in both theaters of war by building advanced bases.

The Seabees were recruited into the military from the civilian construction trades and placed under the leadership of the Navy's Civil Engineer Corps. More than 325,000 individuals served with the Seabees in World War II, fighting and building on 6

continents and more than 300 islands. In the Pacific, where most of the construction was done, the Seabees landed soon after the Marines and built airstrips, bridges, roads, warehouses, hospitals, gasoline storage tanks and housing.

"We build basically everything from the foundation up," Badgley said.

While she may not look like a typical construction worker, Badgley said the trade has been a part of her family for years, with both of her grandfathers working in construction.

She indicated she's looking forward to being a part of the tradition in a setting that has enabled her to see the world.

"I really didn't know what I wanted to do in high school. One of my friends, Trevor Copeland (a 2006 Cass City High School graduate) went into the Navy, and I went to a couple of the meetings with him and talked to his recruiter," said Badgley, who added the idea of traveling really appealed to her. "I've been to Ohio and Indiana, that's about it," she noted. "I left Cass City because there wasn't a whole lot there. I wanted to get out and see different places, something new."

And, Badgley said, the military has proven to be a perfect fit for her. "I'm the type of person...I like schedules, knowing what I have to do."

"The first couple weeks of boot camp, they can be hard on you, but after that you're pretty well done, and everything's taken care of," she continued. "You're constantly meeting new people. It's not exactly culture shock, but you meet some different people."

Badgley said the military has also been a positive experience in other ways.

"I guess I'd say I'm a little more conservative. I watch what I do a little more," she added. "You know when to relax and be yourself, and you know when it's time to be professional."

"(I have) no regrets. I love being here," Badgley said. "I do, I love being here."



ANDREA BADGLEY poses with her father, Jim, following her graduation from Cass City High School last spring. Badgley is now on her way to becoming a member of the U.S. Navy Seabees.

Calendar of Events

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

Friday, November 23

Closed Al-anon meeting for family and friends of alcoholics, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, Elkton. For more information, call (989) 872-4042.

Monday, November 26

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

Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligan's, Cass City.
Cass City School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

Wednesday, November 28

Ravenous Readers meeting, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

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

NOVESTA TOWNSHIP

Novesta Township Residents:

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at the Novesta Township Hall, Deford, Michigan, for the purpose of hearing a petition for a rezoning of parcel number 018-004-000-1800-00, 3771 Cemetery Rd., Cass City, Michigan 48726, Novesta Township, from residential to business, Township Ordinance, Article 4: Land Use Districts. The petitioner, William Chippi of 4137 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, Michigan, is requesting a land split of the above mentioned property and rezoning the split for business use with a special land use permit.

No more than 15 nor less than 5 days notice of appeal shall be made to the person to whom real property is assessed within 300 feet of the boundary of the property in question and to occupants of all structures within 300 feet.

Those persons wishing to comment may appear at this public hearing.

David Hoard
Novesta Township Zoning Administrator

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



It's hard to decide what's more annoying. Picking up the phone for a canned sales spiel, or lifting the receiver and finding no one on the line. It's close, but my vote goes to the finding no one on the line. You know it's merely a case of someone being automatically dialed that answers before you do, but you can't be sure. There's also that remote chance that it was an important or a personal call you wouldn't want to miss. If it's a canned sales message you can always hang up. (From Rabbit Tracks)

The Cass City Cub Scouts held their fourth annual Cake Bake recently and raised \$947, all of which is being donated to the Cass City Rotary Club's Christmas for Kids campaign. The Cub Scouts, along with a pal, baked cakes that were auctioned off by Marty and Tavis Osentoski of Osentoski Auctioneering. There were 29 cakes in all, with the Tallest Cake by Alex Varney being auctioned off with the bid of \$75. The Judges Choice, Grand Prize by Thomas LeValley, a creative masterpiece that was decorated to resemble a bowl of spaghetti and meatballs, brought in a whopping \$100 donation from members of the Gavel Club. The Gavel Club members were on hand to do the judging of the cakes.

Let's talk turkey. "Snoods" and "wattles" are red, fleshy growths on the heads of turkeys. A snood is a flap that dangles down over the beak. In male turkeys (toms), the snood may be up to 5 inches long. Together with the wattle, the snood helps toms attract female turkeys. Scientists report hens prefer long-snooded toms.

10 YEARS AGO

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs opened the Class D district Monday in Owendale with a 50-48 upset win over league rival Akron-Fairgrove. "In the districts anything can happen," said Viking Head Coach John Adams. "It's a whole new season." The win, Owen-Gage's third of the season, advances the Bulldogs into tonight's contest with Caseville. Owen-Gage's only wins during the regular season came against the Eagles. If Coach Dave Fritz's Bulldogs can defeat the Eagles for a third time, they will earn a chance to play for the district crown Friday night against either Kingston or Port Hope. The Bulldogs got a huge lift from freshman Erin Salcido in her varsity debut as she poured in a game high 15 points.

The Cass City Red Hawks will have a chance to take some of the hurt away from the loss to the Lakers starting Wednesday in the district tournament at USA. The Hawks will face Harbor Beach, the winner of Monday's opening round action against Bad Axe. The Pirates defeated the Hawks in the opening game of the season when Cass City played without Shelly Ulfig. Based on season's play, the game rates to be a tossup. A victory would put the

Hawks in the final and with a very good possibility that the Lakers will provide a rematch.

Can peanuts, popcorn, and whole wheat crackers help kids learn and reason better? They could, according to the USDA researchers. They say foods high in zinc could help some children. In a study of 372 Chinese school children with low zinc levels, scientists determined that children taking daily zinc supplements scored better in perception, memory, reasoning and psychomotor skills such as eye-hand coordination. One other good source of zinc? Red meat!

25 YEARS AGO

The 1982 Elkland-Novesta United Way fund drive has ended, having exceeded its goal by a wide margin. The goal was \$14,000. The amount collected in pledges and cash as of Saturday morning, when the last money donations were turned in, was \$15,517.54. "For the state of the economy, I think the community and the area have really come through for us," said fund United Way President Ruth Grassmann. "I'm well satisfied." Still to come is a promised contribution from General Telephone, which won't be received until January, and a possible one from another corporate contributor, which gave last year but hasn't responded yet to a request for a donation this year.

Since I've been old enough to read I've been a regular purchaser of pocket books. I bought two Sunday. The same kind that would have cost me 60 cents when I first started reading. The bill Sunday was \$7.75. Now that's inflation. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Mary Kirton was honored as the Cass City Business and Professional Women's Club woman of the year at the club's meeting last Wednesday evening at Veronica's Restaurant. The charter member of the 21-year-old organization was presented with a silver engraved tray and a corsage. Mrs. Kirton, who lives on Sherman Street, taught school in the Argyle area for four years and retired four years ago after working 25 years for

Eicher's Cleaners. In addition to the BPW, she has also been affiliated with the extension club, art club and United Methodist Women.

35 YEARS AGO

Did you notice? The school sign is functional again. It was about a year ago that authorities gave up trying to keep it working the way it was first designed. Now with a change in the way the letters are erected and a little more vandalism protection the sign is operating. It had good news, too (for students) Saturday. One side announced a Thanksgiving vacation and the other that Cass City was league champs in golf and football. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Harold T. Donahue, M.D., of Cass City, has been named a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians. The degree of fellowship is an acknowledgement of successful completion of 600 or more hours of accredited continuing medical study, or attainment of diplomat status in the specialty of family medicine as a result of passing a certifying examination administered under the aegis of the American Board of Family Practice. Fellowship entitles the conferee to use the title, "Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians," or "FAAFP." The degree was conferred September 26 upon more than 4,200 members of the Academy in conjunction with the AAFP's annual convention and scientific assembly in New York City. Ceremonies were held in Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum before more than 10,500 persons. Fellowship candidates wore academic robes, with hoods bearing the blue and gold Academy colors, and mortarboard caps. The oath of fellowship was recited en masse.

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Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m.

Pastor - Chuck Carr

Transportation available

Cass City Church of the Nazarene

6538 Third St., Cass City, MI 48726

872-2604 or 872-5201

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer & Bible Study

& Children's Activities 6:00 p.m.

Pastor - Judy A. Esckilsen

Cass City Missionary Church

4449 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726

989-872-2729

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service & Youth Group 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Family Night 6:30 p.m.

Pastor - Bob Sweeney

www.casscitymc.org

Community of Christ Church

Owendale Congregation

3002 S. Elkton Rd., Owendale, MI 48754

989-375-2354

Worship 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Seniors Group Last Tues. of the month 6:00 p.m.

Scrapbook Sunday, Last Sunday of the month, 1-7 p.m.

Pastor: Gary Gardner

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Cass City United Methodist Church

5100 N. Cemetery Rd.,

P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726

872-3422

Worship: 11:00 a.m.

(Summer 9:30 a.m.)

Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m.

Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon)

Pastor: Rev. Paul G. Donelson



Evangelical Free Church of Cass City

6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726

Phone: 872-5060

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Worship 11:00 a.m.

Midweek Bible Studies

Biblical Counseling

Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould



First Baptist Church

(Independent, Fundamental)

6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726

989-872-3155

Sunday School All Ages 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

AWANA Clubs 6:45 p.m. During School Year

Pastor: David G. Hill

Website: www.fbccc.us

First Presbyterian Church

Barrier Free

6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726

872-5400

Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:45 a.m.

Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Dave Blackburn

Living Word Worship Center

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6536 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726

872-4637

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Wed. (Family Training Hour) 7:00 p.m.

Pastor: Keith Misany



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2896 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726

872-3658 or 872-1195

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872-5186

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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

Pastor: F. Robert Tucker

St. Pancratius Catholic Church

4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726

872-3336

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Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Pastor: Father Steve Fillion

Visitors always welcomed

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BIG BUCK

ELI KELLEY, Cass City, bagged this nice buck while hunting on private land in Sanilac County. The 16-year-old's first deer had a 14" spread, weighed 176 pounds and had 8 points.

NEW ERA SET

Cass City girls' hoop wars begin Tuesday with Ubly

A new era for winter sports at various Thumb schools opens next week and fans would do well to jot down the schedules with playing dates that have been changed to accommodate the addition of girls' basketball, as dictated by court rulings.

No longer will boys' basketball games usually be played on Tuesday and Friday nights.

The girls will open the cage season at Cass City High School when they entertain Ubly on Tuesday, November 27. The boys start Tuesday, December 4 at Vassar.

With that beginning, fans will be exposed to a glut of games before the holidays. The boys will play 8 games in December - with 4 games on Friday nights, including one at Deckerville during the Christmas holidays. Also scheduled are games on Wednesdays and Saturday.

The girls will have played 9 games before the holidays. Four of these games will be on Tuesdays. Two are scheduled on Thursdays, one on Saturday and 2 on Fridays.

The varsity and junior varsity games will be played at the high school gym and the freshmen games at the middle school.

Also squeezed in will be a gymnastics contest with Vassar on Dec. 20. The busy schedule is expected to make it difficult to attract as many fans as it did when the girls played in the fall and boys played in the winter.

A complete schedule will be published in the Nov. 28 Chronicle.

Keating helps Adrian College to 7-3 record

Steven Keating, grandson of Bob and Marian Keating and Carol and Les Hartwick, Cass City, helped the Adrian College football team to a 7-3 record in 2007.

Keating, a 2004 graduate of Bay City John Glenn, now in his 4th year at Adrian, is the team's starting left guard on offense.

Keating is majoring in biology with a minor in mathematics. He is the son of Ed and Noreen Keating of Bay City.



KATIE NIZZOLA, 15, of Cass City, bagged her first deer on opening morning. She was hunting on private property north of town at about 8 a.m. when she shot a 6-point buck.

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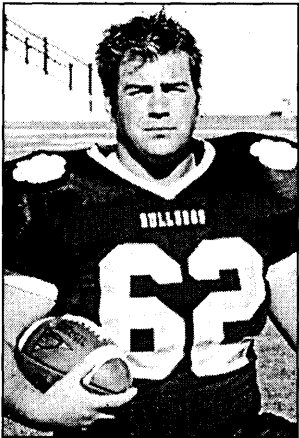
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Kaylie Gaedcke, Memphis
Emily Kolacz, Kingston
Nicole Copeland, Kingston
Dawn Albrecht, CPS
Lynsey Marchwinski, Dryden
April Warner, Dryden
Becky Miller, Dryden

Honorable Mention
Mary Snider, Peck



Steven Keating

Cass City Bowling Leagues

Men's Midwest Pool League as of Nov. 7

Blue Moon	36
Mulligan's	35
Pigeon 1	33
Century Oaks	33
Pigeon 2	29
Kick-n-Back	16

Merchanettes as of Nov. 15

All or Nothing	43
All Season Video	43
Thumb Octagon Barn	37

Individual High Games & Series: L. Pabst 209-177 (508); C. Brown 199 (505); D. Zdrojewski 195 (486); J. Montgomery 180.

Team High Game & Series: All or Nothing 651 (1863).

Splits: D. Williams 5-10; J. Koch 2-7, 3-10; M. Sieradzki 5-6-10.

Merchants as of Nov. 7

Curtis Chrysler	4
Kelly & Co. Realty	4
Charmont	3
R&H Body Shop	2
New Team	2
Two Guys & A Dave	1
Thumb Peds	0
Barronsteam Bears	0

Individual High Games & Scores: Bob Joseph 213; Denny Doherty 204 (584); Garrett Wichert 242; Dave Miller 256 (583); Jeff Matthews 203-226-212 (641); Keith Pobanz 213 (580); Don Doerr 201-200 (595).

Team High Game & Series: Kelly & Co. Realty 592 (1699).

Thursday Night Trio as of Nov. 1

Jebco Consulting	24
Mycogen Seeds	21
United Building Centers	19
Doerr Landscaping	17
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Team High Game & Series: Martin Electric 606 (1613).

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FSA officials: farmers eligible for disaster aid

In a continuing effort to assist the agricultural industry in Michigan, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) announced the designation of all 83 Michigan counties as agricultural disaster areas, making farmers immediately eligible for USDA/FSA production loss emergency loans.

Eighty-three Michigan Counties have been designated as primary natural disaster areas due to losses caused by drought that occurred beginning April 1.

Nancy Dietz, Michigan's state executive director, said "This assistance will go a long way in aiding farmers devastated by this weather event. We will continue to implement every available USDA program to assist

farmers through this difficult condition."

The designation makes qualified farm operators in primary disaster counties eligible for low-interest production loss loans from the Farm Service Agency, provided eligibility requirements are met. Farmers in eligible counties have until July 7, 2008, to apply for the loans to help cover part of their losses. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merit, taking into account the extent of loss, ability to obtain other credit, security available and repayment ability.

Dietz stated the FSA will do its part to mobilize resources to help those farmers most affected by this weather event.

Cass City Middle School announces first period roll

Officials at Cass City Middle School announce the 1st marking period honor roll.

Grade 5

Kyla Autry, Jane Ballard*, Crysta Beyette, Cassandra Bloomfield, Kaitlyn Bock*, Samuel Bootz, Kennedy Brown, Tyler Brown, Rachel Collins*, Marshall Conley, Nicholas Cook, Brett Deering, Isaac Fisher, Breanna Frank, Jonathan Goniwicha, Rebecca Graff*, Jacob Guinther*, Robert Haley, Acer Hana, Katie House, Evan Jager*, Kendra Kerkau*, Luke Koepf*, Ryan Koepf*, Hunter Langenburg*, Fredrick Leeson III, Laken London, Drew Loomis, Brianna Lugo, Erika Martin*, Samantha Mathewson, Aaron McClorey, Dustin Miller, Rachel Miller, Ethan Monte, Lindsey Monte*, Kyle Osentoski, Lydia Papovich*, Colby Peruski, Justin Peters, David Pitcher*, Kyle Potrykus, Dalton Prieskorn*, Angel Quijas, Emily Repinski*, Alliah Riddle, Sara Roberts, Kyle Ross, Elizabeth Sanders, Lindsay Schotter, Barbara Steely*, Jackson Stern, Daymon Tabako*, Rachel Tanner*, Elizabeth Venema*, Christopher Vincent, Aubrey Witherspoon, Genna Woodward*, Lucas Wright and Erin Zdrojewski.

Grade 6

Alexander Adams, Rachel Bartnik, Madison Brinkman, Lauren Bukoski, Emily Cochrane, Curtis Dickinson, Cecelia Dunn, Jodi Engel*, Kristin Ewald*, Ian Habicht, Jacob Hacker*, Katelyn Hacker, Dakota Hartel*, Adrien Hartsell, Collin Hartwick*, Chelsea Hoppe*, Hannah Hulburt, Ashtyn Janiskee*, Dakota Kreger*, Nicholas Langley, Matthew Lintner, Katherine Manwell*, Harvey McCoy*, Elisabeth Milligan*, Michael Mulligan*, Darrell Myers Jr., Ayesha Nichols, Elisa Norcross, Jacob Perry*, Braeden Perzanowski*, Liberty Ann Quijas, Shane Rasmussen, Kara Reif*, Alex Robinson, Michaela Romain, Kayla Schneeberger, Erin Schuette*, Alexander Tabar*, Brock Thane, Cody Thompson, Audrey VanAuken*, Miranda Williams, Brennen Winter*, Kayla Wright, Justin Zaleski and Kayla Zmierski*.

Grade 7

Shelby Abell*, Austin Baker, John Ballard, Shannon Bardwell*, Michael Barnes, Taylor Brown, Justin Childers, Misha Clark, Taylor Craig, Zachary Deitering*, Meri Dzielski*, Hayden Ellis, Samuel Fisher*, Stephanie Heckroth*, Ellen Hulburt, Cole Israelson*, Justin Kerkau, Larissa King*, Jacob Kittle*, Erica Kolacz, Charnelle Kucharczyk, Emily Kuenzli, Kassandra LaPonsie*, Alan Leslie*, Stacey McArthur*, Rianna McConnell*, Nicholas McCoy, Katelyn Michalski*, Andrea Mikolon*, Brian Mohr, Kayla Montreuil, Erin Moore, Adrian Munoz*, Cody Orban, Lauren Perry*, Karley Peters*, Lonnie Phelps, Michelle Powell*, Jake Quinn, Jacob Redmond, Brenden Ricker, Kendra Rogers, Kelby Rowell, Leah Sanders, Lukas Schenk*, Tyler Skiles, Justin Summers, Jocelynn Venema, Paul Verhines, Victoria Walsh*, Alex Warju* and Ian Woodward.

Grade 8

Nicholas Adkins, Fabian Ballo, Melissa Bessler, Alison Blattner*, Jessica Bootz, Andrea Boyd*, Erica Boyd*, Angela Braun*, Trevor Brown, Samantha Clapper, Aleksander Creason*, Kelsey Dillon, Morgan Erla, Joshua Farkas*, Alexis

Fetterhoff*, Rebecca Hacker*, Kyle Hanby*, Jordan Hendrian, Carley Hendrick, Jordyn Heredia, Corey Hool, Anthony House, Joshua Jensen, Nicholas Kappen, Troy Kausch*, Kristen Kawecki*, Nicole Kelley*, Drew King, Tessa Kus*, Alyssa Lawrence*, Stephanie Leeson*, Joseph Louks, Catherine Lugo, James Merchant, Macey Messing*, Kyle Middaugh, Derek Mozen, Ethan Nicol, Taylor Nye, Zachary Osentoski, Megan Parrish*, Alexandra Pena, Zachary Potrykus*, Morgan Potter, Ashley Potts, Jessica Prieskorn*, Jordyn Rasmussen*, Kurt Reif, Logan Rowell, Remington Rushlow, Brena Rutkoski, Cassandra Salvador, Tyler Samons, Megan Schoel, Cameron Simpson, Alexandria Smith*, Zachary Speirs, Shannon Stec*, Zachary Stephens, Heather Sweeney*, David TerBush*, Courtney Thompson*, Hayley Thorp*, Alyse Timko*, Cassandra Tomlinson*, Jared Weidman*, Michael Wills, Ronald Wolschleger, Travis Wright*, Haley Wynn, Alexander Zaleski* and Sarah Zmierski*.

*Denotes all A's

Obituaries

Eleanor Brooks

Eleanor M. Brooks, 87, of Davisburg, formerly of Kingston and Caro, died Friday, Nov. 16, 2007 in Genesys Hospital, Grand Blanc, following a short illness.

She was born May 19, 1920 in Kingston, the daughter of Leland and Alice (Dorrance) Ensign.

She married Frank Brooks Oct. 15, 1938 in Caro. He died Dec. 26, 1971.

Brooks was a 1937 graduate of Caro High School, and has been on the reunion committee since graduation through their 68th reunion. She worked as a typist in an abstract office for 7 years. Brooks served as a volunteer in the Pontiac School District. She was a member of Michigan Archers Association, and served as its secretary for a time. Brooks was a member of the PTA in Pontiac, worked as a secretary with the Girl Scouts and also served as a Girl Scout and Brownie leader for many years. She was an employee with the Salvation Army for many Christmas seasons. She was active with the senior citizen group in the Caro senior complex.

Brooks is survived by her children: Roberta L. (Gerald) Werle of Roscommon, S. Leroy Brooks of Ortonville, Phyllis J. (Leonard) Liedel of Ringgold, Ga., and Ivan G. (Angela) Brooks of Ortonville; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; sisters: Dorothy Hudson of Zephyrhills, Fla., Lee (Theda) Ensign of Caro, Marguerite (James) Caswell of Reese, and Douglas (Marilyn) Ensign of Kingston.

She was preceded in death by a granddaughter-in-law, Denise Liedel. Funeral services were held at noon, Tuesday, Nov. 20, at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

Interment was in the Imlay Township Cemetery, Imlay City.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

David MacRae

David Allen MacRae, 59, of Worthington, Mass., died Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2007 at Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, Penn., as a result of a cerebral hemorrhage.

He was born March 5, 1948 in Cass City, the son of Dr. Kenneth Ivan and Evelyn Lafayette MacRae.

He married Sharon Neil of Wilton, Conn.

MacRae was a 1966 graduate of Cass City High School and a 1970 graduate of Oakland University in Rochester. He did graduate study at Michigan State University. MacRae was employed by the state of Connecticut, working with the mentally impaired. Upon retirement, they moved to Worthington, Mass. He was a member of the Greyhound Rescue and Rehabilitation Association of Connecticut and the Connecticut Games Club.

MacRae is survived by his mother, Evelyn MacRae; a sister, Margaret Jean Zorn; 2 nieces; a grandniece; a grandnephew; an uncle, Bruce (Lois) MacRae; 2 aunts: Margaret (Eaton) Kelley, and Jacquelin Lafayette; many cousins; and 3 dear friends: Thomas Maxfield, Gary Roy and Kathy Adamszck, all of Worthington.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sharon; his father, Dr. Kenneth MacRae; an infant sister, Marcia MacRae; grandparents, and several aunts and uncles.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at his residence at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Greyhound Rescue and Rehabilitation.

Arrangements were made by William P. Spence Funeral and Cremation Services, Inc., Manheim, Penn.

64 donate blood in Cass City

Sixty-four people donated blood recently during a blood drive sponsored by the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary at the VFW Hall in Cass City.

There were 2 first-time donors. They were Richard Brooks and Tiffany Glaza.

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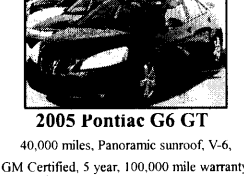
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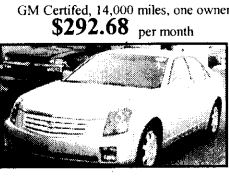
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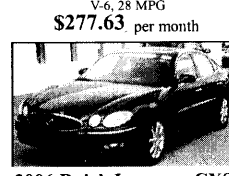
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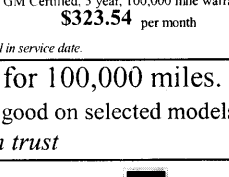
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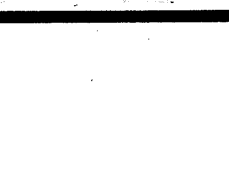
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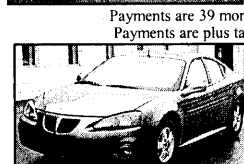


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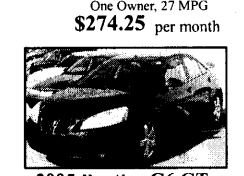
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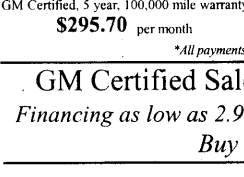
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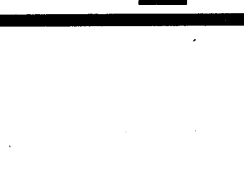
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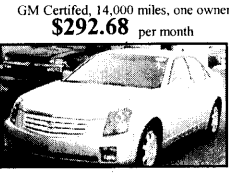
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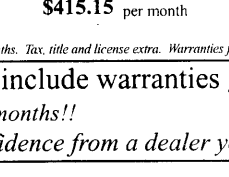
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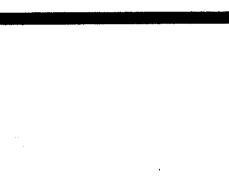
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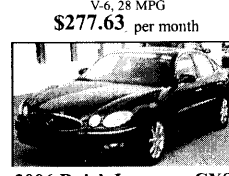
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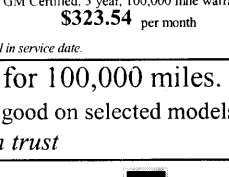
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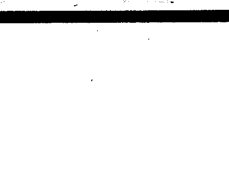
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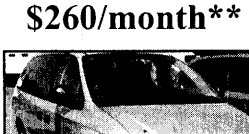
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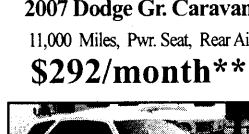
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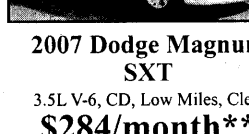
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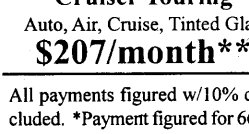
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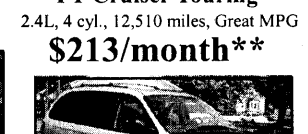


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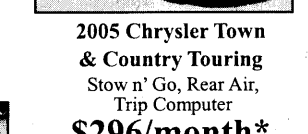
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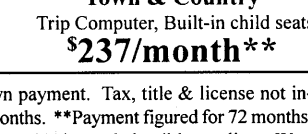
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Be careful decorating this season

As the holiday season gets under way, Detroit Edison reminds customers that a quick check of electric lights and decorations before installation can provide peace of mind and a safe holiday season.

"Safety should be the first priority when installing holiday lights," said Larry Kaufman, DTE Energy's energy efficiency expert. "Just because lights worked effectively last year does not mean that they shouldn't be inspected this year. A few minutes spent checking cords and plugs for potential hazards reduces the possibility of a fire."

In addition to visually inspecting electrical holiday decorations, Detroit Edison offers the following tips so everyone can enjoy safer holidays:

- INDOOR LIGHTING**
- * Do not overload electrical circuits.
 - * Do not use more than three sets of standard lights on each extension cord.
 - * Do not insert new bulbs or change fuses when light sets are plugged in.
 - * Keep lights away from carpeting, furniture and drapes.
 - * Turn off decorative lights before you go to bed or leave home.
 - * Make sure household smoke detectors are working properly.
- OUTDOOR LIGHTING**
- * When hanging lights around your roofline or in trees, be sure to survey the area for overhead power lines and maintain at least a 10-foot distance.
 - * Use only outdoor extension cords with molded plugs and sockets.
 - * Keep all electrical connections off the ground and hang sockets downward to prevent water from seeping into them.
 - * Do not run electrical cords through door or window openings where they can be damaged.
 - * For added protection, plug outdoor lights and decorations into circuits protected by ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs).



MEMBERS OF THE Cass City Rotary Club annually work to make sure Christmas is brighter for dozens of area youngsters. Above, members are pictured sorting and packing toys at the Curtis Chrysler dealership in Cass City last year.

Rotary gearing up to help children

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and the Family Independence Agency (FIA). Langenburg noted all of the families served reside in the Cass City School District.



Club members were able to distribute \$12,000 to \$13,000 worth of toys and clothing during last year's campaign, which relies not only on the toys collected in town, but also on cash contributions from individuals and businesses. When there's a shortage in money needed to buy toys, the club makes up the difference.

Langenburg expected that toy collection boxes would be placed in local businesses around the village starting Monday. The boxes will remain in place through Dec. 14, when club members will conduct their final collection and wrap up the process of sorting the items. Families on the club's list will be picking up the gifts Dec. 19 at Curtis Chrysler in Cass City, which serves as the project's headquarters.

Judging by the economy, the pick-up day will be a busy one this year. Regardless of the number of families that are in need, the Rotary Club always manages to meet the demand, thanks to the combined efforts of individuals and businesses, and to the club members who gather each year to shop, sort and pack.

"We try to make it a great Christmas for the individual child and their wants," Langenburg said. "It's just a rewarding program. There's nothing better than helping others out, especially around the holidays."

Anyone interested in making a cash donation should send it to the Cass City Rotary Club, Christmas for Kids, P.O. 63, Cass City, MI 48726.



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Survey: farmers optimistic

An informal survey of Michigan farmers ages 18 to 35 reveals that young farmers are optimistic about their career choice even though the majority say getting a leg up in the business is challenging.

In surveying respondents on a variety of topics, the Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) found that an overwhelming majority of young farmers feel more optimistic about farming than they did 5 years ago, and they report being better off financially, too. However, they say agriculture is not an easy row to hoe for young farmers.

In ranking the top 3 challenges facing them today, Michigan young farmers cited availability of land and facilities as their number one challenge, unchanged from last year. Overall profitability came in second, also unchanged from last year. In rounding out their top 3 challenges, the young farmers shifted from last year's results and this year identified competition from established or larger farms as their third biggest challenge. Last year it was urbanization and loss of farmland.

"In today's marketplace it's not surprising to see young farmers express concern about competition from established or larger farms, especially as it relates to land availability and overall profitability," said Lori Chamberlain, manager of the MFB Young Farmer Department.

The Michigan farm real estate value, including land and buildings, reached a record high of \$3,500 per acre on Jan. 1, 2006, according to the Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service (MASS). The most recent statistics available also show that U.S. farm production expenditures rose 5.3 percent from 2004 to 2005.

"Existing farms have built up capital and assets which give them a competitive advantage in bidding for high-priced land. They're also in a better position to ride out uncertain markets and can more easily absorb price spikes for agricultural necessities such as fuel or livestock feed," said Chamberlain.

The attitudes and challenges of Michigan young farmers closely resemble findings from a national survey of young farmers conducted by the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF). The national survey also found that the vast majority of young farmers surveyed feel more optimistic and better off financially than they did 5 years ago. In identifying the top challenges facing them, the national respondents agreed with Michigan young farmers on the top 2 challenges, but stuck with urbanization and loss of farmland as their third biggest challenge.

The challenges facing Michigan young farmers are reflected in their responses to a section of the survey which asked respondents to rank the top 3 steps the federal government could take to help them farm. For a second consecutive year, more financial help for beginning farmers topped the list. Strengthening private property rights was their second choice. Third was reforming environmental regulations and including incentives for compliance. In 2006, Michigan young farmers identified boosting U.S. exports and trade as second most important; and cutting federal spending as third.

"Financial help for beginning farmers underscores the top challenges Michigan young farmers identified in terms of being at a competitive disadvantage profit-wise and land-wise," said Chamberlain. "I think we're seeing a greater emphasis on strengthening private property rights for a number of reasons beyond just the issue of eminent domain. For instance, the unauthorized recreational use of private farmland is of concern, as are on-farm thefts of agricultural products such as anhydrous ammonia."

Chamberlain also was not surprised to see young farmers put a greater emphasis on reforming environmental regulations.

"The response is indicative of the regulatory climate in Michigan. The farm community as a whole is frustrated with constant regulatory uncertainty. It's especially difficult for young farmers who are trying to establish themselves, yet find they are always chasing a moving target of new rules and Department of Environmental Quality interpretation of existing regulations," she said.

Young farmers who completed the national survey agreed with Michigan respondents that they would benefit most from financial help for beginning farmers and stronger private property rights, but they selected federal tax reform as the third most beneficial step.

When quizzed about balancing environmental and economic concerns, the majority of Michigan young farmers said both are important with an emphasis on economics. Thirty-five percent said both are important with an emphasis on the environment; 7 percent said economic concerns are paramount; and 3 percent identified environmental concerns as being paramount.

"It's obvious that young farmers are sensitive to the delicate balance between protecting the environment and their economic livelihood. In fact, we saw the number of young farmers who said both are important with an emphasis on the environment rise from 28 percent in 2006 to 35 percent this year," said Chamberlain. "It's important, however, to keep in mind that there are costs involved with environmental protection. So young farmers who put an emphasis on economics may be of the mindset that

they first need to build up their capital so that they can afford to make investments on the farm, such as technical upgrades to minimize pollution risks."

To help supplement farm income, 61 percent of the Michigan young farmers said they, their spouse or both work off the farm. The finding is similar to last year's results; however, the number of husbands working off the farm increased from 9 percent in 2006 to 12 percent this year.

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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 place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 13, 2007.

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

Lot 7, Block 10 of the North's Addition to the City of Vassar, According to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 20, now being Page 21A.

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

Dated: November 14, 2007

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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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on Thursday, December 6, 2007.

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

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Dated: NOVEMBER 2, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sandra A. Henning, f/k/a Sandra Henning, and William Henning, her husband, original mortgagors, to MidFirst Bank, Mortgagee, dated December 6, 2003 and recorded on December 23, 2003 in Liber 970 on Page 232 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Four and 15/100 Dollars (\$56,304.15), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 13, 2007.

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

Parcel 1: Lot 8, Block 38 and the North 18 feet of Lot, Block 38 of the plat of the Village of Fostoria, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 44-45, now being Pages 45A-46A.

Parcel 2: Lot 9, Block 38 of the plat of the Village of Fostoria, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 44-45, now being Pages 45A-46A.

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

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Default having been made in the conditions of certain Mortgages made by Michael A. Jackson and Casey J. Jackson, husband and wife, of 2350 Kirk Road, Vassar, MI 48768, as Mortgagors, to Northstar Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, whose principal office is in Bad Axe, Michigan, as Mortgagee, dated March 20, 2006 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on March 21, 2006 in Liber 1074, pages 1116, et seq, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of One Hundred Ninety One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Nine and 32/100 (\$191,269.32) Dollars and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main entrance of the Tuscola County Building in the Village of Caro, and County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Thursday, December 20, 2007 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., local time, in the forenoon of said day, and the premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage, together with interest, legal costs, attorney's fees and any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Part of the Southeast quarter of Section 18, Township 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan: commencing 938.62 feet South of the East quarter corner of said Section 18; thence South 279.12 feet; thence North 55°04'44" West 216.71 feet; thence West 105.78 feet; thence North 144.26 feet; thence East 283.62 feet to the point of beginning, except easements and rights of way of record. Commonly known as: 2350 South Kirk Road.

Part of the Southeast quarter of Section 18, Township 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan: commencing 938.62 feet South of the East quarter corner of said Section 18; thence South 279.12 feet; thence North 55°04'44" West 216.71 feet; thence West 105.78 feet; thence North 144.26 feet; thence East 283.62 feet to the point of beginning, except easements and rights of way of record. Commonly known as: 2350 South Kirk Road.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the period of redemption shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240.

Dated: November 12, 2007

NORTHSTAR BANK, Mortgagee

RICHARD L. TROWHILL
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175 Thompson Rd.
Bad Axe, MI 48413
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11-14-5

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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 Cordon Vollmar, unmarried, original mortgagor, to Chase Bank USA, N.A., Mortgagee, dated June 14, 2005 and recorded on June 29, 2005 in Liber 1043 on Page 1300 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine and 31/100 Dollars (\$84,349.31), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on November 29, 2007.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 13 North, Range 7 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West Line of said Section which is South 02 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 46 feet from the West 1/4 corner of said section; thence continuing along said West Line, South 02 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 211 feet; thence South 88 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 221 feet; North 02 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 211 feet; thence North 88 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 221 feet to said West Line of Section 23 and the place of beginning.

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

Dated: October 31, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC S (248) 593-1304
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10-31-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Harold J. Wescoat Jr. and Kelli S. Wescoat, husband and wife, as joint tenants, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 4, 2004 and recorded May 7, 2004 in Liber 991, Page 1005, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for MASTR Asset Backed Securities Trust 2004-OPT2 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifteen and 08/100 Dollars (\$82,915.08), including interest at 11.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on DECEMBER 20, 2007.

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

Commencing at the South quarter corner of Section 17, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes West 1083.25 feet along the South line of said Section 17 to the Point of Beginning; running thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes West 233.0 feet along the South line of said Section 17; thence North 00 degrees 09 minutes 17 seconds West 763.0 feet along the West one-eighth line of said Section 17; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes East 233.0 feet; thence South 0 degrees 09 minutes 17 seconds East 763.0 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Southwest quarter of Section 17, Town 14 North, Range 8 East.

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

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

Dated: November 21, 2007

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File No. 221.3443

11-21-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Andre Prieur and Karla M. Knapp, husband and wife of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Fifth Third Bank dated the 22nd day of February, A.D. 2002, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 3rd day of April, A.D. 2002, Liber 872, Page 830-836 of Tuscola Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$136,068.95 (one hundred thirty-six thousand sixty-eight and 95/100) plus accrued interest at 15.74% (fifteen point seven four) 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 20th day of December, A.D., 2007, at 10:00:00 AM o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Arbelia, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Township of Arbelia, County of Tuscola, Michigan:

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as beginning at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 12; thence along the South line of said Section 12, East 324.95 feet; thence North 03 degrees 59 minutes 14 seconds West 1,290.86 feet; thence along the North line of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12, South 89 degrees 25 minutes 28 seconds West 325.18 feet; thence along the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 12, South 04 degrees 00 minutes 25 seconds East 1,287.61 feet to the South 1/4 corner of said Section 12 and the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 6240 W. Millington Road.

PPN 003-012-400-1100-00

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

Dated: November 21, 2007

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
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11-21-4

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 KENNETH H. RANDT, A SINGLE MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 28, 2006 and recorded on August 30, 2006 in Liber 1093, on Page 624, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$106,555.70), including interest at 8.000% 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 December 20, 2007.

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

LOTS 49 AND 50, ENO SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 2, PAGE 39, OF PLATS, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

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

Dated: November 16, 2007

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns
Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075

11-21-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Harry L. Schaub, a single man, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., successor by merger with Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated May 10, 2003 and recorded June 25, 2003 in Liber 938, Page 1073, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred One Thousand Three Hundred Fifty and 53/100 Dollars (\$101,350.53), including interest at 8.26% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on DECEMBER 20, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Village of Akron, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 1 and 2, Block 3, of Cook's Addition to the Village of Akron, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 67, now being Page 178.

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

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

Dated: November 21, 2007

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11-21-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Philip Keskes, a married man, and Jennifer Keskes, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 14, 2005 and recorded February 9, 2005 in Liber 1027, Page 179, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Aurora Loan Servicing by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Five and 30/100 Dollars (\$127,795.30), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on DECEMBER 20, 2007.

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

A parcel of land in the Northeast one-quarter of Section 21, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as follows to fix the point of beginning, commence at the Northeast corner of Section 21; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, on the North line of said Section, 456.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes 22 seconds West, parallel with the North and South one-quarter line of said Section, 250.00 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with said North Section line, 221.93 feet; thence North 00 degrees 34 minutes 06 seconds West, 250.01 feet to a point on said North Section line; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, on said North Section line, 225.09 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: November 21, 2007

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11-21-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by LORI A. SAGE, SINGLE WOMAN, and ROBERT H. SAGE AND EILEEN M. SAGE, HUSBAND AND WIFE, WHO ARE EXECUTING THIS MORTGAGE FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF MORTGAGING ANY HOMESTEAD/DOWER RIGHTS IN THIS PROPERTY COVERED BY THIS MORTGAGE, to FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB, Mortgagee, dated March 9, 2001 and recorded on May 8, 2001 in Liber 830, on Page 1336, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Six Dollars and Fifty-Nine Cents (\$79,946.69), including interest at 9.875% 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, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on December 20, 2007.

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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 Clarence James and Jolie James, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 13, 2004 and recorded on June 4, 2004 in Liber 995 on Page 191 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Two and 10/100 Dollars (\$102,982.10), 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 place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 6, 2007.

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

The East 33.00 feet of Lots 6 and 7, also all of Lot 14, also Lot 15 except the South 31.32 feet thereof, all in block 5 of Johnson's Addition to the City of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 29 of deeds, Page 88, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: November 7, 2007

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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 Brandon S. Mitchell, Stacey S. Mitchell, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 3, 2005 and recorded on July 13, 2005 in Liber 1045 on Page 596, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Michigan State Housing Development Authority, a public body corporate and politic of the state of Michigan as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Six and 68/100 Dollars (\$96,326.68), including interest at 5.25% 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 place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on November 29, 2007.

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

Lot 5 of Miller Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 2, Page 2, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: October 31, 2007

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph M. Kenny and Linda M. Kenny, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Argenta Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated February 10, 2004 as evidenced by Affidavit of Loss Document recorded on November 29, 2006 in Liber 1103 on Page 1292 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. in trust for the benefit of Park Place Securities, Inc. Asset-Backed Pass-through Certificates Series 2004-WCW2 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Twelve and 77/100 Dollars (\$87,312.77), including interest at 9.875% 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 place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on November 29, 2007.

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

Commencing at the Northwest Corner of Section 17, Town 14 North, Range 9 East; thence South 0 Degrees 30 Minutes East 258.0 feet along the West Line of Section 17 to the Point of Beginning; Running thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes East 280.0 feet; thence South 0 degrees 30 minutes East 196.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes West 280.0 feet to the West Line of Section 17; thence North 0 degrees 30 minutes West 196.0 feet along the West Line

of Section 17 to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 17, Town 14 North, Range 9 East, Columbia Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, Subject to Right of Way of Graf Road over the Westerly side thereof.

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

Dated: October 31, 2007

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10-31-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David J. Edler, a married man, and Wendy J. Edler, A/K/A Wendy Edler, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 10, 2004 and recorded October 25, 2004 in Liber 1013, Page 664, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Eight and 86/100 Dollars (\$93,888.86), including interest at 7.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on DECEMBER 6, 2007.

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

Commencing at a point on the Easterly Right-of-Way line of State Highway M-15 that is 816.40 feet North 88 degrees 28 minutes 30 seconds West, 1397.10 feet, South 29 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds East, and 1351.80 feet, South 35 degrees 05 minutes East of the North quarter of Section 32, Town 11 North, Range 8 East; thence North 58 degrees 36 minutes 30 seconds East, 165.00 feet at right angles to the centerline of said M-15, South 31 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds East 264.00 feet, South 58 degrees 36 minutes 30 seconds West 165.00 feet to the Easterly Right-of-Way line of said M-15, North 31 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds, West 264.00 feet to 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.

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

Dated: November 7, 2007

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11-7-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ruth Maguire, a/k/a Ruth N. Maguire, a single woman, joint tenancy with full rights of survivorship and George J. Maguire, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 15, 2004 and recorded February 17, 2005 in Liber 1028, Page 244, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by HSBC Bank USA, National Association as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2005-WMC1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Nine and 71/100 Dollars (\$111,179.71), including interest at 12.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on NOVEMBER 29, 2007.

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

All that part of Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 28, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, lying North of the State Trunkline Highway (M-38), except, commencing in the Northeast corner of the Northwest one-quarter of Southwest one-quarter of said Section 28; thence South to the center of highway (M-38); thence Easterly along center of highway to the East line of the Northwest one-quarter of Southwest one-quarter; thence North to beginning, also except all that part of the Northwest one-quarter of Southwest one-quarter located North of State Trunkline Highway which lies Southwesterly of a line described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 28 which is 200 feet Northerly of the intersection the West line said Section 28, with the survey line of Highway M-38; thence Southeasterly to a point on the survey line of Highway M-38 which is 300 feet Easterly of the intersection of the survey line of Highway M-38 with the West line of said of Section 28.

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

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

Dated: October 31, 2007

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File No. 269.2612

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael A. Fletcher and Bobbie M. Fletcher, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Centex Home Equity Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated February 25, 2005 and recorded on March 10, 2005 in Liber 1030 on Page 626 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Nine Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Five and 97/100 Dollars (\$209,645.97), including interest at 0.95% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 6, 2007.

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as: beginning at the North 1/4 corner; thence West 661.17 feet; thence South 0 degrees 53 minutes 25 seconds East 1022.27 feet; thence East 664.20 feet; thence North 01 degrees 03 minutes 36 seconds West, 1022.12 feet to the point of beginning. Except beginning 398.07 feet West of the North 1/4 corner of said point being centerline of Perry Creek; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds West, 263.09 feet; thence South 0 degrees 53 minutes 25 seconds East, 366.65; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds East 54.8 feet to the Southerly end of said traverse line; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds East, 16.6 feet to the Centerline of Perry Creek; thence Northerly along centerline of said Creek, North 26 degrees 53 minutes East 411 feet to the point of beginning.

Less and except the following described property: Parcel A: A parcel of land in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the North line of said Section 26 which 195.03 feet South 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds West from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 26; thence South 01 degrees 03 minutes 35 seconds West from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 26; thence South 01 degrees 03 minutes 35 seconds East parallel with the North and South 1/4 line of said Section, 175.01 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds West parallel with said North Section line 294.83 feet to the centerline of Perry Creek (so-called); thence North 26 degrees 19 minutes 57 seconds East along the centerline of Perry Creek, 196.19 feet; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds East on the said North Section line 203.04 feet to the Point of beginning.

Parcel B: A parcel of land in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 26; thence South 01 degrees 03 minutes 35 seconds East on the North and South 1/4 line of said Section, 124.04 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds West parallel with and 448.00 feet, measured at right angles, West of said North and South 1/4 line, 224.04 feet; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds East parallel with and 224.00 feet, measured at right angles South of said North section line, 195.03 feet to the Point of beginning.

Parcel C: A parcel of land in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 26 which is 224.04 feet South 01 degrees 03 minutes 35 seconds East from the North quarter corner of said Section 26; thence continuing South 01 degrees 03 minutes 35 seconds East on said North and South 1/4 line of said Section, 124.04 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds West parallel with and 448.00 feet, measured at right angles, West of said North and South 1/4 line, 224.04 feet; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 57 seconds East parallel with and 224.00 feet, measured at right angles South of said North section line, 195.03 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: November 7, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sabrina A. Congdon, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 12, 2002 and recorded on April 15, 2002 in Liber 873 on Page 1391 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Two and 99/100 Dollars (\$70,242.99), including interest at 7.13% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on November 29, 2007.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Township 13 North, Range 9 East, described as follows: commencing at a point in the centerline of State Highway M-81 that is 2815.70 feet North 46 degrees 32 minutes 00 seconds East along the center of said highway from the Southwest corner of Section 25; thence North 43 degrees 28 minutes 00 seconds West, 200.00 feet; thence North 46 degrees 32 minutes 00 seconds East, 71.00 feet; thence South 43 degrees 28 minutes 00 seconds East, 200.00 feet; thence South 46 degrees 32 minutes 00 seconds West,

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

Dated: October 31, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Max Phelps, a single man, and Stacy Goodman, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 8, 2004 and recorded November 12, 2004 in Liber 1017, Page 334, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by CitiMortgage Inc. successor by merger with CitiFinancial Mortgage Company Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty Thousand One Hundred Seventeen and 10/100 Dollars (\$60,117.10), including interest at 13.57% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on DECEMBER 6, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Village of Mayville, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 3, Block 1, Leonard Fox's Seconds Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 59, now being 36A.

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

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

Dated: November 7, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Johnny E. Crump III and Robyn Crump, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 12, 2006 and recorded on June 20, 2006 in Liber 1085 on Page 541 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Three and 75/100 Dollars (\$86,823.75), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on November 29, 2007.

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

Village of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan: commencing at the point 16 rods West of the Southwest corner of Lot 4 of block 15 of the plat of the Village of Millington; thence running West 6 rods; thence North 8 rods; thence East 6 rods; thence South 8 rods to the place of beginning. Village of Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, 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: October 31, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lisa A. Martin, a single woman, to Gehrke Mortgage Corporation, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 25, 1996 and recorded April 29, 1996 in Liber 689, Page 713, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Inc., f/k/a Norwest Mortgage Inc., a California Corporation by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Three Hundred and 29/100 Dollars (\$52,300.29), 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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on NOVEMBER 29, 2007.

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

Lot 12, Schultz Subdivision, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 2, Page 48 of Plats, Tuscola County.

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

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

Dated: October 31, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Harold Hartley and Alene Hartley, husband and wife, to H & R Block Mortgage Corporation, a Massachusetts Corporation, Mortgagee, dated December 23, 2005 and recorded January 6, 2006 in Liber 1067, Page 1342, and An Affidavit of Scrivener's Error to correct the legal description was submitted for recording, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the Certificate holders of Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006-OPT3, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-OPT3 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-One and 94/100 Dollars (\$103,581.94), including interest at 8.59% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on NOVEMBER 29, 2007.

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

The West 60 acres of the North half of the Southwest quarter of Section 24, Town 14 North, Range 10 East, except 1 square acre in the Northwest corner. Also, except beginning at a point which is North 89 degrees 50 minutes 18 seconds East 370 feet along the South line of Section 24 and North 00 degrees 03 minutes 11 seconds West 1314.17 feet parallel to the West line of said Section 24 from the Southwest corner of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 03 minutes 11 seconds West 187.49 feet to a traverse line along the Southerly bank of the Anker extension drain; thence along said traverse line North 58 degrees 16 minutes 23 seconds East 302.11 feet and North 37 degrees 09 minutes 52 seconds East 500.72 feet and North 27 degrees 10 minutes 11 seconds East 639.65 feet to the terminus of said traverse line and a point on the East and West quarter line of said Section; thence along said East and West quarter line North 89 degrees 50 minutes 52 seconds East 756.15 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 04 seconds West 1316.71 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 44 seconds West 1607.51 feet to the point of beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Harold Hartley and Alene Hartley, husband and wife by Deed from Alene Boughan, now known as Alene Hartley, survivor of herself and John Boughan, her deceased spouse recorded 10/15/2003 in Deed Book 959 Page 1391, in Tuscola County, Michigan, records.

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

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

Dated: October 31, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roy Alan Baker, Jr., single, to Advanta National Bank, Mortgagee, dated January 4, 1999 and recorded January 7, 1999 in Liber 759, Page 1370, and An Affidavit of Scrivener's Error to correct legal was recorded on 10/30/2007 in Liber 1133, Page 1065, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC, successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation by assignment. An Affidavit of Scrivener's Error to correct the legal description was recorded on 10/30/2007 in Liber 1133, Page 1063, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty and 23/100 Dollars (\$25,540.23), including interest at 11.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on DECEMBER 20, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Village of Watrousville, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1: Commencing 13 rods South of the Northwest corner of Section 15, Town 12 North, Range 8 East; thence South 7 rods 6 feet; thence East 8 rods; thence North 7 rods 6 feet; thence West 8 rods 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.

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

Dated: November 21, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Isable Delacruz, an unmarried man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 6, 2007 and recorded June 12, 2007 in Liber 1122, Page 151, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Five and 05/100 Dollars (\$85,805.05), including interest at 8.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on DECEMBER 20, 2007.

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

Lot 2, Country Manor Subdivision, according to the Plat thereof as Recorded in Liber 3, Page 52, Tuscola County Records.

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

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Dated: November 21, 2007

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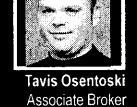
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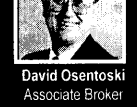
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RUTH STEELE, special programming librarian at Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City, reads to a group of preschoolers Friday. The event, sponsored by the library and Early On, was part of a Children's Book Week celebration.

Committee meets to prioritize wish list

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more than \$11 million down to the \$7 million that would be raised by extending the millage levy.

The preliminary list outlines \$306,612 in proposed projects at the early childhood education center, \$2,084,503 at Campbell Elementary School, \$1,132,912 at the middle school, \$5,031,588 at the high school, \$1,255,668 for grounds and athletic facilities, and \$1,402,300 for technology upgrades.

The ad hoc committee's recommendations will go before the school

Saving for college tips discussed at local meeting

State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) recently held a town hall meeting in Cass City to share information about 2 Michigan programs that can help parents and students save for college and avoid the rising cost of tuition.

Brown thanked the participants and guest speakers, and emphasized the importance of finding ways to help more families send their kids to college.

"I know it's not easy to try to save for the future while also trying to buy groceries and put gas in the car and pay the utility bills," Brown said. "We all want the best for our kids, and today, being able to compete for the best-paying jobs requires graduating from college or trade school. These 2 state programs offer manageable ways for us to invest in our children early so we can help them succeed - and help build a talented workforce that will attract top-notch employers from around the world."

The town hall meeting at Cass City High School featured speakers from the Michigan Education Trust (MET), which is the state's prepaid tuition program, and the Michigan Education Savings Plan (MESP), which allows people to set up a college savings account that is exempt from state and federal income taxes.

Both speakers told participants that the most important thing they can do is start saving early, even if they can only afford to put away a few dollars at a time. Compounding interest and tax breaks will make their money grow faster than they might expect.

"The more you can invest, the less you have to borrow later," Marc Speiser, a tuition financing consultant for the Michigan Education Savings Plan, told the group. "Why pay interest if you don't have to?"

He also said it is never too late to start saving. In addition, Speiser urged parents and students to start looking early for every possible scholarship and grant opportunity.

"MET is prepaid tuition at today's cost," Robin Lott, the executive director of the Michigan Education Trust, told the group. The program offers a way to help families avoid the burden of rising tuition costs by locking in today's price for tuition at any Michigan university, college or community college.

Both programs are administered by the Michigan Department of Treasury. More information on MET is available at www.setwithmet.com. More information on the MESP is available at www.misaves.com.

board at its next regular meeting, Monday, Nov. 26. At that time the board will authorize the scope of the proposed improvements.

Charges

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sponse Team was activated," Biniecki reported. "Once at the incident scene, a perimeter was established and contact with the suspect was attempted over several hours with negative results."

Biniecki said the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department Special Response Team was also activated to assist Sanilac County officers.

"At approximately 3 p.m., the suspect's mother and a 2-year-old daughter left the residence," he continued. "Communications were then established with the suspect and negotiations began. At approximately 5 p.m. the 26-year-old suspect gave up peacefully and was taken into custody without any further incident."

The incident remains under investigation, according to Biniecki.

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