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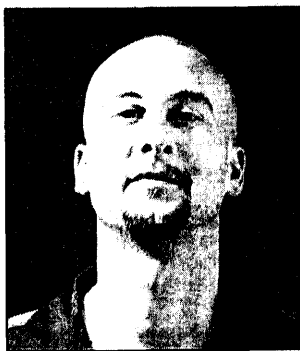
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Former Cass City man

Suspect carjacks a patrol car Thursday

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Bond was set at \$1 million cash or surety for a former Cass City man arrested after leading police on a foot



Brian Woodruff

chase and then a car chase - with the suspect driving one of the Cass City Police Department patrol cars - Thursday afternoon about 7 miles west of the village.

Two Cass City officers suffered minor injuries and both patrol cars were

damaged.

Brian Joseph Woodruff, 29, faces a 13-count warrant issued by the Tuscola County Prosecutor's Office Friday. The charges include carjacking and armed robbery, both felonies punishable by up to life in prison.

He is also charged with unlawfully driving away an automobile, fleeing and eluding a police officer, assault with a dangerous weapon, malicious destruction of police property, 2 counts of resisting and obstructing a police officer - causing injury, and 2 counts of resisting and obstructing a police officer.

According to reports, the incident began at about 3:22 p.m. when Cass City police officers Sgt. Roger Zelmer and Jake Dhyse were dispatched to the corner of Jacob and Hutchinson roads to assist Tuscola County Sheriff's Deputy Mike Pine in apprehending Woodruff, who was wanted for parole violation. At the time, Pine was tracking Woodruff through a small section of woods.

After arriving at the scene, Zelmer passed a tan SUV driven by an elderly man, and Pine radioed minutes later, saying the suspect was also inside the vehicle. Zelmer attempted to catch up to the SUV, but before he could, Dhyse radioed, saying he was chasing Woodruff on foot. Cass City Police Chief Craig Haynes said the chase began after Dhyse stopped the SUV and recognized Woodruff, even though the suspect gave him a false name.

Woodruff fled the SUV and headed for the yard of a nearby residence with

Dhyse close behind. Dhyse reported he drew his firearm after Woodruff stopped suddenly, turned around with one arm under the coat he was holding, as if he had a gun or other weapon. He ordered the suspect to get on the ground, but Woodruff refused, taking off again. Woodruff repeatedly stopped and faced Dhyse during the brief chase, forcing Dhyse to keep a distance of 20 to 30 feet between himself and the suspect, Haynes said.

Woodruff circled the area, then headed for Dhyse's patrol car. Both he and Dhyse arrived at the car at the same time, but Woodruff dove inside and managed to get the unit into gear, dragging the Cass City officer about 10 feet down the road.

Haynes, who noted Dhyse was able to free himself, explained that officers don't turn off their patrol cars during traffic stops, which is why Woodruff was able to take the car.

Zelmer saw the struggle between Dhyse and Woodruff, and began pursuing the patrol unit driven by Woodruff. Zelmer reported that as he closed in on Woodruff, the suspect slammed on his brakes, causing the police cars to make contact. Woodruff then tried to force Zelmer off the road, but Zelmer accelerated, forcing Woodruff to the right. Both drivers lost control, with Woodruff entering a ditch and Zelmer's patrol unit coming to rest in a field about one-quarter mile away from where the chase began.

Caro police and troopers from the

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CHUCK AND DANIELLE Helm of Cass City were reunited earlier this month when Chuck, a U.S. Army sergeant, returned home safely from his second tour of duty in Iraq. The couple have 3 young children.

Home for the holidays

Local soldier returns from second deployment

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

There really is no place like home for the holidays.

Just ask Charles "Chuck" Helm of Cass City, who arrived home earlier this month after spending the past 15 months serving his country in war-torn Iraq. It was the second deployment to Iraq for the 30-year-old sergeant, who managed to escape injury in spite of several run-ins with the IEDs (improvised explosive devices) the enemy set in the path of his truck.

"I thank God every day, because I had some close calls," Helm commented last week at home as he spent time with his 2-year-old twins, Savannah and Logan. Helm and his wife, Danielle, also have a 3-year-old, Skylar.

Helm joined the Army in April 1999. "I joined late. I was about 21," he recalled. "In high school, I thought about it, and I thought, why not? I love to serve my country. It's a great way to see the world and I thought it would be a great experience."

"It's not that I couldn't get a job," he added, noting he was earning \$21 an hour right out of high school, working rough construction.

"It makes you grow up really fast," said Helm, who has spent 28 of the last 36 months deployed overseas. Helm's first deployment to Iraq lasted 13 months, from February 2004 to the end of March 2005. He returned to the war zone in August 2006 for another 15 months of duty.

"This (latest) deployment was my choice," Helm pointed out. He explained that he and 2 friends had served together during his first months in Iraq, and they vowed to stay together if they were deployed

again. "We all got very close because we'd been through so much together," he added. When we got back, we made that pact, not to be deployed without each other."

The trio learned about their second deployment 7 months before it was scheduled to take place, according to Helm, who has been stationed in Germany for the past 4 years. He said all 3 of them were later stationed together in Schweinfurt, Germany - one was reassigned there, another re-enlisted for 2 years and Helm voluntarily extended his tour in Germany - prior to their deployment.

Helm's role in the war involved transportation, driving a monstrous semi-tractor towing a 35-foot trailer. The tractor stands more than 13 feet tall with 4 axles and 8 tires, each weighing 500 pounds each. The trailer has another 40 tires.

"My main job is to transport the M-1 Abrams battle tank," he explained. Helms said he hauled equipment to battle zones throughout Iraq during his first tour. Prior to his second deployment, he was also trained as a

combat fire fighter whose responsibilities include responding to damaged Army vehicles, often disabled by explosives. He was also trained in fire rescue/recovery, a much more grim duty involving recovery of soldiers killed in action.

"I've seen my fair share of certain stuff," he said. "(There are some) bad memories, but it's part of war."

Helm is the first to say he was lucky during his tours, escaping serious injury in spite of hitting explosive devices buried in the road, on the side of the road - even attached to road signs and detonated by remote control.

"It's not that we're fighting a large army," he said of the enemy. "But they watch us and they learn and they adapt. They're very smart."

Even so, Helm saw a noticeable difference in Iraq when he returned there in August 2006, particularly in terms of deserted streets filling with people again.

"I can see a lot of what we've done

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Teacher charged in videotaping investigation

A former USA Middle School teacher and coach who was suspended from his job nearly a year ago for alleged inappropriate conduct involving some female students was formally charged Friday in Tuscola County District Court.

Joshua J. Brinkman, 27, a Cass City High School graduate, faces one count of capturing/distributing an image of an unclothed person, a felony punishable by up to 5 years in prison and/or a \$5,000 fine.

A \$50,000 personal recognizance bond was set for Brinkman, who faces a pre-preliminary exam Monday, Jan. 14, and a preliminary exam Friday, Jan. 18.

According to investigators, Brinkman hosted some female students, including some members of the varsity girls' basketball team, at his Fairgrove area home, where he allegedly videotaped them while changing their clothes. Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark Reene said the girls, all under the age of 17, changed in a bedroom before using Brinkman's hot tub. Some of the girls discovered a video camera and turned the videotape over to police.

Reene lauded what he called "excellent work" completed by lead investigator Trooper Amy Hofmeister and Detective Sgt. Mark Krebs of the Michigan State Police.

Gifts await first newborn

The arrival of 2008 will have special meaning to couples that are also expecting their own little arrivals, but just when the first baby of the new year will be born is anyone's guess.

Will the first birth take place just minutes or hours after the bells start ringing after midnight, Jan. 1, or will several days or even weeks pass before the blessed event?

Regardless, the first baby of the new year born and reported to the Chronicle by a Cass City area family will be showered with gifts and well wishes from local merchants, a tradition that has continued for many years.

The only question mark each year is timing. In 2003, Michelle Smith of Cass City gave birth to the first baby, Jan. Matthew Vasquez, Jan. 23, and in 2005, the first baby, Landyn Frank Schott, was born Jan. 9 to Ben and Tonya Schott of Cass City.

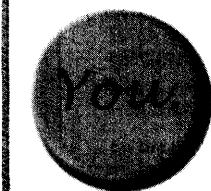
Last year, Kristy and Brad Speirs of Cass City welcomed Emily Grace Speirs at 5:15 p.m. Jan. 5 at Covenant Hospital in Saginaw.

As was true in 2007, the coming year's proud parents will receive an evening out with 2 free passes and free refreshments at the Cass Theatre.

Coach Light Pharmacy will give \$10 off a baby prescription, and Erla's Food Center will send best wishes to the new arrival with a \$10 gift certificate. Lasting Impressions Too also has a gift for the baby.

Special Scents Floral Shoppe has a \$20 floral bouquet to welcome the newborn, while the Cass City Diner will treat mom and dad to a dinner for 2 (up to a \$20 value), and Carmela's Pizza has a \$20 gift certificate waiting.

In addition, 3 area banks will offer their best wishes. Chemical Bank and Thumb National Bank each have a \$10 savings account for the new arrival, while Independent Bank is providing a \$25 savings bond. Finally, the family can read about the new arrival and other local news all year long with a free, one-year subscription to the Cass City Chronicle.



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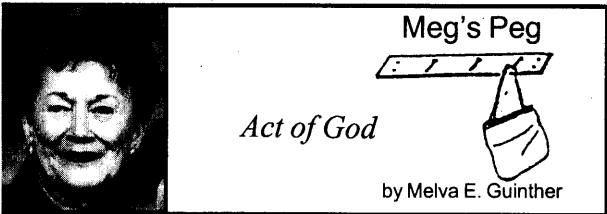
Keinaths mark 60th anniversary

Dorothy and Donald Keinath of Caro will soon celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. They met at the Tuscola County Fair, both having 4-H projects on display. The former Dorothy Brinkman and Donald Keinath were married Dec. 20, 1947 in Caro on her parents, William and Bertha Brinkman's 25th wedding

anniversary, at their farm home.

The couple has 2 children, Karen Keinath of Frankenmuth, and Dr. Russell (Mary) Keinath of Ann Arbor. They have 4 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

They have retired from farming and their certified seed operation on their farm.



A niece got married 10 days before Christmas. She's a lovely person, and almost all of the Guinther aunts and uncles as well as several cousins made the trip to Northville in the southern part of the state to attend.

Most of us opted to stay overnight due to the iffy weather and the lateness of the hour after the reception, which was an elegant affair at the Ford Estate in Dearborn.

By the next morning there was no more "if" to the weather. We were snowbound!

Not a creature, airplane or vehicle was stirring and the snow kept coming down and blowing.

A couple of (younger) stalwart souls set out for home in spite of the weather, and ended up spending the night a little farther along. About 20 of us, including 2 relatives from Pennsylvania, held an unplanned weekend reunion at the Hampton Inn.

The inn provided a complimentary breakfast, of which we took full advantage. After all, we might have to subsist on vending machine fare the rest of the day since there was no restaurant.

However, a niece was able to find a pizza place willing to hazard a delivery, so we pooled our resources for lunch and a tip we hoped would ensure his return at dinnertime. It worked, and our menu was more varied for the evening meal.

The inn permitted us to use the breakfast nook for our meals together, and what could have been an unpleasant situation turned out to be rather cozy.

Although we had come prepared for only one overnight stay, we managed

to improvise.

Someone came up with a deck of cards, the few who had brought swimsuits took advantage of the pool, and some of us walked the corridors for exercise. There was an online hookup available for those who needed it.

Personally, I finished a couple of Sunday crossword puzzles that I hadn't found time to do during the week. Then I made up some "Chain Reaction" word series ala the TV word game.

Mostly, though, we just spent time visiting and catching up on family news.

We tried to organize a carol sing around the Christmas tree in the lobby, but encountered the same problem I'm sure Ma and Dad Guinther had many times over the years with their large family: It's next to impossible to get everybody together in the same place at the same time!

Nevertheless, we spent more time and had more conversation with family members that weekend than we might have had in a whole year otherwise.

The unplanned interruption in our lives was a blessing in disguise in more ways than one. It forced us all to forsake the busy-ness that the pre-Christmas season has become and take time to think about what it really means.

Retreating from the shopping, wrapping, planning and decorating also caused us to be thankful for the basics - shelter, a warm bed, food to eat, and family.

Sometimes it takes an "Act of God."

Rabideau completes training

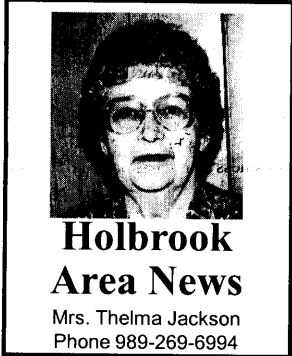
Air Force Airman First Class Ashleigh S. Rabideau has graduated from basic military training at Lackland

Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the 6 weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Rabideau is the granddaughter of Lee Voss of Deford. She is a 2007 graduate of Cass City High School.



Holbrook Area News

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Over 500 people attended the fish fry at the Bad Axe K of C Hall Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski attended the 40th birthday party for Kevin Depcinski at the Popple Trail Blazer Club Hall.

Mrs. Curtis Cleland and Mrs. Jim Doerr visited Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cleland and Amy Doerr in Bad Axe.

Early Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sweeney, Sunday, were Mary and Dan Ritter and Beth of Elkton, Alex Ritter of East Lansing, Sally and Pat Bell, Lauren and Katelynn of Cheboygan, Bruce Sweeney of Ubly, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Sweeney, Brandon, Nicole and Brett of Ubly, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sweeney of Auburn Hills and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Sweeney of Florida.



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Nicholas Chappel on the dean's list

Nicholas Chappel of Cass City, a current 4th trimester student in the Doctor of Chiropractic program at Palmer College of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa, has been named to the dean's list for the third trimester.

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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

The Chronicle will be on the newsstands Wednesday, probably around 11 a.m. If you get the paper hot off the press, do it early as the office will close that day only at 3 p.m.

Readers with a long memory will recall that a bat invaded our house several years ago and when I reported the incident a surprising number of readers commented about similar incidents.

Well, another bat found its way into our house last week. This one was discovered zooming around our living and dining rooms by my wife. It came flying out again a couple of days later and I tracked it down and dispatched it.

I know that bats are helpful in controlling insect pests, but when they suddenly fly around your easy chair...ugh!

It's cold, windy and snowy on the day before Christmas as this is written. But look on the bright side. We are sure to have the white Christmas that all the songs rhapsodize about and the days are getting longer. Happy New Year.

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Suspect arrested after break-in, pickup theft

Troopers from the Michigan State Police Post in Bad Axe say a man who allegedly broke into an Ubyly area residence and stole a pickup truck in the Ubyly area Thursday afternoon was arrested the next day in Genesee County.

Trooper Jeff Heronemus was dispatched to a residence on Morrison Road, southwest of Ubyly in Bingham Township, to investigate a breaking and entering complaint Thursday.

"The homeowner arrived home and discovered his house had been broken into and his pickup, which was parked in the garage, had been stolen," Heronemus said. "Two handguns along with jewelry were taken from inside the residence."

Heronemus reported the stolen vehicle was later recovered and the suspect, a 26-year-old male whose last registered address was in Port Huron, was arrested. He is being held in

the Genesee County Jail pending several charges issued throughout Michigan, by the Michigan Department of Corrections for parole violation, and in Louisiana. The suspect's name was not released.

"The 2 handguns have also been recovered along with several items which have been stolen from around the state," said Heronemus, who noted troopers were advised that the suspect also allegedly broke into a residence along the lakeshore near Port Austin between Dec. 18 and Dec. 20.

"This (break-in) has not yet been reported. The suspect spoke to a neighbor and stated he was a grandchild of the homeowners, as he was shoveling the driveway," Heronemus said. "If anyone had contact with this person, they are asked to contact the Michigan State Police in Bad Axe at (989) 269-6441."

The Haire Net

Cristiano earning his pay in village



No one wants to pay taxes. No one wants to pay more for services and would be happy if wages/salaries were less than the amounts paid by any neighboring community.

The assumption is that paying less to employees will have no effect on the operation of the village or city.

There are times when I feel that there has been money spent in Cass City that was unnecessary. The recent addition to the revamped water system comes to mind. The village had no choice but to spend the money for cleansing the arsenic from our water and adding the maintenance building was an attractive option-if it was truly an urgent need. I feel that it was an extra expense at a time when water-sewer rates have to be increased annually to pay for the Federally-demanded work. I always did feel that the addition of the diamonds on the school grounds was a duplicate of the excellent facilities at the park and came to being because the district was flush with money.

It's no secret that there is a group at odds with the present administration over spending for employees. Representatives have brought to the Chronicle a breakdown of the salaries paid to the managers and the staffs of 7 area communities, Sandusky, Crosswell, Harbor Beach, Marlette, Caro, Bad Axe and Cass City.

Crosswell manager's pay tops the list at \$74,652 and Cass City is a close

second at \$74,277. Bad Axe pays the least, \$57,117.

Other village employees in Cass City are at the top end of the area wage scale, but because of different duties a true comparison would take more investigation than the admittedly detailed report provides.

That report deals only with the costs for village services, not the achievements. When the results are considered, it's a different story.

There have been activities in the business district in the past year that have stopped the business slide that has plagued Cass City. For several years it was the number one issue that the village faced.

When I see the new apartment building nearing completion by Charlie and Stefanie Roe and the revamped building under construction by the Tschirharts at the corner of West and Main, it shows that someone is doing something right.

The Nestles building, set to house a business again, has been a perplexing problem for a decade. Former president Bert Althaver says to be sure to give Cristiano credit, the deal never would have happened without him.

Cass City is still in the running for a large scale milk processing plant. If that comes to pass during Cristiano's tenure, he will have earned his near-top area salary.

Perhaps even a bonus.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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First the passenger pigeon, then the buffalo, and now the most adaptive species of all have nearly disappeared. I'm talking about door-to-door salesmen. It's been years since I've seen one of those guys, and I've kind of started to miss them.

We used to get a lot of visits from certain religious groups, too, but my wife put a stop to that. Connie's interest in religion prompts her to argue various points of theology, trying to convince the caller his or her theories are ill-founded.

These folks quit coming. Their church figured there was no use sending out the faithful only to have them return as Methodists.

I tend to sympathize with religious groups, but my style with door-to-door salesmen is best described as "politely abusive." A visit from two book salesmen years ago is a good example.

My son was about 10 years old at the time, and he answered the door. The salesmen seemed surprised to find a man home in the middle of the day and offered to return later when Mrs. Pond was here.

"Oh, no that's O.K. You can talk to me," I said.

"Well, we have these new learning guides that everyone is getting for their elementary students," he explained. "Usually the fathers ask us to talk to the Mrs. about it."

"I think I can handle it. Tell me about it," I said.

The salesman glanced at his partner and began his pitch. He knew our children's names, which grades they were in, and all of our neighbors. These boys had asked a lot of ques-

tions down the road.

"I'm from Georgia," the salesman said. "I'll bet you could tell that by my accent. Have you ever been to Georgia?"

"Nope," I said.

"Well, have you ever been in the East?" he probed.

"We're from Ohio," I said.

"Oh, great! I was born in Erie, Pennsylvania. Isn't that something?" he said.

"That's nice," I replied.

The salesman looked at his partner. The partner had moved closer to the door.

"We have these learning guides that everyone is getting for their kids," he repeated. "They are really helpful for reports and learning how to do math problems and everything. Where do your kids get information for their reports?"

"At the library," I said.

"Well, these are nice learning guides. One is all about science, and the other is math in the front, and the back half is a Bible." (That seemed odd to me, but I let him go.)

"Your friend, Craig Wolfe, liked the way the math book explains the problem and then gives the answer. What do you like most about these learning guides?" he pleaded.

"I think we'll continue to get our information at the library," I finished him off.

With that the salesman folded his books, smiled nervously at his partner, and both ran for the door.

As they drove down the driveway, I turned to my son and said, "Let that be a lesson to you, Russ. Get yourself an education, so you won't have to sell books door-to-door."

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5-Day Local Forecast

Wednesday
Mostly Sunny
High: 33 Low: 26
Thursday
Cloudy
High: 34 Low: 25
Friday
Snow Possible
High: 35 Low: 28
Saturday
Snow Possible
High: 32 Low: 24
Sunday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 30 Low: 21

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 33°, humidity of 86% and an overnight low of 26°. The record high temperature for today is 47° set in 1957. The record low is -8° set in 1951. Thursday, skies will be cloudy with a slight chance of snow, high temperature of 34°, humidity of 93% and an overnight low of 25°.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Friday	34	10	33/21	0.00"
Saturday	27	14	32/21	0.00"
Sunday	27	21	32/20	0.00"
Monday	27	18	32/20	0.00"
Tuesday	30	18	31/20	0.00"
Wednesday	34	30	31/20	0.00"
Thursday	36	23	31/19	0.00"

Upcoming Moon Phases

Last New First Full
12/31 1/8 1/15 1/22

Sunrise/Sunset Times

Sunrise today 8:04 a.m.
Sunset tonight 5:02 p.m.

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“The Maroon and White”

by Lauren Hudson

There once was a merry valley nestled in between the mountains. In this valley there was a snowman. This wasn't a "Frosty" type snowman; instead, the magic hat was a sombrero and the snowman was a door deco-

Artist survey scheduled in Huron County

The Huron County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) is conducting an artist survey in its effort to support the region's creative industries.

"This is a continuation of our work to support the creative industries in the upper Thumb area," said Carl Osentoski, executive director of the Huron County EDC.

"We conducted a similar survey in 2004 that we used for some of our past efforts. With this survey, we hope to understand the issues faced by our creative industries and work to address them," he explained.

The latest survey is targeting those who sell their artwork commercially, while the previous survey focused on local, Huron County artists, according to Osentoski.

"With the completion of the 'Art Trail' brochure, we have expanded to 4 counties - Huron, Sanilac, Tuscola and Lapeer," he said. "We will be working with artists and the Lapeer Development Corporation, Sanilac Economic Alliance and Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation to continue to build the creative economy in the region."

Those artists who do not receive a survey are invited to contact the Huron County EDC to be included.

"We have made every effort to include all our artists, but we don't have an all inclusive list," Osentoski said. "If someone is interested in being included in the survey, please contact our office. We hope to use the information from the surveys for possible future grants and to design business support activities for the creative economy."

More information is available by contacting Osentoski at (989) 269-6431, by e-mailing him at carl@huroncounty.com (type art survey in the subject line).

ration for the Spanish classroom.

The students and teachers at Cass City High School were involved in a much-appreciated activity last week. The student council proposed a door decorating competition that would involve first hour classes only. The decorating was to begin Monday, first hour, and end Thursday, first hour. The judging would be during second hour.

The students were to decorate the door in the meantime and could work at it any time, as long as it didn't interrupt school.

Students in the drawing and painting class (kind of like an advanced art class) knew very well to stay after school to work on their doors. On the front door a team of students worked and came up with a blizzard scene and a real Christmas tree, complete with wrapped presents! The second group worked on the other door. The back door isn't used much as an entrance. They created a 3-dimensional snowman.

Mrs. Judy Hoelzle, the art, life skills, and performance English teacher, was proud of the achievement of first place.

"I thought it was a good project...it brought them (the students) together...they had an idea in the beginning, but had to change it (because of lack of supplies). There was an air of excitement, she said. "The competition was a good idea to get students involved in the school and have school spirit - well at least they had a class spirit!"

The entire class worked on the door. It would be very interesting in a creative, artsy type competition if the Spanish class won. The Spanish class did receive second place, which is very good considering the door wasn't even remotely finished until Thursday morning.

The group that worked on the door created a snow scene with a piñata and a sombrero snowman.

"I thought it was a good idea. It brought a festive atmosphere to the school," Mr. Chris Collins said of his hard-working students. The entire door decorating processes was completely student-led. He is very proud of his students.

One note for the third place winner—the first-hour tech students did a gingerbread house and family scene. The decoration was very cute and creative.

New Year's sing on tap Monday

Everyone is invited to attend a New Year's Gospel music tradition now celebrating more than 40 years in Cass City.

The 41st annual New Year's Eve Gospel Sing will get underway at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at Cass City High School. The event is free, but a free-will offering will be taken and refreshments will be served at intermission.

"This is an opportunity to welcome in the new year with Christian friends enjoying great Gospel music by some of Michigan's finest artists," said longtime event organizer Arthur Severeance.

As always, the featured group will be "Michigan's Goodwill Ambassadors", the Burton-based Calvarymen Quartet, whose traditional Gospel sound is a perennial favorite in Cass City. Although the members' faces have changed over the years, the group's faithfulness to the local gathering has never waned - the Calvarymen appeared at the first New Year's Eve Sing and have returned every year since.

The Calvarymen have represented Michigan many times at the National Quartet Convention in Louisville, Ky., and have been featured guests on the Gospel Music Television satellite network. From close harmony to acappella to traditional southern Gospel, the group today is continuing a legacy dating back to 1956.

Also returning to this year's concert are the Gospelmens of Mt. Morris. The program will also feature Sammons and Co. from Wyandotte and the Grimshaws from Vassar.

The New Year's Eve Sing was organized by the Cass City Laymen's Club, a small group of area men dedicated to serving God as laymen. Although no longer active, a handful of club members continue to organize the annual gospel program in an effort to offer the community an alternative to traditional New Year's celebrations.

The program typically costs about \$2,000 annually, most of which is covered by free-will offerings. Attendance averaged around 400 people the first few years, with those numbers climbing to 800 or more people in recent years.

Several appear on charges last week

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

•David R. Field, 23, Cass City, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail and 18 months probation for his plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance on school property May 21 in Cass City.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$820.

•Daniel J. McNeil, 29, Clifford, was sentenced to 60 days in jail and 12 months probation for his pleas of guilty to interfering with electronic communications and domestic violence Aug. 5 in Koylton Township.

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

•Kristine L. Steepe, 42, Millington, received a one-year delayed sentence for her plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance March 1 in Millington.

She was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$370.

•Jennifer L. Sayles, 41, Millington, was sentenced to 300 days in jail and 24 months probation for her plea of no contest to breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny April 23 in Vassar Township. She was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, Sayles was ordered to pay \$120 in costs and fines.

•Shane P. Mohr, 18, Millington, pleaded no contest to charges of larceny from a motor vehicle and receiving and concealing stolen property valued at less than \$200 Aug. 17 in Millington Township.

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

•Pete B. Schmitzer Jr., 21, Clio, pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor Sept. 30 in Indianfields Township.

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

•Audrea L. Jackson, 21, Akron, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, second offense, Sept. 12 in Akron.

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

•Mark A. Helmbold, 17, pleaded guilty to unlawful use of a motor vehicle Oct. 17 in Arbela Township.

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

•Joseph C. Benjamin II, 37, Fairgrove, was sentenced to 90 days in jail (60 days deferred) and 12 months probation for his plea of guilty to fleeing a police officer Aug. 7 in Juniata and Denmark townships.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,620.

•Steven C. Litwiski, 54, Millington, was sentenced to 260 days in jail and 36 months probation of his plea of no contest to aggravated stalking between 2003 and June 2006 in Millington Township.

•Deana K. Welch, 48, Frederic, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with work release, and 36 months probation for her plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle with an occupant under the age of 16 years, subsequent offense, April 27 in Columbia Township.

She was also ordered to pay \$1,120 in costs and fines.

•Kevin E. Ewald, 24, Unionville, was sentenced to 90 days in jail and 24 months probation for his pleas of no contest to assaulting a police officer and domestic violence July 16 in Wisner Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$365.

•Ellen L. Stadler, 30, Silverwood, was sentenced to 90 days in jail and 12 months probation for her plea of guilty to malicious destruction of property totaling \$1,000 to \$20,000 Aug. 3 in Kingston Township.

She was also ordered to pay \$1,020 in costs and fines plus restitution of \$1,375.

•Dean F. Revesz, 48, Richville, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to absconding or forfeiting bond July 5, 2006, in Caro.

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



“The Taste of Ink”

by Becca Troop

There are many Christmas stories told throughout the world. The ones that may stick with you the most are the heart wrenching tragedies that always seem to work out in the end.

Scrooge is a timeless classic that my mother and I watch every Christmas. It tells the story of an old, bitter man who is rich with money, yet poor in life. He goes day to day by collecting debts that people owe him, treating his employees as poorly as possible, and refusing to donate money to charities in need.

On the eve of Christmas, Scrooge is visited by a ghostly friend who informs him that he will be visited later that night by 3 more ghosts; the ghosts of the past, present, and future.

The ghost of the past shows viewers a side of Scrooge almost unimaginable, for he is so full of energy and lives life to the fullest. This ghost also shows the events that lead up to why Scrooge is so angry with life and all people around him. The ghost of the present shows him what people really think of him and everything that he is missing out on. The ghost that most affects Scrooge though, is the ghost of the future. The future for Scrooge is not one that is even remotely close to what he might have thought. Therefore, he is scared into changing his ways and truly begins to understand the meaning of Christmas.

The story of Scrooge is sure to be told and seen each year as time moves on, but stories are not only visual, but also vocal. A country song that has been sung by many people and loved by most in each version is "Christmas Shoes".

This song starts out with a man

standing in a line, not really in the Christmas mood, waiting to pay for his gifts. In front of him is a young boy who is ragged and dirty holding a pair of shoes in his hands. As this little boy comes to the counter, the man is surprised to hear the words that come out of his mouth. The little boy explains to the cashier that he would like to buy a pair of shoes for his mother this Christmas. His mother has been sick for quite a while and he knows these shoes will make her smile. He lays the small amount of money he has on the counter and the clerk announces that it's not enough to pay for the shoes.

As he hears this, the boy turns to the man behind him who has been watching intently and pleads for him to understand. This man gives the boy the money he needs and in return he truly sees the spirit of Christmas in that whole moment.

The true meaning of Christmas is a concept that can take someone their whole life to understand, but once it happens it's one of the most significant experiences that life can offer. Christmas is a religious holiday in which families come together, not for gifts, but to celebrate life and love to each other. It's more of a feeling that you get rather than something you can explain to anyone.

So, while the Christmas season has passed, these stories still linger in the air and the time spent with loved ones still shines brightly in our hearts. Don't let the gift that Christmas delivers each year be forgotten by the New Year. Memories can be all we have to get us through life, and there's always more to look forward to as the years go by.

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PRESENTED WITH the December Red Hawk Award of Excellence awards last week were (from left) seventh grade student Shannon Bardwell, sophomore Emily Martin and fourth grade student Carley Stone.

Bardwell, Martin and Stone earn the top Red Hawk award

The Cass City Board of Education last week honored the December recipients of the coveted Red Hawk Award of Excellence.

Each year, during the months of October, December, February and April, each school building staff is asked to nominate students for the award, which is presented to recognize students for leadership, service, outstanding behavior, excellent academic performance, most improved or other accomplishments in or outside of school.

School board members personally congratulate the winners, who receive a certificate and maroon ribbon.

The December award winners include sophomore Emily Martin, daughter of Kenneth and Roselyn Martin.

"Throughout her school career, Emily has (worked) to be punctual, responsible, credible and a role model for others to follow," a nomination letter from the staff states. "When asked why she is such a 'good' kid,

Emily is quick to point out that it is a result of being brought up to be a hard worker."

Martin told the staff that a student who wants to win the Red Hawk Award needs to realize that it is not enough to do what is asked of you; you need to do your best and go above and beyond.

"This attitude is what makes Emily the high school Red Hawk Award winner," the staff wrote. "(She) is a student who the office staff, teachers and students can count on when there is a time of need."

The middle school award winner is Shannon Bardwell, a seventh grade student and the daughter of Thomas and Karla Bardwell.

"Shannon consistently demonstrates the personal, social and academic attributes associated with a student of excellence. She is a positive leader and role model in the classrooms and hallways of Cass City Middle School," the staff said of Bardwell.

"Shannon displays respect, respon-

sibility, caring and honesty on a daily basis. (Her) positive attitude and friendly demeanor create a level of mutual respect between Shannon and other students. She is never rude, disrespectful or disruptive in any way.

"Shannon turns her assignments in on time and works hard to achieve academic success," the staff added. "She is not only a responsible student, she is also a responsible member of the student council. She (also) cares a great deal for her fellow students, volunteering to work with students who are struggling."

Representing Campbell Elementary School is fourth grade student Carley Stone, daughter of Steve and Amy Stone.

"Carley is a delightful student. She works hard and always strives to do her best. When things are challenging, she seeks to work through the problem without becoming discouraged," said teacher Yvonne Sherman. "I know I can depend on Carley to complete any assigned task within the classroom as well."

"A quick smile and friendly disposition are the first traits that come to mind when I think of Carley," Sherman said. "It is an honor to have (her) in my room and I feel she is highly deserving of this award."

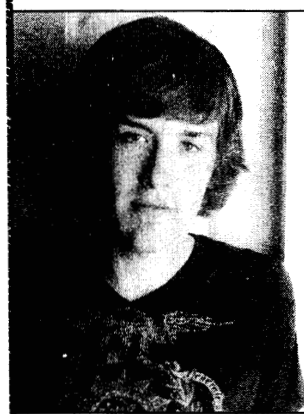
Neal has been a member of the Owen-Gage football team throughout his high school years, and he played basketball during his freshman and sophomore years. He also has been a member of the Owen-Gage High School bands, including the pep band and marching band. He currently is vice president of the band and serves as an assistant to the band director.

As a sophomore, Neal participated in the school play. He served as a teacher's aide in his junior year and was also a junior class "snowball" celebration representative. This past fall he was among the seniors nominated for homecoming king.

Neal is the son of Denny and Liz Robinson of Owendale and Jim and Sharon Neal of Pigeon. Following graduation, he plans to attend college to pursue a career in landscaping.

Neal named O-G "student of month"

Tim Neal has been named the Owen-Gage School District's "Student of the Month" for December.



Tim Neal

Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, December 27

AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-4816.

There will be no senior lunch at Shabbona United Methodist Church this month.

Friday, December 28

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

Tuesday, January 1

Heartland Hospice Grief Group meeting has been re-scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 8 at Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

Wednesday, January 2

The Fraser Presbyterian Church will not be having its dinner.

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



5 YEARS AGO

Winners of the sixth annual Innovations in Elder Care - A Michigan Challenge awards were recently honored at the state Capitol by state Reps. Tom Meyer and Judie Scranton, co-chairs of the competition. The Mature Minglers Senior Center in Bloomfield Hills won The Innovator Award; Wal-Mart Supercenter in Howell took The Pioneer Award; and The Human Development Commission in Caro took home the Helping Hands Award in the House Republican-sponsored recognition program. "I congratulate each of the winners on their accomplishments for helping Michigan families with elder-care needs," said Meyer, R-Bad Axe. "Recognition through the elder-care awards is well-deserved appreciation for the efforts taken by these community leaders."

When Coach Beth Howard's Cass City volleyball squad opens its 2002-03 campaign tonight in Vassar, she hopes to witness at work what she believes is her most talented - and promising - team during her 6 years as leader of the Hawk program. And why shouldn't she? Cass City returns 6 letter winners from last year's unit that finished with a 26-13-6 overall record, which included a league mark of 11-2-1. "We only lost one key player and we have 6 strong players returning. We'll have more depth this year, these girls have played together and know each other's strengths," stressed Coach Howard. Despite losing Sara Homakie, a first team all conference selection that provided a good share of Cass City's offense around the net, the Hawks should be powerful near center court. "We have 4 girls just under 6' which should be to our advantage at the net," said Howard.

Oranges and other citrus fruits are great sources of vitamin C. The average, medium-sized orange, weighing about 4.5 ounces, contains about 70 milligrams of vitamin C. That's very close to the 75 milligrams a day that the National Academy of Sciences recommends for women and the 90 milligrams recommended for men.

10 YEARS AGO

A Cass City High School graduate will be marching at this year's Rose Bowl festivities. Leana Edwards, daughter of Linda Edwards of Cass City and the late Ralph Edwards, will be marching and performing in the parade, pre-game and half-time shows as a member of the University of Michigan Marching Band. Other scheduled performances include stops at Disneyland and various concerts in the Pasadena, Calif., area. Also planning to attend are her mother and grandmother Jackie

Freiburger of Cass City. Edwards, a member of the U-M band's flag line, designed the rank tee shirts and flag that will be used in the performances. The familiar M logo is the focal point of Edwards' design, with a variegated wave background and regulation rose emblem. This will be Edwards' third bowl trip. As a senior drum major in the Cass City High School band, she performed in the Citrus Bowl, and participated in last year's Outback Bowl as a sophomore at U-M.

The Cass City Rotary Club has been involved in 2 "Womenless Weddings" as club fund raisers, but the play in Cass City didn't originate with the club. Submitted to the Chronicle was a copy of the play cast for "Womenless Wedding" presented in 1929 by the PTA. Funds raised were used to purchase school playground equipment. It was a true community endeavor. The cast included 69 men from the community and included practically all of the business leaders of the era, including the presidents of both banks, Fred Pinney and Meredith Auten. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Adding oil or spice to the diets of chicks may help stave off intestinal parasites that cause avian coccidiosis, according to USDA researchers. Coccidiosis causes lesions on the intestines of chicks, causing them to grow slower or possibly die. It costs the poultry industry \$350 million annually in losses and medication expense. Oils and spices trigger a natural biochemical response in chicks called oxidative stress, which helps eliminate the lesions.

25 YEARS AGO

When the Indian Trails bus stopped in front of the Eat Shop on Main Street at about 12:40 Monday afternoon and a lone passenger got on, it marked an historic moment for an unfortunate reason. It was the last intercity bus to come to Cass City and to the upper Thumb. The Eat Shop was the local stop. Based on minimal usage by passengers and for package delivery, said David Hetfield, director of traffic for the Owosso-based bus line, "We should have discontinued service based on revenue a number of years ago." The run began in Saginaw and made stops in Reese, Caro, Sebawaing, Harbor Beach, Port Austin, Bad Axe, Cass City and Marlette on its way to Imlay City, where it terminated. The trip was made only on Mondays. Until last May, the bus also ran on Fridays. Hetfield said some Mondays, no one rode the bus and it carried very little freight. Discontinuation of the service means the nearest place to catch an Indian Trails bus will be in Saginaw, Bay City or Port Huron, all of which

have daily service.

The president who served the shortest time in office was W.H. Harrison, who only served one month in 1841. Mike Shaft has sold Bigelow Hardware to the Gerald Stilsons. The Stilsons have been in and out of many businesses in the Thumb over the years and been successful in them all. Jerry is the manager of Wesley's Creamery and will continue in his present position. The Shafts were here briefly as owners and Mike decided that a business career was not for him. He wants to get back into education and has moved to his hometown, Williamston. Mike was a fun person and we're sorry to have him go. We wish him well. (From Rabbit Tracks)

35 YEARS AGO

One thousand dollars has been given to the park expansion program as a gift of Pinney State Bank, it was revealed Tuesday night at the regular council meeting. In a letter written to the council, President Frederick Pinney stated that the gift was the bank's acknowledgment and approval of the park development undertaken by the council.

A former Cass City resident, Phillip McComb, was recently named senior citizen of the year in Birch Run where he now lives. The Chronicle hoped to have a picture of the award winner but unfortunately the photo submitted was unsuitable for printing. The picture was a Polaroid in color. That's one of the worst possible combinations for newspapers that are printing black and white. The temptation is to say that none will reproduce. But that's not true. A few will, most won't. You take one heck of a chance when you submit any color photo for reproduction. A black and white glossy print is best and will make us both happy with the results when they appear in the paper. (From Rabbit Tracks)

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6538 Third St., Cass City, MI 48726
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Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
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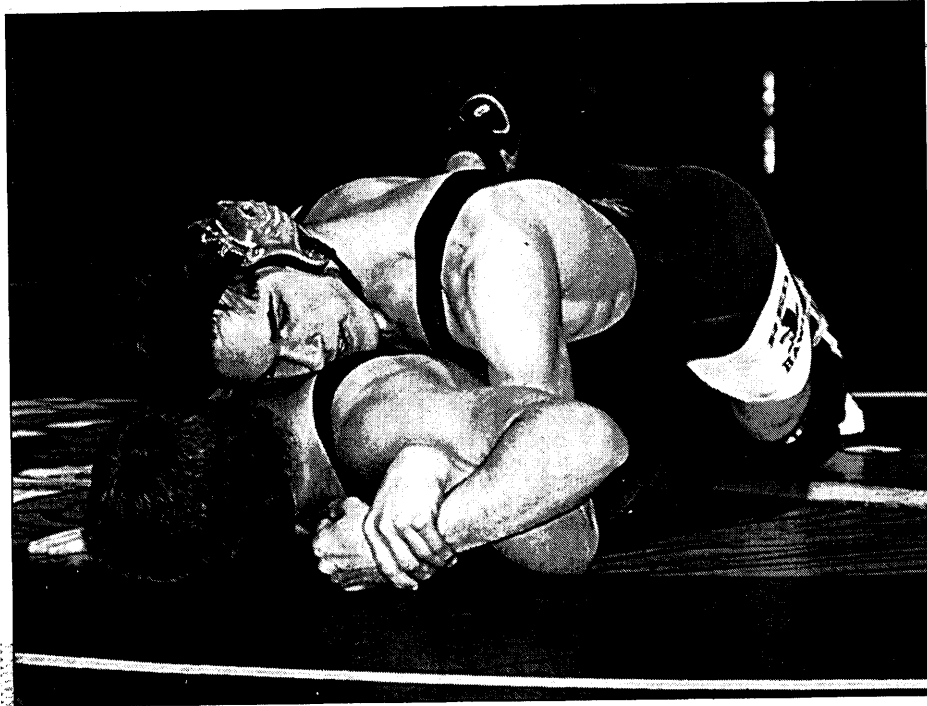
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CASS CITY grappler Kevven Dorland (top) gains control against a Sanford-Meridian foe. Dorland was one of 4 Red Hawks that posted double wins in the non-conference match hosted by Caro.

Hawk grapplers trade decisions

Cass City closed out its 2007 wrestling schedule Wednesday night in Caro, where coach Don Markel's grapplers split decisions with Sanford-Meridian and the host Tigers. The Red Hawks, 10-8 on the year in dual meets, edged Sanford-Meridian, 41-38, to open the non-conference affair before falling to perennial Tri-Valley East power Caro, 42-33. Markel was pleased with the effort put forth by his young Red Hawks in

the team's final outing before Christmas, but also knows there is still room for improvement. "We competed against 2 teams that voided a number of weight classes. It was nice to get the win against Sanford-Meridian, but we need to start wrestling a little smarter as the season progresses. Some of the experienced wrestlers made some mistakes that cost them some matches. Hopefully we will come out of the

Christmas break having improved on some of our techniques and eliminate some of those mistakes," he said. Leading the charge for the Red Hawks were double winners Jon Crouch (103), Cody Crouch (112), Kevven Dorland (130/135) and Chris Wingett (171/189). Cass City is now off until the first Saturday of 2008 when they travel to compete at the North Branch Invitational.

Sorenson leads Hawk gymnasts

Veteran Caitlin Sorenson recorded 2 first place showings to highlight the way for the Cass City gymnastic team


Thursday against visiting Vassar. The Red Hawk senior opened her final season with a pair of regional

qualifying scores that led to top finishes in both the vault and bars competition.

Despite Sorenson's efforts, Coach Kathy Bouverette's Red Hawks suffered a lopsided 124-65 - 81.80 defeat, as no other of the host gymnasts finished with scores falling into the top 6 places. "We're in a rebuilding year," Bouverette said. "The girls are getting better every day and we still have 5 meets left. They are a great group of girls and it's fun to be around them."

Sorenson captured the vault with a score of 8.6 and then added the bars title with a score of 8.1. On the beam, Cass City's best showing was awarded to Mandy Stall with a score of 4.9, while Lindsay Bliss recorded the team's highest score on the floor routine with a mark of 6.4. Cass City's next meet is scheduled for Jan. 15 in Vassar.

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RESPECT

Cass City posts quality win over Lakers

The Cass City boys' basketball team gained a little respect Friday in Pigeon where the Red Hawks earned their third straight win.

Unlike Wednesday's non-conference victory over a not-so-good John Glenn team, however, the Red Hawks' Greater Thumb West opener featured a Laker squad that came into the contest with a lofty 4-1 mark.

Despite their early season success and the advantages of home court, Cass City outscored their GTW rival in each quarter to post the 48-41 decision, improving to 4-3 overall and 1-0 in league play.

Although the victory puts the Red Hawks on top of the GTW standings entering 2008, it's not until then that the Red Hawks will find out if they have what it takes to challenge for the GTW crown.

After a non-conference tune-up at Deckerville this Friday, Coach Aaron Fernald's cagers face Unionville-Sebewaing and Reese, both undefeated, to start play in the New Year.

If Cass City hopes to knock-off either the Patriots or Rockets, defense will play a key roll. The Hawks would also benefit from another offensive outbreak from Austin Babich, who tallied 16 points in the opening half against the Lakers.

The junior guard started his scoring binge at the 3-minute mark of the initial period when his 10' jumper knotted the score at 6-6 in the low scoring affair. Babich, a 2-year starter, would add the Red Hawks' final 7 points of the frame that ended with the visitors clinging to an 11-10 edge, after trailing for most of the period.

Babich converted an old-fashioned 3-point play to bring the Hawks to within 10-9 with just over a minute remaining and then gave the Hawks their first lead of the night when he swiped an errant Laker pass and converted a coast-to-coast lay in.

The Lakers would fight back and go back on top 14-11 on baskets from Don Schember and Anthony Goins early in the second quarter, but once again Babich had the answer for the winners.

Babich hit his only triple, with 5 minutes till the intermission, to bring Cass City even with the Lakers at 14-all. Babich then added baskets on a fast

break lay in and a mid range jumper to help build Cass City's margin to 22-18 at the break.

The Red Hawks extended the gap to 26-20 as Chris Childs hit a pair of jumpers at the left elbow to open the final half. The Hawks also used a pair of treys, including one as the buzzer sounded, from Chris Binder to remain in charge, 36-31, entering the contest's final 8 minutes.

Chris Summersett took over for the Hawks down the stretch with 8

points, including a perfect showing at the foul line in 4 trips, to preserve the win.

Summersett, who had a team-high 10 rebounds, gave Cass City a 40-33 edge with an offensive rebound put back with just over 3 minutes remaining, a margin that proved too great for the Lakers.

Babich and Summersett split 32 points to lead Cass City. D'Andre Cook had 13 tallies to pace the Lakers.



CASS CITY'S Cole Miller draws the attention of the Laker defense in Friday's Greater Thumb West opener. The Red Hawks earned a 48-41 victory.

Defense keys Hawk win

Cass City captured its first road win of the season last Wednesday at John Glenn, where the visiting Red Hawk defense keyed the non-conference victory. Coach Aaron Fernald's boys' basketball squad jumped out to an early lead and never looked back to post a 44-29 decision.

The Red Hawk defense, which has surrendered an average of less than 48 points per outing, eliminated the hosts' inside attack from the opening whistle and gained a 9-6 edge entering the second quarter. John Glenn's only points in the initial frame were recorded on solo shots from behind the 3-point arc from Jordan Snider and Charles Baumer.

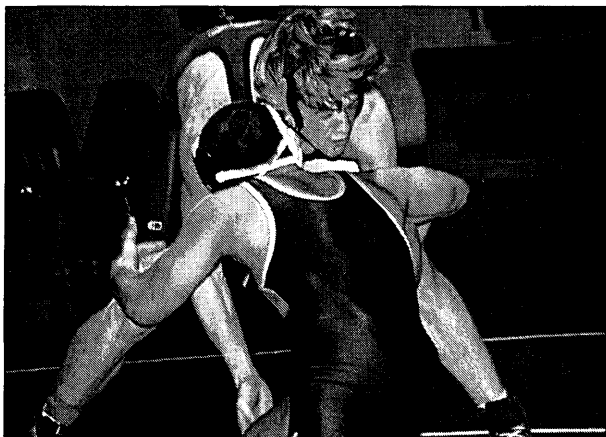
John Glenn continued with its perimeter attack over the next 2 frames, allowing Cass City to slowly increase its margin. The Red Hawks led 22-15

at the intermission and 36-23 entering the final stanza.

While John Glenn was content to settle for the long-range jumpers, Cass City pounded the ball inside and junior Chris Summersett responded with 12 points through 3 quarters. Summersett's height advantage forced the hosts to send the Red Hawk center to the foul line where he connected on 6 of 7 tosses. On the night, Cass City was 12 of 21 at the stripe while John Glenn made just 1 of 5 freebies.

Matching Summersett in double figures for Cass City was senior Shane Bloomfield with a dozen markers while Austin Babich added 9.

Snider, who hit for 3 treys, recorded game scoring honors for John Glenn with 13 tallies.



RED HAWK Bryan Burk (standing) battles a Sanford-Meridian opponent in Wednesday's double dual meet in Caro.

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Kingston topples NCTL Bulldogs

Visiting Kingston controlled the boards to win a hard fought game Thursday at Owen-Gage, while leading all the way to register a 45-40 decision.

It's a credit to the Bulldog girls that they stayed in the game, after a dismal opening in which they failed to score until there was just over 3 minutes left in the first quarter. The Cards were also off to a slow start but grabbed enough rebounds for easier shots to jump off to an 11-0 lead.

Kingston never gave up the lead, despite a couple of runs by O-G that used the skills of senior April Nowaczyk and the floor work of Amanda Faist to lead both the offense and defense.

The Kingston defense allowed very few second shots as the Cards, led by senior Emily Kolacz and sophomore Abby Brzezinski, swept the boards clean.

At various points in the game the Cardinals threatened to put the game away, but each time the Bulldogs rallied to stay in contention.

Kingston ran up a lead that stretched to as much as 14 points and O-G trailed at the half, 23-13. The Cards stayed comfortably ahead most of the second half and coach Dave Lester had his team switch to a control ball offense midway through the last quarter.

That didn't work well and the Bulldogs took advantage to slice the lead at the end to within 5 points.

Kolacz was the stopper for Kingston as she stymied Owen-Gage rallies with a basket at a critical moment or a defensive rebound. When Kolacz was temporarily stopped, Brzezinski took over and the Cards stayed in control.

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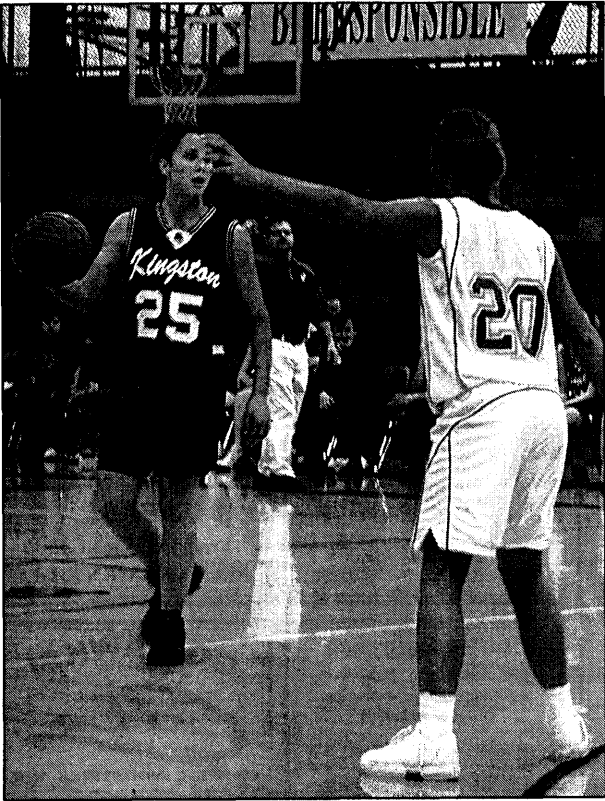
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MADDIE DOOLEY challenges the Laker defense in a rare Saturday game. Closely checking the Hawks' leading scorer is Megan Schaper (number 30).



FRESHMAN Whitney Fox handles the ball at the point and is challenged by Senior April Nowaczyk. Nowaczyk was a force on offense and defense for Owen-Gage.

Lakers deliver Cass City opening GTW setback

The Lakers stamped themselves as one of the teams to beat in the race for the Greater Thumb West conference crown as the Green and White opened conference competition Saturday with a 55-43 decision over the Cass City Red Hawks.

The 2 teams battled on an even basis in the first quarter. Cass City's Megan Zawilinski notched 5 points, Jennica Richards added a trey and Maddie Dooley converted a hoop and 2 free throws and the Hawks had 13 points in the first 8 minutes. The Lakers answered with 14 points on balanced scoring.

The next 2 quarters decided the issue. The Hawks scored just 6 points in the second and 10 points in the

third.

In the second the Lakers were led by Kaycee Damm with 6 points and by Shelby Pietruck with a pair of hoops to move in front, 28-19, at the intermission.

A big third quarter settled the issue. Ashley Hatfield netted 6 points, Chelsea Dubey had 5 points and Stephanie Maxwell hit a trey and a regular hoop. When the fireworks ended the 19-points scored pushed the Lakers in front, 47-29.

Coach Lloyd Schinnerer said that he had no problems with the team and said they practiced and played hard. The team showed spirit in the last quarter. Although the game was decided, they did not throw in the towel

and outscored the Lakers, 14-8.

Dooley was the top scorer in the game with 18 points. In double figures for the Lakers were Damm, 15, and Dubey, 11.

CASS CITY - Richards 1-1 (2-2) 7; VanVliet 1-0 (4-8) 6; Zawilinski 1-1 (0-0) 5; Rabideau 2-0 (0-2) 4; Kappen 0-0 (2-2) 2; Bennett 0-0 (1-4) 1; Dooley 5-0 (8-9) 18.

TOTALS - 10-2 (17-28) 43.

LAKERS - Dubey 4-0 (3-4) 11; Pietruck 3-0 (0-0) 6; Maxwell 2-1 (0-0) 7; Kohr 2-0 (0-0) 4; Hatfield 3-0 (2-3) 8; Ritter 1-0 (0-0) 2; Schaper 1-0 (0-0) 2; Damm 5-1 (2-2) 15.

TOTALS - 21-2 (7-11) 55.



Lady Bulldog cagers

OWEN-GAGE JUNIOR VARSITY, first row: Christy Fields, Kelsey Quick, Shonna Elliott, Christin Harris. Second row: Coach Brian Wright, Tiffany Elliott, Lauren Mandich, Ashley Rockefeller. Missing is Holly Error and Megan McClaren.

Hawks rally to defeat Hatchets

The Cass City Red Hawks have lost a pair of close games, falling to Mayville by 3 points and losing to Marlette in overtime, and were determined to avoid another close loss Tuesday, this time to visiting Bad Axe.

The Hawk girls were successful, but for much of the game they trailed the Hatchets and it took a last quarter rally to chalk up a 31-30 win.

Cass City started fast before a quarter-long shooting slump enabled Bad Axe to jump in front at the intermission, 14-11.

The Hawks edged in front in the first quarter as Megan VanVliet netted a pair and Maddie Dooley added 3 points to show the way.

The second period was a near disaster for Cass City. A basket by VanVliet was the only point chalked up by the Hawks. The Hatchets took advantage of the shooting slump and connected for 4 buckets, 3 by Connor Marsh.

The Hatchets stretched their half time lead to 5 points going into the final 8 minutes. Considering the low scoring totals by both teams, overcoming a 5-point margin required a turnaround in the offense. Cass City provided it with 14 points. Coach Lloyd Schinnerer said that good pressure by the Hawks (defense) combined with scoring by Jennica Richards with 5 of her 8 points and Maddie Dooley with 6 of her 11 points led the way. Dooley and Lauren Bennett each grabbed 7 rebounds. Richards also was credited with 5 assists and 3 steals. Cass City hit just 13 of 56 shot attempts.

CASS CITY - Richards 1-2 (0-0) 8; VanVliet 3-0 (0-0) 6; Zawilinski 0-0 (1-2) 1; Rabideau 1-1 (0-0) 5; Dooley 5-0 (1-3) 11.

TOTALS - 10-3 (2-5) 31.

BAD AXE - Morneau 2-0 (0-0) 4; Schenk 1-0 (0-0) 2; Wichert 2-0 (0-0) 4; Craig 3-0 (0-0) 6; Braun 2-0 (0-0) 4; Breault 2-0 (0-1) 4; Marsh 3-0 (0-0) 6.

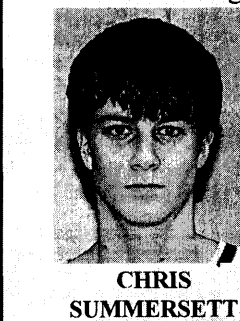
TOTALS - 15-0 (0-1) 30.

Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

Cass City junior Chris Summersett is this week's recipient of Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week honor.

The lanky Red Hawk center helped his team to their third straight win Friday against Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port where he recorded his first career double double.

Summersett netted 16 points and added 10 rebounds in his opening Greater Thumb West outing as Cass City improved to 4-3 overall and 1-0 in conference play.



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Sheriff Kern: Beware of scams

'Tis the season...for scams, according to Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern, who is urging residents to beware.

"I need the public to be aware of the 2 most recent scams going on in the area at this time. People are receiving calls from persons that state they are from the IRS and they have a tax refund coming and need a bank account number," Kern said. "Hang up on these people before they get the last word out of their mouth."

In the second scam, the sheriff continued, residents receive a letter from an attorney stating that he or she is representing a family that died in a car accident years ago and the attorney is searching for relatives to present with \$9 million. "The attorney states he is representing a person who has the same last name as the recipient of the letter."

"Remember, the most prolific scams are coming from Canada, Nigeria and the UK, and I can guarantee that anything that comes to you from any other country other than the USA is a scam," Kern added. "When in doubt, contact any police agency and have them check."

BOYS' HOOP STANDINGS

GREATER THUMB WEST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Reese	1	0	6	0
USA	1	0	5	0
Cass City	1	0	4	3
Lakers	0	1	5	2
BCAS	0	1	2	3
Bad Axe	0	1	0	5

GREATER THUMB EAST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Brown City	1	0	4	1
Harbor Beach	1	0	3	1
Marlette	1	0	3	2
Mayville	0	0	1	4
Sandusky	0	1	3	3
Deckerville	0	1	1	3
Ubyly	0	1	0	3

NCTL NORTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
North Huron	2	2	2	2
Owen-Gage	1	2	1	4
Akron-Fairgrove	1	3	1	3
Caseville	1	4	2	4
Port Hope	0	4	1	4

NCTL SOUTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
Peck	4	0	4	0
CPS	3	0	3	0
Memphis	3	1	3	2
Dryden	2	1	2	2
Kingston	2	2	2	2

GIRLS' HOOP STANDINGS

GREATER THUMB WEST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Reese	1	0	5	2
Lakers	1	0	5	3
BCAS	1	1	3	4
USA	1	1	3	5
Cass City	1	1	2	6
Bad Axe	0	2	0	7

GREATER THUMB EAST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Ubyly	2	0	5	1
Marlette	2	0	5	2
Harbor Beach	1	0	4	1
Sandusky	1	1	7	1
Mayville	0	1	2	5
Brown City	0	2	4	4
Deckerville	0	2	2	5

NCTL NORTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
Port Hope	4	2	5	2
Caseville	1	4	2	4
North Huron	1	4	1	4
Owen-Gage	1	4	1	5
Akron-Fairgrove	1	5	1	5

NCTL SOUTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
Memphis	6	0	6	2
Kingston	4	1	4	2
CPS	4	2	4	2
Dryden	4	2	4	2
Peck	2	4	2	4

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Cass City Red Hawks 2007-08 Boys' Varsity Basketball

Dec. 4	Vassar 41,	Cass City 37
Dec. 7	Mayville 44,	Cass City 82
Dec. 8	Almont 59,	Cass City 50
Dec. 12	Harbor Beach 67,	Cass City 58
Dec. 14	Yale 51,	Cass City 61
Dec. 19	John Glenn 29,	Cass City 44
Dec. 21	Lakers 41,	Cass City 48
Dec. 28	Deckerville	4:30 p.m.
Jan. 4	USA	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 9	Reese	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 11	BCAS	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 16	Deckerville	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 23	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 25	Lakers	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 30	Sandusky	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 1	USA	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 6	Reese	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 8	BCAS	5:00 p.m.
Feb. 19	Ubyly	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 21	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.

*Home games are in bold

Cass City Red Hawks 2007-08 Wrestling

Nov. 28	Imlay City	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 1	Cros-Lex Invite	8:30 a.m.
Dec. 5	Almont/Armada	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 8	Marlette Invite	8:00 p.m.
Dec. 12	Mayville	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 19	Caro/Meridian	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 5	N. Branch Invite	9:00 a.m.
Jan. 12	Port Huron Northern	9:00 a.m.
Jan. 16	Nouvel/Lakers	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 19	Mayville Invite	8:00 a.m.
Jan. 23	Marlette/Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 26	Marysville Invite	9:00 a.m.
Jan. 30	Mayville/Sandusky	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 2	Standish/Sterling Invite	9:00 a.m.
Feb. 9	League Tourney @ BC	TBA
Feb. 14	Team District	

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Boys' Basketball

Wednesday, January 9
Cass City vs. Harbor Beach
Friday, January 11
Cass City vs. BCAS

Girls' Basketball

Tuesday, January 8
Cass City vs. Reese
Thursday, January 10
Cass City vs. BCAS

Gymnastics
Thursday, February 13
Cass City vs. Freeland

Cass City Red Hawks 2007-08 Girls' Varsity Basketball

Nov. 27	Ubyly 59,	Cass City 40
Nov. 30	Brown City 50,	Cass City 28
Dec. 4	Sandusky 70,	Cass City 40
Dec. 6	Mayville 37,	Cass City 41
Dec. 7	Yale 50,	Cass City 39
Dec. 11	Harbor Beach, ppd.	
Dec. 13	Marlette 52,	Cass City 43
Dec. 18	Bad Axe 30,	Cass City 31
Dec. 22	Lakers 41,	Cass City 48
Jan. 3	USA	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 8	Reese	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 10	BCAS	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 15	Deckerville	5:00 p.m.
Jan. 22	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 24	Lakers	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 29	Frankenmuth	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 31	USA	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 5	Reese	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 7	BCAS	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 12	Deckerville	6:00 p.m.

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Dec. 20	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
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Eugene Orban

Eugene Orban, 89, of Grove City, Ohio, died Dec. 16, 2007. He was born in Courtland, Va., the son of Hungarian immigrants, Josef and Anna Orban. He married Marjorie Myerholtz in 1947. Orban lived in West Virginia before moving to Unionville in 1932. During World War II, he was a pilot in the U.S. Army Air Corps. They sponsored refugee families through Catholic Social Services. Orban worked as a farmer, and later operated a general store and coal business in North Morenci. After retirement, the couple moved to Prescott, Ariz., and then Albuquerque, New Mexico. Orban is survived by his wife, Marjorie; children: James, Mary, Susan, Thomas, Deborah, Rebecca, Cecelia, John, and Paul Orban, and Margaret Walker; 3 siblings: Lillian Duke, Louis Orban and Emily DeWolf. He was preceded in death by a grandson, James Clay Orban, in 2001; 5 brothers: Joseph, Frank, Charles, Robert and Steven Orban; and 3 sisters: Mary Vargo, Anna Penta, and Irene Franks. A private memorial service will be conducted at a later date.

Beatrice Randall

Beatrice S. Randall, 88, of Cass City, died Monday, Dec. 17, 2007 in St. Mary's Medical Center, Saginaw following a short illness. She was born Aug. 24, 1919 in Deford, the daughter of Charles and Margaret (Hunt) Tedford. She married Homer M. Randall June 8, 1938 in Deford. He died June 9, 1997. Randall retired from Walbro after 19 years of service. She and Homer lived in Roscommon for 21 years before moving back to Cass City. While there, she was a member of the Rebekah Lodge and was active in the local senior citizen programs, taking part in a band that entertained groups in the area. She was a member of Novesta Church of Christ. Randall is survived by her children: Janice Neal of Fairgrove, Art (Helen) Randall of Cass City, and Ron (Pat Konke) Randall of Pigeon; 7 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; 4 great great-grandchildren; a sister, Agnes Schultz of Caseville; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by 2 sons: infant, Gary M. Randall, Ed Garry H. Randall; a son-in-law, Ed

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ward Neal; brothers: Bill, Ike, and Lester Tedford; and sisters: Edith Gage, Maude Brock, Lena Barrons. Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 20, at Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City, with Chuck Emmert officiating. Interment will take place in the spring in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Memorials may be made to the Novesta Church of Christ or the Family Discretionary Fund. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Christine Tomlinson

Christine C. Tomlinson, 50, of

Gagetown, died Friday, Dec. 9, 2007. She was born Dec. 1, 1957 in Baltimore, Md., the daughter of George and Mitzi (Greenbeck) Tomlinson. Tomlinson is survived by her son, Thomas Lewis (Natalynn) Tomlinson II of Dry Fork, Va.; and a granddaughter. Memorial mass was celebrated at St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gagetown, with Father Steve Fillion and Sr. Dorothy Ann Blasko officiating. Memorials may be made to The National Lupus Foundation of America, Northwest Ohio Chapter. Arrangements were made by Gagetown Funeral Chapel, Gagetown.

State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) recently congratulated Michigan Sugar Company on being chosen to receive a \$300,000 USDA marketing grant to help the grower-owned cooperative expand its retail customer base. "Finding more markets for products made or grown in the Thumb must be a priority in order to stimulate local economic development and job creation, and Michigan Sugar is the perfect recipient of this type of investment," Brown said. "Enabling the cooperative to update its packaging and marketing will increase demand for what we already know is the best sugar around. By helping Michigan

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seasonal employees. Michigan Sugar generates a base economic impact of \$335 million spread out over 21 counties, according to the USDA. The cooperative's indirect economic impact to the state is approximately \$800 million. "Huron and Tuscola counties make a significant contribution to agriculture in Michigan, which is our state's second largest industry," said Brown, who is a member of the House Agriculture Committee. "I am glad to see a major agricultural enterprise in our area receiving government investment, and I will continue to fight for the interests of our agricultural community."

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PTO one year old

They may not have the advantage of numbers on their side — yet — but a small group of parents have made their mark on the Cass City School District since forming the Cass City Red Hawk PTO (parent-teacher organization) nearly a year ago.

And, thanks to a willingness to roll up their sleeves, they hope to accomplish even more in the future.

"Our first official meeting was Jan. 9. I must admit, it felt very promising with approximately 30 people (attending) the first 2 to 3 meetings, but since then (there's been) a gradual drop off to our dedicated 8 to 10," said Sloane Stimpfel, who spearheaded the organization of the PTO.

"I am not giving up any hope, though," Stimpfel added. "We continually are making great progress even if the amount of participants at the meetings is minimal. We still have a great deal of response and help when I e-mail the details of upcoming events."

"To-date, we have raised approximately \$3,500 and have done some good in the school, but plan on helping with much more," Stimpfel said. "The PTO has been doing a lot of little things to raise money and we're trying to find the things that work. It's just kind of hit and miss; if it works, we will do it again. If not, we try something else."

The group's activities over the past year have included a spaghetti dinner, scrapbooker's event, family movie night, eighth grade dinner, a cell phone raffle, book fair, concession stands, and "Lunch at the Christmas in December Craft Show."

Their efforts have paid off for bus-ing for the third grade field trip to Huckleberry Railroad, elementary Christmas program costumes, water bottles for the "Jump Rope for Heart" event, and reward treats for the SOAR (show respect, outstanding effort, always honest and respect) program.

The PTO also applied for and received a \$1,190 grant that will be used to bring back the "Science Alive" program to Campbell Elementary School next fall.

The group also plans to get involved in more movie nights, concessions for the Great Lakes Loons, a "Mom to Mom" sale, and possibly an elementary talent show. However, Stimpfel said the PTO will need more parents to get involved if all of the activities are going to become a reality.

"I am very grateful for all the people who have been very supportive and have dedicated a lot of their time to help the PTO become the success that it is, but I am hopeful...more people (will) help so we can do some of these bigger events," she said, adding anyone interested in getting involved is welcome to call her at (989) 872-4825, or contact her by e-mail at sloanes@localnet.com. The PTO's next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 7 at 7 p.m. at Rawson Memorial Library.

"It has been an exciting, busy and very educational year for me, personally, and I am proud of our accomplishments," Stimpfel said.

The PTO's efforts haven't gone unnoticed by school officials, who say the group's interest and assistance have been more than welcome.

"They've been very helpful to me. I've enjoyed working with Sloane and the other parents," commented Aaron Fernald, Campbell Elementary School principal. "I think they've done an outstanding job, and I think the teachers will tell you the same thing."

"It's not just that (financial assistance); they volunteer. You have a group of people you can go to for the different projects we do," Fernald added. "It's been a lot of support. It's nice to have a pool of resources to go to."

"My personal opinion — my professional opinion, too — is that they have been a godsend," agreed Cass City School Supt. Ron Wilson. "I'm really pleased with the help that they've provided, especially at the elementary level. They've done a really nice job."

"They helped out with the pumpkin decorating, they've helped out with both the middle school and elementary yearbooks, they've organized a used book sale. They've done a lot of good things, I think, and it's really appreciated. It's been nice to have them," Wilson said.

"I think that any time you can get parents involved in the school, it's a good thing."

CASS CITY ATTORNEY Amanda Roggenbuck is putting Christmas packages together to send to Thumb area servicemen overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan. She recently accepted a check for \$500 to assist in the effort from the United Sportsmen's Alliance (USA). Pictured above are (from left) USA Board members Dave Dunn of Cass City and Cliff Roggenbuck of Port Hope, USA President Tom Lounsbury of Cass City, Amanda Roggenbuck (also a USA member) and USA Vice President Bob Walker of Kingston.



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Cass City had its ups and downs in 2007

The year 2007 was not unlike any other year in that the only constant was change.

For some, the past 12 months will be remembered fondly, while others will mourn events that shaped the year in their lives. For most, it was a continuing journey of living and working together, celebrating new life and grieving the loss of loved ones, basking in each success, and struggling with the challenges.

Many of the community's successes and challenges over the past year were reflected on the pages of this newspaper, just as they have been for many years.

With that in mind, we feel it's appropriate to take one more look back on some of the major stories that helped shaped Cass City and the surrounding areas in 2007.

SCHOOL FINANCES

Michigan's poor economy, and the state Legislature's inability to balance a new budget in a timely fashion, hit schools hard again in 2007. The Cass City School District was no exception.

Under Supt. Ron Wilson's leadership, Cass City managed to end the year in the black, removing the district from the state's growing list of "deficit spending" school systems. But it wasn't easy - the hope of having a half-million dollars in the bank by the end of the fiscal year next June came with a price tag of \$1.6 million in

cost-cutting measures, including the elimination of at least 2 dozen jobs.

State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) brought good news last fall with the promise of a plan to close the gap between the state's lowest- and highest-funded schools. Brown and his colleagues in the House kept that promise by pushing the passage of a law giving every district in Tuscola County and two-thirds of the school systems in Huron County a funding increase of \$96 per pupil — \$48 plus an "equity payment" of \$48 per student. The increase gave Cass City Schools another \$130,000 to work with.

The year also saw school and union representatives strike a one-year contract that both sides agreed was acceptable given Cass City's financial situation.

But the local district's financial struggle isn't over. In spite of the economy, roofs, boilers and buses continue to age and need to be replaced. Which is why school officials plan to ask voters next May to approve to extend an existing debt millage for 12 more years. The tax levy - 3.25 mills - would generate roughly \$7 million for capital improvements.

ENROLLMENT

The state's economy has also robbed most area schools of students as families leave the region in search of employment opportunities.

Nearly a year ago, it looked as if that trend might be slowing, as Cass City School officials counted a few extra

students during one of the statewide enrollment tallies. The news came after losing 100 students over the previous 3 years.

However, last fall, projections that Cass City would lose 50 more students came true and more, with the district's enrollment dipping by 80 kids, adding up to nearly \$567,000 in state revenue. In 5 years now, the district has lost 230 students, and officials can't remember a time when they've received more requests for student records from out-of-state schools.

Cass City isn't alone. The Ugly Community Schools counted 29 fewer students last fall, and Kingston Community Schools lost 16 pupils. The lone winner was Owen-Gage, which gained 9 students.

DOWNTOWN

Cass City's business district saw a number of improvements in 2007. Perhaps the highlight was announced just recently - the sale of the Nestles building to a Caro business that plans to expand in the community in the coming year.

Charlie and Stefanie Roe, owners of Complete Concrete, did their part by demolishing 2 old Main Street buildings near the corner of Oak and Main streets, and erecting a handsome new apartment building.

In addition, the old laundromat has been renovated and given a facelift, and Carmela's Pizza opened for business and appears to be enjoying a growing base of authentic Italian food lovers.

Cass City's Rotary Park also took on a new and improved look, thanks to the efforts of the Cass City Rotary Club, which along with the Pinney Foundation came up with \$13,500 to fund construction of a band shelter, add more brickwork and spruce up the landscaping.

INDUSTRY

The local industrial community saw change as well over the past year, with TI Automotive officials announcing in February plans to sell their Industrial Group businesses, including the Walbro Engine Management plant in Cass City, to Sun Capital Partners Inc., a leading private investment firm.

Walbro manufactures a number of products for the lawn/garden and recreational vehicle industry, including ignition modules, air filter assemblies, diaphragm carburetors, fuel tank assemblies, flywheels and fuel filters.

A month later, the sale was consummated. There was a collective sigh of relief when Walbro officials said Cass City would be keeping its Walbro jobs, at least for now.

Millennium Industries officials also had reason to celebrate. In March, an \$8 million loan was approved, enabling the firm to get started on an expansion project leading to the addition of 120 new jobs. The money was earmarked for renovation of Millennium's 118,000-square-foot facility, which previously housed General Cable Co. Millennium designs, develops and manufactures products for use in the engine compartment of automobiles and light trucks.

HEALTHCARE

Health care took a giant leap forward in Cass City in 2007, with Hills and Dales General Hospital officials formally unveiling a \$12 million renovation and expansion, including a 19,000-square-foot addition.

The project virtually created a new hospital, from all new electrical, heating and cooling service throughout, to a new, spacious surgical suite as well as pre- and post-op facilities. Several design changes enabled officials to streamline the hospital, from the lobby to the emergency room.

In March, Hills and Dales officials introduced "Hilda" a Remote Presence Robot that now plays a key role in the hospital's partnership with a group of other Michigan hospitals using robotic technology to provide state-of-the-art stroke care locally. Doctors, utilizing the robot, can consult directly and

immediately with specialists at the Oakland County-based St. Joseph Mercy Oakland, which serves as headquarters of the Michigan Stroke Network.

Hills and Dales also announced a new partnership with Covenant HealthCare, Saginaw, to share "best practices" in many areas, including revenue cycle management, physician recruitment, purchasing, nursing leadership and clinical quality management.

More recently, Thumb Area Dialysis Center officials unveiled a \$750,000 expansion project that added 7 new dialysis stations, nearly doubling the facility's previous patient capacity.

NEW LEADERSHIP

There were a number of leadership changes in the community, including

a changing of the guard in village government, as longtime Cass City Village President Bert Althaver announced his retirement.

Althaver first ran for village council in 1963, and with the exception of a couple of brief absences, served 35 years, all but 2 as village president. But his contributions went far beyond monthly council meetings - he has served on the planning commissions, EDCs, the Hills and Dales General Hospital Board, Tuscola Area Airport Authority. The list goes on.

Another local resident, Carl Palmateer, a former Cass City police chief and retired truck driver, now sits at the head of the council table after winning his first term in office last September.

Some area school districts also welcomed new leadership. In Kingston, former high school Principal Joe Murphy took over as superintendent following the retirement of George Bednerek, and Kingston native Mike McLaughlin returned to his hometown to fill Murphy's former position. Ugly School officials, meanwhile, named former K-8 counselor Joel Brandel as the new elementary principal, filling a vacancy left when Ken Sweeney was named superintendent.

THUMBAGGREGATES

It was a somewhat rocky year for Thumb Aggregates owner Doug Wilson, whose effort to obtain a zoning variance from the Elkland Township Zoning Board was not a complete success. He received a partial variance, which he had requested because portions of his mining operation west of town had been dug too close to road rights-of-way along M-81 and Koepfgen Road.

Wilson had less success convincing Cass City Village officials to sell him 34 acres of industrial park land so he could expand the mining operation. Village officials in August rejected Wilson's offer to buy the property for \$170,000 and then return ownership of the land back to the village.

Wilson did his part to boost the local economy just the same when he convinced AIS Construction Equipment Corp. to set up shop in the former Rabideau building. The company sells, rents and repairs construction equipment.

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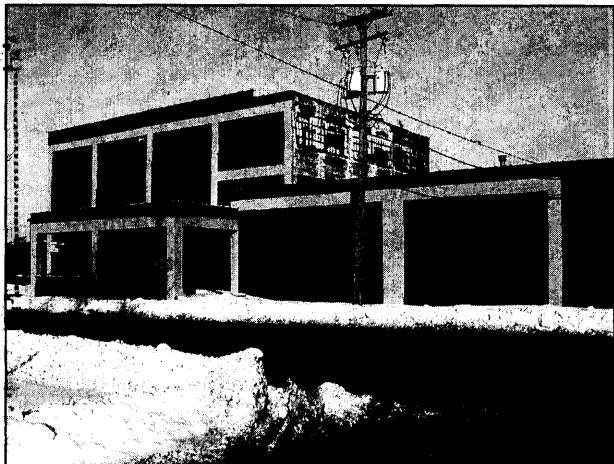
Cass City officials saw years of planning and work come to fruition with the completion of the village's arsenic treatment plant last spring.

The plant, which also houses brand new quarters of the Cass City Department of Public Works, was the result of a mandate handed down by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, requiring that public water supplies test no higher than 10 parts per billion for arsenic, down from 50 parts per billion. Cass City's water supply previously averaged around 16 parts per billion.

The mandate is costing taxpayers plenty. The village took out a 40-year, \$1.858 million U.S. Rural Development Agency loan to pay for the project along with refinancing debt related to Cass City's newest and third water well. By refinancing, village officials were able to add the new DPW facility for about \$200,000.



HILLS AND DALES General Hospital officials introduced "Hilda" the robot last spring. The high tech equipment is now being used in partnership with a group of hospitals to provide local residents with state-of-the-art stroke care.



THE SALE OF the Nestles building in Cass City was a late highlight of 2007, thanks to a Caro area businessman's willingness to invest in the community.



CARL PALMATEER (center) took the oath of office as Cass City's new village president in 2007 following the retirement of longtime council member and president Bert Althaver (far right).



ELKLAND TOWNSHIP officials granted a partial variance to Doug Wilson, owner of Thumb Aggregates, over the summer. Wilson, however, was unable to convince village officials to sell him several acres of industrial park property to expand his mining operation.



HILLS AND DALES General Hospital officials cut the ribbon on their \$12 million renovation/expansion project last August. The project included a 19,000-square-foot addition.

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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 January 10, 2008.

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

Part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at a point on the West Line of Section 13 that is North 00 Degrees 03 Minutes 23 Seconds East 990.00 feet from the West 1/4 corner of Section 13; thence North 00 Degrees 03 Minutes 23 Seconds East 330.00 feet along the West Section Line; thence South 85 Degrees 33 Minutes 57 Seconds East 1336.53 feet; thence South 00 Degrees 02 Minutes 17 Seconds West 330.01 feet; thence North 85 Degrees 33 Minutes 57 Seconds West 1336.64 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: December 12, 2007
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John M. Mills, a married person, and Melissa A. Mills, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 23, 2004 and recorded on April 22, 2004 in Liber 989 on Page 191 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Seventy-Seven and 96/100 Dollars (\$64,077.96), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 10, 2008.

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

The North 1/2 of Lot 5 of Langacres, According to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 39B of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: December 12, 2007
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Reymundo Martinez Jr. and Priscilla Martinez, Husband and Wife as joint tenants, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 17, 2004 and recorded on March 30, 2004 in Liber 986 on Page 554, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Credit Suisse First Boston MBS HEAT 2004-4 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 One Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-One and 77/100 Dollars (\$136,591.77), including interest at 14.29% 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 January 3, 2008.

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

Lots 11 and 12 and the South 28 feet 4 inches of Lot 3, Block 2 of Houston's Addition to the City of Vassar, City of Vassar, Tuscola county, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 19, now being 20A, except commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot 12, Block 2, Houston's Addition to the City of Vassar; thence Northerly along the line between Lots 12 and 13, Block 2, 76 feet; thence Westerly at right angles 3 feet; thence Southerly parallel to the line between Lots 12 and 13, Block 2, 76 feet; thence Easterly 3 feet to the point of Beginning.

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

Dated: December 5, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Barry L. Smith, a married man, original mortgagor, to Icon Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 4, 2003 and recorded on March 4, 2003 in Liber 918 on Page 1049, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns 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 Forty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Six and 69/100 Dollars (\$48,966.69), 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 January 3, 2008.

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

Part of the Southeast quarter of fractional Section 7, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, described as commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 7; thence along the East line of said Section 7, North, 1445.80 feet to the point of beginning; thence West, 168.81 feet; thence North 29 degrees 33 minutes 32 seconds West, 36.15 feet; thence North 01 degree 21 minutes 32 seconds West 99.69 feet; thence East, 187.26 feet to said East line of Section 7; thence along said East line of Section 7, South, 131.13 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 5, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brad W. Seidell, a married man, and Emily E. Seidell, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2002 and recorded on August 7, 2002 in Liber 889 on Page 153 in instrument 200200817572, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six and 90/100 Dollars (\$165,896.90), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 17, 2008.

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

Beginning at the interior quarter corner of Section 31, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence North along the North and South quarter line of said Section, a distance of 150.00 feet; thence East parallel with the East and West quarter line of said Section, a distance 880.80 feet; thence South parallel with said North and South quarter line, 150.00 feet to a point on the East and West quarter line of said Section; thence West along said East and West quarter line, 580.60 feet to the place of beginning.

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dale Frederick Iseler and Kathleen Elizabeth Iseler, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, A California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 16, 2006 and recorded on August 21, 2006 in Liber 1092 on Page 496 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen and 72/100 Dollars (\$132,616.72), including interest at 12.95% 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 January 17, 2008.

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

Lot 27, Northwood Village and Estates No. 1, A Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 and the Southeast 1/4 of Section 28, Township 14 North, Range 11 East, Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan as the same appears from Plat recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County in Liber 4 of Plats, Pages 49-52, Subject to Covenants and Restrictions of Record recorded in Liber 488, Page 1088-1095 and subject to Easements and rights of way of record.

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael L. Marsh and Marion M. Marsh, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 15, 2005, and recorded on October 6, 2005 in instrument 200500872376, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Fifteen and 28/100 Dollars (\$150,515.28), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 17, 2008.

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

Part of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Fremont Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at the Southeast corner of said Section 34; thence along the South Section line, West 181.50 feet; thence North 132.00 feet; thence West 99.00 feet; thence North 216.50 feet; thence East 282.60 feet; thence along the East Section line, South 0 degrees 20 minutes 43 seconds West, 348.51 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Troy L. McIntosh, a/k/a Troy McIntosh, unmarried man, and Amanda L. Farnum, unmarried woman, to Citicorp Trust Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated February 27, 2003 and recorded March 4, 2003 in Liber 918, Page 724, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Five and 4/100 Dollars (\$49,275.04), including interest at 8.054% 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 JANUARY 17, 2008.

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

Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 10, Town 13 North, Range 8 East; thence South 40 Rods, thence East 16 Rods, thence North 40 Rods, thence West 16 Rods to the place of beginning. By fee simple Deed from Calvin E. Wright and Robin L. Wright, his wife as set forth in Book 824 Page 1224 dated March 12, 2001 and recorded March 16, 2001, Tuscola County Records, State of Michigan.

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: December 19, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey F. Gillig and Buffie L. Gillig, 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 30, 2006 and recorded on July 26, 2006 in Liber 1088 on Page 1311 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Eight and 63/100 Dollars (\$110,968.63), including interest at 6.875% 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 January 17, 2008.

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

Lot 52 of the Plat of Northwood Village Estates No. 1, Recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Pages 49 through 52 of Tuscola County Records, excepting a parcel commencing at a Southwest Corner of Lot 52; thence in a Northwesterly direction along the West line of Lot 52, 27 feet; thence Easterly along a line to a point North 54 degrees 49 minutes 51 seconds East, 49 feet from the Southwest corner of Lot 52; thence Southwesterly along the South line of Lot 52 to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Amy Wright, a/k/a Amy Jo Wright, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 29, 2005 and recorded on May 6, 2005 in Liber 1037 on Page 741 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Five and 88/100 Dollars (\$49,905.88), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 24, 2008.

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

Commencing 12 rods East of the Southeast corner of Tax 79-034-003-300-1600-00, which is described as commencing 18 1/2 rods East of Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, running North 12 rods, East 8 1/4 rods, South 12 rods, West 8 1/4 rods to the point of beginning. Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; and running thence North to the 1/8 line of said Section 3; thence East 70 feet; thence South to Gamble Street; thence West to the place of beginning, being part of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East.

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

Dated: December 26, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert T. Waddell and Patricia Waddell, husband and wife., to CitiMortgage, Inc., successor by merger with CitiFinancial Mortgage Company, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 18, 2002 and recorded February 26, 2002 in Liber 866, Page 1371, in Instrument Number 200200809097, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Six and 43/100 Dollars (\$28,326.43), including interest at 7.152% 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 JANUARY 24, 2008.

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

The South half (S one-half) of the South half (S one-half) of the South half (S one-half) of the Northwest Quarter (NW one-fourth) of the Southeast Quarter (SE one-fourth) of Section 23, Town 11 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: December 26, 2007

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12-26-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jace E. Sears Jr., a single person, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., successor by merger with Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee,

dated November 3, 2004 and recorded November 18, 2004 in Liber 1018, Page 73, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Six and 34/100 Dollars (\$84,826.34), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 24, 2008.

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

Commencing 406 feet South of the Northeast corner of the Southeast quarter of Section 1, Town 11 North, Range 11 East; thence West 380 feet; thence South 230 feet; thence East 380 feet; thence North 230 feet to the point of beginning.

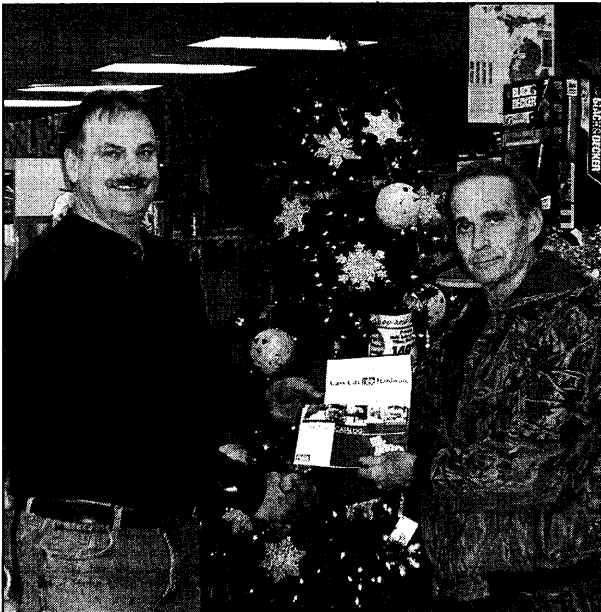
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TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: December 26, 2007

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File No. 224.2945

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BIG WINNER! Jeff Leinweber, co-owner of Cass City Hardware, presents local resident Larry Smith (right) with a \$1,000 Do It Best in store give-away

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel P. Heckroth, a single man, to Thumb National Mortgage, LLC, Mortgagee, dated October 17, 2005 and recorded October 27, 2005 in Liber 1059, Page 551, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Three Hundred Thirty and 70/100 Dollars (\$51,330.70), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 17, 2008.

Said premises are located in the City of Cass, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

The West 108 Feet of Lot 1, Block 14, Seegar's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the Plat of said addition as recorded in Liber 29 of Deeds, Page 144 of Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C.
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File No. 331.0005

12-19-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Eric H. Spaulding, a married man, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated December 19, 2003 and recorded March 12, 2004 in Liber 984, Page 269, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Manhattan Mortgage by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy and 21/100 Dollars (\$85,970.42), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 3, 2008.

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

Part of the Northwest one-quarter of fractional section 7, Township 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 7; thence along the North line of said section 7, South 89 Degrees 42 Minutes 51 Seconds East, 715.89 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along said North line of Section 7, South 89 Degrees 42 Minutes 51 Seconds East, 97.38 feet; thence South 00 Degrees 19 Minutes 37 Seconds West, 568.15 feet to the centerline of East Dayton Road; thence, along said centerline of East Dayton Road, North 65 Degrees 12 Minutes 15 Seconds West, 264.06 feet; thence North 16 Degrees 53 Minutes 50 Seconds East, 478.55 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: December 5, 2007

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File No. 310.2293

12-5-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian Baker, as a single man, and Holly A. Mullen, as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 26, 2006 and recorded October 9, 2006 in Liber 1098, Page 660, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eight and 59/100 Dollars (\$176,708.59), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 24, 2008.

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

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 23, Town 12 North, Range 8 East; thence North 20 rods; thence East 8 rods; thence South 20 rods; thence West 8 rods to the point of beginning. Subject to all easements, Reservations, Covenants, Conditions, and Agreements of record, if any.

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: December 26, 2007

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12-26-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Angela Roe and Mark A. Roe, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for lender and lender's successor and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 9, 2006 and recorded August 21, 2006 in Liber 1092, Page 476, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety and 74/100 Dollars (\$72,990.74), 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 JANUARY 24, 2008.

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

Parcel 1: A part of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 18, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, Akron Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the West one-quarter of said Section 18; thence North on the West line of Section 18, 64.00 feet; thence North 60 degrees 10 minutes 36 seconds East on the centerline of Michigan Highway M-25, 1455.88 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 60 degrees 10 minutes 36 seconds East on said centerline of Michigan Highway M-25, 119.89 feet; thence South 26 degrees 22 minutes 08 seconds East 131.23 feet; thence South 60 degrees 11 minutes 16 seconds West 149.11 feet; thence North 13 degrees 58 minutes 53 seconds West 136.13 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel 2: Commencing at a point at the intersection of the centerline of Trunkline M-25 with the West line of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 18, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, Akron Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; and running thence South 150 feet; thence North-easterly parallel with M-25, 200 feet; thence North to a point in the centerline of M-25 which is 190 feet Northeasterly from the place of beginning, thence Southwesterly to 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.

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: December 26, 2007

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12-26-4

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by ALDO MARTINEZ, a single man of 372 WELLS STREET, CARO, MI 48723. Mortgagee: TO MACOMB SCHOOLS & GOVERNMENT CREDIT UNION of 4555 INVESTMENT DRIVE, TROY, MI 48007, Mortgagee, dated DECEMBER 5, 2003, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, and State of Michigan on APRIL 6, 2004, in LIBER 986 on PAGE 1442 of Tuscola County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of TWENTY ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETEEN AND 63/100THS (\$21,619.63) DOLLARS including interest calculated at the rate of (11.75%) percent per annum and attorney fees as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN 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 JANUARY 10, 2008, AT 10:00 A.M. local time, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, aforesaid, on said mortgage with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: VILLAGE OF CARO, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN

LOT 15, BLOCK 9, MONTAGUE SUBDIVISION, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1, PAGE 11A OF PLATS, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS. MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 372 WELLS STREET, CARO, MI 48723.

During the Six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241 a, the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale.

Dated: November 19, 2007

KENNETH C. BUTLER II (P 28477)
ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE
24525 Harper Avenue, Ste. 2
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(586) 777-0770

11-28-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Leo Spencer Jr. and Debra Spencer, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 18, 2005 and recorded June 2, 2005 in Liber 1040, Page 1347, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Four and 81/100 Dollars (\$96,464.81), including interest at 10.75% 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 JANUARY 3, 2008.

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

Section 23 Town 14 North Range 10 East the South 20 Rods of East 20 Rods of Southwest one-quarter of Northeast one-quarter containing 2.5 acres as recorded in Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: December 5, 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 Reed H. Schlicker, and Janet M. Schlicker, his wife, original mortgagors, to Second National Bank of Saginaw, Mortgagee, dated November 28, 1995 and recorded on December 5, 1995 in Liber 683 on Page 222 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seven Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Four and 38/100 Dollars (\$7,444.38), including interest at 7.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 3, 2008.

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

Parcel 1 - Lot 10 and a triangular portion of Lot 11, Block 28, Commencing at the Southeasterly corner of said Lot 11; thence Northeasterly on the Easterly line of said lot to the Northeasterly corner of Lot 11; thence Northwesterly on the Northerly line of said Lot 21, 69 feet; thence Southerly on a direct line to the Southeast corner of Lot 11 of the Village (now City) of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Deeds, Page 143 and Liber 2 of deeds, Page 93 EXCEPT commencing at a point on the West line of the alley in said Block 28, 9 Rods 8 feet North of the Southwest corner of said alley; thence Southwesterly 49.00 feet to a point 27.00 feet West of said West line; thence East 27.00 feet to the West line of alley.

PARCEL 2 - Lot 18 and also commencing at the southwest corner of alley on Block 28, thence Running North on West line of said alley 9 rods, 8.00 feet, thence in a southwesterly direction 49.00 feet to a point 27 feet west of the west line of said alley, thence East 27 feet to West line of alley of the village (now city) of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of deeds, Page 143 and Liber 2 of deeds, Page 93.

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: December 5, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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12-5-4

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 BERNARD O. KILLIN II and CHRISTINE N. KILLIN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 18, 2005, and recorded on August 24, 2005, in Liber 1051, on Page 487, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars and Eight Cents (\$89,452.08), including interest at 7.875% 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 January 3, 2008.

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

LOT 21, WELSH ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 37, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

MORE CORRECTLY DESCRIBED AS: LOT 21, WELSH ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 17, 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 30, 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.
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Southfield, MI 48075

12-5-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeremy Chad Albrecht, single man, original mortgagor, to Bank of America, N.A., Mortgagee, dated June 21, 2006 and recorded on June 30, 2006 in Liber 1086 on Page 767 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Nine and 02/100 Dollars (\$11,869.02), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 3, 2008.

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

Parcel #3: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4, Section 31, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point on the North line of said Section which is West, 390.0 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 31; thence West 160.0 feet along said North line; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 25 seconds West, 327.88 feet; thence East 160.0 feet; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 25 seconds East 327.88 feet to North line of Section and Point of Beginning.

Parcel #4: Part of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter, Section 31, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point on the North line of said Section which is West 550.0 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 31; thence West, 160.0 feet along said North line, thence South 0 degrees 12 minutes 25 seconds West, 327.88 feet; thence East 160.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 12 minutes 25 seconds East 327.88 feet to North line of Section and Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: December 5, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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File #174751F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mark Johnson, married, and Michel Johnson, non-obligor spouse/owner, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 18, 2004 and recorded February 2, 2005 in Liber 1025, Page 1022, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand One Hundred Forty-Four and 18/100 Dollars (\$91,144.18), including interest at 11.234% 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 JANUARY 17, 2008.

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

Commencing at the Southeasterly corner of Lot 6, Block 3, of Williams Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, on Page 492, Tuscola County Records; thence North 00 degrees 04 minutes West 133.65 feet along the East line of Block 3 to the point of beginning; running thence North 00 degrees 04 minutes West 57.17 feet along the East line of Block 3; thence North 86 degrees 55 minutes West 62.18 feet along an old fence line; thence South 46 degrees 49 minutes West 15.17 feet along an old fence line; thence South 08 degrees 18 minutes East 53.31 feet along an once existent fence; thence North 87 degrees 43 minutes East 65.67 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of Lots 6 and 5, Block 3 of William Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, on Page 491, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Johnny P. Bringold, a/k/a John P. Bringold, a married man, and Victoria L. Bringold, a married woman, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 7, 2005 and recorded on June 9, 2005 in Liber 1041 on Page 1283 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Forty-Nine and 37/100 Dollars (\$96,049.37), 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 January 24, 2008.

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of Section 15, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, being further described as commencing at the West quarter corner of said Section; thence South 00 degrees 19 minutes 50 seconds East, 562.02 feet along the West Section Line to the Point of Beginning; thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes 32 seconds East, 358.50 feet to the Centerline of the Keene Stewart Drain; thence along the following courses, South 05 degrees 27 minutes 01 seconds West, 127.62 feet, and South 03 degrees 16 minutes 15 seconds West, 125.12 feet; thence North 89 degrees 52 minutes 32 seconds West, 337.78 feet to the West Section Line; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 50 seconds West, 252.01 feet along the West Section Line to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: December 26, 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 at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 3, 2008.

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

Commencing at a point 15 rods South of the Northeast corner of the North one-half of the South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 11, Town 11 North, Range 7 East; thence West 10 rods; thence South 5 rods; thence East 10 rods; thence North 5 rods to the place of beginning.

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

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: December 5, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Randy David and Carla Jane Davis, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 24, 2005 and recorded on September 6, 2005 in Liber 1052 on Page 1492 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Citimortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-One and 90/100 Dollars (\$141,471.90), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 3, 2008.

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

The West 20 rods of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 36, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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: December 5, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Attorneys for Servicer
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Karen Maxwell, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 11, 2005 and recorded on August 11, 2006 in Liber 1091 on Page 131 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Citimortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 5 Town 14 North, Range 9 East; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes West 865.0 feet along the East line of said Section 5 to the point of beginning; running thence South 0 degrees 00 minute West 265.0 feet along the East line of said Section 5; thence North 89 degrees 25 minutes 20 second West 164.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes East 265.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 25 minutes 20 seconds East 164.0 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.

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LOST

Black adult Brittany-Lab mix with white chest, wearing blue collar. Name is Dog. Left home 12-10-07 on Cass City Rd. between Crane and Koepfgen. Contact **Lynn at 989-550-9295.** 5-12-19-2

CCW CLASS - A Carrying Concealed Weapons Class will be held Saturday, January 12, 8 a.m.-6 p.m., at 4184 Decker Rd., Decker. The cost is \$110. Pre-registration is necessary. To pre-register, call 989-550-8800. 5-12-19-3

Anyone interested in joining a support group for people who have had lap-band surgery or gastric bypass, call Kim at 872-2782 after 6:00 p.m. Meetings first Monday of the month. 5-12-19-3

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Card of Thanks

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ON DEC. 7, Millennium Steering held a fundraiser to benefit several Millennium employees who have been diagnosed with a serious illness. On behalf of those employees, we would like to

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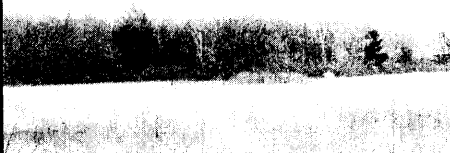
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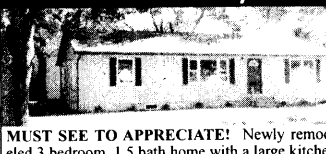
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THIRD AND FOURTH grade students in Rebecca Walker's music class at Campbell Elementary School sang several songs at the beginning of the annual Cass City Area Historical and Genealogy Society Christmas Sing-Along held recently at Rawson Memorial Library.

Suspect carjacks patrol car

Continued from page one.

Michigan State Police post in Caro assisted the local officers in taking Woodruff into custody.

Haynes said both Zelter and Dhyse suffered minor injuries, but were able

to return to work the next day. One of the patrol cars sustained minor damage and the other - driven by Woodruff - was more severely damaged. Haynes did not have an estimate on the cost to repair the vehicles.

Both Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark Reene and Haynes lauded all of the officers for their professionalism and for acting in a manner that prevented serious injury or loss of life.

"They followed procedure. I think Officer Dhyse did a very good job of managing a person that was out of control," Haynes said.

"I think he (Dhyse) showed good restraint. He exercised very good judgment," the police chief added. "I think on occasions (during the chase) some of the elements for use of deadly force were met, but he didn't use it."

Haynes pointed out that all of the officers involved had good reason to believe Woodruff was a threat, and not because of his actions or the fact that he's a parole violator. "He has an extensive criminal record, extensive criminal record - B&Es, numerous weapons violations," he said.

Soldier back home after his second deployment

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right and what we're doing right. It's getting back to normal. Now, people are out working, taking their kids to school," he said, adding the Iraqi people, both adults and children, are very welcoming and friendly to American soldiers, who in turn take the time to share food and toys when they have the opportunity.

Helm is a staunch supporter of the military and the way U.S. officials have responded to needs of its troops, from protective wear to the equipment they use.

"Everybody dogs the government, but the Army and the United States of America is doing great things for their soldiers," he said, adding units overseas are being well supplied. "Things are getting better all the time, the Army is constantly striving to make us more comfortable, more protected, better fighters."

That's one reason, Helm said, he didn't mind when his latest deployment was extended from June to November. That sacrifice came with a bonus - the standard 30-day leave after returning home, and getting home just in time for the holidays.

"That was gravy. I get to be home for Christmas, for New Year's. I get to be with my kids," said Helm, who is quick to say his wife, Danielle, a former Army medic he met in the Army and married in May 2003 in Germany, did an amazing job at home while he was away.

"My wife never faltered, never failed. She's just a great wife," Helm added. "I don't know how she did it, 15 months in this house with 3 kids, and working. She's great."

Danielle acknowledged that taking care of 3 youngsters alone was a handful, but she smiled and indicated she's just happy to be reunited with her husband.

"It's great having him back," she said.

Harvest for All effort nets 13,000 pounds of food

Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) members have nearly quadrupled the amount of food donated to Michigan's food banks, and food bank staff say the generosity couldn't come at a better time as food banks across the state struggle with depleted stocks and increased demand.

MFB's third annual Harvest for All campaign collected about 13,000 pounds of non-perishable food products and 17,000 pounds of surplus commodities - collectively nearly 14 tons of food. That's up dramatically from the 5,561 pounds of non-perishable food products and 2,690 pounds of surplus commodities collected last year.

In addition, MFB's 2007 Harvest for All campaign raised more than \$11,000 in donations, up from about \$9,000 raised last year, and provided more than 300 hours of volunteer time at local food banks.

Harvest for All is a national program that encourages county Farm Bureaus to help fight hunger in their local communities in one of four ways: donating non-perishable food products, surplus agricultural commodities, money, and/or volunteer hours to local food banks. The campaign is coordinated in Michigan by MFB's Young Farmer and Promotion and Education (P&E) Committees in partnership with the Food Bank Council of Michigan.

Kim Harkness, food programs manager for the Food Bank Council of Michigan, said the MFB 2007 Harvest for All campaign "helps tremendously." Due to several factors, food inventories at food banks across the state are presently down 20 percent or more, she said. At the same time, demand is up 12 percent and as much as 20 percent in some distribution areas.

"Right now if I went to one of our food banks, I could see through the shelves," said Harkness, noting that's not normally the case, especially at this time of year.

P&E Committee Chair Jennifer Lewis credits this year's highly successful Harvest for All campaign to several factors, including a strong collaboration between the P&E and Young Farmer Committees, enhanced promotion, and increased reporting of activities by county Farm Bureaus. Most importantly, though, is the buy-in at the local level, she said.

"We're especially proud that Farm Bureau members statewide are contributing to their local communities. That's been integral," said Lewis. "Members can see how they're helping people in their own communities and really see how they're making a difference."

In addition to MFB's Harvest for All efforts, Harkness said the agricultural community can further aid the Food Bank Council of Michigan by providing the council with contacts for food processors, suppliers and others in the food industry who might be willing to partner or do business with the organization.

Harkness added that the public shouldn't discount the value of mon-

etary donations in comparison to actual food contributions, saying a dollar goes a long way in feeding people when food is purchased in bulk.

For more information on how to help, call the Food Bank Council of Michigan at (517) 485-1202 or (800) 552-4483. Additional information is also available online at www.fbcmich.org.

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