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## Owendale family in need after house fire

An Owendale woman and her children escaped with their lives, but the family lost all of their belongings in a house fire Thursday afternoon.

Jolynn Erard was home along with 2 of her 3 children, ages 4 years and 8 months, when the blaze ignited around 1:54 p.m. Her 6-year-old daughter was at school at the time.

Erard, who is pregnant, and her 2 youngest children were transported to Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon for treatment of smoke inhalation. They were later released.

Erard and her husband, Jason, were renting the Fifth Street home from Denise and Randy Radabaugh. The Erards did not have renter's insurance.

Owendale Fire Department officials reported they arrived at the scene to find heavy smoke coming from the

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**BRIAN AND RENEE Mallory relax at their Gagetown area home over the weekend. Brian Mallory spent the past 18 months battling Chronic Myeloid Leukemia. He says a string of miracles, including a successful stem cell transplant, saved his life.**

## Miracle man

## Gagetown's Brian Mallory winning his battle with leukemia

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Area residents who know Brian Mallory will describe him in many ways; devoted husband and father, role model for young men involved in scouting, talented artisan, musician.

But these days, Mallory is likely to give you another description — miracle man.

The phrase fits perfectly for the Gagetown area resident, who was diagnosed with leukemia about 18 months ago and learned he was near death even before he started treatment. Mallory fought back, however, undergoing treatments that literally took him to the brink of death, robbing him of his strength, not to mention his hair.

Mallory is still fighting the effects of the disease and the treatment, but he has survived and is looking forward to many more years with Renee, his wife and partner in a business that specializes in custom masonry utilizing natural field stone; and his sons, Dustin, 20, a music education major at Saginaw Valley State University, and Derrick, 18, who is studying accounting at Eastern Michigan University. Both are Eagle Scouts and former members of Boy Scout Troop 594, which Mallory served for years as scoutmaster.

Looking back, Mallory described the past several months as a journey laced with good fortune.

"Yeah, the day I was diagnosed was bad. But the whole deal — everything else has been so good," he said. For starters, Mallory was not hindered by any other health problems when a stubborn bout with what he thought was the flu in September 2005 led to a diagnosis of Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (CML), which is caused by an overgrowth of abnormal white blood cells in a patient's bone marrow and bloodstream.

For Mallory, the disease began to cause intense pain in his legs, bad enough to send him to the emergency room at St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw.

With this form of leukemia, Renee explained, "the white blood cells go completely haywire. It thickens up the blood and suppresses the red

blood cells."

"What it does, the doctor said, is it dehydrates the bones," Mallory added. "Your blood is basically glue, and my heart was working overtime just to pump that glue through my veins."

"I was dragging for a while. I thought I was just getting old. I didn't have the energy I had," he recalled of the symptoms he experienced before his diagnosis.

Still, he pointed out, "I was otherwise a healthy person." Mallory's doctors at the U-M Hospital opted for a treatment plan that included several rounds of chemotherapy and a stem cell transplant. During the search for a potential donor, tests revealed Mallory's youngest brother, Jeff, was a perfect match. "You can't get any better than that," he said. "Then, the transplant went great. Everything worked the way it was supposed to work."

In the process, the communities of Kingston and Cass City organized benefits for Mallory and his family. "I do feel that everybody is a part of my recovery," he said. "I was not alone. I did not do this myself."

"It's just been one miracle after another," Mallory added. "Sure, it sucks to have leukemia, but there have been so many positive things that have come of it."

Mallory indicated a positive attitude throughout the ordeal proved important, along with a strong belief and faith in the doctors who cared for him at U-M. He surprised them time and time again, by responding better and sooner to his treatments than most patients do.

But there were moments of doubt. And fear.

"The white cell count for a normal adult is 4,000 to 10,000," Renee said. "Brian was at 183,000 when we got to the hospital. They told me, a week later, 'you have no idea how serious your husband was when he got here — he was a heart attack or a stroke away from death.'"

Mallory's treatment consisted of 3 rounds of chemotherapy. The first was meant to put the disease into remission and the second to kill the disease. The third round effectively destroyed his own immune system in preparation for the transplant,

meaning exposure to even a common cold could have been a death sentence until his new immune system took over. Roughly 10 percent of patients don't survive that phase of treatment. Mallory also credits the drug, Gleevec, with beating leukemia. Gleevec binds to a certain protein on leukemia cells, shutting them down and causing them to die.

The combination of treatments worked, although Mallory still doesn't have near the strength he used to. But it could be worse — he recalled a time when he tried to walk

to the end of his driveway to pick up his mail, and he nearly did not make it back to the house because he was so weak.

Mallory isn't complaining, though, especially when he talks about renewing old acquaintances during his battle.

"I've always been a 'stop and smell the roses' kind of guy," he said. "You realize how precious life is."

"It makes you look at life differently," added Renee. "Things as

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## Contractors busy thanks to frigid temperatures

Winter's late arrival this year may have some folks thinking that a recent string of frigid days must have set a record.

However, the winter of 2007 is going to have to get colder to do that.

It's possible. As of Thursday, Feb. 8, this month has offered an average high temperature of just 12.5 degrees and an average low of minus-2.5 degrees. There have been 5 minus-degree days, with the lowest being minus-8.

In contrast, the entire month of February 2006 brought an average high of 31 and an average low of 15, according to statistics recorded at the Cass City Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The coldest winter temperatures in recent years were recorded in January of both 2005 and 2004.

There were 8 minus-degree days in January 2005 - the lowest temperature, minus-17 degrees, was recorded on back-to-back dates. February 2005 was milder with just a smattering of sub-zero temperatures.

In January 2004, there were 13 minus-degree days, topped by minus-18 degrees. February 2004 brought 7

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## Walbro Engine Management sold; future uncertain

TI Automotive officials last week announced the sale of its Industrial Group businesses, including the Walbro Engine Management plant in Cass City.

However, few other details were released, making the future uncertain for local workers.

Dave McNaughton, general manager of Walbro Engine Management, Cass City, declined to comment, although he indicated more information will probably be released when the deal is closed.

According to a news release issued Thursday by TI Automotive, the company's Industrial Group businesses are being sold to an affiliate of Sun Capital Partners Inc., a leading private investment firm focused on leveraged buyouts and other investments in market-leading companies.

The sale is expected to close late this month. Specific financial terms were not disclosed.

Aside from Walbro Engine Management, the Industrial Group includes Bundy Refrigeration and VARI-FORM. The group accounts for 15 percent of TI Automotive's sales and employs 5,000 people.

"The TI Automotive Board of Directors believes this transaction will allow the Industrial Group companies to continue their leadership role in their respective industries," said Wil-

liam J. Laule, chief executive officer, TI Automotive, a leading Tier One supplier to major automotive manufacturers and other Tier One suppliers.

"Over recent months, the board has focused significant effort on determining the strategic direction for the company," Laule added. "This transaction will allow TI Automotive to strengthen its core automotive businesses."

Walbro Engine Management's portfolio includes ignition modules, air filter assemblies, diaphragm carburetors, fuel tank assemblies, flywheels, fuel filters and impulse fuel pumps for lawn and garden and recreational vehicle engine applications.

Bundy Refrigeration products include evaporators, condensers, door warmers, compressor components, defrosting coils and heat exchangers.

VARI-FORM components include engine cradles, radiator closures, instrument panel beams and roof rails.

According to the news release, Sun Capital Partners Inc. is a leading private investment firm focused on leveraged buyouts, equity, debt and other investments in market-leading companies. Sun Capital affiliates have invested in and managed more than 140 companies worldwide with combined sales in excess of \$33 bil-

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## Schools to get more state cash

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Thumb area school officials weren't exactly dancing in the streets last

week, but chances are there were a few sighs of relief Thursday when Gov. Jennifer Granholm presented her 2007-08 budget recommendations to the Legislature.

Those recommendations include a funding increase of \$178 per pupil for schools (to \$7,286 per pupil) and a 2.5-percent funding increase for colleges and universities next year. Equally important, the governor indicated school aid cuts in the current fiscal year — projected at anywhere from \$100 to \$224 per student — would be avoided if her plan to implement a new sales tax on services is approved along with a change in the funding calculations for the Public School Employees Retirement System.

"What they're saying is, if they can make this happen, they're going to leave us alone this year," said Cass City School Supt. Ron Wilson, referring to weeks of rumors that schools would receive little, if any, of an additional \$210 per student promised by the state this year. For Cass City, the proposed cuts would have made the difference between a year-ending fund balance of as much as \$250,000, and a paltry \$20,000 or \$25,000.

"Certainly the news is brighter," Wilson said, adding "7,286 next year is a huge swing because we were looking at, 2 weeks ago, no raise this year and no raise next year, which would put us back to the \$6,875 (per pupil) we were at 2 years ago. But the question is, does the governor have the (ability) to make it happen." On the other hand, Wilson said, the governor can't afford to hurt schools when she must focus on getting the state's economy back on track. "The reality is, if you want to draw businesses to Michigan, you can't let the school systems go down the tubes,"

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**FLOYD SOLDAN OF Howard's Heating and Air Conditioning checks out a roof heating unit at the Quaker Maid Dairy Store in Cass City Friday morning. The recent string of frigid days has kept area contractors busy.**

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Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski attended the breakfast at Our Lady of Lake Huron Church basement Sunday morning and later visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Booms in the afternoon.

Bob and Charlotte Dennis of Davison were Saturday lunch guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr.

Mrs. Dan Franzel, June Rutz and Allen Farrelly came home Friday after spending a week with June Rutz in Sterling Heights.

Jamie Doerr, Wendy Rickett and Amy Doerr visited Mrs. Curtis Cleland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sweeney attended the Tri-County Band concert at Bad Axe High School in which Alex Ritter played the trombone.

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## Dillbeck and Bensinger wed

Brooke Lindsay Bensinger and Andrew Michael Dillbeck were married Sept. 30, 2006 at Living Word Church in Midland. The Rev. Randy and Diane Saylor officiated the ceremony. Brooke is the daughter of Betty and the late Kirk Bensinger of Uby. Andy is the son of Mike and Sherry Dillbeck of Sanford.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her mother and Uncle Lytle Bensinger of Indianapolis, Ind.

The matron of honor was Bryanne Siemen, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Christina Dillbeck, sister of the groom; Katie Bensinger, cousin of the bride; Betsy Buckler, Naomi Saylor and Sabrina Frawley, all friends of the couple.

The best man was Stephen Dillbeck, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Josh Dillbeck, brother of the groom; Kurt Siemen, brother-in-law of the couple; Brandon Saylor, friend of the couple; Robbie and Ben Randell, cousins of the groom.

## 13 attend meeting of U-M women

Thirteen members of the United Methodist Women met Feb. 5. Group 3 prepared and served the noon luncheon. Sally McGrath and Marjorie Dickinson are the co-chairpersons.

The meeting was opened by the group reading the purpose of the United Methodist Women.

Correspondence was read from the Millie Mark family and from Lew Tibbitts at Bay Shore Camp.

Pat O'Donahue volunteered to do calligraphy on the marriage certificates that will be given to couples who are members of our church and married in the church.

The members were urged to save soup labels and Betty Crocker box tops. These labels and box tops will be taken to the school and used to buy equipment that is in need.

President Schwaderer announced that the Response magazine will be placed in the library.

Carol Schaufele gave a program on prayer and self-denial. Prayer calendars were passed out. The afternoon concluded with the playing of heart bingo.

Hostesses for the day were Judy Britt and Bonnetta Wright, aunts of the bride. Vocalists were Steve Dillbeck and Sabrina Frawley. Guitarist was Bob Johnson. The vocalist at the reception was Amanda Holiday, friend. Ushers were Zach McIntosh and Steven Walther, cousins of the bride.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the Thumb Octagon Barn, Gagetown. The couple traveled west for their honeymoon and currently reside in Midland.

## Country schools program slated

The Cass City Area Historical and Genealogy Society will host its February meeting Monday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room at Rawson Memorial Library.

The speaker for the evening will be Ethel Rupprecht and the program will be on "The Country Schools of Huron County". There are 114 schools in Huron County, and her presentation includes 10 books of the Huron County schools with pictures and history of each.

Everyone is welcome.

## Zulauf inducted

Jenna Zulauf of Uby was among 88 Saginaw Valley State University students who were recently inducted into the school's Michigan Delta Chapter of the Alpha Chi National College Honor Scholarship Society.

To qualify for membership, students must be juniors or seniors, have a minimum grade point average of 3.5, rank in the top 10 percent of their class, and receive a nomination from a full-time faculty member.

## Support group to meet

Huron Medical Center, Bad Axe, will host its monthly Adult Diabetic Support Group Thursday, Feb. 15. The group will meet at 7 p.m. in Huron Medical Center's West Campus and will be facilitated by Mary Messing, RN, CDE. This month's diabetes support group will discuss "Reading Food Labels and Determining Portion Size."

For more information or questions, call Huron Medical Center's Community Health/Hospital Education Department at (989) 269-2882 or (989) 269-2883.

## Calendar of Events

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

### Thursday, February 15

Read Around the World, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library. Children grades 1-5 are invited to attend.

Genealogy Group meeting, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

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

### Friday, February 16

Christ-centered 12-step recovery: pain management, addictions, divorce, "Celebrate Recovery," 7-9 p.m. New Creations Church, 114 N. Almer St., Caro (across from Caro Post Office). For more information, call (989) 673-3274 or visit [www.colwood.org](http://www.colwood.org).

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

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

### Monday, February 19

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

Coffee Hour with State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon), 9 to 10:30 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library. The public is invited to attend.

Cass City Area Historical & Genealogy Society meeting, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

### Tuesday, February 20

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

Heartland Hospice Grief Group Lunch, 1 p.m., Gilligan's. For more information, contact Laura Johannes at 1-877-486-6671.

### Wednesday, February 21

United Sportsmen's Alliance meeting, 7 p.m., Cass City Gun Club, 2676 Englehart Rd. All are invited to attend. For more information, call (989) 872-2398.

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### Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire


(And anyone else he can get to help)

It was a long way to go to see a soccer game, but it was well worth it for Art and Janet Severance.

The game was a state final soccer match in which their grandson, Brent Cooper, was a member of the team that won the state title. Playing for Rio Rico, AZ, his team in the 4-A division finals held in Phoenix won the title with a 3-1 decision. The 4-A division is about equal to a class B division in Michigan. Brent is a senior and the son of Sally Guernsey and the late Dan Cooper.

To see their grandson, the Severances grabbed a plane in Detroit at 7 a.m. Saturday, attended the game Saturday night and boarded another plane Sunday morning to return home.

It took a little doing, but Janet searched the internet on Friday and found a bargain rate for the trip—under \$300 per ticket, round trip.



Brent Cooper

There are recreational bargains in Michigan these days. At Boyne Mountain an area named Boyneland has been set aside for free skiing for everyone regardless of age. It includes a couple medium sized runs with a chair lift. The traditional rope tows that have been used for smaller ascents have been replaced by a moving conveyor belt

Gordie Hutson came to the rescue. Chances are, you've never heard of him. He's an 84-year-old who has recovered from heart by-pass surgery and lives in Sandusky. He attended the Peck-Owen-Gage game Friday night. There was a snag in the junior varsity game because a referee arrived late. But the game went on when Hutson took the whistle until the scheduled official arrived.

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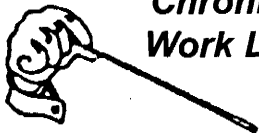
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# Huron drug raid nets one arrest

Huron County Sheriff's detectives made one arrest and questioned several people after conducting a raid on an Elkon apartment Thursday night. Huron County Sheriff Kent Tibbitts said the raid targeted a Mill Street residence, where officers arrested a 21-year-old man who was subsequently lodged in the Huron County Jail.

Detectives reported they obtained a search warrant after receiving several tips about drug activity taking place at the residence, as well as information involving the suspect.

"When detectives arrived at the residence to execute the search warrant, 2 males and 3 females were present. An 18-year-old female was currently staying at the residence and is the girlfriend of the male that was arrested," Tibbitts reported. "Besides

the 21-year-old male that was arrested, the other 4 individuals were all questioned and then released."


Detectives seized suspected cocaine, drug paraphernalia, packaging material and cash during the raid. They will be meeting with Huron County Prosecutor Mark Gaertner, who will decide on any charges to be filed in the case.

The Elkon Police Department assisted detectives both prior to and during the raid, Tibbitts noted.

Huron County residents can report suspected drug activity in their communities by calling (989) 269-6500 during business hours, or by calling an anonymous tip line - (989) 269-2861. Citizens can also call Huron County Central Dispatch 24 hours a day at (989) 269-6421.

## The Haire Net

It's time to be brave, gov.



I waited to pay a gas bill at Mr. Chips in Cass City. The customer in front of me purchased 4 bottles of pop and 2 packs of generic brand cigarettes. He dished out over \$15 for the items and I remarked that I was old enough to remember when he could have purchased all that stuff for under a buck. It's true that the pop bottles were larger than those 40 years or so ago, but what can you expect for a nickel? Besides, the cigarettes that sold for a quarter a pack were the national brands, not a generic. A quarter a pack at that time wasn't considered cheap. There were more than a few that rolled their own by hand or with the aid of a machine to save money.


That brings us to the tax plan revealed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm. First, it will be attacked by the conservative Detroit News and second, it will not be approved by anyone unless whatever tax is added doesn't directly affect them. (When cigarettes went up to 30 cents a pack from 25 cents there was a general lament from all the smokers.)

## Mallory in recital

Student musicians and vocalists from the Saginaw Valley State University Music Department were scheduled to perform a music majors' recital Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Rhea Miller Recital Hall. In all, 26 students, including Dustin Mallory of Gagetown (marimba), were scheduled to perform 16 selections.

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## The back forty

by Roger Pond

Psychologists say a growing number of people are becoming addicted to their cell phones. They can't resist calling people, can't turn the phone off, and become jumpy if they leave their cell at home.

According to University of Florida assistant professor, Lisa Merlo, "It's the need to be connected, to know what's going on and be available to other people. That's one of the hallmarks of cell phone addiction."

I couldn't agree more. We see them on the street, driving down the road, and sitting in restaurants; all chattering away as if the world is going to end before they get all of their calls made.

A fellow called me on his cell phone recently, and after we'd talked for a few seconds he said, "You'll have to talk real loud. I'm driving through traffic, and it's really hard to hear you."

"Driving through traffic?!" I thought. "You're going to kill yourself! Why not call from home?"

Besides, why should I have to yell? I'm not the one on the cell phone.

I saw an Opus cartoon a few months ago in which the penguin sits down next to a lunatic on a park bench. The mad man was yelling into space, "Blah — Blah — Blah. Do you copy Walter? Come in Walter? For gosh sakes, Walter, pick up the stupid signal!"

Opus looks at the lunatic and says, "What are you doing? Who are you talking to?"

The mad man says, "Nobody. I'm just shouting into space."

"You must be very lonely," Opus says.

"Oh, no. Not at all," the lunatic says.

The next cartoon panel shows people all over the park, jogging, walking their dogs, and roller skating. All of them are shouting into space, "Blah — Blah — Blah," talking on their cell phones.

Cell phones have become so small that people carry them everywhere and talk on them constantly. That makes these phones even more dangerous.

A recent news report says a man is on trial in Missouri for shoving his girl friend's cell phone down her throat. She says he did it because she wouldn't tell him who was calling her. (I can think of better reasons, but that's what she says.)

The man's lawyer says the woman swallowed her phone on purpose because she was trying to keep the boyfriend from knowing who was calling. The report doesn't say how she got the phone back or how many calls she missed. There must be a story there, too.

I think this man needs a better lawyer. Nobody is going to believe the woman swallowed her phone on purpose.

If I were defending this fellow, I would claim the woman swallowed her phone accidentally. Let's say she was talking on the phone and eating a candy bar at the same time. (Multitasking as they say.)

The woman says a few words and takes another bite of the candy bar. Finally, she gets so distracted she forgets which hand holds the phone! "Gulp!" Down she goes.

## Troopers seize thousands in tools, other property

Michigan State Police troopers are searching for the rightful owners of thousands of dollars worth of tools, firearms and other property seized during a raid last week in Millington Township.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Flint along with officers from the Thumb Narcotics Unit (TNU) executed a search warrant at a residence where, they reported, drug trafficking and an apparent "fencing operation" were being conducted.

Seized during the raids was more than \$20,000 worth of high-end construction tools, generators, power tools. Televisions, aluminum rims, long guns, unregistered firearms and illegal narcotics, and several thousand dollars in cash.

Investigators said charges against the homeowners are pending prosecutor review of the case.

Troopers have notified area police departments regarding the recovered property for possible identification.

Area residents who believe they can identify any of the property can contact their local department or Detective Sgt. Gillett at the Flint post at (810) 732-0740.

## Fundraiser luncheon set

The Human Development Commission (HDC) will be hosting a fundraiser luncheon and live auction to benefit this year's Walk for Warmth.

The event is slated for Friday, Feb. 16 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at HDC, 429 Montague Ave., Caro.

The menu will include chili or chicken and dumpling soup, sandwiches, salad, dessert and beverages. The suggested donation is \$5. More information is available by calling Angie at (989) 672-1758.

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Feb. 14, 2007

#### 5-Day Local Forecast

**Wednesday**  
Snow Likely  
High: 14 Low: 1

**Thursday**  
Snow Possible  
High: 12 Low: 3

**Friday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 19 Low: 9

**Saturday**  
Partly Cloudy  
High: 26 Low: 13

**Sunday**  
Mostly Cloudy  
High: 26 Low: 15

#### In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 70% chance of snow, high temperature of 14°, humidity of 72% and an overnight low of 1°. The record high temperature for today is 55° set in 1984. The record low is -8° set in 1994. Thursday, skies will remain mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of snow, high temperature of 12°.

#### Upcoming Moon Phases

New	First	Full	Last
2/17	2/24	3/3	3/11

#### Sunrise/Sunset Times

Sunrise today ..... 7:33 a.m.  
Sunset tonight ..... 6:02 p.m.

#### Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Monday	9	-6	27/13	0.00"
Tuesday	9	-4	27/13	0.00"
Wednesday	16	-2	28/13	0.00"
Thursday	18	7	28/13	0.00"
Friday	19	3	28/13	0.00"
Saturday	16	10	28/13	0.00"
Sunday	23	12	28/13	0.00"

Precipitation ..... 0.00"  
Normal precipitation ..... 0.36"  
Departure from normal ..... -0.36"  
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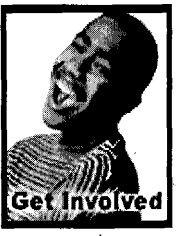

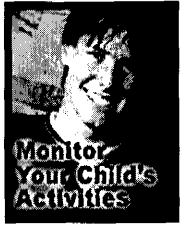

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## Red Hawk Talk

by Kyle Swanson

With unusually low temperatures and snow on the ground, you cannot deny that we are in the midst of winter.

One activity associated with winter at Cass City High School is boy's basketball and one event associated with boy's basketball is Snowcoming, which is just around the corner. Over the past week, I have been talking with several individuals on the Cass City High School Student Council to see what is being done to prepare for the big event.

One of the first activities that students can participate in is spirit week. There is no school on Monday, so unfortunately students will not be able to dress up. However, on Tuesday students are encouraged to wear something for their favorite colleges. On Wednesday students are encouraged to dress up for Nerd Day. Thursday, students can fly back in time and flash back a couple of decades for 80s Day. Finally, on Friday, students are encouraged to show their school spirit and wear their maroon and white clothing.

Another unique way for students at the high school to get involved is through the Aftershave Volleyball Tournament.

Similar in concept to the PowderPuff Football Game, the volleyball tournament allows the guys at the high school to get involved in a sport primarily associated with girls. Each grade forms a team and competes in a tournament to see who will be crowned champion. Girls in each grade serve as the coaches and attempt to teach the guys how to play volleyball in just a few short days. I can attest to the fact that this is indeed a sight to see and is fun for everyone involved.

Class student councils will also be

busy making a banner for the banner competition. Each grade level has only one week to construct the banner and they have to follow guidelines set out by the student council executive board. This year's theme for banners is Disney movies. It seems to me that there is an endless supply of good movies to choose and that we can expect some pretty good banners this year.

To wrap up spirit week and send the team off in good spirits for a victory, the high school will also hold a pep assembly Friday afternoon. Several events have been planned for the students, including competitions between the candidates for court. The pep assembly is always a fun way to end the week and is a great way to motivate everyone before the big game.

We can do everything we want to have a good week, but it all comes down to one thing, the game. This year's Snowcoming game is against the Bay City All Saints. It should be a fun game to watch, and I would encourage everyone in the community who is able to attend to do so. I know that I always enjoy seeing the amount of spirit that comes out on Snowcoming and seeing who will be crowned king and queen.

Finally, after the game one last event will take place. The high school always holds a dance for all high school students to attend. It is a fun activity and all who come seem to enjoy it. Certainly it is a great way to end a great week.

So, whether dressing up or boogying down, spirit week has something to offer everyone. I hope all the students at the high school have a good time and I wish our basketball team the best of luck!

# Several appear on felony charges

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

• Timothy W. Loomis, 35, Millington, pleaded no contest to fleeing a police officer and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, May 28 in Millington. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the Michigan Department of Corrections. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

• Nichole J. Cowser, 31, Caro, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without consent of the device holder July 16-18 in Almer Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be set.

• Robert A. Prime, 24, Akron, pleaded guilty to interfering with electronic communications and 2 counts of assault and battery Sept. 28-Oct. 18 in Akron Township.

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

• Samantha J. Barrett, 26, Unionville, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail and 24 months probation for her pleas of guilty to 2 counts of uttering and publishing involving a check for \$908.16 drawn on National City Bank July 21 in Caro.

She was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$620 plus restitution of \$908.16.

• Michael P. McGeshick, 29, Vassar, was sentenced to 120 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to assaulting a police officer Aug. 1 in Vassar.

He was also ordered to pay \$520 in costs and fines.

• Judy M. Marchese, also known as

Judy M. McCaul, 33, Fostoria, was sentenced to 36 months probation and 180 days in jail, with work release, for her pleas of guilty to writing 2 no-account checks for \$500 and \$650 March 1-30 in Mayville. She also pleaded guilty to 2 counts of uttering and publishing involving checks for \$895 and \$700, both drawn on Mayville State Bank, and stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without consent of the device holder in May-June in Watertown Township/Mayville.

In addition to jail time, she was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,460 plus restitution of \$3,847.36.

• Boyce C. Kirkwood, 39, Mayville, pleaded guilty to writing 2 non-sufficient fund checks within 10 days Jan. 21-28 in Mayville.

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

• Gloria M. Proctor, 45, Decker, pleaded no contest to delivering/manufacturing a controlled substance in October in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$3,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be set.

• Jeffery S. Badour, 42, Bay City, stood mute to a charge of aggravated stalking between December 2005 and November 2006 in Caro.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$25,000.

• Ryan John-Allen Wutzke, 21, Cass City, pleaded guilty to uttering and publishing involving a \$600 check drawn on Thumb National Bank, and obtaining money or property totaling \$1,000 to \$20,000 by false pretenses Sept. 17-18 in Cass City; uttering and publishing involving a

\$600 check drawn on Independent Bank, forgery involving a \$500 check, also drawn on Independent Bank, and larceny in a building Sept. 30-Oct. 4 in Almer Township; and delivering/manufacturing marijuana Oct. 8 in Cass City. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

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

• Courtney L. Herrington, 18, Vassar, pleaded guilty to second degree home invasion Dec. 26 in Juniata Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be set.

• Kenneth D. Schultz, 44, Vassar, was

sentenced to 18 months to 4 years in prison for his pleas of no contest to domestic violence Aug. 25 in Tuscola Township, and to possession of a narcotic/cocaine (less than 25 grams) and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, second offense, July 24 in Indianfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$240.

• Marcos A. Garcia, 18, Caro, was sentenced to 36 months probation and 180 days in jail, with school release, for his plea of no contest to assault with a dangerous weapon June 13 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay \$570 in costs and fines.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Can we come up with an answer for families?

The Cass City School District Food Service Program definitely needs enough finances to continue offering nutritious meals to students.

Unfortunately, hot lunch at school has become the best meal of the day for many of our students due to our area's depressed economic status. It's obvious there is a much bigger issue here than unpaid student accounts.

Withholding report cards or speaking to students about their unpaid accounts puts yet another burden on children of which they have no control. These students already realize they are a burden to their parents and then are being told their basic human need of food is a burden to their school - often their only safe haven.

Any parent who is sending a child to school without lunch money or a lunch and ignores requests of communication from the school, requires a referral to protective services. This is a blatant statement from the parents indicating there are bigger issues at home, which need investigation, for the safety of the children. A call from a school official directly to the protective services supervisor on how this can most effectively be handled would be in the best interest of the children.

Among the individual accounts, how many families does the total owed represent? If half of the elementary and middle school students are already on free or reduced rates, it's fair to assume that many high school

students are going without food, rather than being embarrassed by unpaid charges.

The qualifying standards for free or reduced rate meals are not reflecting the true financial picture affecting our families. A gallon of milk, loaf of bread and a box of cereal is presently nearly \$10. A trip to the laundromat, not counting bedding or coats, for just 2 adults is over \$10 weekly. Gas to get to the low paying jobs in our area is a crisis. Utilities are another area of burden on everyone.

It's always been a sad fact that our young people have to leave Cass City to find sufficient employment. Now it's entire families having to leave extended family and the safety of our community to survive. Obviously, many of those left behind are struggling, unable to provide lunch at school for their children.

In Flint, another financially depressed area, local churches are adopting schools and having fundraisers to purchase uniforms, school supplies or assistance with other financial needs to help all the district families.

Is it possible our public service organizations, churches, businesses and private individuals could work together with the food services department to come up with an answer for Cass City students and families?

Dee Garety  
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**March 13, 2007** 1-4 p.m. & 6-9 p.m.

	Tentative Equalization Factor	
Residential	Multiplier	Ratio
Agricultural	0.96043	52.06
Commercial	1.06022	47.16
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Industrial	1.000	50.00
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## Schools in line for more state cash

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he added.

"I think that, politically, it's in the best interest of everyone in Lansing to do something along these lines," agreed Owen-Gage School Supt. Dana Compton.

Granholt's new budget contains \$310 million in cuts, including \$92 million in the state's prison system. She is proposing allowing for the release of up to 5,000 more parole-eligible inmates and closing some prisons. The plan includes expanding the prisoner re-entry program, increased use of parole and clemency, lower sentences for non-violent offenders and implementing a community placement program.

As for the new sales tax, Granholt proposed adding a 2-percent tax to a myriad of services, from movie and professional sports tickets to haircuts, auto repair and home renovations. The tax would add up to less than \$70 annually for a family of 4, the governor estimates. The 6-percent sales tax would remain in place, except for a cut on new car sales involving trade-ins.

In addition to the 2-percent tax on services raising nearly \$1.5 billion and restructured Michigan Business Tax saving companies \$480 million, Granholt's budget includes new revenue from several other sources; \$119 million with an estate tax, \$84 million by closing so-called loopholes, \$21 million from a cigarette tax increase (5 cents per pack), \$36 million from

taxes on other tobacco products, and \$29 million in high liquor taxes (5-percent hike).

Aside from more money for schools, other major provisions include \$200 million for expanded early childhood education, \$40 million for child welfare, \$45 million for nursing programs, \$10 million more over 3 years for tourism promotion, \$57 million for alternative energy research and installation of biofuel pumps, \$27.2 million to local governments that share services, and \$10 million to schools that share services.

Granholt's recommendations are welcome, but school officials say they won't be nearly enough to offset the state's failure, especially in recent years, to at least keep up with the inflationary and other costs K-12 education has sustained.

"We needed \$375 (more) per student just to break even this year," said Wilson, who pointed out next year's state funding increase will be quickly eaten up by rising costs. For example, he said, Cass City Schools' health insurance tab totals about \$1.3 million, and the projections are for an increase of 14 percent next year. If the increase is less, say 10 percent, the district will pay an additional \$130,000 next year, compared to the \$258,000 the district would receive based on current enrollment numbers and the governor's proposed \$178-per-pupil funding hike in 2007-08. And, that doesn't take into account other expenses such as fuel, not to mention negotiations this year for a new union contract.

"You're still in a situation of making cuts or tightening budgets," Wilson said.

"It's going to be tough, I think, for districts that have contracts expiring," Compton agreed. On top of any base salary increase, school officials will have to figure in step increases, he noted. "And then a lot of contracts have longevity built in as well."

## Walbro sold

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tion since Sun Capital's inception in 1995. The company has offices in Boca Raton, Los Angeles and New York, and affiliates with offices in London, Tokyo and Shenzhen, China. TI Automotive is the world's leading supplier of fluid storage, transfer and delivery systems, including brake, fuel and air conditioning applications. With headquarter locations in Warren, Mich., and Oxford, England, the company employees more than 16,000 people at more than 110 facilities in 28 countries and 6 continents.

## Area farm joins Angus association

Ruggles Beef Farms, Kingston, is a new member of the American Angus Association, according to John Crouch, executive vice president of the national breed registry organization in Saint Joseph, Mo.

Crouch also announced that Kyle Ruggles, Kingston, is a new junior member of the association.

The American Angus Association, with more than 34,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef cattle registry association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on more than 14 million registered Angus.

Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle, participate in programs conducted by the National Junior Angus Association, and take part in association-sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

When you combine that with the retirement costs and you combine that with benefits..."

The bottom line, Compton said, is all school officials will continue to keep one eye very close on their bottom lines and the other eye on Lansing. "It's just a situation where the budget is going to be the 'wolf at the door' for some time."

## House fire

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home.

Fire Chief Alan Kretzschmer estimated the loss at about \$100,000, including \$30,000 for contents. The cause of the blaze was not immediately known.

Denise Radabaugh said the family met with Red Cross officials last week to arrange temporary housing arrangements.

Radabaugh has started a drive to collect clothing and other items for the family. Donations can be dropped off at her business, Strandz Hair Studio, 7338 Main St., Owendale, this week Tuesday or Wednesday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Radabaugh said residents can also contact her at (989) 678-4247 for more information.

Owendale fire fighters were at the scene for more than 5 hours. They were assisted by the Oliver Township and Elmwood Township-Gagetown fire departments, Owendale Police Department and Huron County Road Commission.

## Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



### 5 YEARS AGO

The Cass City Red Hawk spikers reached the finals of the USA Invitational volleyball tournament Saturday where they came up just short and suffered hard fought losses to champ Ubly, 15-7 and 15-11. Coach Beth Howard's spikers breezed to the top finish in Pool B with a pair of decisions over Owen-Gage (15-10, 15-11) and Mayville (15-13, 15-7) and splits with Caro (15-11, 7-15) and Deckerville (14-16, 15-2).

Two Hawk wrestlers won Greater Thumb Conference championships at the annual league meet at Marlette Saturday. Aaron Dorland placed first at 160 pounds. His season's record is 40-2. Travis Jensen avenged an early season loss by pinning Tod Molesworth of Yale in 1:59 in the championship finals at 189 pounds. His record is 41-4 for the season.

A shot at the buzzer by Grant Frank that hit the rim and bounced out was the difference Friday as visiting Saginaw Valley Lutheran topped the Cass City Red Hawks, 51-49. The ending ruined a comeback by Cass City after the team suffered a serious shooting draught in the first half and trailed 27-12 at the intermission. Shot after shot with open looks failed to find the net from three-point range against the VL packed in zone, and the Cass City offense stalled. The first 6 attempts from outside the circle missed and it was not until there was just 5 minutes left in the half that Frank cashed a trey.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Cass City area residents may find surfing the Internet more affordable in the future. Local access to the World Wide Web was the focus of an informational meeting hosted by the Cass City Economic Development Corporation last week. EDC President Geraldine Prieskorn welcomed a group of about 25 people interested in determining services, interest and internet hardware capabilities presently available or planned in the future. The EDC is exploring the possibility of local Internet access, Prieskorn explained, because it represents another service the community can offer to prospective businesses looking to relocate in the village.

In this fast-paced world of high-tech everything, Jeff Windsor enjoys taking a trip back to the past every now and then. The same goes for his wife, Shelly, and the couple's sons, Joshua, 11, and Robert Lee, 7. The Deford area family are members of one of Michigan's oldest Civil War reenactment organizations, the 5th Texas Company E. Members of the group gather several times each year to re-live battles of the past complete with

authentic clothing, weapons and tools. Men of fighting age test their skills on the battlefield, while women and children take care of the chores of everyday living back then, including assisting their soldiers and caring for the wounded. For Windsor, there's no better way to enjoy a few days off.

"Daytime Torch", a standard bred harness horse bred by Fleming Stock Farm, Cass City, is continuing his winning ways in a big way. The horse's accomplishments, including 1996 Michigan Trotter of the Year honors, were the topic of a recent Chronicle feature story. Ed Fleming reported Friday that "Daytime Torch" was the winner of the Dygert Memorial Trot, held Feb. 7 at the Hawthorne Raceway in Chicago, Ill. The prestigious race featured a purse totaling \$100,000. (From Rabbit Tracks)

### 25 YEARS AGO

In the news almost every day now is the \$1 million or so salaries paid to baseball players. A buddy asked if paying (or not paying, unless forced, as the Detroit Tigers operate) these salaries turned me off on baseball. The answer is no. But the tight fisted policy of John Fetzer and company does have an effect, I wouldn't plunk down my dough to see a noncompetitive team play. Because the Tigers refuse to shell out for the top players they will have to prove to me that they are real. If they are in the race in late August or early September I'll be there to watch regardless of salaries paid or not paid. If that makes me a fair weather fan, so be it. (From Rabbit Tracks)

The Cass City High School Future Farmers of America chapter played host to the district FFA competition after school Thursday. The host chapter won the agricultural forum event, the team consisting of Jerry Cooper, Dave Osentoski, Ken Brown, Paul Auten, Terry Sweeney and Brian Moore. Other winners Thursday were: Demonstration, Caro chapter; public speaking, Amie Hedley, Unionville-Sebewaing; greenhand public speaking, Scott Vollmar, Caro; job interview, Mary Schmidt; and parliamentary procedure, USA chapter.

Cass City spikers split two matches with visiting Lakers Monday night to keep a .500 record in the Thumb B Association. The Hawks have won four and lost four. The girls will try to better that record when North Branch comes to town Thursday night. After that it will be a non-league affair with Harbor Beach in Cass City Monday. To gain the split with the Lakers the Hawks had to win the final two games of the evening. Paced by Kris Proctor, who was the top server, the Hawks won the final games

15-10 and 15-13h after dropping the first game in the set, 15-10.

### 35 YEARS AGO

Colonel Olive Burner was presented with the Eagles, symbolic of her new rank by Elliot L. Richardson, secretary of health, education and welfare, and her husband, Col. Alvin M. Burner, U.S. Air Force. Burner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Roch of Cass City. She is on detail from the Air Force serving as acting director of Project Headstart in HEW's Office of Child Development in Washington, D.C.

The non-jury trial involving Mayville School officials and several students that were suspended for not conforming to the school's dress code ended after a day's testimony Tuesday with Circuit Court Judge Churchill deciding in favor of the school. The suit began when two Mayville students filed against the Board of Education, the principal and superintendent after they were suspended from classes Dec. 16, 1971, for having their hair too long. The school dress code requires boys' hair to be out of the eyes and off the ears and collar. Sideburns may extend one inch below the ear. The judge said the plaintiff in the case didn't show that the rule was unreasonable.

Instead of just talking about the problems concerning the environment, a group of high school students are doing something about it. The ecology class is sponsoring a glass recycling collection center in an effort to help clean up the environment. After two months, it has been a success with about one ton of glass bottles in storage. The 25 or so interested students meet daily to discuss the problems of pollution facing the world and possible solutions with their instructor, William Philbin.

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Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor - Chuck Carr  
Transportation available

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

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

**Cass City Missionary Church**  
4449 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726  
989-872-2729  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service & Youth Group 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Family Night 6:30 p.m.  
Pastor - Bob Sweeney  
[www.casscitymc.org](http://www.casscitymc.org)

**Cass City United Methodist Church**  
5100 N. Cemetery Rd.,  
P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726  
872-3422  
Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
(Summer 9:30 a.m.)  
Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m.  
Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon)  
Pastor: Rev. Paul G. Donelson

**Evangelical Free Church of Cass City**  
6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726  
Phone: 872-5060  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Midweek Bible Studies  
Biblical Counseling  
Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould



**First Baptist Church**  
6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726  
989-872-3155  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study,  
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
AWANA 6:45 p.m. Wednesdays  
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Website: [www.fbccc.us](http://www.fbccc.us)

**First Presbyterian Church**  
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6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-5400  
Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.  
Pastor: Dave Blackburn

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-2770  
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 a.m.  
Pastor: Gerald Meyer

**Living Word Worship Center**  
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6536 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-4637  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. (Family Training Hour) 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Keith Misany

**Novesta Church of Christ**  
2896 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-3658 or 872-1195  
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Worship Service 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.  
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**Potter's House  
Christian Fellowship Church**  
Corner of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726  
872-5186  
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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Pastor: F. Robert Tucker

**St. Agatha Catholic Church**  
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665-9966  
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## Brown lauds Granholm plan

State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) praised Governor Jennifer M. Granholm for unveiling what he called a bold plan to make Michigan a center for 21st century jobs by investing in cutting-edge industries such as alternative energies, ensuring that workers hit by outsourcing get retrained in high-demand fields, and strengthening education.

"The governor understands the serious challenges that Michigan faces right now, and I applaud her innovative approach to tackling those head-on," said Brown, whose district includes Caro, where Michigan's first ethanol plant was built. "Investing in alternative energy sources will give our economy in the Thumb a much-needed boost. Creating well-educated, well-trained workers will ensure that the people of Michigan find

their footing in the global economy. Together, we can get Michigan moving in the right direction."

During her state of the state address, Granholm proposed the "No Worker Left Behind" program, which will give workers whose jobs have been outsourced to other states and countries 2 years of free training or community college in high-demand fields. Granholm also proposed creating "Promise Zones" throughout the state, which will help more Michigan high school graduates afford the advanced education they'll need to be prepared for the jobs of the future.

Last month, Brown and his colleagues in the House kicked off the new legislative session by announcing their top priorities, which include strengthening education to build a highly trained 21st century

workforce.

"The governor's plan to create Promise Zones will give each and every child in Michigan a high-quality education, which is the most powerful tool we can give our future workers," said Brown, who was an educator in the Huron Intermediate School District for 23 years. "Creating well-educated children, highly skilled workers and 21st century industries will build a stronger Michigan for all of us."

Brown's other top priorities include lowering the cost of health care, increasing consumer protections, beefing up ethics standards in the House, and stopping Canadian and out-of-state trash.

During the state of the state ceremony, Brown escorted the justices of the Michigan Supreme Court into the House Chamber. Brown also gave the prayer to open the House session.

### Childbirth classes set

Huron Medical Center, Bad Axe, will be offering a 5-week series of childbirth education classes. The classes will begin Wednesday, Feb. 28, in the third floor boardroom of the medical center, from 7 to 9 p.m.

These classes are for any expectant mother who is due before June 2007 and wants to learn more about nutrition, exercise, the labor process, relaxation techniques, pain management, breastfeeding and more.

A registered nurse will teach the class. For more information or to register, call (989) 269-2882 or (989) 269-2883.

### Brown hosting town meeting

State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) will hold a town hall meeting on alternative energy at Bad Axe High School, Monday, Feb. 19, at 6 p.m. Brown will be joined by experts in the field of alternative energy.



**WALBRO ENGINE Management in Cass City is among the businesses sold last week by TI Automotive to an affiliate of Sun Capital Partners Inc. However, the future of the local plant is uncertain, with company officials releasing few details until the deal is closed later this month. (See story, page one)**

## Ubly High School Honor Roll

Ubly High School officials announce the second marking period honor roll.

### GRADE 9

Stephanie Baslock, Ashley Burton \*, Justin Cleary, Amanda Cummings, Nicole Depcinski, Matthew Eilers, Lee Farrelly \*, Nicole Franzel \*, Nicole Geiger, Katie Gentner, Shauna Heleski, Jordan Hieber, Caitlyn Holdwick, Jessica Kozikay, Brandon Lemke, Kristen McDonald, Camay Messing, Shaun Messing, Megan Murdock, Elizabeth Napora, Brennan Ney, Dalton O'Connor, Stacy Osantowski, Kylie Pierson, Chelsey Pionk, Jeremy Ruthko, Brian Rutkowski, Daniel Rutkowski, Nicholas Sador, Michael Simerson, Ashley Simmerlein, Charity Smithers, Samantha Sweeney, Cody Tyrrell,

### GRADE 10

Kara Booms \*, Mitchel Cleary, Heather Depcinski, Emily Dropiewski, Sean Fligger, Kayla Franzel, Rebecca Gentner \*, Amanda Grifka \*, Paul Halifax, Kalyan Helewski, Carley Holdwick, Jordan Kaufman, Leandra Kramer, Kayla Kubacki, Eric LaBuhn, Alicia Leipprandt \*, Nathan Leppek, Adam Maurer, Alexander Messing, Jennifer Messing \*, Lauren Messing, Kenneth Murray, Alexander Osentoski \*, Seol-in Park, Alexander Peruski, Chelsie Peruski \*, Isaac Peruski, Kenneth Peters, Nicholas Pichla, Sheila Pichla, Ross Pionk, Robert Pollum, Elaine Romzek, Jason Schroeder, Janee Snyder, Brandon Sorenson, Alexandria Stevenson \*, Rawisara Thalaengkij, Tasha Tschirhart, Kayla Vogel, Marlena Walsh, and Lyndsay White \*.

### GRADE 11

Maximilian Baier, Calvin Booms, Gena Briolat, Ashley Creguer, Nathan Forman, Eric Gentner, Teri Gentner, Tricia Heleski, Chelsey Kubacki, Jason Kubacki, Lisa Laming, John Lautner, Shelby Lemke \*, Thomas Loss, Kyle McBride, Brandi Messing, Kevin Messing \*, Bree Ann O'Connor, Kayla Osantowski, Shanna Osmulski, Ernest Peltier II, Grant Pichla \*, Gwen Pionk, Nathan Roth, Tammy Rutkowski, Janelle Susalla, Beth Weber, Shannon Weber \* and Erin Yarbrough.

### GRADE 12

Lindsey Baslock, Sarah Block, Heath Farrelly, Justin Fess, Andrea Geiger, Rita Gentner \*, Bryan Glaza, Amber Grifka, Andrea Hill \*, Jade Kaufman, Alexandra Kaweck, Nicole Klee, Michael Koglin, Kylee Kubacki, Rebecca Kubacki, Shelby LaBuhn \*, Kara Lackowski \*, Joshua Loss, Joel Maurer, Lucas Maurer, James Mazure, Alison McDonald, Renee Melnik, Robert Messing, Megan Morell \*, Phillip Movish \*, Courtney Ney \*, Shawn Oberski, Justin

O'Connor, Amanda Osentoski, Faith Osentoski \*, Shelby Partaka \*, Justin Peruski, Kendall Peruski, Kyle Peruski, Jalisa Pierson \*, Lucas Priemer, Cynthia Rumpitz \*, Steven Rutkowski \*, Ryan Simmerlein, Paul Smaglinski Jr., Nathan Smalley, Aaron Smithers, Jacob Soper, Nicholas Taylor, Riley Walsh, and Bianca Weltin.

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**STATE REPRESENTATIVE Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) escorts justices of Michigan's Supreme Court into the House chamber last week before Governor Jennifer M. Granholm's state of the state address.**

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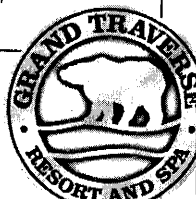
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### Thermometer exchange set in Tuscola

The Tuscola County Recycling Center is sponsoring a mercury thermometer exchange during an upcoming household hazardous waste collection slated for Saturday, April 14.

Residents are encouraged to bring their old mercury thermometers to the collection and exchange them for a new digital thermometer while supplies last.

Old thermometers must be transported in plastic zip lock bags, and an appointment is required. More information is available by calling (989) 672-1673.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER

**Fri., Feb. 16 - 5-7 p.m.**

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## Thumb QDM banquet set Feb. 24 at K of C hall

The Thumb Area Branch of the Quality Deer Management Association (QDMA) is gearing up for its seventh annual Quality Deer Management Banquet, Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bad Axe.

The doors open at 4 p.m., with dinner scheduled for 6 p.m.

There will be raffles, auctions, games, displays and a gun table. There will also be a special "no extra cost" raffle for kids under 16 years of age.

Featured this year will be displays and representatives from the various voluntary QDM cooperatives in Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties.

The cooperatives range in size from hundreds to thousands of acres of private land managed under QDM principles. The goal is to increase the harvest of 2 1/2-year-old bucks and at the same time harvest an adequate number of adult does to ensure a reasonable deer population and a more favorable buck-to-doe ratio.

Ticket information is available by contacting Dan Guza at (989) 658-8015, Greg Andreski at (989) 670-0829, Paul Plantinga at (586) 777-3374 or Ryan Swartz at (989) 975-2666.

## Whitetails Unlimited banquet set

Whitetails Unlimited is sponsoring the Caro Area Whitetails Unlimited Fundraising Banquet Saturday, March 3, at the Caro Knights of Columbus, 903 Ryan Rd., Caro.

The event will feature a buffet dinner, auction, door prizes, sporting equipment, limited edition wildlife and outdoor art, and WTU collectibles. Proceeds from the banquet will go toward local projects that uphold WTU's mission.

The social hour begins at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. There is a Feb. 24 deadline for tickets, which will not be sold at the door. To order tickets, call Dale TerBush at (989) 673-1189 or WTU National Headquarters at 800-274-5471, or go online at [www.whitetailunlimited.com](http://www.whitetailunlimited.com).

Whitetails Unlimited, Inc. is a national, nonprofit, conservation organization, with members in all 50 states that strongly believes in working with its local chapters in addressing local, state and national issues involving whitetail deer and their habitat. Unique among conservation organizations, Whitetails Unlimited returns 50 percent of net event proceeds to the local chapter to use on local conservation projects.

## Collection of HHW scheduled

Huron County officials are looking for residents to participate in their household hazardous waste (HHW) collection Saturday, May 5.

This program is offered to residents in Huron County to reduce the waste going into local landfills and the negative impact these products can have if mixed with the regular waste stream.

Residents are required to pre-register and be assigned an appointment time to participate in the program. No materials will be accepted without an appointment. All information is kept confidential.

Acceptable items include toxic (poisonous), flammable, caustic (causes burns) or chemically reactive materials. Some examples: oil-based paint, drain cleaners, pool chemicals, pesticides and antifreeze. Unacceptable items include ammunition/explosives, biohazards (syringes), prescription medications, smoke detectors, latex paint, motor oils and batteries.

Residents are encouraged to dispose of hazardous materials they have in their home through this program. Not only is it safer than keeping these poorly stored in a basement or garage, but also by getting rid of them properly, the homeowner can prevent a future incident when a dog or a small child may come in contact with these products.

To participate in this spring's collection, all applications must be turned in to the MSU Extension-Huron County office at 99 W. Soper Rd., Suite B, Bad Axe, by Monday, April 23. For an application or more information, call (989) 269-9949.

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## 2006-2007 Boys' Basketball

Dec. 5	Vassar 48, Cass City 60
Dec. 8	Ubyly 62, Cass City 39
Dec. 12	Sandusky 38, Cass City 41
Dec. 15	Mayville 50, Cass City 56
Dec. 19	Bad Axe 64, Cass City 67
Dec. 29	Imlay City 63, Cass City 67
Jan. 5	Lakers 50, Cass City 56
Jan. 9	Caro 58, Cass City 66
Jan. 12	USA 45, Cass City 51
Jan. 16	Harbor Beach 54, Cass City 57
Jan. 19	Reese 64, Cass City 39
Jan. 23	Deckerville 45, Cass City 44
Jan. 26	BCAS 66, Cass City 69
Feb. 6	Bad Axe 54, Cass City 45
Feb. 9	Lakers 59, Cass City 41
Feb. 13	USA 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 16	Reese 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 23	BCAS Snowcoming 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 27	John Glenn 6:00 p.m.
Mar. 2	Saginaw Nouvel 6:00 p.m.

\*Home games are in bold

## 2006-2007 Wrestling

Nov. 30	Imlay City	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 2	Cros-Lex	9:00 a.m.
Dec. 9	Marlette Invite	8:00 a.m.
Dec. 13	Marlette/Lakers	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 21	Caro	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 3	Almont/Imlay City	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 6	North Branch Invite	9:00 a.m.
Jan. 10	Brown City/USA	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 13	Port Huron Northern	8:00 a.m.
Jan. 17	Lakers/Nouvel	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 20	Imlay City Invite	8:30 a.m.
Jan. 24	Marlette/Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 27	Marysville Invite	9:00 a.m.
Jan. 31	Mayville/Sandusky	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 3	Standish/Sterling Invite	8:00 a.m.
Feb. 10	League Tourney	10:00 a.m.

\*Home matches are in bold

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## BASKETBALL

**February 16**  
**Cass City vs. Reese**  
**February 23**  
**Cass City vs. BCAS**  
**Snowcoming**

## 2006-2007 Volleyball

Dec. 9	Lakers Invite (JV/F)	9:00 a.m.
Dec. 13	Caro (V)	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 13	Caro/BC (JV)	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 13	Caro/BC (F)	6:00 p.m.
Dec. 15	Caro Invite (JV)	4:30 p.m.
Dec. 16	Caro Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.
Dec. 22	Essexville-Garber	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 5	Bad Axe Invite (JV/F)	3:30 p.m.
Jan. 8	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 11	Reese	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 13	Birch Run Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.
Jan. 15	Sandusky	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 18	USA	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 22	Lakers	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 25	BCAS	6:00 p.m.
Jan. 27	Birch Run Invite (JV)	8:30 a.m.
Jan. 27	Yale Invite	TBA
Feb. 1	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 5	Reese	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 8	USA	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 10	SVSU Tourney (V)	9:00 a.m.
Feb. 15	Lakers	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 17	Northwood Invite (V)	8:00 a.m.
Feb. 17	SVSU Invite (JV)	9:00 a.m.
Feb. 22	BCAS	6:00 p.m.

\*Home matches are in bold

## 2006-2007 Gymnastics

Dec. 20	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 8	Midland	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 16	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 30	Midland	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 10	Vassar Invite	12:00 p.m.
Feb. 13	Midland Invite	6:00 p.m.

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# SLUMP CONTINUES

## Lakers deliver Cass City one-sided defeat

With games this week against 2 of the top teams in the Greater Thumb West, now would be a great time for coach Aaron Fernald's Cass City Red Hawks to shake out of the slump that has resulted in losses in 3 of the last 4 games. Friday the Hawks bowed to the Lakers, 59-41.

The Hawks were scheduled to play at USA Tuesday and entertain Reese Friday. The team topped the Patriots at home and lost to the Rockets on the road in first round games.

A combination of a tight Laker zone defense, shoddy ball handling and

converting just 18 for 47 shots from the field enabled the Lakers to notch the win.

Cass City fell behind in the opening moments of the game with 3 turnovers in the first 4 minutes. Brad Hartel connected for a trey to close the gap to a point, 8-7, midway through the period before the Lakers went on a 7-2 run to close the quarter in front, 15-9.

Cass City started the second period with a 6-0 run paced by 2 quick buckets from Shane McFarland and another by Hartel to tie the game at the 5:38 mark. After that brief rally Lakers

took control. Helped by 6 Cass City turnovers in the quarter, the winners went on an 11-3 roll to lead 26-18.

The Hawks' Andrew Martin provided most of the Hawk offense in the last half, netting all 9 of his points in the last 2 quarters. One of his buckets came with a shot in the low post after a neat pass from Chris Zawilinski.

Going into the final 8 minutes, the Laker lead stretched to 50-32 with 4:23 left to play and both coaches turned to their benches to finish the game.

Martin's 9 points was high for Cass City. In double figures for the Lakers

were Mark Feger with 12 and Errick Miles with 11.

**LAKERS** - Miles 3-1 (2-2) 11; Chiotti 1-0 (0-0) 2; Feger 4-1 (1-1) 12; Cook 2-1 (0-0) 7; Maust 1-1 (0-0) 5; Dubs 1-1 (1-2) 6; Goins 3-0 (1-2) 7; Gascho 2-1 (2-4) 9.

**TOTALS** - 17-6 (7-11) 59.

**CASS CITY** - Childs 1-1 (1-1) 6; Hartel 2-1 (0-0) 7; Lautner 1-0 (0-0) 2; Babich 1-0 (0-0) 2; Binder 0-1 (0-0) 3; Martin 4-0 (1-2) 9; Halasz 4-0 (0-0) 8; McFarland 2-0 (0-0) 4.

**TOTALS** - 15-3 (2-3) 41.



BEATING THE DEFENSE to the basket is Cameron Lautner, right. He was challenged by the Hatchets' Chris Smith.

## Bad Axe handles ice cold Cass City

It was 5 degrees below zero last week, Tuesday, and the weather wasn't a bit colder than the Cass City Red Hawks in the final quarter against the visiting Bad Axe Hatchets, who put a major chill on Cass City's chances for a Greater Thumb West championship.

The Hatchets broke open a tight game in the last quarter to post a 54-45 decision and earn a split in the 2

games played this season. The Hawks won the first encounter, 67-64.

It was anybody's game until the last quarter. The lead changed 3 times and the score was tied 3 times, the last time at the end of the third quarter.

The first 6 minutes of the final quarter was a disaster for Cass City. In that time Cass City's total points were

from a pair of free throws and a basket by Dereck Halasz. Good shots bounced in and out of the hoop for the Hawks, including a pair of uncontested lay-ups.

Bad Axe quickly ran up an 11-point lead, paced by Brad Iskow with a pair of hoops and 3 free throws and Chris Cove who launched a trey and a pair of charity tosses. At the end of the run the Hatchets were in front, 48-37.

With the commanding lead the Hatchets went into a control ball offense. Cass City closed to within 7 points with a little over a minute left on a 3-pointer by Brad Hartel, but the Hatchets answered the threat with 4 quick points to put the game in the win column.

The Hawks started fast with a 7-0 run in the opening 2 minutes before the Hatchets entered the scoring column behind baskets by Cove and Chris Paganini.

Halasz scored an easy hoop as the Hawks easily broke the Bad Axe press. The Hatchets went back on the offense with 6 unanswered points to lead 12-11 before Hartel connected for a hoop on a pretty drive to the basket and added a trey with 1:05 left to tie the score at 14. Andrew Martin added a hoop at the buzzer and Cass City was in front 16-14 at the end of the period.

The second period was a seesaw affair. The Hawks jumped out in front

24-19 midway through the quarter as Martin and Shane McFarland connected inside the paint. That lead didn't last long as the Hatchets staged a 7-2 run. The Hawk basket that broke the streak was a nice tip by McFarland off the offensive boards.

Cass City led by a point at the intermission, 28-27, and both teams were guilty of ragged balls, missed shots and numerous turnovers. Going into the final quarter the score was tied to set the stage for the Hatchets' winning run.

The weather and the lack of a marquee contest resulted in the smallest crowd of the season.

Leading the Hatchets was Brad Iskow with 13 points that included a crowd-pleasing dunk. Also in double figures for Bad Axe were Cove, 13, and Paganini with 10. Hartel, 11, and McFarland, 10, topped the Hawks.

**BAD AXE** - Brown 2-0 (1-4) 5; Talaski 1-0 (0-0) 2; Paganini 3-1 (1-2) 10; Hewens 0-1 (4-4) 7; Cove 2-2 (3-4) 13; Rader 2-0 (0-0) 4; Iskow 5-0 (3-4) 13.

**TOTALS** - 15-4 (12-18) 54

**CASS CITY** - Hartel 1-3 (0-0) 11; Lautner 1-1 (0-1) 5; Babich 1-0 (1-2) 3; Zawilinski 1-0 (0-0) 2; Martin 3-0 (0-0) 6; Halasz 3-0 (2-2) 8; McFarland 5-0 (0-0) 10.

**TOTALS** - 15-4 (3-5) 45

## Owen-Gage downs Peck to remain on top of NCTL-N

Brandon Dubs strapped his Owen-Gage basketball teammates on his back and carried the Bulldogs to a 61-46 victory Friday over host Peck in North Central Thumb League action.

In front of a packed Parents' Night crowd, Dubs turned in a season-high 23 points to help keep the Bulldogs on top of the NCTL-N standings with a 9-2 mark. Peck, meanwhile, slips under .500 in the NCTL-S at 6-7.

Despite the Bulldogs lofty record, 9-3 overall, they will be heavy underdogs in Friday's meeting against undefeated bully Kingston in Owendale.

Against the Pirates, sloppy ball handling in the closing minutes of the first quarter resulted in a 15-12 margin for the hosts, as Aaron Rich picked the pockets of Bulldog ball handlers on consecutive possessions to end the frame on easy lay-ins.

However, Dubs responded with 10 tallies in the period before the break that ended with the Bulldogs in front, 29-24. The Bulldog junior scored on a variety of shots in the opening half, including a pair of post-up buckets in the lane, a baseline driver and a 10' jumper.

### BASKETBALL STANDINGS

GREATER THUMB WEST				
Team	W	L	W	L
USA	5	2	12	3
Reese	4	2	11	3
Cass City	4	3	10	5
Lakers	3	2	8	7
Bad Axe	2	4	5	8
BCAS	1	6	4	10

GREATER THUMB EAST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Brown City	7	0	13	1
Harbor Beach	5	2	8	6
Sandusky	5	3	9	5
Ublly	5	3	9	6
Marlette	2	6	6	9
Deckerville	2	6	5	10
Mayville	0	6	0	14

NCTL NORTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
Owen-Gage	9	2	9	3
North Huron	9	4	9	5
Port Hope	3	10	4	10
Cassville	2	12	2	12
Akron-Fairgrove	1	12	2	12

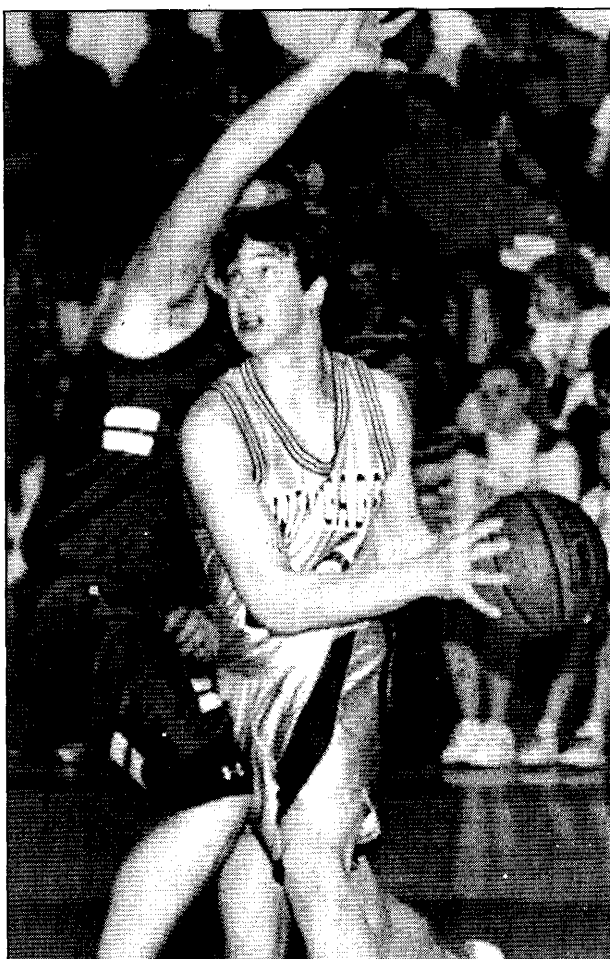
NCTL SOUTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
Kingston	13	0	15	0
CPS	8	3	8	5
Memphis	8	4	9	5
Peck	6	7	6	8
Dryden	3	8	3	9

A pretty head fake by Dubs knotted the game at 17-17 with 6:25 remaining in the opening half and the visitors never looked back.

Both schools traded baskets during the third period and the Pirates were able to slice into the Bulldog advantage entering the final 8 minutes as Billy Burns heated up to score 6 of his team-high 16 tallies.

But leading 40-37, Owen-Gage went on a 21-9 run to close out the contest and seal the victory. In the final stanza, Owen-Gage converted 9 of 11 free throw attempts, including a 5 of 6 showing from sophomore Brent Reil who finished the night with 15 points.

Owen-Gage also received 15 points from Eric Zaleski, who provided consistent scoring throughout the night. Zaleski hit from the field in every quarter and also added a 3 of 4 showing at the charity stripe.



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**OWEN-GAGE'S** Andy Dronsella gets past a Peck defender in Friday's NCTL tilt. The Bulldogs cruised to a 61-46 victory.

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Bad Axe at Caseville

Cass City at USA

Reese at Lakers

BCAS at Marlette

Harbor Beach at Sandusky

Brown City at Deckerville

Mayville at Ublly

Dryden at CPS

North Huron at A-Fairgrove

Port Hope at Owen-Gage

Kingston at Peck

**Thursday, February 15**

Ublly at Marlette

Deckerville at Sandusky

**Friday, February 16**

BCAS at Bad Axe

Reese at Cass City

Mayville at Harbor Beach

Memphis at North Huron

Kingston at Owen-Gage

Dryden at Caseville

**Last Week's Results**

**Season's Results**

Bad Axe

USA

Lakers

BCAS

Harbor Beach

Brown City

Ublly

CPS

North Huron

Owen-Gage

Kingston

Marlette

Sandusky

Bad Axe

Reese

Harbor Beach

North Huron

Kingston

Dryden

11-7

106-39 (73%)

Bad Axe

USA

Reese

BCAS

Harbor Beach

Brown City

Ublly

CPS

North Huron

Owen-Gage

Kingston

Ublly

Sandusky

Bad Axe

Reese

Harbor Beach

North Huron

Kingston

Dryden

12-6

111-34 (77%)

Bad Axe

USA

Reese

BCAS

Harbor Beach

Brown City

Ublly

CPS

North Huron

Owen-Gage

Kingston

Ublly

Sandusky

Bad Axe

Reese

Harbor Beach

North Huron

Kingston

Dryden

11-7

107-38 (74%)

Bad Axe

USA

Lakers

BCAS

Harbor Beach

Brown City

Ublly

CPS

North Huron

Owen-Gage

Kingston

Ublly

Sandusky

Bad Axe

Reese

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Kingston

Cassville

10-8

109-36 (75%)



## Red Hawk grapplers challenge Wildcats

The Cass City wrestling team geared up for this week's state tournament action with a terrific showing at the Greater Thumb Conference league meet in Bad Axe.

Lead by conference champions Travis Mabe (112 lbs.), Andrew Peruski (125 lbs.) and Kyle Sieradzki (160 lbs.), coach Don Markel's Red Hawks came up just short of dethroning Mayville as the sole GTC champs. "Thirteen of the 14 Cass City wrestlers placed in the top 4 in their respective weight classes," Markel said. Adding, Jeremy Farr achieved a career milestone on Saturday, recording his 100th career victory.

Mayville placed first with 237.5 points Saturday followed by runner-up Cass City with 201.5 points. The complete order of finish saw Marlette with 125 points, Sandusky 94, Brown City 74.5, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port 45.5, Saginaw Nouvel 42 and Bad Axe 18.

In addition to Cass City's 3 league champions, Kyle Reif (145 lbs.), Dennis Bowen (189 lbs.) and Abrien Swires (285 lbs.) finished as GTC runners-up, while Zach McCree (103 lbs.), Kevven Dorland (119 lbs.), Jeremy Farr (125 lbs.), Ken Grady (130 lbs.), Clark Walsh (140 lbs.) and Ryan King (285 lbs.) placed third. Finishing fourth for the Hawks in the 215 lb. division was Preston Stec.

During the GTC dual meet portion on the season, which accounted for half of the league standings, Mayville finished with a perfect 7-0 mark, followed Cass City at 6-1, Marlette 5-2, Lakers 4-3, Brown City 3-4, Saginaw Nouvel 2-5, Sandusky 1-6 and Bad Axe 0-7.

Cass City will be at Essexville-Garber for team districts on Thursday and at Caro Saturday for individual districts.

## Cass City gymnasts compete at Vassar

The pressure is on Cass City gymnasts Allie Richards, Ashley Weiss and Allie Hillaker.

Entering Tuesday night's final meet of the season at Midland, the Red Hawk trio each needs just one more regional qualifying score - 4 in all - to advance into the state's individual regional competition.

During the Red Hawks' latest outing, Saturday in Vassar, all 3 lady Hawks gave themselves an opportunity to reach regional play by recording their third regional score in their respective events.

Richards placed seventh on the beam at the 4-team invitational with a mark of 8.0 and eighth in the floor exercise with a mark of 8.05, while Weiss finished in a tie for ninth with a score of 7.95 in the vault. Hillaker, who failed to place in the top 10 spots, recorded a score of 7.4 on the beam. Each score represented their third of the season equal to or surpassing the regional standard.

Caitlyn Sorenson recorded Cass City's top finish on the day with a third place effort on the uneven bars. Sorenson's mark of 7.65 qualifies her for regional play in the event.

Completing the list of top 10 finishers for Cass City, all in the vault, were Sorenson - fourth with a score of 8.4, Richards - fifth with a score of 8.25, Theresa Imgraben - tied for ninth with a score of 7.95 and Taryn Vatter - tenth with a mark of 7.8.

St. John's captured the team competition with 133.60 points. Vassar followed with 124 points, while Cass City registered 112.55 points and Midland, 104.

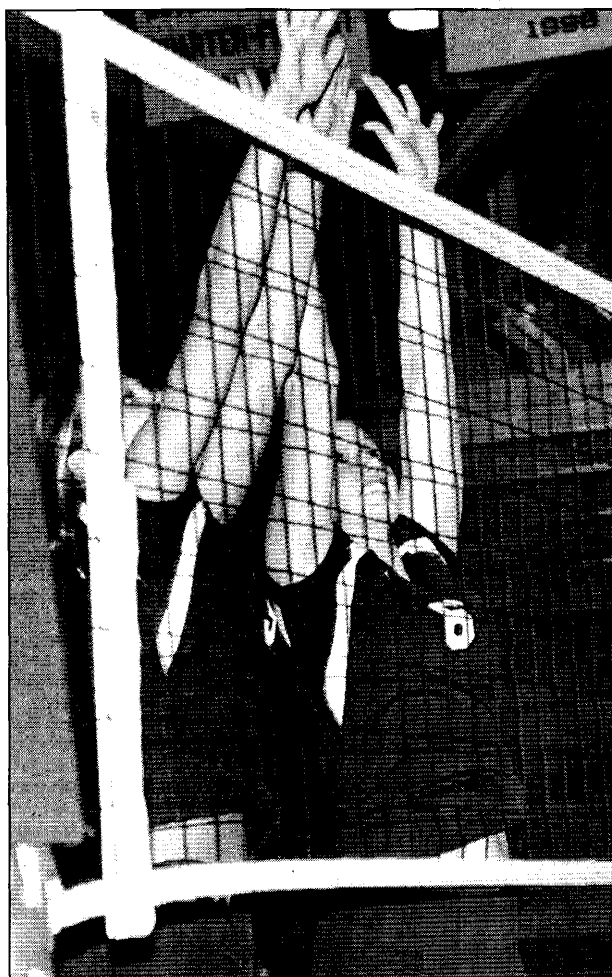
## Kingston tops Owen-Gage

The Owen-Gage volleyball team's road to the North Central Thumb League - North title hit a speed bump Thursday as host Kingston delivered the Bulldogs their first loss in conference play.

The Cardinals opened the night with wins of 25-18 and 25-15, before Owen-Gage grabbed game 3 by the score of 25-22. The hosts then sent the Bulldogs packing with a 25-17 decision in game 4.

For the winners, Emily Kolacz had 18 points, 11 digs; Sarah Vroman, 11 points, 9 kills, 4 blocks; Kayla Campbell, 11 kills; and Ally Crousore, 4 blocks and 2 kills.

Becky Schmidt led Owen-Gage with 8 aces, 6 assists, 2 kills; Bethany Kovach, 5 aces, 8 digs, 2 blocks; April Nowaczyk, 4 aces, 3 assists; Amanda Faist, 2 kills, 4 blocks; and Samantha Radabaugh, 3 kills, 7 digs and one assist.



**TEAMWORK.** Cass City's Emily Schinnerer (left) and Sara Meeker combine for a block attempt in Thursday's GTW outing against USA. The Red Hawks downed the Patriots in straight games.



**RED HAWK** sophomore Carly Howard had a big night against the Patriots Thursday, recording a team-high 14 kills.

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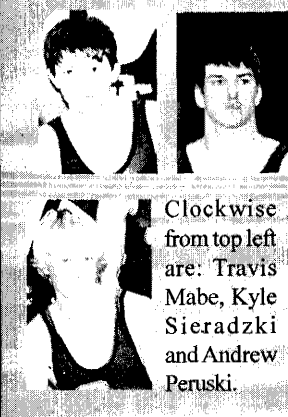
## Schneeberger's ATHLETES of the WEEK

Cass City grapplers Travis Mabe, Andrew Peruski and Kyle Sieradzki are this week's recipients of Schneeberger's Athletes of the Week honors.

The Red Hawk trio each earned the title of Greater Thumb Conference champion Saturday at the league meet in Bad Axe.

Mabe captured the 112 lb. division, Peruski is the 125 lb. division champion and Sieradzki is the GTC champion in the 160 lb. division.

All 3 Hawk wrestlers combined for a 7-0 mark on the day.



Clockwise from top left are: Travis Mabe, Kyle Sieradzki and Andrew Peruski.

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## Cass City spikers whip USA, GTW leaders next

The timing seems right for the Cass City volleyball team to halt Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port's run in Greater Thumb West play. Coach Beth Howard's Red Hawks will get that chance this week when they travel to meet the 7-0 Lakers.

The GTW leaders are 2 games up in the loss column over both Unionville-Sebewaing and Cass City. However, the Lakers face the Patriots tonight (Wednesday) and the Hawks on Thursday. A pair of upsets would result in a 3-way tie for league honors.

And if the Hawks can put forward an effort similar to Saturday's at the 25-team Saginaw Valley State University tournament, where Cass City bowed in the semifinals to Marysville, the Lakers certainly will have their hands full.

"This was a nice tournament because we got to see a lot of different teams. Overall, I feel the girls had a great day. We ended up third out of 25 teams and that says a lot for how well the girls played. I hope this carries over into our match with Lakers," Howard said.

Overall on the day the Hawks compiled a 5-1-1 mark. Cass City won its own pool by topping Mio 21-3 and 21-10, Clio 21-11 and 21-9, Sault Area 21-11 and 21-10 and split with Pennfield, trading decisions of 21-19.

In the single elimination rounds, the Hawks topped Whittemore Prescott 25-12 and 25-17 and Pewam Westphalia 25-22 and 25-19 before bowing to Marysville in the semis 25-14 and 25-18.

Individually for Cass City, Sara

Meeker had 36 kills, 20 blocks, 9 aces; Carly Howard, 26 kills, 9 aces, 33 digs; Emily Schinnerer, 19 kills, 5 aces, 37 digs, 4 blocks; Amanda Langenburg, 91 assists, 12 kills, 6 aces, 24 digs; Sarah Howard, 17 kills, 5 blocks; Lauren Dillon, 8 kills, 18 digs; and Megan VanVliet, 39 digs.

### USA

On Thursday, Cass City traveled to face Unionville-Sebewaing and avenge an early season setback to the Patriots in straight games. The scores on the night were 25-18, 25-18 and 25-23.

After cruising to easy decisions in the opening 2 games, the Hawks fell behind 23-16 in game 3. But after a Cass City timeout, 9 straight points by the visitors ended the match and

moved Cass City into a tie for second place with the Patriots in the GTW standings.

Coach Howard said in the third game USA started tipping the corners and we started tipping too much. I kept stressing to them to hit the ball and quit playing the tipping game and that is just what they did, said Howard.

"We came into the match knowing that USA has been playing good ball. The girls were fired up and ready to play. We were attacking the ball really well, receiving well and serving aggressively. I was very proud of how everyone played," said Howard.

Carly Howard led the Red Hawks with 14 kills and 12 digs, while Meeker added 10 kills, 4 blocks, Schinnerer 6 kills, 12 digs, Sarah Howard 5 kills, Langenburg 30 assists, 4 aces, 14 digs and VanVliet 11 digs.

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Farm Collectibles  
and Toy Show set  
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The Thumb Area Old Engine and Tractor Association will be holding its fourth annual Farm Collectibles and Toy Show Saturday, Feb. 24. This year's show will be held at the Brentwood, 178 Park Dr., Caro, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Club members are expecting 60 tables to be on display, with vendors selling farm toys, tools, antiques, and other farm related items including parts and literature for farm tractors and equipment. The show is a way for club members and visitors to get out of the house in the winter and visit with one another before the busy summer is here. While visiting and looking over the displays, one can usually find that new toy tractor that they need for their collection or a manual for that winter project they are working on. Proceeds from the toy show help to cover the cost of The Old Engine and Tractor Show that is held each August at the fairgrounds in Caro. The show is open to anyone that would like to attend, whether they are an avid toy collector, or someone just looking for a way to spend a winter day. If you have an old farm toy feel free to bring it along, and one of the dealers may be able to give you an idea of what it is worth. Admission to the show is a \$2 donation to the Thumb Area Old Engine and Tractor Association for adults, and children under 12 are admitted free. Additional information is available by calling (989) 673-3430.

Cass City  
Bowling  
Leagues

Merchants  
as of Feb. 7

Team 1	15
Curtis Chrysler	13
T. Furness Builders	12
R & H Body Shop	11
Charmont	11
Barrons Team Bears	10
Lee Morgan Painting	8

Individual High Games & Series: M. Zawilinski 247-213 (654); R. Kessler 243 (622); T. Lis 258 (613); D. Miller 215-214 (595); R. Hull (592); B. Joseph 242 (579); M. Albin 240; G. Barrons 212. Awards: M. Albin - 200 Game (160 Avg. or Less) 240, 75 Pins Over Avg. Game (240-158=82); R. Kessler - 600 Series (175 Avg. or Less) 622. Team High Game & Series: Curtis Chrysler 632 (1757).

Thursday Nite Trio  
as of Feb. 8

United Building Centers	28
Jebco Consulting	21
Martin Electric	20.5
Mycogen Seeds	17.5
Doerr Landscaping	16

Individual High Games & Series: T. Lis 222 (611); E. Schmaltz (588); J. Hacker 235 (585); D. Doerr 210 (577); K. Martin 245; M. Frappart 212. Team High Game & Series: Martin Electric 680 (1744).

Merchanettes  
as of Feb. 8

Gagetown C. Corners	27
Osentoski Realty	27
Thumb Octagon Barn	20
All Season Video	10

Individual High Games & Series: L. Riddle 183 (429); K. Maurer 171-175 (480); J. Koch (441). Team High Game & Series: Gagetown C. Corners 637; Thumb Octagon Barn (1678).

Sunday No Rollers  
as of Jan. 21

Jebco	8
Sometimers	7
Pinheads	6
Gutter Gods	5.5
Damn Near Last	5
Par-T-Ranch	4.5

Individual High Games & Series: J. Mathewson (579); J. Baker 224 (578); B. Montgomery 213 (560); D. Silance (512). Team High Game & Series: Jebco 667; Sometimers (1819).

Men's Midwest Pool League  
as of Feb. 7

Pigeon 1	40
Mulligan's	28+
Pigeon 2	20+
Century Oaks	20

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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 to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 8, 2007.

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 27, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the North line of Section 27 which is South 89 degrees 09 minutes 21 seconds West 1173.40 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 27; thence continuing along said North line of Section 27, South 89 degrees 09 minutes 21 seconds West 170.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 50 minutes 09 seconds East 214.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 09 minutes 21 seconds East 170.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 50 minutes 09 seconds West 214.00 feet to the North line of Section 27 and the point of beginning.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roseanne Sholes, an unmarried woman, Michael Walker, an unmarried man, original mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Co. East MI, Mortgagee, dated January 14, 2005 and recorded on February 8, 2005 in Liber 1026 on Page 1220 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand One Hundred Twenty-One and 19/100 Dollars (\$106,121.19), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 8, 2007.

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

Beginning at a point 465 feet South of the Northwest corner of Section 20, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, and running thence East 465 feet; thence South 195 feet; thence West 465 feet; and running thence North 195 feet to the place of beginning. Being a part of the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 20, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, right of way for Phillips Road over the Westerly side thereof.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Deborah L. Kind, a married but separated woman, to First National Bank of America, dated July 27, 2004 and recorded on August 9, 2004 in Liber 1003, Page 977, Tuscola County Records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$8,535.33.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a public sale of the property on Thursday, March 15, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., at front steps, Tuscola County Courthouse, Caro, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 11.75 percent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:

Commencing at a point on the Section line of Section 21, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, 667.0 feet West of the Southeast corner of said Section 21, Township 11 North, Range 8 East; thence West 208.75 feet; thence North 208.75 feet; thence East 208.75 feet; thence South 208.75 feet to the point of beginning, except easements and rights of way of record.

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

Dated: February 9, 2007

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# Obituaries

## Alden Freiburger

Alden Bernard "Barney" Freiburger, 86, of Cass City, died Sunday, Feb. 11, 2007 in Hills and Dales General Hospital following a short illness. He was born April 21, 1920 in Argyle, the son of Sigmund and Everene (Morrell) Freiburger. He married Jacqueline "Jackie" Sullivan June 8, 1946 in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Sandusky. She died Jan. 17, 2004. Freiburger is survived by his children: Linda (Homer) Bailey of Cass City, Bernard "Butch" (Joyce) Freiburger of Lake Orion, and Kurt Freiburger of Wyoming, Mich.; and 8 grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 11:15 a.m., Friday, Feb. 16, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, with the Rev. Stephen J. Fillion officiating. Interment will be in St. Elizabeth Cemetery, Marlette. Memorials may be made to American Heart Association, American Diabetes Association, or St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Leland Hartwick

Leland C. "Lee" Hartwick, age 87, of Cass City, died Sunday, Feb. 11, 2007 at Huron County Medical Care Facility, Bad Axe. He was born Nov. 17, 1919 in Cass City, the son of the late Edward and Ruth (Jackson) Hartwick. He married Wilma TerBush Nov. 23, 1950 in Elkton. Hartwick attended Cass City High School. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII, and worked as a pipe fitter for Ideal Plumbing and then for Petro Chemical Plant (Dow Chemical), retiring in 1981. Hartwick is survived by his wife, Wilma; children: Susan (Alyne) Howard of Marshall, Sharla Conforti of Memphis and Allyn of Cass City; 4 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; brothers: Robert Hartwick of Zephyrhills, Fla., and Leslie Hartwick and Charles Hartwick, both of Cass City; sisters-in-law: Carol Hartwick, Kathleen Hartwick, both of Cass City, and Pat Hartwick of Zephyrhills, Fla.; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by 2 sisters and 4 brothers. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., today (Wednesday), at Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City, with Chuck Emmert officiating. Burial will be in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Memorials may be made to the Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City. Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Darlene Krebs

Darlene Mae Krebs, of Cass City, formerly of Caro and Charlotte, died

## Movies for seniors set at library

Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City, will show the following Senior Citizen Movies Friday, February 16 at 1:30 p.m. **Volcano, Nature's Inferno:** Travel around the world for a firsthand look at volcanoes - perhaps the most dazzling but destructive natural force on Earth. Massive volcanic eruption can turn day into night, releasing the power of an atomic blast and spewing toxic avalanches of lava, gas, and ash. National Geographic transports you to some of the world's most notorious volcanoes, including Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines and Japan's Mount Unzen. Join volcanologists in their dangerous quest to forecast eruptions and save lives, as they put you in the middle of the explosive excitement and human drama. (60 minutes) **Fly Girls:** At the height of World War II, more than a thousand women left their homes and jobs for the opportunity of a lifetime - to become the first female pilots to fly for the United States military. Eager to prove themselves, they faced danger and discrimination, and 38 gave their lives for their country. Drawing on archival footage, rarely seen home movies and interviews with pilots themselves this American Experience production tells the fascinating story of the Women's Air Force Service Pilots (WASP). Led by America's most accomplished aviatrix, Jacqueline Cochran, these pioneering women logged more than 60 million miles, ferrying planes throughout the United States, test-piloting experimental aircraft, and training men to fly. Still, the WASP fought a daily - and sometimes deadly - battle for respect. (56 minutes)

Saturday, Jan. 27, 2007, after a long battle with Leukemia. Krebs was a teacher in Eaton Rapids for almost 30 years. She was an active member in her church working with the young children. She is survived by her husband, Ron; children: Connie Krebs of Lansing, Alicia Hoogstra of Grand Rapids and Rich Krebs of Charlotte; 5 grandchildren; 6 step-grandchildren; her mother, her sisters and brother; and many nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held Friday, Feb. 2, at the Colwood United Brethren Church. A separate service was held Saturday, Feb. 3, at the Charlotte Free Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to the Leukemia/Lymphoma Foundation or the University of Michigan 8A Social Work Fund.

## Naomi Lindsay

Naomi Arloa Lindsay, 86, died Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2007 after a long illness. She was born Feb. 3, 1921 in Petoskey, the daughter of the Rev. Ernest and Mary (Flannigan) Gibson. She married Alexander Lindsay May 15, 1942. He died Dec. 6, 1996. Lindsay and her husband raised their children on a farm near Shabbona in Evergreen Township before retiring to Augres. She was a member of the Shabbona United Methodist Church and the Cass City Missionary Church.

Lindsay is survived by 2 daughters: Joanie (Patrick Davis) Merchant of Cass City, and Charlotte (Wayne) Conaway of Glendale, Ariz.; a son, Paul Lindsay; a daughter-in-law, Jacque Lynn Lindsay of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a sister, Irma (Gibson-Kennedy) Jacobs of Caro; 7 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Emma Nichols; and 2 brothers-in-law: Floyd Kennedy and Harm Nichols. A celebration of life will take place Friday, Feb. 9, at the Marsh Funeral Chapel, Marlette, with the Rev. Robert Sweeney officiating. Interment will be in the Evergreen Cemetery, Shabbona. Memorials may be made to the Cass City Missionary Church or the Shabbona United Methodist Church. Arrangements were made by Marsh Funeral Chapel, Inc., Marlette.

## Ronald Peters

Ronald Bernard Peters, 73, of Cass City, died Monday, Feb. 5, 2007 in St. Mary's Medical Center, Saginaw. He was born Aug. 28, 1933 in Argyle, the son of Virgel and Sophie (Konkel) Peters. He married Nancy Carol Linderman June 15, 1957 in Memphis, Tenn. She died July 20, 1998. Peters graduated from Cass City High School. After his graduation he

joined the Merchant Marines. Peters came home after three or four years to help his dad with the sawmill. He worked in the lumbering industry his whole life. He was head sawyer for a timber company and owned his own company in Cass City with his brother for over 20 years. Peters also worked cutting and skidding wood in the Upper Peninsula for many years. He was a lifetime member of St. Pancratius Catholic Church and was a member of the Knights of Columbus #8892. He is survived by his children: Sue (Wally) Laming of Cass City, and Steve (Tammy) Peters of Glennie; 3 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; sisters: Pat (Howard) Kelly of Curtisville, and Mary Lou Kerr of Bay City; brothers: Larry (Harriet) Peters of Cass City, Dwaine Peters of Cass City, and Randy (Julie) Peters of Sherwood; a sister-in-law, Judy Peters of Allegan; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Jamie Peters; and 3 brothers: Gordon, Vernie, and Roger Peters. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 7, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, with the Rev. Stephen J. Fillion officiating. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Memorials may be made to St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

# Walk for Warmth slated this month

Think back over your lifetime...do you ever remember a time when you couldn't pay your heating bill, and were in danger of not being able to heat your home? Maybe you are in that situation now, or know someone who is. The fact is, hundreds of people in the Thumb Area are currently in that situation, and the majority are senior citizens and children. That's why each year, Human Development Commission (HDC) holds its Walk for Warmth event. Walk for Warmth is a voluntary effort on the part of area citizens to raise money to assist those "working poor", handicapped, and seniors with utility emergencies. In 2006, HDC helped 583 households in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and Tuscola counties with energy bills, spending a total of \$314,183. In Tuscola County, \$108,498 was spent, helping 210 individuals. With the sluggish economy, HDC officials anticipate an equal or greater demand in 2007. The typical Walk for Warmth recipient is a 2- or 3-person household with less than \$6,000 in annual income. More than 75 percent of those who seek HDC help with fuel payments receive no public assistance, and nearly 40 percent are employed or have become only recently unemployed. Unfortunately, HDC did not have enough funds to help everyone in emergency heating situations that

needed it last year. That's why HDC officials are asking for your participation in Walk for Warmth. There are several ways to help. First, encourage your co-workers, friends and family members to participate in Walk for Warmth. All you have to do is secure as much in pledges as you are able, and show up to walk a one-mile route Saturday, Feb. 24 in one of the 4 counties. Or, if you do not want to walk, you can still collect pledges and we will designate a volunteer to walk for you. Walker registration begins at 9 a.m., with simultaneous walks in all 4 counties starting at 9:30 a.m. In Tuscola County, the walk begins at the HDC office in Caro; Sanilac County begins at the HDC office in Sandusky; Lapeer County begins at the County Historic Courthouse; and Huron County's walk begins at the HDC office in Bad Axe. You can still help, even if you are not able to participate to collecting pledges or walking. You can call the Human Development Commission at (989) 673-4121 to make a donation to the Walk for Warmth Fund. All money raised and collected for Walk for Warmth in Tuscola County will stay in Tuscola County, to help local residents. For more information, or to get a pledge sheet, contact your local HDC office or call (989) 673-4121.



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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 to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Commencing 71 1/2 rods West and 13 rods South of the Northeast corner of Section 1, Town 14 North, Range 8 East; thence West 6 rods, 10 feet; thence South 5 rods; thence East 6 rods 10 feet; thence North 5 rods to the point of beginning.

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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 Angela Johnson, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 10, 2002 and recorded on September 16, 2002 in Liber 893 on Page 1449 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine and 64/100 Dollars (\$92,349.64), 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 Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Commencing at a Point that is 466.79 feet South of the Northeast corner of Section, thence West 243.16 feet; thence South 199.81 feet; thence East 243.16 feet; thence North 199.6 feet to the Point of Beginning. Section 20, Town 10 North, Range 7 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: January 24, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302  
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File #125087F01

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brandon C. Piotrowski and Nicole L. Piotrowski, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 27, 2004 and recorded on June 9, 2004 in Liber 996 on Page 39 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Six and 36/100 Dollars (\$89,606.36), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Lot 19, Block 5, Montague and Wilmot's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, on Page 18A, 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: January 24, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC R (248) 593-1305  
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Attorneys for Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #125920F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roy Alan Baker, Jr., single, to Advanta National Bank, Mortgagee, dated January 4, 1999 and recorded January 7, 1999 in Liber 759, Page 1370, Scriveners Affidavit to correct legal submitted to and recorded Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Four and 53/100 Dollars (\$18,854.53), including interest at 11.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on March 1, 2007.

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

Section 15, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, Commencing 9 rods South of Northwest corner of said Section; thence East 8 rods; thence South 4 rods; thence West 8 rods; thence North 4 rods to Point of Beginning.

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

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: January 31, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 209-4088

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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 Kevin David Hartwick, an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Chemical Bank and Trust, Mortgagee, dated September 16, 2005, and recorded on September 27, 2005 in Liber 1055 on Page 566, and assigned by mesne assignments to Central Mortgage Company as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Six And 91/100 Dollars (\$57,386.91), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 8, 2007.

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

Lot 9 of Pinney and Kinnaird Subdivision, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 85, now being Page 35B, 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: February 7, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC G (248) 593-1310  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #101632F02

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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 William R. Vargo, a/k/a William Richard Vargo, and Jeannette Vargo, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage America (IMC), Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 2, 1999 and recorded on August 27, 1999 in Liber 780 on Page 773, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Mortgage Company, an Ohio Corporation as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Sixteen and 99/100 Dollars (\$49,016.99), 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, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 15, 2007.

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

Lot 5, Block 3 of the Assessor's Plat of the Village of Akron, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 78-80, now being Pages 28B-30B.

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

Dated: February 14, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC S (248) 593-1304  
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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
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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 Danny Andersen, a single man, individual, original mortgagor, to Capital City Acceptance L.L.C., Mortgagee, dated March 21, 2000 and recorded on March 29, 2000 in Liber 797 on Page 749, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Manhattan Mortgage as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Nine and 80/100 Dollars (\$67,579.80), including interest at 8.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 15, 2007.

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

Commencing at a point that is 1128.27 feet South 18 degrees 28 minutes 30 seconds East, along the Southwest westerly margin of State Trunk Line (M-15) 68.00 feet South 71 degrees 31 minutes 30 seconds West, and 275.00 feet North 87 degrees 52 minutes 30 seconds West, parallel with the North line of Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, from the intersection of the Southwesterly right of way line of State Trunk Line (M-15) and the North line of Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, thence North 87 degrees 52 minutes 30 seconds West, 200.00 feet, thence South 2 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds West, 399.00 feet to the center of a drainage ditch, thence Easterly along the center of the said ditch 205.00 feet, thence 2 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds East, 292.00 feet to beginning, said property now being described as, part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point which is South 87 degrees 51 minutes 16 seconds East, along the North line of said Section 9, 1008.85 feet to the centerline of state highway M-15 and South 18 degrees 28 minutes 30 seconds East, along said highway, 1063.92 feet and South 83 degrees 36 minutes 12 seconds West, along a monumented line (as per recorded survey Liber 565, Pages 157 and 158), 575.31 feet (recorded as 575.96 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 9, thence South 02 degrees 22 minutes 46 seconds West, 399.13 feet (recorded as South 2 degrees 17 minutes 25 seconds West, 399.00 feet) along a monument line (as per said recorded survey) to the centerline of a ditch, thence along said centerline North 71 degrees 06 minutes 03 seconds East, 50.17 feet, thence continuing along said centerline South 83 degrees 47 minutes 54 seconds East, 153.50 feet, thence North 02 degrees 22 minutes 46 seconds East, parallel with and 200 feet East of said monumented line, 392.00 feet, thence North 87 degrees 51 minutes 48 seconds West, 199.91 feet (recorded as North 87 degrees 52 minutes 30 seconds West, 200.00 feet) along a monumented line (as per recorded survey Liber 515, Page 1026) 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: February 14, 2007

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File #002072F04

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael P. Daniels and Cheryl L. Daniels, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 20, 2003 and recorded on June 4, 2003 in Liber 934 on Page 389 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five and 41/100 Dollars (\$87,945.41), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 15, 2007.

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

Lot 7 of Glen Field Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 41-42, 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: February 14, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard Mayville, III, a married man, original mortgagor, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 23, 2002 and recorded on September 26, 2002 in Liber 895 on Page 1154 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is

claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Six and 61/100 Dollars (\$159,286.61), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 1, 2007.

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

Part of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of fractional Section 30, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the North-South 1/4 line of said section 30 which is South 00 degrees 09 minutes 38 seconds West 665.00 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 30; thence continuing along said North-South 1/4 line, South 00 degrees 09 minutes 38 seconds West 490.00 feet; thence at right angles to said 1/4 line, North 89 degrees 50 minutes 22 seconds West 280.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 09 minutes 38 seconds East 490.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 50 minutes 22 seconds East 280.00 feet to the North-South 1/4 line of fractional section 30 and point of beginning.

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

Dated: January 31, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC C (248) 593-1301  
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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 Virginia I. Lafond and Robin Lee Lafond, Jr., wife and husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 22, 2005 and recorded on September 27, 2005 in Liber 1055 on Page 656 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC MORTGAGE SERVICES INC as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty and 12/100 Dollars (\$102,160.12), including interest at 9.7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Commencing 447.5 feet East of the Northwest corner of the Northeast quarter of Section 22, Town 12 North, Range 10 East; thence South parallel with the North and South quarter line 16 rods; thence East parallel with North Section line 309.5 feet; thence North 16 rods to the North Section line; thence West 309.5 feet 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.

Dated: January 24, 2007

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File #124497F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Vinton Kreger, as a single man, original mortgagor, to First NLC Financial Services, LLC, Mortgagee, dated September 17, 2004 and recorded on September 21, 2004 in Liber 1009 on Page 397 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Six and 45/100 Dollars (\$125,226.45), including interest at 9.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Beginning at the Southwest corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 34, Town 11 North, Range 9 East; thence North 32 rods; thence East 27 rods; thence South 32 rods; thence West 27 rods to the Place of Beginning. EXCEPT beginning at the Southwest corner of the Southwest quarter of Section 34, Town 11 North, Range 9 East; thence North 16 rods; thence East 27 rods; thence South 16 rods; thence West 27 rods to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: January 24, 2007

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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #124129F01

1-24-4

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 ELLEN L. SKAGGS, A SINGLE WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 16, 2003 and recorded on April 23, 2003, in Liber 927, on Page 631, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$130,360.85), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on February 22, 2007.

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

PART OF THE EAST 1 / 2 OF THE EAST 1 / 2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 5, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE CENTER CORNER OF SAID SECTION 5, THENCE ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1 / 4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 5, SOUTH 88 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST, 365.73 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 09 MINUTES EAST, 1985.19 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF SWAFFER ROAD; THENCE ALONG SAID CENTERLINE SOUTH 71 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST, 391.75 FEET TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1 / 4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 5; THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH AND SOUTH 1 / 4 LINE, NORTH 00 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, 2115.60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, EXCEPT THE WEST 39.32 FEET THEREOF.

TAX ID NO. 021-005-000-1800-00

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 90 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 19, 2007

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

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

1-24-4

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# Legal Notices

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by RICHARD L. HEIDT, a single man of 4976 W. CENTER STREET, MILLINGTON, MI 48746, Mortgageor to MICHIGAN FEDERAL CREDIT UNION of 2343 E. HILL ROAD, GRAND BLANC, MI 48439, Mortgagee, dated AUGUST 22, 2005 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County and State of Michigan on AUGUST 29, 2005 in LIBER 1052 on PAGE 41 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 SEVENTY THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY AND 85/100THS (\$70,340.85) DOLLARS, including interest calculated at the rate of (8.75%) 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 MARCH 1, 2007, at 10:00 A.M. local time, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, immediately inside 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 MILLINGTON, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN

LOT 16, OF FORMENTO SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT LIBER 1, PAGE 105, NOW BEING PAGE 55B, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS. MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 4976 W. CENTER STREET, MILLINGTON, MI 48746.

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: January 15, 2007

KENNETH C. BUTLER II (P 28477)  
ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE  
24525 Harper Avenue, Ste. 2  
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080  
(586) 777-0770

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Leonard J. Chaltrow Jr., a married man, and Angela K. Chaltrow, his wife, joint tenancy with full rights of survivorship, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated March 30, 2005 and recorded on April 14, 2005 in Liber 1034 on Page 1294 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Twelve Thousand Ninety-Seven and 81/100 Dollars (\$212,097.81), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Parcel D: Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 1, Town 10 North, Range 9 East; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds East 400.00 feet along the East line of said Section 1 to the point of beginning; running thence South 89 degrees 14 minutes 48 seconds West 2646.05 feet; thence North 00 degrees 16 minutes 48 seconds East 200.01 feet along the North and South quarter line of said Section 1; thence North 89 degrees 14 minutes 48 seconds East 2645.39 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds West 200.0 feet along the East line of said Section 1 to the point of beginning.

Parcel E: Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 1, Town 10 North, Range 9 East; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds East 200.00 feet along the East line of said Section 1 to the point of beginning; running thence South 89 degrees 14 minutes 48 seconds West 2646.70 feet; thence North 00 degrees 16 minutes 48 seconds East 200.01 feet along the North and South quarter line of said Section 1; thence North 89 degrees 14 minutes 48 seconds East 2645.05 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds West 200.0 feet along the East line of said Section 1 to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: January 24, 2007

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lerry B. Dicks and Tammy Dicks, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 22, 2002 and recorded April 1, 2002 in Liber 872, Page 143, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Irwin Union Bank and Trust Company by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred and 58/100 Dollars (\$37,500.58), including interest at 9.15% 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 MARCH 1, 2007.

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

Section 22, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, commencing 69 and one-half rods West of Northeast corner of North half of Northeast quarter; thence South 16 rods; thence West 12 and one-half rods; thence North 16 rods; thence East 12 and one-half rods to the point of beginning. Right of way for Bevans Road over the Northerly side thereof.

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

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: January 31, 2007

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ellen L. Skaggs, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated April 16, 2003 and recorded on April 23, 2003 in Liber 927 on Page 780, and assigned by mesne assignments to Nanron, LLC as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Nineteen Thousand Eighty-Four and 55/100 Dollars (\$19,084.55), 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 to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 15, 2007.

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

Part of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 5, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as: beginning at the center corner of said Section 5, thence along the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 5, South 88 degrees 58 minutes 12 seconds West 365.73 feet; thence South 00 degrees 01 minutes 09 seconds East, 1985.19 feet to the centerline of Swaffler Road; thence along said centerline South 71 degrees 34 minutes 24 seconds East 391.75 feet to the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 5; thence along said North and South 1/4 line, North 00 degrees 10 minutes 50 seconds West, 2115.60 feet to the point of beginning, except the West 39.32 feet thereof.

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

Dated: February 14, 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 Thomas Pruner, a single man, original mortgagor, to New Century Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 14, 2006 and recorded on July 20, 2006 in Liber 1088 on Page 897 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to US Bank National Association, as Trustee for Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-NC2 as assigned by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Six and 52/100 Dollars (\$89,936.52), including interest at 9.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 15, 2007.

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

The North One Acre of the Two Acre Parcel described as Follows: Land Commencing at a Point o the West Line of Section 13, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, which Point is 30 Rods 9 Feet South of the Northwest Corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 13; thence East 16 Rods; thence South 20 Rods; thence West 16 Rods to the Section Line; thence North along the Section Line 20 Rods to the Place of Beginning, being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 11 North, Range 8 East.

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

Dated: February 14, 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 Steven A. Edwards and Patricia A. Edwards, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Household Finance Corporation III, Mortgagee, dated January 25, 2003, and recorded on January 31, 2003 in Liber 913 on Page 517, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Two And 42/100 Dollars (\$110,252.42), including interest at 9.03% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 8, 2007.

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

Section 7, Township 12 North, Range 7 East, commencing on South line of Cemetery Street at point 682.5 feet South and 21 rods West of Northeast corner of Southwest 1/4; thence South 7 rods 7 feet 6 inches, thence East 118 feet, thence North rods 7 feet 6 inches; thence West 118 feet to the Point of Beginning. Village of Reese.

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

Dated: February 7, 2007

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Joanne Noyce and Scott Noyce, husband and wife, to First National Bank of America, dated December 15, 2005 and recorded on December 21, 2005 in Liber 1065, Page 1330, Tuscola County Records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$70,485.44.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a public sale of the property on Thursday, February 22, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at front steps, Tuscola County Courthouse, Caro, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 10.25 percent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in Arbella Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:

The East 80.00 feet of the West 518.00 feet of the South 667.00 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 10 North, Range 7 East. Also a 1971 Windsor (Serial Number 65121457).

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

Dated: January 18, 2007

Joseph B. Backus  
Attorney for Mortgage Holder  
P.O. Box 794  
East Lansing, MI 48826  
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph M. Kenny and Linda M. Kenny, his wife, original mortgagors, to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated February 10, 2004 and recorded on November 29, 2006 in Liber 1103 on Page 1292 in instrument 20060089955, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the Benefit of the Certificate holders of Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2004-WCW1 as assigned by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Four and 25/100 Dollars (\$89,604.25), including interest at 9.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Commencing at the Northwest Corner of Section 17, Town 14 North, Range 9 East; thence South 0 Degrees 30 Minutes East 258.0 feet along the West Line of Section 17 to the Point of Beginning; running thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes East 280.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes West 280.0 feet to the West Line of Section 17; thence North 0 degrees 30 minutes West 196.0 feet along the West line of Section 17 to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 17, Town 14 North, Range 9 East, Columbia Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, Subject to Right of Way of Graf Road over the Westerly side thereof.

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

Dated: January 24, 2007

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jason Frost, a married man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated August 4, 2005 and recorded on August 10, 2005 in Liber 1049 on Page 554-558 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Two and 04/100 Dollars (\$58,832.04), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Lot 2, Block No. 15, of North's Addition to the Village (Now City) of Vassar, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, Page 21A, 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: January 24, 2007

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nicole A. Davis, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated November 12, 2004 and recorded on November 29, 2004 in Liber 1018 on Page 1262 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine and 52/100 Dollars (\$57,349.52), 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 Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Lot 14, Block 28 of the plat of the City of Vassar, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 2, Page 93, 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: January 24, 2007

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James M. Adamski, a single man, and Reva M. Green, a single woman, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated March 19, 2004 and recorded on March 24, 2004 in Liber 985 on Page 714 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Nine and 64/100 Dollars (\$130,199.64), including interest at 5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on February 22, 2007.

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

Lot 7, Block 3 and that part of the Gore Lot 25, Block 3 in the rear of said Lot 66 feet by 66 feet of the plat of the Village (now City) of Vassar according to the recorded plat in Liber 1 of plats, page 143.

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: January 24, 2007

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Don Mayer, a married man, to PTF Financial Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 7, 2006 and recorded April 24, 2006 in Liber 1078, Page 630, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Aurora Loan Services, LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-One Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Seven and 27/100 Dollars (\$221,187.27), including interest at 8.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 1, 2007.

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

The West 660 feet of the East half of the Southwest quarter of Section 11, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, except, commencing at a point that is South 89 degrees 14 minutes 34 seconds West 966.10 feet from the South quarter corner of said Section; thence South 89 degrees 14 minutes 34 seconds West 320 feet; thence North 00 degrees 51 minutes 54 seconds East 650 feet; thence North 89 degrees 14 minutes 34 seconds East 320 feet; thence South 00 degrees 51 minutes 54 seconds West 650 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.

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: January 31, 2007

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald L. Allison, a single man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated January 10, 2005 and recorded on January 25, 2005 in Liber 1025 on Page 300 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Six and 24/100 Dollars (\$196,136.24), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald J. Young, a married man, original mortgagor, to Michigan National Bank, Mortgagee, dated August 29, 1997 and recorded on September 4, 1997 in Liber 719 on Page 374, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-One and 01/100 Dollars (\$55,831.01), including interest at 8.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 1, 2007.

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

Commencing at point on the Centerline of Loren Road 295 feet Northeast of the West Section line of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 7 East as measured along the said Loren Road; thence Northeastly along the center line of Loren Road 150 feet; thence North and parallel to the West Section line of said Section 27, a distance of 450 feet; thence Southwestly and parallel to the said Loren Road 170 feet; thence South to the place of beginning. And a Parcel of land in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, described as follows: to fix the point of beginning. Commence at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 27; thence North 00 degrees 05 Minutes 01 Seconds East on the West line of said Section, 1042.45 feet to the centerline of Loren Road; thence North 63 Degrees 56 Minutes 00 Seconds East on the centerline of Loren Road, 277.00 feet to the point of beginning of this described parcel; thence North 02 Degrees 04 Minutes 24 Seconds West, 437.46 feet; thence North 63 Degrees 56 Minutes 00 Seconds East, 18.00 feet; thence South 02 Degrees 04 Minutes 24 Seconds East, 437.46 feet to the centerline of Loren Road; thence South 63 Degrees 56 Minutes 00 Seconds West on said centerline of Loren Road 18.00 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: January 31, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeremy Torrey, a single person, original mortgagor, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 27, 2003 and recorded on March 7, 2003 in Liber 919 on Page 142 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Two and 48/100 Dollars (\$76,222.48), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 1, 2007.

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

Lot 2, Block 6, The Plat of the Village of Millington, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1, Page 42A of Plats, 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: January 31, 2007

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert Littleton, a married man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 19, 2005 and recorded on January 11, 2006 in Liber 1068 on Page 641 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Six and 74/100 Dollars (\$123,506.74), including interest at 5.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 1, 2007.

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

A Piece of land 215.0 feet North and South by 205.0 feet East and West in the Southwest Corner of the following described property: Part of the Southwest quarter of section 13, town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at the Southwest corner of section 13; thence North 00 degrees 29 minutes 50 seconds East 665.27 feet; thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 39 seconds East 1328.62 feet; thence South 00 degrees 20 minutes 35 seconds West 134.01 feet; thence due West 48.18 feet parallel with the South section line; thence South 32 degrees 06 minutes 18 seconds West 304.39 feet; thence South 60 degrees 17 minutes 28 seconds West 145.57 feet; thence due West 790.48 feet; thence South 00 degrees 29 minutes 50 seconds West 198.0 feet; thence due West 205.0 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.

Dated: January 31, 2007

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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Elbert D. Acord, an Unmarried Man and Terry A. Capling, an Unmarried woman, original mortgagors(s), to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 16, 2004, and recorded on July 16, 2004 in Liber 1000 on Page 1294, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Nine and 65/100 Dollars (\$64,539.65), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on March 8, 2007.

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

Part of the Northeast quarter of Section 36, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at the Northeast corner of said Section 36, thence along the North line of said Section 36, North 87 degrees 29 minutes 54 seconds West, 850.39 feet; thence South 00 degrees 25 minutes 00 seconds West, 191.77 feet to the Northerly line of State Highway M-46; thence along said Northerly line, and a curve to the left having a radius of 7483.90 feet, central angle of 05 degrees 02 minutes 40 seconds, and a chord bearing and distance of South 83 degrees 20 minutes 34 seconds East, 658.67 feet; thence North 59 degrees 30 minutes 38 seconds East, 224.02 feet to the East line of said Section 36; thence along said East line of Section 36, North 01 degrees 48 minutes 27 seconds East, 117.40 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: February 7, 2007

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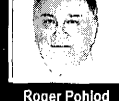
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**This brick ranch home features a master bedroom** with large walk-in closet and side entry doors. Bath has marble and oak vanity. Open kitchen/dining room has solid oak cabinets and sliding glass door to a 12'x30' deck. This home has gas log fireplace, central air and full finished basement with large family room and lots of storage. \$179,900



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**BRIAN DAWSON and Nichole Bennett were crowned Kingston Snowcoming king and queen during Friday night's contest with Akron-Fairgrove.**

## Training partnership underway in Thumb

In an effort to accelerate the rate of development and growth of the agribusiness industry in Tuscola, Huron, Sanilac and Lapeer counties, MSU Extension and Thumb Area Michigan Works! have implemented a training partnership under the region's new Agri-Business 2100 Project.

"In the 21st Century, nobody goes it progressively alone, therefore we are pleased and privileged to let our region know that we have joined training forces with the MSU Extension offices in the 4-county area," said Marv Pichla, Thumb Area Michigan Works! executive director.

A newly formed Agri-Business 2100 Project Workgroup began meeting in November to discuss the training challenges for producers in the Thumb area.

Pichla said the group determined that the range of agribusinesses that could benefit from expanded training opportunities includes those that are involved in crop production sup-

plies, farm machinery, veterinary services, fruit and vegetable products, meat processing, farm product warehousing and storage, farm supply sales, farm product trucking, specialized farm product processing (such as bio-energy industries and seed processing), and agribusiness new publications.

"Agribusiness has been an economic foundation block of the Thumb area of Michigan for hundreds of years. Full and part-time employment opportunities in the agribusiness sector have been available, however, the skill sets required to advance in this area have been somewhat undefined," Pichla said.

"We hope that the new MSU Extension-Thumb Area Michigan Works! partnership will fill the agribusiness training voids felt in the community."

More information about the project and "Free-for-February" training opportunities is available by calling Thumb Area Michigan Works! at (989) 635-3561.

## Contractors busy

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minus-degree days, and the coldest was minus-14 degrees.

Of course, the numbers don't take into account the windchill factor, which was brutal earlier this month when stiff winds dropped the windchill down to a dangerous minus-25 to minus-30 degrees, closing Thumb area schools twice.

Regardless of the record book, frigid temperatures for days can spell trouble for village water systems, but

## Miracle man

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simple as deer standing in the driveway make you stop and watch."

Aside from being thankful, the couple are advocates for stem cell transplants such as the one that saved his life.

"It's not at all painful. It's like a blood transfusion," Renee pointed out.

"People should be on the donor list because it's (procedure) not the way it was," Mallory agreed.

Today, Mallory is taking one day at a time and getting used to a new immune system. Part of that process involves repeating all of his childhood immunizations. "I have a new immune system that is untested, untried, so I have to limit my exposure to fungus and mold and other sick people," he said.

"It's as if he's an infant in a 48-year-old's body," Renee added.

"I'm extremely weak," Mallory said. "I have very low stamina and I have just some bad days."

Music still plays an important part in his life. That's no surprise, considering Mallory has played in a host of bands in the area over the years — since his days as a student at Kingston High School — has shared his skills on guitar by offering lessons, and has been a vocal supporter of music education in the local school district. "Playing my guitar has been just a really fabulous outlet for me," said Mallory, who recalled a number of special music programs he attended during his stay at U-M Hospital, even when Renee had to get him there in a wheelchair, hooked up to a variety of tubes.

Asked if he's cured, Mallory said there are no guarantees for the future. But he refuses to dwell on what might be.

"It could go to pieces tomorrow, but chances are it won't," he said. "I consider myself a very lucky man."

that hasn't been the case in Cass City this year, at least not so far, according to Gary Barnes, superintendent of the village's department of public works.

"We've got one place running the water all the time — the Lutheran church — because the waterline there isn't very deep under the road. But that's the only adjustment we've made so far," said Barnes, who noted village workers have taken steps in recent years to prevent problems. "We've gone through and lowered a lot of water lines that used to freeze. It's paid off in a big way."

At this point, Barnes indicated he's crossing his fingers.

"Knock wood," he joked. "It's just horrible when you get a call and somebody's house (water line) is frozen. As cold as it's been, I've been a little nervous."

The arctic air, however, has kept area heating and cooling contractors busy.

"Business has picked up, since the last couple weeks," said Paul Brown, owner of Pro-Temp Heating and Cooling, Cass City. "Between the 3 of us here, we're probably doing 10 calls a day."

Brown said the increase in calls occurs every winter, but this year there was a delay because the cold didn't seem to really arrive until mid-January.

While calls from customers who have lost their heat are a priority, Brown said he's also scheduling other work. "Now people are calling for furnace installation, too. They're finding out they're not going to make it through the winter."

Part of the problem, according to Brown, is furnaces typically set idle for months and then are running regularly once winter arrives. For some, it's a matter of having to replace equipment that is 15 years old or older.

"Most furnaces (manufactured years ago) were oversized. When fuel was cheaper, people were putting in bigger furnaces than they needed," he said. "The newer models are a lot more efficient — a person can save between 30 and 50 percent on their heating bill. Houses today are more efficient, too, with newer windows and more insulation."

"We've sold 4 or 5 furnaces due to major breakdowns. Just the fuel savings on the new equipment is fantastic," agreed Joe Howard, owner of Howard's Heating and Air Conditioning, Cass City.

Howard said Thursday that he and his crew have also been working long days — some not ending before early the next morning.

"I'd say we've had anywhere from 10 to 20 calls a day with 2 trucks on the road. And we've been servicing anywhere from almost to Lapeer to Bad Axe," Howard added.

"This has been unusually busy. It (cold) came awful fast and we've been busy ever since," he said. "It started out about Monday (Feb. 5) with a lot of frozen pipes along with people with no heat — that's our priority. I'm not done until everyone has heat."

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