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GAIL SMITH OF Cass City (left) and her exchange students - Kouhei "Kody" Sakaguchi, 15, of Japan (second from left), and Chi-Ao "George" Yang, 16, of Taiwan, visit with Friends of the Library member Annette Pinney during the Quilt Extravaganza Opening Reception Friday night at Rawson Memorial Library. The event was part of the "Threads Across the Thumb II" celebration being hosted by the library this month.

As Kingston Schools superintendent

Murphy ready for new challenge

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Joe Murphy didn't know his teaching career would someday land him in the superintendent's office in the Kingston Community Schools when he earned his undergraduate degree

Sheriff in Huron joins STOPPED program

Parents of young drivers caught making poor choices behind the wheel of a car will soon be able to keep closer tabs on their children's driving habits in Huron County.

Huron County Sheriff Kent D. Tibbitts last week announced he plans to implement an innovative state program aimed at reducing risky teenage driving.

The program, Sheriff's Telling Our Parents and Promoting Educated Drivers (STOPPED), is designed to increase parental involvement in order to reduce traffic crash injuries and deaths among teens and young adults.

According to Tibbitts, STOPPED provides a window decal for every vehicle that will be driven by a person under 21 years of age. The decal, he said, provides a constant visual reminder for young people to act responsibly while they are on the road and out of sight of their parents.

Vehicles are registered in a centralized database maintained by the Michigan Sheriff's Association, Tibbitts said. "If a registered vehicle driven by a person under 21 years of age is stopped for any reason, law

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from Central Michigan several years ago.

But Murphy, who has served as Kingston High School principal for the past 7 years, couldn't be happier with his new role.

"Early on in my education career, I guess I knew I wanted to be a principal. One goal leads to another," said Murphy, who will officially begin his new duties July 1. He replaces Kingston Supt. George Bednerek, who is retiring.

Murphy earned his master's degree in educational administration from Saginaw Valley State University. He said he knew early on that education was the right career for him.

"My dad was a teacher-coach. Actually he was a high school principal, so it was kind of natural," recalled Murphy, who said his father was also a role model. "And I think many of the role models I had were in school - I had some excellent teachers all the way, throughout school."

Murphy's own career began with an out-of-state teaching job. After a year in South Carolina, however, the Port Hope native returned to the Thumb, where he taught middle school grades for about 5 years at the former Ruth Sts. Peter and Paul School. Murphy spent another 5 years teaching English to grades 7 through 12 in the Lakers School District before accepting his first job administration in Kingston.

He said serving as principal hasn't been difficult, although the job requires a balance between disciplinarian and being approachable to the students.

"I think if you're consistent and fair, and I think I have been, I wouldn't view it as a tough job. Am I approachable? Yes, my door is always open," he added. "It's challenging, but I enjoy it."

Since arriving in Kingston, Murphy said he's hoped the superintendent's

job would be his someday. And he credits Bednerek with helping to prepare for the responsibility.

"I knew that I wanted the job and I was happy to be offered (the position)," he said. "He's (Bednerek) been an excellent superintendent. He's been a great mentor."

And while the new job will be different, Murphy doesn't plan to change his approach to education and interacting with students.

"I love kids. I love working with kids. I love coming to school in the morning," he said. "I'm a person who

is actively involved. If it's happening with the students - athletics, band concerts, quiz bowl - I want to be there."

But Murphy also knows about the challenges facing all schools, especially a faltering state economy that has already had a sobering impact on school funding over the past few years.

"Fiscally it's tough, but you still want to provide as many programs as possible for the students, and op-

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Flash back

Teen author seeking photos and memories for new book

One might think that a young author who has already published his first book - at the ripe age of 15 - would be satisfied with the accomplishment.

Not Tyler Perry. In fact, the Deford area resident, who organized and penned "The History and Memories of Novesta Township", is already well into his next historical work, which will be entitled "The Cass City Story".

"It's a lot like the open archive displays I did with (Cass City historian) Jack Esau in August - it's to educate the community about the history of the community," the Cass City High School freshman said of his goal in exploring local history through the eyes of area residents.

"It's not so much about the facts as the memories and photographs people have shared," Perry added. "I want to educate the community about the history of their village and promote optimism for the days to come

by looking back at what Cass City has been."

Perry, a member of the Cass City Area Historical Society and president of the Novesta Old Settlers, began working on his latest book last September. "I try to work on it at least once a week," said the Cass City High School Student Council member, who utilizes a computer workstation at Rawson Memorial Library for the project.

Perry has made considerable progress already.

He's managed to solicit written and photographic contributions from a number of area residents, including local business owners such as Bill Kritzman, Chuck Auten, Joan Merchant and Nile Stafford; Jeanne Auten, husband of former local banker Fred Auten; Winifred Bauman, whose parents at one time owned what is

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"Stomach flu" cases ease at Huron facility

The new year has brought some relief to Huron Medical Care Facility officials, who last week reported that they saw more than 100 cases of gastrointestinal illness among their residents and employees in December.

The illnesses began appearing Dec. 22, and facility officials reported a total of 105 cases to the Huron County Health Department on Dec. 27, according to a joint press release issued by the facility Administrator Keith Miller and health department officials.

Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) disinfecting procedures were subsequently put into place, universal precautions were reinforced, residents were segregated, and the community was asked to limit visitation to help contain the spread of gastrointestinal illness, according to Miller.

"An inspection of the medical care facility preparation area revealed appropriate food safety procedures being followed," he said. "Water testing showed no coliform bacteria in the water."

Health department officials said Monday that there have been no additional cases. Residents are no longer being segregated, there are no visiting restrictions, and disinfecting measures are on-going.

Officials also confirmed that a norovirus was the cause of the illnesses.

"Noroviruses are a group of viruses that cause the 'stomach flu', or gastroenteritis in people," explained Gretchen Tenbusch, health officer for the Tuscola and Huron county health departments. "Symptoms of norovirus illness can include nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, cramping, low-grade fever, chills, headache, muscle aches, and a general sense of tiredness."

Tenbusch said cases of gastrointestinal illness are not uncommon in situations where many people live in the same facility.

"There are other nursing homes and medical care facilities that have these gastrointestinal problems. You tend to see them more in a group setting,"

she added. "But we've not had any other large outbreaks reported to us."

Medical care facility officials in Tuscola County reported very few problems with gastrointestinal illnesses.

"So far, so good," said Margot Roedel, administrator at the Caro facility. Some staff members have come down with it, she added, "but they've been vigilant enough not to bring it into the facility."

Tenbusch noted that many people incorrectly refer to gastrointestinal illness as the "stomach flu", but it's not influenza, which she said primarily affects the respiratory system.

"Vaccinations for influenza do not protect individuals against the 'stomach flu' since it is not truly a 'flu'," she said. "Symptoms of the true 'flu' are fever (usually high), cough, sore throat, chills, muscle aches and fatigue. Influenza can lead to pneumonia and can be dangerous for people with heart or breathing conditions."

Health officials have not seen any major flu outbreaks in the upper Thumb, although Tenbusch said it's difficult to compare health department 2006-07 vaccination figures.

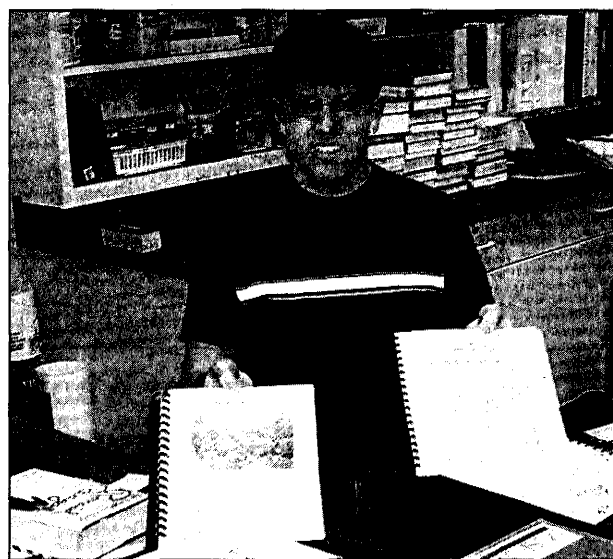
"We got our flu vaccine late, so we did not vaccinate as many people as we did last year. However, there were other healthcare providers that did receive their vaccine," she added. "People were getting vaccinated."

Sandy Franz, infection control coordinator at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City, said local hospital officials monitor flu cases reported in the state along with keeping a close eye on incidents of influenza locally.

"We really haven't seen any increase in activity here, either," she said. "Historically, though, it's usually January-February (when flu activity picks up), and I think our weather has something to do with it, too."

According to Tenbusch, residents can protect themselves from the norovirus by frequently washing

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CASS CITY'S TYLER Perry displays a copy of his "The History and Memories of Novesta Township" (right) and a working draft of "The Cass City Story". Perry is still looking for photos and memories from area residents for his latest book.

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Holbrook Area News

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Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Filar of Washington, Mich., Dr. and Mrs. Tom Collins and granddaughter of Allegan, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson visited Veronica Dolinski and Thelma Jackson over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka spent the weekend in Chicago with Melanie Godell and Christie Godell.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Booms were New Year's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski.

Holiday guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Weiss of Gaylord, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sturgil of Florence, Al., David Sturgil and friend of Bad Axe, Erin Cleland and Sarah of Uby, who recently returned home from teaching English

in New Mexico.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Collins and granddaughter visited Mrs. Martin Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Depcinski enjoyed a pizza supper on New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cleland of Bad Axe were Sunday guests of Mrs. Curtis Cleland.

Greg and Michelle Reid, Ethan and Joshua of Clinton Township, Ted and Kim Particka of Madison Heights, and Trisha and Matt of Adrian Heights spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka and they all attended the Christmas party for Alex Particka in Richville.

Langenburg accepts new job

Northstar Bank officials recently announced the addition of Colleen Langenburg and Matt Brickel to their staff.



Colleen
Langenburg

Langenburg has been named retail services officer/branch manager at Northstar Bank. She will be managing the current Community Bank office in Caro, which will become Northstar Bank following their upcoming merger in February 2007.

"Colleen is a wonderful addition to our staff here at Northstar," said Debbie Cunningham, AVP/retail services manager at Northstar Bank. "Besides her wealth of banking knowledge, she brings a sense of enthusiasm and dedication to her position."

Langenburg comes to Northstar with over 20 years of banking experience. She lives in the Cass City area with her husband, Joe, and their 2 children.

Dean earns high marks in Sanilac

Nancy Dean, executive director of the Sanilac County Kids' Connection, received an overall rating of 4.7 out of a possible 5 on her annual evaluation, according to Kids' Connection Board Chairman Tim Blasius.

"Nancy has done an outstanding job of taking over the management of this new organization," Blasius said. "She has demonstrated her ability to bring together many different organizations and groups to better serve children and their families in Sanilac County."

Currently there are more than 13 agencies housed within the Kids' Connection building, including Community Mental Health, Wraparound, Sanilac County Baby Pantry, Sanilac County Child Abuse Prevention Council, Catholic Family Services, Dr. Gabbara, Dr. Mutch, Big Brothers-Big Sisters, Girl Scouts, MSU Extension, 4C Child Care Unlimited, Sanilac Literacy Council, and the Sanilac Intermediate School District.

The Kids' Connection provides a central place for information and services for children and their families. The organization has been awarded the Direct Collaboration Award by the Children's Trust Fund for bringing together agencies and organizations within the county.

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



35 YEARS AGO

Dick Shaw, a recent addition to the staff at the Pinney State Bank, was determined to arrive at work on time last Tuesday. The storm was a major problem. The night before, his wife became stuck in the driveway and Shaw was up extra early to dig her car out. He left home in plenty of time to make it to work, but on his way became stuck in one of the drifts. As a result, despite good intentions, he was late. He quickly and quietly went right to work to make up for lost time and was hard at it for half an hour before Bill Ruhl slid over and pointed out that he must have forgotten that Tuesday was his day off. (From Rabbit Tracks)

The Elkland Township Cultural Center is undergoing another facelift with the change of its operation from the Cultural Center Corporation to joint management by the village of Cass City and Elkland Township. The two governmental units will split the costs 50-50 for the maintenance and management of the building, setting up fees and a reservation system to be handled by the village office. The Elkland Township board considered fees Monday night at a regular meeting establishing rental rates from zero dollars for agencies related to either village, school or township to \$40 for private uses. No action was taken. The village council must also approve the rates.

William O'Dell, Cass City, has been awarded a contract to build a hangar at St. Clair County Airport. The Blue Water Aviation Association is the owner and the 60 by 120-foot building will house small commercial planes. The hangar will have a 60-foot clear span arch with 14-foot insulated sidewalls. The steel building will feature 12x50 bi-fold power doors at each end and will cost some \$36,000 when completed. The foundation is poured.

5 YEARS AGO

Local gun boards in the upper Thumb issued a combined 548 concealed weapon permits during the last half of 2001 - nearly twice as many permits as were issued during the first half of the year. The numbers followed statewide trends since a Michigan Supreme Court decision opened the door for a new law making it easier to obtain the permits. The new law went into effect July 1 and requires county gun boards to issue concealed weapons permits to adults who do not have criminal backgrounds and are not mentally ill. Under the state's previous law, gun boards were directed to issue permits by majority vote only if "it appears that the applicant had good reason to fear for injury to his or her person or property, or has other property reasons and is a suitable person to be licensed."

As expected, Hills and Dales Health Care Corporation officials announced the opening of the Northwood Meadows Senior Living Community Friday. The \$4.4 million assisted living-dementia care facility - the only one of its kind in the Thumb - significantly boosted new construction in Cass City for 2001. In fact, new construction topped \$3.4 million for the year, with more than \$3 million of that tied into the Northwood project.

Barb Hutchinson still marvels when she thinks back on the high school girl, with only a high school education, who landed the job as library director in Cass City. It was a simple love of books and people that prompted Hutchinson to apply for that \$2-per-hour position in April 1971, and it's been the same love that has kept her on the job for more than 30 years. "People used to ask me how I learned to do this. I'd say the library didn't have anything and I didn't know anything, so we just grew up together," joked Hutchinson, who is now looking forward to retirement in the spring. Hutchinson seemed destined to be a librarian from a very early age, when she enjoyed playing Authors, a card game that required knowledge of book titles and authors. "I've always had the knack and, of course, I love the library," she said.

10 YEARS AGO

Avid readers in the Cass City area may want to take advantage of a special deal being offered this month by Rawson Memorial Library officials. Patrons in good standing will be allowed to check out an unlimited number of materials, and keep them for a 5-week period during which the library will be closed. "The work on the expansion and renovation of Rawson Memorial Library is continuing throughout the winter months," library Director Barbara Hutchinson said. "The new meeting room is up

and roofed. The brick work is partially done and the interior is beginning to take shape."

Tighter air standards could mean lower grain prices. The Environmental Protection Agency's proposed tightening of air quality standards could mean lower grain prices paid to farmers. The regulations proposed by the EPA in late November would mean higher prices paid by grain elevators and feedlots for transportation and electric power. This in turn would mean a lower price paid by elevators and feedlots to farmers.

State Rep. Mike Green (R-Mayville) registered a perfect attendance record for the 88th Legislature. The 84th District lawmaker was sworn into office for his third term Wednesday at a Capitol ceremony. "Going to work every day is ingrained in me; it's part of my work ethic," Green said. "My presence in Lansing is important because when I'm absent district residents lose their representation." House Leader Ken Sikkema (R-Grandville) commended Green for his achievement.

25 YEARS AGO

Three Grand Trunk hopper cars loaded with grain derailed at the Wickes Elevator in Cass City last Thursday. None of the cars overturned. The derailment took place at 12:30 p.m. when a rail snapped, reportedly due to a combination of fatigue and the bitter cold. The first two cars were pulled back on the track by the locomotive after wood blocks were placed to guide the wheels onto the tracks. The Grand Trunk crew, some of whom came from Pontiac, used hydraulic jacks to raise the third car and then slid it sideways on a rail onto the tracks, finishing the job at 8:30 p.m.

The first state board of health was formed in Massachusetts in 1870.

Owen-Gage advanced to 3-2 in the league standings with a 67-60 win Tuesday evening at Carsonville-Port Sanilac. In double figures for the Bulldogs were Dan Glidden with 22 points and Terry Muntz with 18. The team connected on 26 of 55 field goal shots, 47 percent, and sank 15 of 27 free throws, 56 percent. Owen-Gage grabbed 44 rebounds, with Glidden getting 11 of them and Muntz and Stan Andrakowicz, 10 each.

Kris Proctor, daughter of Tom and Elaine Proctor of Cass City, has been selected by classmates and faculty as the Cass City High School Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen for this year. She was honored by the Piety Hill Chapter at a tea in Birmingham in December. The National Society, DAR, established a good citizen contest in high schools in 1934 to recognize and encourage outstanding young people in the pursuit of high ideals.

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Wednesday Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m.
Pastor - Chuck Carr
Transportation available

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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
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Cass City United Methodist Church

5100 N. Cemetery Rd.,
P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726
872-3422
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(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
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Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould



First Baptist Church

6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726
989-872-3155
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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
Pastor: Eric Holmgren
Website: www.fbccus

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Barrier Free
6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-5400
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Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Pastor: Dave Blackburn

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6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-2770
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872-4637
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Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wed. (Family Training Hour) 7:00 p.m.
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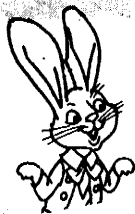
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665-9966
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

William Hartzell, Cass City varsity baseball coach, says that publicity in the Chronicle helped make the bottle collection drive "pretty successful". The drive took just a little over 3 hours and produced a profit of \$417.

Sunday the thought was that after all the festivities of Christmas and New Years, it might be a slack time for area restaurants. That was my first mistake of the day. All the restaurants in town appeared loaded with customers and the parking area of restaurants in Caro indicated a similar situation.

We found one that was busy but not overloaded and ate from the buffet offered. I wanted to be sure to be home in time to watch Michigan State-Indiana play basketball on the tube.

That was my second mistake of the day.

Since he retired as a teacher and came home to Cass City year-around, Richard Little has been active promoting projects that boost the community. His latest is trying to promote tennis as a school sport.

One of the hang-ups is finding someone to coach a tennis team. Volunteers can get all the details by calling Little at 810-414-6314.

Brown swearing-in slated for Saturday

State Representative Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) invites the residents of Huron and Tuscola counties to attend a ceremonial swearing-in event Saturday, Jan. 13 at Laker High School in Pigeon.

"I was chosen by the people of our community to serve as the voice of Huron and Tuscola counties, and I want to share the excitement of the experience with those who made it possible," Brown said. "I'm truly honored that my fellow citizens have put their trust in me, and I look forward to beginning the work they sent me to Lansing to do."

Michigan Supreme Court Justice Marilyn Kelly will perform the ceremony. Also in attendance will be fellow state Representative John Espinoza (D-Croswell), of the neighboring 83rd House District, and state Senator Jim Barcia (D-Bay City). Local musicians Steve and Karen Bouverette will perform; light refreshments will follow the ceremony.

Brown will be officially sworn in as the State Representative for the 84th House District, representing Huron and Tuscola counties, today (Wednesday) at the State Capitol in Lansing.

M-81 tapped for historical marker

A section of M-81 near Cass City will be commemorated with a Michigan Historical Marker, officials with Michigan's State Historic Preservation Office announced last week.

The Michigan Historical Commission recently approved markers for several sites across the state, according to Laura Ashlee, publications and historical marker coordinator. She said one of the markers has been

earmarked for a portion of M-81 in Elkland Township.

"State Reward Road No. One was the first road improved with state funds. The reward system encouraged local governments to improve rutted and muddy roads by laying gravel or paving them," Ashlee explained. "Elkland Township received a \$500 reward in 1905 for improving one mile of what is now M-81."

The Haire Net

Lack of snow is easier now



The Christmas tree came down and school reconvened last Wednesday and the holiday season officially ended for most of us.

With the 40-plus degree weather and the lack of snow everything is twisted. The mailman just walked by and he was wearing only a sweater in place of a hat and coat that would be normal in the first week of January. He needed no gloves to sort the mail as he walked.

If the weather experts are right, for a while we won't be getting much, or any at all, of the traditional weather in the teens and below.

I confess that the lack of snow is easier to take now, as I gave up skiing a year ago. I didn't believe that I was giving it up, but last year swirled by and I did. It's ironic that free skiing is available for senior, senior citizens at Michigan's most popular ski resorts.

There's no doubt that the weather dampens business in Michigan and no matter how the weather changes a complete recovery is not in the cards. The Christmas vacation season makes or breaks tourist resorts. For many winter sports enthusiasts it's no snow, no go. When winter is delayed, folks who planned purchases—coats, gloves, shovels, heating equipment, etc.—tend to put aside the plans and make do with what they have for another year.

There is usually a positive in a bad

situation if you look for it. The warm weather is no hardship; it's a welcome respite for area counties and villages including Cass City, as road maintenance costs are cut.

A year ago plans were approved by the Cass City Village Council to create a new slide on the man-made hill at the Cass City Recreational Park. The plan was to have snowmaking equipment and some sort of machine to smooth out the snow on the hill.

That plan is on indefinite hold and this year that is definitely not a hardship. We just didn't have the money to proceed, Nathan Haag, park director, explained. Grants and subsidies dried up as Michigan's economy went into its slump.

Providing outdoor winter sports facilities is an iffy proposition in the Thumb. As pointed out many times previously, the changing weather has made ice rinks not worth the time and effort that many volunteers spent trying to build one. The weather always won in the end.

Regardless of the economic problems, this rare warm weather has one more positive affect. It leaves a lot of people going around with smiles on their faces.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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The weather forecasters have done it again. They predicted we would have a wetter, warmer, dryer, or colder winter than usual.

And they're right! That's exactly what we've been having.

My problem is I forget what the forecasters told us in the fall. Then, when I want to contradict them, I have no evidence.

I wish the forecasters would come back on television and say, "You know that El Nino~ thing we told you about in October? That was just a joke. We're not having that."

They could do the same for the hurricane forecast. We had a disastrous hurricane season in 2005, so the forecasters predicted another one for 2006. Didn't happen.

A news report about U.S. aid to Mongolia helps put our weather in perspective. The Mongolians were recovering from a ruinous weather pattern called a "zud."

Zud is the Mongolian term for a severe drought, followed by an exceptionally harsh winter. The news report doesn't say how frequent zuds are in Mongolia, but they didn't invent the word for nothing. Their weather might be one big зуд for all I know.

Mercy Corps International is trying to help with food and economic aid. Mercy Corps says Mongolian herders have cut way back on their herds of sheep, cattle, goats, horses, camels and yaks.

The men may call this a зуд, but the women probably call it a blessing.

I like the term "zud." It has the harsh, brutal tone that describes a streak of bad weather.

Folks in the Midwest have a similar word to describe their climate. When Midwesterners have a severe, snowy winter followed by an exceptionally wet spring it's called a "flud."

I think we should have more terms like these to describe the climate. A few inches of snow with subzero temperatures should be called a "crunch," for example.

A freezing rain that covers sidewalks, stairs, and highways might be termed a "splat" — or maybe a "crash." Any weather combination that topples trees should be called a "thunk."

I vaguely remember the winter of 1950 — when we had several feet of drifting snow in my home state of Ohio. I was a mere six years old, but can remember crawling through snow tunnels my brothers had dug with grain shovels. That was fun for awhile, but it's about as close to being an Eskimo as I ever want to get.

A grouse hunting buddy told me about going out to look for his sheep a day or so after that storm hit. The snow was over the fences and landmarks were hard to identify.

My friend would find a spot where the snow was humped up; and after a little digging he would find a sheep. (Alive, I think.)

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5-Day Local Forecast

Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 33 Low: 26
 Thursday
Scat'd Rain
High: 40 Low: 34
 Friday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 38 Low: 30
 Saturday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 31 Low: 22
 Sunday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 31 Low: 20

In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 33°, humidity of 80% and an overnight low of 26°. The record high temperature for today is 58° set in 1950. The record low is -12° set in 1982. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 40% chance of rain, high temperature of 40°, humidity of 87% and an overnight low of 34°.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Monday	48	30	28/16	0.00"
Tuesday	39	27	28/16	0.00"
Wednesday	46	32	28/16	0.00"
Thursday	52	36	28/15	0.00"
Friday	48	43	28/15	0.00"
Saturday	45	36	28/15	0.00"
Sunday	36	28	27/15	0.00"

Upcoming Moon Phases

Last 1/11
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Sunrise/Sunset Times

Sunrise today 8:05 a.m.
Sunset tonight 5:16 p.m.

Precipitation 0.00"
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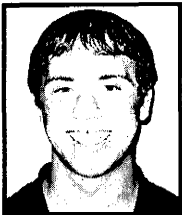
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Red Hawk Talk

by Kyle Swanson

A couple of weeks ago I talked about the schedule changes that would soon be taking place at Cass City High School in preparation of the new semester. And as I am sure many parents of students at the high school have heard, that time has arrived.

On Wednesday last week, students were welcomed back from the holiday break. Additionally, students at the high school were greeted with copies of their schedules for next semester. For some students, this also means that the time for schedule changes has arrived. To help with this busy time and lend an extra hand in the guidance office, it is my pleasure to welcome Mr. Mark Skinner to the high school guidance office.

Mr. Skinner is currently a student at Western Michigan University. He is pursuing a Master of Arts Degree at Western Michigan's School of Counseling. Part of his program requires that he spend 600 hours in observation and internship with a guidance counselor.

Mr. Skinner told me that he knew Ms. Frederiksen, the high school counselor, from coaching athletics. He felt that he could learn a lot from Ms. Frederiksen so he decided to contact her about interning. Everything seemed to work out, and Mr. Skinner started his internship last Wednesday.

It seems that he came at just the right time too. Whether it's schedule changes, college and scholarship applications, helping a student with personal matters, or the day to day operations it seems the guidance of-

fice is always kept busy.

Mr. Skinner said that he was excited to start and extremely happy to have the opportunity to work in Cass City. He also said that he is excited to learn the job and work to make things better by helping as many people as possible.

In talking with Mr. Skinner, I asked him why he wanted to become a counselor. He responded by saying that he felt that by becoming a counselor he would have a better opportunity to help kids than in some other jobs. He said that although he is interning and may become a school counselor, one day he hopes to start his own business as a private counselor. One possibility would be becoming a substance abuse counselor, he told me. More than anything, it was clear that Mr. Skinner enjoys helping others and has a goal of helping as many people as possible.

When he isn't busy in his new office, Mr. Skinner enjoys watching and playing sports and exercising. He has also coached athletics in the past.

Mr. Skinner also asked me to thank the community for welcoming him and making his transition as easy as possible.

It may be a busy and hectic time in the guidance office, but there is a little good news—a helping hand. If you're a student who hasn't met Mr. Skinner yet, I would invite you to stop by his office at some time. Mr. Skinner seems to be a friendly guy who genuinely cares and wants to help.

Welcome to Cass City Mr. Skinner, we're glad to have you here.



AREA RESIDENT WAYNE Anderson sits inside his unique pole barn, a “retirement shop” that holds many years of memories in the form of hundreds of photos. The structure also houses an interesting entertainment center, bar and pool table.

Room for memories

Cass City's Wayne Anderson enjoys time in unique “retirement shop”

From the outside, Wayne “Pee Wee” Anderson's workshop looks pretty much like any other.

Visitors who take a tour inside, however, are met with a barrage of sights and sounds, from the sounds of several television programs and music reminiscent of the 1950s and 1960s, to a 1970s lighted disco ball and a working traffic light decoration.

“This is my retirement shop,” Anderson proudly says. “This is different from any shop you'll ever see. It's nice - people are just amazed.”

Anderson isn't kidding.

He's spent years transforming the interior of the 30-foot by 40-foot pole barn adjacent to his Ritter Road home from a plain workshop into a personal, wall-to-wall scrapbook.

Sure, there's a lathe, sandblaster, powder coating oven and other power equipment. But the shop also features literally hundreds of photos of friends, family members, co-workers during his years at General Cable Co. in Cass City, his time stationed in Germany with the U.S. Army — even strangers who have stopped by over the years.

A bar at the west end of the building is surrounded by 5 television sets with screens ranging from 13 inches to 27 inches, each broadcasting a different show.

“I've got a 101-CD player back there plus a satellite receiver,” Anderson pointed out, referring to a stereo system that is also on, playing hits from the 50s and 60s. The sound might be a bit overwhelming to some, but he just shrugs. “It don't bother me a bit,” he said.

The barn also has a pool table with a lone bar light hanging above, beckoning visitors to try their luck.

“They used to call me ‘the teacher,’” Anderson said of his prowess with a pool cue. “I'm 71 years old now. I don't play as good as I did, but I'm not a slouch.”

Asked what prompted him to build the barn, Anderson replied, “I don't really know. A neighbor put up a pole barn and I said, ‘I like that’. We put this up in '94. I built this barn myself. I designed it, too.”

As Anderson approached a wall plastered with personal photos, he paused for a moment to pick up a very special framed picture at the bar. The photo is of his wife, Betty, who died last September.

“We were married 49 years and 3 weeks,” he said. “I was with a top secret outfit (in the Army) at the time. I met her in Germany and married her in Germany, and got kicked out of my outfit for marrying her.”

“I was in this bar and a woman threw her arms around my neck,” he said of the couple's first meeting. “I pulled her arms off and said, ‘who is that blonde over there?’ And I married the blonde.”

One of the couple's favorite activities was dancing, and Anderson said they were good at it. It's a hobby they continued to enjoy over the

years. “We danced all over - Wildwood Farms, Colony House,” he recalled.

Anderson need only look at one of his walls to enjoy those memories.

“It is. It is full of memories,” he said. “It's sort of like remembering people, whether it's past or present.”

Anderson said he spends more time in his shop than in his home, but he pointed out that he stays active as well, following a regimen of exercising 3 times a day.

Late in the afternoon, he returns to the shop to relax and have a drink, sometimes with a visitor or 2 who marvel at “his” place.

“I've had some strange reactions, but everybody likes it. Whoever comes in here - I haven't had no bad talk at all,” he said. “It's mine.”

Barcia returns to committee position

Michigan Senate leaders recently announced that Sen. Jim Barcia (D-Bay City) will return to the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee when the state Legislature resumes next week.

The committee makes key decisions about which projects and services the government will fund.

“These challenging economic times will require strong fiscal leadership and significant belt-tightening,” Barcia said. “We need to efficiently manage our resources, while protecting the health and public safety of our residents.”

Barcia was also named to 4 key Appropriations subcommittees, including: Department of Community Health, Department of Human Resources, Higher Education, and State Police and Military Affairs. Barcia will serve as minority vice chair on both the Higher Education and State Police and Military Affairs Subcommittees. These 4 subcommittees provide public funding for Michigan's public universities, hospitals and health care providers, mental health services, Medicaid, welfare to work programs, state police posts, homeland security and veterans service organizations.

“I am looking forward to insuring that these important departments are able to provide efficient services to the taxpayers of Michigan and that our institutions of higher education like Saginaw Valley State University

and Delta College are able to provide students with the education and skills to succeed in a changing economy,” Barcia said.

In addition to the Appropriations Committee, Sen. Barcia will also return as a member of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR).

Pedestrian struck in Tuscola Co.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro investigated a car-pedestrian accident last Wednesday in Arbel Township.

According to reports, the accident occurred at about 2:12 p.m. on Birch Run Road, west of Belsay Road.

Troopers said a Mercury Sable driven eastbound by a 79-year-old Vassar resident struck a 35-year-old Millington man as he was walking down the white “fog” line on the south pavement edge of Birch Run Road.

The victim had been driving his vehicle eastbound on Birch Run Road when he stopped his vehicle along the side of the roadway to help remove some pigs that had gotten loose from a nearby residence, according to troopers, who said the man was struck as he was returning to his vehicle.

The suspect left the scene of the accident. However, eyewitnesses obtained the vehicle's license plate number and a description of the driver, who later returned to the scene and was identified.

The victim, whose name was not released, was transported to St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw, where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries.

Millington police, Vassar MMR personnel and Millington-Arbela Fire and Rescue assisted troopers at the scene.

The accident remains under investigation.

Donate blood in Cass City

The next available opportunity to donate blood locally will be Tuesday, Jan. 16, from 1 to 6:45 p.m. at the Cass City VFW Hall.

Donors are eligible to give blood once every 56 days (or every 8 weeks). More information is available by contacting Helen Jezewski at (989) 872-2746 or Kerry Brown at (989) 912-6319.

Almost always during the holiday, there is a serious blood shortage. That is why January is National Volunteer Blood Donor Month.

Donating blood is a simple process that saves millions of Americans each year. Blood is needed every three seconds. Medical advances have improved the treatment of serious illness and injury. However, these advances have increased the need for blood products to support a patient through recovery. By the age of 72, 95 percent of all Americans will have needed a blood transfusion.

There is no substitute for blood. Blood is a perishable product and lasts only 42 days once taken from the body.

Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, January 10

Beef & pork roast dinner with all the trimmings, noon, Cass City United Methodist Church, 5100 N. Cemetery Rd. For takeouts, call 872-4604 and pick up between 11 a.m. and noon, or after 12:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 11

Quilter's Tea, 1 to 4 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.

Friday, January 12

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.

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

Saturday, January 13

Ham Dinner, 4:30 to 7 p.m., Shabonna United Methodist Church. Everyone welcome.

Monday, January 15

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.

Quilt Appraisal, 3 to 6 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library. You must register in advance at 872-2856. There is a fee for each appraisal.

Tuesday, January 16

Traveling Place for Peace, 10-2 p.m., Cass City United Methodist Church. For additional information, call (989) 325-0024.

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

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

Wednesday, January 17

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

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Letters to the editor

Attend the meets, ask questions

I am writing this letter to get more parents involved in the happenings at Cass City Schools.

For a long time there were many reasons to be proud of this district, but this is rapidly changing and it is time for the parents and taxpayers in this district to be aware of the reasons that have caused the turmoil in this school. There are a lot of puzzle pieces that do not fit and we are not getting answers.

I attended the Dec. 19 school board meeting to ask questions (like many parents), but walked away amazed at the comments received. There was a statement from Michelle Biddinger (school board president) in the Nov. 29 Chronicle saying that the school board's focus was going to be attracting and keeping school of choice students, so I asked her how they were going to do that when they were laying off 16 teachers and offering less academically.

Her response was: "I don't know." So I asked why we should keep our students in Cass City Schools, and her response was: "It would be my choice to look at other school districts, she could not tell me to keep my kids in Cass City." I was astonished by this answer, it certainly does not sound like someone that is trying to keep students in this district.

I was further amazed by Ms. Biddinger's sighs and rolling of her eyes as others spoke, she certainly did not seem like she was interested in making decisions that would be in the best interest of the students in Cass City Schools.

I urge more parents to attend the school board meetings; ask questions and be aware of the elected people we have making decisions that are supposed to benefit our students.

Sincerely,
Teresa Deering

Obituaries

Frieda Parker

Frieda E. Parker, 81, of Owendale, died Monday, Jan. 1, 2007 at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

She was born Dec. 11, 1925 in Sehnde, Germany, the daughter of the late Karl and Elise (Ammie) Kaufeld. She married Kenneth B. Parker June 12, 1955 in Elkton.

Parker is survived by her husband, Kenneth; children: Mary Lou (Nick) Gould of Leroy, Norman (Patti) Parker of Cass City, and Jack (Cindy) Parker of Sebawaing; 7 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a sister and a brother.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Jan. 4, at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebawaing, with Elder Ellis Gardener and Elder Barent Eliason officiating.

Interment was in the Grant Township Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebawaing.

Judy Woody

Judy Taylor Woody, 64, of Windjammer Village, died Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2007 at home.

She was born March 10, 1942 in Bay City, the daughter of the late Howard and Eunice Weiss Taylor.

Woody was involved with a cancer support group at King of Glory Lutheran Church. She was choir director and organist at her churches in Michigan.

Woody is survived by her husband, Tom of Little River; 2 sons: Matt (Sharon) Woody and Andy (Carmen) Woody, both of Cincinnati, Ohio; a daughter, Merritt Woody of Little River; a sister, Nancy Wight of Wisconsin; and 7 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Don Taylor; and a sister, Janice Castro.

A memorial service was held Sunday, Jan. 7, at Montgomery Community Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Arrangements were made by Lee Funeral Home and Crematory, Little River-North Myrtle Beach.

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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 6:00 p.m.
Jan. 12	USA 6:00 p.m.
Jan. 16	Harbor Beach 6:00 p.m.
Jan. 19	Reese 6:00 p.m.
Jan. 23	Deckerville 5:00 p.m.
Jan. 26	BCAS 5:00 p.m.
Feb. 6	Bad Axe 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 9	Lakers 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 13	USA 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 16	Reese 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 23	BCAS 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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January 12
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January 11
Cass City vs. Reese
WRESTLING

January 17
Cass City vs. Lakers/Nouvel
GYMNASTICS
January 30
Cass City vs. Midland

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.

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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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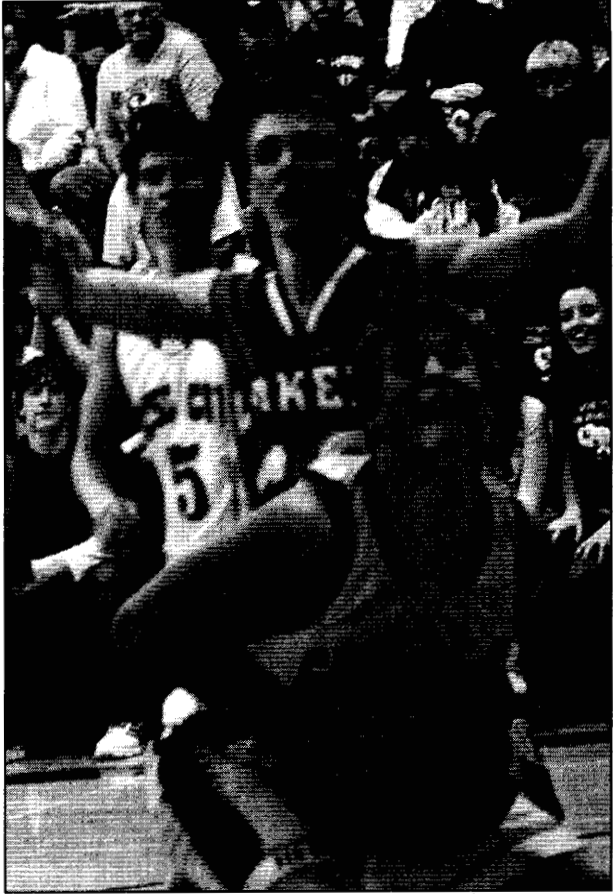
The Cass City wrestling team opened the new year Wednesday night, splitting a double dual match at Almont and then earning a 5th place finish Saturday at the 12-team North Branch Tournament.

Coach Don Markel, who blasted his team's last performance in Caro "as one of the poorest in quite some time," saw marked improvement from his young grapplers in the non-conference affairs.

"We wrestled better after the Christmas break than we had prior to that. We still have a lot to improve upon but at least we showed some progress from earlier," Markel said.

At Almont, the Hawks opened with a narrow 40-38 loss to Imlay City before rebounding to defeat host Almont, 39-25. Earlier in the year, Cass City was defeated 48-30 by Imlay City.

Double winners on the night for Cass City included: Ken Grady (130 lbs.), Andrew Peruski (135 lbs.), Clark Walsh (140 lbs.) and Dennis Bowen (189 lbs.)



CASS CITY'S Dereck Halasz muscles up a shot in Friday's GTW tilt with the Lakers. The Red Hawk senior posted 8 points in the hosts' 56-50 victory.

Owen-Gage spikers continue to roll in NCTL action with easy victory against Eagles

The Owen-Gage spikers continue to roll in North Central Thumb League play, as rookie coach Ashley Pawlak's Bulldogs disposed of visiting Caseville Monday in straight games. The scores of the match were 25-14, 25-16 and 25-8.

The win puts Owen-Gage at 2-0 in NCTL play entering Thursday's outing with NCTL rival Akron-Fairgrove in Owendale.

Samantha Radabaugh paced the hosts against the Eagles with 15 points while April Nowaczyk and Stacie Dorsch each added 13 markers. At the net, Becky Schmidt had

10 attacks while Amanda Faist added 9. Nowaczyk also added 10 sets and 5 assists for the Bulldogs.

BADAXE TOURNNEY

The Bulldogs traveled to compete in the always-tough Bad Axe Invitational Saturday and were sent packing with a 1-8 record in pool play.

The Bulldogs suffered a pair of losses to host Bad Axe (3-25, 17-25) and Cros-Lex (13-25, 15-25) before splitting games with Carrollton (25-19, 8-25). The Bulldogs' day ended with a pair of losses (14-25, 13-25) to Vassar.

On the afternoon, Radabaugh and Faist each recorded 21 points while Nowaczyk posted 48 kills and 33 sets. Defensively, Radabaugh came up with 20 digs while Bethany Kovach added 17 digs.

PORT HOPE

Earlier in the week, on Thursday, the Bulldogs wasted little time in earning their initial NCTL victory at Port Hope with wins of 25-15, 25-21 and 25-22.

Individually for Owen-Gage, Faist had 17 points, 3 aces and 9 attacks; Becky Schmidt 17 points, 2 aces, 13 attacks, 12 sets, 5 assists; Nowaczyk 4 digs, 12 attacks, 6 aces, 9 sets, 3 assists; Radabaugh 15 points; and Mindy Errer 5 digs.

Hawks set up GTW showdown with USA

Victory over Lakers arranges battle for conference lead Friday in Cass City

One of the teams tied for the top in the Greater Thumb West will fall out of the lead when Cass City faces Unionville Sebewaing Friday at home. Both teams along with Reese are undefeated in the early race for league honors.

Before the important league game, the Hawks were slated to meet Caro Tigers in the annual battle for the M-81 Clash trophy that the Hawks have won 6 times in a row and have a 7-4 lead since the competition started.

Setting the stage for this week's competition was a very close victory over Elkton Pigeon Bay Port last week, Friday, 56-50. The close victory followed a trend for the Hawks this year that has racked up a gaudy 7-1 record. All the wins except one were posted with low single digit margins.

It's sure that coach Aaron Fernald would be happy to post another close win in Friday's game against USA.

We need to take better care of the ball, Fernald says, or the Patriots will use their press to run up easy baskets.

The Lakers used 5 unforced turnovers to overcome an early lead by Cass City to forge in front early in the third quarter for the only time in the game. After Brad Hartel sparked an early Cass City run with a free throw, a trey and a regular hoop, the Lakers ran up 7 unanswered points and the score was tied at 14 at the end of the first period.

Two quick hoops in the opening moments of the second period put the Lakers in front by 4 points. Cass City closed that gap with a 10-2 run to take the lead, 24-20, and never trailed again.

The Lakers kept challenging but fell short with mini-rallies the rest of the game. With 3:18 left in the half, the Hawks led 24-23. Cass City answered that threat as Hartel and Chris Childs hit treys and Dereck Halasz added a regular hoop. At the intermission the Hawks were in front, 33-25.

Cass City started strong in the early moments of the third period with 5 quick points as Cameron Lautner connected for a hoop and Hartel netted one of his 5 treys for the night. Cass City went in front, 36-27, for its largest lead of the night.

Using balanced scoring, the Lakers

bounded back and the game was in doubt until the final whistle. Cass City was in front 45-42 with 4:10 left. Shane McFarland then netted his only bucket of the night taking a pretty feed in stride to register an easy lay-up.

The Lakers trailed by just a point with 1:04 left to play, but the Hawks used very good free throw shooting to post the victory. Lautner connected on 5 of 7, Martin 2 of 4 and Halasz 2 of 2.

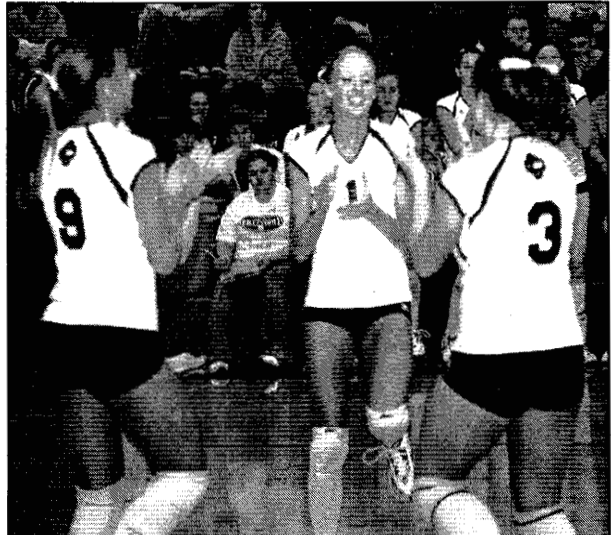
Hartel topped Hawk scorers with 18 points. Also in double figures were Lautner, 15 points, and Martin, 10 points. Mark Feger, 18 points, and

Errick Miles, 10 points, led the Lakers.

CASS CITY - Childs 0-1 (0-0) 3; Hartel 1-5 (1-2) 18; Lautner 2-2 (5-7) 15; Martin 4-0 (2-4) 10; Halasz 3-0 (2-2) 8; McFarland 1-0 (0-1) 2.
TOTALS - 11-8 (10-16) 56.

LAKERS - Miles 3-1 (1-2) 10; Feger 7-1 (1-5) 18; Cook 1-1 (1-2) 6; Dubs 0-0 (3-3) 3; Tibbits 1-0 (0-0) 2; Gascho 3-1 (0-0) 9; Heilig 1-0 (0-0) 2.
TOTALS - 16-4 (6-13) 50.

The Cass City junior varsity won 47-43.



CASS CITY spikers (from left) Emily Schinnerer, Carly Howard and Amanda Langenburg celebrate a point during Monday's GTW outing with Bad Axe.

Hawks post rare home win over Hatchet spikers

The Cass City volleyball team served notice on its fellow Greater Thumb West rivals Monday night with a shocking straight 3-game victory over perennial power Bad Axe.

Veteran Coach Beth Howard's Red Hawks captured their opening GTW match against the visiting Hatchets with hard fought decisions of 25-23, 25-21 and 25-23. Howard knows all too well the importance of Monday's win over the defending GTW champions and is hopeful it will lead to a conference crown down the road.

"This is the first time we beat Bad Axe at home since I've started coaching," Howard said. "I thought Bad Axe might be down a little this year."

The hosts grabbed a quick 3-0 start in game one behind the serving of Carly Howard and the front line antics of Sara Meeker. Although the Hawks hadn't played since before Christmas, Howard's team showed few signs of being rusty in the opening game. However, in game 2, the hosts made some errors they usually

don't commit.

"This was the first time we played in 3 weeks and it show at times. In game 2, Bad Axe scored 5 of their first 7 points on our service errors."

Still, the Hawks dominated most of the night. Cass City trailed just once, 4-5, in their opening game, then took a 3-1 edge to kick off game 2 and never trailed again.

Coach Howard was pleased with her team's defense on the night and added the Hawks are receiving well.

Individually for Cass City, Meeker had 11 kills and 5 blocks while dominating the net for the winners, while Emily Schinnerer had 7 kills, 14 digs and 14 receptions; Carly Howard 7 kills, 12 digs, 7 receptions; Sara Howard 7 kills and 3 blocks; Megan VanVliet 17 receptions, 11 digs; Ashleigh Rabideau 7 digs, 12 receptions; and Amanda Langenburg 27 assists and 9 digs.

A change in the Hawks schedule will have Cass City entertaining Reese Thursday.

Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

Cass City senior Dennis Bowen is this week's recipient of Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week honor.

The 189 pound grappler helped Cass City to a 5th place finish Saturday at the North Branch 12-team tournament.

Bowen posted a perfect 5-0 mark on the day. Earlier in the week, Bowen was a double winner in an outing against Almont and Imlay City.

Dennis is the son of Elizabeth and Jack Bowen.

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OWEN-GAGE senior Josh Howard gets a step along the baseline in Friday's NCTL outing against visiting Peck. The Bulldogs rallied to register a 55-53 win.

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BCAS	0	2	3	3					
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Team	W	L	W	L	Team	W	L	W	L
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Team	W	L	W	L	Team	W	L	W	L
USA	2	0	6	0	Kingston	5	0	7	0
Cass City	2	0	6	1	CPS	4	1	4	2
Reese	1	0	5	0	Memphis	2	2	3	3
Lakers	0	1	2	5	Dryden	2	2	2	3
Bad Axe	0	2	3	3	Peck	2	4	2	5
BCAS	0	2	3	3					

Champagne lifts Owen-Gage past Pirates in NCTL play

Senior Grant Champagne connected on the 2 biggest free throws of his Bulldog career Friday, lifting Owen-Gage to an exciting 55-53 North Central Thumb League crossover victory over Peck.

With the win, Owen-Gage, 4-1 overall, remains unscathed in conference play. The Bulldogs' perfect mark, however, will be sternly tested this Friday as they travel to meet undefeated Kingston in a battle of NCTL division leaders.

If Owen-Gage hopes to derail mighty Kingston, they will need to play a near flawless game, which will need to include better starts to each half.

Peck opened Friday's contest in Owendale with a 7-2 run as the visitors' full court pressure bothered the hosts in the early stages. Still, Owen-Gage was able to adjust to the Pirate's trapping defense and entered the second frame in front, 19-13. Brandon Dubs paced Owen-Gage in the opening 8 minutes with 7 points, including the Bulldogs' only trey on the night.

Then in the second frame, Eric Zaleski took over the scoring chores for Owen-Gage as both schools traded points to the break. Zaleski hit on 3 field goals in the period that ended with the Bulldogs enjoying a 31-26 edge.

But, once again, the Bulldogs came out of the locker room flat. The Pirates took full advantage of the stalled Bulldog offense that allowed the visitors to gain a 44-40 lead after 3 frames. Peck used 4 treys, including a pair from Mike Pries, in the period to overtake the Bulldogs.

Peck continued hitting from the perimeter to open the final stanza and look like they were going to put Owen-Gage away as they stretched their margin to 7 points.

But, to the Bulldogs credit, they were able to fight back and with a minute to play, found themselves in front, 53-52.

Peck was able to notch the score at 53-all as Mike Mann split 2 free throw tosses with less than a minute remaining, setting up Champagne's heroics.

Instead of calling a time out, the veteran Bulldogs advanced the ball up the floor and stalled for the final shot. With 25 seconds remaining, Champagne made an entry pass into the lane to Brent Reil. Reil's shot was off the mark, but Champagne came up with the rebound and was fouled with no time remaining on the clock.

After .02 seconds were put back on the clock, Champagne calmly went to the line and with ice in his veins handed Owen-Gage the victory.

Champagne led Owen-Gage with 14 points, while Dubs finished with 12 and Zaleski, 10.

Pries had a game-high 17 tallies for Peck, while Billy Burns added 14 and Mann, 13.

OWEN-GAGE - Reil 3-0 (2-2) 8; Dubs 3-1 (3-4) 12; Dronsella 0-0 (0-1) 0; Howard 1-0 (2-2) 4; Zaleski 5-0 (0-2) 10; Champagne 6-0 (2-4) 14; Gaeth 2-0 (3-4) 7.
TOTALS - 20-1 (12-19) 55.

PECK - Pries 3-3 (2-2) 17; Kiley 1-0 (0-0) 2; Germain 1-0 (0-0) 2; Mann 1-3 (2-4) 13; Phillips 0-1 (0-0) 3; Carrier 1-0 (0-0) 2; Burns 6-0 (2-4) 14.
TOTALS - 13-7 (6-10) 53.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald Yeager, a/k/a Donald M. Yeager, a married man, and Giorgia Yeager, his wife, original mortgagors, to Long Beach Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated February 21, 2006 and recorded on February 23, 2006 in Liber 1072 on Page 0593 in instrument 2006-00877809, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-One and 15/100 Dollars (\$132,151.15), including interest at 9.6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 25, 2007.

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

Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 22, Town 14 North, Range 7 East; thence South 03 degrees 44 minutes East, 454.3 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning; running thence South 56 degrees 39 minutes West, 288.0 feet; thence South 03 degrees 44 minutes East 90.0 feet; thence North 71 degrees 12 minutes 55 seconds East, 259.27 feet; thence North 03 degrees 44 minutes West, 165.0 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 27, 2006

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC R (248) 593-1305
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
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File #118470FO1

12-27-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by STEPHANIE L. EDWARDS, A SINGLE WOMAN, to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC., ACTING SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, LENDER IS FIRST FRANKLIN A DIVISION OF NAT. CITY BANK OF IN. Mortgagee, dated December 16, 2005 and recorded on January 05, 2006 in Liber 1067, on Page 827 in TUSCOLA County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgage to DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST CO. AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-FF4, MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATE SERIES 2006-FF4 by an assignment dated December 08, 2006, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ninety five thousand nine hundred eighty nine and 41/100 Dollars (\$95,989.41), including interest at 7.250% per annum WITH AN ADJUSTABLE RATE RIDER.

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, MI, at 10:00 AM on January 25, 2007.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF MILLINGTON, TUSCOLA County, Michigan and are described as:

PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH QUARTER CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, 511.66 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH SECTION LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST, 355.91 FEET PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH SOUTH QUARTER LINE; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, 148.34 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 355.91 FEET TO THE SOUTH SECTION LINE; THENCE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, 148.34 FEET SAID SECTION LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING RIGHT OF WAY FOR ARBELA ROAD OVER THE SOUTH SIDE THEREOF.

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

DATED: December 27, 2006

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue, Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
ATTORNEY FOR: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST CO. AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-FF4, MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATE SERIES 2006-FF4 Assignment of Mortgagee
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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 Shawn Ruhle and Laura Ruhle, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Chemical Bank and Trust Company, Mortgagee, dated September 2, 2005 and recorded on September 9, 2005 in Liber 1053 on Page 661, and assigned by mesne assignments to U.S. Bank, N.A. as assignee by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifteen and 37/100 Dollars (\$148,915.37), including interest at 6% per annum.

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

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

PARCEL H: A part of the Southeast quarter of Section 9, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 9 that is 500.00 feet, North 88 degrees 31 minutes 01 seconds West, from the Southeast corner of said Section 9; thence continuing North 88 degrees 31 minutes 01 seconds West on the South line of said Section 9, 350.00 feet; thence North 1 degrees 28 minutes 59 seconds East, 948.63 feet; thence South 88 degrees 31 minutes 01 seconds East, 350.00 feet; thence South 1 degree 28 minutes 59 seconds West, 948.63 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: January 10, 2007

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30400 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #121927FO1

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Debra Grow, a single woman, to H&R Block Mortgage Corporation Mortgagee, dated August 18, 2005 and recorded September 9, 2005 in Liber 1053, Page 796, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for HSI Asset Securitization Corporation 2006-0PT2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-0PT2, by assignment dated November 15, 2006 and recorded December 21, 2006 in Liber 1106, Page 232, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$52,598.55), including interest 8.65% per annum.

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

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

Commencing 2 Rods South of the Southwest corner of Lot 3, Block 1, L. Fox's Second Addition; thence West 100 feet; thence South 75 feet, East on an angle 108 feet, North 104 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 9 East. Commonly known as 31 North St, Mayville MI 48744.

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

Dated: JANUARY 4, 2007

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for HSI Asset Securitization Corporation 2006-0PT2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-0PT2
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
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Our File No: 07-61989

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Wanda Smith and Shawn Smith, wife and husband, tenants by entirety, to Amerquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated October 15, 2004 and recorded November 2, 2004 in Liber 1015, Page 947, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as trustee, of Amerquest Mortgage Securities, inc., asset backed pass through certificates series 2004-R9, under the pooling and servicing agreement dated as of September 1, 2004 without recourse by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety and 67/100 Dollars (\$102,890.67) including interest at 6.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 18, 2007.

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

Parcel 1 - Commencing at a point 18 rods North of the Southwest corner of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, thence East 9 rods; thence North 85 feet; thence West 9 rods; thence South 85 feet to the point of beginning, being part of Block 2 of Hamilton's Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 34, now being Page 35A.
Parcel 3 - Commencing 23 rods 2 and one-half feet North of the Southwest corner of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 9 East thence East 9 rods; thence North 47 feet to the point of beginning, Part of Lot 3, Block 2 of Hamilton's Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 34, now being Page 35A and the South 8 feet of Lot 2, Block 2 of Hamilton's Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 34, now being Page 35A.

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

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

Dated: December 20, 2006

Orlans Associates, P.C.
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File No. 214.4341

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christa M. Evans, original mortgagor, to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, a federal association, Mortgagee, dated January 21, 2003 and recorded on February 25, 2003 in Liber 917 on Page 619 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Three Hundred Five and 19/100 Dollars (\$91,305.19), 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 January 25, 2007.

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

Land commencing at a point that is 602.4 feet North-east along the centerline of M-81 and 218 feet South 47 degrees 26 feet, from where the West line of the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 35, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, intersects the centerline of M-81; thence South-west parallel with the centerline M-81, a distance of 127.15 feet; thence South 47 degrees 26 minutes East, 99 feet; thence North 45 degrees, East parallel with the center line of M-81 a distance of 127.15 feet; thence North 47 degrees 26 minutes West, 99 feet to the place of beginning.

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

Dated: December 27, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rodney W. Withers, Sr. and Corina A. Withers, husband and wife, to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 2, 2000 and recorded August 7, 2000 in Liber 807, Page 1152, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-One and 81/100 Dollars (\$52,291.81), including interest at 11.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 25, 2007.

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

Part of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 28, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the North line of Section 28, which is South 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 East, 252.5 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 28; thence continuing along said North line, South 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds East, 118.00 feet; thence parallel to the West line of said Section 28 South 313.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 10 seconds West 118.00 feet; thence North 313.00 feet to the North line of Section 28 and the Point of Beginning.

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

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

Dated: December 27, 2006

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File No. 326.0349

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Allyn Pierson and Gloria Pierson, husband and wife, to First National Bank of America, dated October 8, 2002 and recorded on October 17, 2002 in Liber 898, Page 731, Tuscola County Records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$43,664.22.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a public sale of the property on Thursday, January 18, 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 14.25 percent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

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

Lot 93, Oak Grove Subdivision, Township of Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 40 and being a part of Section 33, Town 10 North, Range 7 East. Also a 1984 Lavilla Mobile Home, Serial #6255.

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: December 15, 2006

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

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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Damian Pica and Susan J. Pica, husband and wife, As Tenants by the Entirety, to Amerquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated January 7, 2005 and recorded on January 21, 2005, in Liber 1024. Page 1300-1318, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE OF AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES, INC. ASSET BACKED PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-R4CGM UNDER THE POOLING AND SERVING AGREEMENT DATED AS OF MAY 1, 2005, WITHOUT RECOURSE, by an Assignment of Mortgage submitted to the Tuscola County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of (One Hundred Fifty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty One Dollars and 53/100 (\$152,161.53), including interest at the rate of 6.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Michigan at 10:00 AM on January 18, 2007.

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

Part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 13 North, Range 11 East, Novesta Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at the South Quarter corner of said section 17; thence North 89 degrees 31 minutes 24 seconds West along the South line of said Southwest quarter 123.35 feet; thence North 09 degrees 32 57" West 222.31 feet; thence North 88 degrees 32 37" East 158.30 feet to the East line of said Southwest quarter; thence South 00 degrees 10 38" East along said East line 224.49 feet to the point of beginning. Right of way for Severance Road over the Southerly Side thereof. 5739 Severance Rd.

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

Dated: December 13, 2006

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Assignee
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Our File No. 141.00170

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by CRAIG EVANS, A/K/A CRAIG H. EVANS, and LISA M. EVANS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 22, 2004 and recorded on July 1, 2004, in Liber 998, on Page 1462 Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Ninety-Fifth Cents (\$49,263.98), including interest at 6.500% per annum.

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

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

PARCEL 1: LAND COMMENCING AT A POINT 10 RODS WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 9, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST; RUNNING THENCE NORTH 12 RODS; THENCE WEST 44 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 12 RODS; THENCE EAST 44 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, BEING PART OF LOT 8, BLOCK 1 OF THE PLAT OF VILLAGE OF WATROUSVILLE, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 6 OF DEEDS, PAGE 12 OF TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

PARCEL 2: THE WEST 12 FEET OF THE EAST 22 FEET OF LOT 8, BLOCK 1 OF THE PLAT OF THE VILLAGE OF WATROUSVILLE, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 6 OF DEEDS, PAGE 12 OF TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

TAX ID NO. 014-500-009-0200-00

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

Dated: December 14, 2006

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

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

12-20-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by STEPHEN M. KRUEGER and MICHELLE KRUEGER BY STEPHEN M. KRUEGER HER ATTORNEY-IN-FACT, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 30, 2004 and recorded on March 2, 2004, in Liber 982, on Page 712, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars and Ninety-Five Cents (\$12,425.95), including interest at 6.575% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on January 25, 2007.

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

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, TOWNSHIP OF DAYTON, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN; THENCE

ALONG THE NORTH, EAST AND WEST ONE EIGHTH LINE OF SECTION 15, EASTERLY 242 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 15, SOUTHERLY 175 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL NORTH, EAST AND WEST ONE EIGHTH LINE OF SAID SECTION, WESTERLY 242 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE ALONG SAID WEST LINE, NORTHERLY 175 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND; COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, TOWNSHIP OF DAYTON, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ALONG THE NORTH, EAST-WEST ONE EIGHTH LINE OF SECTION 15, EASTERLY 242 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING EASTERLY 242 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 15, SOUTHERLY 205 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH, EAST-WEST ONE EIGHTH LINE OF SECTION 15, WESTERLY 484 FEET; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 15, 30 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH, EAST-WEST ONE EIGHTH LINE OF SECTION 15, EASTERLY 242 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 15, NORTHERLY 175 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TAX ID NO. 005-015-000-1200-01

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

Dated: December 21, 2006

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mark E. Lynn, a married man, and Ida Lynn, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 30, 2005 and recorded on April 1, 2005 in Liber 1033 on Page 375, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. 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 Seventy-One Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Six and 68/100 Dollars (\$71,656.68), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert M. Bronson and Catherine M.L. Perdue, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to H & R Block Mortgage Corporation, a Massachusetts Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 10, 2004 and recorded on February 9, 2004 in Liber 978 on Page 563, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Option One 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 Fifty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two and 14/100 Dollars (\$54,882.14), including interest at 12.15% 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 to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 25, 2007.

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

Lots 8 and 9, Block C of Lynnhurst Annex to the Village of Mayville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 52, now being page 53A.

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

Dated: December 27, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by RICK A. BROOKINS, AN UNMARRIED MAN, and DENISE G. BERRY, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, to GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, F/K/A GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION OF PA, Mortgagee, dated January 5, 1996 and recorded on January 10, 1996, in Liber 684, on Page 706, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars and Forty-Five Cents (\$44,758.45), including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on January 25, 2007.

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

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 20, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, THENCE NORTH 16 RODS; THENCE EAST 20 RODS; THENCE SOUTH 16 RODS; THENCE WEST TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

Dated: December 21, 2006

GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC FKA GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION OF PA
Mortgagee/Assignee

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Terry W. Craig and Renate G. Craig, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated February 23, 2005 and recorded on April 21, 2005 in Liber 1035 on Page 766 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Seven and 94/100 Dollars (\$65,667.94), including interest at 8.85% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 25, 2007.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot eighteen (18), Block two (2), Smith's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to recorded plat in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 13; thence West sixty and one-half (60 1/2) feet; thence South eight (8) rods 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: December 27, 2006

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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 John J. Frazee and Sharon Frazee, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 4, 2003 and recorded on July 28, 2003 in instrument 200300835204, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Three and 86/100 Dollars (\$103,253.86), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 18, 2007.

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

The West 10 feet of Lot 9 and the East 90 of Lot 8, of Block 3 of Fenster Subdivision according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 87, now being Page 37B.

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

Dated: December 20, 2006

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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, original mortgagors, to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 20, 2002 and recorded on October 7, 2004 in Liber 1011 on Page 548, and modified by Affidavit or Order received by and recorded, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Nine and 78/100 Dollars (\$68,749.78), including interest at 5.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 18, 2007.

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

Commencing 69 1/2 rods West of the Northeast corner of North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4; thence South 16 rods; thence West 12 1/2 rods; thence North 16 rods; thence East 12 1/2 rods to the point of beginning, Section 22; Township 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: December 20, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Katherine C. Lansford, a married woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 22, 2005 and recorded March 9, 2005 in Liber 1030, Page 458, 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 One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Seven and 0/100 Dollars (\$13,327.00), including interest at 5.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 18, 2007.

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

The South one-half of the North one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Section 35, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, except the South 140 feet of the East 500 feet thereof, ArbelA Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

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

Dated: December 20, 2006

Orlans Associates, P.C.
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12-20-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Harold L. Pack, a single man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Michigan Fidelity Acceptance Corp, d/b/a Franklin Mortgage Funding, Mortgagee, dated March 31, 2004 and recorded July 2, 2004 in Liber 999, Page 165, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as successor to JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Seventy-Two Cents (\$57,714.72), including interest 6.4% per annum.

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

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

Commencing 152 feet West of Southeast corner of Southeast one-quarter of Southwest one-quarter of Section 13, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence West 150 feet; thence North 150 feet; thence East 150 feet; thence South 150 feet to point of beginning. Commonly known as 3272 Barnes Road, Millington MI 48746.

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

Dated: DECEMBER 27, 2006

The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. as Trustee, Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd. Suite 100
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(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 06-61584

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian K. Brown and Kimberly A. Brown, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 19, 2005 and recorded on September 29, 2005 in Liber 1055 on Page 1112 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Five and 24/100 Dollars (\$132,155.24), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on January 18, 2007.

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

Lot 9 and the west 60 feet of lot 8 of Evergreen Acres, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in plat Liber 3, Page 23, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: December 20, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kathy J. Crittenden, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated July 23, 2004, and recorded on August 25, 2004 in Liber 1006 on Page 17, and modified by Affidavit or Order executed on March 3, 2006 and recorded on April 4, 2006 in Liber 107 on Page 258 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Five and 16/100 Dollars (\$61,895.16), 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 January 18, 2007.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 15, Town 10 North, Range 7 East; thence North 474 feet; thence West 922 feet; thence South 474 feet; thence East 922 feet to the Point of Beginning, except the West 237 feet of the South 275 feet; ArbelA Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: December 20, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Constance R. Hoose, a married woman, to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated January 10, 2006 and recorded January 20, 2006 in Liber 1069, Page 464, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of Argent Mortgage Securities, Inc. Asset Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series 2006-W3 Under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated as of March 1, 2006, Without Recourse, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Five and 55/100 Dollars (\$115,895.55) 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 of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 18, 2007.

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

Commencing 8 Rods East of the Northeast corner of Block 5 of the Plat of the Village of Millington, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 41, now being Page 42A, thence South 8 Rods; thence East 4 rods; thence North 8 rods; thence West 4 rods to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 16, Township 10 North, Range 8 East.

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

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

Dated: December 20, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert J. Plouffe and Sandra Plouffe, a/k/a Sandra J. Plouffe, as husband and wife, original mortgagors, to MOFC, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 10, 1998 and recorded on November 12, 1998 in Liber 755 on Page 1062 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to LaSalle Bank National Association, formerly known as LaSalle National Bank, in its capacity as indenture trustee under that certain Sale and Servicing Agreement dated November 1, 1998 among AFC Trust Series 1998-4, as Issuer, Superior Bank FSB, as Seller and Servicer, and LaSalle Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee, AFC Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 1998-4, and any amendments thereto as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Fifty and 55/100 Dollars (\$65,050.55), including interest at 11.45% 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 January 25, 2007.

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

Parcel 1: Commencing 1219.56 feet North of the Southwest corner of Section 32, Town 12 North, Range 11 East; thence South 100 feet; thence East 435.6 feet; thence South 100 feet; thence West 435.6 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel 2: Commencing 1219.56 feet North of the Southwest corner of Section 32, Town 12 North, Range 11 East; thence South 100 feet; thence East 435.6 feet; thence North 100 feet; thence West 435.6 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 27, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Cindi Wilinski and Thomas Wilinski, wife and husband, original mortgagors, to Centurian Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated December 6, 2002 and recorded on January 13, 2003 in Liber 910 on Page 1123, and assigned by mesne assignments 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 Ninety-Three Thousand Five and 37/100 Dollars (\$93,005.37), 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 February 1, 2007.

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

PART OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 24, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 24, WHICH IS NORTH 689.84 FEET FROM THE WEST 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 24, NORTH 150.00 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE PROCTOR HEIGHTS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN LIBER 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 31, THENCE ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE OF PROCTOR HEIGHTS, EAST 294.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 150.00 FEET; THENCE WEST 294.00 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 24 AND 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 3, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Charlotte Downey, f/k/a Charlotte Jean Beardsley, unmarried, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 17, 2004 and recorded January 3, 2005 in Liber 1022, Page 1143, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by US Bank, N.A. as Trustee by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight and 47/100 Dollars (\$70,338.47), including interest at 7.9% per annum.

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

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

Part of the West 15 acres of all that part of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, lying between Pere Marquette Railway right of way on the North and the centerline of Saginaw Road (Old Michigan Public Highway M-38) on the South, Described as beginning at a point on the centerline of said Saginaw Road which is North 01 degree 13 minutes 52 seconds West along the North and South one-quarter line of said Section 14, 975.08 feet to said centerline, and South 76 degrees 04 minutes 49 seconds East along said centerline, 600.00 feet from the South one-quarter corner of said Section 14; thence continuing along said centerline South 76 degrees 04 minutes 49 seconds East 175.47



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Testing will be for entrance level position. The test will take approximately three (3) hours and is administered and evaluated by an outside agency.

Applicants must meet the following minimum prerequisites:

- U.S. CITIZEN
- 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER
- HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE
- NO PRIOR ARRESTS
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Bay City, MI 48706

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just been admitted and we
needed to get there. Upon
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cerned staff at the emergency
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hours, her condition did not
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rived, and decisions were
being made to either transfer
her to a Saginaw hospital or
admit her to an Intensive Care
room at Hills and Dales. We
decided to place her in Dr.
Ray's care. The next 6 1/2-
days, for lack of a better term,
was a blur, the staff, from the
housekeepers, the kitchen
staff, the nurses, everyone
had genuine concern not
only for my mother, but also

for my dad who was dis-
traught to say the least, and
every member of our family.
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shakes came from the kitchen
for my dad when he couldn't
eat a regular meal, which was
always offered. Pitchers of
fresh coffee, along with other
food was always available for
family members. A waiting
room was used most of the
week, and Dad pretty well al-
ways could stay in the room
with my mother. I cannot
speak for other people's con-
ditions or decisions to go to
other hospitals, but I do
know that with our family, and
my mother's situation, that
Hills and Dales Hospital staff
cannot be beat, and Dr. Ray,
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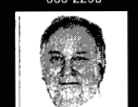
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Murphy ready for challenge

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erate on a budget," he said. "First and foremost you have to be fiscally responsible. Also, I think whatever decisions you make have to be in the best interest of the students."

"I like the climate of our school," Murphy added. "We have excellent academic programs, and with good teachers we've managed to keep most of those in place, in spite of tough financial times."

"We have a great staff. Great people who care about great kids, all on the same team, can make things happen," said Murphy, who resides in the community with his wife, Karen.

"We love the Kingston community and we're happy to be staying here," he added. "I think Kingston is a great place and I'm happy to be in the position I'm in. I'm very excited for the new challenge."

According to Bednerek, the Kingston Board of Education had enough confidence in Murphy to interview and hire him. The job was posted internally and Murphy was the only candidate to apply.

"The board felt that he was highly qualified and could take over," said Bednerek, who has been in the Kingston district for 7 years, includ-

ing the past 6 as superintendent. Like Murphy, Bednerek first served Kingston as the high school principal.

Bednerek, a longtime Thumb resident who previously worked in the Caseville School District for 23 years — 11 years teaching and 12 years as grades 7-12 principal, said he plans

to do a little fishing in retirement.

He indicated that he'll be leaving Kingston Community Schools in good hands.

"I think Mr. Murphy is an excellent choice. I think he's ready to take over and I think he's ready in his career," Bednerek said. "I'm sure he'll step in and do a wonderful job."

Sheriff joins STOPPED

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enforcement officers will complete a notification card. A letter will then be sent home to the young person's parents indicating where they were, why they were stopped, how many people were in the car and whether a citation was issued," he explained.

Enrollment in the program is free and voluntary. Parents can sign up at a participating sheriff's department or a Secretary of State branch office.

Tuscola County Tom Kern, whose department was among the first to implement STOPPED in the Thumb area, is sold on the program, largely because of its impact as a deterrent for young drivers to make poor decisions.

"Once it got rolling (in Tuscola County), I think we signed up about 85 people," Kern recalled. "The key is, we have not had one person with that sticker get stopped."

Kern suggested that the stickers serve as a reminder for younger drivers not to give into the temptation of doing something silly behind the wheel of a car.

"We've all been there," he said, "and we're not trying to be big brother on them, but sometimes mom and dad should know that their child is out at 2 o'clock in the morning, maybe with an open (alcohol) container."

"It's a good deal, and I think it helps some people be at ease."

STOPPED is being funded by a grant from AAA Michigan and was brought to Michigan last year by the Michigan Sheriff's Association. The program is being expanded to include 17 new counties in addition to the original 7 counties from a pilot program that was sponsored by the Of-

fice of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP).

"AAA Michigan is very pleased to have the opportunity to support an initiative such as the STOPPED program. AAA has a long history of traffic safety, and any program aimed at reducing risk and raising awareness for our teen drivers is a step in the right direction to protecting this 'at-risk' group," said Jack Peet, manager of Community Safety Services for AAA Michigan.

"This creative partnership will save lives and we're excited to do our part," commented Michigan Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land, who is making STOPPED program information available to customers at several branch offices. "It gives parents a new tool to immediately address risky driving behavior by their teens. But, just as important, it also lets our children know that we care. The Michigan Sheriff's Association and AAA Michigan deserve our thanks for working with families to prevent needless tragedies."

In 2005, drivers in the target age group of 16 to 21 comprised 9.3 percent of the licensed drivers in Michigan, but were responsible for 16.3 percent of the crashes in the state. "Inexperience, risk-taking behavior and immaturity are all factors that increase the crash risk for young drivers," said Michael Prince, OHSP division director.

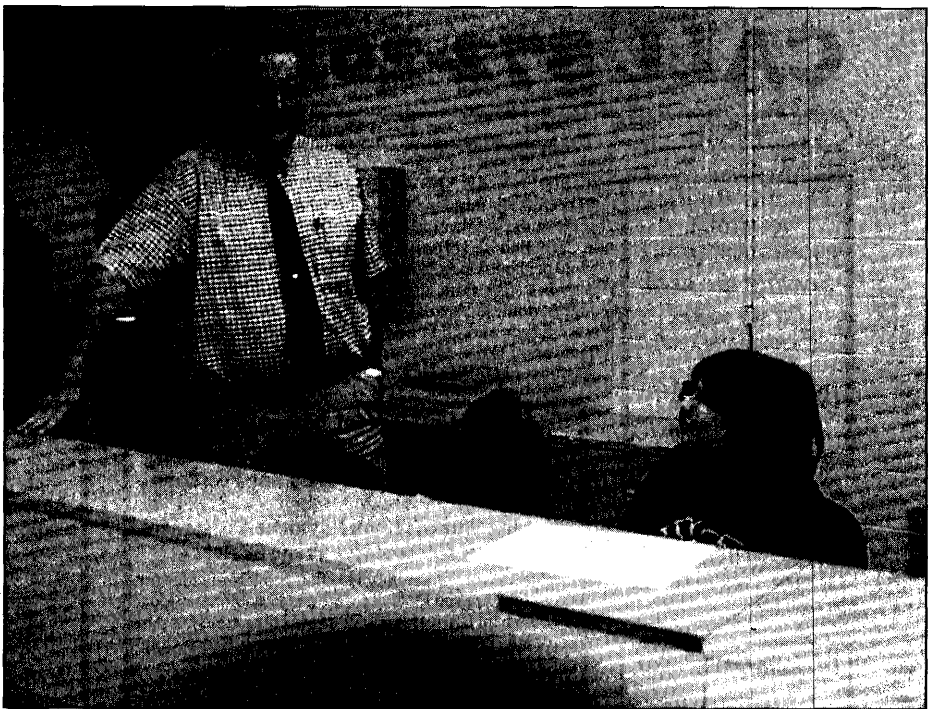
"There is nothing more important to a parent than the protection of their children; sheriff's and all law enforcement understand this and we are here to help...in any way we can," added MSA Executive Director Terrence L. Jungel.

Cases ease

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hands, especially after toilet visits and before eating or preparing food; carefully washing fruits and vegetables, and steam oysters before eating them; thoroughly cleaning and disinfecting contaminated surfaces with a bleach-based cleaner immediately after an episode of illness; and immediately removing and washing clothing and linens that may be contaminated after an episode of illness.

"Persons who are infected with norovirus should not prepare food while they have symptoms and for 3 days after they recover from their illness," Tenbusch said. "Food that may have been contaminated by an ill person should be disposed of properly."



KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL Principal Joe Murphy, pictured above with student office assistant Jillian Magiera, will begin his new role as the district's superintendent July 1.

Flash back

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now Cass City Recreation Park; and Frank Morris, son of former local physician the late Dr. Frank Morris.

But Perry still has a ways to go, and he's seeking more contributions from the community as well as former area residents.

"I really need photos and memories of more business people in town," he explained, adding he's also seeking photos of the downtown area from the 1980s and 1990s.

Anyone interested in sharing a story and/or photo can send Perry a note at 6734 Shabbona Rd., Deford, MI 48729; by phone at (989) 872-2040, or by e-mail at casscityhistorian@hotmail.com. All photos will be returned.

Perry said "The Cass City Story" will be broken down into 4 parts - the past, the present and the future, with the fourth part devoted to photos of the community from the 1900s through the present.

Once finished, he figures the book will complement the 2-volume "The Way it Was" historical accounts - focusing on the early history of the village and the old country schools — already published by the Cass City Area Historical Society. "I thought it would be a nice addition to get the memories of people that weren't included in those other books," he noted.

Perry's work has impressed his fellow members of the Cass City Area Historical Society, including Katie Jackson.

"There are so few teenagers... and I certainly was one of them - at that age, I could have cared less (about history)," she commented. "He likes older people and he retains what people tell him. He really is a remarkable young man."

"He apparently has found his niche, which is more than most people can say at that age," Jackson added. "He's just a nice kid."

Ashley Froede named to dean's list

Ashley Froede has been named to the dean's list at Albion College for the fall 2006 semester.

Students named to the dean's list must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher at the completion of the semester.

Froede is a senior at Albion majoring in biology and minoring in chemistry. The Cass City High School graduate is the daughter of Bryan Froede of Bad Axe and Gloria Froede of Cass City.

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