

CASS CITY AREA resident Tom Lounsbury looks over a 30-acre field he's planted in a variety of grasses to promote wildlife habitat and reduce soil erosion on the family farm. Lounsbury, named this year's Wildlife Conservationist of the Year by the Tuscola Conservation District, also put in the duck pond and trees in the background.



Lounsbury 2007 Conservationist of the Year

by Tom Montgomery Editor

trees. And an abundance of wildlife, riety of switch and prairie grasses and breaks and wildlife habitat, and re-

through citizen tips, task force inves-

tigators had been conducting inter-

mittent surveillances of a Sandusky

resident suspected to be involved in

street level cocaine sales from a

Marion Street residence," Gray ex-

plained. "Investigators had also been

able to identify the likely supplier of

of delivery of cocaine and possession of cocaine."

Drug task force investigators, who also impounded a 1994 Oldsmobile and a 1994 Plymouth, were continuing to watch the Marion Street residence in Sandusky when they witnessed a 56-year-old Bad Axe man, accompanied by another Bad Axe man, age 49, arrive at the location.

"Both men were observed to enter the residence and leave a short time later. As the 2 men were leaving the area, a traffic stop was conducted and investigators seized over 21 grams of

on bond pending their arraignments, which have been scheduled for Monday, Jan. 28, in Sanilac County District Court.

Drug task force investigators were assisted by the Sanilac County Sheriff's Department Road Patrol, troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Sandusky, Sandusky police and the Huron County Sheriff's Department.

Residents can anonymously report suspected drug activity in Sanilac County by calling, toll-free, 1-800-544-DRUG(3784).



Take a drive down Dodge Road, south of M-81, and it isn't difficult to figure out where Tom and Ginny Lounsbury live, even if you can't see their Cass City area home.

Surrounded by acres of what used to be farmland, the Lounsbury's house is nestled within a 10-acre strip of land that was once a cornfield but is now teaming with all varieties of evergreens, shrubs and crab apple

from rabbits to pheasants to whitetailed deer.

It's no surprise, considering what Tom Lounsbury has accomplished around his home over the past 3 decades, that he has spent considerable time expanding on his wildlife habitat efforts throughout the surrounding 97 acres since he purchased the land from his parents, Leslie and Lucille Lounsbury, about 5 years ago. Those acres are now planted in a va-

wildflowers.

Lounsbury will be honored for his efforts next month, when the Tuscola Conservation District (TCD) presents the lifelong hunting and fishing enthusiast and popular outdoor columnist/radio show host with its 2007 Wildlife Conservationist of the Year Award.

TCD Administrator Jim Kratz said the award honors an individual for his or her efforts in creating wind-

ducing soil erosion on farmland through various planting programs. Lounsbury has done that and more, according to Kratz, who said Lounsbury has also shared the benefits of various conservation programs in his outdoor columns". "Just, overall, he's a big promoter of conservation," he added.

Lounsbury's recognition stems from

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"THIS IS ONE of my heifers I bought this spring," commented Ashley Messing, a Michigan State University junior from the Ubly area who plans to return home after graduation to help run her family's farm, Messing Dairy.

Messing ready to carry on legacy

by Tom Montgomery Editor

At a time when fewer and fewer young people are willing to stay home and work on the family farm as adults, Ashley Messing stands out.

Messing, a 2005 Ubly Community Schools graduate, is not only willing to join her parents, Greg and Shelly, in running Messing Dairy, she's looking forward to the opportunity of one day taking over the operation and continuing the family's farming tradition

And she's doing all she can now to prepare for the responsibility and the challenges ahead.

For starters, Messing, 20, is currently a junior at Michigan State University, majoring in animal science. She expects to graduate in another year with a Bachelor of Science Degree.

As part of her studies focusing on topics ranging from animal nutrition to breeding to calf care, Messing spent 3 months in Tulare, Calif. (in the central valley, about an hour south of Fresno), in 2006, working on

a 2,000-cow dairy operation in conjunction with an internship. That's when I found out that living

and working on the farm is something I truly do enjoy," she said. "It was a big change, coming from my 130-cow herd here, but I learned so much.

"I was basically the assistant herdsman — assistant herdswoman, I guess, in this case," joked Messing, who noted the sheer size of the herd, which was spread out over 3 different farms, enabled her to gain a great deal of experience in a relatively short amount of time. The operation raises both jersey and holstein cattle, and Messing's duties included treating sick calves and caring for cows that had just calved. She was also offered the opportunity to start a program in which the farm raised more of its own calves, rather than contract that ser-

But college hasn't been Messing's only opportunity to explore her inter-

were recently honored following their retirements from the Bingham Township Fire Department. Osentoski served for 25 years on the Ubly area department and Booms for 23 years.

Bingham Township fire fighters retire

The Bingham Township Fire Department recently said farewell to a pair of its own veteran fire fighters whose combined service the Ubly area department spans nearly 50 years.

H. Jerry Osentoski served for 25 years, while Lloyd Booms put in 23 years as a volunteer fireman. Both are retiring.

Booms indicated "it was just time" for him to close out a fire fighting career that began in 1984. "And there's enough young guys coming onto the department that they can take over. "I was just eager to do some com-

munity service," the 30-year Ubly area resident said of his decision to become a volunteer fireman. He went on to spend 9 years as chief of the Bingham Township Fire Department along with 3 years as assistant chief and a couple years as a captain. "You always enjoy that (camaraderie), and it's just a good feeling to serve the community," he added.

Booms, who works as a service technician for Brown Dairy Equipment, Bad Axe, recalled responding to many

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

Thursday, January 3

AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-4816. Friends of the Library meeting, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial

District Library.

Friday, January 4

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

Sunday, January 6

Gagetown meeting, 8-9 p.m., Gagetown fire hall. For more information, call (989) 665-2361.

Gagetown United Methodist Brunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. All you can eat. \$5 donation.

Monday, January 7

Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 8

Heartland Hospice Grief Group meeting, 6:30 p.m., Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City. For more information, contact Laura Johannes at 1-877-486-6671.

Novesta Township Zoning Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m., Novesta Township Hall.

Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown. Tuscola County Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Family Support/Education Group meeting, 1:30 p.m., Adult Day Services building, 435 Green St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 672-2273.

Wednesday, January 9

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



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Emily Schinnerer

Emily Schinnerer of Cass City has been named to the dean's list at Alma College for the fall 2007 semester. A 2007 Cass City High School gradu-

ate, Schinnerer earned the honor by achieving a grade point average of 3.7777 during the first semester. In addition to academics, Schinnerer is a dual sport athlete. She was a member of the JV volleyball team during the fall and is currently a member of the Scots' varsity basketball team.

She is the daughter of Laura and Lloyd Schinnerer of Cass City.

TBHS set to host an open house

Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems will be hosting a community open house on Friday, Jan. 11, starting at noon at the Personal Independence Center (PIC), 1332 Prospect Dr., Caro. Prospect Drive is located in the Caro Industrial Park.

The open house is for the general public to tour the Personal Independence Center building, where most of the services and programs of TBHS are located. The open house is an opportunity for community members to familiarize themselves with one of the human service pro-

viders within Tuscola County. Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems is the local community mental health provider serving the residents of Tuscola County since 1974.

For more information, call Susan Rickwalt-Holder at Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems at (989) 673-6191 or 1-800-462-6814.

Dr. Sanghi, a dedicated Covenant

Wheeler graduates from OCS

Mark A. Wheeler recently graduated from Officer Candidate School (OCS) Phase III training at North Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash., and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army National Guard.

The 2-week Phase III training is the final phase of a 3-phased, 14-month training period. The National Guard officer candidate received "basic soldiering" instruction in leadership, professional ethics, soldier team development, combined arms tactics, weapons defense, squad drill, intelligence, land navigation, maintenance, communications, staff and general military subjects, field training exercises, and physical training and conditioning.

Officer candidates are tested and evaluated in leadership skills and teamwork abilities required of a commissioned officer. Students utilize acquired skills to function in "leader and follower" positions in squad and platoon-sized elements in a stressful and demanding field environment involving various tactical situations. OCS students are selected and con-

sidered from colleges, active-duty enlisted ranks, and direct commissions. Wheeler was formerly a recruiting

and retention supervisor with the Illinois Army National Guard in Waukegan. He has served in the military for 14 years.

He is the son of Larry J. and Mary A. Wheeler of Cass City.



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Mrs. Thelma Jackson Phone 989-269-6994

Mr. and Mrs. John Krozek of Kinde and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski were Christmas supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Greg Krozek and family at Filion. Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doerr were Amy Doerr of Bad Axe, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Doerr, Wendy Rickett, Cory and Caitlyn and

Toner receives \$2,500

Annette Sue Toner, Cass City, is among an elite group of Advanced Unit Leaders for the Avon Company who have met their goals to receive rewards in the "Cash In on Orders"

Mrs. Curtis Cleland. Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Richardson of

Snover and Brenda were Christmas afternoon guests of Thelma Jackson. Twelve members of the Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Peppermil? in Bad Axe Thursday morning. They

will meet at the Crossroads next week.

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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

If you noticed the Tuscola County Sheriff's car buzzing around town last week, don't worry. It's not because there was a threat or a serious crime wave in Cass City.

Sheriff Tom Kern furnished the car because both of Cass City's police cars were in the repair shop. Kern was returning a favor because the cars were damaged while the local officers were assisting a deputy during a successful chase to apprehend a parole violator.

I'd guess that maybe as many as half of the area folks with jobs will have Monday off. That allows for an extended 4-day holiday season that the folks working can't enjoy.

Discussing this with a part-time teacher in the Bay City-Midland area, I learned that Bay City teachers return to work the day after New Year's, while Midland teachers also have one more day, Jan. 2, off.

Forgive me, but I couldn't help but feel that working the next day after parties and celebrations may limit the benefit to the students.

That won't be a problem in Cass City because classes aren't slated to start again until Monday, Jan. 7.

It evidently is a down year for business in Michigan, but don't head north during the Christmas holiday season to prove it. The report I get from those who trekked north for the ski season is that the tourists flocked in like locusts. At Boyne Mountain there was a wait of about an hour just to buy a lift ticket and the slopes were packed.

Sunday we made a stab at cashing in our gift certificates in Saginaw (without success) and if there were tremendous crowds of bargain hunters they must have been satiated before Sunday.

There was no wait shopping at the stores we visited and the restaurants were not turning anyone away.



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Tuscola County officials seeking project manager

"Right now, in your community, at this very moment, there is someone who is dreaming about doing something to improve his/her lot. If we could learn how to help that person to transform the dream into meaningful work, we would be halfway to changing the economic fortune of the entire community." Ernesto Širolli

The Tuscola County Enterprise Facilitation Project is working with the non-profit Sirolli Institute on a project designed to grow the economy of Tuscola County.

Enterprise Facilitation works in concert with existing economic development efforts to assist entrepreneurs. The Tuscola Enterprise Facilitation Project will support new, existing and expanding businesses in Tuscola County, and serves as a catalyst for renewed community pride and civic spirit.

A community-based board of management, comprised of business and community leaders, has been formed, and is seeking a highly motivated and passionate individual dedicated to assisting new and expanding businesses in Tuscola County.

More details are available at www.tuscolacounty.org, www.sirolli.com, or call (989) 672-3870. The application deadline is Friday, Jan. 18.

Methodist church to host meal

A roast beef dinner with all the trimmings will be served family style promptly at noon, Jan. 9, at the Cass City United Methodist Church, located at 5100 N. Cemetery Rd.

The cost is \$6. For takeouts, call 872-4604 and pick up between 11 a.m. and noon or after 12:30 p.m. on the day of the dinner.

The Haire Net For me, today, it's Democrats

By the time you read this probably half of the New Year's resolutions will have been broken, or at least badly bent. If it concerns dieting or quit-

pleased to be tagged a liberal if it means support for universal health care; protection of our environment when decisions collide with business issues; paying the taxes necessary to meet the needs of the homeless, and to meet the needs of law enforce-

Iraq is currently the major problem this country faces. That's an area that, for me, is one that it's hard to be dogmatic about. Certainly, it was a mistake to attack Iraq before receiving a commitment from the other allies. But now we are involved and everybody wants to get out. No one has come up with a plan that, when we leave the political situation, is at least as

Unless something changes, I've about settled on Clinton as the candidate most likely to be able to forge ahead with the senate and the house to push her objectives though. She has proved during her years in New York that she is tough, smart and



the first time I've watched 25 football games in one month --- and it probably won't be the last.

What a waste of time, watching football. Entertaining, but a waste just the same.

I'm reminded of my son's first dove hunt when he was about 14. Russ got permission to shoot doves on a neighbor's farm and set up near an old barn.

The doves were flying pretty good, and he managed to bag four or five. As the boy was walking home a local farmer stopped to ask what he was doing.

"Hunting doves," Russ said.

The farmer looked at the Russ's shotgun and his little bag of 2-ounce birds and said, "What a waste of time!"

Most entertainment is a waste of time, I guess, but watching football is probably the worst.

Many readers will recall the days when we had some bowl games on New Year's Day and that was about it. We didn't have a Poinsettia Bowl, Music City Bowl, Capitol One Bowl, etc..)

Everybody just sat around New Year's Day, eating and griping about the referees. When the games were over we all shouted, "Just wait 'till next year," and went home.

That way we wasted one whole day. but we didn't waste three weeks. The day after New Year's the National Champion was decided by a poll of sports writers and coaches. Those

were the days when the most important poll was after the bowls instead of before.

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Now the National Champion is determined by the Bowl Championship Series (BCS). This involves polling sports writers and coaches, studying won-loss records, strength of schedule, computer rankings, bonus points, and a large ouija board.

The BCS filters everything down to one big game. Number one plays num ber two, and we have a "True Na tional Champion."

Is this any better than the old system? Of course not.

Any two of the top ten teams could beat each other on a given day. All of this BCS hoopla just takes some of the fun out of the other bowls.

The big game this year is Ohio State versus LSU. I wrote this before the game, so I don't know who won.

Whatever happens, one of those two teams will be National Champion; If the score winds up 3 to 2, the team with 3 will be the National Champion They could fall down coming out of the tunnel, run over the cheerlead ers, and spill the Gatorade, but the team that wins this game will be the National Champion. The game could be uglier than Georgia's mascot, but that doesn't matter.

Does this mean major college foot ball should have a play-off system? Heavens no!

That's just five more weeks of foot ball. And a bigger waste of time.



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That's it for now. How will it look nearly a year ahead? By election day one of the candidates may skyrocket. What has not changed are the basic tenants of the Democrats and the Republicans. Deciding which platform is the better should be the guidepost for our votes. For me, today, it's

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Sometime after the mad rushing of Christmas, and before New Year's, people usually ask themselves, "What am I supposed to do now?"

Most people find the day after Christmas very slow, because the second after Thanksgiving, people are rushing around buying things for Christmas, searching for that "perfect gift," and the 26th, the day after the "big day," seems kind of a let down. Let me get something straight, you'll never find "that perfect gift." The best gifts you can give to anyone is your love (and if they can't get that concept...well...feel sorry for them!)

New Year's...aw! What holiday can be more wonderful coming after Christmas (St. Patrick's Day!?) A time when things begin again, when life feels like it has renewed itself, and a time of change.

"It's a time to forget your past and drown your sorrows!" Shane Brandmair joked. His New Year's resolution is more serious and special, "...to not screw up my current relationship."

Ashley Deel and Anna Deel threw a Christmas party on the 27th. "Exciting" was the atmosphere of 10 friends anticipating the coming New Year, mainly because they are seniors, too. Graduation is on the mind. Unfortunately, that is a sign "senioritis" is on the way.

"New Year's means new beginnings, new starts, and graduation..." said Brandy Rychlewski, whose resolution is to "Make and meet new friends in college!"

Foster Maggard is planning on go-

ing to the Caribbean for his resolution, and he really is going. "New beginnings" is his perspective of New Year's.

Halena Farkas told me that she thought that New Year's is about starting a new life/beginning, "I don't want to fall for a stupid guy," she said.

"Fresh start to a new year...to start over," Ashley, one of the hostesses, told me. "Getting in shape because I'm in the National Guard." Anna, the other hostess, told me what New Year's meant to her: "Time to start over and to party (she said 'party' emphasized, in a hysterical voice and drawn out)...and graduation!" She also joked that her resolution is "to keep away from McDonald's", which is ironic because she works thereher and her sister both do (and have been employee of the month before). A New Year's resolution is also what Scarlett Helland thinks about: "Setting goals for yourself...starting over... (My resolution is) no more junk food, limited soda, and exercise," she said. Kind of sounds like my resolution; I have to get in shape for this summer!

The Rose Bowl Parade is an awesome parade. Have I seen it live? No. But it meant New Year's to me. Ever since I was 4 I had wanted to march in Pasadena and now, New Year's still means that to me, the Rose Bowl Parade.

But now that I have already marched in Pasadena, the Rose Bowl itself, New Year's means something a little more...sentimental, maybe, and a journey, a personal journey.



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SNOVER RESIDENT Michelle Brown, pictured above with her husband, Michael (second from left), at the MFB 88th annual meeting in Grand Rapids last November, will be vying for the national Young Farmer Excellence in Agriculture Award Jan. 13-14 in New Orleans, La.

Brown gunning for national farm honor

Two young farmers from Michigan, including a Snover area woman, will compete in national young farmer contests at the upcoming American Farm Bureau Federation's (AFBF) 89th annual convention, and cheering them on in New Orleans will be Michigan's additional young farmer award winners.

The group will be in Louisiana for the convention slated for Jan. 13-16. The young farmer activities, which are geared toward Farm Bureau members between the ages of 18 and 35, will take place Jan. 13-14, with the winners announced Jan. 14.

Michelle Brown, a Michigan State University Extension crop and 4-H specialist in Sanilac County, is vying for the national Excellence in Agriculture Award. The Snover resident qualified for the national competition after winning the state award at the 2007 Michigan Farm Bureau annual

Baker set to offer counseling

Baker College of Cass City, a satellite campus of Baker College of Flint, will hold a career counseling open Wednesday, Jan. 2 to 6 p.m., another on Thursday, Jan. 3, from 3 to 6 p.m., and a third on Saturday, Jan. 5, from 9 a.m. to noon. A buffet meal will be provided all 3 days. "A new year is the ideal time to begin a career-focused education," said Karen Easterling, director of Baker College of Cass City. "Our advisors will be available for one-on-one counseling and to help students through the enrollment process, including registration and applying for finanmeeting in Grand Rapids last November.

The Excellence in Agriculture Award recognizes young farmers and ranchers who do not derive the majority of their income from their agricultural operation, but who actively contribute and grow through their involvement in Farm Bureau and the agriculture community.

The award winner will receive a 2008 Dodge Quad Cab 4x4 1500 pickup truck, courtesy of Dodge, and paid registration to the 2008 AFBF Young Farmer and Rancher Leadership Conference in Baltimore, Md. Each of the national runners-up will receive a \$6,000 U.S. savings bond and a Farm Boss chain saw, courtesy of Stihl. Brown, 23, has worked for the MSU Extension office in Sanilac County for the past 4 years, focusing on crop and soil sciences, including overseeing soil sampling and field scouting activities.

In addition, she serves as the 4-H Program associate, primarily assisting animal committees with developing new curriculum regarding animal care and feed, showmanship, etc.

Calling farming her "American Dream," Brown remains actively involved in her family's Warczinsky Farms. The 1,000-acre operation grows hay, corn, soybeans, wheat and alfalfa. Brown and her father also own and operate Thornapple Feeds, a state-licensed distributor of High Standard and Pride Feeds products



A fresh new start for the New Year, meaning more memories, mistakes, and especially the infamous New Year's resolutions. The question is, what will be everyone's resolutions for this coming year?

Franklin Covey recently released results from its third annual New Year's Resolutions survey. Surprisingly enough, weight loss wasn't number one, but was a close second to getting out of debt. Next in line was developing a healthy habit such as exercising or eating healthy, getting organized, developing a new skill or talent, spending more time with family and friends. Other personal resolutions were working less and playing more, breaking an unhealthy habit such as smoking, and getting a different job.

A lot of people make New Years resolutions, but there isn't a very high percentage that actually stick to them throughout the year. Out of the 15,031 people that were tested in the above survey, only 23 percent of people are able to say that they stick to their resolutions throughout the whole year. Some 35 percent of people responded that they break their resolutions by the end of January. Explanations involve having too many other things to do or that they're just not committed to the resolutions that they choose.

In order to stick to your New Year' resolutions, there are some guidelines to be followed if you don't want to be disappointed. A good idea is to only set one or 2 resolutions, having a list of 10 can only make it harder to remember them all and even more complicated to stick to them all.

Try to set realistic expectations. Resolutions such as losing 50 pounds in one week aren't going to happen, so start small and then work your way forward as you get the

Bingham firemen retire

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bad car accidents over the years, but he couldn't recall having to deal with a fatal house fire during his tenure on the department.

One constant has been a dedication to the department, which has meant there was also the chance Booms and his fellow firemen could be forced to leave a family gathering — Thanksgiving dinner, a party, Christmas

hang of it. Just make sure that your know you can do your best at a goak and then go for it!

Also, make sure to write down your goals. Write them in places that you will continuously look over on a daily basis. Even putting signs around the house could help you to push yourself to keep on going.

Tell as many people as you can about your goals. This will cause people to tempt you less and ask you about your goals more often to help you. The more people you tell, the more committed you are to your resolution. Who wants to admit that they failed with their resolution after telling everyone they know?

Reward yourself! Find ways to celebrate how well you're doing, without breaking your resolution of course. It might help you to keep going forward and give you a little steam to blow off in the process.

Last of all, if you slip up on your resolution, forget about it. Don't quit just because of one mistake. Bad days happen and you shouldn't let that hinder your progress. Keeping up with your goals can only help you, not hurt you.

Being a teenager, my goal is probably going to be in the category of eating healthier. My resolution will, be based on pop, because it's hor-* rible for you and ruins your teeth. I know that I can stick to this resolution because there are so many other drink choices. I've been wanting to do this for a while, and when I put my mind to something I can generally do

Even if you don't normally set resolutions for the New Year, this year might be the one to start. It's a good reason to make some changes in your life and could make you a happier person throughout the year if you, follow them.

chise, spending portions of his days: taking high school and youth sports; and school pictures.

That work schedule made Osentoskia valued commodity on a volunteer fire department. "I was one of these few people who could go on day, fires," he said.

Osentoski acknowledged he's wit-: nessed his fair share of devastating fires and horrible car wrecks over the: years. But, he pointed out, there's also something special about thes brotherhood fire fighters share. "You've got to take the good with" the bad," he said. "We had a good department and a good bunch of guys. If you were in trouble, you al-a ways had someone to call on." Neither he nor Booms has any re-3 grets about the risks they took, or: the dinners and family gatherings. they were pulled away from in the name of lending a hand to their neighbors in an emergency. "I enjoyed it. It was a good experience," Booms said. "I miss it." Added Osentoski, "I'll treasure it forever. That was just a good thing. That's probably the only club I belonged to. I didn't need anything else. "I want to say yes (I'll miss it), but not really. I just can't perform the duties anymore," Osentoski said. "When that whistle goes off at 6, I'm, still perked up a little."

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cial aid." Classes for winter quarter begin Monday, Jan. 7, with registration continuing through Jan. 11.

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Christmas trees can be recycled

Each Christmas, some 34 million Christmas trees end up buried in landfills in the United States.

Complete this holiday season by sending your tree back to nature. Trees will be accepted at the Tuscola County Recycling beginning Wednesday, Jan. 2 through Friday, Jan. 18. Be sure to remove all decorations including tinsel, ornaments and tree stands.

The recycling center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on the third Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuscola County Recycling is located at 1123 Mertz Rd. (M-24) in Caro and has been County owned and operated since 1996.

For each tree you bring to be recycled, you will receive a coupon for a free tree seedling donated by the Tuscola County Soil Conservation District. They can be picked up in April during the spring tree sale. Kappen Tree Service has donated its services once again this year and will be chipping the trees for use as mulch.

For more information, call (989) 672-1673 or email recycle@tuscolacounty.org. and a distributor of locally owned feed brands. The business currently serves more than 250 customers throughout Michigan.

In her free time, Brown is a dedicated Sanilac County Farm Bureau volunteer. She currently chairs the county Farm Bureau's Promotion and Education Committee; serves on the board as promotion and education representative; and is a member of the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program Action Team. Her Farm Bureau involvement extends to many other local and state level activities, including MFB's Miracle of Life animal birthing exhibit at the Michigan State Fair.

Beyond Farm Bureau, Brown is involved in a number of other organizations. They include the Sanilac County FFA Alumni Association and Sanilac County Lakeshore Watershed Information and Education Committee. morning - at a moment's notice when they were called to duty.

"That's accepted as part of the job," Booms said. "Somebody needs you at that time more than somebody else needs you, so you go."

needs you, so you go." Osentoski agreed. "Whatever you can say, we've been called away" for it, he said. "They (my family) supported me.

"It's a job. You're to help somebody out," Osentoski added. "You put everything else aside and you do what you have to do."

Osentoski joined the department in June 1982. He said the years and strenuous work involved in being a fire fighter have taken their toll. "I have a bad knee, so I can't do it anymore," he noted. "If you can't be an asset, don't be a liability."

Osentoski has spent the past 10 years employed at Gemini Plastics in Ubly, where he works midnights. He also has a TSS Photography fran-



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MESSING FEEDS one of her fanily's jersey-holstein crossbreed calves. "As a newborn calf, we feed about a sallon of milk twice a day," she said.

Messing ready to carry on

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Dairv Ambassador Program, a project of the Great Lakes Regional Dairy Conference (GLRDC), last February, Messing got more than she bargained for. Though she originally planned to use the experience as a way to take part in activities promoting the state's dairy industry, she soon realized that she had identified the career path she wanted to pursue.

As Michigan's 2007 senior dairy ambassador, Messing has been busy partnering with various groups to help promote the state's dairy industry to a wide range of audiences. Throughout the year she has worked with daycare and school groups, spoken at industry events, and was a guest on the TV show Michigan Farm and Garden during June Dairy Month. "As the Michigan dairy ambassador, I have had more opportunities to spread health and nutrition information about dairy products to consumers. I plan to continue promoting and sharing positive messages about the industry whenever I can," she said. "I believe that as dairy farmers, we have a responsibility to tell its story. If consumers don't believe that dairy products are healthy and safe to eat and drink, they won't buy (them)." Back on her own farm, Messing plans to offer open houses and tours to allow consumers to experience the

day-to-ay operations of a dairy farm. 'Ashly has truly embraced the ambassdor program and made it her own," sad Sara Long, GLRDC executive boad member and architect of the Michgan Dairy Ambassador Program. 'She has shown us that the ambassator program can be tailored to fit indvidual interests. Her passion for eucating consumers, especially young people, has opened the door to nany new and engaging opportunitis over the past year.

The exprience also helped to cement Mesing's desire to return to the famil farm, where her family grows a vriety of crops on 650 acres, includingly beans, corn, wheat and hay. The also grow their own feed ---- grassesind alfalfa varieties as well

parents. She already knows she has their blessing, but Messing also realizes the transition from employee to manager/owner will take years and sacrifice.

"Everybody's giving up some time, some effort and some money in the process, but in the end it's worth it having that next generation coming home and carrying on that legacy, doing what you love, living the American dream," she said.

Editor's note: The Michigan Dairy Ambassador Program provides young leaders with an opportunity to represent the dairy industry at various functions. The senior division winner, reserved for college students up to age 22, receives a \$1,500 scholarship: The junior division winner, limited to high school students, goes home with \$1,000 that can be applied towards higher education or purchasing a dairy animal.

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Doerr



5YEARSAGO

The high-flying Cass City Red Hawks, sporting a 3-0 Greater Thumb West record after recording a 57-51 decision over Bad Axe Friday, will be severely tested this Friday when Unionville-Sebewaing with its stellar guards, Steve Cramer and Matt Kitchen, come to town. It will be the second home game of the week for the Hawks who faced Marlette Tuesday. Coach Kurt Dennis put his charges into a full-court press to open the game and it backfired on the Hatchets. Matt Stoutenburg beat the press for 3 quick baskets to help the Hawks to a 10-2 lead with 4:39 left in the quarter. After that, the Hatchets got tough on the boards in the last 3 minutes to close the gap to 13-8 at the end of the period.

Owen-Gage surrendered to visiting Peck Friday as the Pirates rallied in the final period to register a 59-56 North Central Thumb League win in Owendale. In a see-saw battle, the visitors received some clutch free throw shooting from Brandon Fairman to secure the win. Owen-Gage led at the end of one period, trailed at the intermission, regained the lead entering the final period before bowing in the final moments. With the loss, the Bulldog slip to 1-4 on the campaign. Coach Troy Perry's cagers, who were to have faced undefeated Caseville Tuesday, will entertain winless Port Hope on Friday. "We're still a work in progress," said Perry. "I think we're lacking confidence. We've had leads in every game, except the AuGres game, and with a little luck, we could be 4-1 instead of 1-4."



The \$100,000 bill, with Woodrow

It was a very satisfying meet for Cass City, Coach Don Markel said, after his Cass City High School wrestling team finished second in the 10-team Yale Invitational meet Saturday. We had a series of hard practices during the holidays and they paid off, Markel said. Host Yale's A team was the champion with 201 points. Cass City finished second with 138 points. Other placings were: Cros-Lex, 116; Harper Woods, 109; Capac, 106; Memphis, 96; Armada, 83; Mayville, 55 1/2; Dryden, 44; Yale B team, 10. Two wrestlers from Cass City, Roy Davis, 103 pounds, and Chris Dubay, 275 pounds, finished first.

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.

Marine Pfc. Dale A. Miller, son of Donald J. and Bridget A. Miller of Cass City, recently returned from a 6month deployment to Okinawa, Japan, with 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines. During the deployment, Miller's unit participated in several live-fire exercises, an attack exercise with Marines from the Republic of Korea and vari-



ous types of combat training. Marines from Miller's unit also visited Korea, Mount Fiji and Iwo Jima, Miller is a 1995 graduate of Cass City High School.

25 YEARS AGO

When Katie Crane started working in downtown Cass City, Main Street wasn't paved. She didn't stop working downtown until Friday. Her first job was in 1919. Main Street wasn't paved until 1924. Her last job was at Kritzman's Clothing Store, where her last day was Friday, after having worked there 21 years. She worked part-time for the past several years. Miss Crane graduated from eighth grade at Cedar Run School on Elmwood Road, then was home a few years before starting her career. Her first job, in 1919, was at the E.W. Jones store at Seeger and Main. The building is now occupied by McMahan Auto Supply. The store sold groceries, china and dry goods. A year later, Jones sold the store to Glenn Folkert and the latter's mother. Miss Crane stayed there until Folkert sold the store.

Cadet Dale Cleland spoke at Cass City Rotary Tuesday, Jan. 4, telling of the life of a plebe at West Point Military Academy. While never envious of anyone in the service, there was a touch of green considering the expert way Cleland presented his talk. Most of us wish we could do as well. (From Rabbit Tracks)

35 YEARS AGO

You don't have to be a native, but you must be able to go back over a decade to recall Paul Holmberg. Paulgraduated from Cass City High School in 1961. He was a halfback in football and a record-breaking broad jumper and quarter-miler. Despite his athletic prowess, I always pictured Paul as more of a scholar than athlete. Maybe it was his quiet ways or maybe because I actually knew his father, Arthur, better than I knew the boy. Art, as most everyone knows, was principal here and renowned as a science scholar. That must have something to do with it because Paul still holds the state record in the quarter-mile. All of this is a long-winded way to get to the meat of this item. Paul was honored recently as he was

as producing all of their own corn silage

It's an operation Messing is very familiar wh, having grown up on the farm and bing expected to take care of her fair hare of chores. Now, she's looking foward to contributing more. "When First come home, I will be more of aremployee, but eventually my parentswill make me a partial partner, and then eventually they would be ready v retire, and I would be owner and nanager of the operation," she said.

Although te idea of taking over one day may bund simple enough, Messing sys the proposition requires plery of support from her

Letter to the Editor

Does school know of care?

Today's Tuscola County Advertiser newspaper included a special 4-page insert titled, "Judicial Foreclosure Hearing. Non-Payment of Property Taxes." It had over 700 names on it. The Cass City School District wants you to approve a tax increase (12 year extension of millage used to build the middle school complex). Doesn't the school superintendent realize the economy is bad? People are taking pay cuts, losing their health care, pobs and homes, or do they even care? Maybe we can get the tax foreclosure list up to 1,000 names next time. God bless Cass City!

Ray Donaldson Cass City

Editor's note:

There's no denying times are tough 🕻 for families all over in Michigan, and the Thumb area has not been spared.

However, taxpayers also expect heir local school officials to maintain the facilities paid for with their ax dollars, and to use every dollar possible to better the education offered to their children. Cass City's School bus fleet is aging, as are **b**uilding roofs. The boiler system at Eampbell has been on its last leg for years.

Local school officials, who have already cut expenses by \$1.6 million

over the pas 2 years, have only one option - a nillage extension — to raise the cah necessary to repair/ upgrade faclities and equipment. Yes, residents would have to agree to continue to pay - for an additional 12 years — the same tax (3.25 mills) they have paid for the past several years. The alternative is for school officials to take what spare money is available(the district's fund balance is exjected to total roughly \$535,000 a the end of this fiscal year) and ink it into capital improvements ather than on learning tools.

Letters to the Editor The Chronicle welcomes letters

to the editor. Letters mist include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary tocall for verification,

but won't beused in the newspaper. Names wil be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reison.

We will no publish thank you letters of a specific nature, for instance, from a club thanking merchants who donated prizes for a raffle.

More information is available by contacting Megghan Honke at (517) 353-3175 (ext. 229), or by logging on to www.glrdc.msu.edu.



AT THE GREAT Dairy Adventure held in July, Messing had the opportunity to teach urban youth how to milk a cow by hand.

named number one cross country coach in the west suburban Detroit area. He coaches at Livonia Stevenson and his team finished undefeated in dual meets in 1972. It is his fourth year coaching cross country. In the classroom he teaches biology. He graduated from University of Michigan in 1965. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Cass City Area Church Directory

Calvary Bible Fellowship an Independent Baptist Church 4446 Ale St., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-4088 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m. Pastor - Chuck Carr Transportation available

Cass City Church of the Nazarene

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

Cass City Missionary Church

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

Community of Christ Church Owendale Congregation 3002 S. Elkton Rd., Owendale, MI 48754 989-375-2354 Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Seniors Group Last Tues. of the month 6:00 p.m. Scrapbook Sunday, Last Sunday of the month, 1-7 p.m. Pastor: Gary Gardner Visit our website at: www.cofc.org

Visitors always welcomed Please join us today

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

Evangelical Free Church of Cass City 6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726 Phone: 872-5060

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. **Midweek Bible Studies Biblical Counseling** Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould

First Baptist Church

6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-3155 Sunday School All Ages 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 p.m. AWANA Clubs 6:45 p.m. During School Year Pastor: David G. Hill Website: www.fbccc.us

First Presbyterian Church Barrier Free 6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5400

Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Dave Blackburn

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

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

Novesta Church of Christ 2896 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3658 or 872-1195 Bible School 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Youth Group & Sunday Evening Services 6:00 p.m. Minister: Chuck Emmert Youth Minister: Brad Speirs Visit our website at: www.novestachurch.org

Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church Corner of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726 872-5186 Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: F. Robert Tucker

St. Pancratius Catholic Church 4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3336 Saturday Liturgy 5:30 p.m. Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Pastor: Father Steve Fillion

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THE CASS CITY 2007-08 junior varsity girls' basketball team members are: (front, l-r) Hayley Peters, Haylee Helton, Amanda Clifton, McKensie Parrish (back) coach Becky Moyer, Caitlin Reed, Vicki Spencer, Becca Leslie and Chelsea Jacobs.



QWEN-GAGE BOYS junior varsity basketball team, front row: Clyde Rhodes, Jake Green, Bryan Buschlen, Mitchel LaPratt, Chris Harp. Second row: Dustin

CASS CITY, MICHIGAN **Cass City Equestrian** Team enjoys success

The Cass City High School Equestrian Team enjoyed a successful 2007 season, according to Coach Edie Izydorek. The Red Hawk team members included: Ashleigh Stoeckle, daughter of Mark and Carol Stoeckle, Selina Izydorek, daughter of Bill and Edie Izydorek and Samantha Swiderski, daughter of Alex Swiderski and Laura Cotton.

The equestrian team competes in Region 14 District of the Michigan



Interscholastic Horsemanshi Association. There are 22 highschool teams with about 100 ridersin the 3 county areas vying to win aspot in the regional and state comptitions. The riders perform in a vriety of classes - Western fitting and showing, Western riding, Western reining, Hunt seat, Saddle seat, Hunt seat over fence, bareback riding, trail and speed classes - at several horse shows during the season, accumulating points in an effort to advance further into the state competitions.



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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 Patrick Allen Hoffmeyer and Kimberly Ann Hoffmeyer, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 28, 2002 and recorded on August 16, 2002 in Liber 890 on Page 461, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Eighty-Five and 15/100 Dollars (\$116,085.15), 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 place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 10, 2008.

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

Part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 13, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at a point on the West Line of Section 13 that is North 00 Degrees 03 Minutes 23 Seconds East 990.00 feet from the West 1/4 corner of Section 13: thence North 00 Degrees 03 Minutes 23 Seconds East 330.00 feet along the West Section Line; thence South 85 Degrees 33 Minutes 57 Seconds East 1336.53 feet: thence South 00 Degrees 02 Minutes 17 Seconds West 330.01 feet; thence North 85 Degrees 33 Minutes 57 Seconds West 1336.64 feet to the Point of Beginning

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

Dated: December 12, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC R (248) 593-1305 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #163940F02

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damges, 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 M. Mills, a married person, and Melisa A. Mills, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 23, 2004 and recorded on April 22, 2004 in Liber 989 on Page 191 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Seventy-Seven and 96/100 Dollars (\$64,077.96), including interest at 6.25% per

the West line of Section 21, 2029.20 feet and South 44 degrees. 56 minutes, 40 seconds East, along the centerline of East Dayton Road, 2054.48 fret from the Southwest corner of said Section 21; thence North 45 degrees, 03 minutes 20 seconds East, 1062.44 feet: thence South 44 degrees, 56 minutes, 40 seconds East, 205,00 feet; thence South 45 degrees, 03 minutes, 20 seconds West, 1062.44 feet to the centerline of East Dayton Road; thence North 44 degrees, 56 minutes, 40 seconds West, 205.00 feet along the centerline of East Dayton Road to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: January 2, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC H (248) 593-1300 Trott & Trott. P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #178461F01

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AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPT-ING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFOR-MATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BE-LOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Logan Stiles and Amanda Johnson, Mortgagors, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc (MERS), Mortgagee, dated the 11th day of January, 2006 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 22nd day of March, 2006 in Liber 1074 of Tuscola County Records, page 1405, said Mortgage having been assigned to Wachovia Mortgage Corporation on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Forty Four Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Five & 50/100 (\$144,655.50), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and pro-vided, notice is hereby given that on the 31st day of January, 2008 at 10:00 o'clock am Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 8.05% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Township of Fremont, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Part of the Northwest quarter of Section 29, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the North Section line located South 89 degrees 50 minutes 50 seconds East 495.00 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 29; thence along the North Section line South 89 degrees 50 minutes 50 seconds East 200.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 23 minutes 19 seconds West 736.58 feet; thence along the Northerly line of a railroad R.O.W. North 75 degrees 05 minutes 20 seconds West 206.60 feet; thence North 00 degrees 23 minutes 19 seconds East 683.96 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC G (248) 593-1310 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #177723F01 12-19-4

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

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

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

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attomevs for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 201.7174 12-19-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey F. Gillig and Buffie L. Gillig, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 30, 2006 and recorded on July 26, 2006 in Liber 1088 on Page 1311 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Eight and 63/100 Dollars (\$110,968.63), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

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

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

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

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC C (248) 593-1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attomeys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #177988F01 12-19-4

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County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 24, 2008

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

The South half (S one-half) of the South half (S one-half) of the South half (S one-half) of the Northwest Quarter (NW one-fourth) of the Southeast Quarter (SE one-fourth) of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 8 East.

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

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

Dated: December 26, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 293.0394

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jace E. Sears Jr., a single person, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., successor by merger with Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated November 3, 2004 and recorded November 18, 2004 in Liber 1018, Page 73, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Six and 34/100 Dollars (\$84,826.34), including interest at 7.25% per an-

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

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

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

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

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

Dated: December 26, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 224.2945

istered holders of Argent Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-W5 under the pooling and servicing agreement dated as of May 1, 2006, without recourse by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Four Hundred Fourteen and 68/100 Dollars (\$106,414.68), including interest at 9.75% 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 31, 2008.

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

Lot 13, Block 43 of the Plat of Centerville (now Caro) as Recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, Page 362.

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

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

Dated: January 2, 2008

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 214.6338 1-2-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Darrel K. Grady, a single man, original mortgagor, to Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Mortgagee, dated March 27, 2007 and recorded on April 13, 2007 in Liber 1116 on Page 193 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Three Huniv dred Twenty-Five and 72/100 Dollars (\$110,325.72), including interest at 8.78% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, no-" tice is hereby given that said mortgage will be fore" closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding. the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM(12) on January 31, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Novesta-7 Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1: A piece of land commencing at a point 78000 feet North of the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15. Town 13aU North, Range 11 East; running thence South 9 rodsputs thence East 333 feet; thence North 9 rods; thence m West 333 feet to the place of beginning.

Parcel 2: Commencing at a point 540 feet North of-ili the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Town 13 North, Ranger ' 11 East; thence North 51.5 feet; thence East 181.5 feet; thence South 91.5 feet; thence West 181.5 feeta2

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

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

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

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

Dated: December 12, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC R (248) 593-1305 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #176759F01

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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 Timothy Smith and Angela Smith, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 26, 2005, and recorded on November 3, 2005 in Liber 1060 on Page 135 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Mortgage Services Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen and 80/100 Dollars (\$124,516.80), including interest at 9.15% per annum

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 31, 2008.

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of Section 21, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the centerline of East Dayton Road which is North 0 degrees, 12 minutes, 20 seconds East, along

During the twelve (12) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 1/2/2008

Wachovia Mortgage Corporation Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C. Attorney for Wachovia Mortgage Corporation 888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470 Troy, MI 48084 248-362-2600 1-2-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brad W. Seidell, a married man, and Emily E. Seidell, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2002 and recorded on August 7, 2002 in Liber 889 on Page 153 in instrument 200200817572, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six and 90/100 Dollars (\$105,896.90), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10.00 AM, on January 17, 2008.

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

Beginning at the interior quarter corner of Section 31, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence North along the North and South quarter line of said Section, a distance of 150.00 feet; thence East parallel with the East and West quarter line of said Section, a distance 580.80 feet; thence South parallel with said North and South quarter line, 150.00 feet to a point on the East and West quarter line of said Section, thence West along said East and West quarter line, 580.60 feet to the place of beginning.

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC F (248) 593-1313 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #165218F02 12-19-4 Said premises are situated in Village of Mayville, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

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

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

Dated: December 19, 2007

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dated: December 26, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #178878F01 12-26-4

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

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola

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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dennis Richey, a married man, and Debbie Richey, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for Republic Bank, d/b/a Home Banc Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated December 13, 2004, and recorded on December 27, 2004, in Liber 1021, Page 1350, Tuscola County Records, , on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars and 82/100 (\$77,859.82) including interest at the rate of 8.875% per annum

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Michigan at 10:00 AM on January 31, 2008.

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

A parcel of land in the Northeast quarter of Section 32, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, described as follows: To fix the point of beginning commence at the North quarter corner of Section 32; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East on North line of said Section 297.46 feet to the point of beginning this description, said point of beginning being also the centerline of the Lanfere Drain, thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along said North section line, 380.54 feet; thence South 00 degrees 37 minutes 29 seconds West parallel with the North and South guarter line of said section, 208.00 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with said North section line, 182.51 feet to said drain centerline; thence North 43 degrees 15 minutes 56 seconds West along said drain centerline 285.62 feet to the point of beginning. 5193 Arabela Road.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later.

Dated. January 2, 2008

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Mortgagee 43252 Woodward Ave., Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 (248) 335-9200 Our File No. 172.00396

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Teri A. Kata, a single woman, to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated March 25, 2006 and recorded April 4, 2006 in Instrument Number 200600879186, Liber 1076, Page 348, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in trust for the reg-

to the place of beginning. Being part of the Northand west 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 16, Town 13 North, Range 11 East; except a parcel of land com-16 mencing 540 feet North of the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Town 13 North, 54 Range 11 East; running thence North 6 feet; thence East 181.5 feet; thence South 6 feet; thence West' 181.5 feet to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in m accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case 199 the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date 120 of such sale

Dated: January 2, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC F (248) 593-1313 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #179246F01 1-2-4 "

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Benjamin Taylor, a single man, to Chase Home Finance LLC successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 3, 2004 and recorded August 5, 2004 in Liber 1003, Page 333, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty and 30/100 Dollars (\$86,920.30) including interest at-6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 31, 2008.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of North Park at intersection of Seeger Street and Garfield Avenue in the Village of Cass City; thence running North 4 Rods; thence West 8 Rods; thence South 4 Rods; thence East 8 Rods to the place of beginning. Being a part of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 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. 42)

Dated: January 2, 2008

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Dated: December 19, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 331.0005

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Angela Roe and Mark A. Roe, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for lender and lender's successor and/ or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 9, 2006 and recorded August 21, 2006 in Liber 1092, Page 476, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety and 74/100 Dollars (\$72,990.74), including interest at 8.5% per annum.

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

Said premises are located in the Township of Akron,

the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 31, 2008.

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

The West 37 feet of Lot 34, and the East 13 feet of Lot 35, Block 9 of Charles Montague's Subdivision, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats. Page 10, now being page 11A of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: January 2, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attomevs for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #180028F01

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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 Joe Ray Spencer and Carol Jean Spencer, husband and wife as tenants by the entirety, original mortgagors, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 17, 2005 and recorded on March 28, 2005 in Liber 1032 on Page 843 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Eight and 36/100 Dollars (\$117.348.36). including interest at 10.5% per annum

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 31, 2008.

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

Part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the South line of Section 12 which is South 82 degrees 49 minutes 46 seconds East, 270.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said. Section 12: thence continuing along said South line, South 82 degrees 49 minutes 46 seconds East, 120.00 feet; thence North 0 degrees 23 minutes 49 seconds East, 336.00 feet; thence North 82 degrees 49 minutes 46 seconds West, 120.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 23 minutes 49 seconds West. 336.00 feet to the South line of Section 12 and the point of begin-

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 2, 2008

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Anna Marie Pero, a married woman, and Allen Pero, her husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 6, 2003 and recorded June 13, 2003 in Liber 935, Page 1375, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for New Century Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2003-4 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Four and 69/100 Dollars (\$70,734.69), including interest at 9.1% 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 31, 2008**

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

Part of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 18, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing 67 Rods North of the Southwest corner of the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of said Section 18; thence North, 7 Rods; thence East, 26 Rods; thence South 58 feet; thence West, 8 Rods; thence South, 57.5 feet; thence West, 18 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

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

Dated: January 2, 2008

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Erin M. Biddle, a single woman, to New Century Mortgage Corpora-tion, Mortgagee, dated April 20, 2005 and recorded August 23, 2005 in Liber 1051, Page 401, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2005-NC3, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Forty-One and 17/100 Dollars (\$154,441.17), including interest at 9.9% per annum.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the West onehalf of the Northeast one-quarter, Section 30, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, thence West 300 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 540 feet; thence West 202 feet; thence South 540 feet; thence East 202 feet to point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: January 2, 2008 Orlans Associates, P.C.

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Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 201.2098

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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 Johnny P. Bringold, a/k/a John P. Bringold, a married man, and Victoria L Bringold, a married woman, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 7, 2005 and recorded on June 9, 2005 in Liber 1041 on Page 1283 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Forty-Nine and 37/100 Dollars (\$96,049.37), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

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

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of Section 15, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, being further described as commencing at the West quarter corner of said Section; thence South 00 degrees 19 minutes 50 seconds East, 562.02 feet along the West Section Line to the Point of Beginning; thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes 32 seconds East, 358,50 feet to the Centerline of the Keene Stewart Drain; thence along the following courses. South 05 degrees 27 minutes 01 seconds West. 127.62 feet, and South 03 degrees 16 minutes 15 seconds West, 125.12 feet; thence North 89 degrees 52 minutes 32 seconds West, 337.78 feet to the West Section Line; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 50 seconds West, 252.01 feet along the West Section Line to the Point of Beginning.

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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 Amy Mugan, a single woman, original mortgagor, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 11, 2003 and recorded on March 24, 2003 in Liber 922 on Page 169 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Seven Hundred Eleven and 68/100 Dollars (\$70,711.68), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

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

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

South 82 1/2 feet of Lot 1. Block 6 of the Plat of Ebenezer Morse's Addition to the Village (now city) of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 Page 359 of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: December 26, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC C (248) 593-1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #178443F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Justin A. Brannam, a married man, and Vanessa Brannam, a/ k/a Vanessa Fritz Brannam, His Wife, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 6, 2005 and recorded June 27, 2005 in Liber 1043 Page 885 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-3 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-3, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Four Dollars and Eight Cents (\$61,644.08), including interest 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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on January 17, 2008.

West 75 feet; thence South 99 feet; thence East 75" feet to place of beginning. Commonly known as 2419 N Thomas Rd, Fairgrove MI 48733.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from these 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, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), which or the second seco bur ever is later. 152

Dated: DECEMBER 14, 2007

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Option One " Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-3 Asset-Backed Certifi-27 cates, Series 2005-3, Assignee of Mortgagee 10/1

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Andrea. R-Vanblaricum, a single woman, original mortgagor, ion Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or i assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 14, 2005 and rem corded on April 18, 2005 in Liber 1035 on Page 107, in instrument 200500864832, in Tuscola County i: Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgageen to HSBC Mortgage Services Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date (hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Three Hundred Seventeen and 31/100 Dollars (\$90,317.31), include ing interest at 12.44% per annum.

ton Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, no-: s tice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foren a closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 10, 2008.

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

Two acres of land in the square form in the Southeast corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 12 North, Range 10 East. 13.41

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. 77 Dated: December 12, 2007 i. ai FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC H (248) 593-1300 \odot

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Said premises are situated in Township of Fairgrove.

Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as

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

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

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

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

Dated: December 26, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 207.9229

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your dam-ages, 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 Tracy Dennis, a married woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 12, 2006 and recorded on June 15, 2006 in Liber 1085 on Page 2 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Forty-Six and 97/100 Dollars (\$62,046.97), including interest at 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, at the place of holding

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

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

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

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

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

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

12-19-4

Dated: December 19, 2007

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 231.5511

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 31, 2008.

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

Part of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, described as commencing at the North one-quarter corner of said Section 13; thence along the North line of said Section 13, South 85 Degrees 55 Minutes 24 Seconds East 648.43 Feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along said North line of Section 13, South 85 Degrees 55 Minutes 24 Seconds East 334.89 feet; thence South 01 Degrees 47 Minutes 18 Seconds West, 1313.42 feet to the South line of said Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13; thence along the South line of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13; North 86 Degrees 00 Minutes 14 Seconds West 334.87 feet; thence North 01 Degrees 47 Minutes 18 Seconds East 1313.89 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: January 2, 2008

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lane A. Torrey and Charlene M. Torrey, husband and wife, to Associates Financial Services Company of Michigan, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 2, 1996 and recorded May 6, 1996 in Liber 689, Page 1345, and Affidavit of scrivener's error recorded 9-13-2007 in Liber 1129, Page 1250, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by CitiFinancial Mortgage Company Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Four and 54/100 Dollars (\$24,364.54), including interest at 13.49% per an-

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 31, 2008.

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

Dated: December 26, 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC D (248) 593-1309 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #179045F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Reginald Broadworth, married, and Billie Jo Broadworth, nonobligor spouse/owner, original mortgagors, to The Cit Group/Consumer Finance, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 14, 2002 and recorded on February 12, 2002 in Liber 864 on Page 42 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee f/k/a Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine and 35/100 Dollars (\$33,759.35), including interest at 11.37% per an-

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

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

Lot 1 and the Northerly 1/2 of Lot 2, Block 4 of the Plat of the Village of Bay Park, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 47, now being Page 48A of Tuscola County Records.

Lot 58 of Slocum's Addition to the Village of Bay Park, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 60, now being Page 19B of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: December 26, 2007

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Parcel 1: Commencing 297 feet North and 135 feet West of the East corner of Northeast one-quarter of Northeast one-quarter of Section 17, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, thence South 105 feet, West 75 feet, North 105 feet, East 75 feet to point of beginning.

Parcel 2: Commencing at a point 135 West of a point in the East Line of Section 17, Township 13 North, Range 8 East, 297 feet North of the Southeast corner of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast onequarter of said Section; thence North 99 feet; thence





LOUNSBURY has planted a variety of grasses aswell as wildflowers on land that was previously? farmed for many years. Today, the same land is teaming with game birds and other wildlife.

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BROTHERS JOSH (left) and Jake Lounsbury did Eshort walk-through of the new CRP/CREP habiis on the Lounsbury family farm Christmas Eve and bagged 2 rooster pheasants and 3 cottontail rab-BEES.

Tom Lounsbury honored

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the work he has put into his parents' farmland over the past 5 years, but his interest in creating ideal wildlife habitat dates back to 1976, when he purchased the original 10 acres of his folks' property. "That's when we built the house and I put the pond in," he said.

"It was bare cornfield. There were a few trees in the fencerow, but it was basically a bare cornfield. In fact, I couldn't grow grass here for 3 years because of the farm chemicals (used to grow corn)." Lounsbury recalled. "The first thing I did was plant 6,000 trees," he said, adding he started out with red pine. The trees survived, but he learned that the hard clay ground wasn't ideal for that type of tree. Lounsbury continued to experiment, planting just about every speof evergreen available — white pine, scotch, white spruce, Norway spruce, blue spruce — along with berry-producing shrubs, crab apples and wild plum.

foot wide sections of switch grass on either side of a ditch in the middle of the farm to reduce soil erosion. Lounsbury indicated his decision to sign up for the state's Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) was a natural step in the process, in part because of what he had observed his Uncle Harland do with his own property just to the east. "He's always been my inspiration," Lounsbury noted, "because whenever he had farmland he wasn't using, he'd put it into conservation.'

Lounsbury also enrolled in the state's Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP), which enabled him to put in a second, shallow pond for ducks and other wildlife. Both the CREP and CRP offer landowners the opportunity to receive payment in exchange for setting aside former cropland for a cer-

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Obituaries

Margaret Burns

Margaret S. Burns, 90, of Cass City, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2007, in Tuscola County Medical Care Facilbrothers. ity, Caro, following a short illness. She was born Dec. 11, 1917 in Evergreen Township, the daughter of

Daniel and Ethel (Bond) McNaughton. She married Robert Jacob Burns July

2, 1938 in Decker. He died Nov. 5, 1989. Burns was a long-time member of the Shabbona United Methodist Church, and later a member of the Cass City United Methodist Church. She worked for many years at the Cass City Hospital, and for many years for Dr. Ivan MacRae. Burns worked a few years for Little's Funeral Home and for the last 13 years was a valued member of the staff of Kranz Funeral Home. She was a member of Extension and was a former 4-H leader.

Burns is survived by her children: JoAnn (Robert) McComb of DeWitt, Jack Burns of Cass City, and Mary (Richard) Hacker of Houghton Lake; 7 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews,

great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her sisters: Hazel (Jay) Stoutenburg, Irene (Lloyd) Bader, and Belva (Lorn) McIntosh; a brother, Elwyn (Mary) McNaughton; and special friend, James Grant Brown.

Funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 28, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Paul Donelson of Cass City United Methodist Church, and the Rev. Peter Crawford of Millington United Methodist Church, officiating.

Interment was in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Memorials may be made to Cass City United Methodist Church. Arrangements were made by Kranz

Cornelia Stark

Funeral Home, Cass City.

Cornelia J. Stark, 86, of Decker, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2007 in St. Mary's Medical Center as the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident 14 days earlier.

She was born March 19, 1921 in Pittsburgh, Penn.

She married Walter Andrew Stark April 12, 1958. He died Dec. 26, 2000. Stark graduated from Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Penn., with a Bachelor of Education Degree. She worked for the U.S. Government for many years. She was a member of St. Pancratius Catholic Church.

She is survived by her children: Susanne M. (Raymond) Bednark of West Bloomfield, Christine T. (Frank) Purcell of Coolville, Ohio, and John C. Stark of Plano, Texas; 8 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; and a cousin. She was preceded in death by 4

Funeral services were held Friday. Dec. 28, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City, with the Rev. Mark Purcell, O.S.B., of Mary Mother of God Abbey, Richmond, Va., and the Rev. Stephen J. Fillion officiating.

Interment was in the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.





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T targeted (habitat for) the pheasant." explained Lounsbury, who en-Joyed his first taste of pheasant hunting as a youngster, when he would flush birds for his mom. "What I found out is, when you promote the for pheasants, you promote it for everything."

At the time, Lounsbury worked as a meat inspector for the Michigan Department of Agriculture, a job he held until the early 1980s, when he moved to the department's weights and measures division. He retired 5 years ago, at about the same time he bought the rest of his parents' land, which stretches 30 acres south of his home all the way north to M-81.

A year earlier, Lounsbury began his quest to transform that property from cropland into wildlife habitat.

"When my mother was still alive, about a year before she passed on, she wasn't making much on the (farming) shares she was doing, and this farm is one of the few able to put in 100-foot windbreaks," he said, adding his first project was to plant 100-



LOUNSBURY IS the fourth generation to own his family's farm, which totals about 107 acres just west of Cass City.

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tain number of years for the purpose of maintaining the land in such a way that encourages creation of habitat and reduction of soil erosion.

Lounsbury is the first to say his father wouldn't be too happy about what he's done with the family farm - he always felt that if the land was suitable for farming, it should be farmed, he said. "My dad would not have done what I did," added Lounsbury, whose goals all along were to reduce soil erosion and create windbreaks, and to provide future recreational opportunities for his sons — Jacob, now 30, Joshua, 29, and Joseph, 23 — as well as his grandchildren.

"And, the farm needed a rest," he continued. Lounsbury explained the land had been farmed since 1883. when his great-grandfather, N.A. Perry, purchased the property.

"He came from Fenton with his luggage packed on a cow. He was a school teacher. In fact, he was one of the first school teachers in the Thumb," he said. "I'm the fourth generation to own the farm."

Lounsbury is pleased with his efforts, which have resulted in what could be described as a hunter's paradise, home to a variety of game birds, including wild turkey, along with deer, fox, muskrat --- you name it. The land has proven to be so attractive to rabbits, Lounsbury has come to refer to them as "long-eared rats."

"It's phenomenal what we have here, from rabbit hunting to deer hunting," he said. "I don't want to see a plow touch it for the remainder of my lifetime, and I'm a farmer at heart.'



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