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## During O-G school board meeting

# Emotional plea helps Coach Fritz retain job

by Emily Davis  
Staff Writer

An emotional letter read by Owen-Gage school board member Ronald Maurer had members of the board and audience in tears and received a standing ovation.

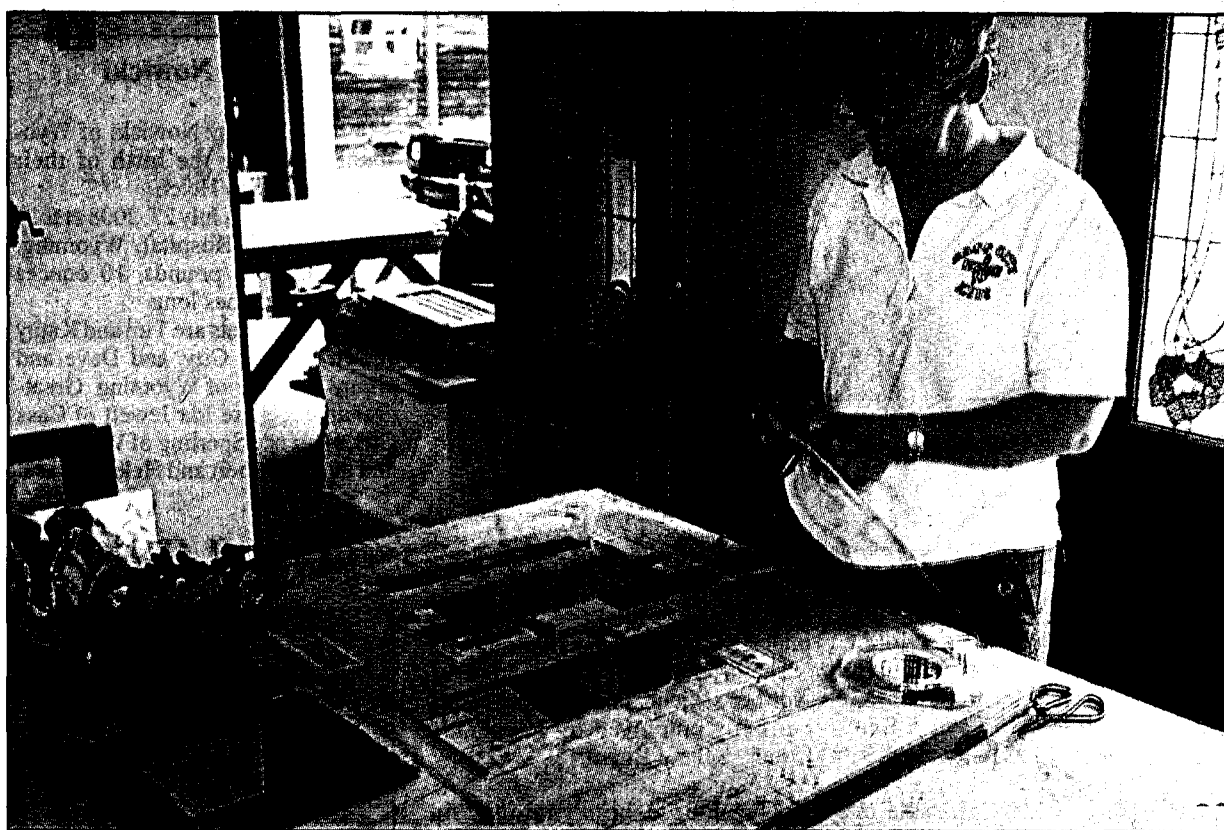
During the "new business" section of the meeting, the board discussed coaching staff recommendations for the 2008-2009 school year. Coaching recommendations are for one year only and each year the board must look at hiring or rehiring people for the different positions. Maurer read

a letter supporting that varsity girls' basketball coach Dave Fritz retain his coaching position. Members of the girls' basketball team showed up to support Fritz as well. After reading a letter to the board and audience members about why he feels Fritz should return as coach, audience members began clapping and stood up in response to Maurer's letter and in support of Fritz. Maurer then made a motion that Fritz be hired as the varsity girls' basketball coach and secretary Loretta Schmidt seconded it. The board agreed unanimously to hire Fritz.

Kristi Pitts of the Huron County Health Department was at the August 4 meeting to talk to the board about a 24/7 tobacco free policy. The policy would make tobacco prohibited on school property. This would include sports games as well as during regular school hours. Other schools in the area have adopted this policy, including USA and Kingston. However, Pitts said no schools in Huron County have adopted this policy and Owen-Gage would be the first.

Pitts told the board that if they decided to accept this policy, they would receive funding from the health department to implement this plan. "We can get rugs, (window) clings, even banners to help show people what you're doing," she said. Pitts would be able to help Owen-Gage show the community and visiting schools that they would not allow tobacco on the premises. However, she said to receive funding, the school board would have to act quickly because the health department would most likely soon be transferring its focus to other projects. Superintendent Dana Compton and the rest of the board decided to put the topic of the 24/7 tobacco free policy on the agenda for the next meeting.

Towards the beginning of the meeting, the board discussed the reorganization of the school board for the 2008-2009 year. Schmidt made a motion for Kathy Champagne to be president and Maurer supported it. Champagne accepted and the board unanimously agreed. Terry Muntz was accepted as the new vice president, Deborah Quick was accepted to return as treasurer and Schmidt was accepted to return as secretary. Former school board president Jeffrey Leinweber will be the new assistant secretary and Dan Warack will be the new assistant treasurer. The school board also talked about the removal of the Memphis School



ARTISAN MIMI NICOL works on a project in the workshop she shares with husband Dave. The Nicols have a workshop divided into 2 parts located behind their home. While the majority of the Nicols' work consists of making exterior doors, they do other projects as well.

## A day in the life of...

# No typical day for Nicols

by Emily Davis  
Staff Writer

*Editor's note: The following is another installment in a series of stories entitled "A day in the life of..." The stories, written by Chronicle summer intern Emily Davis, will appear regularly this summer and focus on a variety of professionals in the community, from a local contractor to a daycare provider to a veterinarian. The goal of the series is to share with our readers some insight into what it takes to tackle various jobs and why those interviewed decided on their chosen fields.*

Most people can describe a typical work day relatively easily. Dave and Mimi Nicol cannot.

The Nicols, of Cass City, have both been working as artisans for all of their adult lives. "I've been doing interior design for about 15 years," Mimi said. "I've been doing this since I was 17," Dave added. "I decided when I was a teenager that I wanted to be a cabinet maker."

While the Nicols do a variety of artwork, the bulk of their work consists of making exterior doors. Mimi is in charge of doing the windows and the design for the doors, and Dave builds them. Mimi also creates stained glass windows, which are often used in the doors. The 2 have been working together on exterior doors off and on for about 15 years, Dave said.

The Nicols have to work with some machinery that can be dangerous, he noted. "It is a dangerous job. It's just part of the business," he said.

The Nicols said they both know other artisans who have lost fingers because of the machines they have to use.

Most of the Nicols' work comes through word of mouth and is done for individuals, according to Dave. "We meet with the customer and design a job for them," he explained. The Nicols do a lot of work in Michigan, but have some out-of-state customers as well. Mimi has made windows for people in California, and Dave said they have sent jobs as far away as St. Louis, Mo. For jobs like these that are so far away, they usually ship the finished product to the customer, or occasionally contractors will pick them up. However, for in-state jobs, they do most of the instal-

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## Tuscola and Huron bag federal grants

The concept of growing is hardly a new one in the rich agricultural Thumb region, but a group of agencies has set its sights on growing something besides crops - in this case, jobs.

And the federal government is lending a hand.

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Director for Michigan Gene DeRossett hosted a series of ceremonies Friday commemorating the distribution of \$188,600 in grants for communities in Tuscola and Huron counties.

The gatherings included a ceremony in Caro to present \$45,000 to the Tuscola County Enterprise Facilitation Project, and another \$65,000 to the Small Business Association of Michigan for its new Economic Gardening Pilot Project, also in Tuscola

County.

A grant of \$70,000 was also presented to the village of Port Austin for improvements to its farmers market (construction of a permanent cover for the market, which has become an increasingly popular location in the region), and \$8,500 to assist small business development in the village of Mayville.

According to Jim McLoskey, executive director of the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation (EDC), the Economic Gardening Pilot Project is a collaborative effort involving the Small Business Association of Michigan, county EDC, MSU Extension, a private consulting firm, and 4 library directors in the county, including Kate VanAuken, director of Rawson Memorial Library in Cass City.

The group's goal, he explained, is to target and assist 8 businesses in the county that are poised for growth, and to assist them by providing them with access to business-related in-

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## Homeowner credited with limiting home fire damage

by Emily Davis  
Staff Writer

Lightning caused a small fire at a Milligan Road home early Tuesday morning.

Elkland Township Fire Department Chief Ron Pawloski said the fire department was called to Phil and Cheryl Zawilinski's 3-story home at about 5:30 in the morning. He said there were about 12 Elkland Township firefighters at the scene and members of the Gagetown Fire Department and the Caro Aerial Ladder Truck assisted.

Pawloski said the damage to the home was not too severe and he believes the Zawilinskis can still live in the home. "They'll have to have a lot of the electrical work checked," he said. Pawloski estimated the total damage to be about \$9,000 and said the Zawilinskis are insured. Pawloski cited quick action by the fire department and smart thinking by the Zawilinskis as to why the house was able to be saved. "The owner shut a door to contain the fire, which cut off its air supply," he said. Pawloski said workers were on the scene for about an hour and a half.



Staff Sgt. Ronald Brady Jr.

## For meritorious service

# Brady awarded Bronze Star while in Iraq

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Ron Brady never served in the military, but the activities of the U.S. armed forces weigh heavy on his mind. And for good reason.

Brady, of Cass City, has 2 sons serving in the armed forces - one in the U.S. Air Force and the other in the U.S. Army. His younger son, Ronald Brady Jr., 26, recently returned home from a 14-month deployment in Iraq.

Brady is proud of both his boys, and Ronald Brady Jr. has given him even more reason to beam - he returned home from Iraq about 3 weeks ago with the Bronze Star, which is awarded for bravery, acts of merit or meritorious service.

"It's for keeping everything up to readiness. They call it the service star, I guess," Brady said of his son, a staff sergeant serving with the 82nd Airborne Division based in Fort Bragg, N.C. "He's a master jumper," Brady added. "He's the guy that stands at the front of the plane and

gets everyone else out. He's got, I think, 40 or 45 jumps already."

In Iraq, Ronald Brady Jr. served with HHC 1st Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division.

"Our mission (was to) hold and defend 5 combat outposts (COPS) along MSR Tampa, a main highway leading from Kuwait up through Baghdad that's used for resupply," he explained. "Basically every COP had 3 RSTs (route security teams) that would go out and find IEDs (improvised explosive devices) and patrol MSR Tampa and the surrounding areas."

"I was and still am the battalion motor sergeant for my battalion. Anything that deals with weapons, vehicles and communication goes through me to track for maintenance and to report up to the Department of the Army..." he added. "I am in charge of 37 soldiers ranging in 9 different jobs that were spread across the theater at the COPs."

The elder Brady said his son at-

tended both Caro and Cass City schools while growing up, and he joined the Army at the age of 18.

Iraq wasn't his first overseas duty. "He actually did 2 terms in Afghanistan, and I think he was 9 or 10 months in Korea," Brady said of his son, who planned to make the military a career, although he talked about getting out at some point.

"He reenlisted for another 2 years," Brady said, adding his son and wife, Anita, have a 4-month-old daughter whom they named Liberty Faith. "Ron saw his baby daughter for the first time last Christmas. Really, I think it (decision to stay in the military) has something to do with the war. I think they just agreed on it. I think that's neat."

Brady is quick to say he's equally pleased with his older son, Rod Brady, 28, who is currently serving in the U.S. Air Force in England after putting in 2 year-long tours in Iraq. "You know, I'm really proud of these

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Kristy & Cason Harris

## Harris, Pierce wed

Kristy Lynn Pierce of Gaylord, daughter of Dave and Michelle Gillie of Allegan, was married to Cason Joseph Harris of Cass City, son of Ken and Ruth Harris of Cass City, July 19, 2008 in Grand Blanc.

The bride is a 2007 graduate of Northern Michigan University and is currently employed by Florida Hospital Heartland Division Sebring.

The groom is a 2006 graduate of Northern Michigan University and is currently employed by Highlands County School Board.

The couple honeymooned in Sarasota, Fla., and will reside in Lake Placid, Fla.



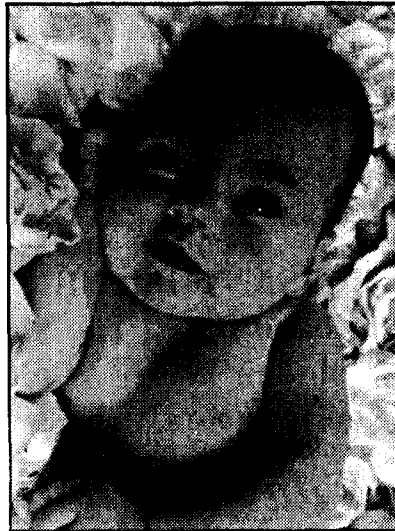
Hailey Nowicki

Chad and Missy Nowicki of Wyoming announce the birth of their daughter, Hailey Helen.

Hailey was born July 23, 2008 at 6:13 p.m. at Metro Hospital, Wyoming. She weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Her grandparents are Tim and Kathy Jewett of Cass City, and Dave and Ginny Nowicki of Wyoming. Great-grandparents are Ida Jewett of Cass City, Florence Sperling of Wyoming, and the late Albert and Helen Halasz.

## It's a girl!



Evette Stoll

Tim and Renee (Zawilinski) Stoll of Mason announce the birth of their daughter, Evette Jaclin.

Evette was born June 10, 2008 at Sparrow Hospital, Lansing. She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Her grandparents are Mick and Jacquie Zawilinski, and Floyd and Linda McIntosh, all of Cass City. Great-grandparents are Raymond and Maxine Merritt of Davison, Evelyn and the late William Catron of Cass City, Leland and the late Emily Lester of Kingston, the late Bruno and Martha Zawilinski of Cass City, the late Ken and Thelma Stoll of Cass City, and the late Lorn and Belva McIntosh of Cass City.

## Kretzschmer family gathers

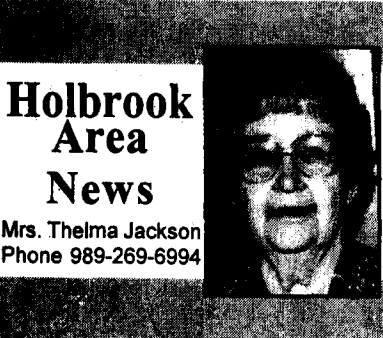
The 69th annual Kretzschmer family reunion was held Sunday, July 27, at the home of Roger and Deb Talaski of Bad Axe. There were about 35 in attendance.

A short business meeting was held by Larry Kretzschmer. There were a few items discussed in new business. Officers were elected, with Larry

staying on as president, Tom Scharich as vice president and Pennie Rienas as secretary-treasurer.

The meeting closed and an auction was held with a sale of homemade items.

The reunion will be held at the home of Larry and Joyce Kretzschmer next year.



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Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Particka spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Greg Reid and sons in Clinton Township and also attended a bridal shower for Stephanie Particka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Particka of Madison Heights.

Mrs. Ray Depcinski visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Depcinski and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski on Sunday.

Francis Hund of Bad Axe, Mrs. Ray Depcinski, Mrs. Chuck Ericson of Au Gres, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson visited Thelma Jackson.

Mrs. Robert Dellagan of St. Petersburg, Florida spent a few days with Mrs. Harold Ballagh.

15 members of The Traveling Breakfast Club met at the Coffee Cup Plus on Thursday. They will meet at Big Boy in Bad Axe next week.

## The Bronze Star

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2 kids," he said. Both chose the military after trying their hand at working in the building trade. "They were working with me in construction because that's something I've done pretty much all my life," Brady recalled. "But it was kind of tough, finding work, and all they had was their high school diploma. The military offered them college money."

Their decision to enlist in the military has served them well, according to their father. "The military beefed them right up, physically and even mentally," he said. "They're good kids, they've got a head on their shoulders, they know what they want in life."

At the same time, it's been difficult, said Brady, who has feared for his sons' safety over the years.

"You know they're over there and a lot of times, you've got to keep your mind off of that," he acknowledged.

"It's a job and somebody's got to do it. I'm pretty proud of all these young kids (serving their country)," he said. "We've got to be proud of all of them."

**44 attend reunion**

The 33rd annual Brown family reunion was held Sunday, July 27 at the Cass City Park. Forty-four were present and a good time was had by all.

Traveling the farthest was Carl and Shirley McIntosh from Williamston, and Ralph and Opal Brown from Gibraltar. The youngest was Alexis Brown, checking in at 9 months.

The next reunion will be held on the last Sunday of July in 2009.



SOME MEMBERS of the Lounsbury family recently gathered for a 5-generation photo. Pictured above are (front left) Alessandra Goff (baby), Michelle San Diego (mom), great-great-grandmother Margaret Lounsbury (front right), great-grandmother Barbara Hutchinson (back, left), and grandmother Jane Hutchinson-San Diego.

## Calendar of Events

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

### Thursday, August 7

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

Chili & Hot Dog Dinner, 4-7 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

### Friday, August 8

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

Music in the Park, 7 p.m., Rotary Park, Cass City.

33rd Annual Thumb Area Old Engine & Tractor Association Show, Caro Fairgrounds. For additional information, call (989) 872-2549.

### Saturday, August 9

St. Michael's Catholic Church Festival, 11-10 p.m., 1951 Kingston Rd., Deford. Children's games, car show, talent show, music, lunch.

### Sunday, August 10

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

St. Columbkille Chicken BBQ, noon-5 p.m., 10 miles SW of Bad Axe on M-53. Bingo, raffle drawing, music and dancing, kid's bike drawing.

### Monday, August 11

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

Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m.-noon, Faith Free Methodist Church, Snover. Children ages 3-eighth grade. For more information, call (810) 672-9242 or (810) 648-9615.

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

VFW monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

### Tuesday, August 12

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.

Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.

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



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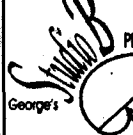
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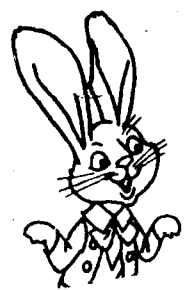
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## Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Readers with a long memory will recall that Bob Morley, a former resident and a graduate of Cass City High School, compiled a booklet depicting Cass City High School's basketball program in the 1950-60 years.

Now the industrious Morley has worked, worked, worked and his latest effort has resulted in the complete details of the entire program to-date, including all the pertinent stats from each season.

You'll find all the former outstanding Cass City players and their records in the book, reported Clare Comment, who saw a proof copy last week.

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For a good many years the student population at Cass City Schools hovered around the 2,000-student mark.

But from those peak years the decline has been nearly constant and today the population will be probably 700 students fewer than it was at a peak in Cass City. The projection for the kindergarten this year is a loss of 64 more students.

The future doesn't appear to be brighter. In 2002-03 the student population in Michigan hit a recent peak of 1,714,867 pupils, enrolled in traditional public schools and charter schools. The state does not keep track of parochial schools or home school students. Since that year, the enrollment dropped to 1,652,524 in the 2007-08 school year that ended last month.

In 1990 there were 153,000 births in Michigan. In 2007 there were 123,383 births. Declining school enrollment will be a problem in most school districts, including every one in the Thumb.

Tighten your seat belts, there is a rough road ahead.

## Cass City graduate composes Mackinac Island theme piece

The beauty and legends of one of Michigan's favorite tourist hotspots will come to life in a soon-to-premier musical composition.

Central Michigan University School of Music faculty member Scott Harding, a 1986 graduate of Cass City High School, was commissioned by the Mackinac Island Community Foundation to compose an instrumental piece about the island.

Harding describes the piece, "Echoes of Mackinac", as a musical documentary comprised of 3 movements that highlight the early Native American legends of the island, the attempt to reclaim the island from the British at the end of the War of 1812, and the atmosphere of the Grand Hotel during the Roaring 20s.

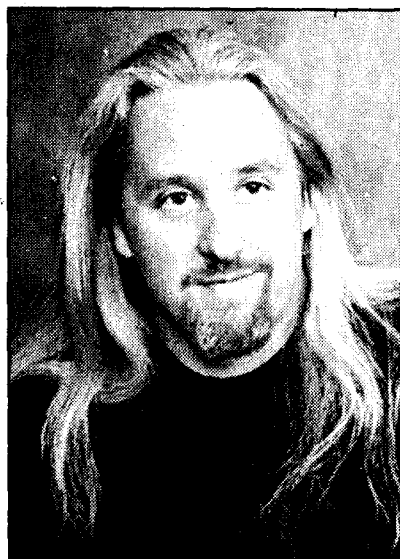
Written for flute, clarinet, violin, bass and percussion, "Echoes of Mackinac" premiered Sunday during the Mackinac Community Foundation's Summer Concert Series at St. Anne's Catholic Church on Mackinac Island. Harding performed on percussion, and his wife, Tess Miller, played the flute. Other performers included Jonathon Holden on clarinet, Carrie Holden on violin and Melissa Straus on bass.

Another performance of "Echoes" is already planned, as Harding and an as-yet-unannounced ensemble are slated to perform Oct. 25 at CMU as part of the sixth annual Michigan Story Festival.

"Echoes" is not Harding's first musical tribute to the island, where he and Miller spend a great deal of time

at her family's cottage each summer. He composed "Scenes of Mackinac" in 2001, making what he calls his "first foray into attempting to musically capture the island as I saw it at the time."

"Mackinac has become very dear to my soul. We often use the term 'island time' when we're there in reference to the slower pace of life that seems to exist there as nowhere else," Harding said. "I feel as though I've come to know the island in ways that most tourists never really get to see, and I hope that the presentation of my music makes it so that those people get a little of the insight that I've gained by coming here regularly."



Scott Harding

## The Haire Net

Environment worth one more nickel...



An expanded bottle return law will help, I thought, as I surveyed the trash at the end of the Cass City walking trail that extends about 20 yards or so from the road to the Cass River bridge. It is the only portion of the trail that has easy access by car from the road.

You'll find non-deposit discarded water and juice bottles there, but even with a more complete deposit law similar to those that already have been voted into effect in 3 of 11 other states to help solve the trash problem, the issue will remain.

A deposit on a bottle or can will basically remove these containers from the landscape. It's proven effective in Michigan. Most return bottles are saved and the few slobbs that toss them are rescued because, inevitably, someone will salvage them for the deposit.

While the deposit keeps these bottles from trashing the area, it does nothing for the sandwich wrappers, cups and straws, etc., that routinely are tossed away.

In the 3 decades since the bottle deposit law was put into effect, it's estimated that it has kept 5.5 billion cans and bottles off the streets.

While an expanded bottle return law has the support of the Michigan Park and Recreation Association and the 4,500-member Michigan United Conservation Clubs, it is opposed by the Michigan Food and Beverage Association.

The president of the association said that regional recycling centers throughout the state is a better answer than forcing grocers to handle filthy, dirty recyclables.

Grocery stores must meet more stringent food safety guidelines and dirty bottles in the return room is a constant worry.

Recycling centers appear to be a doomed alternative because of inconvenience to the users and the cost of erecting statewide centers.

Most folks would agree, if they think about it all, that recycling is a burden. The vast majority want to get their dime back. Period.

It seems worth it, to me, to raise the deposit fee from a dime to 15 cents to keep the landfills less overflowing and the landscape cleaner. The extra nickel; earmarked for the facility that processes the containers.

The consumer still would have the 10-cent spur to recycle and the grocery store would be paid for handling the returns.

Five cents to keep our environment cleaner is cheap.

## Blood drive set Aug. 19 in Cass City

The opportunity to donate blood locally will be Tuesday, Aug. 19, from 1 to 6:45 p.m. at VFW Post 3644, Cass City.

The blood drive is being sponsored by the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary and the Cass City VFW post. More information is available by calling hospital representatives Kerry Brown or Lynn Ferris at (989) 912-6319.

The need for blood increases yearly for many reasons, according to Brown. One reason, she said, is that more than half the blood that is transfused is given to surgical patients, and the rate of elective surgery is increasing at a greater rate than the population is growing. Also, chemotherapy treatments for cancer patients have greatly increased long-term survival rates, but the toxic effects of those treatments require many patients to have blood component transfusions.

"The summer months are traditionally a challenging time for blood centers," Brown pointed out. "During the school year, donations from high school and college students account for approximately 15 percent of Red Cross blood collections. In summer, these groups become tougher to reach. Many donors also give blood during office blood drives, which see smaller turnouts due to summer vacations."

## Letters to the Editor

### VanAuken: here's the scoop on the Amazon Kindle

This is in regards to Rabbit Tracks July 30, and the commencement speech written by Mitch Albom and available only on a Amazon Kindle.

The Amazon Kindle is a wireless electronic device, shaped like a paperback book that gives you the ability to wirelessly download books, blogs, magazines and newspapers. The high resolution screen supposedly looks and reads like real paper. Kindle uses the same high speed data network as advanced cell phones so you don't have to locate a hot spot to have access. You need no computer, no cables and no syncing.

When Jeff Bezos, founder of amazon.com, introduced the Kindle in November 2007, he felt this was the way we will all read from now on. In fact, on amazon.com, there are many happy customer comments. I feel these folks may have more "techie" genes than most of us do and perhaps a little more disposable income since the price is \$359 plus the cost of each book, magazine or newspaper you download.

Since books are one of our main "products" at Rawson Memorial District Library, (don't forget the many other "products" we have including free Internet, movie rentals, special programming etc.) I am not too concerned that the paper book you hold in your hand will become obsolete in the near future. I feel many who purchase the Kindle or have purchased the Kindle type predecessors also

buy many of their books; they don't borrow them from the library.

Of course, this may change in the future, but I can't think of a better way to spend a glorious spring day on my deck, a rainy day in the fall, or a snowy day in the winter than curled up enjoying a good "paper" book!

Kate Van Auken, Director  
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### Cass City Chronicle

Aug. 6, 2008

#### 5-Day Local Forecast

	<b>Wednesday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 76 Low: 56
	<b>Thursday</b> Scat'd T-storms High: 77 Low: 56
	<b>Friday</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 72 Low: 54
	<b>Saturday</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 76 Low: 55
	<b>Sunday</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 76 Low: 52

#### In-Depth Local Forecast

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 76°, humidity of 65% and an overnight low of 56°. The record high temperature for today is 94° set in 1965. The record low temperature is 45° set in 1948. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 77°.

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Monday	79	57	80/58	0.00"
Tuesday	84	52	80/58	0.00"
Wednesday	84	64	80/58	0.00"
Thursday	81	61	80/58	0.00"
Friday	82	55	80/58	0.00"
Saturday	73	57	80/58	0.00"
Sunday	79	52	80/58	0.00"

#### Upcoming Moon Phases

First 8/8	Full 8/16	Last 8/23	New 8/30

#### Sunrise/Sunset Times

Sunrise today	6:27 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:49 p.m.

#### Last Week's Local Almanac

Precipitation	0.00"
Normal precipitation	0.73"
Departure from normal	-0.73"
Average temperature	68.6°
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## Foundation to host meeting on grants

Non-profit groups in need of a financial boost may be interested in attending an upcoming grant information session hosted by the Tuscola County Community Foundation.

Foundation Executive Director Ken Micklash explained that the session, slated for Monday, Aug. 25, at 4 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center, 1401 Cleaver Rd., Caro, will offer participants information such as the total grant funding available this fall, the types of projects that will be funded, grant guidelines and grant applications and instructions, including deadlines.

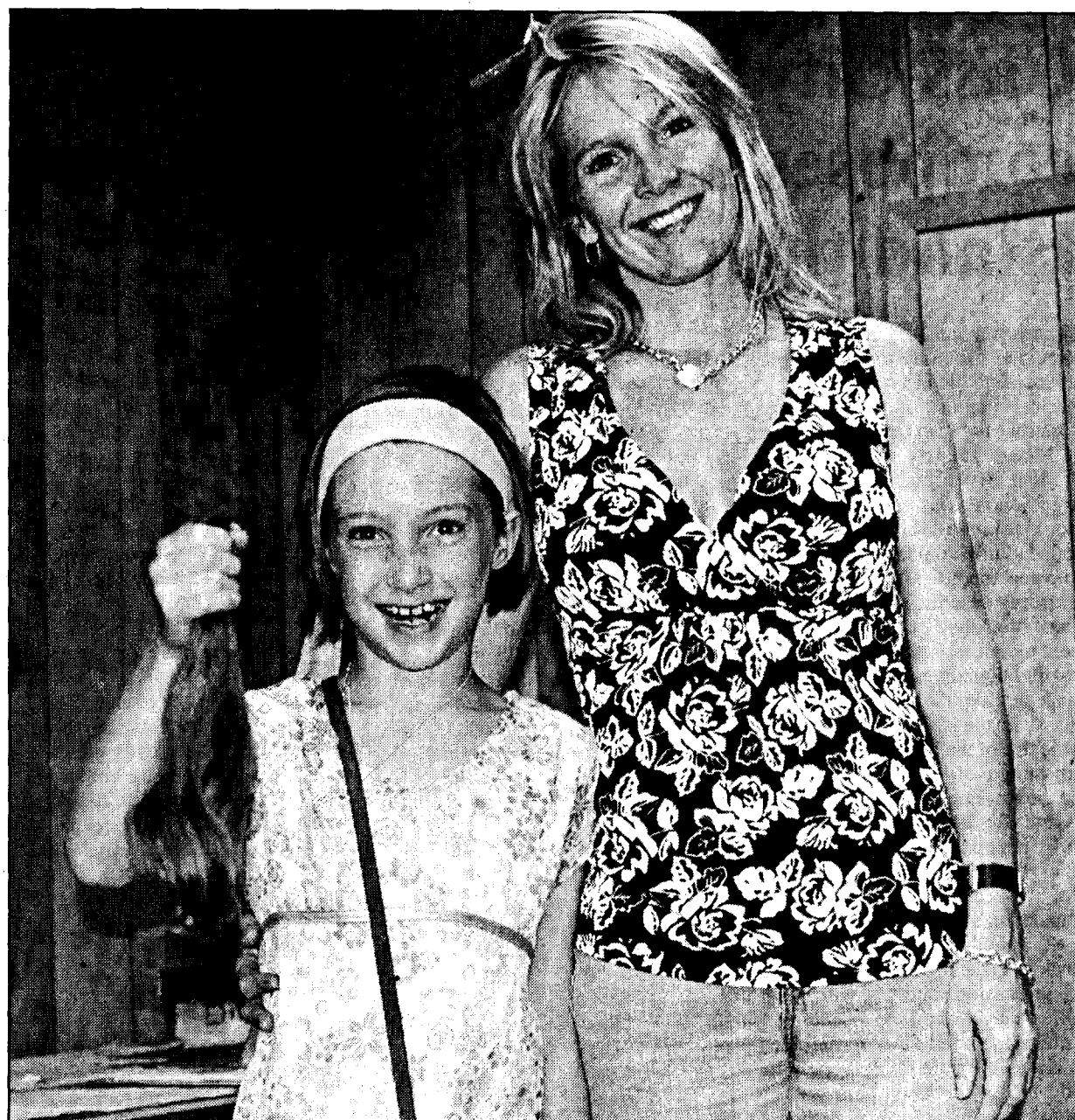
Those interested in attending are asked to make a reservation by Thursday, Aug. 21, by writing to P.O. Box 534, Caro, MI 48723, or call (989) 673-8223, or e-mail tccf534@yahoo.com.

Funding available this fall includes \$49,832 from the Janks Fund (unrestricted projects); \$15,221 from the Andrews Fund (children's activities); \$29,689 from the Future Youth Involvement FYI fund (youth programs); \$938 from the Homelessness Fund (to aid the homeless in Tuscola County); and \$3,314 from the Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund (for tobacco cessation programs).

Applications must be postmarked no later than Monday, Sept. 15. Funds will be distributed by Dec. 15.

The Tuscola County Community Foundation has provided more than \$1 million in funding to various agencies and groups since it was established 10 years ago. The foundation's assets now top \$7 million, with more than 50 separate funds established within the organization.

Last spring, foundation officials distributed more than \$100,000 from the Janks Fund, Andrews Fund, FYI Fund, Founders Fund and the Greater Millington Area Fund to representatives of various organizations throughout the county. Another \$81,475 in scholarships were awarded to students from the county's schools from funds maintained by the foundation.



**BRYCE YACOS (left) holds up the ponytail that she will donate to Locks of Love. This is Yacos' second time donating her hair to the organization. She is pictured with her mother, Alice Yacos.**

## Area youth donates locks -- twice -- for cancer victims

by Emily Davis  
Staff Writer

Even at age 9, Bryce Yacos understands the value and importance of generosity.

Yacos has taken a stand to help out young people with cancer. She has donated her hair twice to Locks of Love, an organization that makes wigs for children with cancer.

Yacos first donated her hair in November of 2006 and did again just recently.

The 9-year-old said she decided to donate her hair after a tragedy hit close to home. "In November of '06, one of my best friends passed away of cancer," she said. Yacos said her mother had been looking at the Locks of Love web site, www.locksoflove.org, and suggested it to her daughter. "My mom was looking on the Locks of Love web site and saw kids who had cut off their hair and she said I should do it," Yacos said that at first she didn't want to cut off so much of her hair, but after her friend passed away, she decided to do it.

Donating her hair gives Yacos a chance to reach out to those going through difficult times. She said she likes being able to help others. "It's really nice and a lot of people do it for one year and then they stop. I keep giving my hair so they have more and more," she said. "Kids with cancer really need it so it's a good thing."

Yacos said she wants to be able to continue to donate her hair for a long time. When asked how long she wants to stay involved she said, "Forever. Until I think that maybe I should stop." Stefanie Roe of Innovations

Salon and Day Spa in Caro cut Yacos' hair for free both times she donated.

Yacos' mother, Alice Yacos, showed great admiration for her 9-year-old daughter. "Obviously I feel very proud of her," Alice Yacos said. "She's a very generous person. She has a good heart."

Locks of Love is a non-profit organization that makes hair into wigs for children under 18 suffering from hair loss from any diagnosis. Most Locks of Love recipients suffer from a condition called alopecia areata, which has no known cure or cause. The organization requires that donated hair be in either a ponytail or a braid and be at least 10 inches long. The hair must be clean and dry. People with colored hair can donate, but not if the hair is bleached. Locks of Love will accept hair from any race, age or gender. The organization started in December 1997 and has helped over 2,000 children. They donate the hair to financially struggling families who would otherwise not be able to provide a wig for their child.

## EDC extends series on business by one week

The Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation has extended its Small Business Series of classes this summer by one additional week. The "Business Succession and Transition" class originally scheduled in July will be held Tuesday, Aug. 5.

The Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation and Davenport University are co-sponsoring the 2008 Small Business Series. The classes provide informative and helpful small business training classes in various small business topics. These classes are designed for people to learn more about small business management in an informal way.

The Business Succession and Transition class will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. There is no advance registration and the class is free. This class taught by Gary Anderson, CPA from Anderson, Tuckey, and Bernhardt & Doran will cover topics related to the value of an ongoing business enterprise and the tax implications in purchasing a small business, or selling a business in the near future.

The 2008 Small Business Series classes are held at Davenport University in Caro. For more information, contact the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation at (989) 673-2849, or by e-mail at tuscolaedc@centurytel.net.

## Several appear on charges last week

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

•Meleney A. Herbert, 28, Bay City, pleaded no contest to attempted resisting and obstructing a police officer Feb. 28 in Fairgrove Township, and to third degree home invasion Feb. 20 in Fairgrove.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at a combined \$8,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Deborah S. Binder, 45, Bad Axe, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Jan. 26 in Cass City.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$1,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•Duwayne O. Jacob, 36, Vassar, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of interfering with electronic communications and one count of domestic violence May 12 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$3,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Matthew C. McComas, 23, Cass City, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of writing a no account check and 2 counts of writing a non-sufficient fund check between Feb. 1 and March 15. The checks ranged from \$23.90 to \$30.65 and were written at Mr. Chips in Cass City, according to court records.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$8,000. Sentencing is to be set.

•William J. Pickering, 18, Ypsilanti, stood mute to charges of carrying a dangerous weapon with unlawful intent and malicious destruction of a building totaling \$200 to \$1,000 July 8 in Vassar.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case. Bond was denied.

•Jason T. Walker, 25, Caro, stood mute to 2 counts of assault with a dangerous weapon, possession of a firearm by a felon, 3 counts of possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and 2 counts of domestic violence June 11 in Indianfields Township. He also stood mute to 2 counts of possession of a controlled substance, subsequent offense, Nov. 6 in Caro, and faces a charge of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at a combined \$100,000.

•Keith A. Staple, 31, Burton, stood mute to a charge of assaulting a police officer June 9, 2007, in Vassar.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$4,000.

•Ronald J. Carter, 41, Vassar, received a one-year delayed sentence for his plea of no contest to assault with a dangerous weapon Nov. 22 in Vassar Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

He was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$820 plus \$500 in attorneys fees.

•Michael D. Prill, 30, Cass City, was

sentenced to 150 days in the county jail and 24 months probation for his plea of guilty to absconding or forfeiting bond March 14 and March 17 in Caro, and for his conviction on a charge of domestic violence, third offense, last November in Elmwood Township.

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay \$1,440 in costs and fines plus \$387.92 in attorneys fees and restitution of \$199.

•Keith A. Benjamin, 30, was sentenced to 4 to 15 years in prison for his plea of guilty to conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, and unlawfully driving away an automobile. The charges stem from Benjamin's escape from the Tuscola Residential Reentry Program, formerly Camp Tuscola, in Caro, March 30.

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay \$180 in costs and fines plus restitution of \$250.

•Andrew E. Albin, 24, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence for 2 convictions, 30 days in jail for 2 others. He previously pleaded guilty to second degree home invasion, larceny in a building and 2 counts of larceny of property valued at less than \$200 between the fall of 2007 and May 2008 in Indianfields Township.

He was also ordered to pay \$870 in costs and fines.

•Ray M. Verellen Jr., 26, Caro, was sentenced to 180 days in jail (deferred) and 60 months probation for his conviction on a charge of violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to notify law enforcement of a change in address within 10 days between Oct. 6 and June 27, 2007.

He was ordered to pay \$1,060 in costs and fines.

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# Gniewek enjoying internship at Novesta Church of Christ

by Emily Davis  
Staff Writer

than enough internship hours required for his degree. Gniewek said the internship feels more like a job than an internship because he works a lot and is being treated like a minister. "My favorite part is being treated like a full-time minister," he said.

Gniewek has lived in Cass City for 6 years and has been attending the Novesta Church of Christ for almost 3 years. He said that is how he got the internship. His internship gives him a chance to experience the same

things that Chuck Emmert, minister at Novesta Church of Christ, does on a daily basis. "I've gotten to go on some calls with Chuck. I've sat in on discussions of how people want a funeral to be set up," he said. Gniewek added that he has been able to do many things like that during his time at Novesta. He has gotten a chance to experience what life as a full-time minister is like. His internship has been an important part of his path to becoming a minister because it has given him time to work full-time at a place he loves.

Gniewek said the internship has greatly helped him prepare for his future. "Because it is a full-time job, it leads me right into what I will do after this," he said. Gniewek said he gets to set his own schedule while working at the church and he will get experience preaching. "I was just ordained in front of the congregation. That's important because it shows members that Chuck respects me," he said.

Gniewek said he started off wanting to become a full-time minister. However, his internship at Novesta has given him a chance to work with youths and do some youth ministry and he is really enjoying that part of his work. Gniewek said he is interested in ministry of either kind. "God called me to preach. As long as I'm preaching, I'll be happy," he said. Gniewek said he has really enjoyed working with the Saturday night worship that usually starts at 6:30.

Gniewek said he hopes he can get a job at Novesta Church of Christ after he graduates college. "Working here at Novesta is my dream job," Gniewek said that current senior minister Emmert has resigned and therefore the position will be open. He said there is a possibility he could get that job. "My heart is hoping I can work here," he said.



**BRAD GNIEWEK** works as Novesta Church of Christ's summer intern. Gniewek is studying to be a minister and hopes his work at Novesta will prepare him for the work he will do in the future.



**LAVENDER CAMPBELL** (left) of Marlette and **Meri Dzielinski** of Cass City welcome **Paul Dzielinski** back from basic training with a sign on the corner of Main Street and Doerr Road. "He'll be happy, but he doesn't usually like when people do things for him," said Campbell, Paul Dzielinski's girlfriend. Meri Dzielinski, Paul's sister, said she hopes he will be excited about the sign. Campbell said Paul Dzielinski will return Aug. 1 from Missouri.

## Down Memory Lane

By Tina Pallas



### 5 YEARS AGO

The streak had to end sometime and Thursday it did. Cass City, which has been the champion of the Cass City Invitational since it was inaugurated, fell to a tie for fifth in the 12-team tournament. The championship went to Cros-Lex in its first appearance in the tournament. The Pioneers shot 70-70 for 140 to edge second place Uby, 141, by a single point.

The Thumb Area Friends of the Arts Scholarship program recently announced the 2003 scholarship recipient, Liza Lynn Sorenson-Volmering. Volmering is a 2003 graduate of Cass City High School and is planning to attend Western Michigan University this fall to major in art.

Karl Trepkowski of Uby has been racing cars in the Limited Late Model class at the Owendale Speedway for 8 years. "I like the thrill of racing cars against tough competition, driving at intense speeds, and the fun of winning races," he said. The caliber of the drivers who enter the races at the Speedway this year is the highest it has been in a while. The crowds really get involved in the races, especially when there are 3 or 4 cars running nose to nose with each other. Trepkowski said, for him, the most challenging part of car racing is knowing how to adjust his car as the condition of the track changes. The hobby of car racing takes a love for the sport, he said. Trepkowski said he spends 15 to 20 hours a week getting his car ready for the Saturday night races. And during the off season he spends at least 100 hours working on his car. "Car racing can be pretty hard on the cars and when a crash occurs you just try to quickly mend it so you can participate in the next race." Repairs after a night's bang up can be costly, he said.

### 10 YEARS AGO

After losing their opening 2 games, the Cass City team ran off 13 straight wins to capture the Vassar Fastpitch Softball League title. The team members are: Mike Diegel, Dan Cuddie, Matt Irrer, Mark Irrer, Jurgen Roth, Nick Bliss, Chad Diegel, Dave Murphy, Andy Gray, Jim Baker, Joe Langenburg, Leigh Langenburg, Tim Babich and Dave Wright. The team was coached by Marv Irrer.

An unexpected windfall came Marie High's way last week when she received a check for \$1,000 from First Capital Consumer Membership Services of Buffalo, N.Y. Her name was drawn July 30 in a free prize company membership drawing. High, who lives at the Cass City trailer park, said that she plans to invest the money.

Michigan Sugar Company locked its doors to employees in 4 different plants Monday morning fearing a

strike would ensue from recent contract negotiations. Negotiations began between Michigan Sugar Company and the American Federation of Grain Millers on June 3 and concluded on July 31, according to communications manager Mitchell Reno. Negotiations left the bargaining table under the agreement union negotiators would take the contract to workers for ratification, he said. "On the seventh (of August) the union informed us that the workers rejected the settlement," continued Reno. "We believe we made a generous offer, and that we addressed all the needs of employees." Strike authorization had already been received by employees when negotiators initially met, Reno added. "We took that seriously." Workers aren't as optimistic. One worker from the Caro plant, Gary Touchette, said, "We don't like the way the company treated employees or the way they handled things in negotiations." "They decided on things that meant no money to the company, but meant hardships on our people," he continued. Workers from 4 plants located in Caro, Carrollton, Crosswell and Sebawaing voted down the new contract by 80 percent of the 235 workers. Touchette, who has been a Michigan Sugar employee for 20 years, added, "There hasn't been a labor stop since 1971, and if the company doesn't get the plants put back together soon there's going to be a late harvest. We want to work and they won't let us in," he said. "We're not getting paid and there is hardship for everyone."

### 25 YEARS AGO

The seven-member Bronc Riders 4-H Club took home 15 ribbons from the Sanilac County Fair July 24-30. Leading the group were Lisa Gornowicz, who took first place in cloverleaf and pole bending competition and second in showmanship, western riding, trail and reining; Kim Kidd, who was the winner in trail, and Tina Kidd, who finished second in pole bending. For her performance, Miss Gornowicz, the daughter of Harold and Karen Gornowicz of Snover, has been chosen to participate in gymkhana class competition at the Michigan State Fair in August.

Two local gridders who were virtually unknown outside the Thumb made big contributions Saturday at the Michigan High School All-Star Football Game. Among the 40 top players participating on the East team in the third annual contest were Dave Osentoski of Cass City and Dan Glidden of Owendale-Gagetown. The May graduates made the best of their once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to help their team defeat the West starts 24-19 at Michigan State University's Spartan Stadium. Glidden, a two-year

all-state wide receiver, all but stole the show by hauling in three passes good for 153 yards and two touchdowns. "It was like a dream for me," the 6-2, 192-pounder said about the touchdown receptions. "I didn't expect to have that good of a performance. All I hoped to do was catch a pass." Osentoski, the former all-state Red Hawk fullback, also had a good day despite playing out of position. "I was chosen for the defensive line but when I got there they put me at (offensive) guard which I haven't played since 11th grade," he commented. "For the first couple days, I was all screwed up, but then it went okay."

Thumb National Bank of Pigeon and Cass City emerged as the top class C team Sunday by besting five other teams. The members are: Jay Dubey, Dave Anderson, Eldy Voelker, Dave Fritz, Terry Swartzendruber, Troy Gunden, John Schmitt, Lee Swartzendruber, Doug Yackle, Tom Kreh, Grant Gunden, Pete Basinger, Dale Ackerman and Red Swartzendruber.

### 35 YEARS AGO

"Mary Hanby Sunday" was observed at First Baptist Church Aug. 5. Miss Hanby has served as Christian Education director at the church for six years and recently resigned to accept a position as vocational counselor at Shepherds Home and School. Union Grove, Wis. Following the morning services, a potluck dinner was held in the church social hall. A program honoring Miss Hanby was held after the dinner. Sunday School Superintendent Dick Shaw led congregational singing and Pastor Lloyd Streeter served as master of ceremonies. The children in primary and junior departments sang a song written and directed by Mrs. Dick Shaw. Tributes to Miss Hanby were presented by Steve Wells, Mark Gunther and Mrs. Walt Zmierski. Letters written by children in several church and Sunday School departments were presented to the guest of honor, as well as a gift of money from the congregation. Mrs. Clyde Wells gave an original reading for the occasion and Miss Hanby gave a brief farewell talk.

John Hacker, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hacker Jr. of Greenland Road, won the senior showmanship trophy with his prize sheep and topped Grand Champion honors with an Oxford ram and ewe in 4-H competition. He narrowly missed winning the coveted Reid Kirk Memorial trophy for best Oxford sheep in the show. He also took a third place in the individual market lamb placings. Other placings were Carl Russell, fourth; Carol Russell, fifth; Ronald Russell, sixth; Donald Russell, seventh, and Mark Cox, eighth.

## Fundraisers to benefit the homeless

Area residents are invited to a Texas "hold 'em" tournament and pig roast to benefit the Tuscola Homeless Coalition and Tuscola Place for Peace.

The event is slated for Sunday, Aug. 17, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 903 Ryan Rd., Caro.

State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) will serve as the chef, serving up a roast pig meal and assorted salads from one to 6 p.m. The cost is \$7.50 for the pork meal and \$5 for barbecue pork sandwiches.

The Texas "hold 'em" tournament will begin at 5:30 p.m., and there will be other games, including blackjack starting at 3 p.m. and charity bingo from 1 to 3 p.m.

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## Summer Mania events draw people of all ages

Why do you enjoy Summer Mania?

Cass City's Summer Mania drew hundreds of people to the Rotary Park for many different reasons.

With the current poor economy, many people find it difficult to go out and have a fun day without having to worry about costs and prices. Cass City's Summer Mania gave people a chance to have some fun at no cost. The free activities, cotton candy and snocones were a big hit with visitors, especially children.

The Summer Mania event was very popular with young children, as they got to play on the inflatable activities for no cost. For 17-year-old Whitney Ganley, seeing the children enjoy themselves is one of the best parts of the day. "Seeing the kids have a good time is the best part," she said.

Ganley is from Cass City and volunteered to supervise one of the inflatables at Summer Mania. "I do it because I work for Thumb National Bank. The bank needed volunteers for this, so I came."

This is Ganley's second year coming to Summer Mania and she looks forward to coming again next year. Seeing how much the day means to people and the excitement on the children's faces is the biggest reason she comes to Summer Mania.



Whitney Ganley

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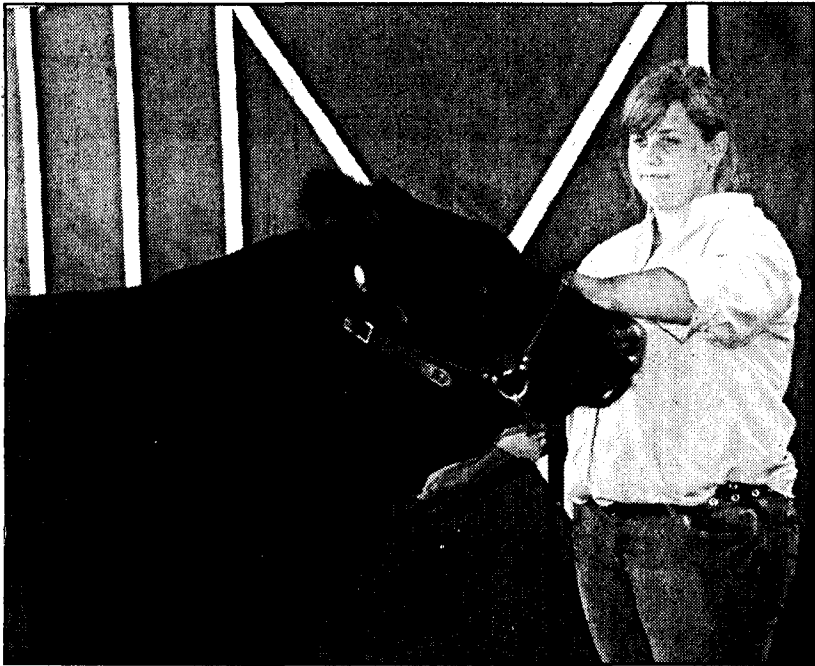
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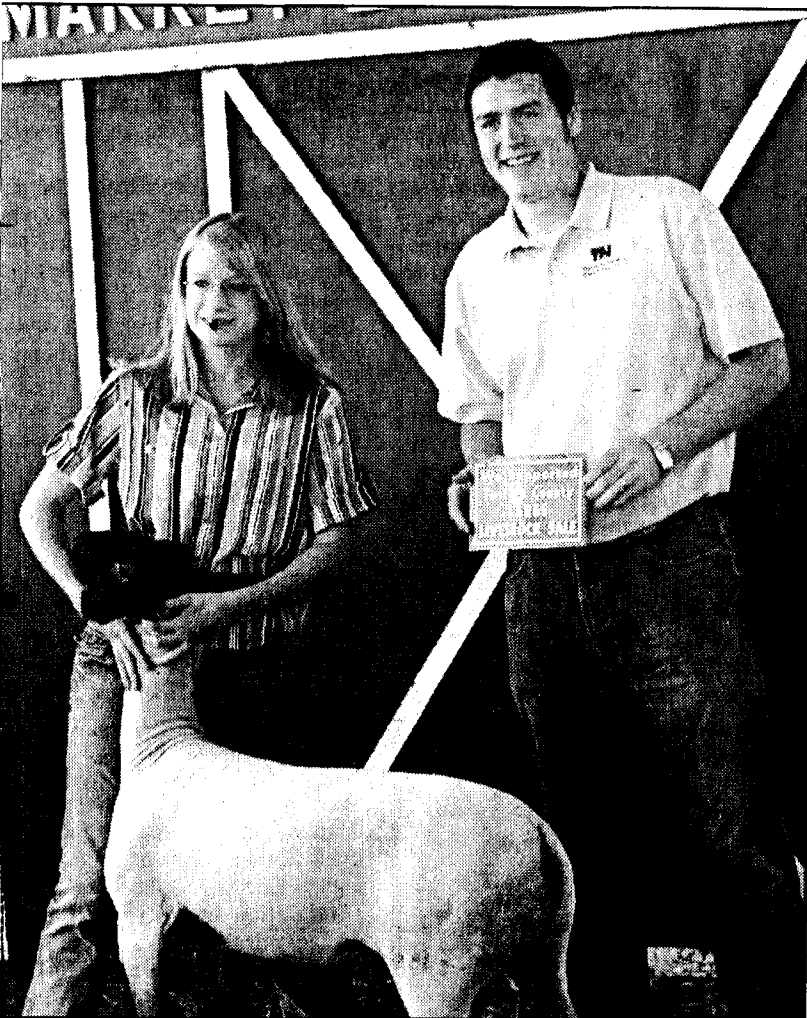
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THE RESERVE GRAND Champion, Reserve Senior Showman honor went to Cass City's Alicia Osentoski, daughter of David and Teresa Osentoski. Osentoski, a member of the 5 Star Livestock 4-H Club, sold her 1,290-pound steer for \$2,300 to Anna Osentoski.



KELSEY RUSSELL, daughter of Donald and Roseann Russell, sold her 109-pound sheep for \$3.25 to Thumb National Bank of Cass City. Eric Brown of Thumb National Bank stands with Russell, a member of the Cass City Livestock 4-H Club, after purchasing her sheep.



SAMANTHA DELONG OF Kingston stands with her 123-pound sheep. Bob and Mary Ann Hirn of Cass City bought the animal for \$2.25 per pound. DeLong's parents are Melissa and Dennis DeLong and she is a member of the 5 Star Livestock 4-H Club.

# We salute today's youth, tomorrow's leaders



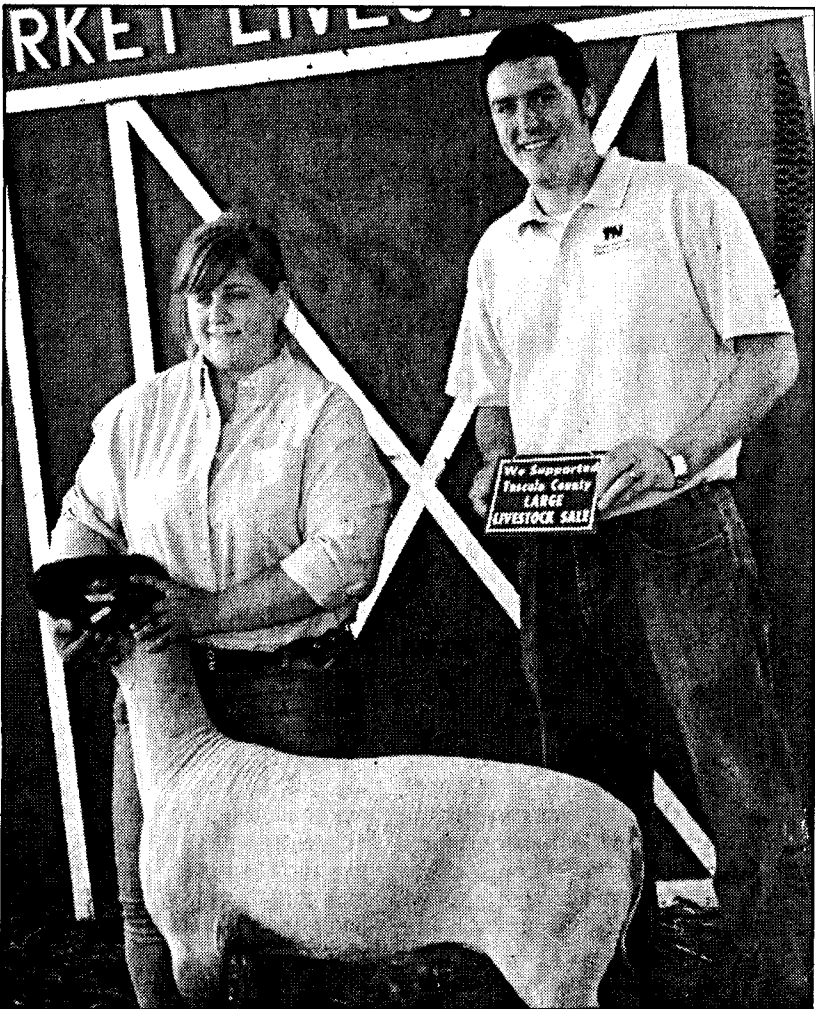
HOYT MERCHANT (left), of Cass City, sold both of his hogs for \$1.50 per pound. One hog was 277 pounds and the other, 261. Merchant, son of Dan and Deanna Merchant and a member of the Cass City Livestock 4-H Club, is pictured with Eric Brown of Cass City's Thumb National Bank. The other buyer was Poet Biorefining from Caro.



DAVE OSENTOSKI bought some market fryer chickens from Cass City's Antoinette Hilliker-Dean. Hilliker-Dean is the daughter of Tina and James Dean and a member of the Goat Busters 4-H Club. Osentoski bought the chickens for \$60.



GRAND CHAMPION BEEF of the market feeders went to Jared Koehler of Kingston. Koehler, a member of the 5 Star Livestock 4-H Club, sold his 434-pound animal for \$2.75 per pound to Roxanne Croft. Koehler's parents are Jason and Melissa Koehler.



THUMB NATIONAL BANK of Cass City bought a 135-pound sheep from Alicia Osentoski for \$3.00. Osentoski is the daughter of David and Teresa Osentoski and a member of the 5 Star Livestock 4-H Club. Osentoski is pictured above with Eric Brown of Thumb National Bank.



ADRIENNE HEEKE WON the honor of Grand Champion for her market fryer chickens. Heeke is the daughter of Anita and Brian Heeke and is a member of the Silverwood Road Runners 4-H Club of Silverwood. She sold her chickens for \$80 to Mayville State Bank.

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# Healthy Living & Senior Lifestyles

## Combat computer-induced eye strain

(MS) In a recent study conducted by researchers at the University of Minnesota, high school kids were found to have drastically increased the amount of time they spent using a computer each week. High school boys spent over 15 hours a week using a computer in 2004, up from nearly 10.5 hours a week in 1999. High school girls over the same period of time saw their usage increase from 8.8 hours per week to just over 11.

While this may or may not lend credence to the notion that Americans are becoming more sedentary, another problem could also be resulting from so much time being spent in front of a computer. Too much time spent staring at a computer screen could potentially be very damaging to a person's vision, regardless of the person's age. To combat eye strain that might result from hours looking at a monitor, consider the following tips.

- **Keep your distance.** Whether you use a desktop or laptop computer, maintain a distance of at least 20 inches between you and the monitor.
- **The need for speed.** A slower computer will force you to spend more time staring at the screen. A faster computer will save you time and do less damage on your vision.
- **Keep the screen clean.** A dirty computer screen can be akin to a dirty windshield on a car. With a dirty wind-

shield, drivers are constantly straining to see the road in front of them. A dirty computer screen forces users to strain to see what they're trying to read. Keep your screen clean by giving it a daily dusting and cleaning any smudges or finger marks.

- **Catch up with the times.** Older monitors don't boast the resolution of LCD monitors that have lower emissions and provide greater focus across the entire monitor. Most new computers are available with LCD monitors that, when compared to the damage they might cause on your vision, are well worth the extra money.

- **Sit up straight.** Mom and Dad were right about the importance of maintaining good posture. Slouching or leaning forwards or backwards while sitting at a computer puts your eyes at a disadvantage, forcing them to strain to see the screen, even if you can't feel that strain. Sit up straight when using the computer and, if you use a laptop, don't keep the computer at an odd angle that makes it more difficult to see the screen.

- **Adjust brightness and contrast.** Try to keep brightness and contrast levels as even as possible. Having a high brightness level and a low contrast level can prove harmful to your vision. Many computers have these levels set at the appropriate levels when you buy them, so you might not need to adjust anything on a new computer.

## Maintaining frozen food safety and freshness

(MS) Frozen foods and previously fresh foods that have been frozen for storage present a distinct advantage for people, particularly the convenience of having meals on demand. But many people are unsure of the safety of freezing, how to do it properly to protect flavor and freshness of an item, and what is the shelf life of a frozen food.

### What Can Be Frozen?

Basically any food, except for canned goods and eggs in shells, can be frozen. Another exception is any product that does not recommend freezing as stated on its packaging. While you can freeze just about anything, the texture and the results upon defrosting the food may not be what you desire. Some foods just don't freeze well, such as cream sauces, soft cheeses, lettuce, etc.

### How Does Freezing Work to Keep Food Safe?

Freezing keeps food safe by slowing the movement of molecules, present. Microorganisms that can cause both food spoilage and foodborne illness actually enter a dormant stage during freezing. Freezing will preserve food, but it will not destroy any microorganisms present. Once the food is thawed, these bacteria, yeasts and mold will become active once again. Handle thawed foods as you would

perishable foods. It's important to note that thorough cooking is the only safe way to destroy foodborne organisms.

### Packaging Foods to Maintain Quality

Meats purchased at the store can be frozen in their supermarket packaging, but the packages are permeable to letting in air. Air is what dries out food and contributes to freezer burn. Freezer burn is not harmful, but it can affect the flavor and the texture of foods once thawed. Airtight foil wrapping, containers, and freezer bags should be used for long-term frozen food storage.

### Frozen Food Shelf Life

Frozen foods can remain safe to eat indefinitely. The only thing long-term freezing may contribute to is a compromise of taste, color or texture. Especially if the food is improperly wrapped. Here are some guidelines for food storage for optimum taste:

- Casseroles: 2 to 3 months
- Hot Dogs: 1 to 2 months
- Meat, uncooked roasts and steaks: 4 to 12 months
- Meat, uncooked ground: 3 to 4 months
- Poultry, uncooked whole: 12 months
- Poultry, uncooked parts: 9 months
- Soups and stews: 2 to 3 months

## A new wrinkle in headache treatment

(MS) — Headache sufferers are finding relief from migraines from an unexpected source. Botox®, the drug best known for reducing wrinkles, is being used to treat headaches. Physicians believe that the drug reduces headache pain because it reduces muscle contractions or blocks a pain-transmitting chemical, or through a combination of both actions.

Wayne T. Cornblath, M.D., neuro-ophthalmologist at the University of Michigan Kellogg Eye Center, says that many of his patients are relieved to find that Botox makes their once debilitating headaches manageable. Mary Anne Brancheau is one such patient who characterizes the treatment as "life altering." Now that the injections are working, she realizes the magnitude of the pain, frustration and fatigue that accompanied her daily headaches. "I tried other medications for years, but nothing really worked. Before, I'd describe my quality of life as mediocre; now I'm productive again, and I'd classify the quality of life as a ten," she says.

Doctors discovered this new use for Botox just a few years ago, when patients reported fewer headaches after receiving injections to reduce wrinkles. Several clinical trials followed, and in June 2002 researchers at the annual meeting of the American Headache Society reported on a study of 134 individuals, most of whom, like Ms. Brancheau, had little success with conventional medica-

tions. Some 84 percent said that Botox had lessened the pain from their migraine, tension, or chronic daily headache. Cornblath says that he sees a similar success rate in his own practice. "In my experience, about one-third of my patients have had complete relief from headaches, and another one-third have found partial relief," Dr. Cornblath observes.

To treat headaches Cornblath administers approximately 10 injections, five in the forehead and five in the back of the neck. The small dose and location of the injections help to minimize side effects, which are generally limited to a slight decrease in ability to move forehead muscles or elevate the eyebrows.

According to Cornblath, "The side effects are negligible, especially when compared to those associated with some of the stronger migraine medications."

The injections take from 1 to 14 days to have an effect, and the benefits last from 2 to 5 months.

For more information, contact the Plastic and Neuro-Ophthalmology Clinic at the U-M Kellogg Eye Center, 734-763-9142.

### Beyond Botox

Innovative treatment options, such as Botox injections to remedy headaches, are continually being investigated. The National Headache Foundation reports that a number of new headache treatments are in the research and trial phases.

- **Generics:** Oral and intranasal generic sumatriptan are expected to be available in 2008 and 2009, respectively (Ranbaxy Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and NovaDel).

- **Inhalation device:** Uses heat to vaporize a drug into an odorless mist that passes through the lungs into the bloodstream. The hope is to provide relief within 60 seconds. The device is currently in clinical trials using prochlorperazine (Staccato from Alexza Molecular Delivery Corp.).

- **Skin patch:** The system uses a transdermal patch containing a drug and a small battery-powered electronic controller that precisely controls the rate and amount of drug released from the patch. A patch is currently in clinical trials using zolmitriptan (Actyve(R) from Vyeris). A sumatriptan transdermal patch based on proprietary SmartRelief(TM) iontophoretic patch technology is in development (NuPathe).

- **Nasal powders:** A powder form of dihydroergotamine is being studied. Currently administered as a nasal spray, the powder form may be easier to use and more rapidly absorbed. (DHE Nasal Powder from Britannia Pharmaceuticals in collaboration with Novartis Pharmaceuticals)

- **New drug combination:** A combination of sumatriptan and naproxen sodium that provides faster, sustained pain relief compared to each individual medication is expected in 2008. (Trexima(R) from Pozen Inc. in conjunction with GlaxoSmithKline). For more information on the latest headache treatments in development, or tips for coping with headaches, visit [www.headaches.org](http://www.headaches.org).

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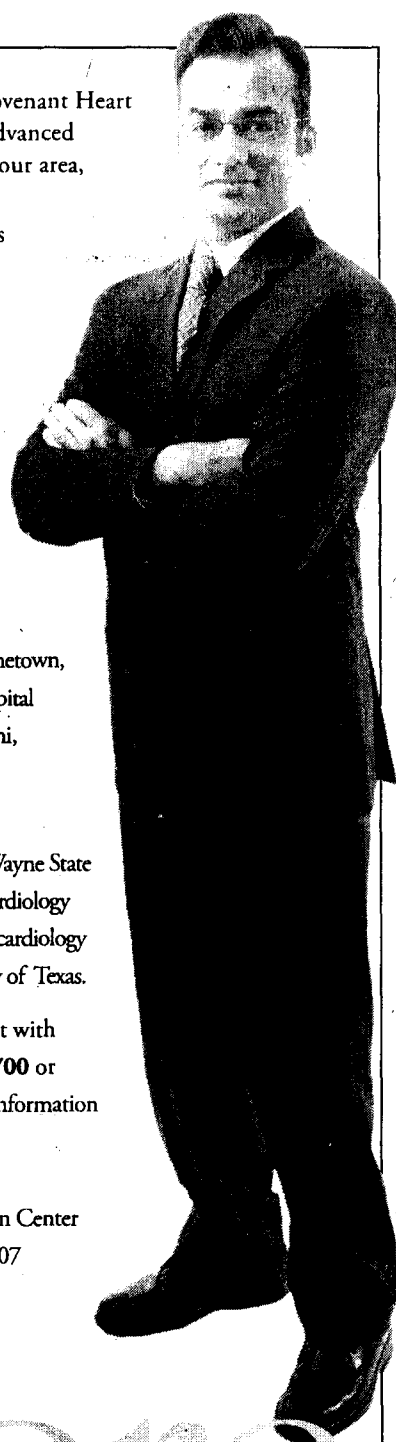
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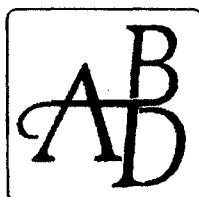
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Obituaries

Jack Groombridge

Jack Ernest Groombridge, 46, of Cass City, passed away suddenly Tuesday, July 29, 2008 at St. Mary's of Michigan, Saginaw.

He was born March 20, 1962 in Cass City, the son of the late Wellington and Donna (Erickson) Groombridge.

He married Diane Herr Oct. 19, 1996 in Cass City.

Jack worked at Lear Manufacturing and also was self-employed as owner of Supreme Window & Gutter Cleaning. He enjoyed fast pitch softball, football and hunting.

Jack is survived by his wife, Diane; Children: Aaron Herr, Lila Herr, Sally Groombridge and Krystal Groombridge; his mother, Donna Groombridge; siblings: Larry (Marie) Groombridge of Traverse City, James (Arlene) Groombridge and Sue (Lee) Voss, both of Cass City; brothers-in-law: Alan Herr of Detroit and Lee Carlisle of Saginaw; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Aug. 2, at Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City, with Pastor Judy Eskilsen of the Cass City Church of the Nazarene officiating.

Memorials may be to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

Mary and Cliff Ryan

Mary and Cliff Ryan, passed away last September and December, respectively, in Gun Barrel City, Texas.

On Monday Aug. 11, the Rev. James Braid will conduct a service at 3 p.m. in Moshier Cemetery, Hemans, located on M-53 (9 1/2 miles south of M-81).

A reception will directly follow at the Cass City United Methodist Church, 5100 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City.



Ellington VBS free for kids

The Ellington Church of the Nazarene will host a free vacation Bible school program, "Power Lab - Discover the Awesome Power of Jesus," from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Aug. 11-13.

The program is free to all children ages 4 through sixth grade. There will be free refreshments and activities for accompanying adults. The church is located on the corner of M-81 and Lazell Road, between Caro and Cass City.

To pre-register, or for more information, call Terri at (989) 673-6002.



Chip Shots

Monday Night Golf League as of July 28

1st Flight	
C. Helwig	155
D. Roth	137
S. Richards	136
M. Lowe	127
R. Tate	126
D. Warner	122
D. Weiler	115
R. Fox	108
D. Ouvry	72

Medallists: C. Helwig 36.

2nd Flight	
D. Iwankovitch	146
J. Peyerk	136
J. Langley	133
T. Kelly	135
J. Hobbs	110
J. Zdrojewski	126
C. Erla	105
D. Mosher	100
D. Curtis	74

Medallist: J. Zdrojewski 38.

3rd Flight	
D. Allen	139
D. Wallace	134
D. Caister	134
J. Smithson	130
T. Hendrick	129
J. Hool	128
L. Robinson	120
B. LeValley	118
T. Lis	87

Medallist: D. Wallace 43.

4th Flight	
T. Phelps	148
H. MacAlpine	139
D. House	124
D. Lautner	122

K. Pobanz	120
D. Keller	119
C. Innis	99
B. Stickle	97

Medallist: D. Lautner 44.

Wednesday Night 2-Man Golf League as of July 30

Division 1 - Early	
Davis/Tate	88
Iwankovitch/Stickle	79
Burns/Kritzman	76
Zdrojewski/Peters	72
Young/Veggian	69
Hobbs/Meck	67
Burns/Caister	66
Hendrick/Wilson	66
Cotton/Israelson	66
Dillon/Tonti	65
Pobanz/Smithson	64*
Bliss/Irrer	58
Alexander/Spencer	54*
Jones/Marshall	53*
Collins/Herron	50
Craig/Knight	42*
Berwick/Greenlee	42
Warner/Wallace	23*

Individual Medallist: B. Kritzman 36.  
Team Medallists: Burns/Kritzman 77, Zdrojewski/Peters 77.

Division 2 - Late	
Hool/Toner	88
Hartel/Brown	79
Martin/Robinson	76
Hillaker/Murphy	71
Langley/Tamlyn	69*
deBeaubien/Lowe	61*
LeValley/Morgan	55
Biddinger/Smith	54*
Prieskorn/Repshinska	54*
Bliss/Krol	51*
Corey/Paul Ulfeg	49*
Doerr/Haire	46
Laurie/Lautner	42*
Osentoski/Schott	41*

Individual Medallist: Hartel 33.  
Team Medallists: Hartel/Brown 72.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by GLORIA SASSER, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns. Mortgagee, dated October 15, 2007, and recorded on October 24, 2007 in Liber 1133 on Page 288, and assigned by said mortgagee to US BANK, NA, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$92,845.20), including interest at 7.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on September 4, 2008.

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

LOT 31 OF ENO SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 39 OF TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

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

Dated: August 1, 2008

US BANK, NA  
Mortgage/Assignee

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accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3242, 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), whichever is later.

Dated: JULY 14, 2008

HSBC Mortgage Services Inc.  
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
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Our File No: 08-95587  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by MARK A. INSKEEP and ANN M. INSKEEP, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to AMERICA'S MONEYLINE, INC., Mortgagee, dated April 8, 2005 and recorded on April 19, 2005 in Liber 1035 on Page 377, and assigned by said mortgagee to DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$126,154.84), including interest at 12.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on September 4, 2008.

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

THE WEST 36 RODS OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 12, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS OF INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER AND ACROSS THE EAST 3 RODS OF THE SOUTH 8 RODS OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 12, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, AS SET FORTH IN CONSENT DECREE NO. 5613 TUSCOLA COUNTY, CIRCUIT COURT, IN CHANCERY.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 1, 2008

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE  
Mortgage/Assignee

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 4, 2008.

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

Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of section 8, Town 13 North, Range 7 East; thence East 290 feet; thence South 200 feet; thence West 290 feet; thence North 200 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: August 6, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Craig L. Proffier and Stacy A. Proffier, W.A.T.A. F/K/A Stacy A. Esterline, as Joint tenants to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Calusa Investments, LLC, Mortgagee, dated November 1, 2005 and recorded December 13, 2005 in Liber 1064 Page 472 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to HSBC Mortgage Services Inc. by assignment dated April 18, 2008 and recorded April 28, 2008 in Liber 1147, Page 1430, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Three Hundred Seven Dollars and Seventy-One Cents (\$120,307.71), including interest 7.99% 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 August 14, 2008.

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

Commencing at the Northwestern corner of Lot 13, Block 7 of B.W. Huston's addition to the city of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 19, now being Page 20 A; thence South 26 degrees 27 minutes 30 seconds West along the Easterly line of Brady 66.02 feet; thence South 63 degrees 40 minutes 15 seconds East, parallel with Southerly line of said Lot 13, 132 feet; thence North 07 degrees 38 minutes 36 seconds East, 115.36 feet to the South line of Athletic Street; thence North 90 degrees West along the South line of Athletic Street 105 feet, more or less to the point of beginning. All being in Block 7 Huston's Addition to the City of Vassar. Commonly known as 206 North Brady Street, Vassar MI 48768.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in

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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 Greg Sinkel, a single man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 14, 2007 and recorded on December 26, 2007 in Liber 1137 on Page 1177 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Nine and 61/100 Dollars (\$90,449.01), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 28, 2008.

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

Commencing at a point that is South 400 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence South 436 feet; thence West 209 feet; thence North 436 feet; thence East 200 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: July 30, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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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 Donald J. Lafrancoise, a married man, and Rachel Lafrancoise, a married woman, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 19, 2004 and recorded on June 4, 2004 in Liber 995 on Page 367 in instrument 2004000851466, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. 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 Fifty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Nine and 50/100 Dollars (\$159,509.50), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 21, 2008.

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

Part of the Northeast quarter of Section 36, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as commencing at the North quarter corner of said Section 36; thence along the North line of said Section 36, North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 247.01 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along said North line of Section 36, North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 581.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 38 seconds West, 900.00 feet; thence South 98 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 581.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes 38 seconds East, 900.00 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: July 23, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DONALD J. JACOT and DEANNA S. JACOT, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 12, 2006 and recorded on August 1, 2006 in Liber 1089 on Page 997, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Seventeen Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$138,817.80), including interest at 9.140% 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 Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on August 28, 2008.

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

PART OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER (1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION FIVE (5), TOWNSHIP TEN (10) NORTH, RANGE SEVEN (7) EAST, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION FIVE (5) WHICH IS NORTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 33 SECONDS

WEST, 447.50 FEET FROM THE NORTH ONE-QUARTER (1/4) CORNER OF SECTION FIVE (5); THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, NORTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 33 SECONDS WEST 205.00 FEET; THENCE AT RIGHT ANGLES TO SAID NORTH LINE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 27 SECONDS WEST, 233.00 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL TO SAID NORTH LINE OF SECTION FIVE (5), SOUTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 33 SECONDS EAST 205.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 27 SECONDS EAST 233.00 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION FIVE (5) AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

Dated: July 25, 2008

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

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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 Phyllis S. Stuart, an unmarried woman, and David F. Stuart and Shirley Stuart, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 7, 2006, and recorded on January 17, 2007 in Liber 1108 on Page 1160 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Seven and 76/100 Dollars (\$129,847.76), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 4, 2008.

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

Parcel B: A parcel of land located in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 5, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, Township of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: the East 200.00 feet of the West 363.00 feet of the South 96.00 feet of the South half of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 5. Also the East 200 feet of the West 363.00 feet of the North 204.00 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 5. Also the East 120.00 feet of the West 363.00 feet of the South 70.00 feet of the North 274.00 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 5. Together with a 33 foot wide easement for ingress, egress and public utilities, described as: the East 33 feet of the West 363.00 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 5, lying North of the centerline of Swaffler Road.

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: August 6, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas F. Stark and Ruby A. Stark, Husband and Wife, to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated September 24, 2004 and recorded October 27, 2004 in Liber 1014, Page 77, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Soundview Home Loan Trust 2005-1 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand One Hundred Ten and 80/100 Dollars (\$121,110.80), 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 AUGUST 28, 2008.

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

Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Block 24, and Lots 1, 2, 9 and 10 of Block 31, the plat of the Village of Fostoria, Section 5 Town 10 North Range 9 East Watertown Township, Tuscola County Records and Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 10 of W.W. Crapo's Addition, to the Village of Fostoria, thence West 170 feet thence South 125 feet, thence East 170 feet, thence North 175 feet to the point of beginning, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11 now being Page 7B, Watertown Township, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: July 30, 2008

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Krystyna Rollo, a single woman, to Argent Mortgage Company LLC, Mortgagee, dated November 17, 2006 and recorded December 15, 2006 in Liber 1105 Page 1033 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to US Bank National Association, as Trustee, in trust for the registered certificate holders of Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-AMC2, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-AMC2, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars and Forty-Nine Cents (\$91,892.49), including interest 10.95% 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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on August 28, 2008.

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

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter on Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence running North 10 rods; thence East 4 rods; thence South 10 rods; thence West 4 rods to the place of beginning. Also commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 2, Block 4 of the Village of Millington; thence North 8 rods; thence East 4 rods; thence South 8 rods; thence West 4 rods to the place of beginning. Commonly known as 4630 Main Street, Millington MI 48746.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 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), whichever is later.

Dated: JULY 28, 2008

US Bank National Association, as Trustee, in trust for the registered certificate holders of Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-AMC2, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-AMC2 Assignee of Mortgage

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Our File No: 08-96229

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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Douglas Halsine, a single man, and Jenna Johnson, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for Accredited Home Lenders, Inc., a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 28, 2006 and recorded on August 16, 2006 in Liber 1091, Page 1018, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Two Thousand One Hundred Seven Dollars and 07/100 (\$92,107.07), including interest at the rate of 10.699% 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 August 21, 2008.

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

Lot 1, Block 22, Map of the Village of Fostoria, Village of Fostoria, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, Pages 44 to 45, now being pages 45A-46A. 555 SAGINAW ST.

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: July 23, 2008

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
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Our File No. 182.00044

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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 Mary O. Vernier, a married woman, and Allan R. Vernier, her husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 21, 2007 and recorded on October 9, 2007 in Liber 1131 on Page 1305 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Seven and 24/100 Dollars (\$141,727.24), 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 September 4, 2008.

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

Lot 22, Formento Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 55B

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: August 6, 2008

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James E. Garcia and Domnica Garcia, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated October 18, 2001 and recorded on December 5, 2001 in Liber 851 on Page 488, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Mortgage Company, an Ohio Corporation 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 Eighty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Twelve and 13/100 Dollars (\$86,712.13), 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 September 4, 2008.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 31, Township 13 North, Range 7 East, described as: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 31; thence along the West line of said Section, North 230.00 feet; thence parallel to the South line of Section 31, North 89 degrees 42 minutes 03 seconds East, 425.00 feet; thence parallel to the West line of Section 31, South 230.00 feet to the South line of Section 31; thence along said South Section line, South 89 degrees 42 minutes 03 seconds West, 425.00 feet to the Southwest corner of Section 31 and the point of beginning. Subject to easements, restrictions, reservations 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: August 6, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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8-6-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Emm M. Biddle, a single woman, to New Century Mortgage Corporation, 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 Sixty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Eight and 74/100 Dollars (\$162,968.74), including interest at 10.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on SEPTEMBER 4, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of Junata, 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 degree 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 degree 47 minutes 18 seconds East 1313.89 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: August 6, 2008

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File No. 222.1157

8-6-4

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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 John P. Bender II, a single man, original mortgagor, to DMR Financial Services, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 1, 1999 and recorded on February 2, 1999 in Liber 761 on Page 1456, and recorded on March 24, 1999 in Liber 767 on Page 068, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation 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 Fifty-Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Two and 83/100 Dollars (\$53,232.83), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some

part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 23, 2008.

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

Commencing at a point 23 rods, 7 feet West of the Southeast corner of the East half of the Southwest quarter thence; North 26 rods West 169 feet, South 26 rods, East 169 feet to the point of beginning, Section 29, Town 13 North, Range 10 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: July 30, 2008

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7-30-4

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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 Myriah Buschbacher, a single woman, original mortgagor, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated April 4, 2006 and recorded on April 20, 2006 in Liber 1078 on Page 49 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Eight and 95/100 Dollars (\$72,428.95), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 4, 2008.

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

PARCEL B: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 16, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, which is South 89 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds East, 920.00 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 16; thence continuing along said South line, South 89 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds East, 54.02 feet; thence along the West line of East Street, North 00 degrees 03 minutes 37 seconds East, 230.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds West, 42.25 feet; thence parallel to the West line of said Section 16, South 96.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds West 12.00 feet; thence South 133.50 feet to the North line of said Section 16 and the point of beginning.

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



# Legal Notices

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Geraldine A. Dibble, a single woman, Mortgagee, to Conesco Finance Servicing Corp., f/k/a Green Tree Servicing Corp., Mortgagee, dated the 20th day of September, 2000 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, For The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 4th day of October, 2000 in Liber 812 of Tuscola County Records, page 309, son which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of (\$55,489.98), 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 provided, notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of August, 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, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on Thursday, August 28, 2008.

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

Part of the South 1/2 of the Northwest fractional 1/4 of Section 31, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 31; thence along the West Section line, North 00 degrees 37 minutes 35 seconds West 150.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 13 minutes 10 seconds East 250.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 37 minutes 35 seconds East 150.00 feet; thence along the East-West Quarter line, South 89 degrees 13 minutes 10 seconds West 250.00 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL ID: 014-031-000-0750-00

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241 or MCLA 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 MCLA 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: June 27, 2008

The Bank of New York as Trustee for Equity One, Inc. Mortgage Pass Through Certificate Series 2005-1 assignee of Mortgagee

Richard A. Green, Attorneys  
30150 N. Telegraph Rd., Ste 444  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
(248) 540-7665

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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: 7/16/2008

Green Tree Servicing Corp.  
Mortgagee

**FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.**  
Attorney for Green Tree Servicing Corp.  
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470  
Troy, MI 48064  
248-362-2600

7-16-4

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by FRANK L. WASKOSKI, of 9614 Boucher Road, Otter Lake, MI 48464, Mortgagee, to FENTURA MORTGAGE, INC., P.O. Box 725, 101 N. Leroy, Fenton, MI 48430, Mortgagee, dated January 25, 2007 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan, on February 22, 2007, in Liber No. 1111 at Pages 822-839, Instrument No. 200700892527, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal the sum of Two Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Nine and 07/100 Dollars (\$239,389.07), plus interest, from the date of this notice, until paid, at the rate of eight percent (8%) per year. And no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage or any part thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Thursday, August 14, 2008, at ten o'clock (10:00) in the forenoon, local time, the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the front steps of the Tuscola County Courthouse, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for Tuscola County is held), of the premises described in the mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on the mortgage, with interest thereon at the rate of eight percent (8%) per year, 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.

The premises are located in Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as follows:

Lot 49, North Lake Assessor's Plat #2, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 5 of Plats, Page 31-35, Tuscola County Records.

Tax Parcel No. 021-900-460-1800-00

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, in accordance with MCL 600.3240(8), unless the property is deemed abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 3241a(c) expires, whichever is later, as provided in MCL 600.3240(11).

**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.

Dated: June 30, 2008

Fentura Mortgage, Inc.  
P.O. Box 725  
Fenton, MI 48430

**COOLEY MOULTON & SMITH**  
BY: Steven W. Moulton, P-28282  
727 S. Grand Traverse Street  
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(810) 767-1520

7-16-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paula Holmen, a single woman, to "MERS" is Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. MERS is a separate corporation that is acting solely as a nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns. MERS is the mortgagee under this Security Instrument. Lender is Michigan Fidelity Acceptance Corp., d/b/a Franklin Mortgage Funding, Mortgagee, dated November 10, 2004 and recorded on November 19, 2004 in Liber 1018 on page 457, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Bank of New York as Trustee for Equity One, Inc. Mortgage Pass Through Certificate Series 2005-1, by an assignment recorded in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Seven and 70/100 Dollars (\$123,407.70), including interest at a 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 21, 2008.

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

Part of the Northwest quarter of Section 36, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, beginning at a point on the North and South quarter line of said Section which is South 00 degrees 27 minutes 30 seconds East, 1100.00 feet from the North quarter of said Section; thence continuing South 00 degrees 27 minutes 30 seconds East 330.00; thence South 89 degrees 08 minutes 00 seconds West 1328.06 feet; thence North 00 degrees 30 minutes 58 seconds West 330.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 08 minutes 00 seconds East, 1328.39 feet to point of beginning subject to and together with an easement for ingress and egress in easement description below: Being a part of the Northeast quarter of Section 36, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as lying 33.00 feet either side of a line described as beginning at a point on the North line of Section 36

that is North 89 degrees 23 minutes 16 seconds East 1329.48 feet along said North line from the Northwest corner of Section 36, said point also being South 89 degrees 23 minutes 16 seconds West 1329.48 feet along said North line from the North quarter corner of Section 36, thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes 58 seconds East 2645.28 feet along the West, North and South 1/8 line to the East and West quarter line of said section 36 and the terminus of said center line.

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: July 23, 2008

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File #212247F01

7-23-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Clinton Grover married to Tina Grover, a/k/a Tina M. Grover, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 9, 2005 and recorded June 22, 2005 in Liber 1043, Page 30, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Encore Credit Receivables Trust 2005-2 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Seven and 47/100 Dollars (\$93,247.47), including interest at 8.89% 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 SEPTEMBER 4, 2008.

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

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 12, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; running thence South 88 degrees 54 minutes East 281.0 feet along the North Section line; thence South 00 degrees 33 minutes East 355.0 feet; thence North 88 degrees 54 minutes West 281.0 feet; thence North 00 degrees 33 minutes West 355.0 feet along the West Section line to the point of beginning, being part of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 12, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, including road right of ways as shown, subject to easements and right of ways 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.

**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: August 6, 2008

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248-502-1400  
File No. 231.7183

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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 Gregory March, a/k/a Gregory J. March, and Sherry March, a/k/a Sherry A. March, Husband and Wife, original mortgagees, to First of America Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated January 21, 1998 and recorded on January 26, 1998 in Liber 728 on page 994, and assigned by meane assignments to Fifth Third 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 Twenty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Four and 68/100 Dollars (\$26,464.68), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 21, 2008.

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

A Parcel of land in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point of the West line of said Section 15 which is 660.00 feet, South 00 degrees 51 minutes 37 seconds East, from the Northwest corner of said section 15; thence North 88 degrees 59 minutes 53 seconds East, parallel with the North section line, 743.0 feet; thence South 00 degrees 51 minutes 37 seconds East, parallel with the West section line, 897.07 feet; thence North 76 degrees 14 minutes 05 seconds West, on the Northerly right of way line of the C.S.X. Railway being a line which is 33.00 feet, measured at right angles, Northerly from the centerline of said railway, 767.88 feet; thence North 00 degrees 51 minutes 37 seconds West, on the West section line, 701.34 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: July 23, 2008

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7-23-4

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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 Michael W. Cervantes, a married man, and Debra J. Cervantes, his wife, original mortgagees, to Fentura Mortgage Company, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 4, 2001 and recorded on December 4, 2001 in Liber 851 on Page 29, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Principal Residential Mortgage Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Seventy and 16/100 Dollars (\$139,570.16), 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 August 21, 2008.

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

The East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 20, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: July 23, 2008

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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 Deborah A. O'Brien and James S. O'Brien, wife and husband, original mortgagees, to Foundation Financial Group, Mortgagee, dated June 26, 2006 and recorded on July 10, 2006 in Liber 1087 on Page 702 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I, Inc. Trust 2006-HE8, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-HE8 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Seven and 59/100 Dollars (\$103,377.59), including interest at 8.3% 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 August 21, 2008.

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

Lot 23, Block 7 of Charles Montague's Subdivision to the Village of Caro, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 10, now being Page 11A.

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: July 23, 2008

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File #206828F02

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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 Orville D. Atwell, Jr., an unmarried man, original mortgagee, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 21, 2006 and recorded on July 12, 2006 in Liber 1087 on Page 1214, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on October 13, 2006 in Liber 1099 on Page 183 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 One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Two and 97/100 Dollars (\$126,362.97), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 21, 2008.

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

Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 17, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Koylton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; Thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 23 seconds East 670.0 feet along the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 17 to the point of beginning; running thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 23 seconds East 323.32 feet along the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 17; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes 09 seconds East 1325.72 feet; thence

North 89 degrees 54 minutes 16 seconds West 33.38 feet along the South 1/8 line of said Section 17; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes East 75.29 feet; thence North 75 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds West 136.43 feet; thence South 88 degrees 55 minutes 52 seconds West 413.23 feet; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes East 216.36 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 23 seconds East 255.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes East 1007.21 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 17, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Koylton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

Property includes a permanently affixed 2002 COSC2860-02 Spring Creek Manufactured Housing Unit, Serial No. 100767TG, which by intention of the parties shall constitute a part of the realty and shall pass with it, as evidenced by Affidavit of Affixture of Manufactured Home to be recorded at time of closing.

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: July 23, 2008

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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
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**ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas W. Stewart, a married man, and Kimberly Stewart, a/k/a Kim J. Stewart, His Wife, original mortgagees, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 22, 2005 and recorded on March 15, 2005 in Liber 1031 on Page 1, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Nine and 45/100 Dollars (\$139,639.45), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 28, 2008.

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

Part of the Northwest quarter of Section 28, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as follows: Beginning at the West quarter corner of said Section 28; thence North 00 degrees 07 minutes 28 seconds East along the West line of said Section, 243.51 feet; thence South 89 degrees 43 minutes 10 seconds East 787.78 feet to the centerline of ditch; thence South 14 degrees 05 minutes 51 seconds West along the centerline of ditch, 240.69 feet; thence South 89 degrees 38 minutes 12 seconds West along the East-West quarter line as occupied, 729.70 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: July 30, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #189369F02

7-30-4

**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Brett Southworth, a single man, 4383 Caline Rd., Vassar, MI 48768 to Main Street Bank, 133 W. Main Street, Suite 100, Northville, MI 48167, Mortgagee, dated September 20, 2005 and recorded on September 29, 2005 in Liber 1055 on Page 1063, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Four and 40/100 Dollars (\$191,674.40), including interest at 6.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on September 4, 2008.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 3, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, being further described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 836.62 feet along the West Section line to the point of beginning; thence continue along said Section line, North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 339.11 feet; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 01 seconds East 1330.25 feet to the West 1/8 line; thence along said 1/8 line, South 00 degrees 04 minutes 07 seconds West 338.94 feet; thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes 35 seconds West 1329.85 feet to the West Section line and the point of beginning. Subject to any and all easements and/or right-of-way whether used, implied, or of record.

Parcel ID: 020-003-000-0800-06

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 23, 2008

Main Street Bank, Mortgagee  
133 W. Main Street, Suite 100  
Northville, MI 48167

Attorneys: Mammina & Ajlouny, P.C.  
Anthony G. Mammina  
370 E. Maple Road, Suite 230  
Birmingham, MI 48009

7-30-5

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Thomas V. Purtil and Pamela L. Purtil, Husband and Wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Novastar Mortgage



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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael C. Darrow and Elizabeth P. Darrow, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 26, 2004 and recorded on April 12, 2004 in Liber 987 on Page 841, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc. 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 Twenty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-One and 73/100 Dollars (\$125,861.73), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on August 21, 2008.

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

Lot 3, Block 2, of the Plat Village of Gates (Now Reese). According to the Plat Recorded in Liber 29 of Deeds, page 115 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: July 23, 2008

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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
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7-23-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by SHANE FOX, AN UNMARRIED MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 14, 2006 and recorded on August 17, 2006 in Liber 1091 on Page 1392, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred One Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$101,560.77), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on August 14, 2008.

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

FROM THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 30 EAST 394.5 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE EAST 150 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 290 FEET 6 INCHES; THENCE WEST 150 FEET; THENCE NORTH 290 FEET 6 INCHES TO POINT OF BEGINNING BEING PART OF SECTION 34, TOWN 13 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST.

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

Dated: July 11, 2008

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

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.  
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450  
Southfield, MI 48075

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Friedhelm Illian and Susan Illian, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 12, 2004 and recorded on September 7, 2004 in Liber 1007 on Page 622 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Household Finance Corporation III as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Six and 03/100 Dollars (\$172,256.03), including interest at 10% 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 August 14, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 29 and 30 of Evergreen Acres, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 3, Page 23, Tuscola County Records. Subject to all building restrictions, easements and reservations in the chain of title, or of record or which would show in examination of the premises.

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: July 16, 2008

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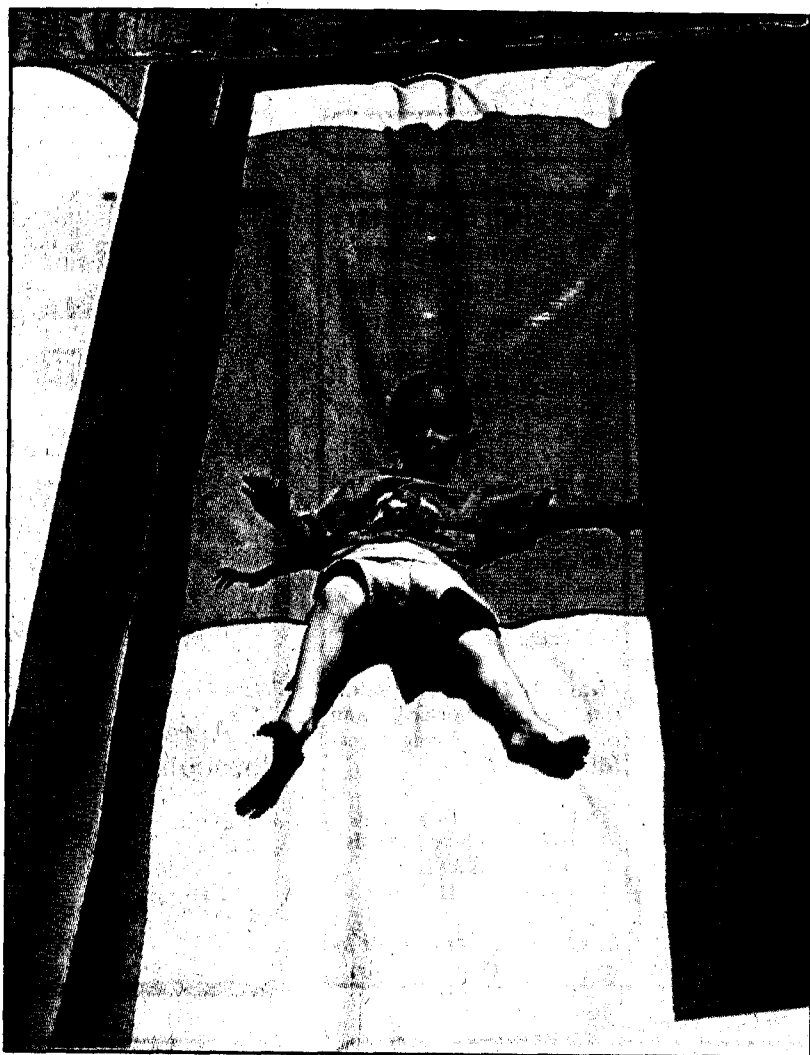
## Owen-Gage school board rehires Fritz

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District from the North Central Thumb League (NCTL). Compton cited cost, distance to travel and "consideration of sportsmanship" as reasons to support the request to remove Memphis from the NCTL. "Memphis does not fit in with the balance of the league," Compton said. The board had no disagreements and the superintendents of the league will be responsible for making a decision on this matter. If removed from the NCTL, Memphis will be able to either compete individually or find another league.

The board accepted, with appreciation, resignations from Ricky Behm, Ann Garske and Chuck Wright. The board discussed issues with sports and funding. Compton explained the difficulty to pay for a team to go to an away game and only play one game or not have enough people participate. Two major points of discussion were the golf and cheerleading teams. Compton said neither team tends to have enough people. While the board discussed the issue, they did not immediately make a decision on this matter. The board also supported the 2008-2009 support staff wage schedule, though specific numbers were not made known.

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas



CALVIN BOSLEY SLIDES down one of the 5 free inflatables at Cass City's Summer Mania. Bosley, 3, was at the event with his grandmother, Donna Daniel. Many children enjoyed the day's activities. Dee Mulligan, of the Chamber of Commerce, said she is glad to be able to provide an event like this. "I think it's huge. Especially this year people are having a hard time taking their kids places and doing fun things because of costs." All of the activities at Summer Mania were free. The only cost for the public was food from vendors.

## A day in the life of... No typical day for Nicols

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lations themselves.

While the Nicols do most of their work for individuals, they both agreed there is no way to describe a "nor-

mal" day. "There's no such thing as a typical day. One day we could be building a door, the next day we could be at the other end of the state bidding for a job," Dave said.

The combination of being artisans

and working for themselves provides the Nicols with work days that are different all the time. Having the variety and change in their everyday lives is a great part of the job for both Mimi and Dave. "Each door is different. They're very intricate and involved," Mimi said. "I couldn't imagine doing the same thing all day," Dave said.

Unlike many other businesses and workers, the Nicols have been fortunate enough to not be extremely affected by the current economy. Dave said most of their clientele has not been hurt by the poor economy, which means they are not affected, either. Much of their work is done in large, wealthy cities, such as Bloomfield Hills and Petoskey. And, business does not seem to slow down at any particular part of the year for the Nicols, either. There have been times when they have had customers on a 2-year waiting list because work was so busy.

The Nicols have a shop behind their house where they do their work. "This shop has been here about 4 years," Dave said. Working out of their home has given them the freedom to do what they really enjoy, but it comes at a price.

"When you're self-employed, you work a lot more hours than people think," Dave said. "I average 65 to 80 hours a week," he said. Mimi averages at least 50 hours a week, he added. "You also have to take care of the business side," Mimi said. "Monday is paperwork day." The Nicols have both worked other jobs while working as independent artisans. Mimi said she has worked for interior design companies and Dave has also worked with other companies. "Whatever it takes to make a living," Dave said. However, despite the long hours and occasionally having to work second jobs, the Nicols enjoy being self-employed. "It's the flexibility," Dave said as one of the reasons. "The creativity, and you can disappear when you need to. You don't have to tell your boss," Mimi said.

For Mimi, being self-employed means getting to work with the arts council, which she and her husband set up. "We just wanted to do something for the community. We wanted to bring artists into the community," she said. "There are at least 20 to 30 artisans in the area that people don't know of. This is a way to showcase them," Dave said.

Mimi added that the arts council organizes art shows, giving artists a chance to show off their work. "We're having an art show August 22 and 23 in the Lions Pavilion at the park," Mimi said. The show, which will have food, music and a magician for children, will run Friday evening and most of the day Saturday.

## Tuscola, Huron bag grants

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formation, including demographics and marketing, that is available via the Michigan Electronic Library (MEL).

"We're hoping this pilot program will allow some of these databases that are available at some of the libraries to be used," he said. "We're talking about working with, primarily, existing business that need a little assistance with marketing or to identify new customers, or using these databases."

The \$45,000 grant awarded to the Tuscola County Enterprise Facilitation Project, meanwhile, will be used to assist new business owners and create jobs in the county over the next several years.

The enterprise facilitation project, in cooperation with the Sirolli Institute,

focuses on working one-on-one with promising entrepreneurs and existing businesses, and offers free technical assistance to help "incubate" small businesses. The effort, which is expected to create at least 25 new jobs annually, emphasizes a client-driven approach, meaning that all the motivation and drive to succeed must come from those who want to own and operate their own business.

Tuscola County is the first area east of the Mississippi River to host the program and could serve as an example and pilot for similar projects in other regions of Michigan as well as on the East Coast.

A local board of management, composed of more than 50 volunteer civic and community leaders, is overseeing the effort.

The project's expenses to-date in-

clude \$124,000 to be paid over 3 years to the Sirolli Institute. In addition, Green's salary has been set at \$55,000 annually. Other expenses are \$7,000 for evaluation services provided by MSU, and \$7,000 for miscellaneous expenses.

On the revenue side, the project has now received 2 USDA Rural Business Enterprise grants totaling \$75,000, including the check for \$45,000 presented Friday. MSU officials have also pledged \$75,000 over the first 3 years of the effort, and the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners approved a one-time contribution of \$48,000. In addition, contributions from local governmental units, financial institutions, utility companies, cellular phone companies, Rural Partners of Michigan and individuals have added up to \$35,000.

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