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## Board approves kitchen upgrades, new walkway

The Cass City Board of Education Monday started the wheels in motion to spend the bulk of the district's remaining bond issue dollars.

The bond issue, approved by voters last spring, initially generated nearly \$7 million, which school officials are utilizing to tackle projects ranging from new doors and windows to roof and boiler repair/replacement. Even after those projects, however, the district has found itself some \$1.1 million under budget, prompting school officials to reconvene a community advisory committee that was first charged with narrowing the scope of planned capital outlay projects.

School Supt. Ron Wilson told the board Monday that the committee recommended using the leftover money to fund upgrades to the central kitchen at the high school and for construction of an enclosed walkway between Campbell Elementary School and the Cass City Early Childhood Education Center.

The board approved motions to have drawings and bid specifications drawn up for the projects, and to seek bids for the work.

Wilson noted that preliminary estimates indicate the kitchen upgrades will cost \$500,000 to \$600,000, while the walkway will carry a price tag of \$140,000 to \$150,000. The district also plans to complete roughly \$150,000 worth of electrical infrastructure upgrades at the elementary school, leaving the required \$300,000 to \$350,000 contingency fund.

### ALCOHOL POLICY

Turning to other matters during the regular monthly meeting, the board reviewed a proposed policy that would allow trained school personnel to require students to submit to breathalyzer tests in situations where officials suspect a student has consumed alcohol.

sumed alcohol.

High school Principal Chad Daniels recommended the new policy, saying he is concerned that some students are attending school functions, particularly dances, while under the influence of alcohol.

"I can smell it, but how can you prove it? It's just a tough situation to walk into," he told the board. "If some kids are gutsy enough to do it here, what are they going to do off-campus, at prom?"

Under the policy, a student suspected of alcohol use in any amount would be subject to a breathalyzer test, and refusal to take the test would be construed as an admission of alcohol use. The policy states school officials would also continue to use traditional observable behaviors, such as impaired speech and/or physical coordination, to determine whether a student has used alcohol. A breathalyzer test would not be necessary to find that a student is under the influence.

Daniels said school districts that have implemented such policies have found that the number of incidents involving alcohol decline due to the fear of getting caught. "The number one thing is, it's a deterrent," he added. "We're going to put an end to this problem."

In keeping with past practice, the board delayed action on the policy for one month.

### IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business, the board:  
•Offered Wilson a one-year extension on his revolving, 3-year contract following an evaluation of his performance. That evaluation, discussed in executive session and presented in open session at Wilson's request, revealed "superior" or near superior grades in each category in which the

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CASS CITY NATIVE Kathy Wood, now of San Jose, Calif., holds a photo of her son, Philip, and a copy of her e-book, "Why did Philip have to die?". The book chronicles Wood's experiences as a parent facing the loss of a child — Philip, who died at the age of 7 after being struck by a car just east of Cass City nearly 16 years ago.

## Wood publishes book

## A grieving mother questions, "Why did Philip have to die?"

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

*"As I grow older, my greatest fear is that I will forget Philip, and that the memories of him will fade to the point of not being able to recall them any longer. His picture on the wall that hangs amongst the other children's never changes. Each school year new pictures are taken showing changes in the children's faces from the previous year. These are replaced annually until their senior year. Philip's never changes, he doesn't have a senior year picture. What should have been some of the happiest, most memorable days of his life came to an abrupt halt one Saturday evening in June."*

—From the e-book, "Why did Philip have to die?", by Kathy Wood.

Kathy Wood can't help but smile when she talks about her son, Philip Adams, the third youngest of her 4 sons.

He was a typical, energetic youngster who enjoyed playing T-ball. "He loved to swing. Even just sitting in a chair, he would rock," she says. "He was full of energy. He had just finished kindergarten and was excited about going to school in the fall" for a full day as a first grader.

But Philip, 7, would never return to school.

The chilling memories of a summer evening nearly 16 years ago — when Philip ran into the path of a car just east of Cass City and was fatally injured — also remain vivid for Wood, a Cass City native now living in San Jose, Calif.

The accident occurred shortly after Philip and his brothers had eaten supper at home, a large brick house next to what is now Pebbles Plus, across from the former Sherman's Restaurant building. The boys had been playing with the Shermans' grandchildren most of the day when they crossed the highway.

"I was working in my flowers at the time and I could hear it. You knew what it was but you didn't want to

know," Wood recalled of the moment she heard the impact.

"It's something you never get over," she commented Friday while visiting her parents, Bob and Joyce McArthur, at their Cass City home, less than a mile from the scene of the accident that claimed her son's life June 27, 1993.

Wood recently published her memories of that day and others related to dealing with her grief in a book she titled, "Why did Philip have to die?", on the website [www.smashwords.com](http://www.smashwords.com).

Coming up with the title wasn't difficult she indicated. "That's what my youngest son (Joseph, now 20), used to ask me, because he was only 4 at the time," she noted.

"It's (book) like a mother's journey, trying to answer the question," Wood explained. "It's mostly just my personal feelings. I want other people who have lost a child to know they're not alone."

Wood began writing the book about 18 months ago and opted to go with self-publishing on the Internet in the wake of frustrating efforts to find a publisher. "I've always liked writing. I was assistant editor of the school newspaper, and I have always liked to physically write," she said, adding she's found the written word to be the most effective when trying to express herself.

Her book covers a myriad of topics, including her own shock as she ran to her son's side on the road. She remembers veteran EMT and Elkland Township Fire Chief Ron Pawloski and his wife, Sue, a nurse, stopping at the scene as they were returning home from a day out, and how the couple rushed to administer first aid.

Wood also recalled her son's battle to survive over the next day, as his brain activity gradually declined to the point where doctors at St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw declared him brain dead. And the decision to donate his organs.

"To me, that was a no-brainer," said Wood, whose only regret was that she wasn't able to hold Philip when he died.

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## Kingston teen home, safe but questions unanswered

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

More questions than answers remained over the weekend when a Kingston area teen, missing for 5 days, was returned to her mother by troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro.

"There are just so many questions, but we don't have the answers yet," Candy Pohlod, mother of the girl, Justine Adams, 16, commented Sunday afternoon. Pohlod was contacted by troopers early Sunday morning with the news that her daughter had been found, safe and sound, and that Pohlod could pick Adams up at the post.

However, investigators offered her little information regarding where her daughter had been or the circumstances surrounding her disappearance during the early morning hours of Tuesday, March 17. They told her only that the investigation is continuing.

"They (police) haven't told us anything. They have just asked us not to pursue anything right now," Pohlod said. "I'm just glad that she's healthy."

Family members posted flyers throughout the area, including businesses in Cass City, after Adams, a junior at Kingston High School, disappeared. The flyers asked anyone with information to contact Pohlod.

"It's been overwhelming - the number of people who offered to help. People were calling me, saying, 'I go all over the Thumb on my job, do you mind if I take a flyer and post it?'" Pohlod said.

"It was just overwhelming, the community support," she added. "Unbelievable. Unbelievable. I know I'll never pass another flyer and not remember all the people who helped us get our daughter back safe."

## 2 motorists seriously hurt in accident

Two drivers were seriously injured in a 2-vehicle head-on collision south of Cass City Friday afternoon.

Investigators with the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department reported the crash, involving a total of 3 vehicles, occurred at about 3:20 p.m. on Kingston Road, south of Chapin Road in Kingston Township.

Tuscola County Undersheriff Glen Skrent said the accident occurred when a northbound pickup truck driven by 37-year-old Ricky Howey of Gagetown crossed into the southbound lane of travel. A southbound car driven Laura Cotton, 38, of DeFord, swerved to miss the pickup and went off the roadway into a ditch, but another pickup truck behind her car was not able to avoid the northbound pickup and the trucks collided, according to Skrent, who identified the third driver as Gregory Woodruff, 35, of Cass City.

"The drivers of both pickups suspected," Skrent said.

## Siren testing set for severe weather

Spring isn't always accompanied by spring-like weather in Michigan, but Tuscola County Emergency Management officials are gearing up for warmer weather just the same.

And those preparations include planning for the worst that spring storms can bring to the Thumb.

The threat of damaging thunderstorms and tornadoes each summer is behind Severe Weather Awareness Week, established by the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness and Gov. Jennifer Granholm. This year's observance is slated for the week of March 29-April 4.

In conjunction with the observance, fire departments throughout Tuscola County will be preparing by testing their tornado sirens on a monthly basis. The tests are scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. during the severe weather months, April through October.

Tuscola County Office of Emergency Management Director Pat Finn reminds residents that a tornado warning is announced with a 2-minute siren blast. The all-clear sign is 3 short blasts.

Finn noted that a severe thunderstorm or tornado "watch" is issued whenever conditions exist for severe weather to develop. A warning, indicated when residents should seek shelter immediately, is issued when severe weather or a tornado is indicated on radar or when a funnel cloud has been sighted.

Severe weather across Michigan was responsible for 6 deaths in 2008. Four of the fatalities were related to flooding and 2 were the result of severe thunderstorm winds. In addition, there were 4 reported injuries and more than \$300 million in damages. Fourteen tornadoes touched down in the

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Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, March 25

Ravenous Readers Book Club, noon, Rawson Memorial District Library.

“Try Education Not Medication: New Generation of Healthy Young Children, Teens and New Parents,” 6-8 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library. Presenter: Barb Burns.

Thursday, March 26

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

Senior Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

Friday, March 27

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

Sunday, March 29

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

Monday, March 30

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.

Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

Wednesday, April 1

“Try Education Not Medication: Your Kitchen Turned into a Mini Greenhouse,” 6-8 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library. Presenter: Barb Burns.

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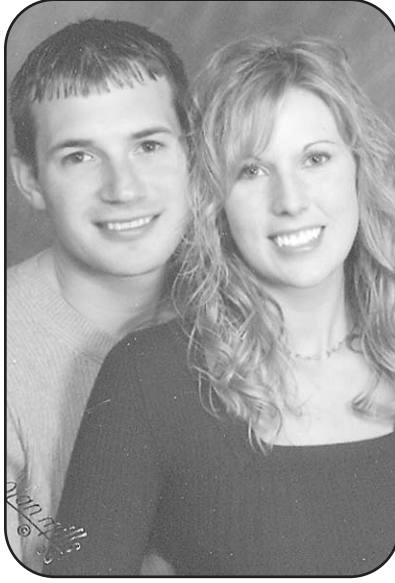
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Engaged



James Kilbourn and Amanda Sparks

Greg and Carolyn Sparks of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Renee Sparks, to James Allan Kilbourn, son of Lee Kilbourn of Deford and Lynn Kilbourn of Cass City.

Amanda is a 2004 graduate of Cass City High School. She received her associate's degree in applied science from Davenport University in 2006. She currently resides in Kentucky, pursuing an education in dental hygiene.

James is a 2002 graduate of Cass City School. He has received a degree in administrative management from Davenport University in 2006. He currently resides in Kentucky, and works for a commercial refrigeration company.

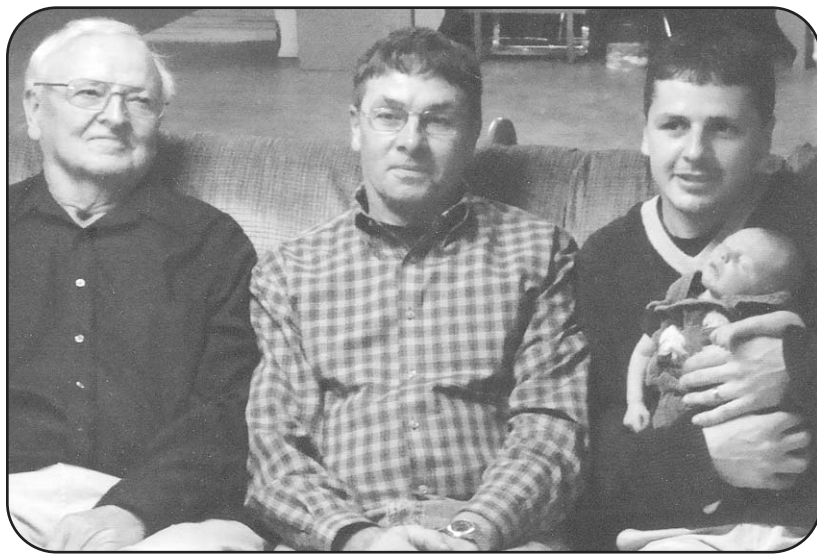
A May 16, 2009 wedding is currently being planned.

Spring enrollment at Baker College slated

Baker College of Cass City, a satellite campus of Baker College of Flint, is currently enrolling students for spring 2009 quarter. Classes begin Monday, April 6, with registration continuing through the first week.

Some of the career programs offered at Baker College of Cass City this spring include medical assistant, pharmacy technician, early childhood education, graphic communications, computer information systems, accelerated business administration and a new computer technology options.

Financial assistance is available to students, including scholarships, grants, low-interest loans and work-study programs.



FOUR GENERATIONS of the same family are represented above by (from left) Roger G. Forster of Elkton, Gary G. Forster of Sebawaing, Heith G. Forster of Gagetown and infant Corbin G. Forster of Gagetown.

Dorsch named O-G  
“student of month”

Stacie Dorsch has been named Owendale-Gagetown School's “Senior Student of the Month” for March.

During high school, Dorsch has been a member of the basketball team her first 2 years, a member of the volleyball team her first 3 years, and has

years, she has been attending the Huron Area Technical Center to study health sciences.

Dorsch is the daughter of Chuck and Nancy Dorsch of Gagetown. Her college plans are undecided at this time, but she would like to pursue a career in the health care field.



Stacie Dorsch

been a member of the varsity girls' softball team all 4 years.

Academically, she has been on the honor roll and a member of the school's 3.0 Honors Club all 4 years. She has also been a member of the National Honor Society since her sophomore year and currently serves as the chapter's vice president.

Dorsch was a snowball representative her freshman year. The past 2

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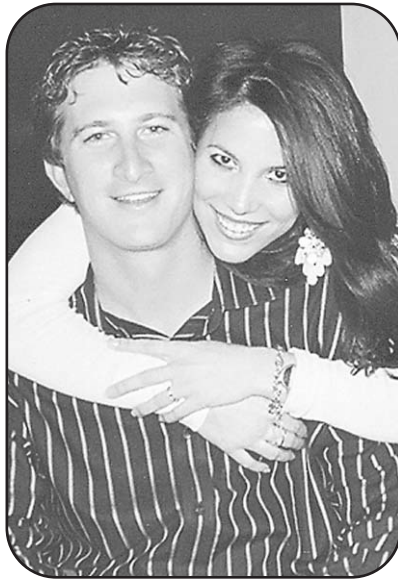
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Engaged



Christopher Meert and Tiffany Coury

Mrs. Frederick Bodine (Jeanne Bigelow) Auten announces the engagement of her granddaughter, Tiffany Portia Coury, to Christopher James “CJ” Meert, both of Tampa, Fla.

Tiffany is the daughter of CJ and Mardi Auten Coury of Sarasota and Bradenton Beach, Fla. Christopher is the son of Jeff and Sharyn Meert of Winter Springs, Fla.

A Nov. 28, 2009 wedding is currently being planned in Tampa, Fla.

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## Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

The new covered walkway over the Cass River, south of Cass City at the end of the walking trail will be more functional than the gazebo that was burned by senseless characters who evidently felt they were big time for the arson committed under the cover of darkness and remote location.

Plans are now being coordinated with the insurance company so that it won't be easy to start a fire and ruin the building again. For these changes, kudos to Village Manager Peter Cristiano and the village council.

There are probably a few that recall the disaster that the community suffered when the Cass City Rotary Club created a walking trail complete with 10 exercise stations with special equipment in the woods at Cass City Recreational Park.

Within six months the equipment at the stations was stolen or vandalized and the trails cluttered. Rotarians rebuilt the trail and 6 months later it was vandalized again.

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Cass City's 5th and 6th grade boys' basketball programs recently completed a successful season, according to coaches Steve Ross, Virgil Peters, Chris Peters and Clarke Haire.

Doing their part to help the future Red Hawks were the Cass City Gavel and Rotary clubs.

Both civic organizations made generous financial donations that were used to enter the youngsters in various weekend tournaments and also provided a post-season pizza party.

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I admit it. I get a twinge of jealousy when I see the school-age kids walking around in short-sleeve tops seemingly in comfort and pass by just as I button my jacket to protect me from the stiff breeze that reminds me that real summer is still in the semi-distant future.

We have a mail carrier who can give the kids a battle in ignoring the weather, and when I remember to talk with her I'll find out her name and if she even owns a jacket—I've never seen her wear one.

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# Annual chamber dinner scheduled Saturday night

A tradition of honoring Cass City's top citizens returns this weekend with the annual Cass City Chamber of Commerce community dinner, Saturday at Northwood Meadows.

The evening will kick off at 5:30 p.m. with cocktails, followed by the program at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. This year's menu will include chicken cordon bleu and prime rib.

Tickets are available for sale at Coach Light Pharmacy, Rawson Memorial District Library, Chemical Bank, Independent Bank and Thumb National Bank. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. More information is available by calling the chamber office at 872-4618.

The tradition of honoring the "Cass City Citizen of the Year" dates back to 1963, when the late Willis Campbell was the first to receive the award. Two years later, Betty Kennedy was named the first "Cass City Junior Citizen of the Year".

In 2008, brothers Marty and Dave Osentoski shared the Citizen of the Year honor, while Rebecca Doerr was named Junior Citizen of the Year.

This year's banquet will also include the presentation of 3 community enrichment awards.

## The Haire Net

*Why not try a ban on smoking*



We all have addictions. Some of them receive more attention than others. High on the public awareness list is curbing smoking. That's because of the health issues that smoking generates.

You don't hear much about home-makers who are aghast when items are misplaced or the usually spotless house suddenly has a little dust in one corner. You don't hear much about the need to get started on the garden or the lawn. You don't hear much about the need to have a pet dog or cat or a bird or fish in the household.

These are examples of addictions and with this definition it's obvious that there are hundreds of other examples. But back to the addictions that we all know about.

It's hard to curb drinking and smoking if you are hooked. There is a tendency for reformed drinkers and smokers to feel that the only thing that keeps anybody from success is that they don't REALLY have the desire to quit letting the addiction rule their lives.

I felt that way when I was younger. But not anymore. I was and am proud and pleased that over 45 years ago I

quit a 2-pack-a-day habit.

But beating that addiction probably was easier for me than it was for others.

I have an addiction that is much more difficult for me to master than cigarettes. It's eating, or more accurately, eating properly. Periodically I go on diets that last a few days, or in rare instances up to 4 months, before I fall off the wagon. Some guys can't understand that. You can recognize them because they don't really worry about missing a meal or eating fat producing food. No problem.

The old canard applies, they eat to live, not live to eat.

These thoughts were triggered by an article telling about renewal of the fight in the State House to ban all smoking in public places. The ban died when considered last year.

Second hand smoke is deadly, backers of the ban claim. Opponents said that eliminating smokers in casinos, bars and other public places is a financial blow to these businesses already hard hit by the recession.

One successful ploy to reduce smoking is to raise the price. When the cost jumped in previous years there was a drop in sales.

That may have occurred because smokers were more careful. More careful to use entire cigarettes rather than throwing away half used cigarettes.

That defeats the purpose of either reducing the use of tobacco or increasing the money collected in taxes.

On the other hand, there is little doubt that smoking is life shortening so if a ban proves unsuccessful we are no worse off than we were before a law makes it through Lansing.

Why not give it a try?

## Collection of HHW slated next month

Tuscola County Recycling is sponsoring 2 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections this year, Saturday, April 4, and Saturday, Sept. 12.

An appointment is required to attend either date and there is no fee for county residents. However, donations are accepted and appreciated at these events.

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## The back forty

by Roger Pond

Maybe this is a good time to report on the stock market? Or maybe it isn't?

Last March I reported the market was "Bad! Bad! Bad!" Apparently that was a little premature. The market has dropped a bunch since that was written.

I'm not sure what got small-time investors into this fix. But the common belief, "I haven't lost anything until I sell," might have something to do with it.

An old Ace Reed cartoon from back in the '70s illustrates that line of thinking. Ace's cartoon shows a cattle rancher talking with his banker.

"You know them 50-cent calves I kept last fall because the price was so low?" the rancher asks. "Well, now I gotta borrow some more money to feed those 40-cent calves I couldn't afford to sell when they were 50 cents."

I enjoyed reading a recent opinion piece by Victor Davis Hanson. He is a senior fellow at the Hoover Institution and suggests the current economic downturn is long way from the Great Depression.

Most of us weren't around for the Depression, and neither was Mr. Hanson, but he makes some good points. Many folks have forgotten what it's like to live with what we can afford. Hanson mentions a trip to Wal-Mart, where he notices late-model cars everywhere in the parking lots. There were "plenty of cell phones, iPods

and BlackBerrys among the shoppers. Carts are stuffed with consumer goods, lots of food and Easter confections.

"For the past two decades, we borrowed and spent as if there were no tomorrow," he writes. "Now we are living in that tomorrow or cutting back and making do."

That little piece caught my eye. It reminded me of the days when folks didn't have all the gadgets we now consider essential, and we did just fine without them. (What the heck is a BlackBerry, anyway?)

My wife and I started our marriage with an apartment that featured three rooms. A person walked through the front door and entered the living room. If the visitor went to the next room, that was the bedroom.

The space beyond that was the kitchen. A door from the kitchen went to the bathroom.

We didn't have a television. Both of us thought the stereo was more important than a TV, and we certainly couldn't afford both. (Do people still get married without a television?)

My wife told me recently about a young bride whose parents spent \$20,000 for the wedding and reception. That's not much by some standards, but it would have bought half the town when we got married.

Our town wasn't very big, and I won't say which half. But \$20,000 pays an awful lot of rent.

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**Everyday Stories**

*Cass City Public Schools  
"Assignment America"  
By Emily Martin*

When the winds are gusting and a storm is looming near, meteorologists forecast the weather of the near future. They give us the percentage chance of rain, the weather patterns over the next 7 days, and the prediction that almost every day will be "partly cloudy with a chance of showers."

One of the most redundant reassurances on television is the weather team of ABC-12 claiming that they are "your safest place in bad weather." They now have a rival.

In her first year as the guidance counselor at Cass City High School, Mrs. Jill Rowland is the backbone of student dynamics. Earning her counseling degree at Central Michigan University, Mrs. Rowland provides moral encouragement, emotional support, and college preparation advice.

Her title alone suggests that she plays many roles within the school building. Mrs. Rowland not only supplies guidance in the decision making of post-high school commitments, but she also has her office door wide open for counseling opportunities. Inside that open door you will find a kind heart.

In the hustle and bustle of high school students' lives, one place is a sanctuary from all of this: Mrs. Rowland's office. In the midst of chaos and troubles of your four years in the school on Seeger Street, Mrs. Rowland is there to provide shelter in bad weather and ultimately calm the storms.

Believe it or not, she also has a thing or 2 to say about the actual weather. "Everyone has their 'If I wasn't doing what I am now, I'd want to...' Well, if I wasn't a counselor, I'd love to be a meteorologist. I am fascinated by Mother Nature and the science behind all the storms and such," she commented with a smile. "My kids, Mitchell (6) and Katie (3), know when a storm is coming because I get really excited."

An avid fan of the Weather Channel, Mrs. Rowland has been referred to as the school's meteorologist herself. "I just like paying attention to the weather. My husband got me a Weather Channel shirt for my birthday one year. I loved it!" she said.

When asked what she does in her free time besides follow the week's weather patterns, she joked, "What free time?" Residing in Bad Axe with her husband and 2 children, Mrs. Rowland concluded, "My family is my free time. I love spending time with my kids and they consume most of my free time." Meteorologist Rowland also enjoys camping, reading and shopping in her hours away from Cass City High School.

Mrs. Rowland's transition as a first-year staff member at CCHS has been extremely smooth. "I love the students and staff here. The teachers have been so welcoming and helpful this year. I am very grateful for that," she said. "I like the high level of education we offer here. We have so much to offer for a relatively small school in a small town. We hold the students to a set of high standards that is really going to be beneficial for their future. I love being here at Cass City."

The wind has blown Mrs. Rowland into Cass City, bringing along with her attributes that fit perfectly for her guidance counseling responsibilities. When gusts of high pressure clash with gusts of low pressure, Mrs. Rowland is standing by to provide aid in any way that is needed. The storms of high school life will subside if Mrs. Rowland is present.

The office of meteorologist and guidance counselor Mrs. Jill Rowland: truly "your safest place in bad weather."



**CASS CITY MIDDLE School Student Council members Madison Brinkman (center, from left) and Audrey VanAuken recently coordinated a school-wide fundraising effort supported by the student council. During "spirit week" at the middle school, students raised \$270 for the Tuscola County Imagination Library. The money will provide books for 9 children for one year. Accepting the donation are Imagination Library Board members Marlene Erla (far left) and Marilyn Peters.**

## Several appear on charges

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

- William G. Freeman Jr., 20, Caro, pleaded no contest to assaulting a police officer Oct. 7 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was con-

tinued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

- Matthew C. McComas, 24, Cass City, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail (deferred without a date) and 24 months probation for his pleas of guilty

to 2 counts of writing no-account

## Senior meals boosted

U.S. Senators Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) and Carl Levin (D-MI) last week announced that Michigan has been awarded \$3,153,580 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding for meals and nutrition services for seniors.

The funds will provide meals to seniors in need, restore nutrition services that have been cut and restore positions, which may have been eliminated or reduced in recent months.

"During this economic crisis, too many Michigan seniors are struggling to pay for the basic necessities," said Stabenow. "This recovery funding will not only help provide our seniors with vital meal and nutrition services but help retain and create jobs as well."

"It is critically important that we work to ensure the safety of our most vulnerable populations," Levin said. "This federal funding will help put food on the table for Michigan's seniors when they need it most."

Through the Older Americans Act (OAA), states can utilize federal and state funds to assist communities and growing numbers of elderly Americans suffering under the weight of an economic recession, increased food costs, and a shortage of adequate services. Roughly two-thirds of the funds are allocated for congregate nutrition, or programs that provide meals for groups of seniors in a communal setting, often incorporating other social or support services into their outreach. The remaining third of the funds are allocated for the direct delivery of meals to home-bound seniors, also under the aegis of state-run, or state-funded programs.

The distribution of these funds will occur under the most stringent supervision possible. Although appropriated for a 2-year period, the funds are intended to be distributed as soon as

possible, so as to provide the most immediate relief in the face of these mounting challenges.

## Kathy Wood

**Continued from page one.**

Wood shares her story not only in her book, but also with a blog she has set up on the smashwords website. Her recent contacts have included a South African woman who lost a little boy as well and sought out Wood's experiences.

These days, Wood has shifted her writing talents to short stories she is creating for each of her grandchildren. She's also enjoying the new life she has built with her husband, Wayne Wood, the son of area residents Bob and Barb Wood and a heating-cooling contractor whom she renewed acquaintances with 7 years ago after meeting during Cass City's Freedom Festival, in the park after the fire-works.

"We graduated together (from Cass City High School in 1977), but we didn't know each other very well," she said. The pair shared a long-distance romance over the next year before marrying.

Wood smiled. "I haven't written that (story) yet," she said.

Looking back, Wood said she's glad she was able to put into words her experience as a parent, facing the death of a child, in spite of the twinges of pain that have eased over the years but are ever present in the back of her mind.

"The accident's always there. And there are still days..." she acknowledged.

"It (writing the book) has been therapeutic," Wood said. "I shed a lot of tears in front of that computer, but it was very good."

*Editor's note: Area residents can access Wood's book by logging onto the website, [www.smashwords.com](http://www.smashwords.com) and searching by her name or the book title (the search engine Google also works). Sampling the book is free, but there is a charge of \$9.99 for the full version.*

## Drivers hurt

**Continued from page one.**

tained serious injuries as a result of the crash," Skrent said. "Ricky Howey went to Covenant Hospital in Saginaw via LifeNet (Helicopter) and Gregory Woodruff went to St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw via FlightCare (Helicopter)."

Cotton was not injured, Skrent noted, adding alcohol was not a factor in the crash, which remains under investigation by deputies Dale Tompkins and Steve Roland, and accident reconstructionist Sgt. Michael Matlin.

Assisting deputies at the scene were fire departments from Kingston, Caro and Cass City; MMR and Marlette ambulances, the Michigan State Police and the Tuscola County Road Commission.

checks for \$30.60 and \$24.09, and writing 2 non-sufficient fund checks for \$26.80 and \$23.90 between Feb. 1 and March 15, 2008, in Cass City.

McComas' delayed sentence was revoked by the court, which ordered him to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,680 plus restitution of \$228.84.

- Christopher S. Woodhull, 23, Caro, pleaded no contest to delivery/manufacture of marijuana Sept. 29 in Koylton Township.

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

- Tashawna M. Kaatz, 26, Clifford, pleaded no contest to delivery/manufacture of marijuana and maintaining a drug house Sept. 29 in Koylton Township.

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

- Mark W. Timon, 44, Cass City, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor June 28 in Ellington Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay \$4,020 in costs and fines.

- Catherine A. Owensby, 49, Vassar, pleaded guilty to third degree child abuse Sept. 24 in Vassar Township.

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

- Julie L. Pearson, 38, Caro, was sentenced to 270 days in jail and 36 months probation for her plea of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana Feb. 29-March 4 in Caro and for her pleas of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana and maintaining a drug house March 5 in Caro.

In addition to jail time, she was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,300.

- Kenneth W. Campbell, 43, Caro, was sentenced to 190 days in jail (150 days deferred) and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Sept. 19 in Indianfields Township.

He was ordered to pay \$3,620 in costs and fines plus restitution of \$95.

- Carl R. Vargo, 42, Caro, pleaded guilty to unlawfully driving away an automobile and assaulting a police officer May 10 in Indianfields Township.

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

- Robert L. Dwyer Jr., 48, Gladwin, was sentenced to 2 years and 6 months to 10 years in prison for his pleas of no contest to 2 counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim under the age of 13 years between June 1995 and June 1996 in Denmark Township.

- William K. Violette, 56, Vassar, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor Sept. 3 in Arbela Township. He was also convicted to being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,120 plus restitution of \$95.

- Randy L. Bussure, 51, Clifford, stood mute to a charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Nov. 11, 2007, in Mayville.

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

## Letters to the Editor

## Where was Chronicle during the art show?

Monday evening Rawson Memorial Library and the Cass City Arts Council held an opening and celebration of the art of Cass City and the Thumb area. About 200 people interested in the efforts of artists of the area attended the opening. Forty-six artists are represented in the show - all from the upper Thumb area.

You can see this wonderful show until the end of the month - but it is too bad that so many people missed the party - and that it was. The Huron Daily Tribune covered the opening with a picture and article on the front page the day after the show.

Where was a representative from the Chronicle? Where were the members of the village government? The library is the true jewel in the crown of the village. Now, the CCAC is joining with the library to bring something special to the village and the surrounding area.

Just remember - "Without art, the crudeness of reality would make the world unbearable." George Bernard Shaw.

Your newspaper can bring the news of these happenings to the public.

Sincerely,

Pat Smith

member, Cass City Arts Council

*Editor's note*

*Your point is well taken, Pat. However, while the Chronicle supports promotion of the arts and a host of other activities associated with the library and Cass City Arts Council, we simply cannot cover every event sponsored by every organization in the community.*

*Unlike our competitors in Bad Axe and Caro, we don't have 2 or 3 news/editorial reporters on staff at the Chronicle. We have one (in addition to our sports department).*

*Where was the representative of the Chronicle a week ago Monday? He was taking a break after spending the better part of the weekend wrapping up interviews and writing copy for last week's 16-page edition of the paper. That edition, by the way, followed our March 11 issue, which included a brief advance story on the art show as well as a feature story and photo showcasing the talents of one of the artists featured in the art show.*

## Leave global warming to scientists

I don't know if global warming exists or not, but I don't think scientists study it to be associated with one political party or another. Most legitimate scientists could care less about liberal or conservative viewpoints because they do it because they love this type of work. It doesn't matter what they are studying whether it is in the medical field, outer space field or the global warming field; they do it because they want to and they do not do it for political purposes.

Most scientists are never out there for publicity; they are doing their work to help this generation and future generations. Just because someone has been around 30 years or more it does not make them an expert on global warming. If that is the case, we have hundreds if not thousands in this town right now.

I would rather believe scientists who have been studying global warming in different regions of globe for years - some longer than 30 years - than someone who has been around 30 years or more that has no expertise whatsoever on global warming other than stepping outside their home and naming a few freak storms as proof that global warming does not exist.


If you have not studied global warming and the effects on the planet other than being around for 30 years or more, that in itself certainly doesn't qualify you as expert on it. I've been around 30 years also, but sure wouldn't claim global warming exists or doesn't exist just because I've been around over 30 years or more.

I will leave that to the science community and that's what makes sense. Leave it to the experts.

Mark Gohsman  
Cass City

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# Study trip takes Ubly's Nicole Klee to Greece

Talk about a spring break.

Ubly's Nicole Klee, an accounting major at Saginaw Valley State University (SVSU), was among dozens of students who recently participated in a 10-day study trip to Greece.

"We stayed in the city of Athens the whole time. It was definitely an exciting spring break," commented the 2007 Ubly High School graduate.

Participating were a group of history students, including Klee, along with choir performers from the university and others.

Klee, 19, the daughter of Irvin and Cheryl Klee, is a sophomore at SVSU, pursuing a Bachelor of Professional Accountancy Degree. After graduation, she plans to earn her CPA credentials. She previously completed a marketing internship at the Midland Community Tennis Center, where she worked with the Dow

Corning Tennis Classic, and is gearing up to tackle another internship this summer at Campbell Kusterer & Co., a CPA firm in Bay City.

"Although I went with a history class, it wasn't only for history majors. Some of the students were history majors, but most were not. The trip was open to any students, and going to Greece sounded like an amazing opportunity," said Klee, who along with 2 friends jumped at the chance, each coming up with the nearly \$2,000 cost for airfare, hotel, meals and other expenses.

"There were around 130 people total that went with the group," she noted. "This included around 30 history students, the SVSU choir, a choir from Bay City and a few SVSU alumni."

"This was the first time I had traveled overseas, so it was a completely new experience for me. It was a long

trip, with an 8-hour plane ride to Frankfurt, Germany, and then another 3-hour flight to Athens," Klee continued.

During their stay, 3 days were devoted to guided tours, including a walking tour of the Acropolis, a day trip to Mycenae and a day excursion to and tour of the Delphi site.

"During the walking tour of Acropolis, we saw the Odeion of Herodes Atticus, the ancient Theatre of Dionysos, the Temple of Athena Nike, the Erechtheion and the Parthenon," she recalled. "On our day trip to Mycenae...we explored the Mycenae Village, visited the town of Naflion and had a tour of the stadium of Epidauros. For the trip to Delphi we had a 3-hour bus ride through the mountains, where we had a tour of the sacred site of Delphi and the Delphi Museum."

Free days were a favorite of Klee's. "Some of the historical sites I saw were the Panthenaikon Stadium — the first Olympic stadium, the temple of Olympian Zeus, Hadrian's Arch, Philopappa Hill and Monument, the Pnyx, the Roman Agora, the Kerameikus, Nymphon Hill, the National Observatory, the Parliament Building (and) the Monument of the Unknown Soldier," she said. "We also went to the Aegean Sea one morning. I made sure that I saw as much as I could while I was there."

Klee counts the Acropolis as among the favorite sites she visited during the trip.

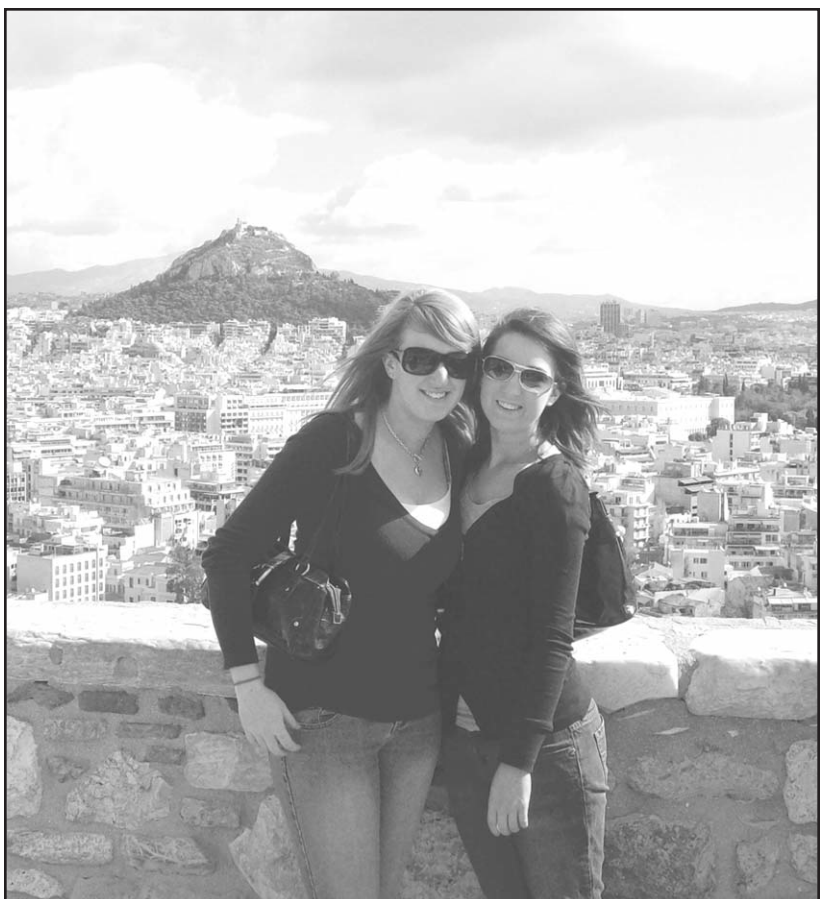
"I loved the view of the city from the top; you could see for miles," she said. "I also really liked the Erechtheion, which is on the Acropolis. The detailing on the columns and the caryatids on the balcony were amazing. Another thing I really enjoyed was the view from my balcony in the hotel room — we had an incredible view of the Parthenon, and at night, when it was lit up, it looked breathtaking."

"The interaction with the people was great, too. They were so nice and helpful," Klee added. "Most could speak English pretty well, so it was pretty easy to communicate. The Greek culture isn't as fast paced as the American culture, so most people weren't in a hurry and would stop and talk to you."

"As a student, Klee indicated the trip was worth volumes compared to her time in class.

"This trip was so much better than the normal classroom experience. We were able to actually see and explore what we had been learning about for weeks before we went," she said. "When we saw the sites, we were able to know what they were and the importance behind them. It made being there so much more exciting."

Klee added, "To see in person the pictures in your history book was incredible and was definitely worth the effort."



**UBLY'S NICOLE KLEE (from left) and fellow Saginaw Valley State University (SVSU) student Jill Borman stand at the top of the Acropolis, overlooking the city of Athens, during their recent 10-day study trip to Greece.**



**KLEE AND FELLOW SVSU students (from left) Jill Borman and Lindsey Zion are pictured above in front of the Roman Odeion of Herodes Atticus, a 5,000-seat theater built in 161 AD.**

## NOTICE ELLINGTON TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The Annual Township Board Meeting will be held at the Township Hall located at the corner of M-81 and Dutcher Road starting **Saturday, March 28, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.**

The Township Board will be reviewing the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2009-2010. The Township Board will also review Road Improvements for 2009.

Duane Lockwood  
Ellington Township Supervisor

## Down Memory Lane

By Tina Pallas



### 5 YEARS AGO

Four members of the Cass City volleyball team were honored as members of the 2004 Greater Thumb West All Conference teams. Selected to the first team, by coaches of the 7-school association, were Red Hawks Amy Howard, Mallory Powell and Ashley Hendrick. Senior Kristi Fluegge was chosen for the GTW's 2nd team.

Tyler Erla, a senior on the Cass City Red Hawk basketball team who led the team on scoring and also was counted on for rebounding and assists, was named to the first team Greater Thumb West all-conference basketball team. Joining him on the 6-player squad was Josh Heilig, Elkland-Pigeon-Bay Port; Andy Spychalski, Bay City All Saints; Nate Pike, Reese; Jordan Bitzer and Steve Koch, both of Unionville-Sebewaing.

Ubly High School freshman Michael Koglin will be traveling with the Michigan Lions All-State Band this July. Koglin, the youngest son of Don and Joyce Koglin, is among 114 high school musicians to earn membership in the band. His older brother, Don Jr., was also in the band for 3 years during high school.

First place winners at the 2004 Awana Games, recently held in Beaverton, are Cass City First Baptist Awana Club members: Mikayla Fisher, Emily Wright, Sam Fisher, Jacob Redmond, Stacy McArthur, Jessica Steely, Erika Badgley, Lauren Perry, Brady Wright, Zach Fisher, Nick McNeil, Kristen Steely, Tony McArthur and Rachel Auten.

### 10 YEARS AGO

The Greater Thumb West all-conference basketball squad as elected by the schools' coaches has been released. Cass City dominated the first team with 2 of the 5 spots on the dream team. In addition, 3 other Hawks received honorable mention. Named to the first team were senior Heath Zawilinski and junior Craig Emmert. On every coaches' list was Matt LePage, high-scoring junior from Lakers. Ben Hillborg of Reese and Joe Drossos of Bad Axe round out the other first team selections. The 3 Hawks receiving honorable mention, all seniors, were Dan Cudde, Bill Goodall and Jason Wright.

League champion Caseville dominated the North Central Thumb League all-conference hoop squads with a pair of first team choices. Eagles Matt Bednerek and Jordan Wroblewski joined Akron-Fairgrove's Jordan Ball, Kingston's Jeff Chappel, Peck's Josh Presnell and Owen-Gage's Derek Howard on the NCTL dream team. Howard, a junior, led the Bulldogs in both scoring and assists. Bulldog senior Joel Bolzman was selected to the NCTL second team, while senior Justin Anthes received

honorable mention recognition.

Cass City's Shelly Ulfig was named to the first team Greater Thumb West all-conference volleyball team by league coaches and 3 Cass City players received honorable mention. The dream team was dominated by 3 selections from Bad Axe and a pair from Lakers. Joining Ulfig were Aleatha Johnson, Brooke Bahling and Stephanie Taylor from Bad Axe and Ann Iclamovski and Kristie Gehrs of Lakers. Receiving honorable mention from Cass City were Kara Mellen-dorf, Sara Homakie and Carrie Wentworth.

### 25 YEARS AGO

The gas station diagonally across the main intersection in Gagetown from the First of America Bank is a popular gathering place. Wednesday or Thursday of last week, according to Harry Kehoe, who was there, on the topic of conversation was the bank. "We were just talking about it, wondering if it had ever been robbed." The consensus was that it had not. "That changed Friday." What was the conversation at the station after the robbery? They wondered why it hadn't happened before in such a small town bank, Kehoe said.

Owendale-Gagetown High School has announced its 1984 valedictorian and salutatorian. Sheila Engelhardt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Engelhardt, has earned the valedictorian award, having a 3.76 grade point average. Salutatorian is Peter Sparks, son of Rev. Wayne and Rev. Myra Sparks.

An effort is underway to begin a Veterans of Foreign Wars post in the Cass City area. Letters have been sent to homes in the area to solicit prospective members. The nearest VFW posts include Caro, Kingston, Fairgrove, Sebewaing and Bad Axe. The Bad Axe post is new.

Nat Tuttle celebrates his 65th birthday this Thursday, and after having worked since 1937, he decided it was time to retire. The Third Street resident spent his last day on the job at

General Cable as plant superintendent March 9. He has been there since October 1972, and always held the same position. He and his wife, Marge, who retired from her job at Chemical Bank in December, were guests of honor at a farewell party at Wildwood Farms, given by his fellow employees.

### 35 YEARS AGO

Scott Hartel of Cass City, the Thumb B Conference scoring leader, was one of six players named to the 1973-74 all-conference basketball team. Mark DeNoyelles of Caro was a repeater from last season and led the balloting by the coaches. Nick Gibas of Cass City was named to the second team. Jerry Toner and Dave Hillaker received honorable mention.

Cass City roared into the quarterfinals of the Michigan High School Class C tournament Friday on the heels of a 67-53 decision over Unionville-Sebewaing at Grand Blanc.

Cass City's Science Quiz team will square off against a team from Saginaw North High School Sunday at 7:00 a.m. on WNEM-TV 5. The team representing Cass City includes Ann Whittaker, David Kitchen, Cindy Rosenberger and Carl Palmateer, team captain. The team's advisor is Ms. Julie Kile.

"We could have stayed with other people in the family. I guess. But we decided we wanted to stay at home." Eva Laming, 15, sophomore at Cass City High School, summed up the feelings of herself and her two brothers who are now living by themselves in their large farmhouse on Holbrook Road in Greenleaf township. Eva and her two brothers, Dale and Louis, both seniors at Cass City, were forced into setting up housekeeping following the death of their mother, Mrs. Lavara Laming, Nov. 10. Their father, Max, was killed in an auto accident in 1962. Eva explained the situation calmly and directly after she arrived home from school one gray afternoon recently.

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## Lady Red Hawk trio honored on GTW all conference teams

Three senior members of the Cass City girls' basketball team were recognized on the Greater Thumb West 2009 All Conference teams.

Jennica Richards highlighted the Red Hawk selections, named to the Greater Thumb West second team, while Aleigh Kappen and Megan VanVliet received honorable mention accolades.

Richards led the Red Hawk offense, averaging nearly 10 points per game and recorded a team-high 43 assists. Kappen chipped in over 7 points per game and gathered 111 rebounds for Coach Lloyd Schinnerer's Lady Red Hawks, while VanVliet was the team

leader in steals with 47.

"These girls are all hard workers, terribly hard workers. They will do anything you ask of them. They are good students that come from good families," Schinnerer said.

Unionville-Sebewaing and Reese dominated the 2009 Greater Thumb West first team picks, each landing a pair on the dream team selected by league coaches. Named among the Greater Thumb West best are Patriots Dani Gremel and Jillian Williamson; and Rockets Amber Gotham and Jade Ackerman. Also placed on the first team were Kayla Verbeek, Vassar;

and Stephanie Maxwell, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port (EPBP).

Joining Richards on the GTW second team are Ashley Hatfield and Chelsea Dubey, EPBP; Sarah Spiekerman, Reese; Samantha Breault, Bad Axe; and Jeanie Heintskill, Bay City All Saints (BCAS).

Honorable mention choices also included Jessica Hecht and Ashley Schiefer, Vassar; Taylor Comment, EPBP; Kaylee Karwat and Kaitlyn Squanda, Reese; Estey Ruppel and Brittany Gruehn, Unionville-Sebewaing; and Ashley Bowker, BCAS.

## Cass City seniors included among GTW cage all stars

Although finishing with just 3 Greater Thumb West boys' basketball victories, Cass City seniors Austin Babich and Chris Summersett were named to the conference's all-conference first team.

Babich, who averaged 11 points and 5 assists for Coach Aaron Fernald's Red Hawks, and Unionville-Sebewaing's senior Brandon Bitzer are the 2009 dream team's only repeat performers. In addition to Summersett, who led the Red Hawks with 18 points and 8 rebounds per game, the Greater Thumb West all-

conference first team also included Bay City All Saints seniors Cameron Coburn and DeMario Walker and Reese junior Josh Pickell. Named to the all-conference second team are Vassar's Troy Hecht and Zach Germain, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port's Luke Voelker and Chris Rowe, and Unionville-Sebewaing's Scott Fletcher and Jake Holland.

Honorable mention selections are Brent Doerr, who averaged nearly a double-double in his senior year with 10 points and 8 rebounds, Cass City,

Luke Flannery, Bad Axe, Morgan Walter, Mike Herbolzheimer and Ethan Stockmeyer, Reese, Adam Pijazsek and B.J. Weaver, Bay City All Saints, Kief Vichers and Ryan Amend, Vassar, Grant Gnagey, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port, Heath Schmidt and Ryan Zimmer, Unionville-Sebewaing.

"Those 3 were the majority of our offense all year," Fernald said. "Chris shot around 60% and is a very efficient player. They all added something different to our team and will be missed next season."

### Greater Thumb East airs boys' all conference selections

The 2009 Greater Thumb East all-conference boys' basketball selections included 5 Uby Bearcats, topped by senior Jordan Kaufman named a dream team choice.

The complete Greater Thumb East all stars are:

#### FIRST TEAM

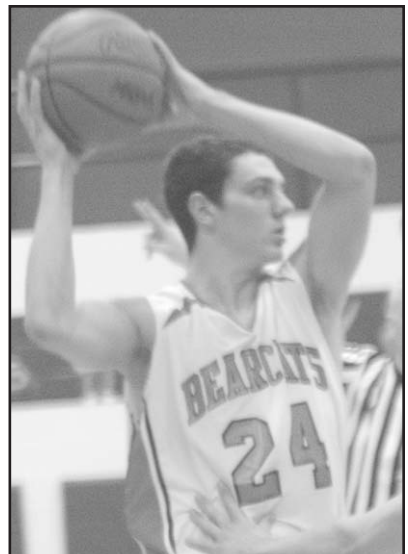
Jordan Kaufman, Uby, Tyler Loding, Sandusky, Jack McPhail and A.J. Burton, Brown City, Justin Braun and Jacob Murawske, Harbor Beach.

#### SECOND TEAM

Tyler Kubacki and Steven Weber, Uby, Mike Armstrong and John Bishop, Marlette, Josh Moffitt, Brown City, Shane Ginther, Harbor Beach.

#### HONORABLE MENTION

Justin Cleary and Mitchel Cleary, Uby, Corey Travis, Josh Franks and Brandon Harper, Mayville, Andrew Fetting, Jordan Katt and Jordan Coats, Sandusky, Dan Gyomory, Marlette, Chris Page, Brown City, Travis Schock, Harbor Beach, Ethan Kramer, Jon McHenry and Josh Fritch, Deckerville.



Jordan Kaufman



Alicia Leipprandt

### Greater Thumb East airs girls' all conference selections

As expected, Uby's Alicia Leipprandt headlined the Greater Thumb East 2008-09 girls' basketball all-conference dream team.

The high scoring 5'9" senior, who averaged over 26 points and 11 rebounds while adding 4 steals and 5 assists in her senior year for the Bearcats, was joined by teammate Lyndsay White; Sandusky's Marissa DeMott and Maddie Hale; and Brown City's Kristen Greene and Michelle Burgess as the Greater Thumb East all-conference first team choices.

The Greater Thumb East second team all-conference picks are Kaylee Lochrie, Bri Woycehoski and Heidi Grekowicz, Harbor Beach; Dana Stolicer, Deckerville; Amara Wilson, Marlette; Sarah Murray, Brown City; and Rachel Pyles, Mayville.

Players receiving honorable mention recognition include Nicole Franzel, Uby; Jenna Stauffer, Sandusky; Tori Kraft, Harbor Beach; Tiffany Smith, Chelsea Krizman, Mandy Nichol and Shelby McVittie, Deckerville; Jenna Thompson, Kim Baize and Kylee Dobbelaere, Marlette; Sandi Olgney, Brown City; Amy Elenbaum, Chelsea Roehl and Tessa Buhl, Mayville; and BriAnn Summersett, Mayville.

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# Board approves kitchen upgrades, new walkway

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superintendent was rated by the board.

- Approved an annual resolution to borrow money to meet the district's cash-flow needs from late June through October, a period of time when state aid payments are absent. This year's loan — \$2.7 million - is the same amount borrowed last year. School officials will again seek bids from various financial institutions.

- Voted to re-bid the district's sanitation contract. A 3-year contract now held by Richfield Sanitation is set to expire in June.

- Met in executive session to discuss an update on teacher contract negotiations.

- Heard a presentation from teacher Linda Bailey on the annual eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C.

Bailey, a long-time organizer of the educational trip along with teachers Jon Zdrojewski and Laura Schinnerer, noted this year's trip will include a special event, with local eighth grade student Jacob Kittle having been chosen to lay a wreath on the Tomb of the

Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. Kittle, the son of Ron and Beth Kittle, was awarded the honor for his winning Arlington Essay Contest submission.

- Noted plans to implement an Archery in the Classroom Program will become reality next school year, with the \$3,500 in funding provided by the Michigan DNR along with an individual donation.
- Recognized students Krystal

Alexander, Sarah Howard, Chantell Toner, Alex McCoy and Brandon Montgomery, whose artwork was selected for display at the Saginaw Art Museum for the MAEA Region II Art Exhibit. Montgomery's artwork was judged and selected as part of the top 100 in the state. He will be invited to the Michigan Youth Arts Festival in May at Western Michigan University, where his piece will be on display with that of the other state winners.

- Recognized the middle school band, which earned straight Division I ratings (the highest mark possible) at a recent district band festival.

- Recognized local fourth graders Drew Susalla, Kelcie Autry and Joel Collins, who represented Cass City at the annual Tuscola County Spelling Bee. Collins finished third in the competition. Cass City's alternates were Chase Winter, Victoria Cumper and Skyler Gasta.

## Food assistance to increase

Michigan Department of Human Services Director Ismael Ahmed recently announced that, beginning in April, Michigan families eligible for the federally funded Food Assistance Program (FAP) will see a 13.6 percent increase in their benefits under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

"This is good news for Michigan," Ahmed said. "A family of 4, for example, will now have about \$80 a month more to spend on groceries. In

these challenging economic times, that will make a difference for many struggling families. It will also help our department meet its mission to protect the state's vulnerable children, adults and families."

Ahmed pointed out the impact the increase is expected to have on the state's economy.

"Every \$5 of new benefits spent in communities generates \$9.20 in total economic activity," he said. "Injecting immediate revenue into local businesses will help achieve the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act's primary goal of stimulating the American economy."

Jane Marshall, executive director of the Food Bank Council of Michigan, and Sharon Parks, president and CEO of the Michigan League for Human Services, joined Ahmed at the Mid-Michigan Food Bank in Lansing to share the news.

"The need for emergency food has

increased dramatically lately," Marshall said. "We can help people temporarily, but we see the Food Assistance Program as the best source of food for families needing longer-term assistance."

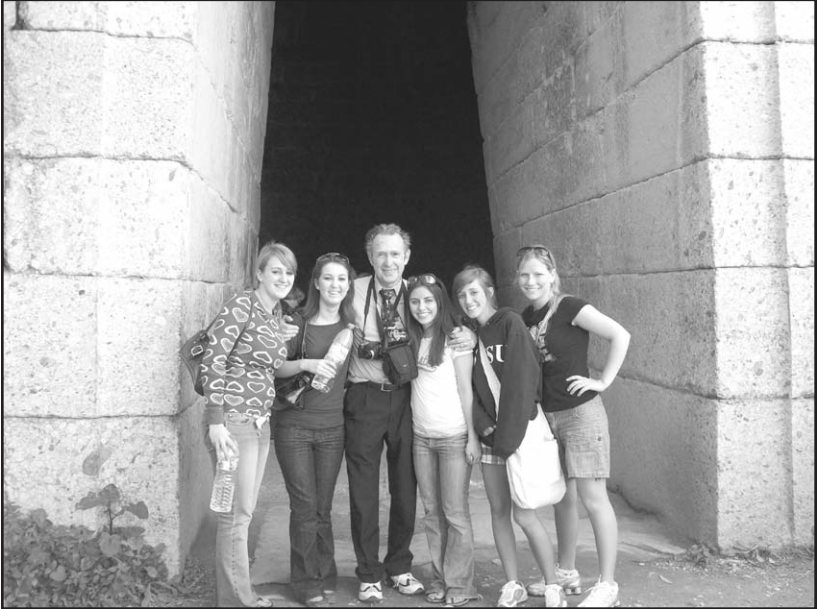
Parks added, "There's no doubt this will have a positive impact at a time when we really need it. By boosting food assistance benefits, fewer families will have to choose between feeding their kids or keeping the heat on or paying the rent on time. It will also help to take some of the tremendous pressure off local food banks."

More than 1.3 million Michigan residents - including 656,178 households and about 500,000 children - currently receive food assistance. Participants will automatically receive their increase in their Bridge card accounts, which works like a debit card at local stores.

For more information, visit [www.michigan.gov/dhs-food](http://www.michigan.gov/dhs-food).



THE KNIGHTS OF Columbus, Council 8892, recently held its annual recognition dinner. Named this year's "Knight of the Year" was Dale Churchill, pictured above (right) with Grand Knight Daryl Iwankovitsch. The honor recognizes Churchill's dedication to his church (Sacred Heart in Caro), his community and the council.



THE STUDY TRIP was organized by SVSU faculty members, including Dr. Thomas Renna, professor of history, pictured above with students (from left) Nicole Klee, Jill Borman, Lindsey Zion, Rachel Winterstein and Danielle McPherson in the city of Mycenae in front of an ancient tomb. (See story, page 5)



THE NIGHTS OF Columbus also honored the Kerkau family as its "Family of the Year" for their dedication to their church (St. Pancratius in Cass City), their community, the Cass City Schools and the council. Pictured above (from left) are Kendra, Rick, Dorothy and Justin Kerkau.

## Siren testing scheduled

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state last year, near the average of 16.

"Although last year's severe weather season was pretty typical for Michigan, it does not tell the entire story," said Mark Walton, Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness chair. "Several significant events such as the June 8 squall line and the June 12 and 13 floods led to many tragedies where homes, businesses and lives were destroyed. Since Michigan weather changes swiftly, it is important to monitor weather conditions and take seriously watches and warnings issued by the National Weather Service."

June 6-8 was very active for severe thunderstorms in the state, with June 8 the most destructive day as a line of thunderstorms moved through lower Michigan, including Tuscola County, downing trees, damaging homes and knocking out power.

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# Clippings Are a Lawn’s Best Friend

While it might have been a chore most would have liked to avoid when they were kids or teenagers, for adult lawncare enthusiasts mowing the lawn can be an enjoyable time. Whether you're a fan of ride-on lawn mowers or you go with the more traditional push mower, an afternoon spent mowing the lawn can be good exercise and a way to catch a few rays.

Of course, once the job is done, what to do with the grass clippings can present a genuine problem. Some states, in fact, have banned yard waste such as clippings, branches and leaves from their landfills. For local governments, this decision was largely rooted in budgetary concerns, as many communities facing cutbacks decided that yard waste collection was something they could live without, and therefore cut these programs

out of their budgets.

While this might have left many residents unhappy with their local governments, yard waste is actually a valuable commodity, one that can help homeowners save money if used correctly.

**How Do Clippings Benefit a Yard?**

When returned to the yard, grass clippings can pay numerous dividends. First and foremost, grass clippings can help homeowners save money on fertilizer. Clippings contain valuable levels of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium, and can help cut fertilizer needs by up to 25 percent.

In addition, clippings work as a food source for bacteria in the soil. One of the things bacteria does is decompose harmful and unsightly thatch, improving the lawn's health and increasing its aesthetic appeal.

**How Much Should I Leave?**

If you're going to be returning clippings to your yard, you'll need to make adjustments to your mower and your mowing schedule. While some homeowners would like to set their blades as low as possible to reduce the number of times they'll have to mow the lawn, this is not healthy for your yard. Mow grass tall with a sharp blade so that no more than one inch of grass is removed each time the lawn is cut. If you set the blades too low, clippings will pile up and this will damage the yard. Also, cutting grass too low does not encourage root growth and promotes inefficient use of water. When grass is cut at the correct height, roots grow more extensively, which helps make the yard more resistant to drought.

During the season of rapid growth

(typically spring), you might need to mow twice per week. While this might sound like a chore, it won't be as hard as it sounds. That's because if a lawn is mowed properly at the correct height, the job gets easier and doesn't take much time at all. As the lawn begins to grow less rapidly, you can return to the typical cutting schedule.

**How Does a Mulching Mower Help?**

Mulching mowers can be of tremendous assistance to anyone looking to get more out of their clippings. A mulching mower works by cutting clippings into smaller pieces and dispersing them back into the yard as you're cutting the lawn. Keeping the blades at a correct height is essential when using a mulching mower. When its blades are set correctly, a mulching

mower will distribute clippings more evenly than a standard mower, essentially eliminating the risk of spreading too many clippings onto any one spot and damaging the lawn as a result.

**Can Clippings Be Used Elsewhere?**

Clippings can be used as mulch and in a compost pile. When using clippings for either process, however, be

sure to mix in other ingredients. Grass clippings, when they're not spread out over a lawn but collected in a pile, will produce a very foul odor. However, when mixed with leaves or wood chips, the odor will dissipate. Also, by mixing with wood chips and leaves, you're reducing the thickness of the clippings, which will allow more oxygen to get into the soil.

## Bring the Garden to Your Dinner Table Learn How to Grow a Vegetable Garden

Growing a garden is a rewarding experience for someone looking to add color and wildlife to the landscape. However, growing a fruit and vegetable garden offers the same delight and more - a harvest of fresh produce you can enjoy with every meal.

There are few things more satisfying than nursing a seedling or young plant into maturity and being able to harvest what it grows. Everything seems more delicious when it's home-grown. However, keep in mind that biting into that juicy tomato or grilling up that fresh-plucked zucchini is the last step in a successful garden. It takes a little more than tossing down seed and waiting for a bounty. There are steps to ensure success.

ball of the existing plant. Water the plants before removing them from their container to lessen the shock. Then tap the container to loosen and remove the plant. Separate tightly

woven roots gently and place the plant in the hole. Cover with soil and water thoroughly.

Depending upon your choice of vegetables, you could enjoy fresh vegeta-

bles from May through October. Don't forget to include some herb plants in your garden so you'll have savory seasonings to add to your fresh vegetable recipes.

**Plan Your Garden**

While you may want your garden a stone's throw from the home for easy access, consider the conditions of the soil and the light that area gets before planting. A vegetable garden typically needs six or more hours of sunlight to thrive. So watch how the sun strikes areas of your landscape throughout the day and see what barriers to the sunlight (trees, houses) present themselves. Soil conditions include how well the soil will drain, soil quality and obstacles that show up while digging, including rocks or deep roots. Determine if soil quality can be amended with compost, peat moss and other nutrients.

While planning, consider the vegetables you'd like to have in your garden. It may be cost effective to start plants from seeds indoors and transplant to the outdoors at the right time of year. But some plants do not like transplanting and prefer to start and grow outside in the garden. A gardening center can help you navigate the different vegetable types and help you determine the proper planting methods and dates.

While keeping in mind location, think about how you will fence in your garden to keep out unwanted pests. Also think about plant height and growth. You'll want taller plants in the back so that they do not end up shading the shorter plants from the sun.

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The best soil for a successful garden is fertile and well-drained. Hard shale, rock ledges, gravel beds, deep sand, and other types can make gardening difficult to impossible. If this is all you have to work with, consider container gardening instead, where you can better control the soil condition. Most soil just needs a simple tune up with organic matter to make it hospitable for a vegetable garden.

**Get Planting**

If you are sowing seeds, create shallow grooves into which you will deposit the seeds. Cover the seeds with a fine soil and lightly water to set. The most important thing to remember concerning seeds is that they require adequate moisture to germinate. Keep seeds moist until they form strong seedlings.

When transplanting from vegetables you started indoors, or if planting items you bought at a garden center, dig a hole slightly larger than the root

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Hit a Backyard Triple:

## Three Projects for Your Next Staycation

Your yard is calling you ... can you hear it? It's crying out for something new this season, something fun and natural that will change the look of the yard.

Brad Staggs, HGTVPro.com and DIY show producer and host, and a licensed contractor, offers three simple projects designed to upgrade the overall look and feel of your yard. "Backyard projects should be nice and simple so the entire family can participate," says Staggs. "All of these are easy to personalize as well, plus they are made from all-natural wood, which sends a great environmental message."

Don't have time to run to the store? Give your family easy access to their five servings of veggies by building a raised garden bed. Plant tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, green beans and more ... your taste buds are your only limitation. With a few easy cuts of wood, a garden bed can be installed and planted in an afternoon.

The outdoor season is coming fast, and you're thinking of hosting a party on your new wooden deck. But wait — is there enough seating for everyone? Not a problem if you've spent a few hours building a Chattahoochee Chair. Comfortable, durable and constructed of natural materials, this simple

wooden chair provides a great place to kick back and watch the world go by. Build more than one and customize them to fit your lifestyle with favorite paint colors, a college team logo or children's handprints.

If you want to add life to your lawn and garden, invite nature to be part of it. Building something small and simple — like a birdhouse — can often yield the most powerful results. Situate the birdhouse away from family pets (no one likes a big dog barking at their front door, even bluebirds!) and in a quiet corner. Then sit back in your cool new Chattahoochee Chair with a glass of cold ice tea and watch the feathered friends come a-calling!

As with any backyard DIY project, building product selection is important. For all of the above projects, Brad chooses pressure-treated Southern Pine. "It's a no-brainer to me: pressure-treated Southern Pine is real, it's genuine and it's a beautiful product. Add to that the natural, long-lasting, sturdy and safe elements, and you just can't go wrong. If you're conscious of your carbon footprint, then wood is your product; it's one of the only naturally renewable products out there, and it takes remarkably less energy to manufacture than alternative building products. It's the real thing for real families."

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## Vent-free gas appliances help reduce home heating costs

In today's economic climate, many homeowners are choosing vent-free gas appliances to cut their energy costs, which can efficiently provide supplemental heat to areas of the home that are used most often. These appliances include vent-free gas space heaters, fireplaces, logs, inserts, and stoves and are available in a wide array of choices to meet a homeowner's space and decor needs.

"Vent-free gas appliances are an efficient and easy way for a homeowner to add supplemental heat and ambience to a room without driving up their energy costs," says Sue Walker, Chairman of the Vent-Free Gas Products Alliance. "Considering fuel costs are rising, consumers are looking for opportunities to use less. Since vent-free gas appliances convert virtually all of the fuel they use into heat, they are very efficient. In addition, because most of these appliances require no electricity, they also are beneficial during a power outage."

Vent-free gas products also have a stellar safety record. Every vent-free gas product sold in the U.S. is equipped with an Oxygen Detection Safety-Pilot (ODS), which automatically shuts off the gas supply if the oxygen level in the room approaches a minimum set by American National Standards Institute.

"We encourage our customers to make sure their heating appliances are installed correctly, maintained properly, and serviced regularly," says Jack Klump, CEO of the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute, which represents members of the Vent-Free Gas Products Alliance. "This helps ensure the equipment is in safe working order and working as efficiently as possible."

## How to restore the beauty of your pavers

For some homeowners, looking at the state of their home's hardscaping can be a tough site to bear. The faded driveway, discolored path and putrid patio reveal the results of hardscaping that has suffered far too much from the effects of traffic and outdoor elements.

The good news is thanks to the latest technology in stain removal and sealants you can freshen up and restore the beauty of your pavers and preserve them for years.

"While pavers offer superior durability, they're often subjected to harsh conditions and are not impervious to stains from motor oil, barbecue grease, fertilizer, tire marks, paint spills, etc.," said Rick DeMarchi, Director of Marketing for Techniseal, the leading manufacturer of treatment products for the concrete paver industry. "General wear and tear, dirt and the effects of the elements can also cause pavers to lose some of their original beauty."

That beauty can be revived, he added, with a thorough cleaning with appropriate products and preserved by applying a sealer.

Cleaning and sealing pavers is typically a three-step process. The first step is the removal of obvious stains and dirt with the appropriate spot cleaners. Not all stains require the same cleaners. For example, Techniseal designed specific cleaners for ground-in dirt, rust, tar, oil, and grease stains.

Step 2 of the process is to even the appearance of the entire surface after spot cleaning. For this step DeMarchi recommends Techniseal's Hardscape cleaner, a more gentle phosphate-free formula created specifically for pavers. It's ideal for removing general grime and dirt. It ensures even cleaning

and brightens up the color prior to sealant application.

The third and final step is the application of the sealer protection. While sealant technology continues to evolve, sealants can be broken down into a few key categories:

- Film-forming versus non film-forming
- Color enhancing (wet look) versus non color enhancing (dry look)
- Solvent-based versus water-based
- All are stain resistant

The selection of a sealer will depend on certain criteria. For example, if the pavement to be sealed is around a pool, then a non film-forming sealer that has no impact on slip and skid resistance would be best. If distinct colors are important, then a color enhancing sealer will help best to make the colors stand out. Or you may prefer a natural or an invisible sealer to preserve the natural look of the paver colors.

You can expect these sealants to repel countless stains for the next five years and avoid prematurely aging your pavement. Re-application will also be easier as there will be a significant amount of sealer remaining in the capillaries of the pavers.

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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 April 2, 2009.

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

The South half of the South half of the North half of the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 26, Township 26, Town 13 North, Range 11 East.

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

Dated: March 4, 2009

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The West 1/3 of Lot 14, and the East 1/3 of Lot 15, Block 1 of Wilsey and McPhail's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the plat thereof recorded in liber 1 of plats, page 6 now being page 7A, Tuscola County Records.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Keith K. Lamay and Teresa M. Lamay, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 22, 2002 and recorded on October 31, 2002 in Liber 900 on Page 1046 in instrument 200200821353, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Three and 84/100 Dollars (\$49,783.84), 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 April 2, 2009.

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

Commencing at a point 450.00 feet West of the North-east corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, thence South 28 degrees 190 feet; thence North 28 degrees 100 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Hillcrest Subdivision, Village of Fairgrove, part of the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 20, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, Village of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence South 90 degrees East along the extended Southerly line of said subdivision 250.0 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 10 seconds West 256.70 feet to the center line of Branch of N.W. Drain; thence South 79 degrees 17 minutes 10 seconds West along the centerline of said Drain, 254.41 feet; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 10 seconds East, along the East 1/8 line fence in said Section 304.01 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: March 4, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dustin Jones and Karista Jones, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 28, 2004 and recorded on June 3, 2004 in Liber 994 on Page 1379 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to SunTrust Mortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-One and 92/100 Dollars (\$49,421.92), including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on April 2, 2009.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mickey T. McKinney, a married man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 17, 2004 and recorded on December 27, 2004 in Liber 1021, Page 1401, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A., s/b/m Bank One National Association as Trustee for RAMP 2005RS2 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-One Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen and 05/100 Dollars (\$151,514.05), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 2, 2009.

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

Lot 5, Iva's Acres, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 37, 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: March 4, 2009

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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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on April 2, 2009.

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

Make: Holly Park  
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Length: 48  
Year: 2000

The Security instrument secures an obligation for a manufactured home/mobile home that is permanently affixed to the land and is an appurtenance thereto. The above described manufactured home/mobile home is considered by the grantors herein to be a component of the land and intended to be conveyed jointly with the land as real property.

Part of the Northwest quarter of Section 16, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, beginning in the North line of said Section 16 at a point 330.0 feet East of the Northwest corner of the Northwest quarter of said Northwest quarter; thence South parallel with the West line of said Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter, 569.50 feet; thence East, parallel with said North Section line; thence North, parallel with aforesaid West line, 569.50 feet to said North Section line; thence West along said Section line 153.00 feet to the place of the beginning. Commonly known as 1835 O'Brien Rd., Mayville, MI 48744.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241(c), whichever is later.

Dated: MARCH 2, 2009

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust, 2005-3  
Assignee of Mortgagee

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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 the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on

APRIL 9, 2009.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, and running thence West 17 rods; thence South 8 rods; thence East 17 rods; thence North 8 rods to the place of beginning. Also, known as the North 8 rods of Lot 1, Block 4 of the Assessors Plat of Akron.

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: March 11, 2009

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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 April 9, 2009.

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

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 34; thence along the South line of said Section, South 89 Degrees 10 Minutes 25 Seconds West, 263.00 feet; thence North 01 Degrees 02 Minutes 00 Seconds West, 1339.76 feet; thence along the North line of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 North 89 Degrees 21 Minutes 55 Seconds East, 242.55 feet; thence along the North-South 1/4 line, South 02 Degrees 54 Minutes 30 Seconds East 1339.18 feet to the South 1/4 corner of Section 34 and the Point of Beginning. Except an undivided 1/32 interest in and to all the oil, gas and other minerals deed; as recorded in Liber 211 of Deeds, at Pages 83 and 84 (according to the survey recorded in Liber 608, Pages 1145 and 1146, Tuscola County Records.

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Dated: March 11, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ted A. Sweeney, a single man, 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 People's Choice Home Loan, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 6, 2006, and recorded on January 17, 2007, in Liber 1108, on page 643, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Bank USA National Association, As Trustee For The Benefit Of People's Financial Realty Mortgage Securities Trust, Series 2006-1, 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 two hundred twenty six thousand three hundred thirty two and 67/100 dollars (\$226,332.67), including interest at 8.200% 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, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on Thursday, April 16, 2009.

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

Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in Block 88, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in Block 87, and Lot 1, 2, 3, 4, in Block 86, PLAT OF THE VILLAGE OF FOSTORIA, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 on Page 45A of Plats, Tuscola County Records, Except the South half of Lot 4 and 11 in Block 88, Also except the South half of Lot 4 and 11 in Block 87, also except the South half of Lot 4 in Block 86.

Tax ID Number: 021-500-186-0100-00

The redemption period shall be 1 year 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 600.3241(c),

whichever is later.

Dated: February 13, 2009

HSBC Bank USA National Association, As Trustee For The Benefit Of People's Financial Realty Mortgage Securities Trust, Series 2006-1  
Assignee of Mortgagee

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gary Bonstedt, a married man, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp. Mortgagee, dated October 31, 2002 and recorded February 27, 2003 in Liber 917, Page 1231, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Citibank, N.A. as Trustee for Chase 2003-1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Three and 51/100 Dollars (\$53,183.51), including interest at 8.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 16, 2009.

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 10, Town 13 North, Range 11 East, described as beginning at a point on the West line of Section 10 which is North 00 degrees 38 minutes 00 seconds West 498.00 feet from the West quarter corner of said Section 10; thence continuing along said West Section line, North 00 degrees 38 minutes 00 seconds West 390.53 feet; thence parallel to the North line of said Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter, South 89 degrees 48 minutes 14 seconds East 1311.45 feet; thence along the East line of said Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter, South 00 degrees 35 minutes 52 seconds East 387.89 feet; thence parallel to the East-West quarter line of said Section 10, North 89 degrees 55 minutes 07 seconds West 1311.17 feet to the West line of Section 10 and 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: March 18, 2009

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
248-502-1400  
File No. 209.6188  
ASAP #3027761

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 April 16, 2009.

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

Parcel A: Part of the Northwest quarter of Section 16, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, described as: Commencing at the West quarter corner of said Section 16; thence along the East-West quarter line of said Section 16, North 88 degrees 54 minutes 55 seconds East 986.15 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes 13 seconds West 358.52 feet; thence parallel with said East-West quarter line of Section 16, North 88 degrees 54 minutes East 243.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 24 minutes 13 seconds East, 358.52 feet to said East-West quarter line of Section 16, South 88 degrees 54 minutes 55 seconds East 986.15 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: March 18, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William J. Dempsey, III and Marge A. Dempsey, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, a federal association, Mortgagee, dated May 12, 2004 and recorded on August 23, 2004 in Liber 1005 on Page 818 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 Sixty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Two and 67/100 Dollars (\$66,532.67), including interest at 4.875% 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 April 16, 2009.

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

Beginning at a point on the North Section line that is North 89 degrees 23 minutes 9 seconds East 396.00 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 11 East; thence continuing North 89 degrees 23 minutes 9 seconds East 925.87 feet; thence along the East line of said Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter, South 0 degrees 6 minutes 24 seconds East 661.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 23 minutes 9 seconds West 1321.53 feet; thence along the West Section line, North 0 degrees 8 minutes 11 seconds West 331.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 23 minutes 9 seconds East 396.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 8 minutes 11 seconds West 330.00 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: March 18, 2009

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Said premises are located in the Township of Gifford, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: PART OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWN 13 NORTH RANGE 7 EAST, DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION WHICH IS SOUTH 02 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 46 FEET FROM THE WEST 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG SAID WEST LINE, SOUTH 02 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 211 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 221 FEET; NORTH 02 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 211 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 221 FEET TO SAID WEST LINE OF SECTION 23 AND THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

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

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

Dated: March 18, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sharon B. Swindell, unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Independent Mortgage Co. East MI, Mortgagee, dated January 28, 2005 and recorded on February 3, 2005 in Liber 1026 on Page 120 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty and 21/100 Dollars (\$63,780.21), 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 April 16, 2009.

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

Lot 3 and 4, Block 5 of A.P. Cooper's Addition to the Village of Centerville (now Caro), according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 13A.

The structure residing on the above described premises, consisting of a 2004 Stratus 56338, is considered real estate and is also collateral for this loan.

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: March 18, 2009

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such sale.

Dated: March 25, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Angela D. Gibbs, an unmarried person, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 23, 2006 and recorded on June 7, 2006 in Liber 1084 on Page 274 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Mortgage Services Inc as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Seven and 24/100 Dollars (\$125,677.24), including interest at 7.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on April 23, 2009.

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

Lots 11 and 12, Block 7 of Charles Montagues Subdivision, 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: March 25, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Darrell Avery, a single man, original mortgagor, to Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2006 and recorded on July 27, 2006 in Liber 1089 on Page 81, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC 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 Ninety-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Six and 53/100 Dollars (\$94,826.53), 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 April 23, 2009.

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

East 60 feet of Lots 1 and 2, Block 11, Plat of Centerville (now Caro) as recorded in Liber 1, Page 59A of Plats, Tuscola County Records, except a piece of land in the Southwest corner 24 feet North and South by 20 feet East and West.

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: March 25, 2009

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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Christopher Carr, a single man, to Household Finance Corporation III, Mortgagee, dated October 16, 2006 and recorded on October 19, 2006, as Instrument Number 200600888123, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Thirteen Dollars 88/100 (\$17,513.88), including interest at the rate of 8.940% 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 in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on April 23, 2009.

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

Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 27, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tus-

cola County, Michigan; thence South 00 degrees 20 minutes 37 seconds East, 1067.17 feet along the West line of said Section 27 to the point of beginning; running thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 08 seconds East, 726.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 20 minutes 37 seconds East 120.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 40 minutes 08 seconds West 726.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 20 minutes 37 seconds West 120.00 feet along the West line of said Section 27 to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 27, Town 12 North, Range 10 East. 2795 South Hurds Corner Road.

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

Dated: March 25, 2009

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
43252 Woodward Ave., Suite 180  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302  
(248) 335-9200  
Our File No. 241.00001

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael Blossom and Sandra L. Blossom, husband and wife, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., successor in interest from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as Receiver for Washington Mutual, Mortgagee, dated May 14, 2004 and recorded June 29, 2004 in Liber 998, Page 563, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Eighteen Thousand One Hundred Seventy and 80/100 Dollars (\$218,170.80), including interest at 5.564% 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 APRIL 23, 2009.

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

Parcel 1- Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 14, which is North 544.60 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said section; thence continuing along said East line, North 62.62 feet; thence North 89 degrees 20 minutes 45 seconds West, 211.00 feet; thence South 62.62 feet; thence South 89 degrees 20 minutes 45 seconds East, 211 feet to the East line of said section and the point of beginning. Parcel 2- Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 11 North Range 7 East, commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said section; 544.60 feet; thence North 89 degrees 20 minutes 45 seconds West, 211 feet (as established by previous survey recorded in Liber 514, Page 652, Tuscola County Records); thence South, parallel with East section line, 540.60 feet to East-West 1/4 line; thence East on said 1/4 line, 211 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: March 25, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Robert D. Field and Debra D. Field, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to GreenTree Financial Servicing Corporation, Mortgagee, dated the 20th day of September, 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 29th day of October, 1999 in Liber 786 of Tuscola County Records, page 412, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Three Thousand Thirty and 60/100 (\$83,030.60), 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 23rd day of April, 2009 at 10:00 o'clock AM Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 10.160% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

Part of Lots 9, 10, 11 of Block 27 of the Village of Fostoria, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Pages 44 and 45, Tuscola County Records, described as beginning at the Northwest corner of Block 27, North 88 degrees 47 minutes 00 seconds East, 131.84 feet along the North line of Block 27; thence South 01 degrees 09 minutes 25 seconds East, 165.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 47 minutes 00 seconds West 131.81 feet to the West line of Block 27; thence along the West line North 01 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds West 165.00 feet to the point of beginning. Said property also includes a 2000 2840 Fairpoint mobile home, Serial No. 12478.

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

Dated: 3/25/2009

GreenTree Financial Servicing Corporation  
Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.  
Attorney for GreenTree Financial Servicing Corporation  
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 800  
Troy, MI 48064  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Russell C. Perrigo, an unmarried man, and Lori A. Hosea, an unmarried woman, original mortgagors, to MacClair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 25, 2003 and recorded on December 3, 2003 in Liber 966 on Page 1481, 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 Ninety-Two Thousand Four Hundred Four and 55/100 Dollars (\$92,044.55), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on April 23, 2009.

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

The East 1/2 of Lot 6 of Block No. 16, of the Plat of the Village of Millington, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 42A, 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: March 25, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert W. Hascall and Lesa M. Hascall, 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 23, 2002 and recorded on January 27, 2003 in Liber 912 on Page 874 in instrument 200300825081, 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 Ninety-Five Thousand Eighty-Seven and 30/100 Dollars (\$95,087.30), including interest at 6% per annum.

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

by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on April 23, 2009.

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

Lot 6, Block 2 of Leonard Fox's Third Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page(s) 32 now 33A 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: March 25, 2009

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# MEDICAID AND ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR

**WHEN:** Wednesday, March 25, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. (Complimentary Dinner)

**WHERE:** The Charmont, 6138 E. Cass City Road, Cass City, Michigan

**TOPIC:** Medicaid Eligibility and Estate Planning  
Attorneys Michelle P. Biddinger and Jason E. Bitzer will discuss Medicaid eligibility and qualification. There will also be a discussion about Wills, Trusts and Powers of Attorney.

**RSVP:** Call (989) 872-5601, Ext. 5 to reserve your seat (limited seating available)



# Legal Notices

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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 George S Bunickack, a single man, original mortgagor, to MBS Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated June 18, 2004 and recorded on June 25, 2004 in Liber 998 on Page 5, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Eighteen Thousand and 16/100 Dollars (\$218,000.16), 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 April 9, 2009.

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

The Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 5, Town 12 North, Range 10 East.

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

Dated: March 11, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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Attorneys for Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #250629F01

3-11-4

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by William J. Healy and Brenda Healy, Husband and Wife, Tenants by the Entireties, of Unionville, Michigan (Mortgagors) to Household Finance Corporation III, a Delaware Corporation, dated June 6, 2006 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, on June 12, 2006 in Instrument 200600882508 or Liber 1084 and Page 941, Tuscola County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of \$106,288.68, including interest at the rate of 11.290% per annum together with any additional sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings 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 the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of April, 2009 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., the undersigned will at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, foreclose said mortgage by selling at public auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amounts due on said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

Land situated in the Township of Columbia, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, is described as follows:

Part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Town 14 North, Range 9 East. Described as beginning at a point on the East Section Line South 961.71 Feet from the East Quarter Corner of said Section 27, Town 14 North, Range 9 East; thence North 89 Degrees 10 Minutes West 191.63 feet; thence South 227.34 feet; thence South 89 Degrees 10 Minutes East 191.63 feet to the East Section Line of Section 27; thence Along said Line North 227.34 Feet to the point of beginning. Contains 1 Acre including the Easterly 33.00 feet thereof as Right of Way, as recorded in the Tuscola County Records, Tax Map or Parcel ID No. 004-027-000-1500-00; thence South 89 Degrees 10 Minutes East feet to the East Section Line of Section 27; thence along said Line North 227.34 feet. Commonly known as: 4663 Ashmore Road.

Tax ID #004-027-000-1500-00

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

DATED: March 11, 2009

Household Finance Corporation III  
Mortgagee

Richard L. McDonnell (P38788)

Attorney for Mortgagee  
33 Bloomfield Hills Pkwy, Suite 240  
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304-2946  
(248) 594-7770

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John P. Pugh, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 22, 2006 and recorded September 21, 2006 in Liber 1096, Page 454, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by HSBC Bank USA, National Association, As Trustee For The Benefit Of People's Financial Realty Mortgage Securities Trust, Series 2006-1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-One and 37/100 Dollars (\$69,231.37), including interest at 10.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 9, 2009.

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

Lots 15 and 16, Block 11, Plat of Village of Wilmot, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 43A.

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: March 11, 2009

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John J. Miller and Deborah A. Miller, Husband and Wife, by John J. Miller her attorney in fact, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 18, 2003, and recorded on August 6, 2003 in Liber 947 on Page 795, 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 One Hundred Ninety-Eight and 04/100 Dollars (\$139,198.04), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on April 23, 2009.

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

Part of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 9, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at the West quarter corner of Section 9; thence along the West line of Section 9, South 00 degrees 17 minutes 55 seconds East, 328.56 feet; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 28 seconds East 1325.19 feet to the West North and South one-eighth line; thence along said North and South one-eighth line North 00 degrees 23 minutes 29 seconds West, 328.45 feet to the East and West quarter line of Section 9; thence along said East and West quarter line South 89 degrees 56 minutes 44 seconds West, 1324.65 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: March 25, 2009

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**NOTICE**  
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This cute 2 bedroom home would be perfect for a new couple just starting out. If you're on a budget, you can't beat the price. It has a front and back deck, 1 car detached garage and a built-in cabinet in bedroom. It has also had some updates. With a tiny bit of TLC, this home would be ready for you to move right in. Call for your personal showing. For the price, it won't last long. NB-236

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**Close to town** on paved road. Beautiful country home with 3,000 square feet of living space. Call the office for all the details on this fine home. CY2577

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**NEW ON THE MARKET!**

**Country view** out your back door. Great family home with 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, full basement. Call and take a look! TCC 1556

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**3 bedroom, 1 bath,** 1,250 sq. ft., 1.5 story remodeled home on a paved road, close to town. 16'x14' deck, fenced in yard. Home is neat and clean, ready to move in, hardwood floors in the dining room and master bedroom, coved ceilings in the living room and dining room, central on the 2nd floor, one year home warranty included. CY2553

**Country estate.** 1,800 sq. ft. brick home, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, full basement, central air and is in move in condition. Includes a 40'x90' shed and a 40'x65' barn with 40'x40' addition. Lots of storage. CY2572



# Obituaries

## Robert Shagena

Robert M. Shagena, 82, died Saturday, March 21, 2009.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association National Office.

Arrangements are being handled by Wilkerson Funeral Home and Crematory, Greenville, NC.

## Donald Shimer

Donald J. Shimer, 86, of Deford, died Saturday, March 21, 2009 in his niece's home.

He was born Oct. 8, 1922 in Eckhart, MD, the son of Cleveland and Mary (Skelly) Shimer.

Don served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a sanitation

worker for Detroit working in Redford for many years until his retirement. Don loved playing baseball with his brother when he was young. They both had the opportunity to try out with the Baltimore Orioles. He loved gardening, feeding and watching birds and playing games, including card games and Yahtzee. He also enjoyed cooking.

Don is survived by his nieces: Carol Shimer of Deford, and Janet Shimer of Warren; great nieces and nephews: Richard (Stacy) Shimer, Keith (Lynn) Shimer, Tammy (Michael) Caporuscio, Donald (Mindy) Shimer, Marlene (Dwight) Wentz, Gary (Pam) Shimer, and David Shimer; and many great great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brothers: Roy J. Shimer and Ed Shimer; and nephews: Roy L. Shimer and Gary Shimer.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 24, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Dorothy Thon of Mayville United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment was in the Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Military honors were under the direction of the Cass City VFW Post #3644.

Memorials may be made to Cass City VFW Post #3644.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Tuscola Republicans hosting Mike Cox

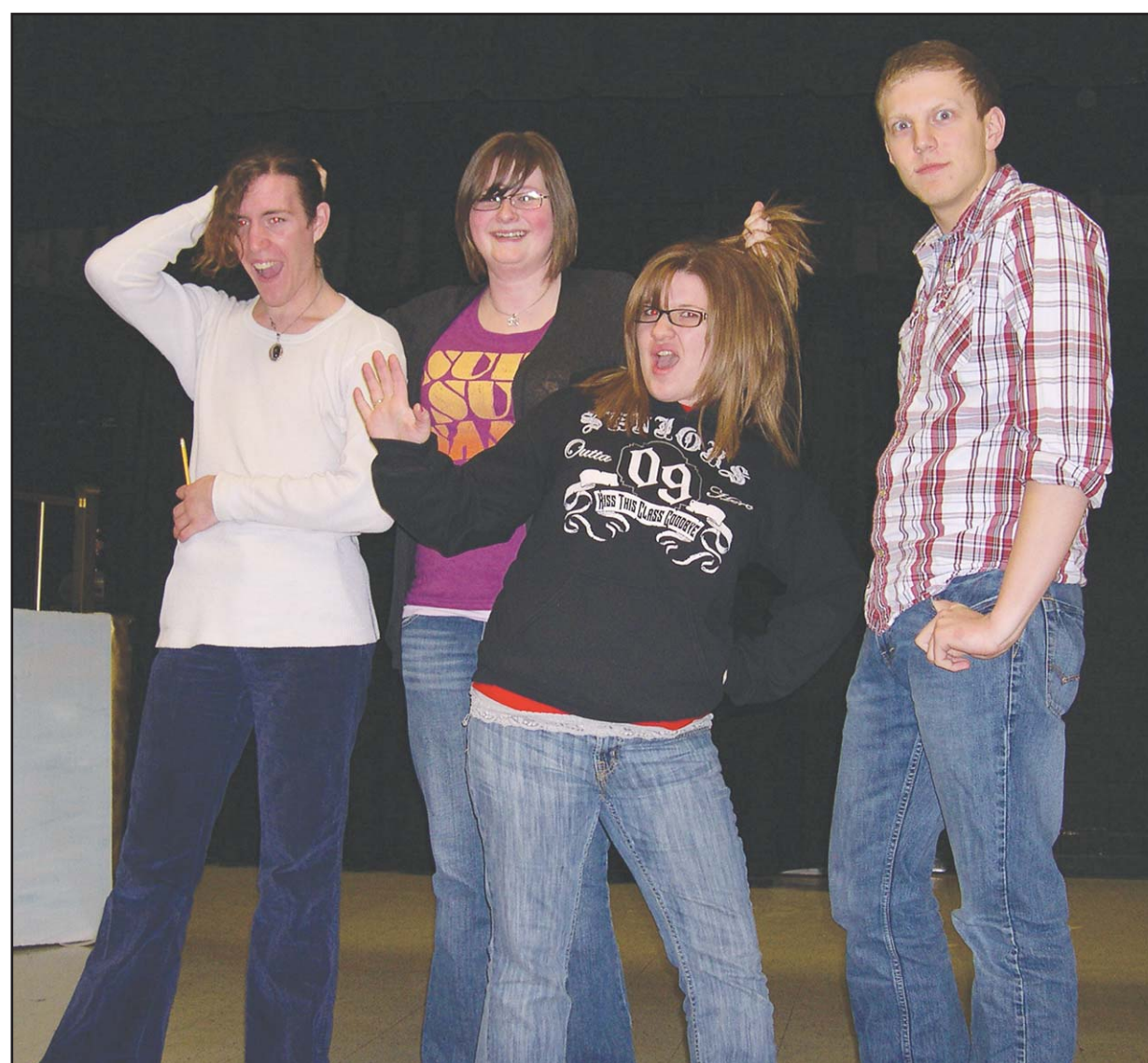
The Tuscola County Republican Executive Committee is hosting a "Meet and Greet Reception" with Attorney General Mike Cox today (Wednesday), at 12:30 p.m. at the Brentwood restaurant in Caro.

The event is intended to allow both elected and grassroots level Tuscola County Republicans an opportunity to speak with and hear from the attorney general. Citizens are encouraged to attend the free event and interact with Cox.

As Attorney General, Cox is the chief legal officer of the state. He has expanded the office's scope and reach to protect those in our state who cannot protect themselves. The office investigates and prosecutes consumer fraud, white-collar crime, organized crime, public corruption, drug, environmental violations and deprivation of civil rights.

The AG's office is also the first in state government to have placed all of its spending online. By going to [www.michigan.gov/trackyourtaxes](http://www.michigan.gov/trackyourtaxes) taxpayers can search separate sections of financial information. Believing that transparency breeds accountability, Cox has publicly called for putting the entire state budget online so citizens can see how their dollars are being spent.

For more information, contact Lisa Valentine at (989) 893-9931, or by email at [tuscolagop@gmail.com](mailto:tuscolagop@gmail.com).



## Lights, camera, action!

A CAST OF 16 Cass City High School students will present the musical comedy "When in Rome" Friday, March, 27, and Saturday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 29, at 3 p.m. at the high school. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for students. Pictured above are senior cast members (from left) Joram Tyson, Chelsea Israelson, Chelsea Depner and Drew Rohlfs. (Photo courtesy of Lindsey Montgomery)

## Children's Fun Fair on tap

Celebrate spring with a day of family fun. The 11th annual Children's Fun Fair will be held Saturday, April 25, at Highland Pines School in Caro from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Early On of Tuscola County coordinates and sponsors the event.

Free admission includes balloons, gift bags, lunch, door prizes and each child will receive a book to keep. Back by popular demand is the free child I.D. station. You will have the opportunity to have your child finger printed and their picture taken to put in a folder that contains vital information about your child. The folder is yours to keep.

New this year will be the free child car seat safety checks done by the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department in cooperation with SAFEkids. New child car seats will be available to those who qualify.

There will be several things happening throughout the day to entertain the whole family. Ronald McDonald will be on hand to visit with the children. The Caro Fire Department will have fire trucks for the children to see. Several booths will be set up in the gym offering games and art activities for the children and information about local services for the adults. Stacy Reno will be doing Musical Hoe

Downs in the forum at 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. The cafeteria will also be serving free hot dogs and chips from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Every year the fair continues to grow. Families can come relax, have fun and gather information about service agencies in our county.

The Fun Fair is sponsored every year by local businesses and agencies that help with gift bags, door prizes and activity and informational booths. If you are interested in helping to support this family event or would like more information about it, call Early On at (989) 673-5200 (ext. 445).



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