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ELKLAND TOWNSHIP fire fighters were dispatched to the Lucille Copeland residence in Cass City Friday morning after an electrical fire broke out in the basement of her Hunt Street home.

Girl, 10, spots house fire

A Cass City girl's sharp eyes may have helped to save the life of a local woman who escaped injury Friday morning when an electrical fire broke out in the basement of her home.

Sayge Cuthrell, 10, the daughter of Amy and Scott Cuthrell, spotted smoke coming from a neighbor's

home across the street and alerted her parents, who were busy at the time getting their children ready for school.

Amy said her husband, Scott, a Cass City teacher and coach, immediately ran across the street, entered the home, located resident Lucille Copeland in the kitchen and helped her outside. Amy Cuthrell, meanwhile, dialed 911.

The blaze at 4675 Hunt St. was reported at about 7:41 a.m.

Copeland told Elkland Township fire fighters that she awoke to the smell of smoke in the house, coming from the basement.

Elkland Township fire fighters arrived to find smoke pouring out of the residence. According to reports, the

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2 arrested in break-in

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies have arrested 2 suspects in the break-in of the Snover Party Store last February.

"The arrests concluded a 2-month investigation into the crime that led to a former Sandusky couple being arrested and charged on multiple felony counts," Sanilac County Sheriff Garry Biniecki said of the Feb. 7 burglary.

"The case involved the suspects forcing open the side entrance door of the Snover Party Store at approximately 3:40 a.m. and entering the store, where a male and female suspect removed liquor, cigarettes and cash," he added.

Grant M. Heffron, 38, of Port Huron, was recently arraigned in Sanilac County District Court on felony charges of breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny, conspiracy, and larceny in a building. He is being held on a \$50,000 bond. Heffron's wife, whose name is being withheld pending arraignment, is also in custody and is currently being housed in the St. Clair County Jail.

"Through diligent police work and community support, the crime was solved," said Biniecki, who noted he hopes the arrests will provide some closure for the victims.



SHELBY ROBY of Cass City kneels next to the sign she received permission to post near the scene of a fatal motorcycle accident last June in front of the McDonald's restaurant. The sign is in memory of Faron Alexander, 45, who died when his motorcycle was struck by a car. Roby was a friend of Alexander's and is also a long-time member of American Bikers Aiming Towards Education (ABATE), a group that promotes motorcycle safety and awareness among all motorists that motorcycles are everywhere, especially during the summer months.

O-G says "yes" to Deckerville request

Deckerville School officials are trying again to gain admission into the North Central Thumb League (NCTL), and the Owen-Gage Board of Education supports the idea.

The school board endorsed Deckerville's request during a regular monthly meeting last week.

This will be the third attempt by Deckerville, which is currently a member of the Greater Thumb League.

"At this point, we feel that it would be good for them to come into our league," said Owen-Gage School Supt. Dana Compton, whose board previously voted once in favor of Deckerville joining the league in all sports except football. The board later voted "no" when the request involved all sports. The latest request would allow the Eagles to compete in all NCTL sports.

Although Deckerville continues to be a powerhouse in football, Compton said the school has sustained significant enrollment losses, and Owen-Gage School officials feel that the close proximity of Deckerville to other NCTL schools is a good fit in terms of travel expenses for athletic events.

All of the other NCTL schools will have their say as to whether Deckerville joins the league. If approved, the move would become effective in the 2010-11 school year.

BUDGET UPDATE

Turning to finances, Compton updated the board on the school's budget this year. The monthly report stems from Owen-Gage's status as a deficit-spending school district after ending the last fiscal year some \$18,000 in the red.

Compton, who was required to file a plan for eliminating the deficit, said current budget projects indicate Owen-Gage will end this year in the black, although with very little fund equity.

"We haven't seen any significant changes in the bottom line," he said, noting the total budget adds to roughly \$2 million.

"It's going to be tight. My concern right now, really, is what's going to happen with the state, with a \$1.2, \$1.3 billion deficit," Compton added.

In a related matter, the board reviewed and endorsed the Huron Intermediate School District's (HISD) proposed budget as presented by HISD Supt. Bob Colby.

Compton said general fund revenues for the HISD are projected at \$1.6 million, with expenses set at \$1.7 million, and vocational education spending revenues and expenditures are estimated at \$2.8 million.

Special education revenues are set at \$8.7 million and expenditures are projected at \$10.5 million. Compton pointed out the difference in that budget is largely due to plans to supplement a voter-approved bond issue with \$2 million in HISD reserve funds. The bond issue generated funding for a major renovation/expansion at the HISD learning center building.

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Benefit set for Kerkau family

by Tom Montgomery Editor

As an active member of Knights of Columbus Council 8892, Rick Kerkau has rolled up his sleeves more than once to cook or otherwise volunteer for benefits organized to help out cancer victims in the community.

Now the shoe is on the other foot.

In one day, quite by accident, circumstances that Kerkau never saw coming turned his life upside down. The long-time Cass City resident went from being what he thought was a healthy husband and father to being seriously ill. Now, the 49-year-old is facing the battle of his life: stage 4 cancer.

But the community is rallying around Kerkau and his family in an effort to help them with expenses.

Co-workers and friends at Hills and Dales General Hospital along with friends at Cass City High School, Davenport University, the Knights of Columbus and St. Pancratius Church have organized a benefit slated for Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

The event will feature a taco and nacho bar, including salads, desserts and drinks at a cost of \$6 for adults and \$4 for students (kids 5 and under get in free). There will also be a silent auction, children's auction and 50/50 raffle.

Kerkau, who has worked as a network technician in the Hills and Dales Information Services Department for the past 18 months, learned he has cancer while he was on the job.

The hospital had just received some new, state-of-the-art ultrasound equipment, and over the course of making sure the unit was connected properly to the hospital's computer network, he heard there was need for some volunteers to undergo ultrasound testing while hospital technicians were training to use the equipment.

"They said they needed volunteers for it, so I thought, I'll volunteer. I also have a pacemaker, so that would give them something to look at," said Kerkau, who also works as an adjunct instructor in the Davenport University School of Technology.

"She said, 'I'd like to see you in my office,'" Kerkau recalled. "She said, 'Rick, you have to see a doctor, and you have to see one today!'"

Kerkau followed that advice, but the news wasn't good; he learned that he had late stage cancer. He began un-

Friends have organized a benefit for Kerkau and his family. The event is slated for Friday from 4-8 p.m. at Cass City High School.

dergoing chemotherapy treatments every other week, and opted to travel to M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston, Texas, one of the nation's top research hospitals. There, doctors ran a host of tests that determined Kerkau was suffering from colorectal cancer that had spread to his liver. He'll be going back to Texas in June for additional tests.

Until then, he'll continue undergoing chemotherapy — 3 treatments so far with another 9 scheduled.

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RICK KERKAU of Cass City is pictured above with his family, (from left) daughter Kendra, 12, wife, Dorothy, and son Justin, 14, after they were recently honored as the "Family of the Year" by Knights of Columbus Council 8892. Friends of the family have organized a benefit for Kerkau, who is battling cancer.

School officials happy with MEAP results

Cass City School officials say they're pleased, overall, with student scores on the latest Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) exams.

According to Campbell Elementary School Principal Aaron Fernald, third grade students ranked fifth among their peers in 8 Thumb area school districts, with 87 percent meeting or exceeding expectations on the exam in reading, 56 percent in writing, 84 percent in English-language arts, and 89 percent in math.

Fourth grade students, meanwhile, ranked first in all categories with percentages of meeting or exceeding expectations of 99 percent in reading, 56 percent in writing, 99 percent in English-language arts, and 96 percent in math.

With the exception of the third graders' performance on the writing portion of the test, Cass City students' scores in each category were equal to or better than state averages, Fernald said, adding the staff is continuing to strive to maintain the high scores in reading, English/language arts and

math while working to continue to improve writing scores.

Cass City Middle School Principal Jeff Hartel, meanwhile, reported the scores of fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth grade students exceeded state averages in all categories.

The following is a breakdown of achievement levels by grade:

•Fifth grade - Among 8 Thumb districts, students ranked sixth in reading (84 percent met or exceeded expectations), third in writing (70 percent), sixth in English-language arts (82 percent) and second in science (93 percent).

•Sixth grade - Cass City students ranked first in reading (91 percent met or exceeded expectations), first in writing (83 percent), first in English-language arts (89 percent), third in math (87 percent) and second in social studies (85 percent).

•Seventh grade - Students ranked third in reading (86 percent met or exceeded expectations), first in writing (85 percent), third in English-language arts (87 percent) and first in science (93 percent).

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Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, May 7

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

Friends of the Library meeting, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Friday, May 8

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

Saturday, May 9

Narcotics Anonymous, 7 p.m., 6915 N. Caseville Rd. For more information, call (989) 963-9077.

Sunday, May 10

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

Mother's Day Homemade Chicken BBQ & Bake Sale, 11-2 p.m., Michigan Bean Festival Building, M-138 in Fairgrove. Take outs available.

Monday, May 11

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

Children's Book Week: Children checking out books may enter to win one of several beautiful books. Stop by Rawson Memorial District Library for more details.

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

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

Tuesday, May 12

"Caregiving 101: Everything you wanted to know about caregiving but were afraid to ask", 6 p.m., Tuscola Technology Center, Caro. Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.

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

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

Wednesday, May 13

Chicken & Stuffing Dinner, noon, Cass City United Methodist Church, 5100 N. Cemetery Rd. Cost: \$6. For takeouts, call 872-4604, and pick up between 11 a.m. and noon, or after 12:30 p.m.

"Caregiving 101: Everything you wanted to know about caregiving but were afraid to ask", 6 p.m., Sanilac Career Center, Peck.

Prosecutor hosting meal for officers, fire fighters

The Sanilac Prosecutor is once again coordinating a buffet dinner for all retired and active police, fire and emergency service personnel in the greater Sanilac County area.

The event is set for Thursday, May 14, at 6 p.m. (social hour/7 p.m. dinner) at Lakeview Hills Golf Course in Lexington.

Reservations and ticket purchases must be made in advance.

Interested members/guests can contact Bill Gray toll-free at 1-800-544-3784 to RSVP before May 11.

B. Weltin graduates basic training

Army Pvt. Brandy N. Weltin has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During her 9 weeks of training, Weltin studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, and underwent instruction and practice in physical fitness, basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare, bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice, basic first aid, foot marches and field training.

Weltin is the daughter of Dean and Ella Weltin of Ubyly. She is a 2004 graduate of Ubyly High School.

Children's Book Week slated at Rawson Library

Children's Book Week, May 11-16, celebrates good books and the importance of developing a love of reading in children that will continue throughout their lifetime.

Rawson Memorial District Library has a wonderful collection of books, magazines and audio books for children to check out. During Children's Book Week, all children or adults checking out children's books may enter to win one of the following books: "On the Wings of Heroes" by Richard Peck; "Our White House: Looking In, Looking Out", edited by The National Children's Book and Literacy Alliance; and "Walt Whitman: Words for America" by Barbara Kerley; and one of 3 giant coloring books.

More information is available by calling the library at 872-2856.

Engaged



Sarah Childs and Edward Rushlo

Darwin and Naida Rushlo of Caro announce the engagement of their son, Edward O. Rushlo, to Sarah M. Childs, daughter of Don and Bridget Childs of Cass City, and Craig and Donna Miller of Columbiaville.

Edward is a 2005 graduate of Caro High School. He is a commercial pilot working on his bachelor's degree at Jacksonville University in Jacksonville, Fla.

Sarah is a 2006 graduate of Cass City High School. She received her cosmetology license from Howard's Beauty Academy in 2007 and currently manages a Hair Cuttery Salon in Jacksonville, Fla.

The couple will be married Sept. 19, 2009 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Caro.

Engaged



David Ondrajka and Nashia Prich

Larry and Annette Prich of Sebawaing announce the engagement of their daughter, Nashia Rae Prich, to David Allen Ondrajka, son of Tom and Renee McLane of Unionville, and Dave Ondrajka of Sebawaing.

Nashia is a 2005 graduate of Owen-Gage High School. She is currently employed at Scheurer Family Pharmacy in Pigeon as a certified pharmacy technician.

David is a 2003 graduate of Unionville-Sebawaing High School and a 2008 graduate of Saginaw Valley State University with a degree in accounting. He is currently employed as an accountant with Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt & Doran in Caro.

An Aug. 1, 2009 wedding is currently being planned.

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Jessica Bowers, daughter of Janice and Todd Bowers, was baptized at St. Columbkille Catholic Church at Sheridan Sunday morning. A dinner followed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Todd Bowers for grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Sweeney, Linda Wetter of Yale, Paul and Nancy Citsmiller of Auburn, Harvey and Gail of Bay City, Paula Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Sweeney and Katie of Ubyly and Mrs. Martin Sweeney of Bad Axe.

The Young Ideas Farm Bureau group met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Helewski. After the meeting, cards were played and high prizes were won by Mrs. Joe Wolschlagler and Joe Sweeney. Low prizes were won by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bouchard. The hostess served a lunch.

A group of birthday party friends met at the home of Theda Seeger to help her celebrate her birthday. Happy Birthday, Theda.

Mrs. Gerald Wills, Mrs. Harold Ballagh, Mrs. Lynn Hurford and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson visited Thelma Jackson Thursday.

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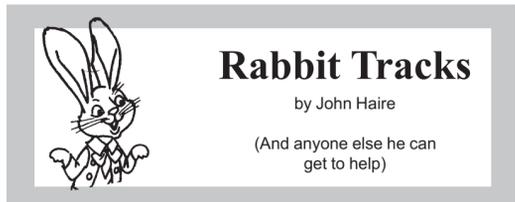
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Over the years, we have welcomed and appreciated letters from Bob Papovich of Snover. Seldom have his views coincided with mine, but they usually presented an antiestablishment view with the reason for his stance. A week ago we received another letter and as usual it was well written, but this time added nothing more to back his belief that global warming has not been proven. Much of the letter was devoted to answering the criticism of a previous writer. The Chronicle staff debated the issue and made a decision not to publish the letter. If published it could very easily spark another retaliatory letter and we felt that the paper was not the place for a personal one-on-one debate. Meanwhile, we have Bob's letter on file and any interested person can read it in our office. When a new issue arrives that affects our community, Bob, be assured that the Chronicle news columns are open to you.

The cost of construction has made it impossible to rebuild the gazebo over the Cass River with an all metal frame. With a wood frame the cost of the new structure will be covered by the village's insurance. Peter Cristiano, village manager, said that the lumber will be treated, not only to be water resistant, but harder to set on fire.

I can attest that the annual Tribute to the Troops-Thunder across the Thumb drew hundreds of bikers. On the final day, the bikers started at Fairgrove and wended their way to the Sandusky Airport. It went past my house on Seeger Street around noon. I could not tell where the line ended as the bikes turned at the stoplight and stretched down M-81 out of my vision.

County monitoring swine flu situation

Tuscola County Health Department officials are continuing to monitor confirmed reports of swine flu in the United States. "Staff (from the health department) has been in close contact with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Michigan Department of Community Health," said Ann Hefner, R.N. "State laboratory results showed that a 34-year-old woman (from) Livingston County has a probable case of swine influenza A. The woman had recently traveled to the Texas and Mexican border," she noted. "All states in the U.S. have increased surveillance, testing and investigation of flu-like illness, and we were anticipating that we may find cases in Michigan." "Fortunately, at this point, it appears that cases in the U.S. are milder than the severe disease that resulted in fatalities in Mexico," Hefner continued. "At this time, CDC does not know why cases in the U.S. are milder, and this could change." Health department officials are urging residents to: "Stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them if they have flu-like symptoms." "Contact their health provider for testing if they have a flu-like illness that includes a fever of 100 degrees or more with a cough and sore throat." "Try to avoid close contact with sick people." "Wash hands frequently. This is the most important step you can take to reduce the spread of the disease. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective." "Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze." For current information, residents can contact the CDC swine flu website at: www.cdc.gov/swineflu. More information is available by contacting the Tuscola County Health Department at (989) 673-8114 (ext. 117).

Small animal workshop slated in Sanilac Co.

The Sanilac County 4-H Small Animal Workshop will be Saturday, June 6, from noon to 4 p.m. at the Sanilac County Fairgrounds in Sandusky. Kids and adults interested in learning about the 4-H Program and how to prepare a dog, cat, goat, alpaca, rabbit, poultry or a pocket pet (hamster, gerbil, etc.) for the fair are invited to attend this free event. There will be live animal demonstrations, mock-shows, display booths, hands on activities, training basics, lots of great information, gifts and prizes. For more information, call the Sanilac County MSU Extension Office at (810) 648-2515 (ext. 107) or email chiodin1@msu.edu.

The back forty by Roger Pond

There was a time when going to college was considered a major accomplishment. I don't know when that was, but it preceded me by a number of years. A recent letter written by an urban newspaper reader suggests half the students in college today shouldn't be there. He states, "Administrators, academics, publishers, bankers and the sports industry all have a vested interest in increasing the undergraduate population. The quality of education being delivered to a majority of students is closer to remedial high school rather than college." That sounds a little extreme to many folks, but I saw it happen over a period of years. I got my degree from a land grant university and started teaching vocational agriculture in 1966. I taught classes, graded papers, changed jobs, and went back to the university for a graduate degree four years later. The professors were kind enough to give me a graduate assistant's job, and I helped grade some student papers. I noticed many of those papers weren't very good. "Wait a minute," I thought. "These kids aren't any better than the ones I had in high school. The poorer ones!" That's when I realized that most of the kids in high school were expected to head for college. You can see it in the classes and in the grading system. Whatever happened to the days when college was an option, but not the expected one? Those were the days when college was important for some, but not for everyone. My own family is a good example. We grew up on a farm — and weren't expected to attend college. My parents wanted us to go, but they didn't expect it. My 2 oldest brothers became farmers. They were smart and good at it. Another brother in my family may have been the smartest kid in the clan, but he didn't want to be a farmer. And he didn't want to attend college. My mother took him to see a college administrator and tried to encourage him; but it didn't work. She might as well have sicced the dog on him. Some of my family went to college, but nobody expected it. It's just as well, I think. Those who didn't go are at least as smart and successful as those who did. My wife, Connie's, family is totally different from mine. All of her brothers and sisters attended a university and graduated. Her dad was a doctor, and his sister was a teacher. Connie's mother grew up in the coalmining region of Ohio. She never attended college, but several in her family did; hard as that might be. One of Connie's aunts attended Muskingum College in New Concord, but dropped out during World War II. "I got a good job in Columbus, so I quit college and moved there," she told me. "I should have stayed at Muskingum until I graduated." "How long were you in college?" I asked her. "One semester," she said.

Attention Gagetown Residents

Spring Clean-Up Week

This shall serve as a general notice to the residents and property owners in the Village of Gagetown that Spring Clean Up Week is **May 11-15, 2009**

Please remember that the DPW Department will be picking up **BRUSH ONLY**

The Gagetown Village Council appreciates your cooperation in keeping our town clean!

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Rotary will continue to offer helping hand

A satisfaction questionnaire has been distributed to the members of the Cass City Rotary Club. There are a dozen questions with a variety of choices for each that cover 4 pages. Some are easy, others not so cut and dried. For me an easy one, for example, is one of the choices available in feeling welcome at the club. It asks if the respondent is older or younger than other members. Practically all questions are subject to the whims of the individual members and I guess that the answers to "How would you rate the level of our club's involvement in the following types of activities?" would vary all over the place. There are 8 different categories to consider and these 4 ratings available for each: excellent, adequate, insufficient and not aware. Of all the choices, I am sure the one that will be rated excellent or adequate is local service projects. The remaining 7 choices will vary and I wouldn't want to predict which of the remaining would lead the list. The choices: membership development, member orientation and education, international service projects, club public relations, fundraises, Rotary Foundation and fellowship.

Growing for You!

Bell Lawn Garden Store was founded in 2003 with a goal to serve the surrounding communities as a source of quality garden seeds and plants. Our name comes from an old family heirloom, an iron dinner bell in our lawn. A dinner bell was the hallmark of nearly every farmstead in days gone by, when quality was foremost. It is our goal to pass on this heritage of quality and satisfaction to our customers.

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- Mediating conflict
- Bringing out the best in others
- Expressing empathy and compassion
- Upholding core values and principles
- Encouraging different viewpoints while emphasizing integrity, dignity, equality, and democracy

We encourage students of all ages to "Get involved." within the school community as well as within the organizations that serve the Cass City community. The next school board meeting is scheduled for 7:30, Monday, May 18th in the high school cafeteria.

This will be our last message for this school year. We will return in the fall with new messages and information. Thank you for your support and encouragement.

Cass City Teachers: Aiming for Educational Excellence

Kris Milligan, President
Cass City Education Association

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Notice is hereby given that on May 18, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the Village of Cass City Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan, a hearing will be held before the Cass City Village Council pursuant to Section 4 (3) of Act 198 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1974, as amended, on the request by the Village of Cass City for the establishment of an Industrial Development District containing the following described property located within the Village of Cass City Renaissance Zone:

Commencing at the Center of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, of the Village of Cass City, Tuscola County Michigan, thence S.01°53'22"W. 66.00', thence N.88°23'51"W. 330.00' to the point of beginning of this description. Thence S.01°53'22"W. 1253.62', thence N88°37'11"W. 268.82', Thence N.01°57'47"E. 987.41', Thence N.88°23'51"W. 469.32' to the point of beginning. Containing 12.36 acres more or less and subject to all recorded easements and rights of way.

The owners of all real property within the proposed Industrial Development District together with any other residents or taxpayers of the Village of Cass City shall have the right to appear and be heard.

AND

HEARING ON THE APPROVAL OF AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE IN THE VILLAGE OF CASS CITY

Notice is hereby given that on May 18, 2009, at 7:15 p.m. in the Village of Cass City Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan, a hearing will be held before the Cass City Village Council pursuant to Section 4 (3) of Act 198 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1974, as amended, on the petition of L & L Poultry for the approval of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate on new facilities proposed to be built upon the following described property located within the Village of Cass City Renaissance Zone:

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The Public is invited to attend.

Nanette S. Walsh
Clerk Treasurer
Published 5/6/09 Cass City Chronicle



Everyday Stories

Cass City Public Schools
"Assignment America"
By Emily Martin

The souls that teach children to read their first picture books, teach them the value of finger-painted treasures and teach them a love for others are the same souls honored on the fifth day of May 2009.

Students undergo years of schooling, passing through the classrooms of numerous teachers that never fail to touch a small piece of their life. Words of encouragement, gestures of assistance and calls of challenge mold and shape students into the young people they are to become. The individuals that are partly responsible for a regional art award, an aced standardized test score and a wide smile on graduation night might indeed have the hardest job.

It is often said that teaching is the profession that teaches all other professions. If this is not a demanding feat, I'm afraid I don't know what is.

Teachers are the cobblestones on a sidewalk, the planks on a dock, the stepping stones across a garden. There is a National Gardening Week, so why shouldn't there be a National Teachers Week? Instead of their own week like the garden, teachers had their day of national honor on Tuesday of this week.

In the spirit of gratefulness to the teachers of Cass City Public Schools, for all of their service and commitment to students, I asked undergraduates of CCHS to reminisce regarding their most beloved memories with one of their teachers. Their responses immediately filled the classroom with joyful laughs, eyes filled with remembrance, and hearts thankful for these memories past. At one point, the entire class was conversing with phrases such as, "Do you remember in ___ grade when..." "Wasn't it amazing when he/she did..." "I can still remember Mrs./Mr. _____'s reaction to..."

Junior Keegan Hagen mentioned the days of sixth grade in Mr. Mike Gogola's classroom. "He was just always a happy guy," he said. "I really like that about him. Mr. Gogola was a genuine person which made him an awesome teacher." Hagen's face lit up when he commented, "I can remember him telling all kinds of stories. I couldn't tell you what these stories were about today, but I know in sixth grade they were great."

"I had my memorable school moments with Mrs. (Michelle) Ansbomb," said sophomore Lauren Walther. "Middle school choir was so much fun with Mrs. A. I can remember her giving kids crazy nicknames. She had a different name for every student and we all liked the names. She was funny and energetic...just a fun person to be around."

On the note of a current Cass City Middle School teacher, junior Kyle Pine was quick to pick seventh grade and Mr. Ryan Walker as the home of his favorite school memories. "Mr. Walker had the 'Walker look'. He would give kids this look; his eyes looking overtop his glasses frames straight at you. When he did this, you knew he meant business. I loved that we could have talks about sports and teams we both love in one minute, and be back to school work in another," he said. Pine talked of students' respect for Mr. Walker. "He was just a teacher that had our respect from day one, and maybe that's why we had a great year."

The stories, memories, and accounts I heard that day of favorite school moments, days and years could fill a novel cover to cover. Whether teachers realize this or not, students can look back and be truly grateful for the experiences they've had in the Cass City Public Schools. These experiences are thanks to the teachers they had.

Ironically, if you ask a teacher why he or she teaches, the common responses are they enjoy the students, they love the subject they teach and they were inspired by the wonderful teachers they had as students themselves. If teaching really is learning twice, the students will be forever indebted to the teachers of this district for their continued learning.

On behalf of the entire student body, young and old, we thank our teachers from the bottom of our hearts for your countless hours spent past the regular school day grading papers and preparing lesson plans. Your patience and understanding are our biggest blessings. Most importantly, we thank you for believing in us and pushing us to become all we can.

Dan Rather once said, "The dream begins with a teacher who believes in you, who tugs and pushes and leads you to the next plateau, sometimes poking you with a sharp stick called truth." Thank you for all the truth.



MEMBERS OF UBLY Cub Scout Pack 3585 and Uby Boy Scout Troop 585 recently picked up bags of donated food from residents throughout the village of Uby. In all, the scouts collect 129 bags containing an average of 10 items per bag that will be donated to food pantries in the area.

Several charged last week

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

•Dawn M. Trudell, 53, Vassar, received a one-year delayed sentence following her plea of guilty to assaulting a police officer April 13 in Vassar Township.

She was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,808.

•Gilbert H. Freeman, 41, Deford, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Feb. 26 in Kingstontownship. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction). A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$500.

Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•William A. McPhail, 35, Peabody, Kan., was sentenced to 14 months to 15 years in prison for his plea of guilty to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failure to notify law enforcement of a change in address from May 2008 through Aug. 3, 2008, in Elkland Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, McPhail was also ordered to pay \$128 in costs and fines.

•Davis O. Pillsbury, 35, Millington, was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail, with work release, for his plea of no contest to assault with a dangerous weapon June 12 in Arbeta

Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was placed on 36 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,028 plus restitution of \$268.36.

•Harold C. Fulton, 20, Flint, pleaded no contest to delivery/manufacture of marijuana Oct. 6 in Fremont Township.

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

•Jason M. McKeage, 32, Mayville, was sentenced to 7 years and 11 months to 20 years in prison for his plea of no contest to first degree home invasion and second degree criminal sexual conduct involving the commission of another felony Oct. 2 in Mayville.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$196.

•James L. Taylor, 36, Fort Gratiot, was sentenced to 180 days in jail (90 days deferred), with work release, for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Nov. 28 in Fremont Township.

He was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay \$3,628 in costs and fines plus restitution of \$95.

•Edward M. Palmer, 31, Caro, pleaded guilty to attempting to obtain a controlled substance by fraud Oct. 28 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was or-

dered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Edith D. Turner, 47, Plymouth, pleaded no contest to conducting a criminal enterprise involving forgery and counterfeiting last July in Fremont Township and the villages of Caro, Cass City and Mayville. She was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the Michigan Department of Corrections.

•Lisa C. Owens, 39, Marlette, was sentenced to 2 to 15 years in prison for her plea of guilty but mentally ill to forgery involving a \$1,500 check drawn on Bank One June 2-20 in Mayville, and to identity theft and stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without permission of the device holder January-February 2008 in Koylton Township.

In addition to prison time, she was ordered to pay \$128 in costs and fines plus restitution of \$4,498.16.

•Dana L. Schroeder, 29, Caro, 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, third offense, Oct. 11 in Wells Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, Schroeder was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,128 plus restitution of \$95.

Talk Early, Talk Often workshop set in Cass City

Cass City Public Schools has been selected as one of the sites to host a "Talk Early & Talk Often" parent workshop Wednesday, May 13, in the middle school media center.

The 2-hour workshop is free of charge and will help parents of middle school youth talk with their children about abstinence and sexuality. It is aimed at helping parents recognize and use opportunities to open the door for conversation, listen and respond with greater confidence and skill and to feel comfortable seeking outside sources of information.

In the fall of 2005 the workshop was piloted in 60 communities across Michigan. Talk Early & Talk Often has consistently received high praise from parents, educators and community leaders and continues to be implemented statewide.

When asked about Talk Early & Talk Often, Project Coordinator Barbara Flis pointed out, "The Governor recognizes that parents are the primary abstinence and sexuality educators of their children. Continued communication at home is vital in helping our young people avoid sexual relationships they are not yet prepared for that may have serious consequences including pregnancy, HIV and sexually transmitted infections."

There is no charge to attend the local workshop. However, space is limited, so advanced registration is required. To register, call (989) 673-8114 (ext 119).

The Talk Early & Talk Often initiative is part of Gov. Jennifer Granholm's Blueprint for Preventing Unintended Pregnancies, unveiled in July 2005. The governor's announcement came as a result of recommendations from an inter-agency workgroup with representatives from the governor's office, Department of Community Health, Michigan Department of Education, Department of Labor & Economic Growth, Michigan Women's Commission, Department of Human Services and the Michigan Surgeon General.

Roggenbuck certified in family law

Cass City Attorney Amanda L. Roggenbuck has received a Certificate of Completion in the area of family law issued by the Institute of Continuing Legal Education and the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan.

Roggenbuck is a graduate of Harbor Beach High School and Michigan State University. She received her Juris Doctorate from Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

Roggenbuck currently owns and operates a general law practice in Cass City. She practices in the areas of estate planning and family law.

Thumb company hosting auditions

One of the best liked and well known stage plays of all time is "Fiddler on the Roof," based on Sholem Aleichem's stories about tradition and change that occur within the closely-knit relationships of family structure, aided by a plethora of heart warming music.

The Thumb Area Community Theatre Company has chosen to produce "Fiddler" for its summer performance.

Production dates are Thursday, July 30, through Sunday, Aug. 2, at Unionville-Sebewaing Area High

School. Cristi Rahn, Caro, will be the director and Sherry Helmuth, Pigeon, will be the pianist.

Auditioning dates are approaching - Monday, May 11, and Tuesday, May 12, from 6 to 9 p.m. both days. Participants do not have to make any special preparations. T'ACT welcomes anyone who has a desire to audition. "Fiddler" has a large cast of 13 men plus extras, and 13 women plus extras, including ages 12 years through anything, and a few under 12 for the chorus.

The director has set Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for rehearsals, leaving weekends open.

In 1982, the USA High School Drama Club performed "Fiddler." Many of the people who were in the play then still live in the Thumb area. T'ACT encourages everyone to come and try out again, if not for the same part, a more mature part perhaps. Kris Jahr, T'ACT chairman, said, "We guarantee you another great experience."

Anyone with questions is invited to call Jahr at (989) 883-3391 or Rahn at (989) 673-4085.

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Note 2: The VILLAGE OF CASS CITY hereby notifies all bidders that this project will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprise will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of sex, race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Note 3: Each proposal shall be accompanied by certified check or bidder's bond for 5% of bid. Checks shall be drawn payable to The VILLAGE OF CASS CITY as security for the acceptance of the Contract and subject to the conditions stated in the Instructions to Bidders. The Village of Cass City reserves the right to waive informality in any bid, to reject any or all bids, or accept any bid, which is considered most favorable to the Village of Cass City.

Plans, proposal forms, and specifications may be obtained after April 28, 2009 by qualified bidders at the office of Phillips Engineering, LLC, 1240 West Sanilac Road, Ste. E, Sandusky, MI. 48471, at a non-refundable reproduction charge of \$ 25.00 for each set if picked up, or \$ 35.00 if mailed. Plans will be available for review at the Village of Cass City.

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ONE MAN'S JUNK is another man's treasure. Just ask Pat Church, whose Deford Emporium in Deford is a collector's delight, from antique jars and fishing tackle to tools, books and much more.

Treasure trove Church's Deford Emporium a paradise for Thumb collectors

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Walking into the Deford Emporium is like entering a time machine.

Every nook and cranny of the store at 5827 Bruce St. in Deford is filled with items of just about every description, from antique fishing lures, phones and cameras to Mason jars, old tools, collectible beer cans, records and books.

There's a working Victrola, an antique Edison "talking machine" and an old cash register — dating back to the 1800s — that doesn't add beyond \$3.99.

And, every item is for sale. "I've been here since October and I opened the store in January," recalled owner Pat Church, a former Saginaw resident who also owns and operates Otis Signs and Display, a hand lettering and vinyl graphics business he took over from his father back in the

1980s.

Church said he opted to move to Deford and open up shop because he was already familiar with the area. "I hunt out here, I fish here, so the logical choice was to move here," he added.

As for the Deford Emporium, Church indicated the unique store reflects his love of collecting just about anything and everything.

"I call it an antique/junk store. It's basically a little of this and a little of that. I've got junk and I've got good stuff," he said. "I'm definitely a packrat. There's no question about that. I'm a collector, but I'm a packrat, too."

Church said he finds many of his "treasures" at estate and rummage sales, searching for bargains so he can turn around and sell the items cheaply as well.

"I could do (this) on-line, but I like people. I'm a people person, always have been," he continued.

"This store's been a lot of fun and there are some really great people out here. I'm not disappointed," Church said. "It's (store) a walk down memory lane for a lot of people. Some just come in to look and they say, 'I remember this, I remember that'."

The Deford Emporium's home has as much if not more history than many of the things Church offers for sale. Known as the Bruce Building, the structure once housed a general store and, at some point in time, a post office. "This building's got a lot of history to it," said Church, who tries to keep regular business hours — Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. With summer nearly here, he also plans to open on Sundays.

"I get a lot of repeat customers," Church said. "You meet just about every trade in life in here. You get collectors and you get people who just want to come in and look."

And while everything in his store is for sale, prices are always negotiable. In fact, Church prefers to dicker because it gives him the opportunity to engage customers in what can be some pretty interesting conversation.

In the end, he hopes to make a sale and that the customer will walk out satisfied. "I would say probably it's close to a hobby. I make a dollar here and a dollar there. The sign business pays the bills," Church said.

"I just try to make my money back on stuff. If I can do that, I'm a happy man."



CHURCH STANDS next to an antique cash register that is still in service, although the machine's maximum sale is \$3.99.



A WORKING Victrola (above) as well as an antique Edison "talking machine" are among the treasures to be found inside Church's store.

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Down Memory Lane

By Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO

More than 2 dozen Tencare, Cass City, workers hit the streets with picket signs Thursday, protesting what they said was management's unwillingness to negotiate a fair contract. The 24-hour strike that began at 7 a.m. took place both in front of the local nursing home and in front of the Cass City Municipal Building. Simultaneous strikes were also staged at several other Tencare facilities, including those in Adrian, Albion, Saginaw, Southgate and Taylor.

A pair of Cass City High School graduates have earned degrees at Hope College, Holland, Mich. They are Grant Gould, son of the Rev. Todd and Tara Gould of Cass City, and Melissa Homakie, daughter of Michelle Homakie, Cass City and John Homakie, Cass City. Gould earned a Bachelor of Music Degree in music performance, and Homakie earned a Language Arts Composite.

Sarah Hobbs led the Cass City soccer team to its first overtime win of the season with a goal 47 seconds into the extra period at Sandusky. The win provided the lady Red Hawks with a big boost heading into Wednesday's home contest with Valley Lutheran; however, the Chargers proved too strong and recorded a 7-0 victory.

Kevin and Melanie Smerdon. State sponsors for Laiken were Kelly and Co., Osentoski, Kranz Funeral Home, MSB, Mr. Chips and Wild John's.

Cass City High School junior Chris Dubai proved himself tops in automotive painting during recent regional and state competitions. Dubai, who had the opportunity to compete at a Vocational Industrial Clubs of America event in Lansing, competed at the regional level at the Tuscola County Technology Center in the areas of painting, body work, welding and estimating and measuring. He placed first overall in those categories, earning a spot to compete at the state level in Lansing. Dubai matched his skills against 12 other top finishers from 5 different regions, taking first place in automotive painting. He won a paint gun along with a \$1,500 scholarship from the Wyoming Technological Institute.

Second, third and fourth grade Owen-Gage Young Author winners are: Amy Aldrich, Brandalyn Plowman, Lea Aldrich, Nate Lane, Michael Pawlak, Brandon Dubs, Lauren Bennett, Nicole Ruiz, John Villareal and Kaylee Anderson.

Cass City Young Authors winners in the third and fourth grades are: Allen Bussard, Courtney Hacker, Cassandra Simpson, Jimmy Froede, Alyssa Nicol, Lysa Knight, Dennis Bowen, Maddie Dooley, Jaclyn Hendrick and Anthony Middaugh.

25 YEARS AGO

The wind storm that struck the upper Thumb Monday, as well as most of Michigan, wreaked havoc on barns and other buildings and caused numerous power outages. The gauge at Huron County Memorial Airport in Bad Axe recorded wind speeds as high as 69 miles per hour.

Dennis Bradley of Seeger Street, Cass City, was planning to sell a mobile home he owned on Phillips Road, near DeLong Road, but the wind ended that idea Monday afternoon, blowing it about 20 yards off its foundation. No one lived there and it was empty except for heater, refrigerator and stove.

The barn of Kenneth and Donna Nye on Elmwood Road between Dodge and Cedar Run was blown down about 9 a.m. Monday, killing their dog, which had walked inside. Only some tools and miscellaneous items, nothing major, were inside. The Nyes were planning to tear it down this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Willis of Third Street, Cass City, brought their travel trailer out of indoor winter storage Saturday. It was parked in their backyard, where a tree pushed over by the wind, fell on it Monday. Willis said it didn't appear to be repairable.

Top sellers of Girl Scout cookies in the Cass City and Deford areas were Sharie DeLong, Junior Troop 221, 373 boxes; Heather Wright, Brownie Troop 414, 201 boxes, and Janet Koch, Cadet Troop 239, 195 boxes.

Tom Lounsbury of Dodge Road, Cass City, has sold an article he wrote to the Michigan United Conservation Clubs' magazine, "Michigan Out of Doors." The how-to article, entitled "Tracking Farmland Whitetails," is scheduled to appear in the magazine's November issue, which will be devoted to deer hunting. Lounsbury, a weights and measures inspector for the Michigan Department of Agriculture, has already received payment for the article, the first he has written and submitted to a magazine. He is now writing two more articles, he said, both concerning the outdoors.

35 YEARS AGO

Dental Technician first class Dagmar Brown, of the U.S. Naval Reserve, returned Saturday from two weeks of training duty at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Orlando, Fla. While there, she worked in the dental clinic. She also visited Disney World, Sea World and Cape Kennedy. Ms. Brown will complete 31 years of service with the reserves in June.

First communion for 23 children was celebrated Sunday, April 21, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Instructors for this second-grade class were Mrs. Terri Groombridge and Mrs. Suzanne Shagena. Those taking communion were: Greg Bliss, Janice Burnette, Mary Decker, Becky DeAngela, Lois Garety, Paula Herron, Ed Hewitt and Malcolm House. Also taking first communion were: Karen Kappen, Gerald Kocan, Charles Malone, Debbie Ouvry, Kevin Pasanski, Sue Scollon, Julie Smithson, Renae Stimpfel and Brent Szarapski. Others in the group included: Tom Tuckey, Dawn, Lisa and Mark Wilson and Jon Zdrojewski.

Sally A. Geiger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Geiger of Garfield, has been named co-valedictorian for the 1974 graduating class of Central Michigan University. She will graduate with a perfect 4.0 grade point average May 11, duplicating her high school record. She is a 1970 graduate of Cass City High School.

The Cass City Girls' Track Team squad took its first meet of the season against Mayville 55-35. Team members are: Bunny Hill (asst. manager), Ann Hobart, Teresa Hofstedt, Susie Widdis, Sean Ouvry, Mary Windy, Cindy Guernsey, Kelly Gee, Kathy Zink (manager), Darcel Reibling (asst. coach), Lena Woodruff, Tina Vargo, Cindy Ruso, Maxine Smith, Cathy Clarke, Dawn Stahlbaum, Cathy Kerbyson and Coach Brenda Breidinger.

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Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
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FAMILY AFFAIR. Brandon Harrison, Clinton Township 10-year-old, shot his first turkey opening day along with his father Bill Harrison on private property in Sanilac County. His grandfather Larry Harrison, below, took his bird a few days later to complete the Harrison family hat trick.



Soccer round-up

Lady Red Hawks enjoying success

Off to their best start in several years, the Cass City Lady Red Hawk soccer team can no longer be taken lightly. The Red Hawks made believers out of Sandusky and Bad Axe last week as Coach Chuck Reed's squad recorded an easy 5-2 victory at Sandusky Wednesday, after suffering a 4-3 overtime loss Monday to visiting Bad Axe.

The Bad Axe game started under cloudy skies with light sprinkles and finished in a downpour that soaked everyone for most of the second half and overtime period.

Red Hawk Amanda Clifton got her first goal of the season and Kelli Lautner picked up another goal in the first half, but the Hatchet's matched both to tie it at 2 at the half.

The weather had been threatening most of the game and the rain started early in the second half, turning into a downpour with about 20 minutes left. The game had already turned into a defensive struggle with little offense

being generated until Bad Axe committed a costly foul in the box. Cass City's Jessica Bootz got her second penalty kick in the last two games to put the Hawks ahead with less than 10 minutes to play.

A defensive error in the last minute gave the Hatchet's their own penalty kick, which goal keeper Becca Leslie almost stopped but the game ended regulation at 3-3.

Overtime was much the same as the rain continued to influence play, until Bad Axe managed a shot from the wing that Leslie deflected, but it still found the net, giving Bad Axe the win.

The Red Hawks played well enough to win, generating only 8 shots but scoring 3 goals. Leslie had 12 saves. The wet ball and high winds made it difficult for the Hawks to play ball control and use their speed, resulting in a game decided by mistakes on both sides.

Against Sandusky, the Red Hawks came out flat and slow and allowed an

early goal off a corner kick. Sandusky controlled the game until Nicole Kelley tied it and Caitlin Reed scored on a solo breakaway to pick up the pace and enthusiasm. With about 20 minutes left in the half, the Hawks took control scoring 3 more goals and putting the game away.

Sandusky's second goal came late when the reserves were playing and the issue was no longer in doubt. Reed had a goal and 2 assists, Kelley a goal, Lautner a goal and an assist, and Krista Timko had 2 goals, just missing another header off of a corner, but scoring on the resulting rebound. Leslie had 10 saves and the defense of Tessa Kus and Kristen Kawecky was again strong when it needed to be.

Angela Braun got her first start and played well at midfield getting an assist, as did Maria Diaz. Diaz also just missed scoring her first goal of the season. Chelsea Paladi, Riki Badgley, and Alyse Timko got extensive playing time and all 3 did well maintain-

ing ball control and offensive pressure when in the game.

"This could easily have been a 2-win week for the Hawks, but defensive mistakes keep popping up. The offense is starting to click getting 12 goals in the last 3 games and they are coming from several different people. All in all, the team is clicking and is competitive with everyone they play, something that wasn't the case in previous years," Reed said.

The Red Hawk's record stands at 3-3 in league and 3-4 overall.

GTC GIRLS' SOCCER STANDINGS
Results as of May 1, 2009

TEAMS	LEAGUE	OVER-ALL
Bad Axe	5-1	6-1-1
Harbor Beach	4-1	4-1-1
Lakers	4-1	6-1
Cass City	3-2	3-4
Marlette	2-3	2-4
Brown City	0-5	1-6
Sandusky	0-5	1-7

Softball round-up

Lady Hawks win GTW pair

Cass City racked up its first wins of the season in the Greater Thumb West, topping the Bad Axe Hatchets in the twin bill that started last week, Monday, in Cass City and ended Wednesday in Bad Axe.

The Hawks rolled to an easy victory in the opening game, 9-2, behind Amanda Langenburg who pitched the first 4 2/3 innings with relief help from Dana Woodward. Langenburg got the win, allowing 5 hits, 2 walks and a run. Woodward allowed a run on 4 hits, while striking out 5.

Cass City lashed out 11 hits and every player in the line-up got at least one hit and were led by Carly Rabideau and Megan VanVliet with 3 each.

The teams failed to beat the rain in the nightcap and after 2 innings were forced to finish the final 2 innings at Bad Axe 2 days later.

The outcome was never in doubt, as the Red Hawks jumped all over Nicki Braun and rolled to an 8-0 lead when the game was postponed until Thursday. The game was mercied after 5 innings with Cass City in front, 13-2.

Woodward went the distance to get the win. She allowed 2 runs, 3 hits, walked 2 and struck out 13.

VanVliet and McKensie Parrish each had 2 hits. Parrish's hits included a double and Emily Martin also contributed a double.

The wins moved the Hawks to the 500 mark, 2-2, in the league, but the road ahead promises to be anything but easy. Monday Bay City All Saints was scheduled in Cass City; Thursday a non-conference game at North Branch will be followed by a game at home against undefeated USA.

GTC SOFTBALL STANDINGS
Results as of May 1, 2009

WEST	LEAGUE	OVER-ALL
USA	2-0	17-0
Reese	2-0	15-0
BCAS	2-0	8-1-1
Cass City	2-2	11-5
Vassar	1-2	3-8
Bad Axe	0-2	10-8
Lakers	0-3	1-8

EAST	LEAGUE	OVER-ALL
Brown City	4-0	18-1
Mayville	3-0	7-4
Marlette	2-1	10-4
Deckerville	1-3	4-6
Ubyly	0-1	3-7
Sandusky	0-2	3-7
Harbor Beach	0-3	0-7

Smithson, Maurer earn Charmont Bowler of the Year championships

Several of the area's top rollers gathered recently at Cass City's Charmont Lanes to compete for Bowler of the Year honors.

Highlighting the affair were 2009 women's champion Krista Maurer and men's champion Jim Smithson.

To qualify for the events, the ladies needed to roll a 3-game total of 500 pins or better during league play, while the men's qualifying mark was 650 pins or better.

Nearly 25 contestants competed to

advance into the step-ladder tourney, determined by total pins in a 3-game series.

Ed Schmaltz was the men's number 1 seed with 692 pins, while Roy Hull (653), Wally Laming (629), Smithson (603) and Bob Joseph (599) completed the list of finalists.

Smithson earned his second straight "Bowler of the Year" title by defeating Laming 209-149, Joseph 170-145, and Schmaltz 193-146.

Maurer captured the female "Bowler

of the Year" title with a 154-123 decision over Deidra Zdrojewski, who wore out during her 7th game of the day.

Joining the Number 1 seed Maurer (478) and the number 5 seed Zdro-

jewski (417) in the step-ladder format were Dee Mathewson (475) Leah Pabst (465) and Deb Silance (460).

Zdrojewski defeated Silance 154-123, Pabst 158-133 and Mathewson 179-152, before bowing to Maurer.



THE Charmont's men step-ladder qualifiers included, from left, Jim Smithson, Ed Schmaltz, Roy Hull, Wally Laming and Bob Joseph.



THE Charmont's female step-ladder qualifiers included, from left, Krista Maurer, Leah Pabst, Deb Silance and Deidra Zdrojewski. Missing is Dee Mathewson.

THE 2009 Charmont Bowler of the Year winners are Jim Smithson and Krista Maurer.

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Depth, field events hindering Cass City track team's effort

Despite 6 first place finishes, 2 coming from the always important relay events, Cass City couldn't catch champion Frankenmuth Friday at the 8-school Reese Invitational.

The Eagles built a large advantage over the Red Hawks in the field events, where Chris Summersett's 4th place effort in the high jump was tops for the Red Hawks, and then held on for a slim 108-105 victory. Rounding out the team scoring were Reese (75), Unionville-Sebewaing (72), Saginaw Valley Lutheran (72), Unionville-Sebewaing (61), Vassar (58), Marlette (47) and Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port (1).

On the track, the Red Hawks' comeback effort included wins in the 3200

and 1600 meter relays. In the meet's first running event, Red Hawks Ty Burk, Dewey Mabe, Alex Varney and Lukas Varney ran to a winning time of 8:29 in the 3200-meter relay, while the 1600-meter relay team of Austin Babich, Alex Varney, Lukas Varney and Summersett recorded a winning time of 3:32 in the 1600-meter relay, the final event of the day.

In between, Lukas Varney won the 1600-meter run (4:39) and the 800-meter run (2:01) for Cass City, while Alex Varney proved best in the 300-meter hurdles (42.02) and Babich in the 200-meter dash (22.76).

In the women's event, Frankenmuth ran away from the field with 169

points. Rounding out the team scores were Unionville-Sebewaing, 82, Saginaw Valley Lutheran, 67, Cass City, 62, Marlette, 36, Reese, 32, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port, 32, Sandusky, 24, and Vassar, 23.

"This young squad has remained competitive and that was a seasonal goal," Coach Amy Cuthrell said.

Pacing the Lady Hawks were freshman Jessica Prieskorn and senior Jenica Richards.

Richards won both hurdle events, claiming the 100-meter hurdles in 16.47, followed by the 300-meter title captured in a time of 50.22. Prieskorn added a winning time of 12:30 in the 3200-meter run.

"Jessica is getting stronger and more confident in the hurdles and our distance ladies are making gains," Cuthrell said.

In the field events, freshman Red Hawk Stephanie Leeson cleared 8' 6" in the pole vault to place runner-up.

HOME MEET

Trailing with just 2 events still to run, the Cass City track team didn't panic during a triangular meet with visiting Marlette and Harbor Beach.

Instead, the Red Hawks used a one-two finish in the 3200-meter run and then added the 1600-meter relay champion to nip the Red Raiders 83.50 - 76.50 last Tuesday at the Recreational Park stadium. Harbor Beach completed the team scoring with 15 points.

Entering the 3200-meter run in the rubber meeting between the 2 schools, Cass City set up a winner-take-all situation entering the final event on the day when Dewey Mabe and Tyler Burk recorded times of 10:41 and 11:08 to draw the hosts to



CHRIS Summersett within striking range of their Greater Thumb East rival.

Still needing a victory in the final relay, the 1600-meter relay team Babich, Luke Newton, Lukas Varney and Chris Summersett accomplished the goal with a 10-second victory to end the day.

Cass City won every running event except the 400-meter relay, but a lack of depth allowed the Red Raiders to remain in front until the end. In addition to capturing 11 of the 12 running events, Cass City took top honors in a pair of field events that were dominated by Marlette.

Summersett was first in the high jump with a leap of 5' 11" and Josh Inbody's shot put distance of 42' 05" was also best on the day.

Harbor Beach dominated the girls' field with 84 points, while Marlette and Cass City finished with 43.5 and 42.5, respectively.

Topping the lady Red Hawks' efforts were Richards with a winning time of 10:16.31 in the 100-meter hurdles and Leeson with a winning height of 8' 6" in the pole vault.



LADY RED Hawks Ashley Potts and Brittany Loomis battle during the 3200-meter run with a pair of Harbor Beach runners. Potts placed 4th with a time of 13:12 at the triangular meet that also included Marlette.



CASS CITY sprinter Tyler Tomlinson heads toward the finish line during track and field competition last week in the Recreational Park stadium. The Red Hawk senior was also a member of the winning 800-meter relay team.

Cass City still searching for GTW baseball win

The Cass City baseball team fell to 0-3 in the Greater Thumb West standings last week when it suffered a 10-5 defeat Monday to host Bad Axe in a game called after 5 innings due to inclement weather, which also canceled the nightcap.

The Hatchets touched Cass City starter Brent Doerr for 5 runs in the first inning. Despite battling back to 5-4, Bad Axe tallied 3 runs in the third and 2 runs in the fourth to earn the decision.

Luke Flannery earned the win on the hill, working 4 2/3 innings of relief.

At the plate, the Red Hawks had Kyle Pine with 2 knocks, while Austin Babich and Steven Schotter each doubled.

Justin Guigar and John Fischer split 4 hits to pace the winners.

GTC BASEBALL STANDINGS Results as of April 24, 2009

WEST	LEAGUE	OVER-ALL
USA	2-0	12-3
All Saints	2-0	6-3
Reese	2-0	7-5
Bad Axe	2-1	7-7
Lakers	1-2	3-6
Vassar	0-3	5-7
Cass City	0-3	5-7

EAST	LEAGUE	OVER-ALL
Sandusky	2-0	6-2
Ubyly	1-0	5-3
Harbor Beach	2-1	3-5
Marlette	3-2	7-5
Deckerville	2-2	2-6
Mayville	1-2	9-4
Brown City	0-4	6-10

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Burns/Kritzman	23
Craig/Knight	22
Davis/Tate	20
Young/Veggian	20
Hobbs/Meck	19
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Henn/Herron	15*
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Dillon/Tonti	12
Jones/Marshall	7

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Division 2 - Late

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Bliss/Krol	32
Hartel/Brown	27
Hool/Toner	15*
Osentoski/D. Wallace	14
Langley/Tamlyn	14*
Martin/Robinson	14*
Prieskorn/Repshinska	14
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Hillaker/Murphy	8*
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Team Medallists: Langley/Tamlyn 85.

*Denotes matches not played.

Schneeberger's

ATHLETE of the WEEK

This week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week recipient is Dana Woodward.

The Cass City softball team evened its Greater Thumb West record at 2-2 with a doubleheader sweep over Bad Axe and the Red Hawk sophomore played a big role in the team's 9-2 and 13-2 victories.

Dana Woodward

In the opener, Woodward worked 2 1/3 innings in relief, allowing one run, while scattering 4 hits and fanning 5.

But it was her work on the hill in the nightcap where she recorded 13 of the game's 15 outs on strike outs that had Red Hawk fans beaming afterwards.

At the plate, Woodward scored runs in each game to put the finishing touch on a career outing.

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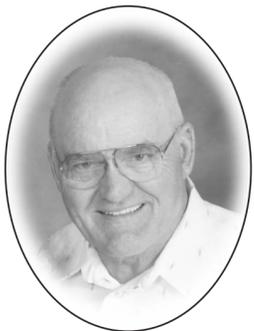
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Obituaries

Bernard Dillon

Bernard L. Dillon, 81, of Cass City, died Tuesday, April 28, 2009 in his home with his family by his side. He was born Jan. 17, 1928 in Caro, the son of Leslie John and Elva May (Roberts) Dillon. He married Elizabeth Balazs March 31, 1951 in St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gageton. She died Aug. 29, 1994. He later married Kay F. Herr Periso April 10, 1995 in Caro.



Bernard served in the U.S. Navy on the U.S.S. Bremerton at the end of World War II. He worked for AC Spark Plug in Flint after returning from the service. Bernard drove truck for several years then took a job with General Cable, retiring after over 27 years. He was a member of the Caro American Legion Post and Cass City VFW Post #3644. He loved being

outside. Bernard enjoyed nature walks, picnics in the woods, morel and asparagus hunting, and country drives to watch deer. Most of all, Bernard loved doing all of this with his family. The family fresh perch fries and Dillon Day were among his favorites.

Bernard is survived by his wife, Kay; children: B. John (Linda) Dillon of Cass City, Gary L. (Lynn) Dillon of Cass City, Mary (Scott) Mellendorf of Cass City, and Carol (Erik) Rurikson of Unionville; grandchildren: Tanya (Robert) McNeil, Elizabeth Dillon, Angela (Eric) Szidik, Eric (Andrea) Dillon, Sarah Dillon, and David (Tosha) Mellendorf; great-grandchildren: Nicholas, Natasha, Mikayla, Aden, Ethan, Ryan, Matthew, Brady and the 9th due in July; sisters: Jane (Jim) Kamraad of Birch Run, and Joan (Tom) Hendricks of Cass City; sisters-in-law: Lois Dillon and Joan Smith; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a nephew, Richard Dillon; brothers: Leonard, Gerald and Richard Dillon; sisters-in-law: Dorothy and Audrey Dillon; and his parents.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 1, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City, with the Rev. Stephen J. Fillion officiating.

Interment was in the St. Agatha Cemetery, Gageton.

Pallbearers for Mr. Dillon were Eric Szidik, Eric Dillon, David Mellendorf, Bob McNeil, Jeff Mellendorf and Larry McClorey.

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.



UBLY CUB Scouts recently finished raking an Ugly resident's lawn after being unable to complete the task last fall due to an early winter. Pictured above are Wolf Cubs Adam Weber (left) and Nicholas Wright.

Walk-a-mile event on tap in Lansing

Michigan's 46 Community Mental Health Services Programs are hosting "Walk-a-Mile In My Shoes," a rally at the state Capitol Tuesday, May 12, and Tuscola County residents will be on site supporting this effort to combat stigma.

May is Mental Health Awareness Month, and the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards (MACMHB) and Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems (TBHS) are encouraging mental health and developmental disability supporters and others to attend the fifth annual event, designed to raise awareness of mental health services in Michigan and combat the stigmas and prejudices associated with mental illness, developmental disabilities and substance use disorders.

Eighty-three people who use Community Mental Health (CMH) services, one from each county in the state, will deliver brief statements from the capital steps about the status of the public mental health systems in their counties.

The MACMHB, the educational and political arm of the Community Mental Health system in the state, is organizing the rally. MACMHB expects 2,200 people at the event, including people who use CMH services, people who work in the CMH systems and mental health advocates of all areas. The inaugural event attracted 800 people in 2004 and has been growing annually, reaching 2,000 in 2008.

The rally starts at 1:30 p.m. on the front lawn of the Michigan Capitol. Susan Rickwalt-Holder, director of Marketing and Training Services at Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems said the rally helps showcase the importance of addressing issues such as stigma facing people with mental illness, developmental disabilities and those with substance use disorders.

"TBHS staff and consumers have marched in the rally since its inauguration in 2004. We are excited to become a part of the impressive 2009 Walk a Mile in My Shoes Rally, and we are eager to once again join advocates from across the state to bring our message to the public," Rickwalt-Holder said. "There is a compelling need to continue to work and understand the realities of mental health and illness, in order to make improvements in our current system."

"In Michigan, one in 5 adults will experience a mental health disorder at some point in their life, yet many of them cannot access the treatment they need. One of our goals is to make sure that everyone who needs treatment for mental health and/or substance use disorders in Michigan is able to get," she added.

Mental health supporters will provide statements on mental health disorders and developmental disabilities and stigma in an effort to bring attention to the wide range of the Michigan population who are affected.

The event is slated to run until 3 p.m., after which attendees are encouraged to visit the offices of state lawmakers to promote important mental health and developmental disability issues such as insurance parity and the necessity of state budget support for mental health programs and local community mental health facilities.

Thumb gardeners plan plant sale

The eighth annual plant sale sponsored by the Master Gardeners of Huron County has been set for Saturday, May 16.

The site for the sale is the Merchants Building on the fairgrounds in Bad Axe. The time is set for 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., or all plants are sold, whichever comes first. All entrances will be open to the public, Soper Road, as well as the Schwalm and Fair Street entrances. Follow the signs to the Merchants Building.

Master gardeners are gardening enthusiasts who volunteer in their community to share knowledge and encourage others in their love of gardening. Proceeds from the sale will be used for horticultural projects in the

county such as a new Wildflower Garden to be planted this spring at the fairgrounds, workshops throughout the year for area residents, and a new Master Gardener training series tentatively scheduled for this fall.

Also in the planning stages is a Rain Barrel Workshop set for May 20.

If you are interested in plants and gardening and are willing to share your knowledge with others, consider signing up to become a master gardener.

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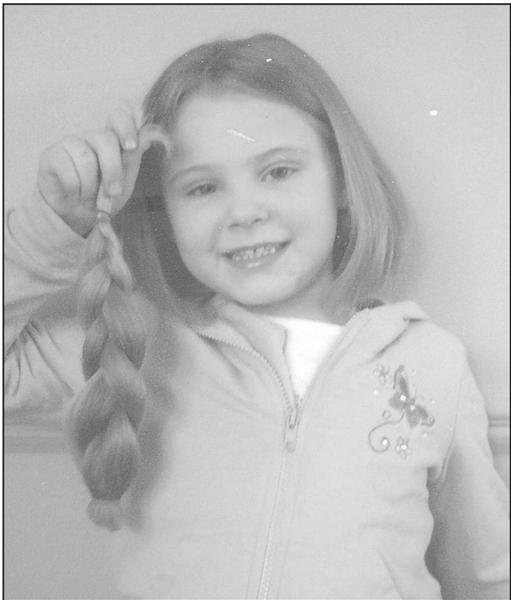
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ABBY ESSEX, 5, recently traveled to the VIP Salon in Cass City to donate 10 inches of her hair to Locks of Love. She is the daughter of Michelle Essex and Ed Boyle of Caro. Locks of Love is a West Palm Beach, Fla.-based public, non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children who are suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis.

Owen-Gage

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IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business last week, the board:

- Met in executive session to discuss teacher contract negotiations, and to receive an update from the district's attorney regarding a civil lawsuit filed against 4 members of the board by a former board member who claims the defendants violated the state's Open Meetings Act.
- Approved third-year probation for high school science teacher Teresa Deering.
- Approved the posting of a high school special education (resource room) position for the 2009-10 school year. The board also approved an annual resolution to post all coaching positions for the coming year.
- Approved the nomination of Stephen Roemer as the "Senior Student of the Month" for April.

Don't forget to call MISS DIG

With warmer weather on the way, homeowners and contractors across Michigan are getting ready to dig into outdoor projects.

That's why the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC), Consumers Energy, DTE Energy and the MISS DIG System are reminding everyone to stay safe by calling 811 whenever undertaking a project that involves digging.

"It is critical that Michigan residents are aware of the potential dangers and preventive measures that should be taken before placing a shovel in the ground," said Orjiakor N. Isioyu, MPSC chairman. "Through education of safe digging practices, excavators and homeowners can save time and money keeping our state safe and connected by making a simple call to 811."

In Michigan, dialing 811 connects callers to MISS DIG - a statewide, one-call center for construction safety and utility damage prevention. MISS DIG contacts local utility companies according to the location where a caller plans to dig. Within three working days, the utilities will send crews to the requested site free of charge to mark the approximate location of underground lines with paint and/or staking flags.



THE CASS City Arts Council recently held its second annual "Tea for Two Party" at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City. Organizers said the event was well attended, with each member decorating a table and providing gifts for their guests. There were also door prizes. The theme of this year's tea was Alice in Wonderland.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JUNE 4, 2009.

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

The North 71 feet of Lot 1, Block 12, Assessors Plat Village of Akron, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 78 through 80, now being Page 28B, 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: May 6, 2009

Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
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File No. 393.0106
ASAP #3088763

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Raymond E. Hendrick, a married man and Barbara J. Hendrick, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 5, 2003 and recorded September 26, 2003 in Liber 956, Page 1138, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Seven and 54/100 Dollars (\$120,237.54), 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 front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JUNE 4, 2009.

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

Lot 45, Hills and Dales Subdivision Number 4, Village of Cass City, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 33.

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: May 6, 2009

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Michigan CardioVascular Institute



Michigan CardioVascular Institute (MCVI) is pleased to announce that Luigi Maresca, M.D., will begin seeing surgical patients in Caro at the MCVI clinic.

Dr. Maresca is a thoracic and vascular surgeon and is board certified by the American Board of Surgery and the American Board of Thoracic Surgery. He specializes in hearts, vascular and pulmonary medicine.

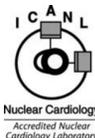
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Willard N. Stadler and Joyce L. Studler, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 4, 2001 and recorded on November 17, 2001 in Liber 849 on Page 170, and modified by Affidavit or Order received by and recorded in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand One Hundred Ninety-One and 24/100 Dollars (\$93,191.24), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 21, 2009.

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

A parcel commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8, Township 10 North, Range 7 East; thence South 250 feet; thence East 348.48 feet; thence North 250 feet; thence West 348.48 feet to the place of beginning. Except the South 50 feet.

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: April 22, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Victoria S. Androfi, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 8, 2005 and recorded on August 29, 2005 in Liber 1052 on Page 63 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-9 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Five and 89/100 Dollars (\$17,165.89), 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 place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 28, 2009.

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

The East 60 feet of the following described premises and the West 230 feet: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of Fractional Section 3, Town 14 North, Range 9 East, thence South 00 degrees East along the North and South 1/4 line of said Fractional Section 3, 860.0 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence North 90 degrees East, 290.0 feet; thence South 00 degrees East 160.0 feet; thence South 90 degrees West 290.0 feet; thence North 00 degrees West along said North and South 1/4 line, 160.0 feet to the point of beginning. Being in and a part of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 3, Town 14 North, Range 9 East.

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

Dated: April 29, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1304
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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 Diana M. Bennett, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2006 and recorded on November 20, 2006 in Liber 1103 on Page 91 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Six and 10/100 Dollars (\$95,176.10), 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 May 28, 2009.

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

Commencing 125 feet North of the Southwest corner of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence East 215.5 feet; thence North 125 feet; thence West 215.5

feet; thence South 125 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 9 East.

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

Dated: April 29, 2009

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald A. Englehart Jr. and Caren Englehart, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 10, 2006 and recorded on August 24, 2006 in Liber 1092 on Page 1346 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Eight and 35/100 Dollars (\$11,168.35), including interest at 9.35% 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 May 28, 2009.

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

Commencing at the West Quarter Post, Section 17, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, thence North 89 degrees 29 Minutes 08 Seconds East, 2631.69 feet along the East-West Quarter line to the Center of Section 17, being the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 21 Minutes 50 Seconds West, 330.00 feet along the North-South Quarter line; thence North 89 Degrees 29 Minutes 08 Seconds East, 202.00 feet; thence South 0 Degrees 21 Minutes 58 Seconds East, 330.00 feet to the East-West Quarter line; thence South 89 Degrees 29 Minutes 08 Seconds West, 202.00 feet along the East-West Quarter line to the Point of Beginning. Containing 1.53 acres of land more or less.

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: April 29, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1312
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas W. Stewart, a married man, and Kimberly Stewart, a/k/a Kim J. Stewart, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 22, 2005 and recorded on March 15, 2005 in Liber 1031 on Page 1, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Seven and 7/100 Dollars (\$142,727.17), 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 May 28, 2009.

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

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

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

Dated: April 29, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC D (248) 593-1309
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by RICHARD A. EASTERLY and KAREN E. EASTERLY, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, to Mortgage

Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 26, 2007, and recorded on July 5, 2007, in Liber 1124, on Page 135, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars and Sixty-Four Cents (\$93,196.64), including interest at 7.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Court-house Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 28, 2009.

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

LOT 11, BLOCK 3 OF JOHNSON'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF FAIRGROVE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 28 A. ALSO A PARCEL OF LAND BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 11, RUNNING THENCE NORTH TO THE RIGHT OF WAY OF THE PERE MARQUETTE RAILROAD; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY TO A POINT DUE NORTH OF THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 11; THENCE SOUTH TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 11; THENCE EAST 4 RODS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF LOT 14, BLOCK 3 OF JOHNSON'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF FAIRGROVE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 28 A.

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

Dated: April 24, 2009

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

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Barbara Haight, Joint Tenant, and Dennis Haight, Her Husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 30, 2006 and recorded on April 7, 2006 in Liber 1076 on Page 854 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 Eighty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Three and 96/100 Dollars (\$84,463.96), 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 May 28, 2009.

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Township 14 North, Range 10 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 15, which is South 885 Feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 15; thence continuing along said West line, South 140.00 Feet; thence at right angles to the West line of said Section 15; East 360.00 Feet; thence North 140.00 Feet; thence West 360 Feet to the West line of said Section 15 and the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: April 29, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Douglas I. Buckley and Charlotte A. Buckley, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 22, 2006 and recorded on December 6, 2006 in Liber 1104 on Page 863 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Bank of America, National Association as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-FF1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Nine and 70/100 Dollars (\$54,829.70), including interest at 9.55% 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 June 4, 2009.

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

Section 19, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, commencing at a point 710 feet North of the Southwest corner of Section, thence East 1364.00 feet; thence South 320 feet; thence West 1373 feet; thence North 320 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: May 6, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC G (248) 593-1310
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #261110F01

5-6-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Linda L. Humphrey and Howard Walter Humphrey, wife and husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 10, 2005 and recorded on November 9, 2005 in Liber 1060 on Page 1084 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to OneWest Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Seven and 19/100 Dollars (\$92,447.19), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 4, 2009.

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

Parcel 1: The Southeastery 1/2 of Lots 1 and 2, Block 27, that sit on the City of Vassar, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2 of Deeds, Page 143 and Liber 2 of Deeds, page 93.

Parcel 2: The Southeast 3.00 feet to the following described parcel: The Northwest 1/2 of Lots 1 and 2, Block 27 of the Plat of the City of Vassar, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 93.

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: May 6, 2009

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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 Charles Navidonski, a married woman, and Allen Navidonski, Jr., her husband, original mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Co. East MI, Mortgagee, dated May 26, 2005, and recorded on June 15, 2005 in Liber 1042 on Page 388 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighteen Thousand One Hundred Forty-Seven and 33/100 Dollars (\$18,147.33), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 4, 2009.

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

Commencing at a point that is 40 feet West of the Northeast corner of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 15, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbella Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, running thence West 200 feet; thence South 220 feet; thence East 200 feet; thence North 220 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: May 6, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC F (248) 593-1313
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5-6-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott Reed and Maurie Reed, 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 27, 2007 and recorded on December 14, 2007 in Liber 1137 on Page 215 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Eighty-Seven and 93/100 Dollars (\$197,087.93), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 4, 2009.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 34; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds West 300.00 feet, along the South Section line; thence North 0 degrees 4 minutes 31 seconds West 416.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds West 112.26 feet, thence North 1 degrees 12 minutes 44 seconds West 769.32 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds East 404.00 feet; thence South 1 degrees 12 minutes 44 seconds East 1185.40 feet along the North and South 1/4 line 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: May 6, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #222469F02

5-6-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christine M. Stewart, A/K/A Christine Stewart, A/K/A Christine M. Stewart, a married woman, original mortgagor, to First Franklin a division of Nat. City Bank of IN, Mortgagee, dated July 26, 2005 and recorded on August 8, 2005 in Liber 1048 on Page 1335, and assigned by mesne assignments to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-FFH3, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-FFH3 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Six

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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 Penny Bastian, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 25, 2003 and recorded on August 1, 2003 in Liber 946 on Page 1384, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Three Hundred Eighty and 33/100 Dollars (\$51,318.33), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 28, 2009.

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

Part of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 32, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 7, Block 2 of the Plat of the Village of Newberry (now Kingston), according to the Plat recorded in Liber 24, Page 304, running thence North 4 rods; thence West 8 rods; thence South 4 rods; thence East 8 rods to the place of beginning.

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.

Dated: April 22, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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4-22-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joshua W. Cunningham, a single man, original mortgagor, to Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated February 24, 2006 and recorded on March 8, 2006 in Liber 1073 on Page 764 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Five and 52/100 Dollars (\$103,885.52), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 21, 2009.

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

Part of the fractional Northwest 1/4 of Section 4 and part of the fractional Northeast 1/4 of Section 5, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point which is East 478.91 feet along the East-West 1/4 line of Section 4 to the intersection of said East-West 1/4 line with the centerline of Ellis Road and North 33 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West-791.43 feet along said centerline from the West 1/4 corner of Section 4; thence continuing along said centerline North 33 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 125.00 feet; thence at right angles to said centerline North 57 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 435.50 feet; thence parallel with said centerline South 33 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 125.00 feet; thence at right angles to said centerline South 57 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 435.50 feet to the place of beginning.

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

Dated: April 22, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Bobby H. Robinson Jr., and Tamara Kimberly Robinson, F/K/A Tamara K Killinger, Husband and Wife,

original mortgagors, to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated November 14, 2003 and recorded on January 14, 2004 in Liber 973 on Page 684, and modified by Affidavit or Order received by and recorded, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Nine Thousand Seventeen and 73/100 Dollars (\$79,017.73), including interest at 6.35% 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 May 28, 2009.

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

Premises situated in the Township of Arbeta, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan to wit: The North half of the following description: The Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 31, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, except the East 250.0 feet, also except the South 675.0 feet and also except the West 100.0 feet. And the South 85.0 feet of the North 275.0 feet of the East 250.0 feet of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 31, Town 10 North, Range 7 East.

The redemption period shall be 12 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.

Dated: April 29, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Michael W. Daenzer and Julie A. Daenzer, Husband and Wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Quicken Loans, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 17, 2005 and recorded May 9, 2006 in Liber 1089, Page 1067, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to TCIF LLC, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-Five Cents (\$128,077.45), including interest 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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on May 21, 2009.

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

Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 15, Of the Village of Reese, as recorded in Liber 29 on Page 188 of Plats. Commonly known as 9631 Saginaw Street, Reese MI 48757.

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

Dated: APRIL 17, 2009

TCIF LLC
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd., Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 09-08498

4-22-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Lisa Kirby, a single woman, to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated April 23, 2004 and recorded June 10, 2004 in Liber 996, Page 274, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee in trust for the benefit of the Certificate holders for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Trust 2004-R5, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R5 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Twenty-Nine Cents (\$83,663.29), including interest 10% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on May 21, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Ellington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:
Beginning at the Southwest Corner of Section 9, Thence North 1490 feet, East 250 feet, North 350 feet, West 250 feet South 350 feet to the point of Beginning, Containing 2 acres more or less all in Section 9, Ellington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, Commonly known as 3162 Jacob Rd, Caro MI 48723.

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

by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: APRIL 20, 2009

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee in trust for the benefit of the Certificate holders for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Trust 2004-R5, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-R5
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd., Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 09-084854

4-22-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Keith Pawlanta and Ashley Pawlanta, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated June 22, 2006 and recorded on July 5, 2006 in Liber 1086 on Page 1395 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Six and 19/100 Dollars (\$103,886.19), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 28, 2009.

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

Lot 3, Miller Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2, Page 2, Tuscola County Records.

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.

Dated: April 29, 2009

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4-29-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Wayne G. Sparkman, a single man, by Julia J. VanSimsays, attorney-in-fact, to Choice Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated January 24, 2002 and recorded February 15, 2002 in Liber 864, Page 1480, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by CitMortgage, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Three and 28/100 Dollars (\$92,353.28), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Court-house in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 28, 2009.

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

Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 29, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, thence South 89 degrees 32 minutes 22 seconds West 663.26 feet along the East-West quarter line to the point of beginning, running thence North 0 degrees 24 minutes 01 second West, 660.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 32 minutes 22 seconds West, 330.0 feet; thence South 0 degrees 24 minutes 01 second East, 660.0 feet; thence North 89 degrees 32 minutes 22 seconds East, 330.0 feet along the East-West quarter line to the point of beginning. Being part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Town 11 North, Range 11 East.

The redemption period shall be 12 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.

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: April 29, 2009

Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
248-502-1400
File No. 241,2935
ASAP #3078128

4-29-4

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by MICHAEL D. SPENCER, A MARRIED MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender

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and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 28, 2006, and recorded on March 15, 2006, in Liber 1074, on Page 468, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$69,592.90), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Court-house Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 28, 2009.

Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:
LOT 4, BLOCK 5, PLAT OF EBENEZER MORSE'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF VASSAR, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 1, PAGE 359 OF DEEDS, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

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

Dated: April 24, 2009

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
4-29-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tracy L. Miller, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns. Mortgagee, dated May 22, 2003 and recorded on June 4, 2003 in Liber 934 on Page 565 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Four Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Nine and 79/100 Dollars (\$74,659.79), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 28, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:
Lot 21 and the West 30 feet of Lot 22 Fred Huston Subdivision No. 2, according to the Recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 3, Page 2, Tuscola County Records.

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

General Merchandise

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Household Sales

GARAGE SALE - May 7-8, 9-5 p.m. 4544 Brooker St. (block east of Erla's). Miscellaneous and Pathe Crank phonograph with needles and albums. 872-3783. 14-5-6-1

GARAGE SALE - 4770 Koepfgen, May 7 & 8, 9-5 p.m. Gingrich. 14-5-6-1

SILENT PUBLIC AUCTION - May 8 at Cass City Mini Storage. Office equipment and furniture. 1-2 p.m. Payment by cash only the day of the sale and all items must be removed by 3 p.m., May 8. 14-5-6-1

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THE UBLY PTO recently provided a facelift to the Uby Schools by purchasing a new main entrance sign and letters for the school building. Pictured above are (from left) 2007-08 PTO officers President Steve Shaw, Vice-President Sherry Susalla, Secretary Renee Krueger, Treasurer Lori Roggenbuck, teacher representative Brenda Engler and Uby Supt. Ken Sweeney.

Kerkau benefit scheduled

Continued from page one.

Kerkau said future treatments are uncertain and will depend on what doctors in Texas recommend in the coming weeks. For now, he's continuing to work, and he's thankful for all the people who have come together to support his family.

"It's pretty amazing to me," Kerkau said. "I've been on the other side

(helping with fundraisers), so it's just overwhelming, how many people are getting involved."

Co-worker Jennifer Baker, medical staff services coordinator at Hills and Dales, indicated she isn't surprised by the number of friends who are reaching out to Kerkau and his family.

"They're well-known in the community, and they have school-aged children, too," noted Baker, who has

spearheaded the hospital's involvement in the benefit. "It's going to be a hardship for them, going through the chemo. He's still working, but they're going to need some time off to go to Texas."

Baker was quick to point out that many people have volunteered their time and resources for the upcoming benefit. "There's a lot of support here," she said.



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Queen candidates sought

Michigan Sugar Company will award a \$2,000 scholarship to the young lady selected to represent

Michigan's sugarbeet industry as the 2009 Michigan Sugar Queen. Applications have been distributed

to local high schools, colleges and universities for interested candidates. The first and second runners up will also receive \$1,000 scholarships.

The Michigan Sugar Queen and Court represent the sugarbeet industry at statewide events, including appearances in parades, festivals and special corporate functions. The queen will be in the media spotlight in newspaper, television and radio spots featuring the local sugar industry. The queen and court program is an excellent avenue for young women to develop their leadership and communication skills.

The Michigan Sugar Queen contest is not a beauty pageant. The young ladies competing for the honor of queen should be personable, well spoken and knowledgeable about Michigan Sugar Company and the sugar industry.

"Representing Michigan Sugar Company and the sugar industry has been a wonderful experience. It has been an honor to represent such a great industry, and I will forever be thankful for being given this opportunity," commented 2008 Michigan Sugar Queen Rebecca Doerr of Cass City.

Michigan Sugar Company, a grower-owned cooperative, sponsors the scholarship program. The scholarships can be used toward the cost of tuition and books at any accredited college or university.

Women ages 18 to 23 are encouraged to request an application from Michigan Sugar Company by writing to the Michigan Sugar Queen Selection Committee, 2600 S. Euclid Avenue, Bay City, MI 48706, or download an application at the company's website: www.michigan-sugar.com. The application deadline is May 15.



CASS CITY FIRST graders recently took a break from the classroom and traveled to the Midland Center for the Arts to see the "Snakes and Lizards Alive Exhibit". The students also explored the Dow Gardens and Butterfly House, where they continued to learn about classifying animals and the life-cycle of the butterfly. The Dow Foundation provided funding to offset the cost of bussing to the school district, according to teacher Paula LeValley, who snapped this photo of student Mary Muter, daughter of Dale and Catherine Muter of Cass City.

Results of MEAP in

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math (93 percent).

•**Eighth grade** - Students ranked second in reading (78 percent met or exceeded expectations), third in writing (76 percent), first in English-language arts (81 percent), fifth in math (78 percent) and second in science (84 percent).

•**Ninth grade** - Cass City's high school freshmen ranked third in social studies, with 79 percent meeting or exceeding expectations.

House fire

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fire was apparently electrical in nature, originating from a junction box in the northwest corner of the basement. Flames ignited a drop ceiling, a portion of which fell onto a couch.

Firemen saved the house, which sustained smoke and water damage. An estimate on the dollar value of the loss was not available at press time. Copeland was insured, reports state.

The Elmwood Township-Gagetown and Kingston fire departments both assisted at the scene. Also responding were the Cass City Police Department and Tuscola County Sheriff's Department.



I've spent 20 high-pressure years working 60- and 70-hour weeks. But I never thought much about what it was doing to my body ... until the headaches and dizziness started.

Dr. Pantig told me I was on the road to Type 2 diabetes ... if I didn't have a heart attack or stroke first.

That meant a lot of tests: some x-rays, lab work, a stress test. And then it meant education programs and nutritional counseling. Fortunately, they were all available through Hills & Dales. So I barely had to take any time from my schedule to do it.

We're managing my blood sugar, and my blood pressure is under control. Dr. Pantig says I've turned the corner. I'm just glad I turned in the right direction.



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