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**THUMB AREA Animal Control Officer Danielle Galbenski (second from left) was honored last week as the "Animal Control Officer of the Year" by (from left) Marti Walts of the Canine Companion Center, Julie Baker of Richland Animal Rescue, and Debbie Jaworski of Second Chances.**

## "Animal Control Officer of the Year"

## Groups honor Galbenski

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Talk to Danielle Galbenski for a few minutes and the passion she has for her work as a Thumb area animal control officer comes through loud and clear.

The area resident is charged with a daunting task: along with 2 other officers she runs animal control shelters in Tuscola and Sanilac counties - an area with a combined 1,776 square miles - in addition to enforcing laws from pet licensing to animal cruelty investigations. And, she must be available for everything in between, whether it's assisting a law enforcement agency or collecting a stray dog or cat.

But the challenges don't discourage Galbenski. Instead, she's quick to say she has plenty of help, including the folks that run various pet adoption/rescue agencies, and

they all share the same goal - to find dogs and cats permanent homes with residents who will take their responsibilities as pet owners seriously.

Galbenski's efforts haven't gone unnoticed. Representatives of the Canine Companions Rescue Center in southeast Michigan, Richland Animal Rescue and Equine Shelter (RARES) in southwest Michigan, and Second Chances of Charlotte last week honored Galbenski as the "Animal Control Officer of the Year" in appreciation and recognition of "excellent service to the animals and citizens of Tuscola County."

The award was a surprise for Galbenski, who believed the 3 organizations were visiting only to deliver much-needed donated supplies to the Tuscola County Animal Shelter and to thank the staff for its dedicated work.

"Stunned was my reaction," commented Galbenski, who

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## Church of Nazarene marks 85th anniversary

by Patricia Emenpour  
Staff Writer

The Rev. Judy Eskilsen can remember sitting on the basement dirt floor where the old Church of the Nazarene used to hold its services.

Now, the church celebrates its 85th anniversary at its current location, the corner of Third and Oak streets in Cass City. With carpet and wooden pews, the church has come a long way from dirt floors in the basement of a building.

The Church of the Nazarene observed their 85 years with a special service on May 31 and Stephen T. Anthony, District Superintendent of the Eastern Michigan District Church of the Nazarene was the honorary speaker.

To celebrate, church members made their favorite food dishes for the potluck dinner that followed the morning service.

Eskilsen, 74, said she has been a member of the Church of the Nazarene all her life.

"People would tell me that my grandma would bring me to church in my baby buggy," she said. "And since then, I suppose, I've been going to the Church of the Nazarene."

The church started with in-home meetings and later moved to the space above Benkelman's Store, near what is now known as Quaker Maid on east Main Street, according to Eskilsen. She said the Church of the Nazarene officially began in Cass City on July 24 in 1924, under the direction of the late Rev. C.E. Ling, who was the pastor

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**AFTER 85 YEARS, the Church of the Nazarene has had many pastors. The Rev. Judy Eskilsen, current pastor of the church, holds a picture of the late Rev. C.E. Ling who started the church with 11 members in 1924.**

## Owen-Gage protests insurance rate hikes

A case of accidental sticker shock has Owen-Gage School officials frustrated and fuming over the district's health insurance costs.

The Owen-Gage Board of Education last week approved a formal resolution in protest of the Michigan Education Special Services Association's (MESSA) planned increase for Owen-Gage.

"The resolution is to protest the soaring cost of MESSA insurance," commented school Supt. Dana Compton, whose district was told recently that insurance rates will be going up 8.5 percent.

When we calculated ours out, it was closer to 14 percent, (and) the answer given to us was that our census had changed," Compton said. He explained that MESSA officials believed the number of families employed at Owen-Gage who are covered by MESSA had increased, compared to the number of single individuals and couples, whose insurance needs and costs are less than that of families.

However, Compton pointed out, those figures were inaccurate. School officials contacted MESSA, presented their case, and MESSA officials agreed. But then 2 weeks went by without a word from MESSA, Compton said.

"It's pretty astonishing, when you pay tens of thousands of dollars...and it takes days to get hold of our service representative," he added. "It's really frustrating, and this happens frequently. Literally, it will take a week, 10 days for someone to get ahold of us."

Right now, Compton said, "We don't know what our increase is going to be. We think, countywide, the 8.5 percent is ridiculous."

MESSA officials recently announced the upcoming insurance premium increase will average 4.9 percent for schools across the state. However, they also said rates in the Thumb will be higher - 8.5 percent - "to reflect actuarially-established differences in practice patterns and pricing for medical services."

Owen-Gage will pay about \$266,000 for MESSA this year. The price hike of 8.5 percent would increase that cost by roughly \$35,000 next year, or about 13 percent. The district, with a total K-12 enrollment of about 216 students, has 16 employees who are covered by the MESSA package.

"We're trying to remain financially viable so we can provide a quality education for kids," Compton said. "These kinds of increases, with no opportunity to accept competitive bids (from other insurance carriers), simply decreases the amount of money we have to educate kids, and that's

what we're here for."

### IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business during the rescheduled monthly meeting, the board:

- Approved a retirement incentive package for the district's most-senior educators. Compton said the board agreed to offer payments of \$5,000 per year for 3 years to instructors with 20 or more years of service to the school. The payments would begin in the 2009-10 school year.

- Approved second-year probation for special education resource room teacher Sandy Cariveau.

- Appointed board Secretary Loretta Schmidt as the district's representative in the Huron Intermediate School District's (HISD) biennial election, June 1st. The board's favored HISD candidates are Dave Thummel of Port Hope (6-year term) and John Rutkowski of Ubyly (2-year term).

- Approved the nomination of Tyler Ruiz as the "Senior Student of the Month" for May.

## Scholarships help women reach their educational goals

by Patricia Emenpour  
Staff Writer

A mother, a bus driver, a library director, a hard working woman - these are just some of the characteristics of the 3 women in Cass City who recently received \$1,000 scholarships to pursue higher education.

The scholarships are sponsored by the Cass City/Thumb Area Branch of American Association of University Women (AAUW).

The AAUW's purpose is to promote equity, education, intellectual growth, individual worth and the development of opportunities for women and girls.

According to Connie Iwankovitch, one of 3 on the scholarship committee, the AAUW looks for the most deserving women to receive the scholarship.

"We each sit down with the applications and rank them and then we get together and re-do the process to come up with a consensus for who we think are the most deserving individuals," she explained.

Iwankovitch said that a majority of AAUW's membership is older and they wanted to encourage older women to go back to school.

"Most scholarships out there are for someone coming right out of high school. I was 50 years old when I got my master's degree, so I understand what it is like," she said.

One of the 3 recipients is Kate VanAuken.

VanAuken, library director at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City, said she applied for the scholarship because she would appreciate any opportunity to defray the cost of tuition.

"Although my husband and I have

full time jobs, college is extremely expensive," she said.

VanAuken, also Cass City's 2009 Citizen of the Year, is pursuing her master's degree in library science through Wayne State University.

"Last summer, I received an email about Wayne State offering a completely online curriculum for library science. Having it online sounded like the perfect opportunity because I can't move with a full time job, commitments, children and a family," she said.

Because VanAuken has not been in school since she graduated from Clemson University in Clemson, S.C. in 1985, she had to take various competency tests before she could enroll, one of which was the Miller Analogy Test.

"I had to study all summer long before I went to take the test. My mom was ill, so I was traveling back and forth to New Jersey. The MAT was hard, I'm not good at analogies," she said.

When VanAuken was 10 years old, her mom, Elizabeth Casserly, went back to college.

"My mom graduated from college when I graduated from high school and seeing my mom graduate from college inspired me. Hopefully, I can be that inspiration for my kids," said the mother of a 16-year-old son and a 13-year-old daughter.

With a bachelor's degree in business administration and a minor in marketing, VanAuken has worked at the library for 7 years. She said she believes her pursuit of higher education will help her with her job.

"I think taking these classes will help me create a better understanding of my profession and then I can turn around and help the community and its patrons," she said.

Rita Hanby is also one of the latest recipients of the AAUW scholarship.

Hanby, a bus driver for Cass City Schools and a nutritionist at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City, said this is her fourth time receiving the scholarship.

"I always wished that I finished school — all my siblings had," Hanby said, noting she had attended Delta College for pre-nursing until she got married and started a family.

According to Hanby, she drove the bus route 3 times a day until there was a cut back on routes and then she started driving only 2 routes a day.

"I wasn't making enough money, so I told myself that I had to find another job," she said.

Hanby, a mother of 4, said she decided to enroll at Baker College in Cass City to pursue her associate's degree of applied science.

"I'm about half way done. I take 2 classes every semester. I have to go part time because I work 2 jobs and am a full time parent," she said.

"Now, I understand the value of education, when I was younger I never really understood its value."

With a high grade point average, Hanby is on the dean's list at Baker College.

"I really want to do my very best. I love to learn. Although I have a focus that is much broader than just going

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**AS SHE PURSUES her online master's degree in library science through Wayne State University, Kate VanAuken will receive a \$1,000 scholarship from the AAUW paid over 2 semesters. VanAuken is the library director at the Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City. (related photo on page 14)**



# Calendar of Events

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

## Thursday, June 4

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

## Friday, June 5

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

## Saturday, June 6

ORV Safety Class, 5-8:30 p.m., Heritage Christian Academy, 3164 North Branch Rd., North Branch. Ages: 6-16. Cost: \$25 with family discount available. Pre-registration required. For more information, contact Michigan DNR Safety Instructor Theresa Woody at (810) 688-4417.

## Sunday, June 7

Gagetown AA meeting, 8-9 p.m., Gagetown fire hall. For more information, call (989) 665-2361.  
Gagetown United Methodist Brunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. All you can eat. \$6 donation.

## Monday, June 8

Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.  
Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.  
VFW monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

## Tuesday, June 9

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, June 10

Roast Beef 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.

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**Answers to May 27, 2009**

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## Blood drive slated June 9

Officials at Hills and Dales General Hospital and VFW Post 3644, Cass City, are gearing up to sponsor their next American Red Cross blood drive.

The event is scheduled for Tuesday, June 9, from 1 to 6:45 p.m. at the Cass City VFW Hall.

The need for blood is especially great this time of year, according to Hills and Dales spokeswoman Kerry Brown. "We are entering the summer months, a traditionally challenging time for blood centers," she said.

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

"Major disasters do not usually require a lot of blood, but that's when blood centers see the greatest outpouring of support from donors. In actuality, blood is needed every 2 seconds in America to meet the needs of everyday accident victims, cancer patients and children with blood disorders," Brown said.

## James Luana named to dean's list

Officials at the University of Northwestern Ohio, Lima, Ohio, recently announced that James R. Luana of Deford has been named to the dean's list for the March 2009 session in the school's College of Technologies.

Full-time students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or better to be named to the dean's list.

## Hacker named to dean's list

Courtney Hacker, the daughter of Brian and Melissa Hacker of Ubly, was recently named to the dean's list for the second semester of the 2008-09 school year at Hope College, Holland, Mich.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

## TBHS ready to assist with mental health needs

Children's mental health problems are real, common and treatable. Although one in 5 children have a diagnosable mental health problem, nearly two-thirds of them get little or no help.

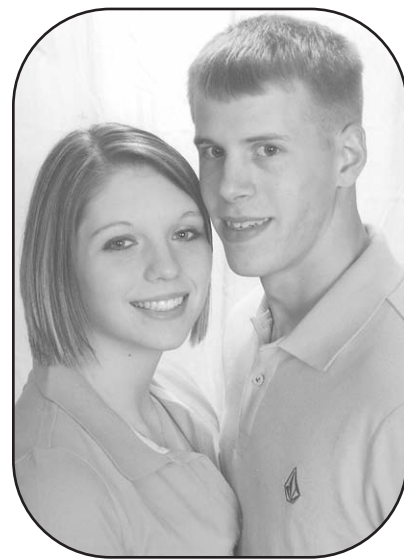
Untreated mental health problems can disrupt children's functioning at home, school and in the community. Without treatment, children with mental health issues are at increased risk of school failure, contact with the criminal justice system, dependence on social services, and even suicide.

Parents and family members are usually the first to notice if a child has problems with emotions or behavior. Your observations, along with those of teachers and other caregivers, can help determine whether you need to seek help for your child.

The following signs may indicate the need for professional help:

- Decline in school performance
- Poor grades despite strong efforts
- Constant worry or anxiety

## Engaged



Kari Spencer and Justin Dyke

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Spencer of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Kari Leigh Elizabeth, to Justin Clayton Dyke, son of Lee and Kathy Dyke of East Palestine, Ohio.

Kari is a 2007 graduate of Cass City High School. She is an Airman First Class in the U.S. Air Force, stationed at Pope Air Force Base in Fayetteville, N.C.

Justin is a 2003 graduate of East Palestine High School. He is a Senior Airman of the U.S. Air Force, stationed at Pope Air Force Base in Fayetteville, N.C.

A June 2009 wedding is currently being planned.

## Chappel named to dean's list

Nicholas Chappel of Cass City, a current eighth trimester student in the Doctor of Chiropractic Program at Palmer College of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa, has been named to the dean's list for the ninth trimester.

To be eligible for the dean's list, a student must achieve a minimum grade point average of 3.50 in all studies for the respective term. The highest possible GPA is 4.00.

## Michigan vineyards

Michigan is home to 14,600 acres of vineyards and 2,000 acres devoted to wine grapes.

## Sanilac 4-H animal workshop scheduled

The first Sanilac County 4H Small Animal Workshop will take place Saturday, June 6, at the Sanilac County Fairgrounds Howe Arena in Sandusky from noon to 4 p.m.

The free event provides an opportunity for families to become acquainted with the Sanilac County 4H Program, and will answer the question, "How do you prepare and show a small animal for a fair?"

Dogs, cats, rabbits, poultry (chickens/ducks/turkeys/geese), goats and pocket pets (gerbils/hamsters/guinea pigs/rats/mice) are included in this category and there will be many of these pre-approved animals at the event to see and touch.

Veterinary Dr. Robert Hassler of Town and Country Animal Clinic will speak about nutrition, vaccinations, parasites and more. There will also be

prize drawings, hands-on activities, demonstrations, printed information, mock shows each half hour and much more.

For more information about Sanilac County 4H programs, call the MSU Extension office at (810) 648-2515.

## Froede on list

Area resident Nicole Froede was recently named to the dean's list at Albion College, Albion, after earning a grade point average of at least 3.5 during the 2009 spring semester.

Froede is a senior majoring in economics and management, and minor-ing in communication studies. A Cass City High School graduate, she is the daughter of Bryan Froede of Bad Axe and Gloria Froede of Cass City.

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## "Motivating Moves" program slated for older residents

Older residents looking to improve their posture, flexibility and balance are invited to participate in the "Motivating Moves" program.

These seated exercises are designed for older adults and their caregivers and were developed by the Parkinson's Foundation. They are enjoyable for all seniors and caregivers. Individuals who have arthritis and are at risk for falls benefit from this program as well.

The Human Development Commission (HDC) will be hosting free Motivating Moves classes in June. They will be Wednesday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., June 3, 10, 17 and 24 at the Generations Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro.

Please check with your doctor and then call the HDC at (989) 673-4121 to register. •

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## Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

In a couple of weeks members and potential members of the Cass City High School softball team will return to the wars with a summer program. Coach Josh Stern and assistant coach Ken Martin will greet some 15 girls who indicated that they are interested in playing.

It will not be a summer league competition. All games will be in various tournaments.

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How unusual would it be to have 2 schools in the same division of their league win state championships? There is no way of checking if it ever happened before, but it is unquestionably a rare occurrence. There is a reasonable chance that this could be the year. Reese, division 3, is a defending state softball champion and Unionville Sebewaing is a strong division 4 candidate. The teams split games during the regular season, their only loss.

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So far, so good. The construction of the new gazebo over the Cass River about 3 weeks ago was not damaged as this was written. There has not yet been any graffiti marring the new building and when the camera slated for security review operates perhaps we can keep it sparkling.

Incidentally, the village crew has been active on the walking trail leading to the river. The road has been kept clear of debris and the grass along side the trail trimmed and attractive.

# County tackling mosquito problem

Tuscola County Mosquito Abatement officials say weather conditions this spring were ideal in terms of producing a bumper crop of mosquitoes.

However, officials say they are doing all they can to reduce the insect population.

"The last 2 months have been witness to heavy rains in Tuscola County. These rains were coupled with ground that was already saturated from winter snow and early spring rains, (which) have caused flooding in many areas," explained Jenifer Robb, Tuscola County Mosquito Abatement director.

"Due to the standing water from these heavy rains and flooding, we are experiencing heavy mosquito densities all around the county," she said. "These are the spring species that are typical for this time of the year, as well as early summer floodwater mosquitoes that we normally do not see until later in the year."

Robb noted that county technicians have been working hard to reduce the mosquito population. "However, due to the heavy densities it will take a little while to get them under control. We ask that everyone please be patient.

Nighttime adulticide - truck treatment - started on May 18 as cold temperatures and high winds prevented treatment prior to this date.

Robb said her office has received a high volume of calls from residents asking for individual yard treatments, but that those treatments won't alleviate the mosquito problem in a large area.

"The 'spray' treatments are only contact sprays and will only kill mosquitoes in the yard at the time of treatment - there is no residual effect on this type of treatment," she explained, adding requests for individual yard spraying are currently booked until the middle of July. "It is much more effective for a truck to spray a large area of a township, reducing the overall population of mosquitoes than to spray a single yard.

"Again, we would like to ask that everyone please be patient," Robb said. "We have all of the available trucks out treating as the weather allows and will continue our efforts to reduce the mosquito populations throughout all of Tuscola County."

## The Haire Net

Science project  
a win-win for us



Michigan State University now publishes a quarterly publication, "MSU Today" and the spring issue was devoted to Big Science and I mentally prepared to toss it in the wastebasket. Talking science to me is on a par with reading a newspaper written in a foreign language. I can't understand either. But the pictures were worth scanning and before I knew it I was caught up in the article, even though I was in a fog about the machine that the article was built around.

MSU had been selected in December by the U.S. Department of Energy to design and establish the facility for Rare Isotope Beams (FRIB) at an estimated cost of \$550 million. It's obvious that the article attempts to simplify the process when it talks about speed and purpose of the new unit. It's not the speed, even though it is fast enough to circle around the earth 4 times a SECOND.

The writers try to keep it simple, but sometimes it's impossible to get down to the level of the casual reader. An example: "In a sense we study galactic chemical evolution, and FRIB is the machine that will decipher the DNA of this process, which is the quantum structure of nuclei." Okay, if you say so.

While the working of the new unit and the possible science benefits is hard to understand, the benefits in addition to the science advances is not hard to understand.

It will produce an estimated billion-dollar impact to Michigan over two decades.

- Estimated \$550 million in construction costs.
- Creation of about 400 full time jobs;

about 180 jobs at FRIB and 220 jobs in related industries.

- Increased business for the hospital industry associated with attracting researchers from around the nation and the world to MSU.
- \$187 million in state tax revenue.

These benefit estimates were compiled by Anderson Economic Group. While the unit is part of the MSU campus, it will be open to scientists worldwide if they have a project that qualifies for the use of the unit.

Meanwhile, Michigan can use the added revenue and jobs and be happy to boast of its great nuclear science program and alumni might just mention the project while discussing State's basketball prowess.

## 472 million pounds of spuds for Frito-Lay

Michigan farmers grew more than 472 million pounds of potatoes for Frito-Lay last year.

In 2008, Lay's Potato Chips used more than 2 billion pounds of potatoes from its farm suppliers.

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## The back forty

by Roger Pond

I could feel the wind in this one. An old story by Ed Zern reminded me of the many hazards of camping.

Zern describes a trip with his friend and fellow outdoor writer Ted Trueblood back in the sixties. The two men took a small boat, two tents, and Trueblood's dog to Idaho's Owyhee Reservoir for a chukar hunt.

Zern says Ted was in a wall tent about 10 by 14 feet, and he was in a smaller pyramid tent nearby.

"A wall tent?" I thought. "What about the wind?!"

Anyone who camps on western reservoirs knows about the wind. It might be calm as can be one minute, and then the wind hits you like a freight train — complete with whistle.

Trueblood mentioned the possibility of wind when they went to bed but apparently slept through the baby hurricane that blew during the night. The wind flattened the wall tent, flipped the boat, and spilled the men's food into the reservoir.

The whole thing sounded like a camping trip I took with my son and his buddies many years ago. Our campsite was a little more civilized, even though it required a four-mile trip by boat.

The boys were sixteen and at the stage where a person's life is pretty much ruined by school. We had to go on the weekend.

There were too many campers to suit us, so we began hoping for a storm to clear out the riffraff. We got it about mid-afternoon of the second day.

The whole thing began with a swaying in the treetops. Then the bottoms of the trees started swaying, too. One of our tents blew down with a hole

in the side.

A group of campers arrived with two canoes and a wall tent. Five or six people hung onto one side of the tent while two men dangled from the ridgepole like a couple of smoked hams.

One canoe blew out of the water, tumbled up a six-foot bank, and wedged itself against a tree. Then, the water began blowing out of the reservoir.

"Hot dog, boys!" I said. "The wind's gonna start blowin' pretty soon."

I walked over to the north dock to check on our boat. I loosened the dock ropes and tilted the motor so the boat would beach itself in a small cove if anything broke loose.

Then we went to bed. The wind blew all night but calmed down enough to fish from the bank the next morning. I caught a pretty good bass and decided to put it in the live well.

When I got to the dock there wasn't any boat. We found the fuel tank and a couple of oars floating near the bank. Then I noticed a patch of red about two feet below the muddy surface.

That was our boat, still tied to the dock — two feet under water. The biggest smallmouth bass I've ever seen was in the live well that night, and to this day I swear that bass sank the boat.

I've camped in the same spot every year for the ensuing fifteen, but I've never seen a wind quite like that one. Still, once in awhile I'll meet another camper who asks, "Did you hear the wind last night?"

"Just a slight breeze," I tell them. "Just a slight b-b-breeze."

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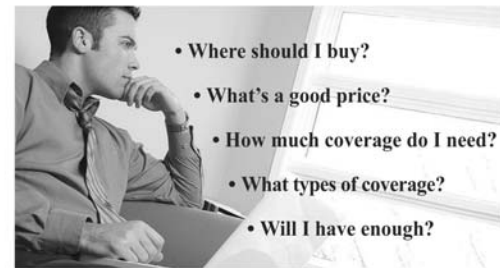
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## Everyday Stories

Cass City Public Schools  
"Assignment America"  
By Emily Martin

The fire flickers and paints light onto the faces of those surrounding it. The wood crackles and the ember pops. Fold-out lawn chairs hold individuals with their feet stretched outward toward the warm source: the summer bonfire.

As the school year comes to a close, beautiful weather sets the perfect scene for a few hours of fellowship and enjoyment after the sun goes down.

A bonfire is the ultimate prelude to summer. A bonfire can be a melting pot of worldly ideas and life's philosophies. The circle encompassing the fiery flames is just that - a circle. It has no open gaps, holes, or secluded corners. It is connected both physically and mentally. As human bodies make up this circle, friendship is sewn throughout.

"Bonfires are great in the summer. As you sit and talk, hours may go by," commented Cass City sophomore Krista Guinther. "They are just good opportunities to communicate and have good summer conversations."

Freshman Ethan Nicol could not help but jump in the bonfire conversation. "I love bonfires. They are such a good way to hang out during the summer and talk about things in life. It's just nice to come together around a summer fire on a nice night."

Just as the school year fades into summer with bonfires flickering in nearby backyards, my writing too fades.

Your seemingly ordinary neighbors in this community and school system are filled with uncovered extraordinary stories. There are small town places that we should cherish each day. The places we've traveled in our small town have provided the moments that prove everyone does have a story worth sharing.

I sincerely hope that Cass City Public Schools can now be seen as a wonderland of stories, if only we just look around us. The applause in the gymnasium of Cass City Middle School encouraging one of our own in a simple volleyball game, the rich history of Cass City dating back to my grandfather, and the care shown by a casserole-baking babysitter beginning when you step off the bus; these are just a few of our stories.

It was an absolute privilege and honor to represent Cass City Public Schools and share your stories throughout the school year. Thank you for the kind, encouraging words you've given me in passing on the street, while shopping at Erla's, by email, and in cards sent to my home.

After almost 40 weeks of Everyday Stories, the embers of this bonfire are ready to rest. Just because the fire goes out, it does not mean the stories end. Tomorrow is a new day just waiting for everyday people, places and moments to shine. So live abundantly and you will be sure to see the stories scripted around you. You may even play a leading role.

I wish you a great summer filled with bonfires on beautiful Cass City nights.

# Flag retirement ceremony on tap June 14 in village

Area residents interested in learning about the proper way to dispose of a worn American flag may want to attend an upcoming flag retirement ceremony in Cass City.

The event, which is being sponsored by Cass City VFW Post 3644, in conjunction with Cass City Boy Scout Troop 594 and Kranz Funeral Home, will be held Sunday, June 14, at 3 p.m. in the parking lot of the Cass City VFW Post Annex building, 4533 Veterans Dr.

"The ceremony is an opportunity for residents of Cass City and surrounding areas to replace flags, no longer fit for public display, in a patriotic and highly dignified manner," said Debra Kranz of Kranz Funeral Home. "The flags collected will be properly disposed of in honor of the men and women proudly serving in our nation's law enforcement, fire protection and EMS agencies, and in memory of those who have sacrificed their lives in the protection of our local communities and nation."

Kranz said the event will begin with a special ceremony to recall what the various elements of the American flag represent, followed by singing of "America the Beautiful" and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

"The ceremony will then conclude as the unusable flags are destroyed, in the most respectful manner, accompanied by the soft playing of 'Taps' in the background and the singing of 'The Star Spangled Banner'," she noted.

When an American flag becomes worn, torn, faded or badly soiled, the flag should be replaced and then "retired" with all the dignity and respect befitting of this nation's symbol, according to Kranz.

"The traditional method of retirement is to incinerate the flag, but this does not mean that the entire flag is

dropped into a fire," she said. "The flag ceases to be a flag when cut into pieces, and that is done to a flag being retired. It is cut with scissors, stripe by stripe. The stripes are removed from the total blue area and then dismembered, each stripe at a time."

Members of Boy Scout Troop 549, Cass City, will be taking part in the ceremony by reciting a short phrase to accompany the cutting and handoff of each stripe.

"In the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, American patriotism soared to a level not witnessed since the World War II era," Kranz said. "Millions of Americans rushed out to buy U.S. flags and proudly displayed them on their homes, offices, farms and automobiles. Now, years later, many of these flags have begun to show ill effects from time, wind and weather, leaving their owners with the dilemma of what to do with them."

"With that in mind, an unusable flag drive continues in Cass City," she said. "The drive is sponsored by Cass City VFW Post 3644 and Cass City Boy Scout Troop 594. Flags can be placed into a special used flag donation box located at the Cass City VFW Post Annex building."

The collection box is available for use year-round.

Kranz encourages all area residents to attend the upcoming flag retirement gathering, which will take place rain or shine.

"In as much as Sunday, June 14, is national Flag Day, this distinctive ceremony is a wonderful experience for people of all ages to attend," she said. "All are welcome. Local residents and businesses are encouraged to bring any flags (that) are no longer serviceable to the ceremony the day of the event."

More information is available by contacting Kranz at 872-2195.



## Putting a flag to rest...

DEBRA KRANZ cuts a worn flag, stripe by stripe, before burning each piece individually during last year's flag retirement ceremony at the Cass City VFW Annex building. Also pictured are Eagle Scout Joe Rule and Jim Baker, scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 594, Cass City.



GALBENSKI is one of 3 animal control officers charged with covering Tuscola and Sanilac counties. (See story, page one).

# Galbenski named Officer of the Year

Continued from page one.

has served as an animal control officer for the past 5 years. "I was very, very surprised. I didn't expect it at all."

"Danielle Galbenski's dedication to the welfare of the animals in her care and the safety of the citizens she serves is second to none," said Julie Baker, director of RARES.

"Tuscola County Animal shelter is well-known...for its high adoption rate and works very hard to get pets adopted into loving homes," she added. "The staff is absolutely key to this shelter having such a good rating and saving so many animals in its care."

Baker said the county animal shelter, located in Caro, "is known throughout Michigan as a county shelter that is very committed to adopt and place the animals in its care, and ranks as one of the best shelters in Michigan. The staff serves county residents in a variety of important capacities and does a very effective job with a limited budget and a modest staff."

Debbie Jaworski, director of Second Chances, agreed, noting that record is what prompted the groups' delivery of donated supplies to the county shelter last week.

"This small rural shelter is very public friendly and rescue friendly," Jaworski said. "The staff does a phenomenal job of getting their animals adopted, pulled by reputable rescues or transferred to other humane societies."

"The officers are dedicated and very caring toward the animal residents throughout their stay," she added. "They have a very limited budget, especially in these economic times, and could use help with donated items."

"Tuscola County Animal Shelter has promoted the adoption of many wonderful dogs through our rescue for many years, and we want them to know how much they are appreciated," said Carl Fleck, director of Canine Companions Rescue Center. "Our volunteers and adopters truly appreciate the shelter and staff. We wanted to help them in their mission to continue the good work of caring for lost and homeless pets."

County residents are encouraged to help out, as well, by making a donation. The animal shelter is always in need of products such as bleach, Pine Sol, dish soap, paper towels, air fresheners, hand sanitizer, scoopable cat litter, good quality dry food and treats for dogs and cats, gently used linens, blankets, towels, dog shampoo, dog nail clippers and grooming supplies.

Monetary donations to sponsor emergency vet care for lost or homeless pets can be called into the Sandusky Animal Clinic at (810) 648-8230 (attention Danielle - animal control account).

Adoptable pets can be viewed at [www.tcac.petfinder.com](http://www.tcac.petfinder.com).

## BID NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

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THIS IS AN example of the Adirondack chairs slated for auction by the Cass City Arts Council. The auction started Monday, with the final day to bid scheduled for June 19, when the results will be announced at 4 p.m. at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City.

# Ask your neighbor

## Newspaper industry is struggling today

How would you feel if the local newspaper stopped publishing?

Many newspapers across the country are closing down. For over 25 years, the newspaper industry has been on a decline due to the competition of electronic media and now the easy access to information via the Internet.

People want to know what is going on around them and with constant blogging, along with different Internet sites like cnn.com, freep.com, and bbcworldnews.com, current news events are literally at the palms of people's hands just minutes after they happen.

Consider The Ann Arbor News in Ann Arbor, Mich., for example. This newspaper has been publishing as Ann Arbor's daily paper since 1835. However, The Ann Arbor News will close this July and as a result, AnnArbor.com will open.

And then there are the small town weeklies like the Cass City Chronicle. This paper has been covering local news and events since 1899. From birth announcements to obituaries to feature stories about community residents, the Chronicle reaches thousands of people.

But what if the Cass City Chronicle stopped publishing or went completely online?

Ruth VanAcker, 83, of Cass City said she has read the Chronicle her entire life.

"I watch a lot of news on T.V., but my husband and I still usually read the paper. If they ever shut down the Chronicle I would be very sad," she said. "I don't know where I would go to get information on people's obituaries. Maybe I would start listening to the radio?"

VanAcker said she also looks forward to receiving the Chronicle every week because she likes to read "Rabbit Tracks" and to keep up with what is happening in the community.

"If they were ever to shut down the Chronicle, how else would I know who was having a garage sale?" she joked.

Similarly, Kurt Hanby, 20, of Cass City said he reads the Chronicle all the time.

"When I was in high school, I played golf and my mom would cut out the articles and laminate them. Now, my brother plays baseball and I read the paper to keep up on the sports in this area," the Bethel College junior said.

Hanby said he couldn't imagine Cass City not having the Chronicle.

"I've been reading the Chronicle since I could read. Without the paper, people would lose contact. In a town as tight-knit as this one, people would be cut out from each other's lives without the newspaper," he said.

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# Auction of Adirondack chairs is underway

The Cass City Arts Council's Adirondack Chair Auction is off and running.

The event began Monday at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City, where interested bidders will find more information as well as bid sheets.

The final day to bid will be June 19, when the results will be announced at 4 p.m.

"We have 21 chairs. They were (painted) by art council members and other area artists from Caro, Port Austin, Caseville, Cass City, etc.," said council member Marilyn Biefer. "Previously we did metal stars and ceramic turtles."

"The money from the auction helps with things like our 'Tea for Two', Music in the Park, and we are planning on doing an art history lesson at the library with projects and books," she added. "We try to put back into the community by using the arts."

# Barcia says troopers could stay

Michigan's budget shortfall is threatening to put over 100 Michigan State Troopers out of work on June 28, including 4 in the Thumb, but State Senator Jim Barcia (D-Bay City) thinks there may be cause for hope.

Making good on his promise to do everything in his power to keep troopers on the job, Barcia, a former Congressman, is taking his case to Washington this week in an attempt to secure a Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant through the United States Department of Justice.

"A COPS grant would give us enough federal funding to keep our Michigan State Troopers on the job for another 2-3 years," said Barcia. "In that time," he added, "I am confident that Michigan will be in a much better position to fund trooper salaries at the state level."

Barcia will be traveling with representatives of the Michigan State Police Troopers Association and meeting with Department of Justice and Obama Administration officials to discuss options for funding trooper's salaries with federal funds.

"It is critical, especially in tough economic times, to make sure we have adequate law enforcement to keep people safe from rising crime rates," said Barcia. "The first responsibility of any government is public safety."

# Down Memory Lane

By Tina Pallas

**5 YEARS AGO**

Owen-Gage School officials have voted to consolidate the small school district into one campus due to a financial crisis that has been growing over the past several months. Over the summer they will close the Gage-town school building and prepare to move the youngest of the district's students into classrooms in the junior-senior high building in Owendale.

The only question remaining for the Cass City Red Hawk baseball team is will they be the co-champions or the outright champions of the Greater Thumb West? That is expected to be decided today (Wednesday) when Bay City All Saints finishes a game with the Lakers called by darkness with the score tied at 10-all. Both Cass City and All Saints now have 2 losses in the GTW. All Saints split a doubleheader to open the door for the Hawks.

Charmont "Bowlers of the Year" honors for 2004 were recently won by Gary Robinson and Bonnie Watson.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Occasional rain showers didn't stop the Memorial Day ceremony at the Elkland Township Cemetery or dampen the spirits of area veterans Monday.

The Thumb Area Dialysis Center in Cass City officially opened its doors to residents in Tuscola, Lapeer, Sanilac, Huron and St. Clair counties May 19.

It took Larry Robinson 30 years to meet his goal - 30 years of persistence, dedication and hard work, and now, it is time for him to move on. Robinson, teacher and coach at Cass City Middle School, set his goal a long time ago, and now that he has met it - to teach for 30 years - he will retire. This Thumb-area native teaches physical education and coaches junior high track and football. During his 30-year career, he has also taught geography, history, health, and for one semester, he even taught typing.

Coach Brian Denhoff's Bulldogs became the first team in Owen-Gage school history Thursday to complete North Central Thumb League play undefeated. The conference champions and record setting Bulldogs traveled to Kinde and ended their regular season with a sweep over North Huron. The 2 wins give the Bulldogs a perfect 14-0 NCTL mark and lofty 21-3 overall record heading into this week's district action in Ubly.

**25 YEARS AGO**

Tom Stimpfel, a Cass City High School junior, was chosen by his Tuscola Area Skill Center classmates in drafting as "drafter of the year," based on quality of work, attendance, atti-

tude and initiative. The son of Thomas and Doris Stimpfel received a certificate and drafting equipment donated by two Caro businesses.

Flags carried by Girl Scouts led the Memorial Day parade through downtown Cass City Monday. There was the Cass City High School band, antique cars, horses, bicycles, some veterans and Little League ball players.

Jack Esau completed his 25th year as master of ceremonies for the annual Memorial Day services at Elkland Township Cemetery. In the 25 years the ceremony has never been rained out. But it has been rained on. This year the proceedings were conducted in a steady drizzle. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Kevin and Karen Wagg graduated April 28 from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Wagg received a Bachelor of Science degree in computer science and has accepted a position with the Litton Co. in Los Angeles, Calif. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy R. Wagg of Cass City. Mrs. Wagg received a Bachelor of Arts degree in education. She will seek a job in the Los Angeles area. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wallace of Cass City.

**35 YEARS AGO**

Of the recent graduates at Delta College, none is probably more satisfied with the experience than Mrs. Laura Cherniawski of rural Deford. What started as an avenue for a better job

turned into a personal growth experience that probably won't stop in the near future. Mrs. Cherniawski, mother of 14 children, smiled broadly as she sat down at the kitchen table of her stone farmhouse located just inside Wells township to talk about why she continued her education. "It was a challenge that I really enjoyed," she said, as Mary, her youngest daughter, 4, climbed on her lap. "With 14 children, a person can get into a rut with a family. You find after while, you need a new perspective on life. There has to be more to life than dirty diapers and bottles." So, in the fall of 1970, at age 40, Mrs. Cherniawski gathered pens, pencils, paper and textbooks and set out in quest of an associate degree.

Roxanna Somerville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Somerville, Lamton Rd., Decker, has been named to the 1974 Winter Semester Dean's List at Delta College, Arthur J. Oettmeier, academic dean, announced. To be included in this list, a student must maintain a grade point average of 3.5 or better during the semester while carrying a maximum of six credits.

Cass City qualified for the district play-offs in the State baseball tournament Saturday at Sandusky by rolling over Mayville in the pre-district, 9-1. There were bright spots galore for Hawk rooters last Saturday. One of the brightest was the pitching of Jerry Toner.

# Road construction zone crashes down

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) recently released crash statistics from the 2008 road construction season showing a nine percent decrease in the total number of crashes in work zones statewide. There were 4,977 crashes, 1,378 injuries and 13 fatalities in 2008, down from 5,499 crashes, 1,420 injuries and 20 fatalities in 2007.

"While these numbers indicate a decrease, we must continue to be vigilant and help motorists understand that the life they save could be their own," said State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle. "All of the fatalities in work zones last year involved motorists and passengers. We hope the new legislation (PA 296 and 297 of 2008) invoking stiffer penalties for injuring or killing anyone in a work zone further enhances safety."

In an effort to promote work zone safety in 2009, MDOT has developed a 30-second public service announcement expected to air on radio stations statewide from Memorial Day to Labor Day through a partnership with the Michigan Association of Broadcasters.

Additionally, MDOT will provide special funding to the Michigan State Police (MSP) for overtime patrols in work zones. Heavy enforcement concentration will involve the I-96 corridor in Livingston County between US-23 and Kent Lake Road.

"Drivers play an important role in preventing crashes in work zones," said MSP Director Col. Peter C. Munoz. "Be alert and use appropriate caution when approaching work zones: look, locate workers, and lower your speed if workers are present."

# Cass City Area Church Directory

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**Cass City Church of Christ**  
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Contacts 872-2367 or 872-3136  
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CASS CITY'S Lukas Varney sprints toward the finish line Saturday during the Division 3 track and field state finals. Varney recorded a time of 4:22:45 in the 1600-meter run to place third in the event, while erasing Greg Bliss' school record set in 1984.



# Varney completes storybook ending

As it should, Lukas Varney's Cass City storybook track and field career has a happy ending. Fresh off a stellar performance at the Tuscola County Meet of Champions in Caro, where the Cass City senior earned the Male Athlete of the Meet award, Varney closed out his Red Hawk career Saturday in Comstock Park during the Division 3 State Finals where he established 2 new school records. Individually, the distance specialist finished third in the 1600-meter run with a time of 4:22.45, getting nipped at the tape by runner-up Ben Wynsma, Suttons Bay, with a time of 4:22.44. The Division 3 State Champion miler was Alex Wilson, Kent City, who was clocked in 4:17.82. Varney's all state performance erases one of the oldest Cass City track marks set in 1984 by Greg Bliss, who posted a time of 4:23.25. "I've been eyeing the mile record since I was a sophomore when I fin-

ished a second off the record," Varney said. Coach Amy Cuthrell added, "Lukas ran with a purpose, the record was always in sight and patience in this case was a true virtue. It was awesome to witness and to share in such a historical performance. There isn't anyone more deserving as his commitment to team and his desire to be successful is something pretty remarkable." Varney also ran a leg on the Red Hawks 1600-meter relay team that earned all-state honors, with a time of 3:28.72. Joining Varney on Cass City's record setting 1600-meter relay team were senior classmates Luke Newton, Chris Summersett and Austin Babich. "This relay team was close to the school record all season, and finally breaking the record in their final meet. All 4 of these seniors have left a mark in the track arena by proving to themselves that together they were a threat to be contended with. Each ran with heart, and it was an awesome sight when they stood together on the podium. We could not be more thrilled for them. Track requires both strong physical and mental stamina, and all of these athletes displayed them at a very high level," Cuthrell said. Cass City was also represented individually by Babich in the 200 and 400 meter dashes, Summersett in the 400-meter, and Dewey Mabe in the 3200-meter, while Lady Red Hawk Jennica Richards competed in both hurdle events, Stephanie Leeson in the pole vault and Jessica Prieskorn in the

3200-meter run. Also making the trip west over the weekend were the Red Hawks' 3200-meter relay teams. Lady Red Hawks Ashley Potts and Brittany Loomis teamed with Richards and Prieskorn in the long distance relay, while Ty Burk and Alex Varney joined Mabe and Lukas Varney on the boys' 3200-meter relay team. Despite failing to finish among the top 8 spots, Coach Cuthrell was pleased with the efforts turned in by her Red Hawk state representatives. "It was a perfect day for running and many of the state qualifiers met or exceeded their personal best. I was very impressed with the freshmen Lady Hawks Jessica Preiskorn, Ashley Potts and Stephanie Leeson. It is a bit intimidating to compete with the experienced, elite athletes. They responded to the pressure and came away with a strong desire to return next year. They are a fantastic group of talented athletes that have a very promising future," Cuthrell said.

## MEET OF CHAMPS

Earlier in the week, Lukas Varney highlighted the action at the Tuscola County Meet of Champions when he received the Male Athlete of the Meet award after accumulating 4 gold medals. Individually, Varney captured the 1600-meter (4:42:76) and 800-meter (2:01:48)runs, and also ran legs on the Red Hawks' winning 3200 and 1600 meter relay teams. Varney, who shared the Huron

County Meet of Champions Male Athlete of the Meet award a week earlier with Babich, got a little help from his long-time friend to capture the same honor in the Tuscola County meet. Babich, who qualified individually in the 100, 200 and 400 dashes, scratched from his individual races as the 2-sport standout elected to play baseball in North Branch on the night. However, Babich was able to make it back to Caro for the final event – the 1600-meter relay – and helped Varney, along with teammates Babich, Summersett and Newton, record his 4th victory of the night with a time of 8:26:11. "We've been best friends since Austin came to Cass City from De-ford in the 5th grade," Varney said. Without Babich's commitment to his teammates, Coach Cuthrell isn't sure if Varney would have been named the male athlete of the meet. "What Austin did was pretty remarkable. If he hadn't hurried to get back for the final race, the athlete of the week award might have gone to Vassar speedster Dontay Crist," Cuthrell said. Adding to his big day, Varney teamed with his younger brother Alex Varney, Mabe and Burk to win the 3200-meter relay, setting a new school mark at 8:26.11. "It is always tough to see such great kids graduate and move on to their respected universities. This group of seniors will be greatly missed. They will continue to make a difference wherever they go," Cuthrell said.

# Lady Red Hawks fall in Division 3 district finals

Cass City was eliminated in the Division 3 district MHAA tournament Friday at Bad Axe, falling to Reese, the number one team in the state, 7-0, in the championship game. The Hawks reached the finals by defeating Harbor Beach, 11-1, in 5 innings. Against the Rockets the Hawks were no match for Abbey Harrington and a sparkling team defense. The senior pitching ace came within one out of a perfect game that was spoiled by McKensie Parrish, who rapped a single to right field with 2 out in the seventh inning. Harrington struck out the side in the fifth and sixth innings, while totaling 11 for the game.

Amanda Langenburg pitched a stronger game than the final score indicates. Errors by the usually tight Hawk defense enabled the Rockets to score 6 of their 7 runs. Langenburg was touched in the fifth for 2 of the 5 hits she allowed in the game. That made the score 4-0. Three costly errors in the sixth enabled Reese to chalk up 3 runs in the sixth.

The errors and the pass balls/wild pitches were instrumental in creating the runs scored by the Patriots. But with Harrington picking up speed as the game progressed, there was little doubt about the winner after the fifth inning.

Kaitlyn Squanda with a double and a single and Jillian Gerow with 3 singles led the Reese attack.

## HARBOR BEACH

It probably wouldn't have changed the outcome, but the Harbor Beach outfield defense made it easy for Cass City to rack up a victory in the opening game of the tourney. Three pop ups, one each in left, center and right field, were dropped and kept alive the Cass City offense.

The game was virtually decided in the second inning when the Hawks scored 8 times. The Hawks loaded the bases on a pair of walks and a scratch hit on a fly ball. Lindsay Jamieson then cracked a double to empty the bases. Langenburg then smashed a 2-run home run over the right center field wall. The Hawks were not through yet. An error, a single followed by another RBI single by Emily Martin ended the scoring rampage and clinched the victory. McKensie Parrish hurled the win and Lauren Waun was charged with



CASS CITY hurler Amanda Langenburg fields a ground ball during the Division 3 championship against Reese.

the loss. The game marked the end of the high school careers for 4 seniors who played key roles on Hawk teams. Langenburg was a 3-year letter winner, playing outfield, infield and pitcher. Megan VanVliet also was a 3-year veteran playing outfield and catcher. Carly Rabideau, 2-year letter

winner, was a pitcher and outfielder, Aleigh Kappen, 2-year letter winner, in the outfield.

Reese will continue its quest to be a repeat Division 3 state champion and will play in the regional set at Reese. The team's first game will be at 11:30 Saturday, June 6.



RED HAWK Nikki Guigar gets a jump off third base in the Division 3 district semifinals in Bad Axe.

# Swan Valley defeats visiting Cass City soccer team

Cass City traveled to face Swan Valley last Tuesday, where the Red Hawks' soccer campaign ended with a 5-0 defeat in Division 3 district action.

A long bus ride and an extremely small field coupled with poor ball control resulted in a first round district loss for the Red Hawks, according to Coach Chuck Reed. The effort that had been there last week took a while to show up and when it did, the Lady Hawks were already down 2 goals.

Swan Valley out hustled the Hawks early and scored on 2 nice shots that keeper Becca Leslie had little chance on. After the second goal, the Red Hawks started to pick up the pace, but the small field and aggressive play by Swan Valley kept Cass City from taking control of the game.

Swan Valley got 2 goals late in the final half when Reed turned to his bench players and had several ladies playing different positions from normal.

The Red Hawks' best scoring chance

was a penalty kick by Caitlin Reed, but Swan Valley's keeper made a good save on a tough shot and then covered the rebound.

"It was a disappointing loss, but does not detract from the good season that the girls had," Reed said.

Reed, Nicole Kelley, and Kaitlyn Messing keyed what offense the Red Hawks could produce, while midfielders Jessica Bootz, Katie Nizzola, Brooke Hartwick, Maria Diaz and Krista Timko tried to match Swan Valley's aggressive play.

The defense of Amanda Clifton, Tessa Kus, Kristen Kaweck and Taryn Vatter played well at times. Leslie had 28 saves, giving her 160 for the year and a better than 75 percent save percentage. Angela Braun and Alyse Timko did well off the bench and will be significant contributors next year.

"Overall, this was a good year for the Hawks and with the majority of the team returning the future looks good," Reed said.



COACH NATHAN Haag, center, delivers a point to Cass City's Zack Abell, left, and Brent Doerr during a pitching change Friday in Division 3 district semifinal play with Harbor Beach.

# Cass City hampered by date change in district championship at Bad Axe

Missing 2 key players, the Cass City baseball team Saturday morning came up short in the Division 3 district championship game in Bad Axe.

It was a disappointing end to the Red Hawks' season, considering district play started Friday with a convincing 12-2 victory over Harbor Beach in the semifinals.

"Everything we did was phenomenal," Coach Nathan Haag said. "Defense, pitching, hitting, everything. We executed our game plan and the scoreboard showed it."

However, the Red Hawks' semifinal victory endured a weather delay and wasn't completed until after 5 p.m. That forced the district title game to be postponed, as Cass City's commencement ceremony was slated for 7 p.m. later that night.

Reese officials had the option of returning either Saturday or Monday to compete for the district trophy. They chose Saturday morning, which also was the same time slot for the track and field Division 3 State Finals in Comstock Park.

Significant, because senior leaders Austin Babich and Lukas Varney, 2

vital cogs in the Red Hawks' offense, were denied the opportunity to play for district gold as the only infield they saw on the day was near Grand Rapids.

Trevor Phillips had a banner day for Cass City and gave the Red Hawks their only lead, 1-0, entering the second frame against the Rockets. Phillips was 2-3 at the plate, with a double in the finals that followed an impressive outing against Harbor Beach that included 2 doubles, 2 RBIs and 3 runs scored.

Reese tagged starting pitcher Steffin Bader for a solo run in the third and then scored the game winner in the next frame. Bader worked 3.1 innings, allowed one earned run, 4 hits and fanned 2 while being tagged with the 4-1 loss.

"We got everything we hoped for from our defense and pitching. We just came up short," Haag said.

The Rockets added a pair of insurance runs in their final at bats by Caleb Gnatkowski and Ben Fleischmann.

Brent Doerr punched a single to ac-

count for Cass City's only RBI, while Alex Zaleski doubled and Bader singled.

Against the Pirates, Bader worked 4 innings to collect the win on the hill, fanning 5 and yielding 4 hits.

Cass City got off to a quick start with 4 runs in the initial inning and 3 in the second to take a commanding 7-2 edge.

At the plate, Doerr, Kyle Pine and Zaleski each belted a pair of safeties, while Babich tripled and scored 3 markers.

Cass City finishes the year at 11-19 overall and 2-9 in the Greater Thumb West. The district loss marks the end of the Red Hawk careers of seniors Doerr, Babich, Varney, Abell and Austin Deering.

"We had the perfect opportunity to win Cass City's first baseball district in 35 years," Haag said. "We needed Reese and Bad Axe to beat each other up in the semis and come into the final with tired arms. That happened during their marathon 9-inning semifinal, but it was a shame Lukas and Austin couldn't be there for the final."


## Cass City Baseball Season Statistics

Player	G	PA	AB	Runs	Hits	1B	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB/HBP	E/FC	Sac.	K	BA	OBP	Backward K's	Times On Base	Total K's
Lukas Varney	26	97	69	22	19	16	3			6	24	12	4	8	0.275	0.567	2	55	10
Trevor Phillips	30	106	91	22	25	19	5		1	13	13	9	2	10	0.275	0.443	3	47	13
Austin Babich	27	92	71	23	29	14	10	5		18	15	6	6	10	0.408	0.543	6	50	16
Brent Doerr	30	97	82	12	30	24	6			21	10	11	5	8	0.366	0.526	3	51	11
Steven Schotter	26	69	59	6	10	7	3			7	9	6	1	15	0.169	0.362	6	25	21
Brad Haag	29	71	59	4	7	7				4	12	9		14	0.119	0.394	5	28	19
Zack Abell	23	68	57	9	9	6	3			1	10	8	1	7	0.158	0.397	2	27	9
Kyle Pine	30	94	81	17	22	18	3		1	14	9	8	4	11	0.272	0.415	6	39	17
Alex Hoyt	19	47	40	9	12	11	1			4	7	4		9	0.300	0.489	1	23	10
Steven Rychlewski	11	18	13	4	2	2					5	3		2	0.154	0.556	1	10	3
Alex Zaleski	22	62	53	12	19	11	6		2	14	9	4		11	0.358	0.516	1	32	12
Morgan Erla	3	8	7	2	2	2				1	1	1		1	0.286	0.500		4	1
Austin Deering	1	1	1		0									1	0.000	0.000		0	1
Ethan Nicol	10	19	16	2	2	2				1	3	1		1	0.125	0.316	1	6	2
Steffin Bader	16	28	25	1	4	3	1			1	3	1		7	0.160	0.286	2	8	9
Totals	30	877	724	145	192	142	41	5	4	105	130	83	23	115	0.265	0.462	39	405	154





THE OWEN-GAGE Bulldogs showcase their 4th North Central Thumb League - North softball crown since 2004. This year's champs are: (front, l-r) Amanda Faist, Samantha Radabaugh, Katie Rhodes, Stacie Dorsch, Mariah Francis, (middle) Christy Schmidt, Lauren Mandich, Kayla Montreuil, Lacie Prich, Carli Warack, Megan McLaren, Kelsey Quick, Sarah Volk, Ashley Rockefeller (back) Asst. Coach Jason Pierce, Erika Mroz, Mandy Muntz, Miranda Radabaugh, Christin Harris and Coach Doug Hyatt.



## Chip Shots

**Wednesday Night 2-Man Golf League**  
as of May 27

Division 1 - Early	
Daniels/Wilson	83
Warner/Wallace	82
Alexander/Spencer	77
Henn/Herron	74
Hobbs/Meck	72
Zdrojewski/Peters	71
Davis/Tate	71
Young/Veggian	70
Burns/Kritzman	70
Hendrick/Kelly	70
Berwick/Greenlee	69
Burns/Caister	67
Craig/Knight	64
Iwankovitch/Stickle	63
Bliss/Irrer	61
Pobanz/Smithson	58
Dillon/Tonti	36
Jones/Marshall	30

Individual Medallist: B. Kritzman 40.  
Team Medallists: Wallace/Warner 82.

Division 2 - Late	
deBeaubien/Lowe	95
Hartel/Brown	84
Hool/Toner	82
Hillaker/Murphy	79
Biddinger/Smith	76
Bliss/Krol	74
Langley/Tamlyn	67
Doerr/Haire	63
Corey/Paul - Ulfig	54
LeValley/Morgan	50
Martin/Robinson	50
Osentoski/D. Wallace	49
Prieskorn/Repshinska	49
Laurie/Lautner	45

Individual Medallist: J. Toner 37.  
Team Medallists: Hartel/Brown 78.

\*Matches not played

## Red Hawk golf season ends

The Cass City golf team failed to advance from Division 3 regional play Thursday at The Fortress Golf Course in Frankenmuth. After tying for second in district play held at Woodland Hills in Sandusky the Friday before, the Red Hawks had a disappointing 9th place finish out of the 12 schools that advanced to the regional.

Scoring for Cass City was led by senior Matt Hallwood with an 80, only 1 shot away from a playoff for a State Qualifier appearance as an individual, while Aaron Bader shot an 87, Brandon Weaver shot 89 and Mason Doerr posted a 105 to complete the scoring for Cass City.

"We (the Red Hawks) had a great season with the repeat of the league title this year and fared very well in districts, 6 of the varsity golfers finished with All Conference honors. Unfortunately, the team ran out of steam one week early by not playing very well in the regional qualifier for state," Coach Jon Zdrojewski said.

## Schneeberger's

### ATHLETE of the WEEK



This week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award recipient is Lukas Varney. The Cass City senior Saturday closed out his storybook track career setting 2 new school marks at the Division 3 state finals in Comstock Park.

Varney recorded a time of 4:22:45 in the 1600-meter run to place third overall, while erasing Greg Bliss' 1984 mark of 4:23:25.

Varney, along with teammates Luke Newton, Chris Summersett and Austin Babich, also eclipsed the Cass City school record for the 1600-meter relay with a time of 3:28.72.

Lukas is the son of Kathy and Ben Varney.

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**Camp Notes**

**When:** June 22-25

**Where:** Cass City Middle School Gym

**Times:** Session #1 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> (grade going into fall 2009) 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.  
Session #2 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> (grade going into fall 2009) 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

**Cost:** \$50 per participant. Family Maximum \$110 (includes T-shirt, basketball and prizes). The T-shirt and basketball will be guaranteed if registered by June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Payment:** Make check payable to Cass City Basketball.

**Due Date:** Forms and payment can be brought to the Middle School or Campbell office by Friday, June 12, or register at the door on June 22.

**Questions:** Lloyd Schinnerer 872-3788 (Varsity Girls' Basketball)  
Jim Green 683-2602 (Varsity Boys' Basketball)

## Owen-Gage falls in pre-district softball action against NCTL rival Caseville

The Owen-Gage Bulldog softball season ended last Tuesday during a 4-3 setback to North Central Thumb League rival Caseville in pre-district play at Sebewaing.

The Bulldogs jumped out in front, 2-0, as Kayla Montreuil scored in the first inning and Christy Schmidt scored in the second, but 2 Bulldog fielding errors in the bottom half of the second helped the winners plate 4 markers.

The Bulldogs closed to within 4-3 on an Amanda Faist double in the seventh, who then stole third and scored on a pass ball. However, Eagle hurler Rebecca Jake settled down to record the final 2 outs on strikes to preserve the upset victory. Jake tossed a 2-hitter with 15 strikeouts to earn the decision.

On Wednesday, the Bulldogs traveled to face Kingston and recorded a 7-4 make-up victory in their final outing of the season.

Stacie Dorsch had the big bat for the winners, recording a pair of doubles that produced 4 RBIs.

Mariah Francis handled the pitching chores for the winners, collecting her 50th career win.

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# Obituaries

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## Leona Bozarth

Leona Fry Bozarth, 102, passed from this life to go be with Jesus, Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at the home of her daughter in Oklahoma City.



She was born July 28, 1906 in Bloodland, Polaske County, Mo., the daughter of Oliver Perry and Olive Sophia Underhill Fry.

She married Lawrence Burton Bozarth March 2, 1924 in Lamar, Mo.

Mrs. Bozarth resided in Oklahoma for over 70 years. She belonged to Grace United Methodist Church and

in her early years was active in the Methodist Women's Society, the Home Extension Group, school PTA and Cub Scouts. Mrs. Bozarth loved to travel and took several trips each year, always flying by herself. She kept busy doing many things like oil painting, crocheting, playing cards and other games. It delighted her to have family or friends come for a visit and she would insist on making a meal for them. Being a very independent person, she lived alone until January 2009. She became a Gold Star Mother with the loss of her son, who died in the battle of Iwo Jima during WWII.

Mrs. Bozarth is survived by 5 children: Evelyn Schoonover of Mannford, Okla., Mary Lorencz of Gagetown, Mildred (Clarence) Cosper of Oklahoma City, the Rev. Joseph (Carolyn) Bozarth of Dickinson, Texas, and Bob (Deb) Bozarth of Guthrie, Okla.; 18 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; 37 great great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Lawrence; a son, Lawrence; and a grandson, Jimmy Sattler.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 22, at Chapel Hill Funeral Home.

Interment was in the Chapel Hill Cemetery, Oklahoma City.

## Charles Nizzola

Charles P. Nizzola, 85, of Deford, passed away Saturday, May 30, 2009 at his residence.

He was born Feb. 29, 1924 in Saginaw, the son of the late Edward and Innes (Monezoni) Nizzola.

He married Frances Cieslinski in Merrill Aug. 3, 1946. She passed away June 15, 2004.

Charles served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII. He was a life-long hobby farmer, worked as a union carpenter, and was multi-talented. He was a life member of Cass City VFW Post 3644.

Charles is survived by his children: Eustace Nizzola of Cass City, Alex Nizzola of Gagetown, Edward "Rocky" (Sandy) Nizzola of Cass City, Thomas Nizzola of Deford, Carl (Kathleen) Nizzola of Cass City and Betty (Larry) Nizzola-Ware of Leroy; 14 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Judy Nizzola of Gaylord.

Funeral services were held today (Wednesday) at Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City, with Brad Gniwewek officiating.

Burial was in the St. Michael Cemetery, Wilmet.

Honor services were provided by members of the U.S. Air Force and the Cass City VFW Post 3644.

Memorials may be made to the

American Diabetes Association, the National Kidney Foundation, Heartland Hospice, or the Cass City VFW Post 3644.

Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Loretta Turner

Loretta L. Turner, 84, of Caro, formerly of Cass City, passed away Tuesday, May 26, 2009 at Tuscola County Medical Care Facility with her family by her side.

She was born Feb. 24, 1925 on the family farm in Ellington Township, the daughter of the late Bert and Augusta (Fadie) King.

She married Walter Turner April 8, 1944.

Loretta was an attendant nurse at the Caro Regional Center for 20 years until her retirement. She loved traveling with her friends and family. Loretta was an avid Detroit Tigers fan, snowmobiler and motorcycle rider. She loved horseback riding, amusement parks, family holidays and her dog, Samson.

Loretta is survived by her husband of 65 years, Walter F. Turner; 4 children: Carol Long of Cass City, David (Penny) Turner of Mayville, Thomas (Lori) Turner of Mayville, and Deborah (Gary) Wright of Caro; grandchil-

dren: Sabrina (Mike) Wood, Anthony (Cindy) Moran, Shawna (Tim) Marquardt, Aaron (Kaylee) Long, David (Kristi) Turner, Mark (Jenny) Turner, Tracy (Blue) Conrad, Tina Hendershot, Deedra (Marcus) Baker, Kristi (John) Culbert, Amy (Mike) Bull, Diana Turner, Steven (Shannon) Turner and Kris (Mark) Kelly; great-grandchildren: Paige, Blain, Bradi and Sidni Wood, Jesse and Derek Moran, Turner and Isaac Marquardt, Carter Long, Ashley Turner, Mariah and Gabrielle Turner, Audrey and Samantha Blue, Christopher and Kendra Turner, Marley, Lathan and Evan Baker, Justice and Zoe Culbert, Logan and Sophia Bull, and Alexandria and Ethan Kelly; a sister, Neva Hendon; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by 3 brothers: Edwin (Eilene) King, Floyd (Bessie) King and Lewis (Beatrice) King; a niece, Karen King; and 3 dear friends: Opal Turner, Jeanette Ziegler and Lois Scott.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 29 at Collon Funeral Home, Caro, with Pastor Dan Bowman of Marlette United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial was in the North Grove Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Funeral arrangements were made by Collon Funeral Home, Caro.

Michigan residents may begin applying for the state's new enhanced driver's license (EDL), Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land has announced.

The optional card is convenient, affordable and the most flexible option for travelers to meet tougher federal document requirements that went into effect at America's land and sea borders June 1.

The dual-purpose EDL, which serves as a driver's license and border-crossing card, will benefit Michigan's economy as well as its security, Land said.

"The enhanced driver's license promotes the smooth flow of trade and tourism between our state and Canada and aids law enforcement in its efforts to make our borders more secure," she said. "This is the common-sense solution we have been working for years to achieve for the people of Michigan."

Enhanced driver's licenses are equipped with the latest technology to speed up border crossings and deter fraud. They cost \$45 and enhanced state identification cards are \$30. Applicants will receive them in 2 to 3 weeks.

The EDL eliminates the need to carry multiple ID documents when returning to the U.S. by land or sea from Canada, Mexico, Bermuda or the Caribbean, Land said. It is ideal for those who may be heading to Canada, such as sportsmen, day travelers and vacationers.



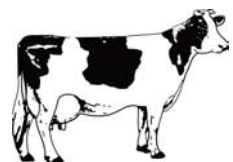
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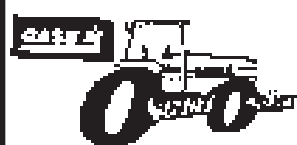
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**IN 1954, the Church of the Nazarene celebrated its 30th Anniversary. It was one to remember, as it marked the complete elimination of all debts of the congregation.**



**BEFORE THE CHURCH used pews and carpet in the 1970s, it had old chairs from a theatre that once burned in Cass City. The Church of the Nazarene has seen many changes throughout the past 85 years of service.**

# Church marks anniversary

**Continued from page one.**

from 1924 to 1925. Eskilsen said she was told that there was a decision to purchase the property on which the church now stands, then known as the "Bullock property". Later, the home on the property was converted into a church.

"We are told that a local builder constructed a semicircular altar for the Sanctuary on the main floor," she said. "My memories are vague because all I remember was running to and from Sunday school; I didn't go to the main floor much."

Eskilsen wrote a short biography of the church to use at a previous anniversary celebration.

"In 1940, the building was removed and a basement structure was completed in 1942, with delays due to wartime and material shortage. This structure became unusable and was demolished. The current church was completed in 1956," she wrote. "A large Victorian-style house served as the parsonage until the present home was built in 1970."

Since the church first started, 25 other pastors have previously worked in Eskilsen's shoes.

"Although a lot of my memories are vague, I can remember all the way back to Rev. Libbie Supernois, who was the pastor from 1935 to 1938, I remember because that was when my grandma had her stroke and I was four years old," Eskilsen said.

Throughout the years, the Church of the Nazarene has undergone many other changes, like putting in a new pulpit. The church also once used old chairs from a Cass City theatre that

burned down.

"You know how theatre chairs fold back up? Well, one time I dropped my Bible between the fold and my son said, 'Mom, look, you dropped your Daniel. He called the Bible, Daniel because I used to read him the story of Daniel and the lions den and it was his favorite'," Eskilsen said.

With an average of about 20 members each week, the Church of the Nazarene does a lot of missionary work.

"We are a Christian people, we are holiness people, we are a missionary people," Eskilsen said. "I've been a

Nazarene all my life because I am in total agreement with the church's doctrine of salvation and holiness that are possible and available only through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ."

According to Eskilsen, many people don't know about the missionary work the church does.

"I've been to Tamazunchale, Mexico 3 times already. We help build churches and houses and do evangelical work while we are at it," she said.

This local congregation in Cass City is one of 70 Churches of the Nazarene in the Eastern Michigan District.



**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE in Cass City has come a long way from meeting in a basement with dirt floors. This location is their newest building, built in 1956.**



**THE CHURCH OF the Nazarene in Cass City will celebrate its 85th anniversary this year. The church officially began in 1924 on what was known as "the Bullock property."**

# Clabuesch set to end lengthy banking career

Paul Clabuesch, chairman and CEO of Thumb National Bank & Trust Co., Pigeon, recently announced his retirement after 36 years with the bank.

Clabuesch has served as CEO since 1985. He will remain as chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis (FHLBI), a position he has held since 2005. The FHLBI is one of 12 regional banks that make up the Federal Home Loan Bank System. FHLBanks are government-sponsored enterprises created by Congress to ensure access to low-cost funding for member financial institutions. FHLBI assets totaled \$56.9 billion at year-end 2008.

Year after year, under Clabuesch's leadership, Thumb National Bank has grown and prospered. Today, Thumb National Bank has assets totaling \$215 million, with 5 offices located in Pigeon, Cass City, Caseville and Bay City.

Clabuesch is a third generation banker whose grandfather, Ernest Clabuesch, was employed at the same bank for 74 years. His father, E.J. Clabuesch, enjoyed a 44-year career at Thumb National Bank. After a brief, but successful tenure as the football coach at Cass City High School, Clabuesch was convinced to follow in the footsteps of his grandfather and father and reluctantly made banking his career.

"My 36-year career in banking has taught me that hesitation to become a banker was somewhat right, but much more emphatically wrong. I have enjoyed job satisfaction and career fulfillment that exceeded my wildest expectations," Clabuesch said.

Over the years, he has been dedicated to the banking industry and the Michigan Bankers Association. He served as MBA chairman from 2000-2001, was on the MiBankPac Board of Directors during 2003-2004, and has served on many American Bankers Association committees. In 2008, Clabuesch re-

ceived MBA's most prestigious recognition as "Banker of the Year".

Along with his commitment to the



**Paul Clabuesch**

banking industry, Clabuesch is extremely active in the community.

He has been a member of numerous community groups including the Scheurer Hospital Board of Trustees, Pigeon Rotary Club, Michigan 4-H Foundation, and a Board of Education Trustee for Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port School system. He is also a strong supporter of the American Red Cross.

Clabuesch has said that the 2 civic achievements he is most proud of is his 33 year tenure on the Scheurer Hospital Board of Trustees and the over 85 pints of blood given to the Red Cross.

Thumb National Bank's Board of Directors and staff indicated they are pleased that Clabuesch will remain a director and will be available for consultation.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 11, 2009.

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

Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 29, Town 13 North Range 9 East, Fairgrove Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence South 90 Degrees 00 Minutes West 633.25 feet along the South line of said Section 29 to the point of beginning; running thence South 90 Degrees 00 Minutes West 228.00 feet along the South line of said Section 29; thence North 0 Degrees 00 Minutes East 205.0 feet; thence North 90 Degrees 00 Minutes East 229.94 feet; thence South 0 Degrees 32 Minutes 30 Seconds West 205.0 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 13 North, Range 8 East.

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thence North 00 degrees 26 minutes 55 seconds West, 285.00 feet to a point on said North line of Section 14; thence North 89 degrees 33 minutes 05 seconds East, along said North line, 180.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Terry L. Sawin Jr. and Christina Sawin, 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 31, 2005 and recorded on September 7, 2005 in Liber 1053 on Page 414 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of the Residential Asset Securitization Trust 2005-A15, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-O under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated December 1, 2005 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred Thirteen and 76/100 Dollars (\$90,913.76), 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 June 11, 2009.

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

A part of the East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 23, Township 15 North, Range 8 East, Beginning at a point on the North 23 that is 295.00 feet, North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West from the Northeast corner of said Section 23; thence continuing North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on said North line of Section 23, 164.74 feet; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 89.00 feet; thence South 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 20.14 feet; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 219.26 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 150.50 feet; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 322.50 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.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paget V. Spencer, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, 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 27, 2006 in Liber 1106 on Page 902 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-One and 86/100 Dollars (\$195,651.86), including interest at 7.875% 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 11, 2009.

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

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, Described as Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 35 that is South 89 degrees 21 minutes 25 seconds East 784.84 feet (previously recorded as 784.49 feet) from the South 1/4 corner of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 16 minutes 35 seconds East (previously recorded as North 00 degrees 15 minutes 42 seconds East) 871.22 feet; thence South 89 degrees 21 minutes 25 seconds East Parallel to the South Section line 250.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 16 minutes 35 seconds West (previously recorded as South 00 degrees 15 minutes 42 seconds West) 871.22 feet to the South Section line; thence North 89 degrees 21 minutes 25 seconds West along said South Section Line 250.00 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the use of part now used as Willard Road so-called, and Subject also to any and all easements and/or right of ways of record, and Subject also to an easement over the West 33.00 feet thereof for Road Purposes.

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.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel Jones and Penny Jones, a/k/a Penny L. Jones, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to National City Mortgage Services Co., Mortgagee, dated October 24, 2003 and recorded on December 29, 2003 in Liber 970 on Page 964 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Six and 01/100 Dollars (\$78,156.01), 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 June 11, 2009.

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

The South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, described as beginning at a point East line of Section 12, which is South 330.42 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 12; thence continuing along East line South 330.41 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 39 seconds West 2652.05 feet to the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 12; thence along said 1/4 line North 00 degrees 12 minutes 43 seconds West 328.53 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 13 seconds East 2653.26 feet to said East line of said Section 12 and the place 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.

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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, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on June 11, 2009.

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

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 1, TOWN 14 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES WEST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 1, 957.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 1, 2121.80 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF PICKLE STREET IN SAID VILLAGE OF UNIONVILLE, 99.50 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 148.50 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 106.42 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES EAST 181.50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 205.92 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES WEST 330.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING IN AND PART OF THE NORTH-EAST 1/4 OF SECTION 1, TOWN 14 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Frederick D. Ray and Marybeth Ray, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated December 3, 2003 and recorded on January 22, 2004 in Liber 975 on Page 661 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Eight and 67/100 Dollars (\$52,588.67), including interest at 7.55% 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 11, 2009.

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

Premises situated in the Township of Koylton County of Tuscola State of Michigan to Wit commencing at a point on the Section Line 534 feet East of the North Quarter corner of Section 5 Town 11 North Range 11 East thence South 350 feet; thence East 130 feet; thence North 350 feet; thence West 130 feet to 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.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Norman Jobson Jr., a married man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 25, 2003 and recorded on May 23, 2003 in Liber 932 on Page 781, 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 Seventy-One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Six and 42/100 Dollars (\$71,456.42), 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 June 11, 2009.

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

Lot 32 and the South Quarter of the West Half of Lot 31, Block 12 of the Village (now city) of Vassar, Tuscola County Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 93 of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: May 13, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC D (248) 593-1309  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
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31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #262870FO1

5-13-4

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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 William Diehl, a married man, and Rebecca Diehl, a wife, original mortgagors, to Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 7, 2003 and recorded on November 13, 2003 in Liber 964 on Page 414 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to CitMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Four and 67/100 Dollars (\$83,444.67), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 18, 2009.

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

Part of the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Town 13 North, Range 9 East; thence North 40 rods; thence West 8 rods; thence South 40 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 MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 20, 2009

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File #055014FO3

5-20-4

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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 Donald Woodworth, a/k/a Donald R. Woodworth, and Michelle Woodworth, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 25, 2006 and recorded on August 18, 2006 in Liber 1091 on Page 1463, 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 Sixty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Nine and 78/100 Dollars (\$168,549.78), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 18, 2009.

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

Commencing at the East quarter corner of section 36, township 11 north, range 11 east, Koylton Township, Tuscola County Michigan; thence south 00 degrees 19 minutes East, 330.0 feet along the East section line to the point of beginning; running thence south 00 degrees 19 minutes East 330.0 feet along the east section line; thence south 89 degrees 23 minutes 15 seconds west, 1323.76 feet; thence north 00 degrees 17 minutes 37 seconds West 330.0 feet; thence north 89 degrees 23 minutes 15 seconds East, 1323.63 feet to the point of beginning. Being in and a part of the southeast quarter of section 36 township 11 north range 11 East, except easements and rights of way of record.

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 20, 2009

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File #207748FO3

5-20-4

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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 Donald Zyrowski, a/k/a Don Zyrowski, an unmarried man, original mortgagor, to Independent Mortgage Co. East MI, Mortgagee, dated April 25, 2003 and recorded on July 15, 2003 in Liber 941 on Page 1437 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Six and 33/100 Dollars (\$130,686.33), 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 June 18, 2009.

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

Parcel C: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 22, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Fremont Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes West 300.00 feet along the South line of said Section 22 to the Point of Beginning; running thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes West 180.0 feet along the South line of said Section 22; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 07 seconds East 368.30 feet; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 07 seconds West 368.30 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Fremont Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: May 20, 2009

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File #263947FO1

5-20-4

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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 Darold J. Schember, a/k/a Darold Schember, a single man, original mortgagor, to Icon Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 3, 2003 and recorded on March 12, 2003 in Liber 920 on Page 278, and assigned by mesne assignments to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-One Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Two and 67/100 Dollars (\$21,152.67), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 18, 2009.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 18, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning West (assumed) 620.72 feet along the North Section line from the Northeast corner of said Section; thence West 256.10 feet; thence continuing along said Section line, South 287.96 feet; thence South 42 degrees 13 minutes 41 seconds East 161.42 feet; thence East 136.02 feet; thence North 01 degrees 37 minutes 47 seconds East 407.65 feet to the place 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 20, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302  
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File #263903FO1

5-20-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jennifer K. House, a single person, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated June 1, 2007 and recorded June 7, 2007 in Liber 1121, Page 1322, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Four and 01/100 Dollars (\$75,794.01), including interest at 6.5% per annum.



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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John Anthony Berkobien and Julie Anne Berkobien, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Access Mortgage and Financial, Mortgagee, dated October 8, 2002, and recorded on October 23, 2002 in Liber 899 on Page 948, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank 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 Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Seven and 60/100 Dollars (\$100,197.60), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 25, 2009.

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

Commencing at the Southwest corner stake of the Southeast quarter of Section 29, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, thence running North 10 rods; thence East 16 rods; thence South 10 rods; thence West 16 rods to the point 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: May 27, 2009

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:**  
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File #265030FO1

5-27-4

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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 Timothy W. Babich and Deborah J. Babich, 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 10, 2005 and recorded on November 28, 2005 in Liber 1062 on Page 883 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee 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 Eighty-One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty and 91/100 Dollars (\$181,260.91), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 25, 2009.

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

The Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4, Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Township of Wells, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan.

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: May 27, 2009

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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #264962FO1

5-27-4

Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by Rand A. Zaremba, a single man, Mortgagor, on November 12, 2004, to CF Bancorp Mortgage Company, f/k/a Citizens First Mortgage, LLC, Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on November 29, 2004, in Liber 1018 of Mortgages, page 1484, and upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice the sum of Two Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty One and 89/100 Dollars (\$227,821.89), the said default has continued for more than thirty days and no suit or proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage;

By virtue of the power of sale contained in the said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Thursday, July 2, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., the said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public auction of the mortgaged premises or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on the said mortgage as aforesaid with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned as necessary to protect its interest in said premises, to the highest bidder at 440 North Main Street, Caro, Michigan.

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

The Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 13, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Commonly known as 4770 Cat Lake Road, Mayville, Michigan 48744.

The redemption period is one year from the date of such sale unless it is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated at Port Huron, Michigan, this 22nd day of May, A.D. 2009.

By: Katie Moeller  
Associate Corporate Counsel  
CF Bancorp Mortgage Company  
525 Water Street  
Port Huron, MI 48060

5-27-4

**FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C.** IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

**Mortgage Sale -** Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Virgil R. Cooper and Shondi Cooper, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for BNC Mortgage, INC., Mortgagee, dated March 12, 2007, and recorded on March 20, 2007, in Liber 1113, Page 1239, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-OSI by an Assignment of Mortgage which was submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY AND 41/100 DOLLARS (\$170,950.41), including interest at the rate of 7.725% 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, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on June 25, 2009.

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

Lot 16 and 17, Block 3, of the Plat of the Village (Now City) of Vassar, According to the Recorded Plat thereof, as Recorded in Plat Liber 2, Page 93, Tuscola County Records. 342 Prospect Street.

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

Dated: May 27, 2009

**Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.**  
Attorneys for Assignee  
43252 Woodward Ave., Suite 180  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302  
(248) 335-9200  
Our File No. 256.00356  
ASAP #3121320

5-27-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Paul J. Lomprey, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., acting solely as nominee for Creve Cor Mortgage Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 11, 2006 and recorded September 15, 2006 in Liber 1095 Page 980 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to HSBC Mortgage Services Inc., on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$103,473.86), including interest 8.9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on June 25, 2009.

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

Beginning at the Northeast corner of Section 27, Town 13 North, Range 10 East; thence West 329.85 feet; thence along the West line of the East half of the East half of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of said section 27, South 00 degrees 02 minutes 33 seconds West, 660.13 feet; thence along the South line of the North half of the East half of the East half of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of said Section 27, South 89 degrees 58 minutes 57 seconds East, 329.91 feet; thence along the East line of said Section 27, North 00 degrees 02 minutes 13 seconds East, 660.23 feet to the Northeast corner of Section 27 and the point of beginning. Commonly known as 3980 Shabbona Road, Cass City, MI 48726.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241(a), whichever is later.

Dated: MAY 22, 2009

**HSBC Mortgage Services Inc.**  
Assignee of Mortgagee

**Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.**  
811 South Blvd., Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 09-10221  
ASAP #3122106

5-27-4

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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 Arthur J. Hastedt, a single person, original mortgagor, to American Home Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated August 16, 2005 and recorded on August 18, 2005 in Liber 1050 on Page 896 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 Ninety-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Nine and 82/100 Dollars (\$93,739.82), including interest at 6% per annum.

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

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

A parcel of land in the South 1/2 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 19, Town 13 North, Range 7 East, described as, Commencing on the Northwest corner of the South 1/2 of said fractional Southwest 1/4 of Section 19; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 20 seconds East on the North line of said South 1/2 of the fractional Southwest 1/4, 284.7 feet; thence South

parallel with the West section line, 153.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 20 seconds West parallel with the North line of the South 1/2 of the fractional Southwest 1/4, 284.7 feet; thence North along the West line of said Section, 153.0 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPT reserving an easement for ingress and egress over and across the Northerly 10.0 feet and a 40-foot square parcel in the Northeast corner of the described property.

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: June 3, 2009

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File #164783FO2

6-3-4

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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 Amanda Miller, a separated woman, original mortgagor, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated May 31, 2007 and recorded on June 15, 2007 in Liber 1122 on Page 729 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee 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 Thirty-One Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Nine and 91/100 Dollars (\$131,649.91), 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 July 2, 2009.

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

**Parcel 1:** The East 16 1/2 feet of Lot 9 and the West 1/2 of Lot 10, Block 2 of Westdale Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 74, now being page 24, Tuscola County, Michigan.

**Parcel 2:** The East 1/2 of Lot 10 and Lot 11, excluding the East 14 feet of Lot 11, Block 2, Westdale Subdivision, Village of Caro, Section 3, Township 12 North, Range 9 East, Tuscola County Michigan.

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: June 3, 2009

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6-3-4

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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 James W. Pearce, a married man, and Terri D. Pearce, his wife, original mortgagors, to Franklin Bank, a Division of First Place Bank, Mortgagee, dated October 6, 2004 and recorded on November 2, 2004 in Liber 1015 on Page 1112 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Nine and 80/100 Dollars (\$166,009.80), including interest at 5.125% per annum.

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

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 22, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 22; thence along the North line of said Section 22, North 89 degrees 50 minutes 55 seconds West, 1018.22 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 01 degrees 24 minutes 53 seconds East, 285.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 50 minutes 55 seconds West, 316.53 feet to the centerline of Wilson Improvement Drain, North 01 degrees 49 minutes 22 seconds East, 285.02 feet to said North line of Section 22; thence along said North line of Section 22, South 89 degrees 50 minutes 55 seconds East, 300.42 feet to the point of beginning, subject to the rights of way, easements and restrictions of record.

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: June 3, 2009

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File #266138FO1

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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 Shamel, a single man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 16, 2008 and recorded on July 8, 2008 in Liber 1153 on Page 807 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 Fifty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Eight and 69/100 Dollars (\$55,238.69), 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 July 2, 2009.

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

Section 28, Town 11 North, Range 7 East commencing at a point on the North line of West Van Cleve Road 340.05 feet, North 82 degrees 35 minutes West along said Line from its intersection with the West line of Elm Street as established 40 feet in width at this location; thence North 82 degrees 35 minutes West on the North line of West Van Cleve Road, 4 Rods; thence North 02 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds West 20 Rods, more or less to the Southerly line of Murdo Matheson's Addition; thence South 82 degrees 35 minutes East on said line 4 Rods; thence South 02 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds East 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: June 3, 2009

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Leo Spencer, Jr. and Debra Spencer, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 18, 2005 and recorded on June 2, 2005 in Liber 1040 on Page 1347 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Six and 27/100 Dollars (\$95,746.27), including interest at 8.86% 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 July 2, 2009.

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

Section 23 Town 14 North Range 10 East the South 20 Rods of East 20 Rods of Southwest 1/4 of North-east 1/4 containing 2.5 acres as recorded in 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: June 3, 2009

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Benjamin Taylor, a single man, original mortgagor, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, A New Jersey Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 3, 2004 and recorded on August 5, 2004 in Liber 1003 on Page 333 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Ninety-Four and 46/100 Dollars (\$93,094.46), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

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

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

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

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

Dated: June 3, 2009

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Michael Westerby, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. Solely as nominee for Oak Street Mortgage LLC, Mortgagee, dated September 15, 2006 and recorded September 27, 2006 in Liber 1097, Page 72, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for NovaStar Mortgage Funding Trust, Series 2007-2, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Forty Dollars and Eighty-Eight Cents (\$69,140.88), including interest 11.25% 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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on June 25, 2009.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 32, Township 12 North, Range 11 East; thence North 01 degrees 24 Minutes west, 1309.75 feet along the East line of Section 32 to the Centerline of Curtis Street; thence South 88 degrees 42 minutes West 164.0 feet along the centerline of Curtis Street; thence South 01 degrees 24 minutes East, 33.0 feet to the point of Beginning; running thence South 01 degrees 24 minutes East, 68.82 feet; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 45 seconds West 66.02 feet; thence North 01 degrees 24 minutes West, 66.82 feet; thence North 88 degrees 42 minutes East 66.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being Part of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 32, Township 12 North, Range 11 East. Commonly known as 5976 Curtis St, Kingston MI 48741.

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

Dated: MAY 22, 2009

**Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for NovaStar Mortgage Funding Trust, Series 2007-2 Assignee of Mortgagee**

**Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.**  
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Our File No: 09-10093

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Adam M. Nowlen, an unmarried man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 12, 2002 and recorded March 14, 2002 in Liber 869, Page 1314, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by GMAC Mortgage, LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Nineteen and 26/100 Dollars (\$56,219.26), 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 JUNE 11, 2009.

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

Part of the Southwest quarter of Section 3, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, Fairgrove Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Described as beginning at the South quarter corner of said Section 3; thence, North 89 degrees 44 minutes 50 seconds West, 225.00 feet to the South line of said Section 3; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 10 seconds West, 159.70 feet; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 50 seconds East, 225.00 feet to the North and South quarter line of said Section 3; thence, along said quarter line, South 00 degrees 06 minutes 10 seconds East, 159.70 feet to the South quarter corner of said Section 3 and the point of beginning. Right of way for Merry Road over the Easterly side and Dutcher Road over the Southerly side thereof.

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 13, 2009

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
248-502-1400  
File No. 280.8219  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DUANE E. JOHNSON and PAULA J. JOHNSON, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 23, 2005, and recorded on January 3, 2006, in Liber 1066, on Page 1418, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars and Twenty-Seven Cents (\$95,898.27), including interest at 6.500% per annum.

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

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

PARCEL 1: PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 9, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 9 WHICH IS NORTH 88 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 01 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE, 1792.31 FEET FROM THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 9; THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 88 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 01 SECONDS WEST, ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE, 654.93 FEET TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY 33 FOOT RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE CONRAIL RAILROAD; THENCE NORTH 46 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, 930.51 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 59 SECONDS WEST, PERPENDICULAR TO SAID SOUTH LINE, 660.99 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 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 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

5-20-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Maria Ostrowski and Jason Ostrowski, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 26, 2006 and recorded June 7, 2006 in Liber 1084, Page 225, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by GMAC Mortgage, LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six and 42/100 Dollars (\$145,896.42), including interest at 7% per annum.

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

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

That part of the Southwest 1/4 section 5, Township 11 North, Range 11 East described as: Commencing at the Southwest Corner of said Section 5; thence North 88 degrees, 05 minutes, 17 seconds East along the South line of said Section, 1988.78 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 01 degree, 51 minutes, 49 seconds West 1321.45 feet to the south 1/8 line of said section; thence North 88 degrees, 06 minutes 53 second East along said South 1/8 line 330.00 feet; thence South 04 degree, 51 minute, 49 seconds East 1321.30 feet to said south Section line; thence South 88 degrees, 05 minutes, 17 seconds West along said Section line; 330.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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: June 3, 2009

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File No. 280.8514  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Francis Yax by Hazel Yax, his attorney in fact and Hazel Yax, 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 21, 2005 and recorded on January 23, 2006 in Liber 1069 on Page 709, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Bank USA, NA, as Trustee for NHLE Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2006-WF1 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Seven Hundred Nineteen and 31/100 Dollars (\$91,719.31), including interest at 11% 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 July 2, 2009.

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

The West 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Southeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 12 North, Range 9 East.

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

Dated: June 3, 2009

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# Brown: apply now for diesel grants

State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) is encouraging owners and operators of diesel engine vehicles and equipment to apply for \$1.5 million in grants through the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to replace and upgrade their equipment with newer, cleaner-burning engines.

The funding, which comes from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, is part of the National Clean Diesel Campaign that aims to lessen the level of pollutants that negatively impact human health and natural resources. The DEQ is accepting applications for the Michigan Clean Diesel Recovery and Reinvestment Project through June 15. Applications for projects can include anti-idling and retrofit equipment, as well as engine, vehicle and equipment upgrades or replacements for a variety of diesel engine fleet types including school buses, medium and heavy duty trucks, marine, locomotive, construction industry equipment and stationary energy production engines.

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**FARM SAFETY 4 Just Kids (FS4JK) and Country Living Association (CLA)** recently announced that Sue Stuever Battel of Cass City is the winner of the Farm Kids Photo Contest. Her first-place photo, featuring her daughter, Addy, lying next to a bottle calf, received the most public votes and won Battel a free DirecTV subscription through April 1, 2010.



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**RITA HANBY** of Cass City is one of 3 recipients for the AAUW Scholarship. She will receive \$1,000 over the course of 2 semesters as she pursues her associate's degree in applied science through Baker College. (see story on page 1)

## Scholarships help area women

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support. "My kids and family are very understanding. One of my son's coaches asked him why his mother never came to his games. And my son was very understanding. He knows I am busy. I wouldn't do all this if my family wasn't supportive," she said. "I just want to prove to my family that I am not a quitter. I am doing what I set out to do."

Along with VanAuken and Hanby, Tracy Major also received the scholarship from the AAUW. She is attending Saginaw Valley State University. The scholarship will be distributed in 2 \$500 installments directly to each recipient's educational institution, according to Iwankovitch.

In the past, the AAUW was only able to sponsor \$500 scholarships, but after a couple years of the successful fundraiser, Flamingo Flings, 3 \$1000 scholarships were offered in both 2008 and this year.

The local AAUW branch also sponsors the Halloween Carnival, a paint-in for kids on July 4, and gives a book each year to students in first and second grades at Campbell Elementary School through the Reading is Fundamental program.



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## Long earns vet degree

Area resident Kaylee Long has been awarded a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degree from Michigan State University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

Long, the daughter of Harvey Bell of Deford and Marilyn Bell-Schwartz of Southfield, is a 2001 graduate of Cass City High School.

Dr. Long is currently practicing large- and small-animal medicine at the Krause Veterinary Clinic in Armada.