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School board votes 4-3 to privatize custodial services

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A sharply divided Cass City Board of Education narrowly approved a proposal to privatize the school district's custodial services, saving a projected \$180,000 but putting 6 employees out of a job.

The vote came at the end of a 3 1/2-hour marathon board session - most of that time spent filled with emotional and often terse comments from residents angry at the prospect of eliminating the jobs of individuals with track records for accepting concessions and being active members of the school and community.

Board members, too, expressed frustration with the economy and funding levels that continue to fall, forcing school officials to make difficult decisions.

In the end, board members Jim Veneziano, Michelle Biddinger, Doug Lautner and Jim Turner voted in favor of privatizing custodial services. Casting "no" votes were Danny Haag, Randy Severance and Craig Bellew.

Some 60 people attended the board meeting, which quickly heated up after Dan Manwell, a high school custodian for the past 10 years, presented the custodians' case.

"I realize that the district is facing tough financial times - and has been for quite some time. However, the cause of these financial woes is not because of the custodial group that sits before you tonight, nor do I feel that it is the responsibility of this group to keep 'giving' as it were, in order to assure the financial success of this district," Manwell told the board.

He cited a list of concessions already made by the custodians, including absorbing the work of 2 custodians whose positions were eliminated, a pay freeze, giving up daily overtime pay and Saturday hours. In all, he said, those concessions and others

have added up to an annual pay reduction of \$5,000 per custodian.

Manwell noted the group also reluctantly gave up its Michigan Education Special Services Association (MESSA) insurance for another plan that has proven to be a billing nightmare.

"We were told that the savings from this alternative insurance plan was necessary in order to save the district money, to give raises to support personnel and to give raises to administrative staff," he added. "Ultimately, it was necessary to save our jobs."

The custodians agreed to reopen their contract and accept a pay freeze with what Manwell described as a guarantee from the administration that no other reductions would be asked of them. Now the board considers privatizing services while the custodians' contract still has 2 years left, he said.

"What message are you, the board, the leaders and role models of the district sending to our young people? It is the message that there is a price tag for honesty, integrity and credibility," he added. "It is the message that a man's word, even when it is in writing, is for sale to the highest bidder."

Among the residents offering comment was Ray Donaldson, who lauded the custodians for their efforts in the community, including helping to organize and staff benefit dinners and other events. Donaldson scolded the board for considering the idea of sending local taxpayers' dollars to a private custodial firm out of town.

Connie Iwankovitsch suggested that the board declare no raises for any school district employee for the next 2 years.

Retired Cass City teacher Bob Gengler noted a privatization experiment with food service 20 years ago in Cass City failed when school officials realized local employees with roots in

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REVIVE MINISTRIES will have its grand opening July 3 for the Cass City community and surrounding areas. Its "Community Clothes and Housewares Shoppe" offers used and new items for \$2 a bag. The shop is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays, and from 9 a.m. to noon on the third Saturday of each month. Shown here, Jaime Fritz, a spokeswoman for the shop, and Marcia Schember, a volunteer, arrange men's suits. Revive Ministries is always looking for volunteers interested in helping to sort clothes and stock shelves on Fridays. (See story, page 4)

Scholarship program alive, well

Granholm keeping promise

by Patricia Emenpour
Staff Writer

Area college-bound Cass City students shouldn't worry as Republican senators have made a move to eliminate the Michigan Promise Scholarship for college students.

Because Gov. Jennifer Granholm won't let it happen.

In a speech on June 17, she said "it won't stand" as she explained how the state can't end the scholarship if it's

to reach its goal of doubling the number of college graduates in a decade.

The scholarship provides students with \$1,000 at the start of their freshman year of college and the same amount at the beginning of their sophomore year if they meet or exceed standards on each of the state standardized tests. Once they successfully complete 2 years of college or training, they receive \$2,000 more.

Students, who don't score well enough to get the money during their

freshman year, but still have valid test scores, can tap the entire \$4,000 after 2 years of college. Students must maintain a 2.5 grade point average to earn the money.

"We cannot eliminate the scholarships if we are to reconfigure our state economy and to get to our goal," Granholm said.

She said it would be unfair to end the scholarship now because parents of

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Moore Twp. man lauded in rescue of drowning man

Sanilac County Sheriff Garry Biniecki credited a Moore Township man's quick action with helping to save a fellow Sanilac County man's life.

Biniecki said deputies along with Port Sanilac Fire and Rescue and Sanilac EMS were recently dispatched to assist an unresponsive man in the water at the Port Sanilac Marina.

"The investigation revealed that the victim, a 62-year-old Port Sanilac resident, had a medical incident, causing him to black out, fall and strike his head on the dock, then fall into the water," Biniecki said.

"Several witnesses observed him fall and found him unconscious, floating face down in the water. Moore Township resident Dale Kaufman, who works for the marina, saw the commotion and ran over to the area," he continued. "Mr. Kaufman jumped into the water and pulled the man to safety along with the assistance of several others and first responders."

Deputies along with fire department and EMS personnel arrived and provided emergency treatment for the victim, who was transported to McKenzie Memorial Hospital and, later, to Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit for treatment of injuries suffered in the fall and from water exposure.

"If it wasn't for the quick actions of Mr. Kaufman, the other citizens and the trained first responder, the outcome could have been far more tragic," Biniecki said.



Hall of famer...

THE FARMINGTON Education Association recently inducted former Cass City resident Jerry Ross, Novi, into its "Teacher Hall of Fame". Ross, pictured above with his mother, Loretta Ross, Cass City, started his teaching career in 1968 at Middlebelt Elementary. He later moved to middle school, and ended his 33-year tenure in the classroom at Power Middle School in Farmington. Co-workers said Ross taught everyone to respect all forms of nature. He also encouraged his students to be pro-active problem solvers and to be responsible for their own actions. Along the way he built many relationships and remains active with coaching volleyball and basketball. The 1963 Cass City High School graduate is also busy with soccer and track, but in the role of "dad" for his sons, Cody and Dillon.

Hubbard gearing up to host a "pow wow" for ill youngster

by Patricia Emenpour
Staff Writer

Although Madison Kegerl just celebrated her third birthday, she has already endured more than most youngsters her age.

The toddler is suffering from a brain tumor (Pilocytic Astrocytoma). She was diagnosed in January 2008 and has since gone through a 7 1/2-hour surgery to remove some of the tumor.

Instead of playing all day like other girls her age, Madison has been undergoing chemotherapy treatments, since February 2008, for the remaining amount of her tumor.

Madison's parents, Kurt and Megan Kegerl, of Washington Township in Macomb County, have had a difficulty trying to cover all of her medical needs and expenses.

In order to help defray the cost, Janice Reed and Janice Hubbard, family friends of Madison's parents, will be collecting donations at a fundraiser they are putting on called "Dancing Wolf's 1st Native Gathering and Pre-1840 encampment" at Hubbard's summer house in the Cass City area.

The native gathering, according to Hubbard, is similar to a "pow wow". "It basically is a pow wow, minus the full fledged flag ceremony and all that. At our native gathering, we will have a native drummer, vendors...people dressed up in their regalia," Hubbard said. "There isn't any specific tribe; this is just an open gathering."

The native gathering will also feature some dancing, singing, and a flute player. There will also be plenty of children's activities, including a Candy Dance.

According to Hubbard, a Candy Dance is where a bunch of candy and

toys donated by businesses such as McDonald's and Wendy's are placed in the center of a bunch of dancing children, and when the music stops, they can pick up the candy and toys.

"We wanted to make a fundraiser that was completely family oriented. You get a lot of fundraisers for adults only, but since this is for Madison, we wanted to have something for everyone," she said.

The grand entry will be at noon on both Saturday, July 18, and Sunday, July 19. The gathering is from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Hubbard said they are asking for \$3 per person as a donation and a \$1 for senior citizens 60 years old and up. Children under 5 are free.

"We hope to raise as much money for Madison as we can. We don't have a target amount, but the more the better," Hubbard said.

The fundraiser will be at 6834 Pringle Rd. in Cass City. The house is off M-53 between M-46 (11 miles North) and M-81 (2 miles South).

"We wanted to have the gathering

Pay freeze part of new teachers' contract

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

After months of negotiation, several mediation sessions and hard feelings on both sides, the Cass City Education Association (CCEA) and Cass City Public School officials have come to terms on a new contract.

The union, representing 64 teachers in the district, ratified the tentative agreement Monday. The school board adopted the pact during its regular monthly meeting Monday night on a vote of 6-1.

A news release issued by the education association Monday confirmed the teachers have ratified the contract calling for a 2-year wage freeze "so that students would not have to suffer from further cuts to programs and increased class size. The agreement also calls for teachers to pay more in prescription drug coverage and rolls back health insurance limits.

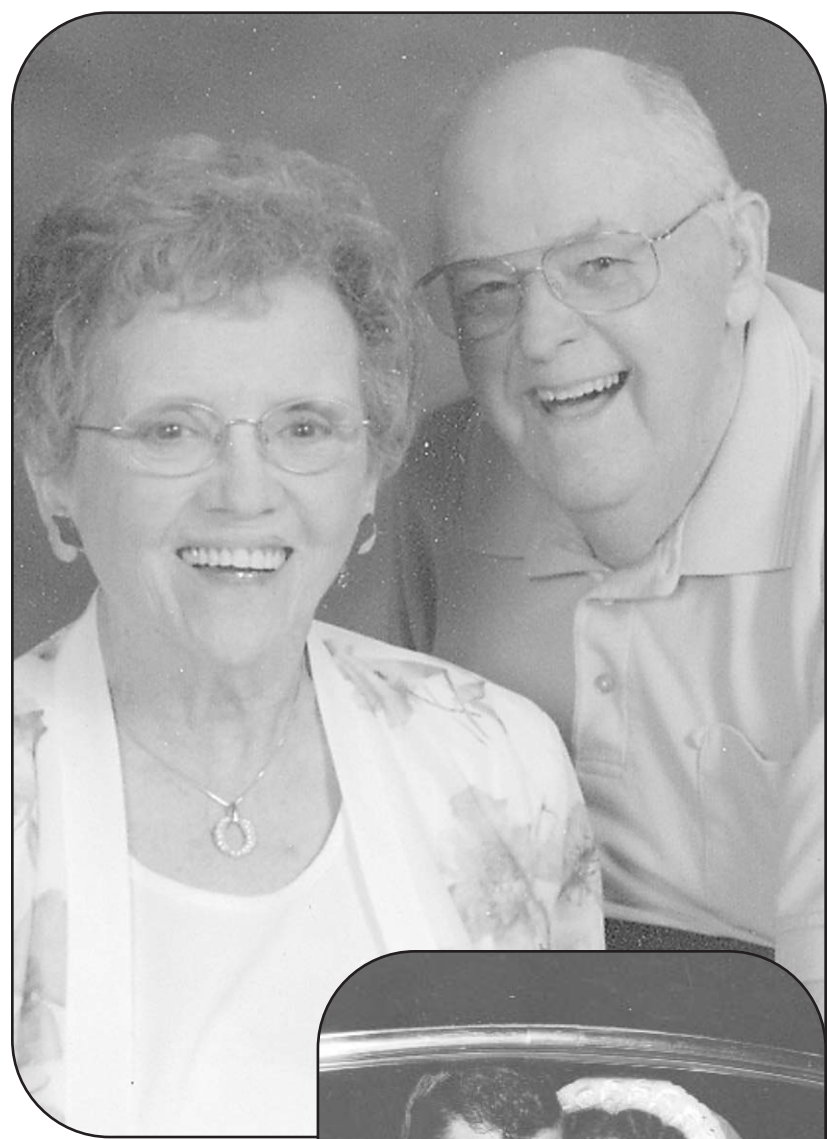
"It's not a perfect contract," said CCEA President Kris Milligan, "but it's one that will ensure that students won't lose the most valuable asset they have in the classroom - their teachers."

Local teachers have been working without a contract since August 2008, and Milligan said months of prolonged bargaining have been difficult.

"We've wondered why it was so hard to get an agreement," she added. "But now it's time to move on and focus on continuing to provide the best quality education to the students we serve."

School Supt. Ron Wilson said the new contract is for 3 years, with the first year already about to expire. In the remaining 2 years, the teachers accepted a true freeze in pay and step increases, he explained, adding the district agreed to continue paying premiums of \$1,397 for the teachers'

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Stuart and Joan Merchant (now & then)



Merchants mark 60th anniversary

Stuart and Joan D. Merchant will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Friday, June 26. They will entertain family and friends with a barbecue to celebrate the occasion Sunday, June 28.

Stuart and Joan met in high school in Cass City. Their first home was a little house on 40 acres on Wilsie Rd. for 3 years. They moved to their present home on Cemetery Rd. in Cass City in 1952.

Stu farmed and worked winters on second shift at Steering Gear for 10 years, then at General Cable for 6 years. Joan worked at General Cable for 5 years, before they bought out Sommers Bakery from her mother, Lucille Sommers. Lucille had owned it for 30 years. Stu and Joan added a restaurant and owned it another 30 years, before selling to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilt and retiring.

Stu and Joan have 4 children: Dennis "Joe" Merchant, Leslie (Marcia) Merchant, Lola (Joe) Flores, all of Cass City, and Evelyn (Mic) Miracle of Merritt Island, Fla.; 8 grandchildren: Christopher (Daniell) Osentoski and Brice Osentoski, all of Cass City, Whitney Osentoski of New York, NY, Kristy (Scott) Hale of Bay City, Stephen Miracle of Air Force Enid, Okla., Rachel (Curtis) Duff and Sarah Miracle of Merritt Island, Fla.; and Lori Merchant of Bay City; and 7 great-grandchildren: Seth and Cole Osentoski, Kaitlyn and Austin Hale, Caleb and Connor Duff, and Chris Cook.

Witkovsky graduates

Erin N. Witkovsky recently graduated from Baker College, Cass City, earning an Associate of Applied Science Degree in early childhood education.

Witkovsky is the daughter of Karl and Donna Witkovsky of Cass City, and the granddaughter of Pauline Berry, Cass City, and Donald and Doris Witkovsky of Caro.



Erin Witkovsky

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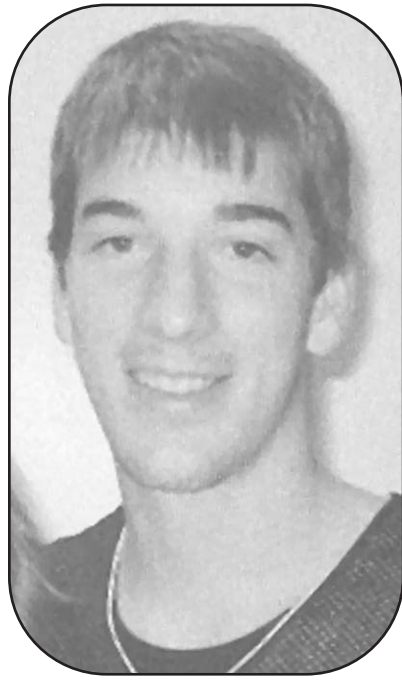
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Justin Glaza honored by university



Justin Glaza

Area resident Justin Glaza recently earned Academic All-Conference honors after achieving a grade point average of at least 3.5 during the 2008-09 school year at Indiana Tech, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Glaza also earned a third-year award in basketball with the NAIA Wolverine-Hoosier Conference.

Glaza is a senior majoring in business. A 2006 Cass City High School graduate, he is the son of Art and Suzette Glaza.

Delta honors lists

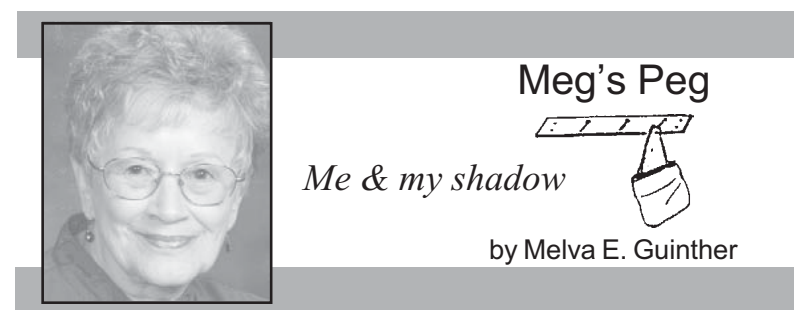
Several area residents were recently named to the honors lists at Delta College following the 2009 winter semester.

They include:
*President's List (a perfect 4.0 grade point average while completing at least 6 credit hours) - Isaiah Battel, Steven Steely and Melissa Swoish, all of Cass City; Bethany Langlois, Gagetown; Donald Pisha, Kingston; Todd Laming, Snover; and Matthew Lubeski, Ubyl.

*Vice President's List (a grade point average of 3.7 to 3.99 while completing a minimum of 6 credit hours) - Tara Lenhard, Amanda Heck and Laurie Roggenbuck, all of Cass City; Tracy Nicol, Deford; and Heather Briolat, Ubyl.

*Full-time Dean's List (a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.69 while completing 6 to 11 credit hours) - Melissa McCormick, Rebecca Doerr and Thomas Mittelstat, all of Cass City, and Dustin Bitzer, Justin Stilson and Mary-Ellen McKee, all of Gagetown.

*Part-time Dean's List (a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.69 while completing up to 6 credit hours) - Eric Hopper, Cass City, and Mariah Shetler, Ubyl.



I couldn't decide how to begin this column. "You could have knocked me over with a tether?" or something about "teaching an old dog new tricks?"

Anyway, we recently defied all logic for a couple on the other side of the hill. We went and got us a dog!

We've had dogs in the past - way in the past. There was Sir Samson von-Hoff, our AKC registered St. Bernard, and later Snoopy, the cocker spaniel who was actually smarter than he let on. He fooled a lot of folks by lying in the street and daring cars to hit him.

As this is written, we've had Shadow (nee Gabby) a few weeks. She's a German Shorthair/Lab mix, and although she's only 8 months old, she's BIG and extremely strong in both mind and body. We changed her name because of the way she sticks close to me. When I move, she moves.

Getting Shadow didn't cost us a penny, which was great. We haven't yet tallied up the cost of doggy toys, treats, food, wading pool, collars, leash, carpet cleaner, trainer, vet fees and underground fence. So to say she was free might be a trifle misleading. She's really sweet, but a handful.

Shadow has indeed knocked me over with a tether. It became tangled around her wading pool, and while I tried to free it she suddenly changed course and the cable knocked me off my feet.

Stan was watching. I think the only way it could have been more amusing would be if I had ended up in the pool. I can chuckle about it now, but I still have a bruised tailbone.

She makes us laugh. When she first came to us, she didn't want to eat, although her previous owner gave us the food she had been using. I finally got her to accept it by mixing in a little bit of what we were having. She gobbled that up in no time. When she appeared to be still hungry, I offered her some un-enhanced dog food, which she promptly covered up with the towel that was under her dish, kind of like hiding the broccoli under the plate.

She wasn't accustomed to stairs when we got her. Since our bedrooms are upstairs and I knew she'd cry all night if we left her down, I had to cajole her little by little up the stairway and then back down in the morning. That went on for a couple days.

Now it's up and down, up and down. Sometimes she goes up most purposefully, as if she has some chore to take care of up there. I discovered the other day that she sneaks upstairs to nap on the futon. (She's not allowed

on the couch in the living room.) Shadow has a foot fixation. She licks my toes every chance she gets. I try to keep socks out of her reach, but she manages to locate them in a laundry basket, on top of a dresser, or anywhere else they might be. If left unsupervised for any length of time, we can count on finding her happily chewing on a sock.

If we go away, whatever shoes were within reach will be strewn throughout the living room. So far she's chewed only one up beyond repair.

When I first thought of getting a dog, I wanted a Yorkie. They are so cute! After some observation and research, though, I decided the Yorkie's energy level was for someone a lot younger than we.

Then a Golden Retriever seemed ideal. But when Shadow became available, we knew she was right.

We're working on "heeling." Shadow's so eager to find out what's ahead and around her that she has trouble slowing down to my pace.

Nevertheless, she brings a whole new dimension to our household. I think her enthusiasm for life is contagious.

Engaged



Jason Mester and Amanda Shell

Brianna and Jordan Mester announce the engagement of their parents, Amanda Shell and Jason Mester. Amanda is the daughter of Danny Shell of Snellville, Ga., and Cathy Shell of Cass City.

Jason is the son of George Mester and Belinda Anderson of Cass City. An August wedding is currently being planned.

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Finding summer work can be challenging

What skill set should teenagers have as they try to find a job this summer?

As school ends and summer vacation begins, area students are on the search for a summer job.

From sweeping the floor at McDonald's to doing lawn work, teenagers want a paycheck to buy their favorite soda, go to the movies, or to take their partner on a nice little romantic date.

But before these teenagers can get a paycheck in their hands, they must find a job.

According to www.usatoday.com, more than half of all teens are not looking for work because of the economy. The site said the Labor Department projected about 50 percent of teens between 16 and 19 years old decided not to look for a summer job once school got out.

However, just because fewer teens are seeking employment this year does not mean the competition for a job doesn't remain high. Finding a job requires hard work and it would help to know what employers are looking for in their employees.

Joan Helwig, a counselor at Western Middle School in Bay City, said she looks for a person's character.

"I would look for someone who is trustworthy, respectful and responsible," she said. "I also tell students their time management, along with good communication skills is important. To find a job someone needs to be a team player."



Darcy Tenbusch

Tenbusch also said that personality plays a key role in finding a job. "Employers look for more upbeat and optimistic people," she said.

Similarly, Darcy Tenbusch, who works in a doctor's office at Hills & Dales General Hospital in Cass City, said she likes to work with someone who is flexible and can be on time.

"They must be able to work odd hours. Sometimes you might have to get up early and sometimes you'll have to stay late," she said.

According to Tenbusch, there are also certain ways to make a good impression and a bad impression.

"If you are looking for a job, don't turn in your resume while wearing cut shorts and a tank top. You never know if the person you turn in your resume to is also the hiring manager," she advised.



Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Maybe it wasn't as painted. The media was full of the giant fish kill experienced in the waterway from Lake Huron, the St. Clair River, St. Clair Lake, Detroit River and Lake Erie.

Editor Tom Montgomery spearheaded a family fishing trip last week, Monday, and with his reporter's instinct asked about the fish kill which resulted in thousands of dead fish floating on top of the water.

The fishing guide, on the water almost constantly, said it must have been in another part of the Lake St. Clair because he saw nothing out of the ordinary. Anyway, it didn't hurt the fishing. See story page 5.

The Cass City Post Office will close at 11 a.m. Friday, July 3 and remain closed until Monday, July 6 for the Fourth of July holiday.

All mail deposited in blue collection boxes will be dispatched until 12 noon July 3. Regular mail delivery will not be affected on July 3.

The United States Postal Service is not meeting expenses despite raises in rates. At least in Cass City the employees are pleasant to do business with and mail delivery is solid and dependable.

Yet, competition with the electronic media keeps gnawing away at the business and the forecast for the future is bleak.

When I read this I always ask myself, why is Saturday mail collection and delivery necessary?

The Postal Service points out that it is the only agency that offers delivery service to every address in the nation. It's big business - annual revenues of \$75 billion while delivering nearly half the world's mail.

A 5-day work week should stem the flow of red ink - at least temporarily.

Police suspect dog fighting

Huron County Sheriff's Department investigators are seeking arrest warrants after raiding an alleged dog fighting operation in Huron County's Lincoln Township last Wednesday.

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said the raid took place during the late evening hours, when officers assisted the U.S. Department of Agriculture in serving a search warrant at the location on Church Road.

"Seventeen pit bull dogs were found along with a dog treadmill, other dog-fighting training equipment and a dog fighting publication, which is suspected of being produced at this location and is distributed throughout the United States," Hanson said. "It is our understanding that this search warrant was one of 3 search warrants

that were served simultaneously in the state of Michigan.

"The Michigan Humane Society along with the U.S. Humane Society responded from as far as Missouri to take possession of the dogs," he noted. "Several other pieces of evidence, including computers, a medical kit (that) contained IVs and sutures - apparently used to treat the dogs after a fight - and other items were confiscated."

Hanson said a single white male in his 30s occupied the residence and had apparently moved to the area and purchased the property last September.

Warrants are being sought for his arrest, according to the sheriff, who said the investigation is continuing.



SANILAC COUNTY Sheriff Garry Bininecki (right) and Deputy Kevin Nowiski pose with stolen property seized after officers apprehended 2 suspects believed responsible for a recent rash of break-ins across the county.

Deputies nab pair in recent break-ins

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies arrested 2 out-of-area suspects early last week in connection with an on-going investigation into a rash of break-ins and thefts across the county.

Sheriff Bininecki said deputies were looking into the break-in of a garage and theft of a 4-wheel ATV northeast of Sandusky when they were alerted to a suspicious black Ford Tempo circling the crime scene.

"The deputies attempted to make contact with the occupants of the vehicle, when the vehicle took off from the scene," Bininecki reported. "Deputies attempted to stop the vehicle and (the driver) refused to stop."

The officers gave chase, according to the sheriff, who said the vehicle stopped abruptly on Berkshire Road near Deckerville Road.

"The white male driver bailed out of the vehicle and took off westbound across a farm field, leaving a white female passenger in the vehicle," Bininecki said.

The driver, identified as a 23-year-old Monroe County resident, was apprehended in the field a short time later following a foot chase. He, along with his female passenger, identified as a 36-year-old Trenton woman, was questioned at the scene.

"The investigation led deputies to the location of some stolen property, and after obtaining a search warrant, they were able to recover stolen ATVs and other stolen property, solving many of the recent area B & Es and larcenies," Bininecki said. "It was solid police work."

Both suspects were arrested on suspicion of burglary and larceny as well as fleeing and eluding a police officer. Their names are being held pending formal arraignment in Sanilac County District Court.

Bininecki noted that the Deckerville Police Department and Sanilac County Drug Task Force assisted deputies with the investigation.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

I don't think I'll ever understand politics. I was just beginning to accept that vast right wing conspiracy theory, when suddenly we've switched gears. Now we've got people talking about left wing conspiracies.

I always have to stop and ask, "O.K., the left wing is the liberals, and the right wing is conservative, but which ones are the communists?"

The whole thing reminds me of a cattle rancher I used to see often. This fellow (we'll call him Albert) knew the left wingers from the right wingers better than anyone I've ever known.

If Albert were here today he would say, "Those liberals we send to Washington, D.C. wouldn't know a vast conspiracy if they saw one. This isn't half of that. This is more like a half-vast conspiracy."

I bumped into Albert years ago when I stopped at the grocery to buy a newspaper. Our little town had a local paper, and we had two major dailies delivered from out of town. One of the daily papers was large and liberal, while the other was small and more conservative.

Albert noticed I was buying the liberal paper and nearly fainted. "How far left can you get?" he asked.

"Oh?! I don't plan to read it," I told him. "I just use it for starting fires."

I should confess I always buy the bigger newspaper. That's one of the paradoxes of my conservatism.

I don't like the liberal paper, but I buy it because it weighs more. It

seems like a better value.

Albert was more strict in his conservatism. He wasn't very fond of environmentalists, and someone who writes a newspaper column, as I do, might be termed a "syndicated communist."

He was a good-natured fellow, though, and nobody was ever offended. I should say nobody except the sheriff's deputies. They might have been offended once or twice.

Albert had a tenuous relationship with the sheriff's office. His cattle roamed over large tracts of timberland and they were constantly getting lost, shot, and/or butchered.

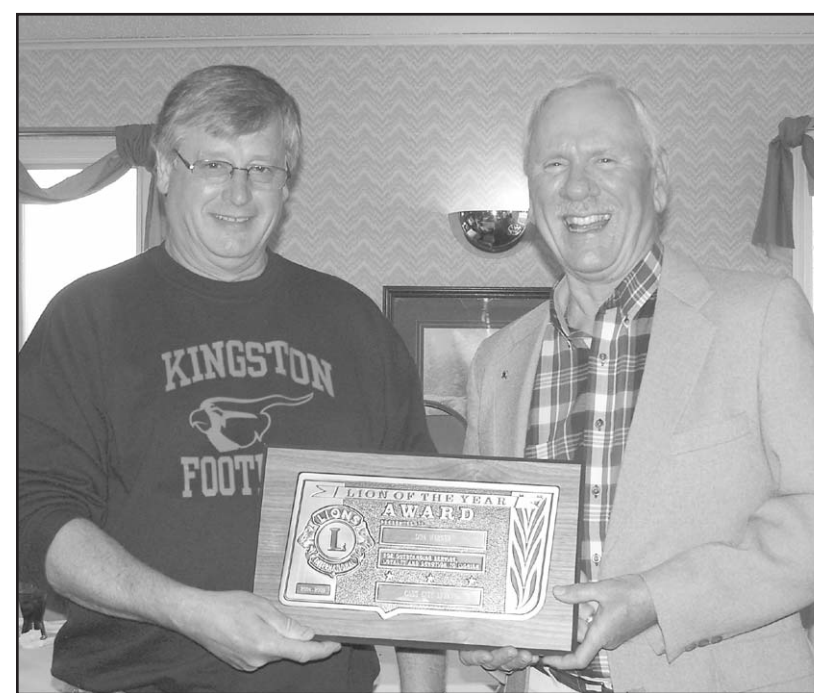
Then, he would call the sheriff's office, and they would send someone out to investigate. The sheriff's deputies did their best, but solving these cow mysteries was no easy task.

A deputy's inability to find the culprit would cause Albert to remark, "Those sheriff's deputies couldn't track an elephant with a nosebleed in two feet of snow."

One night I was sitting with a group of ranchers around a meeting table, when Albert said, "Somebody butchered another one of my calves the other day."

"Did you report it to the sheriff?" one of the ranchers asked.

"Yeah, I called them up," Albert said. "But they've got a smart aleck young deputy in there; and when I told him who it was he hung up on me!"



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The Haire Net
World War II item served me well

How are you, the guy inquired? Busy, I said. Huh? He replied after a few seconds of recovery time. Busy, doing what?

I licked my chops and prepared to set him straight. Briskly, I started off. During the summer months, unless there are unforeseen emergencies, my total duties at the Chronicle are writing 2 columns. That requires a varying amount of time. Some weeks it requires only a few minutes to find something to pontificate about - some weeks (like this) it takes all the time available before the deadline just to find a topic. On average, it probably takes a couple of hours. The actual writing takes maybe 1.5 hours for the column and up to an hour for "Rabbit

Tracks".

I see, he smirked; you are busy for about a half a day a week. That's not where I spend most of my time, I lamented, and not the part of the job that would turn my hair gray, if the years hadn't already taken care of it.

It's trying to do the writing on the computer. I spent a few years writing on the old machine using a disc that doesn't work anymore. Now I could cut my work load in half if I called any of the people in the office to set the machine up and then transport it to wherever they transport it.

Just when I figure I'm getting the hang of it, something slips. In the last couple of weeks I've had one column disappear without rhyme or reason and the machine stopped working twice. As good as they are, the girls didn't have the answer to that one.

Over more than a half century there have been several different machines involved in producing the copy, each adding to the efficiency of the operation and each of them creating problems.

None has been as good for me to type with as the trusty typewriter that served me for at least 25 years in Cass City. I bought it used as a surplus World War II item. It probably celebrated its golden anniversary before it retired.

Back to the present. I need to find the right buttons that will push this on to the proofing room. If it doesn't vanish into space my job for the week will be half done.

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Area pair named to dean's list

Two area residents were recently named to the dean's list at Alma College, Alma, following the 2009 winter term.

They are sophomore Lysa Knight of Cass City and junior Mark Recker of Ubyly. Both earned a minimum 3.5 grade point average while completing at least 13 credit hours of coursework.

Summer music series slated to kick off this week in Cass City

The Cass City Rotary Park band shell in Cass City will once again hum with music for all ages, as concerts are planned every Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. this summer.

The Cass City Parks and Recreation Department, Cass City Rotary Club and Thumb National Bank are sponsoring the free concerts, which are scheduled to get underway this week.

Thursday's event will feature a multi-talented group from the Tri-Cities called "Muzyka!" The group has performed at corporate events, churches, senior citizen centers and festivals since 2005, with a repertoire that includes folk, Gospel, bluegrass and pop.

Over the next 3 weeks, the series will feature:

—July 2: "Victory Stories" consisting of 4 area young men (Mike Whipple and Jordan Cotton of Caro, Justin Sorenson of Cass City and Jason Seibel of Bach). The group, which is part of the worship team at Colwood United Brethren Church, will perform modern contemporary praise and worship music.

—July 9: Ray Verellen of Cass City

will be performing. Verellen plays various instruments, including guitar, violin, banjo, accordion and harmonica. He offers music lessons at the Cass City Music Store, and some of his students may be performing as well.

—July 16: An area group, "The Bostrom Brothers" of Caro (consisting of brothers Jonathan, Paul, Jordan and Daniel) will be performing Celtic music at its best. The group has appeared at churches, festivals and music events throughout Michigan and in Chicago.

The summer music series will also include drawings at each event for prizes donated by area businesses. Those interested in donating items, or anyone who would like to perform is asked to contact Carolyn Sorenson at Thumb National Bank at 872-4311 or (989) 912-0449.

"The Rotary Club of Cass City went all out in donating time and money to provide us with this wonderful facility," Sorenson said. "This is a great opportunity to get out and enjoy some great entertainment with family and friends."

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Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, June 25

AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-4816.
Senior Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.
Summer Reading Program Story Time, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Friday, June 26

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

Sunday, June 28

Gagetown AA meeting, 8-9 p.m., Gagetown fire hall. For more information, call (989) 663-2361.

Monday, June 29

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

Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.
Summer Reading Program Movie, "Tinker Bell," 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Tuesday, June 30

Ceramics with Antoinette, 10-11 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library. Registration is required (ages 6-14 years).

Revive Clothes Shoppe now open

Revive Ministries will host a grand opening at its "Community Clothes and Housewares Shoppe" inside the former Millennium building, located next to the McDonald's in Cass City.

The event is slated for Friday, July 3, from 4 to 8 p.m. Items will be sold for \$2 per bag, and there will be free hot dogs from 5 to 7 p.m.

According to Revive Ministries spokeswoman Jaime Fritz, the shop is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays, and from 9 a.m. to noon on the third Saturday of each month.

"There is a wide variety of items available to anyone who would like to stop in and shop. Items such as clothing, furniture, dishes, bedding, toys, etc., have been donated from the community," she said. "Items are sorted and the shelves are then stocked. We have a requested donation of \$2 per bag of items, and larger items are marked individually."

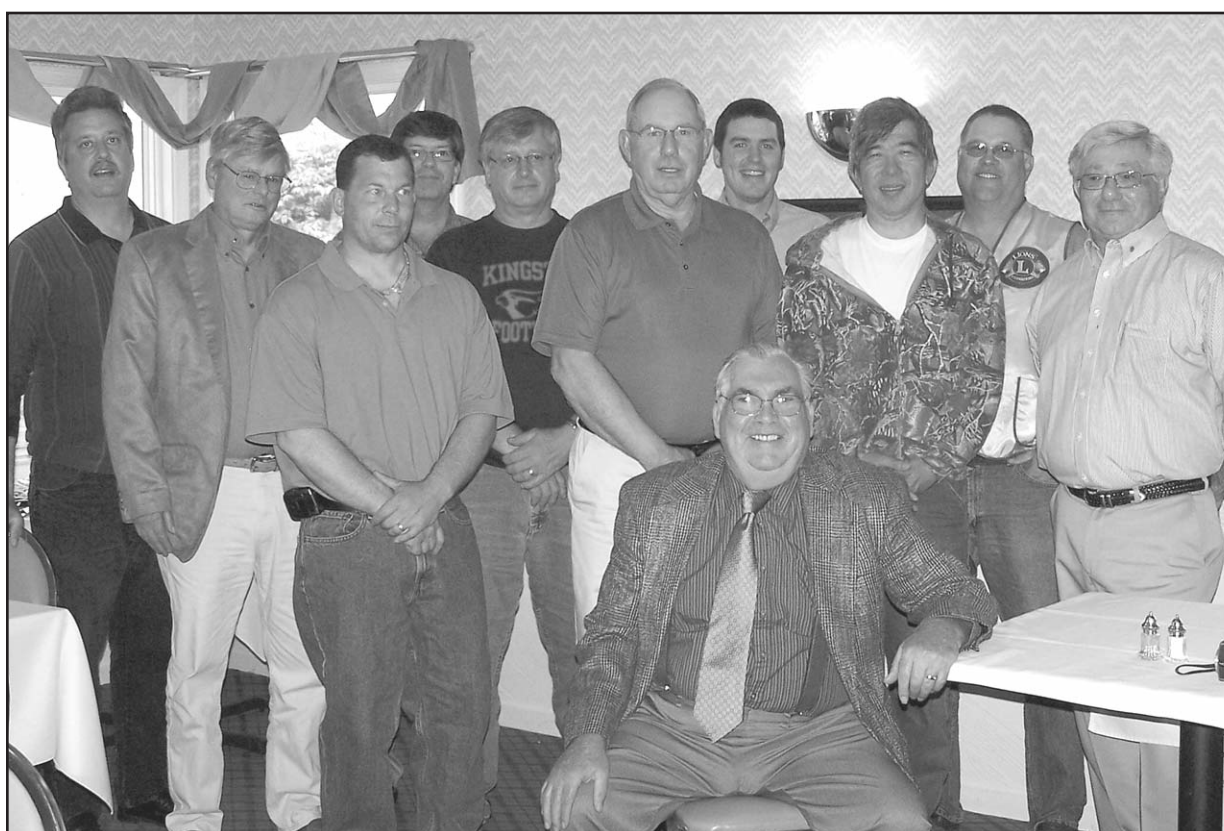
"Money received for these items goes back into the program in order to buy food for the pantry and provide other free services and activities in the community," Fritz noted. "We are also available to help meet the needs of people that find themselves in a crisis situation, such as following a fire."

Fritz said Revive Ministries is always looking for volunteers interested in helping to sort clothes and stock shelves on Fridays.

"We also have a 'community coffee time' on Friday mornings from 7 to 9 a.m. It's a time to visit with friends and enjoy coffee and continental breakfast - all for free," she added.

"Our monthly food pantry continues to be held on the third Saturday of each month for those who meet the financial guidelines and who live in the Cass City School District," Fritz said. "We have been serving around 40 families each month. Each food box contains 3 days worth of food - 3 meals per day."

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THE CASS CITY Lions Club recently elected officers for the coming year. They are (back row, from left) Tail Twister Ray Burleson, Gerald Mathie, First Vice President Kelly Smith, Earl Volmering, Treasurer Eric Brown, outgoing President Blaine de Beaubien, (middle row, left), Rich Potts, Ed Knight, Paul Cheng, Secretary Gary Jones and (in front) President-Elect Ken Blue.

Several appear on charges

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

• Stephen L. Stricker, 62, Cass City, was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Oct. 1 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$3,378.

• Melissa M. Ewald, 29, Unionville, received a one-year delayed sentence following her plea of guilty to 2 counts of larceny in building Aug. 1-Oct. 14 in Caro.

She was ordered to pay \$1,096 in costs and fines.

• Barbara A. Brewer, 29, Cass City, was sentenced to 90 days in jail, with work release and worksite privileges, for her plea of guilty to writing a \$120 no-account check April 23, 2007, and for her plea of guilty to absconding or forfeiting bond Jan. 14 and/or Jan. 22, 2008, in Caro.

She was also placed on 18 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,406. Restitution in the case is to be determined.

• James M. Copenhaver, 33, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of no contest to possession of a firearm by a felon Feb. 7 in Indianfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay \$1,128 in costs and fines.

• Jason J. Periso, 24, Cass City, pleaded guilty to larceny in a building May 5 in Caro, and to assaulting a police officer May 8 in Novesta Township.

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

• Lisa M. Long, 38, Mayville, received a one-year delayed sentence following her plea of no contest to uttering and publishing involving a \$2,250 check drawn on Sun Trust

Bank March 24, 2008, in Mayville.

Long was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$328 plus attorneys fees of \$200 and restitution of \$3,250.

• Dennis R. Eagle, 55, Oxford, was sentenced to 365 days in jail (90 days deferred) and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to second degree criminal sexual conduct involving personal injury to the victim Oct. 31 in Fairgrove.

He was also ordered to pay \$4,128 in costs and fines.

• Frank L. Waligora, 74, Caro, was sentenced to 180 days in jail (178 days deferred) for his plea of guilty to 2 counts of indecent exposure between March and August 2008 in Caro.

He was also placed on 24 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,066.

• Gilbert H. Freeman, 41, Deford, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Feb. 26 in Kingston Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay \$1,628 in costs and fines.

• Melinda M. Newsome, 26, Akron, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under influence of

liquor and assaulting a police officer Dec. 25 in Akron.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$25,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

• Kyle R. Tait, 21, Caro, was sentenced to 150 days in jail (120 days deferred) and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to aggravated stalking between January and March in Indianfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,360.

• Todd Christian-Phares Beaudoen, 26, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, and for his plea of no contest to fleeing and eluding a police officer Oct. 22 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay \$1,381.

• John E. Dennis, 44, Millington, was sentenced to 90 days in jail (deferred) and 24 months probation for his plea of no contest to assaulting a police officer Oct. 7 in Arabela Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

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Recycling center has expanding program

With the help of a grant from the Michigan Department of Agriculture, Tuscola County Recycling will be expanding its household hazardous waste (HHW) collection.

Beginning this week, Tuscola County Recycling will be able to accept pesticides and mercury year round, free of charge from all area residents. Tuscola County Recycling also accepts used motor oil and an-

tifreeze year round, free of charge.

Pesticides, mercury, motor oil and antifreeze can be dropped off Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call ahead if you have more than 10 gallons to drop off (989) 672-1673.

Tuscola County Recycling will continue to host 2 Saturday events each year to collect the other types of household hazardous waste such as oil-based paint and stains, compact fluorescent light bulbs, herbicides, paint stripper, household cleansers, drain openers, old gas and kerosene. Although HHW makes up only a small percentage of the municipal solid waste stream, it represents a large percentage of the toxicity in the waste stream.

The recycling center will sponsor its fall Household Hazardous Waste collection Saturday, Sept. 12. An appointment is required to attend this event and there is no fee for county residents. However, tax-deductible donations are accepted and appreciated at these events.

To schedule an appointment or to get more information on any Tuscola County recycling program, call Tuscola County Recycling at (989) 672-1673, email recycle@tuscolacounty.org or check out the center's website www.tuscolacounty.org/recycling.

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Musky madness

Guided trip on Lake St. Clair gives area anglers some memories

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The muskellunge, or "musky", is known by many different names, but it's perhaps best known as "the fish of 10,000 casts". And for good reason. Don't try to convince Bryan Blackstock of that, however.

I had invited Blackstock, an avid fisherman from Elkton and friend of my daughter, Christie Voss, to accompany me, along with my son-in-law, Josh Hinkle of Cass City, on a guided musky fishing trip on Lake St. Clair. I hired veteran musky caster Doug Samsal as our guide.

Samsal has a lifetime of fishing experience, having been raised in the famed Lake of the Woods in Kenora, Ontario. These days Samsal spends his summer months guiding musky, walleye and smallmouth bass trips on Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers. In the fall and winter months, you'll find him introducing anglers to salmon and steelhead on the Manistee River in northern Michi-

gan. We met Samsal on a Saturday morning in the lakeshore town of Algonac, located north of Detroit. We were full of anticipation, even though I knew the odds of actually boating a musky were not in our favor. Many an angler has spent years casting for one of these big bruisers before enjoying success — if ever — in spite of the fact that a musky's voracious appetite is matched only by its aggressiveness.

The name muskellunge comes from the Ojibwe word, "maashkinoozhe" meaning "ugly pike". It's the largest member of the pike family, attaining lengths of 2 to 5 feet and weights of up to 60 pounds or more. Their body shape is typical of other ambush predators — an elongated body, flat head and dorsal, pelvic and anal fins set far back on the body.

Muskies prey upon just about anything that fits in their mouth. Most of the diet consists of fish but also includes crayfish, frogs, ducklings, snakes, muskrats, mice and other small animals. Armed with a mouth

full of teeth, they will take prey up to 30 percent of their total body length.

Samsal, who like many other serious musky fishermen seeks out muskies on a catch-and-release basis only, knows the expansive waters of Lake St. Clair like the back of his hand, and in minutes we were slowly cruising through a narrow canal, casting 10-inch body baits with stout rods and baitcasting reels loaded with 30-pound test braided line.

Blackstock, a 27-year-old laid-off machine shop worker and volunteer with the Oliver Township Fire Department in Huron County, has caught walleye and perch in the waters of Saginaw Bay, but nothing could have prepared him for those first few minutes.

All I heard was a hushed, "Oh...my...gosh..." His eyes were the size of saucers, and I looked down to see a 4-foot musky lazily finning its way behind Blackstock's lure, just under the surface. The fish wouldn't commit to hitting the bait, eventually turning and disappearing into the blue-green water of Lake St. Clair. But it was a great moment for all of us.

The real shocker came just 3 or 4 casts later, when Blackstock reared back, his rod straining against the impressive pull of another bruiser musky.

Samsal coached him every step of the way and quickly scooped the fish up in a net, handing the 42-inch, 20-poundunker to Blackstock to hold for photos.

Now, a fish that size can be a real handful, and Blackstock learned a couple of painful lessons, starting a couple seconds later when the fish whipped its tail and caught him in the groin. Still, Blackstock hung on, but his hand pivoted and found its way into the musky's mouth, opening cuts on 3 of his knuckles.

Samsal quickly patched him up and released the musky to be caught another day.

An hour later I managed to bring another musky to the boat, but the fish wouldn't strike, and that was the end of the action.

We returned to the dock about 8 hours after we launched, our arms tired from hours of casting. And anticipating.

It would be easy for some to consider the day a waste — boating only one musky in all that time. But I would disagree. The day provided us all with some excitement, and a bit of shock at Blackstock's success on his first musky outing.

It's certain the trip will stand out in his memory (and mine) for years to come.



FISHING GUIDE Doug Samsal readies the net for Blackstock's musky.



BRYAN BLACKSTOCK proudly holds his trophy — a 42-inch, 20-pound Lake St. Clair musky.

Down Memory Lane

By Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO

Don Cummins, to put it simply, loves life. Still vital and active at 70, Cummins feels 29 and keeps his days busy. But more important than his life are the lives of the innocents — children and animals who die each year in senseless accidents. So Cummins invented the Road View Master, a mirror device for cars designed to provide drivers with a clear view of anything behind their vehicle. "Often, people in a parking lot have to keep turning around to see what they are doing," Cummins said while leaning on one of his cars Saturday afternoon. "With this invention, you don't have to turn around."

Lauren Beth Ruthko, a 2004 graduate of Ubyly Community School, was recently awarded the Michigan Merit Award, the Michigan Competitive Scholarship, the Saginaw Valley State University Scholarship, and the Trudy A. Kain Memorial Scholarship during graduation ceremonies. She will be attending Saginaw Valley State University in the fall and will be majoring in elementary education. Ruthko is the daughter of Janice Sageman and Paul Ruthko of Ubyly.

A new federal law is forcing hospitals nationwide to upgrade to 4 sources of power instead of 2, and Hills & Dales needs to renovate the entire building to comply. Along with the re-wiring and installation of another generator, the hospital will install sprinklers, remove asbestos on the second floor and completely redo patient and operating rooms.

10 YEARS AGO

The annual Lions Club installation dinner was held at the Rolling Hills Golf Course June 15. At this dinner, the new Lions Club officers and board directors were installed. Also recognized was Duke Sward, this year's Lion of the year. Jim Kranz received the Friend of the Lions award during this semi-formal dinner. He was named Friend of the Lions because of his contributions to the club.

Barrett Hall, a 6th grade student at Reuther Middle School in Rochester Hills, participated in the Michigan Mathematics League competition along with his 6th grade classmates. Hall had the highest score of the 239 6th graders at Reuther and tied for 8th place among all 6th graders across the state who participated. Statewide, 191 middle schools took part in the MML competition. Hall is the son of Bryan and Robbie Hall of Rochester Hills and the grandson of Dale and Audrey Leslie of Decker and Grace Hall of Orlando, Fla.

It means more than getting a great tan while basking in the sun - a lot more. It's about life and death. A

summer as a lifeguard is very ideal for Jill Wright, Helen Stevens Memorial pool lifeguard and director, but it takes a lot of work and mental preparation. Wright is in charge of the other lifeguards, and she said they are all well trained. The lifeguards are Josh Little, Dave Hobbs, Grant Gould, Kelli VanVliet, Stefanie Humpert, Amber Dunn, Rose Hoelzle, Susan O'Hara, Kara Mellendorf, Holly Cooper and Katie Wood.

25 YEARS AGO

The reported 3-5 inches of rain that fell last Saturday and early Sunday was bad news for farmers and for roads. "We went from dry to rather wet to extremely wet conditions," commented Tuscola County Extension Director Bill Bortel. The most seriously affected crop was dry beans, if in standing water, since it is the most sensitive to excess moisture. If it gets too hot too soon, the beans will cook. The heavy rains meant a lot of washouts, according to Tuscola County Road Commission Clerk Jim Miklovic, who didn't have a specific number available. They were scattered throughout the county, mostly dirt roads but a few asphalt ones as well.

The 1984 municipal pool staff is Suzy Scollon, Laura Richards, Diane Russell, Whitney Walpole, Nancy Tonti, Bob VanCamp, Mark House, Tim Horner and Phil LaPonsie.

The Tigers finished their season with a 5-0 record by defeating the Yankees

11-1 last Thursday. The Tigers put together a 7-run rally in the fifth inning to secure the victory. Delivering key hits for the Tigers were Jeff Hockey, Greg LeValley, Billy Little, Billy McPhail and Jeff Swiderski.

35 YEARS AGO

Navy Hull Maintenance Technician Third Class Timothy A. Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max E. Cooper of 7724 Hadley Rd. is a member of the wintering-over party at McMurdo Station, Antarctica. The crew held an open house for Armed Forces Day and shared a smorgasbord with the New Zealanders from Scott Station three miles away.

Miss Dorothy Schwartz, 17, who has just completed her junior year in high school, was selected by the American Legion Auxiliary to attend Wolverine Girls State being held this week at Olivet College. Dorothy, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schwartz, left Sunday with other young women from the Thumb area and will return home Sunday, June 23.

The Cubs registered their first victory of the season June 12, with a 2-13 decision over the Giants. Paul Brown pitched the win. Bruce Woodward, Kevin Nickolas, Dan Opanasenko and Mike O'Dell each hammered three hits. Terry Czeka took the loss. The only Giants to get hits were Jeff Loomis and Terry Holcomb.

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<p>Calvary Bible Fellowship an Independent Baptist Church 4446 Ale St., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-4088 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m. Pastor - Chuck Carr Transportation available</p> <p>Cass City Church of Christ 6743 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726 Contacts 872-2367 or 872-3136 Worship Service Sunday 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Bible Study Sunday 10:00 a.m. & Wednesday 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Cass City Church of the Nazarene 6538 Third St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-2604 or (989) 912-2077 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer & Bible Study & Children's Activities 6:00 p.m. Rev. Judy A. Eskilsen</p> <p>Cass City Missionary Church 4449 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-2729 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service & Youth Group 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night 6:30 p.m. Pastor - Bob Sweeney www.casscitymc.org</p> <p>Cass City United Methodist Church 5100 N. Cemetery Rd., P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726 872-3422 Worship: 11:00 a.m. (Summer 9:30 a.m.) Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m. Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon) Pastor: Rev. Paul G. Donelson</p>	<p>Evangelical Free Church of Cass City 6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726 Phone: 872-5060 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Midweek Bible Studies Biblical Counseling Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould</p> <p>First Baptist Church <i>(Independent, Fundamental)</i> Barrier Free 6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-3155 Sunday School All Ages 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 p.m. AWANA Clubs 6:45 p.m. During School Year Pastor: David G. Hill Website: www.fbccc.us</p> <p>First Presbyterian Church Barrier Free 6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5400 Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Dave Blackburn</p> <p>Fraser Presbyterian Church 3006 Huron Line Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5400 Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Pastor: Dave Blackburn</p> <p>Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-2770 Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Gerald Meyer</p>	<p>Living Word Worship Center <i>(Where the Word is Life)</i> 6536 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-4637 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wed. (Family Training Hour) 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Steve Totten</p> <p>Novesta Church of Christ 2896 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3658 or 872-1195 Bible School 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Youth Group & Sunday Evening Services 6:00 p.m. Youth Minister: Brad Speirs Visit our website at: www.novestachurch.org</p> <p>Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church Corner of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726 872-5186 Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: F. Robert Tucker</p> <p>St. Pancratius Catholic Church 4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3336 Saturday Liturgy 5:30 p.m. Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Pastor: Father Steve Fillion</p>
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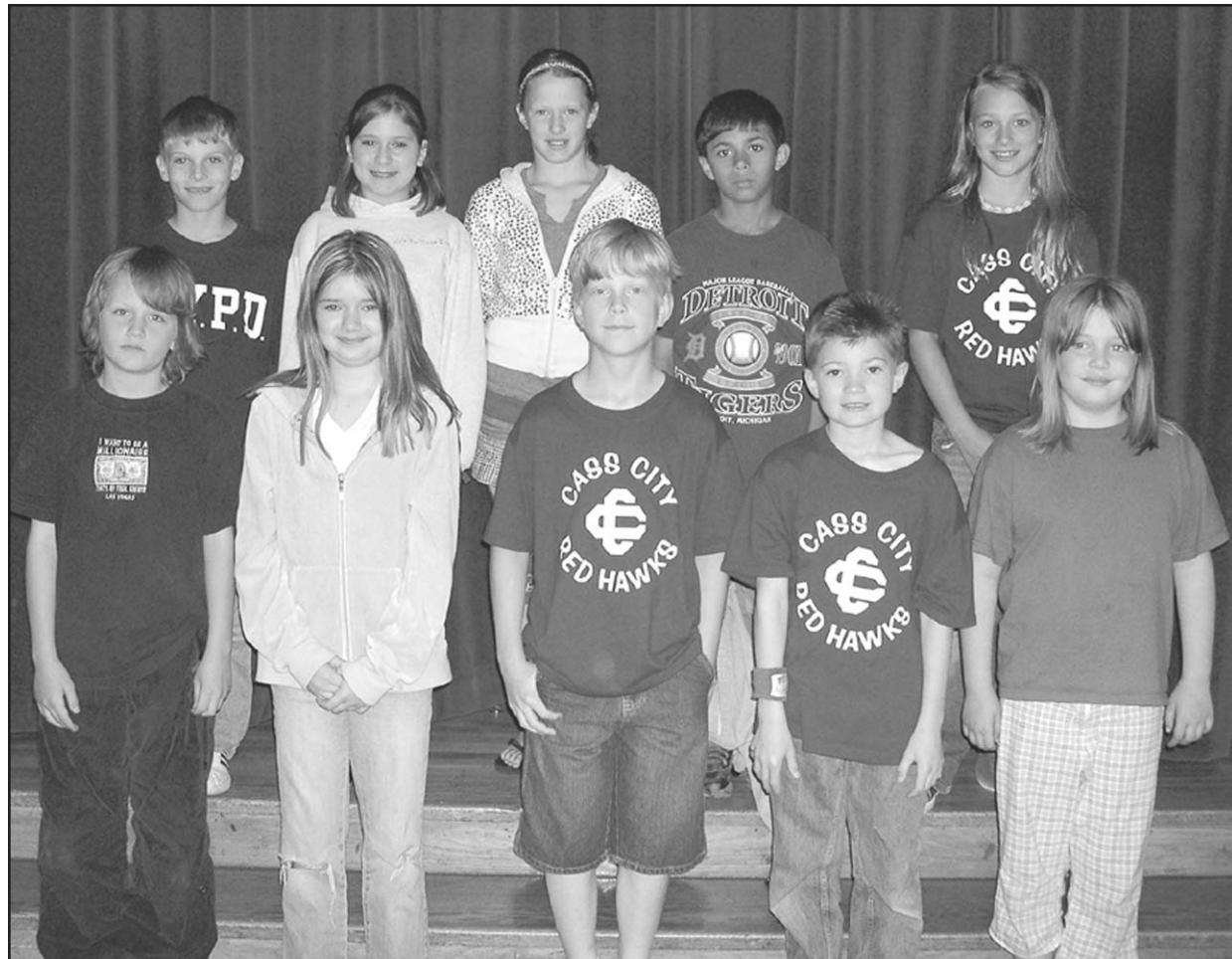
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THIRD AND FOURTH graders at Campbell Elementary School recently completed their Reading Counts project, with a record 11 students earning a minimum 400 points (third grade) or 500 points (fourth grade) by reading a certain number of books and completing tests. The top 11 are: (front row, from left) Zachary McCoy, Heaven Hartwick, Joel Collins, CarLee Stimpfel, Tiffany Matson, (back row, left) Reed White, Drew Susalla, Victoria Cumper, Shaede Perzanowski and Sayge Cuthrell. Missing is Savannah Walker. In all, the combined grades read a total of 20,000 books - that's 65 million words - according to Campbell Librarian Donna Emerson.



CASS CITY HIGH School students in Linda Volz's Advanced Placement U.S. History class, including (from left) Jacob Ballard, Ashleigh Moore, Paige Lester, Emily Martin and Tyler Perry, recently invited community members to "take a walk through history."

Students offer residents a "blast from the past"

Linda Volz's Advanced Placement United States History students at Cass City High School recently invited community members in to take a walk through history. "These students had just completed

a study on various decades ranging from the 1950s through the 1990s. Each student was required to choose an individual from their time period and view the American Dream through his/her eyes, Volz explained. "When visitors came to the classroom, they were met by such greats as Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, Gloria Steinem, Jackie Kennedy and Dick Clark. Students even dressed the part of their character," she added.

Visitors to the "Decades Museum" said they were impressed by what they learned from the students. Guests were treated to various commercials, video clips and artifacts from these time periods. The displays invoked many emotions and memories of the civil rights and women's movements. Participants also relived the Jerry Farwell movement and the assassination of John F. Kennedy. Dick Clark was on hand to provide an uplifting and entertaining time as he focused on the music from the American Bandstand.

Katie Jackson from the historical society was so impressed with the quality of the students' work that she has asked them to recreate their presentation for the historical society. The students are excited and look forward to this opportunity. In fact, as one of the students, Emily Martin noted, "I've always seen history as a compilation of dates, battles, even simple facts that are written somewhere in a textbook, but I have been entirely wrong. History is truly about people. It is a guide to future decisions, but is also absolutely crucial in defining our cultural identity as a nation," she said.

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Master Gardener "Garden Walk" set for July 11

Huron County Master Gardeners are planning their eighth Huron County Garden Walk on Saturday, July 11. Everyone is invited to join in for a day of idea sharing, inspiration and just plain enjoyment. Walk coordinators Milly Kuszynski and Marie Phillips have finalized 7 gardens to be visited, many of them right along M-25. In addition, 4 of those gardens belong to some of Huron County's own Master Gardeners.

Starting on the west side of the county, the gardens are:

- Yvonne (Master Gardener) & Louis Bushey, 5220 Port Austin Road, Caseville
- Faith & Harry Bishop, 8562 Forest Creek Drive, Port Austin
- Broken Rocks Community Garden (next to 693 Port Austin Road), Port Austin

- Karen (Master Gardener) & Jack Liwienski, 7734 N. Pointe Drive, Port Hope
- Susan (Advanced Master Gardener) & Bob McNamee, 7740 N. Pointe Drive, Port Hope
- Evelyn Gainer (Advanced Master Gardener), 4360 Second Street, Port Hope
- Joann Yott, 2967 Parisville Road, Port Hope

Homes on the Walk may be visited in any order between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on July 11. Ticket booklets explain how to find each home and what to expect when you're there. These booklets are available for \$8 per person (advance sales) at locations throughout Huron County — in Bad Axe: McDonald's Food & Family Center, MSU Extension, and The Flower Farm; in Ca-

seville: Greenview Farm; in Filion: Empkie's Farm Market; in Harbor Beach: The Corner Store; in Port Austin: Heins' Hardware, The Haven Antiques & Gifts, and Up-the-Grove Gifts; and in Port Hope at North Shore Grocery. Tickets will also be available for \$10 the day of the Garden Walk at each of the homes.

Each ticket booklet includes discount coupons for special offers from the following businesses: Lake Street Emporium, Lisa's Loft, The Stock Pot and The Haven Antiques & Gifts, all of which are located in Port Austin.

Money derived from the Garden Walk supports horticultural projects and on-going programs for teaching and organizing the Master Gardener program in Huron County. For more details, call Carol at 989-269-7154, or the MSU Extension office at 989-269-9949, ext. 603.

Letter to the Editor

Save the carvings

Dear Mr. Montgomery,

We met at your office on May 29. As busy as you were, you took time to listen to me. My needs were to locate a Scout Master; you gave me Jim Baker's name and phone number. Jim and I have talked by phone and thank you for this favor.

On another issue, the Sanilac Petroglyph Historic Park. Due to the lack of funding from the State of Michigan, this park is closed and only open for special events.

I wonder, what if our parents, grandparents or other relatives left something or messages to be remembered by, for people of the future? Are we not people of the future?

The carvings on Sanilac Rock were there long before 2009. Please help preserve the Petroglyphs on Sanilac Rock.

Cliff Hill
Harrison Twp.

Letters to the Editor

The Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper.

Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason.

The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

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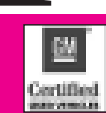
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CASS CITY'S new varsity boys' basketball coach Jim Green, right, has had a hands-on approach during this week's Red Hawk Basketball Camp that attracted nearly 40 area youths.

Green returns to head up Cass City boys' basketball program

According to an old adage, basketball teams are made in the winter and basketball players are made in the summer.

Cass City's new boys' varsity basketball coach Jim Green, as well as girls' head coach Lloyd Schinnerer, believe as much, one would think, considering the pair spearheaded this week's Red Hawk Basketball Camp that attracted nearly 40 area boys and girls in grades 2 through 8.

Green, who teaches high school sci-

ence in the district, replaces Elementary Principal Aaron Fernald at the helm of the Red Hawk program after several years of service.

And if Green's past track record is any indication, those future Red Hawk hoopsters will be well served to pay close attention while honing their skills this week.

As a player at Kingston High School, the 1990 Cardinal graduate was a member on 4 district champion teams. The 1994 Michigan State University

alumni also helped record one regional crown and a pair of conference titles into the Kingston record books, earning all-conference and all-state honors in the process.

Green also has enjoyed success as a head coach. Despite coaching for just 2 seasons, Green was able to secure a district title in 1999 and a conference toga in 2000 for Cass City, before going on extended leave to help raise his 2 children, Jack, 8 and Morgan, 6, with his wife Lisa.



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Osentoski/D.Wallace	89
Laurie/Lautner	82
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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 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 the 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 Northeastly 10.0 feet and a 40-foot square parcel in the Northern corner of the described property.

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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 July 2, 2009.

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

Parcel 1: The East 1/6 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.

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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.

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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.

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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 August 2, 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 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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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 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 4, 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 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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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Michael Westbery, 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. Being Part of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 32, Township 12 North, Range 11 East, 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.

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, 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 Mortgage

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Wayne E. Helland, Jr. and Kristy L. Helland, a/k/a Kristy L. Pratt, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 21, 2004 and recorded on February 17, 2004 in Liber 979 on Page 1017 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 Eight Hundred Seven and 63/100 Dollars (\$166,807.63), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

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

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

That part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 26; thence North 88 degrees 52 minutes 44 seconds East along the North line of said Section and Center line of Legg Road, 2264.98 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 88 degrees 52 minutes 44 seconds East along said North line and said center line, 331.38 feet; thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 56 seconds West 1313.85 feet to the North 1/8 line of Section; thence South 88 degrees 53 minutes 02 seconds West along said North 1/8 line, 331.38 feet; thence North

00 degrees 08 minutes 56 seconds East 1314.82 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: June 3, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Bernard Patrick Lange and Melissa M. Lange, Husband and Wife, as tenants by the entirety, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 16, 2005 and recorded on April 24, 2006 in Liber 1078 on Page 763 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-One Thousand Fifty-Six and 57/100 Dollars (\$161,056.57), including interest at 9.52% 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 Denmark, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Tract 1: Commencing at a point 315 feet South of the Northeast corner of the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, thence West 125 feet; thence South 92 feet; thence North 92 feet to the point of beginning; and

Tract 2: A Parcel of Land in the fractional Southwest 1/4 of Fractional Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, Denmark Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, Described as follows: To the point of beginning commence at the South 1/4 corner of said section; Thence N 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds East, on the North and South 1/4 line of said section, 2322.19 feet to a point which is South 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds West 315.00 feet from the center post of said section; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West, Perpendicular to said North and South 1/4 line, 125.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds West Parallel with said North and South 1/4 line, 92.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West Perpendicular to said North and South 1/4 line 101.90 feet to a point on a reference line which is parallel with and 24.0 feet, measured at right angles, East of the centerline of the Reese drain; thence North 44 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds West 10 seconds West 315.00 feet from the center post of said section; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West, Perpendicular to said North and South 1/4 line, 125.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds West Parallel with said North and South 1/4 line, 92.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West Perpendicular to said North and South 1/4 line 101.90 feet to a point on a reference line which is parallel with and 24.0 feet, measured at right angles, East of the centerline of the Reese drain; thence North 44 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds West 10 seconds West 315.00 feet from the center post of said section; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West, Perpendicular to said North and South 1/4 line, 125.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds West Parallel with said North and South 1/4 line, 92.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West Perpendicular to said North and South 1/4 line 101.90 feet to a point on a reference line which is parallel with and 24.0 feet, measured at right angles, East of the centerline of the Reese drain and subject to any easements of record.

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

Dated: June 3, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Terry L. Trudell and Dawn M. Trudell, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 4, 2002 and recorded on February 21, 2002 in Liber 965 on Page 1492 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Six and 68/100 Dollars (\$81,436.68), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

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

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

Parcel 1: The West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 31, Township 11 North, Range 8 East.

Parcel 2: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 31, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at a point on the West line of so-called Parcel B of a subdivision survey as recorded in Liber 497, Page 956-957 of Tuscola County Records which is South 88 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds East along the North line of said Northeast 1/4, 665.39 feet to the Northeast corner of said Parcel B and South 00 degrees 14 minutes 19 seconds East along said West line of Parcel B 120.06 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 31; thence continuing South 00 degrees 14 minutes 19 seconds East along said West line, 312.61 feet; thence South 73 degrees 49 minutes 39 seconds West 66.72 feet; thence North 10 degrees 34 minutes 52 seconds East 336.64 feet to the point of beginning.

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

redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 3, 2009
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott M. Jones and Tracee Jones, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Oxford Bank Mortgage Services, LLC, Mortgagee, dated June 25, 2003 and recorded on October 14, 2003 in Liber 959 on Page 1238, and modified by Affidavit or Order received by and recorded, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Two and 52/100 Dollars (\$97,252.52), including interest at 5.25% 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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey Allen Simmons, a/k/a Jeffrey A. Simmons and Karie Lynn Simmons, a/k/a Karie L. Simmons, 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 19, 2002 and recorded on August 6, 2002 in Liber 888 on Page 1188 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to MidFirst Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Five and 35/100 Dollars (\$73,685.35), 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 9, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 8, Block 14, of Plat of Centerville (now city) according to the Plat recorded in Liber 11 of Deed, Page 362-363, now being Liber 1 of Plats, Page 56 now being page 59A.

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: June 10, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Raymond E. Hendrick and Barbara Crow-Hendrick, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 27, 2005 and recorded on September 29, 2005 in Liber 1075 on Page 1281 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, N/A as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight and 57/100 Dollars (\$83,338.57), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 9, 2009.

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

Commencing at a point on the North and South quarter line, 458 feet North of the Southwest corner of the Northeast quarter of Section 35, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence Southeast 240.4 feet to the center of State Trunk line, thence Northeast along the center of State Trunk line 220 feet; thence Northeast perpendicular to said Trunk line 33 feet; thence North 81 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, to the center of the North and South quarter line, thence South 38 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: June 10, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard A. Friedly and Pamela L. Friedly, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 5, 2003 and recorded on January 13, 2004 in instrument 200400843888, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to MidFirst Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine and 24/100 Dollars (\$146,999.24), 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 July 9, 2009.

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

Land situated in the Township of Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as follows: part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 35, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 35, which is South 89 degrees 35 minutes 10 seconds West, 840.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 35; thence con-

tinuing South 89 degrees 35 minutes 10 seconds West, 120.00 feet; thence parallel with the North and South 1/4 line of said Section, thence North 0 degrees 05 minutes, 46 seconds West, 250.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes, 10 seconds East, 120.00 Feet; thence south 0 degrees 05 minutes 46 seconds east, 250.00 feet to the South line of Section 35 and the point of beginning, EXCEPTING an undivided 1/2 interest in all oil, gas and other minerals to L.H. Gilman as set forth in Mineral Deed recorded in Liber 211 of Deeds, Page 83.

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: June 10, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Darrin McNary, a married man, and Jody McNary, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated November 16, 2005 and recorded on December 2, 2005 in Liber 1063 on Page 201, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, N/A as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Nine and 45/100 Dollars (\$139,249.45), 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 9, 2009.

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

Parcel 2: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Koylton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at Point of the East Section line that is South 0 Degrees 0 Minutes 0 Seconds West 330.00 Feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 14; thence continuing South 0 Degrees 0 Minutes 0 Seconds West 331.35 Feet; thence South 89 Degrees 12 Minutes 45 Seconds West 660.00 Feet; thence North 0 Degrees 0 Minutes 0 Seconds East 331.16 Feet; thence North 89 Degrees 11 Minutes 45 Seconds East Feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: June 10, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Cynthia A. Dasantos, f/k/a Cynthia A. Briggs, an unmarried woman, original mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Co. East MI, Mortgagee, dated April 11, 2003, and recorded on May 27, 2003 in Liber 932 on Page 1102 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-One and 31/100 Dollars (\$58,791.31), 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 July 9, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northwest 1/4 of section 11, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at a point on the West line of said section 11, which is South 1504.00 feet from the Northwest corner of said section 11; which is South 1504.00 feet from the Northwest corner of said section 11; thence east at right angles to the West line of said section 285.14 feet; thence South parallel with the West line of said section 11, 202.73 feet, more or less, to the centerline of the drain, North 86 degrees 57 minutes 10 seconds West 285.54 feet to the West line of said Section 11; thence North along said West line 187.55 feet to the point of beginning. The intermediate traverse line along the drain is described as beginning at a point on the East line of the above described parcel which is South 193.75 feet from the Northeast corner of said parcel; thence North 86 degrees 02 minutes 50 seconds West 285.82 feet to the West line of said section 11 and the point of ending of said traverse line; said the point of ending also being South 174.02 feet from the Northwest corner of said parcel

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: June 10, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert A. Mitchell, an unmarried person, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2002 and recorded on July 26, 2002 in Liber 887 on Page 1441 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Nine and 71/100 Dollars (\$51,529.71), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 16, 2009.

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

Lot 15 of Glenfield Subdivision, according to the recorded Plat thereof in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 41-42 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: June 17, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #268793F01

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by John Edward Stoick and Michele M. Stoick, husband and wife, whose address is 1715 Garner, Reese, Michigan 48757, as Mortgagor, to Standard Federal Bank National Association, n/k/a Bank of America National Association, a national banking company, as Mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated January 31, 2003 and was recorded on March 5, 2003 in Liber 918, Page 1250, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan. The debt under the Mortgage is currently in default.

As of June 1, 2009, the amount due by John Edward Stoick, as survivor of himself, and Michele M. Stoick, his deceased wife, under the Mortgage, and all other related loan documents (collectively "Loan Documents"), is \$198,694.73, including interest on the mortgage at the default contract rate, plus additional costs, expenses and attorneys fees permitted by the Loan Documents. This sum will increase as additional interest, costs, expenses, and attorneys fees accrue under the Loan Documents and which are permitted under Michigan law.

Under the powers of sale contained in the Mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that the Mortgage, will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public sale to the highest bidder at the County Courthouse, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, that being place of holding the Circuit Court, at 10:00 a.m., on July 16, 2009.

The land situated in the County of Tuscola, Township of Indianfields, State of Michigan to wit:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the East 20 acres of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 35, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; thence continuing along said South line, East 258.40 feet; thence North 505.70 feet; thence West 258.40 feet to the West line of the East half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter; thence South 505.70 feet to the point of beginning.

Tax Item No.: 79-013-035-300-0405-00; commonly known as 109 E. Sanilac, Caro, Michigan 48723.

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Kelly A. Myers, Esq.
MYERS & MYERS, PLLC
915 N. Michigan Avenue
Howell, MI 48843
(517) 540-1700

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Carolyn West, a married woman, Maxine M. Wyman, married and Rodney West, her husband, Mortgagors, to Long Beach Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated the 29th day of August, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 27th day of September, 2002 in Liber 895 of Tuscola County Records, page 1196, said Mortgage having been assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-5, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety & 85/100 (\$139,590.85), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of July, 2009 at 10:00 o'clock am Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI (that being the

building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 12.12500% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

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

THE WEST 20 ACRES OF THE EAST 30 ACRES OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 12, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, EXCEPT THE DETROIT, BAY CITY AND WESTERN RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY.

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

Dated: 6/17/2009

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-5 Mortgage

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
Attorney for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-5
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 800
Troy, MI 48064
248-362-2600

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The Mortgage described below is in default - Mortgage (the "Mortgage") made by Nancy Ann Zelmer and Roger E. Zelmer, Jr., joint tenants with full rights of survivorship, as Mortgagors, to Independent Bank, formerly Independent Bank East Michigan, a Michigan banking corporation, with its address at 4200 E. Beltline, Grand Rapids, MI 49525, as Mortgagee, dated February 22, 2002, and recorded on March 25, 2002, in Liber 871, Page 332, Tuscola County Records, Tuscola County, Michigan.

The balance owing on the Mortgage is \$82,020.56 at the time of this Notice. The Mortgage contains a power of sale and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part of the Mortgage.

TAKE NOTICE that on July 23, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., local time, or any adjourned date thereafter, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan. The Mortgage will apply the sale proceeds to the debt secured by the Mortgage as stated above, plus interest on the amount due at the rate of twenty four (24%) percent per annum; all legal costs and expenses, including attorneys fees allowed by law; and also any amount paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interest in the property.

The property to be sold at foreclosure is all of that real estate and improvements situated in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as:

LOT 28, BLOCK 1 OF ASSESSORS PLAT NO. 2, VILLAGE OF CARO, INDIANFIELD TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 107, NOW BEING PAGE 57B, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

PP. #034-500-155-2800-00

The redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to MCLA 600.3240(7).

Dated: June 10, 2009

INDEPENDENT BANK Mortgagee

PLUNKETT COONEY
LISA A. DAMUTH (P70200)
Attorney for Mortgagee
333 Bridge Street, NW, Ste. 530
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504
(616) 752-4615

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Betty A. Zietz, f/k/a Betty A. Zietz, and Kinda K. Filarski, Husband and Wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for EquiFirst Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 7, 2003 and recorded on January 9, 2004 in Liber 972, Page 851, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the registered holders of EquiFirst Mortgage Loan Trust 2003-2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-2 by an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 24, 2006 and recorded on October 9, 2006 in Liber 1098 on Page 625, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY TWO AND 64/100 DOLLARS (\$159,292.64), including interest at the rate of 12.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on July 16, 2009.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of section 16, Town 10 North range 8 East Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning on the North and South 1/4 line of section 16 at a point North 1056.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of section 16, thence West 260.00 feet, thence North 100.00 feet; thence East 260.00 feet; thence South 100.00 feet to the place of beginning. 8894 South State 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: June 17, 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. 256.00080
ASAP #3147167

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Louis Foskett, a single person, original mortgagor, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 12, 2003 and recorded on March 27, 2003 in Liber 922 on Page 748 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Six and 18/100 Dollars (\$105,646.18), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 16, 2009.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point on the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 16 which is North 1344.97 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 16; said point being South, 1320.00 feet from the interior 1/4 corner of said Section 16; thence continuing North, along said North and South 1/4 line, 185.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 45 seconds West, parallel with the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 16, 440.00 feet; thence South, parallel with said North and South 1/4 line, 185.00 feet, East, 440.00 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the use of the Easterly 60.0 feet thereof as Highway M-15 and all easements of record.

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

Dated: June 17, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #074453F03

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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 Timothy J. Filarski and Kinda K. Filarski, Husband and Wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for EquiFirst Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 7, 2003 and recorded on January 9, 2004 in Liber 972, Page 851, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the registered holders of EquiFirst Mortgage Loan Trust 2003-2, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-2 by an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 24, 2006 and recorded on October 9, 2006 in Liber 1098 on Page 625, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY TWO AND 64/100 DOLLARS (\$159,292.64), including interest at the rate of 12.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mickey T. McKinney, a married man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 17, 2004 and recorded December 27, 2004 in Liber 1021, Page 1401, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association FKA The Bank of New York Trust Company, NA as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Bank One National Association as Trustee for RAMP 2005-RS2 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Two and 56/100 Dollars (\$154,642.56), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

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

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

Lot 5, Iva's Acres, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 37, Tuscola County Records.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: June 10, 2009
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
248-502-1400
File No. 280,7643
ASAP #3140499

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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 700, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Bank USA, NA, as Trustee for NHEL 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
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FCR D (248) 593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #218258F02

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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 Ryan J. Caldwell and Laura L. Caldwell, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 25, 2005 and recorded on January 9, 2006 in Liber 1068 on Page 99 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Fifty-Five and 71/100 Dollars (\$84,055.71), 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 23, 2009.

Said premises are situated in City of Yassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:
Parcel 1: Commencing at the intersection of the South line of River Street and the West line of State Street in the Village of Tuscola; thence Westerly along the South line of River Street 90 feet; thence Southerly and parallel to State Street 120 feet; thence Easterly and parallel to River Street 90 feet; thence North along the West line of State Street 120 feet to the place of beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 28, Town 11 North, Range 7 East.

Parcel 2: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 28, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 1587.25 feet; along the South Section line to the intersection of said Section line with the centerline of Bray Road (formerly Laper Road); thence North 03 degrees 47 minutes 42 seconds West, 788.56 feet; along said centerline to the intersection of said centerline with the South line of Loren Road (formerly River Street); thence North 78 degrees 10 minutes 40 seconds East, 169.14 feet along said South line to the point of beginning; thence continue North 78 degrees 10 minutes 40 seconds East, 3.15 feet; thence South 05 degrees 48 minutes 20 seconds East, 120.00 feet; thence South 80 degrees 59 minutes 29 seconds West, 5.24 feet; thence North 04 degrees 48 minutes 01 seconds West, 120.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: June 24, 2009
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FCR C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #270495F01

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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 Steven M. Crooks, a married man, original mortgagor, to Fairway Independent Mgt. Corp - Madison, Mortgagee, dated May 9, 2003 and recorded on May 19, 2003 in Liber 931 on Page 777, and assigned by said Mortgagee to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Seventy-Six and 36/100 Dollars (\$85,077.36), 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 23, 2009.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, described as: Commencing 80 rods South and 11 rods West of the Northeast corner of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, running thence South 4 rods; thence West 8 rods; thence North 4 rods; thence East 8 rods to the place of beginning.

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

Dated: June 24, 2009
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #270482F01

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2005-3 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Eight and 24/100 Dollars (\$138,638.24), including interest at 7.99% per annum.

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

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

Lot 22 and 23, Block 5 of Montague and Vilmo's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of plats, page 17, now being page 18A 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: June 24, 2009
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FCR R (248) 593-1305
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #255097F02

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Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Gregory S. Frank and Kimberly Frank, husband and wife, of 4193 Seeger Street, Cass City, MI 48726, as Mortgagors, to Northstar Bank, f/k/a Community Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, whose principal office is in Bad Axe, Michigan, as Mortgagee, dated February 15, 1999 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on February 16, 1999 in Liber 763, pages 266 and 267, and a Modification of Mortgage dated May 2, 2008 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on May 19, 2008 in Liber 1149, pages 1158, et seq, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Sixty One Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Six and 61/100 (\$61,826.61) Dollars and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main entrance of the Tuscola County Building in the Village of Caro, and County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Thursday, July 23, 2009 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., local time, in the forenoon of said day, and the premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage, together with interest, legal costs, attorney's fees and any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Land situated in the Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan
Lot 16, Block 3 of Garden Center Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 92, as re-plated in Liber 1 of Plats Page 42-B.
Commonly known as: 4189 S. Sherman Street Cass City, MI 48726
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the period of redemption shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240.
Dated: June 19, 2009

NORTHSTAR BANK, Mortgagee
RICHARD L. TROWHILL
Attorney at Law
175 Thompson Rd.
Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-6272

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Land situated in the Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan
Lot 16, Block 3 of Garden Center Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 92, as re-plated in Liber 1 of Plats Page 42-B.
Commonly known as: 4189 S. Sherman Street Cass City, MI 48726
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the period of redemption shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240.
Dated: June 19, 2009

NORTHSTAR BANK, Mortgagee
RICHARD L. TROWHILL
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Scholarships are alive and well

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Scholarship, Business Scholarship, Co-op Scholarship, and a Career Scholarship, just to name a few.

"I would recommend for all college-bound students to apply for financial aid and as early as possible. It is tough in our economy, so we just have to be creative and search for the money," McCarty said.

According to the Offices of Institutional Research at both Delta College and Saginaw Valley State University, 2 of the other schools where a major-

ity of Tuscola County students attend after graduation, enrollment numbers have not dropped despite the state of the economy.

Delta reported 573 students from Tuscola County and SVSU reported 553 students from Tuscola County who enrolled during the 08-09 school year. And both schools project an increase in enrollment from Cass City and surrounding areas for this upcoming academic school year.

According to Gerald McCarty, vice president for Student Services at the Baker College Branch in Cass City, cutting the Michigan Promise Scholarship would impact many students. He said the scholarship is important to many of the students, although Baker is relatively cheap, costing \$190 per credit compared to the state average of \$302 per credit hour.

However, he also said whether or not the scholarship was cut, students should not be scared.

"The important thing is that this is just a proposed reduction, and people shouldn't get scared. But if the state does cut the scholarship, it isn't the only financial aid out there," he said.

McCarty said the Michigan Promise Scholarship is a wonderful part of a student's financial aid package, but just because it might be cut should not prevent students from pursuing higher education.

"We don't want students to panic. Whether they go to Baker or to another college, we want students to get a degree. I don't think anyone regrets their education, it is a valuable resource. In a way, it makes you recession proof," he said. "It is unfortunate that there is talk to cut the scholarship, but there are other options."

Some of the other options include work study, other scholarships, and grants. For example, Baker College in Cass City offers an Adult Transfer

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Funeral service held Tuesday, June 23 in Cass City First Baptist Church with Pastor David Hill officiating. Interment will be in Kingston Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Heartland Hospice or American Cancer Society. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Obituaries

Lucille Cooper

Lucille Cooper, 94, of Deford, died Friday, June 19, 2009 in her home. She was born June 5, 1915 in Sanilac County to William Ralph and Leah (Holcomb) Putnam. She married E.J. Cooper July 14, 1930 in Sandusky. He died February 25, 1992.

Lucille worked as a Rosie the Riveter in Pontiac during World War II. She and E.J. moved to Deford in 1949 and began farming and raising their family. Lucille was a seamstress making many of the children's clothes. She enjoyed wallpapering, quilting, crocheting, cross stitching, crewel, china painting and tating. Lucille worked for Walbro for 17 years retiring in 1972. Her home church was Cass City First Baptist Church.

Lucille is survived by her children: Norman (Shirley) Cooper of South Branch, Gary (Carol) Cooper of Caro, Roger (Mary Lou) Cooper of Cass City, Patricia Fox of Harrisburg, IL, Ardis (Richard) Hagerman of Clarkston, Shirley (Jim) Godwin of Cotton-

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A HANDFUL OF area residents attended the June 14 flag retirement ceremony sponsored by Kranz Funeral Home, VFW Post 3644, Cass City, and Boy Scout Troop 594, and held next to the VFW post's annex building. The ceremony focused on the origins of the American flag and the proper way to dispose of worn flags.



AFTER 14 YEARS of working at Cass City's Mobile Medical Response, the Rev. Gerald Meyer is retiring. To celebrate, the MMR team came together Friday, June 19 and hosted a barbecue in his honor. Meyer said he worked with an MMR in Wisconsin before he came to Michigan, and in order to keep up his skills and keep his license, he decided to work at the MMR in Cass City. Meyer is also retiring as pastor of the Good Shepard Lutheran Church.

Divided school board votes to privatize the local district's custodial services

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the community were ultimately more valuable than hiring an outside firm.

DOLLARS AND CENTS

School Supt. Ron Wilson said he requested a bid from D.M. Burr Facilities Management, which currently provides services to the Reese School District.

The package totals \$204,288 compared to the \$385,000 Cass City Schools is currently paying for custodial services, a savings of about \$180,000, Wilson said.

According to a presentation by 2 D.M. Burr representatives Monday night, the savings come in the form of no benefit package and a starting wage of \$8.50 to \$9 an hour. The representatives said they prefer to interview and hire local residents, but made no guarantees that there would be job openings or that any of Cass City's current custodians would be hired.

Wilson, who noted the district's savings would total \$560,000 over a 3-year contract with a private firm, indicated he regrets proposing privatization. But he also pointed out that the school board will be faced with spending another \$160,000 in fund equity next year without making significant cuts somewhere.

"It's unfortunate. We're in a tough situation where the state's already made it clear to us that there's going to be a huge funding 'cliff' that could result in a funding reduction of \$600 per student in 2010-11, Wilson said.

Wilson added the change would also avoid cuts that would have a larger impact on educating students in the classroom.

Board Trustee Randy Severance

called the proposal "fundamentally unfair" because it would "cut the (legs) out from under a group of employees who have done so much for the district. They have been there for us."

Trustee Danny Haag agreed. "I have a problem saying, 'good-bye, thanks so much, have a good one,'" he said. Haag suggested the projected savings figure wouldn't match the actual savings.

Given the district's financial outlook, commented board President Doug Lautner, "I think we would be remiss if we overlooked an opportunity to save \$180,000. We need to explore all of our options. I don't like any of this, but I think we have to look at it."

It's easy to criticize, but the district is at the mercy of governments higher up that decide how much money the school receives or loses and, equally important, how and where those dollars can be spent, said board member Michelle Biddinger.

"We're just flat out of options. Do we want teachers and programs in the classroom, or do we want a different custodial service?" she asked. "We understand your frustration. We're all frustrated. This is not an easy decision for any of us."

"We wouldn't be here if we weren't desperate," added Trustee Jim Turner. Other options were suggested, including the possibility of the custodians accepting further concessions, but Biddinger said any amount of concessions would not add up to the savings by privatizing. The other option is to target another employee group, she said.

Haag and Severance urged the board to delay action until all other options are more carefully explored. "At a minimum, it gives employees a little time to look for something else. At a minimum," Severance said.

Biddinger, however, refused to

amend her motion to privatize. "The savings is substantial and I don't think we can pass it up," she said.

Pay freeze part of new contract

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Michigan Education Special Services Association (MESSA) health insurance during the second year of the contract, but limits any increase to a total premium contribution of \$1,440 in the final year.


Teachers will be able to collect "column" pay increases for furthering their education, and were guaranteed a one-time \$400 signing bonus for ratifying the new pact.

Wilson said the contract will give the district a net savings of more than \$100,000 in the fiscal year that begins next month.

Like their counterparts, school officials made it clear they aren't entirely satisfied with the contract.

Longtime board Treasurer Danny Haag, who cast the lone "no" vote against adopting the new contract, said he still has several concerns, including being locked into MESSA insurance for another 2 years. He stated the tentative agreement came from a mediator, not the union, which he suggested never came to the bargaining table with a reasonable offer.

Haag also said he has issues with what he called "frivolous" grievances filed by the union, and that he opposed signing bonuses when a contract could have been adopted months ago, saving the district a great deal of money.




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