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FRANK Horning, Cass City, a member of the Cass City Gun Club, guides Blake Sizemore, 5, of Fairgrove, on the skeet shooting range during Saturday's United Sportsmen's Alliance's (USA) annual Youth Day at the Cass City Gun Club. Adults representing both the gun club and USA combined efforts and years of hunting experience to introduce youngsters to hunting, shooting and fishing during the event. At right, Bob Walker, Kingston, stresses safety issues surrounding the use of different types of tree stands.



USA's Youth Day draws kids, volunteers to area gun club

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The estimated 50 youngsters and teens who attended the United Sportsmen's Alliance (USA) annual Youth Day Saturday at the Cass City Gun Club marked the event's lowest attendance since the event was established 8 years ago.

But after making the decision to cancel last year's Youth Day due to an early doe season in the Thumb, USA officials weren't disappointed.

"It was relaxing for us, and the kids could go through (the stations) twice," commented Tom Lounsbury, a founding member and president of USA, which along with the local gun club has hosted as many as 150 young people during previous Youth Days.

The activity gives kids the chance to shoot rifles and shotguns, learn about archery hunting and fishing, all under adult supervision and with a strong emphasis on safety.

"Safety is number one," noted Julie Kolacz, a member of USA and this year's Youth Day chairperson. "The kids get to shoot, but they learn how to do it properly."

Lounsbury said the Youth Day is all about "putting a focus on youth, because they are the future. It just introduces them to the various aspects of hunting and outdoor things, such as fishing."

"It just introduces the youth to the outdoors and shows them what's out there. We're getting them out there for the day — it's a family event — and everything's free," added Kolacz.

The United Sportsmen's Alliance was founded in December 2001 as a grassroots organization composed of area sportsmen and landowners op-

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posed to mandatory quality deer management rules. At the time, the Thumb Area Branch of the Quality Deer Management Association (QDMA) was pushing for a proposal that would have changed the definition of a legal whitetailed buck in the Thumb to a deer with a minimum of 4 points on at least one antler. In the end, USA's efforts paid off, helping to quash the QDMA proposal.

Since then, USA has evolved, but its members have not strayed from their role as a voice for Thumb sportsmen, tackling a host of issues, including expanding hunting opportunities in Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties.

"We've turned into a watchdog group," explained Lounsbury, who said the group regularly has a representative at Michigan Natural Resources Commission (NRC) meetings.

"The fall turkey season that started (a few years ago) was initiated by USA," he said. "Then, just a couple years ago, we also initiated having it legal to use a firearm to shoot fox and coyote from a raised platform."

USA's annual Youth Day continues to be a favorite project, however, because it focuses on the future of involvement of today's generation in hunting and fishing. However, both Kolacz and Lounsbury emphasized the event would not be as successful as it is if it weren't for the support of

others in the community.

"The gun club really helps us with this. They let us use their property. It's really nice," Kolacz said, noting roughly 10 gun club members joined 15 USA members in volunteering their time and sharing their experience with the youngsters Saturday.

Lounsbury agreed, adding the business community has also been quick to lend a hand each year by donating various merchandise for the kids. "We really have generous support from businesses in the Thumb," he said.



Physicians under fire Hills and Dales files suit against 2 doctors, Huron Medical Center

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Hills and Dales General Hospital has filed a lawsuit against 2 of its former physicians in an effort to prohibit them from continuing to operate their recently established practices at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe.

Huron Medical Center is also named as a defendant in the suit, which was filed July 22 in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

The physicians listed as defendants are Liberta J. Pantig, M.D., and Dr. Avelina M. Oxholm-Dababneh, D.O. Hills and Dales officials are alleging that both doctors are in breach of their contracts with the hospital, and that they along with officials at Huron Medical Center have conspired to lure their former patients at Hills and Dales to their new practices in Bad Axe, costing Hills and Dales projected annual patient revenues alone totaling more than \$1.6 million.

According to the suit, until recently, both Dr. Pantig, a Troy resident, and Dr. Oxholm, who resides in Lapeer, were employed by Hills and Dales under contracts in which they "agreed to render certain medical services for Hills and Dales and devote (their) full time and best efforts needed to provide those services on behalf of Hills and Dales."

The contacts also included a "covenant not to compete", in which the physicians agreed, in the event of their separation from the local hospital, not to practice within a 35-mile radius of Cass City unless the covenant requirement was waived in writing by Hills and Dales. Court documents state the covenant not to compete was to remain in effect for 24 months after the doctors' separation from Hills and Dales.

Over the years, the suit states that Hills and Dales "has expanded great effort and financial resources in order to expand its market into areas outside of Cass City, including the entire Thumb region...(and) has consistently recruited primary care and internal medicine physicians to service its patients."

Hospital officials also note that they spent a great deal of money and effort to recruit and set up practices for both Dr. Pantig and Dr. Oxholm.

"Several months ago, Mr. (Mike) Falatko, CEO of Hills and Dales, had heard through the rumor mill that Dr. Pantig and Huron Medical (Center) might have negotiated a new contract...(while) Mr. Falatko was also negotiating a renewal of Dr. Pantig's contract to continue her work at Hills and Dales," the suit states.

Hospital officials stated that Falatko contacted Huron Medical officials to inform them of the covenant not to compete in Dr. Pantig's contract. "In spite of that warning, Dr. Pantig and Huron Medical continued to work towards negotiating a contract, and upon information and belief, entered into such contract, effective July 1, 2009," the suit alleges.

The suit claims Dr. Pantig, who was employed at Hills and Dales for 5 years before tendering her resignation, and Huron Medical have continued in their joint efforts to violate her covenant, taking patients away from Hills and Dales for the benefit of Huron Medical, and that Dr. Pantig recruited and Huron Medical hired the office staff that had been employed at Hills and Dales to support Dr. Pantig's practice.

Hills and Dales officials claim Huron Medical Center also recruited and hired Dr. Oxholm, whose year-old practice in Kingston was closed by Hills and Dales officials due to economic conditions.

"The defendants' intentional and unlawful conduct has undermined Hills and Dales' business structure and practice and is resulting in a significant loss of business and revenue for Hills and Dales, and that loss is expected to continue," the suit states. Officials say the hospital has also suffered a "loss of good will and harm to its reputation."

The suit is asking for damages in ex-

cess of \$25,000 plus attorneys fees and costs, as well as a restraining order and preliminary injunction prohibiting the defendants from causing further harm to Hills and Dales.

Contacted by phone last week, Falatko declined to comment further on the lawsuit at this time.

Royal Oak attorney Rolf E. Lowe, who is representing Dr. Pantig, also declined comment.

Calls to Huron Medical Center CEO Jan Sternberg were not returned. However, the lawyer representing Huron Medical and Dr. Oxholm, Grand Rapids attorney Brian J. Kilbane, released a formal statement on behalf of his clients Monday morning.

"Huron Medical Center is disappointed that Hills and Dales has elected to file suit seeking to prevent 2 needed, respected and well qualified

physicians from practicing medicine anywhere in a 3,846-square-mile area, touching on 8 Michigan counties, that includes the entire land mass of the Thumb," the statement reads. "Huron Medical Center's disappointment is born from the knowledge that the entire Thumb region of Michigan is a federally-designated Health Professional Shortage Area in recognition of the fact that there is a shortage of physicians working in and providing care to patients in need of quality care in this region."

"From the outset of this matter, Huron Medical Center has offered to work cooperatively with Hills and Dales to secure mutually beneficial arrangements by which both doctors would continue a presence in Cass City in a way that would allow point Please turn to page 10.

School board hires 6 para-pros and one 8th grade teacher

As promised, the Cass City Board of Education Monday spent a chunk of its federal stimulus funding to hire several individuals in an effort to bulk up the district's staff of para-professionals. In an unexpected move, the board also recalled one eighth grade teacher.

Four of 6 para-professionals hired — Paula Fluegge and Nicholas Moyer at the high school, and Lauren Ruthko and Christina Swiderski at the middle school — will be paid with the stimulus dollars and are guaranteed a one-year contract only. Para-professional Shelly Miller was also hired at the middle school and Cathy Meck will work at Campbell Elementary School.

The stimulus dollars — roughly \$441,000 for the Cass City Schools — are also paying for a year's worth of salary and benefits for 3 laid-off teachers who were recently recalled. They are Barb Graff, middle school reading and writing support; Tana

Schrader, middle school special education; and Marnie Hacker, kindergarten.

School Supt. Ron Wilson previously explained that the stimulus dollars awarded to the school district are federally restricted and must be used directly for areas such as classroom instruction, in accordance with No Child Left Behind regulations.

The decision to hire another eighth grade teacher was added to the agenda at the beginning of Monday's regular board session.

The recommendation came from middle school Principal Jeff Hartel, who told the board that the middle school has typically staffed 4 sections of each grade, but in recent years has reduced that number to 3 sections with the exception of seventh grade, where there are still 4 sections.

That system has worked well, according to Hartel. However, he said, school officials have recently seen Please turn to page 10.

Deputies investigating rape near Cass City

Tuscola County Sheriff's Department investigators are continuing their search for the suspect in the reported abduction and rape of a woman earlier this month in the Cass City area.

Undersheriff Glen Skrent reported last week that the incident occurred during the early morning hours of Tuesday, Aug. 18.

"The female victim reported she was abducted and raped by a subject while she was walking down Cemetery Road in Novesta Township," Skrent said. "The suspect is described as a white male in his 30s or 40s with a 'large' face, glasses, short, light-colored hair and a beer belly. The suspect vehicle is described as a blue colored Ford Ranger pickup (with no) cap on the back of the truck."

A knife was used in the crime, according to Skrent, who said the victim was treated at an area hospital and then released. DNA samples have been sent to a crime lab for analysis, and the results are pending, but no other details are being released at this time.

Anyone with information about this crime is urged to contact Detective Scott Jones at (989) 673-8161 (ext. 2233).

Caro police: speeding a factor in fatal accident

Caro police say they believe excessive speed was a factor in a 2-vehicle crash that claimed the life of a Caro man last Wednesday in Tuscola County.

Police, who identified the victim as Michael S. Michalski, 22, said the accident occurred at about 1:40 a.m. on State Street (M-81) near Sherman Street in the village of Caro.

According to reports, Michalski was operating a Yamaha motorcycle west-

bound on State Street when he struck a vehicle driven by an 18-year-old Caro woman. She was injured, but Michalski suffered fatal injuries in the crash.

Caro police were assisted at the scene by accident reconstruction experts from the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department, as well as troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro and the Caro Department of Public Works.

Calendar of Events

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

Thursday, August 27

AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-4816.
Music in the Park, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Rotary Park, Cass City.

Friday, August 28

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

Saturday, August 29

Free Contemp. Christian Music by Jared Camp, 5 p.m., North Pavillion in Vassar (rain or shine). For more information, call (989) 823-3270 or (989) 746-0525. Sponsored by Calvary Chapel Fellowship, Vassar.

Dance with Denny Ewald Band, 7-11 p.m., VFW Hall, 4533 Veterans Dr., Cass City. \$8 per person. Lunch served.

Sunday, August 30

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

Monday, August 31

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.

Tuesday, September 1

Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

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Meg's Peg

This 'n' that

by Melva E. Guinther

We recently said goodbye within the same week to two individuals who played important roles in my life.

John Haire, for whom I worked for 47 years, died unexpectedly, and Senior Pastor Phil Whipple left our church to fill a higher calling as bishop.

It was a very emotional week.

John was a big part of my life. Before I worked for him at the Chronicle, where I proofread his columns and stories, he was one of the regulars during coffee hour at Parrott's Dairy Bar, where I was a waitress.

Like his first wife Dorothy, who also mentored me, he was someone you just always expected to be there.

Pastor Phil was pastor of the Colwood United Brethren Church when we started attending there, and will be hard to replace as a preacher. I'm sure we'll find another gifted pastor who will be just what the church needs, but it will never be quite the same.

Losing people who mean a lot to you makes you realize that they should never be taken for granted. We need to appreciate them every day, and tell them so on a regular basis.

If there is a summertime equivalent to the winter holidays when it comes to calorie intake, it has to be the reunion season. Along with graduation

open houses and wedding receptions, what can one do in the face of all the delicious, calorie-laden fare?

We've gorged ourselves through two family reunions and have one more to go this summer.

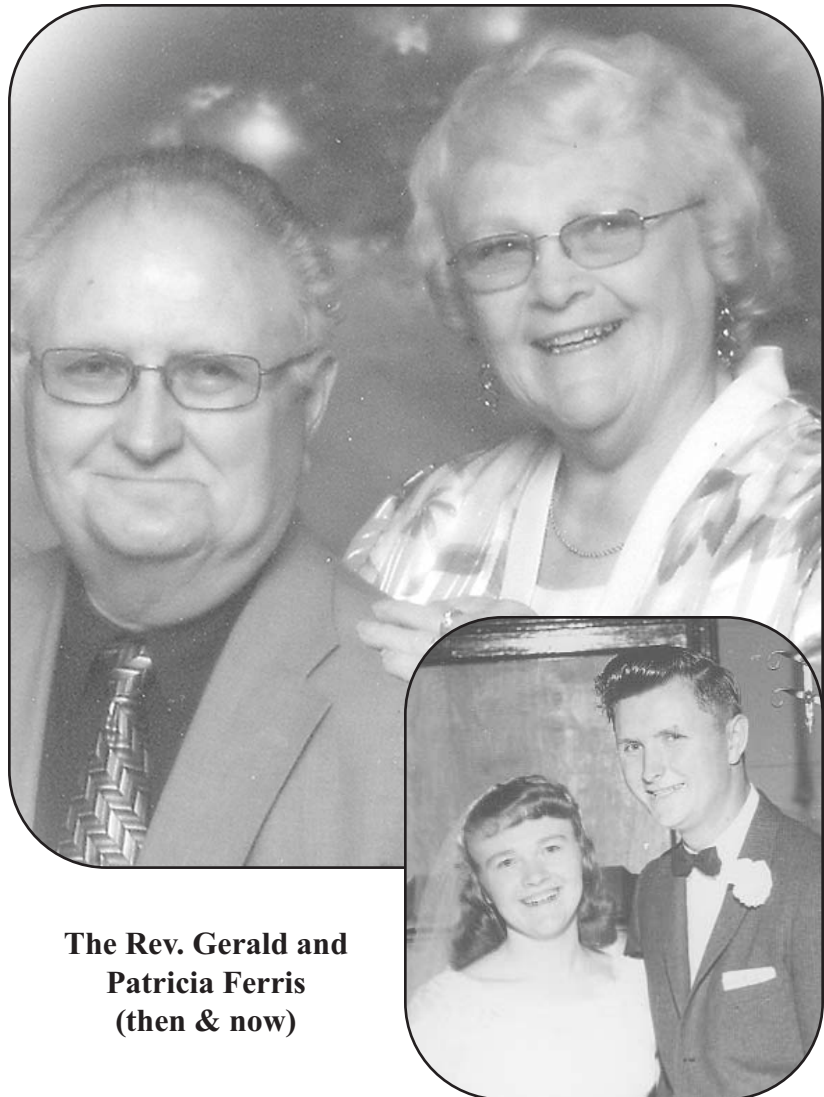
A column a while back about Cass City's past drew lots of feedback from readers who recalled the places mentioned along with several more that weren't.

A letter from Gordon Bigham, son of Basil Bigham, who delivered milk in town, cited several memories: Mr. Holmberg as pool attendant; Roger Parrish giving swimming lessons; the pool hall above Kritzman's; Ed Anthes and Bill McKinnley as cops; Bun Ross and the Federated store.

Gordon also solved the mystery for many of us who wondered about the picture in Dr. Ballard's office that scared people. After he told me, I remembered that woman looking in the mirror and seeing the reflection of a skeleton.

Gordon also mentioned the various barbershops - Tyo's, Graham's, Bill Johnston's, Dwaine's - and the many gas stations over the years. It seems like there used to be one on every corner.

By the way, if anyone has a Bigham's Dairy milk bottle, Gordon would like to hear from you.



The Rev. Gerald and Patricia Ferris (then & now)

Ferris' celebrate 50th anniversary

The Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Ferris celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 8.

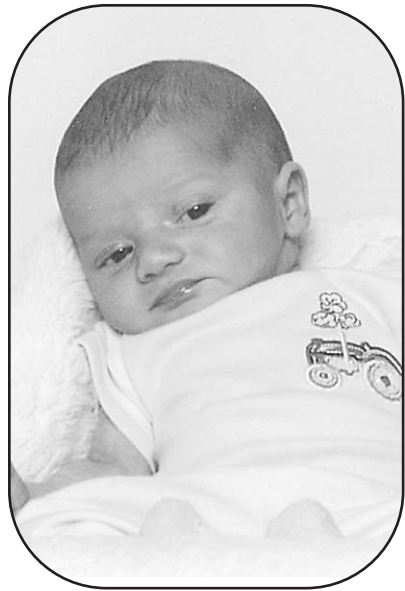
Gerald Ferris and Patricia Crawford were married Aug. 8, 1959 at the First Baptist Church in Cass City. The Rev. Robert Weckle officiated the cere-

mony.

They have 3 sons: Cassidy (Leah) Ferris of Saginaw, Randal (Alesia) Ferris of Fowlerville, and Raymond (Bonnie) Ferris of Deford; 9 grandchildren: Jesika (Daniel) Haag, Tyler (Allison) Ferris, Lance, Jared, Brenton, Jillian, Amber, Jalen, and Leann Ferris; and 2 identical twin great-grandsons, Brett and Darrin Haag.

A family celebration was held Aug. 8 at their home.

It's a boy!



Toby Sattelberg

Jim Sattelberg II and Amy Russell of Deford announce the birth of their son, Toby Lee Sattelberg.

Toby was born at 4:54 p.m., June 6, 2009 at Huron Medical Center, Bad Axe. He weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

His grandparents are Carlene Sattelberg of Caro, the late Jim Sattelberg, and George and Robin Russell of Cass City.

43 attend Milligan family reunion

The 30th annual Milligan family reunion was held Sunday, Aug. 16 at the home of Jim and Judy Brown. There were 43 members in attendance.

A potluck meal was followed by a short business meeting led by Dave Milligan. Each family reported on events from the past year.

Following the traditional softball game, ice cream was served. The next reunion will be Aug. 15, 2010 at the Jim and Judy Brown farm.

46 attend Windy reunion

The 31st annual Windy family reunion was held Aug. 9 with 46 attending.

The oldest was Raymond Windy and the youngest was Olivia Frei. Coming the farthest was Angela Keyes of Portage.

Officers are Elizabeth Keyes, president; Angela Keyes, secretary; Mark Windy, treasurer; Larry and Sarah Koester, refreshments; and Patty Cartwright and Sarah Koester, games. The next reunion will be held Aug. 8, 2010 at the Windy farm.

Former area residents celebrate 50th anniversary

Beatrice L. Wallace and Robert D. Wallace of Hemlock recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family dinner at the Horizon Center in Saginaw Township.

The former Beatrice E. Leslie and Robert D. Wallace are both graduates of Cass City High School and were married Aug. 22, 1959 in Decker.

Their daughter, Julie Wallace, lives in Mount Pleasant; and daughter, Leslie (Scott) Merchant live in Owosso.

They have 3 grandchildren: Lexi, Tristan, and Chloana Merchant.

Bea and Bob both worked in the Hemlock Public Schools, retiring in the 90s.

Weather not the best, good time still had at Brown family reunion

The 34th annual Brown family reunion was held July 26 at the Cass City Park. The attendance was smaller this year, with 37 present.

Two families traveling the farthest were Ralph and Opal Brown from Trenton, and Kara and Kevin Heck and family from Holland. They also had the youngest children.

The oldest, we won't mention his name.

The weather was not the best, but we still had a good time.

The next reunion will be held at the end of July next year.

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In Our OPINION...

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Cristiano - the right man at the right time

Right time, right place.

Peter Cristiano’s decision to serve as Cass City’s village manager just over 4 years ago was accompanied by little fanfare, but his performance since has paid big dividends on the investment of confidence village officials placed in him during the interview process.

That is to say, Cristiano’s arrival — along with the people skills he brought with him — couldn’t have been timed better.

That’s not to belittle other past Cass City village managers; in fact, Lou LaPonsie served the village very well for many years in that capacity, guiding a number of major capital improvement projects and setting standards of performance among village employees that have endured the test of time.

Since LaPonsie’s departure, the village has gone through a succession of village executives whose management styles and/or personalities simply didn’t fit in well with this small community.

But Cristiano has been a different story. Although his background isn’t predominantly “small town”, he understands this community’s needs and, in spite of the worst economic recession in decades, has time and time again proven that his own management style is the perfect fit for Cass City.

Need proof? Just take a look at Main Street. If that isn’t enough, recall the changes in the old Nestles building a year or 2 ago, or envision the activity that will soon fill the village’s desolate industrial park.

Sure, there are still many storefronts to fill in town, but Cristiano’ efforts have directly resulted in significant economic growth in Cass City — Excell Group Inc., Burkhard Plumbing and Heating, Plain and Fancy Decorating, Nick’s Country Oven, to name a few of the businesses that have set up shop or are in the process of opening their doors locally.

Cristiano also worked closely with the former owner of the Nestles building, encouraging him to spruce up the building’s exterior, and then he convinced the owner of Ceramic Systems Inc., to invest and move in. In the industrial park, patience has paid off and will soon result in construction of a poultry processing plant.

Cristiano is convinced a planned milk processing plant may still become reality in the future, courtesy of the Dairy Farmers of America, and although he doesn’t always offer details, he hints that several other projects are in the hopper to further boost the village’s business community.

We believe him.

Here’s why: first of all, Cristiano not only understands what it takes to lure business owners to a small town, he’s also keenly aware that in these times, when it comes to attracting new companies, it’s a buyer’s market. Period.

Equally important is his desire to smash a predominant feeling among many entrepreneurs that government at every level is the enemy, not an ally that can be depended on to make things happen.

More importantly, Cristiano reaches out to interested business owners. He invites them to visit the town, offers them a cup of coffee and a tour, then sits down with them and assures them that the village of Cass City is ready and willing to help in any way it can. And, after phone calls, tours, and more face-to-face meetings, he delivers.

The village council deserves some credit here, too, especially when it came to bringing aboard Kevin Mackey, Cass City’s new community development director, a year ago. Mackey is knowledgeable and personable, working with Cristiano on special projects that have yielded results in terms of business growth in the community with a welcoming smile and, again, he offers to assist business owners in every way possible.

But Cristiano’s eye on the community doesn’t stop there. When a new business agrees to relocate here, he’s quick to recommend local contractors to help with projects ranging from painting to furnace repair to major renovation.

Ask the village manager about his successes and he’ll tell you it’s all about “going that extra step.”

In our opinion, it’s all about results, and in that arena, Cristiano gets an “A”.

Letters to the Editor

Dispute not in the interest of community

Dear Editor,

This letter concerns the dispute between Dr. Pantig and Hills and Dales Hospital.

Our family has had association with the Cass City hospital now (Hills and Dales) for 4 generations. My wife has numerous health problems, including heart and diabetes, and was referred to Dr. Pantig by Beaumont Hospital about 5 years ago. Due to the outstanding care we received, we have referred many other people to her.

I’m sure there are good doctors in Cass City, but as we age, it is harder to establish new doctor relationships. Not only is she an outstanding doctor, she attempts to keep our medical costs in line. Her primary concern is with her patients, not the hospital’s bottom line or administrator.

It is difficult to obtain and retain good doctors in a rural community, and it is clear the path that has been taken does not serve the community or the doctor’s patients well.

I suggest while her departure is not clear, she may have stepped on someone’s ego. She is blunt and to the point, a quality we like. However, she doesn’t treat her patients as an ID number, and has a genuine interest in their well being.

It is plain that whoever promoted this dispute has only Hills and Dales’ interests in mind and not the patients. Maybe this problem should be reconsidered and dropped.

The only ones that will benefit will be the lawyers involved, and the ones who will pay are her patients and the community.

Yours truly,

Edward Herron

Hospital’s lawsuit is absurd, waste of time

Letter to the Editor

Subject: Dr. Avelina Oxholm

Approximately 2 years ago, after leaving Dr. Raythatha’s practice, we chose Dr. Oxholm as our “family” doctor. We were pleased with her service and returned to her many times with follow-up visits. Then Hills and Dales General Hospital chose to remove her for whatever reason.

Each subsequent appointment was with another doctor. It was like a doctor of the month plan and Hills and Dales General Hospital was choosing the doctor, not us. Our last appointment was with a doctor no one could name. I guess it was going to be a surprise.

In the meantime, we found Dr. Oxholm at Huron Medical. We were not alone. We immediately made an appointment with her at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe and canceled the appointment we had with doctor “surprise” at Hills and Dales.

Please note the reason for having a family doctor and seeing the same doctor again and again is the attending physician becomes familiar with your medical needs and can easily identify and treat them. Each doctor visit isn’t a surprise to the doctor like the Hills and Dales General Hospital doctor of the month plan. As I write this letter, nobody from Hills and Dales General Hospital can name the doctor we were to see in September.

Now, for the lawsuit against Dr. Oxholm for practicing in Huron County, it is absurd. We will follow Dr. Oxholm regardless of where she goes. Instead of wasting time and money suing her and Huron Medical, you should concentrate on improving Hills and Dales General Hospital and find out who is coming in September.

We like Hills and Dales, but the decisions being made over the past several years are driving patients away. Hills and Dales General Hospital deserves better.

Ray and Marlene Donaldson
Cass City

Where have all of the protestors gone?

Editor,

Am I the only one wondering where all the protestors from the last 2 Cass City School Board meetings are?

Dan and I have received countless verbal expressions of support, but I wonder what the lack of “letters to the editor” addressing the privatization of the custodians means. Does it mean that the people of this community are sorry the custodians are unemployed, but ultimately agree with the superintendent and the board? Do they agree that our district had no other choice but to sacrifice these jobs in order to save money for academic programs?

Or does the silence indicate something else? Perhaps people are afraid to “own” their disapproval of the board’s (superintendent’s?) decision.

Several people have phoned Dan and I to offer their condolences, quickly following up their words of comfort with pleas for us “not to tell anyone they called - lest news of their support should put their own employment in jeopardy.” I think this atmosphere of intimidation was clearly evidenced at the last board meeting - by that changed vote. And the glaring refusal of the board to offer answers to questions asked. Is this opinion unique to me?

I don’t know more about the district’s funding and equity and budget issues than our school board; and frankly I don’t have the time or the finances to FOIA all of that information. I am, like most everyone else, at the mercy of our school board to be on top of those figures - and do the right thing with them.

If the board had been united in this decision it would still stink, but the stench wouldn’t be nearly as foul as it is knowing that - according to several board members - there is not an immediate need for our school district to

Union: not difficult to concentrate

To the Editor,

It is never difficult for the teaching staff of Cass City to “...concentrate on teaching students...” as you wrote in your opinion piece last week. The teaching staff has been and continues to be dedicated to providing an excellent education to all our students. This is supported by the scores our students attain on state assessments. Cass City ranks high amongst the schools in Tuscola County on those state tests. The teaching staff will never waver from its: Aiming for Educational Excellence.

Mary Keroson, president
Cass City Education Association



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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What should we do with a dog in the grocery? Nothing. A dog isn’t supposed to be in the grocery.

That’s true in most places, anyway, and the Oregon Department of Agriculture plans to remind the dog owners. Other states should do the same.

Some folks think dogs are fine in the grocery, but they do cause a few problems. The Food Safety Division in Oregon gets more than 100 complaints a year about dogs in the food stores, and they hear about pooches licking meat packages and sniffing food items.

The idea of spoiling our pets isn’t new for many of us. We treat them as just part of the family.

A friend once told me about the old-time sheepherders and their canine companions. These men were quite attached to their dogs and generally believed theirs was the smartest animal that ever spit-up in a camp wagon.

It was important to keep these fellows and their dogs away from each other at gatherings, such as shearing time. An off-hand comment about someone’s dog would often lead to a bout of cursing, snarling, and biting that required the dogs to jump in and break it up.

I remember calling a motel for a reservation a few years ago, and just before I hung up the woman at the desk said, “Oh, and pets are welcome here. Feel free to bring your dog if you wish.”

“Uh-oh?!” I thought.

Sure enough, about daylight the next morning the motel parking lot erupted with doggy noise. A lot of folks had brought their dogs, and they were all doing their best to make some new friends.

That seemed fine to the dogs, but it’s tough for the folks who are trying to get some sleep.

There is a provision in Oregon’s law that allows service dogs in the stores. The catch is to identify what duty the animal performs.

We might consider the story of two men who agreed to meet at a downtown grocery with a deli for lunch. One of these fellows had a chihuahua named “Pedro”. The dog went everywhere with him.

This fellow got to the grocery first and walked in. The store’s proprietor ushered him back out. “No dogs in the grocery,” he said.

When the second man arrived he asked his friend, “What are you doing out here?”

The friend said, “They don’t allow dogs. And if Pedro isn’t welcome, I’m not going to stay, either.”

The second man said, “Wait a minute. Let me try it.”

This fellow put on his sun glasses, took the dog’s leash, and marched into the grocery.

The owner met him at the door. “Hey, buddy. We don’t allow any dogs in here.”

“But this is my seeing-eye dog,” the customer stated.

“That’s a chihuahua!” the owner exclaimed.

“What?! They gave me a chihuahua?!” the customer exclaimed.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

The Department of Natural Resources expects a spike in the number of hunters who will head towards the woods with crossbows in 2009.

That’s mainly because the rules have been changed.

Last spring the Natural Resource Commission decided that beginning this deer season, anyone who is age 50 or older may use a crossbow during the early (Oct. 1 - Nov. 14) archery deer season.

And in southern Michigan, any hunter who is at least 12 years of age may use a crossbow during any deer season.

Eight members of Rolling Hills Golf Course’s Wednesday night men’s league traveled to play The Gailes at Lakewood Shores Resort near Oscoda earlier this month.

The award winning links’ design - voted the #1 Ranked Public Resort Course in Michigan by the Detroit News and the #1 Ranked Public and Resort Course in Michigan by Golf Digest in 1996 - didn’t live up to its hype, according to the consensus of the two foursomes.

Fairways were lush, but the sprinklers lack yardage distances to the greens. The course played just less than 7,000 yards from the back tees, although length never seemed to be an issue.

The course’s biggest drawback, I felt, was that next tees were located too close to the previous hole’s green.


Pricing was key to our visit; 18 holes with a cart, weekdays after 2 p.m. was \$35.

A note from Ervin Haley, Sebewaing, on his subscription renewal read: Have always enjoyed your stories in addition to local news. You also have excellent editorials.

This message brought to you by the Cass City Chronicle.

Still time for a trip to Cedar Point before the start of the school year and according to Harmony Doerr, weekdays are best.

She visited the Ohio amusement park Thursday and reported the crowds manageable and her longest wait to get on any ride was about 30 minutes. Could have been a longer wait to get onto ‘The Dragster’, but it was one line she refused to enter.



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CONTRARY TO the dry field conditions illustrated in this file photo, wet weather led to severe sprout problems in this year’s soft white wheat crop in Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties.

“It’s been a scary year” Wheat disaster could cost acres

A near disastrous 2009 crop will make the decision to plant white wheat this fall a difficult one for growers like Carl Bednarski of Caro. “I never saw a loss this bad,” says Bednarski, who farms in the Thumb, Michigan’s largest white wheat growing region. The problem is the region was hit with heavy rain just as harvest was being considered, and the crop sprouted pre-harvest. “People thought if the wheat was green, it wasn’t mature and wouldn’t sprout, even with the rain. But it did. Wheat harvest is all about timing, and we experienced one of the coolest and wettest periods in history smack dab during harvest time,” said Bob Boehm, manager of the Michigan

Farm Bureau Commodity and Marketing Department. “We know that sprouting is possible at 30 percent moisture, but it’s highly unlikely. The books say it’s possible, but I never expected this,” said Martin Nagelkirk, director of the Sanilac County MSU Extension office and a wheat specialist. “We encouraged people to harvest at 20 percent moisture, but sprouting started at 26 to 27 percent or higher. There was no way growers over here could have gotten in the fields early enough to beat sprout.”

Troubles seem to be mounting for wheat growers who last year had to accept lower prices for their crop because of sprout-related quality concerns. Despite doing all the right things, consequences of this year’s weather are as bad or worse than last year for many growers in the Thumb. “You’d think the probability of having such severe problems in back-to-back years would be slim, but that’s the reality for some growers,” said Boehm. “Products made from Michigan soft wheat are in demand and we have a large value-added industry in the state. That’s why it’s imperative for farmers, researchers, grain elevators, millers, end users and the crop

insurance industry to come together to address the risk involved in producing this often very challenging crop.” Nagelkirk is also concerned the state could lose white wheat acres and growers, but remains cautiously upbeat. “People are seeing huge losses in a year when cash is already tight and markets are down. It’s been a scary year, and it’s not over yet,” he said. “In the long term, white wheat has been good to us. If we can do it anywhere, we will do it in Michigan.”

In some parts of the state, quality was not a problem. Farmers in southern Michigan reported few problems, and less sprout-prone red wheat was comparatively OK, with discounts reported, but not like white wheat. Challenges for white wheat growers likely will continue until a sprout-resistant variety is developed.

“On our end, we’re trying to push harder to understand the problem and find better resistance to it,” said Janet Lewis, MSU wheat breeder. “Unfortunately, breeding is a slow process.”

In the meantime, elevators are working with their customers to be as flexible as possible, but markets available for sprouted white wheat are limited.

Animal feed provides one alternative market. Although the national feed

market is filling fast with wheat from other states, there could be an opportunity to supply product to Michigan livestock farmers who are seeking less expensive feed options and who are able to incorporate sprouted wheat into their feed rations. Boehm suggests livestock farmers consult with MSU Extension and their nutrition specialists about this possibility.

Another option for growers, said Mark Seamon, with MSU’s Product Center for Agriculture and Natural Resources, is to use the sprouted wheat in a biomass heating system like a corn burner. But growers should do their homework before making the switch, he said.

Marketing or usability options will likely depend on a grower’s insurance coverage. However, any salvage value, such as selling it for feed, will be deducted from an indemnity payment, said Mark Schwandt, head of crop insurance claims with American Farm Bureau Insurance Services. Straw is a different matter. “You can do whatever you want with straw because it’s a byproduct,” he said.

The bottom line is every situation is different, so farmers should consult with their insurance adjuster, said Schwandt.

Bardwell and Roggenbuck attend NACo conference in Tennessee

Thomas Bardwell, Vice Chair, Tuscola County Commissioner District 2, and Amanda Roggenbuck, Tuscola County Commissioner, District One, recently participated in the National Association of Counties’ (NACo) 74th Annual Conference and Exposition in Nashville/Davidson County, Tenn., and pledged to work toward economic recovery.

More than 3,000 elected and appointed county officials representing nearly every state and the District of Columbia adopted resolutions on national issues facing counties, including economic development, transportation and infrastructure funding, and access to healthcare. Attendees also participated in educational seminars and workshops to strengthen their public service skills and heard from leading national experts on various issues important to local govern-

ment.

Throughout the conference Bardwell and Roggenbuck were able to attend a variety of training sessions and to advocate for Tuscola County at the federal level.

“We learned about new ideas being put forth at the federal level and secured Tuscola County’s position on many other issues facing counties throughout the nation. Some of the proposals in congress would have devastating effects on Tuscola County, and other rural areas. Through a continued partnership and direct involvement with NACo, Tuscola County has a stronger voice and presence as a local advocate at the federal level,” Roggenbuck and Bardwell, said in a joint statement.

Even in these unprecedented economic times, it is important to remember the value of meeting with peers to share ideas and to solve problems. One of the biggest benefits of attending NACo conferences is the ability to do just that, Bardwell said. You participate in working sessions with other similarly situated county officials and learn about best practices that address the issues and challenges facing Tuscola as well as many other counties today.

“Commissioners can more effectively attend to local issues more efficiently,” Bardwell added.

Both he and Roggenbuck commented, “It was a very productive and informative conference in that we were able to voice our support and concern regarding a variety of legislative platforms at the national level.”

“One of the greatest values of participating in NACo’s conferences is interacting with fellow county officials from across the country, lending our county’s voice to national policies that impact us at home while at the same time, hearing directly from

Washington’s administration officials and national experts.”

“I gathered more ideas to engage the public in the challenging process of rebuilding our county and state,” said Roggenbuck.

From a financial perspective, Bardwell stated he “reviewed a variety of creative programs that are helping to improve services throughout the community and the means of improving service delivery in an era of declining county revenues.”

The 2009-2010 NACo officers were installed during the conference.

In addition, other National NACo Board appointments were presented, and Bardwell was appointed as vice chair to the Rural Action Caucus, which is the voice for America’s rural counties on Capitol Hill, the Administration and with federal agencies; and Bardwell and Roggenbuck were appointed to the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee, which relates to all matters pertaining to legislation affecting the economy of agricultural counties; rural development programs; and conservation and environmental programs affecting agriculture. Bardwell was also appointed to the NACo membership committee, which serves all counties nationally.

Delegates heard presentations from several nationally renowned speakers, including Jon Meacham, the editor of Newsweek magazine; Tamara Erickson, a nationally-renowned motivational speaker and award-winning author; Gil Kerlikowske, chief of the Office of National Drug Control Policy; U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood; U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius (via videotape); Deputy Housing and Urban Development Administrator Ron Sims. (See recap of remarks below and at www.naco.org)

Woman faces embezzlement charges

A Pigeon woman was arraigned last week on 2 charges of embezzlement following a 2 1/2-month investigation into missing funds belonging to a Thumb area traveling pool league and fire department auxiliary.

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said the suspect, Sherry L. Miller, 44, cooperated and has confessed to the incidents, turning herself in to authorities early last week.

She was formally arraigned in Huron County District Court on 2 counts of embezzling \$1,000 to \$20,000, a felony punishable by up to 5 years in prison. Miller subsequently posted bond.

Hansen said his department launched its investigation after being contacted last May by a member of the Traveling Pool League, which is composed of 8 Thumb area bars and consists of 16 teams. The caller stated

he or she suspected that the league treasurer had been embezzling money from the organization.

Hanson said league officials became suspicious in mid-May when checks started to come back due to insufficient funds.

“This made members of the league look into the situation deeper,” he continued. “Detective Koehler was assigned this complaint and was able to determine that over \$15,000 had been embezzled over a 12-year span.

“While working on this complaint, he was also contacted by the Fairhaven Township Fire (Department) Auxiliary,” Hanson said. “Apparently, our suspect from the Traveling Pool League was also the treasurer for the auxiliary, and they were missing money from their checking account. In this complaint,

Detective Koehler was able to determine that over \$9,000 has been taken in over a 5-year span.”

Koehler interviewed Miller June 16, according to the sheriff, who noted she confessed to both thefts at that time.

Calvarymen Quartet in concert

The Cass City United Methodist Church, 5100 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, will host the Calvarymen Quartet Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

A free-will offering will be taken. More information is available by calling (989) 872-3422.

Distribution of food set at church

There will be another food distribution Monday, Aug. 31, at the Farver Road Baptist Church at 1 p.m.

Please bring your own containers. Christian Radio 88.5 WCTP sponsors the food distribution in cooperation with the Eastern Michigan Food Bank of Flint.

The church is located next to Noah’s Ark Christian Theme Park at 4330 Farver Rd. (1 1/2 miles southwest of the intersection of Elktion and Sebe-waig roads).

For more information, call Pastor Duane Plonta at (989) 315-8043.

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ARTHUR SEVERANCE finishes a quilting project as his wife, Janet, looks on in the basement of their Severance Road home. The Evergreen Township couple enjoys the hobby together and has completed dozens of quilts for family members and friends over the past couple of years.

Quilting couple Severances share love of hobby

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Arthur Severance is well known in the Thumb for the different hats he's worn over the years — lifelong dairy farmer and veteran clerk in Sanilac County's Evergreen Township for the past 16 years, for example.

He's also a founding member of the Cass City Layman's Club, a group that established and organized Cass City's annual New Year's Eve Sing years ago. The club is no more, but Severance and a handful of family members still run the popular New Year's tradition.

Today, however, Severance could be known for another talent: quilting.

It's a hobby Severance took up a couple years ago and now shares with his wife, Janet, who learned to sew, knit and crochet as a girl active in 4-H. Together, they have crafted dozens of quilts, each using their own skills and tastes in fabric — Arthur is quick to say he enjoys selecting his own patterns — to create quilts for family members, friends, auctions and benefits.

"Well, Janet's going to sew. I thought, might as well get involved," Arthur said of his interest in quilting. "It started with me wanting to make a piano quilt, and it just kept going and going and going," Janet added.

Severance has a little more time to indulge a hobby these days. He passed his Severance Road dairy farm on to his son, Randy, 5 years ago, although Arthur continued to grow crops for feed on the farm. This past year, Randy sold the operation to pursue other career interests.

Severance has enjoyed his introduction to quilting as well as the stops he and Janet make to various quilting specialty shops while traveling. When they're home, the couple spends time in their basement, working together on quilts ranging from small, wall hanging-sized works of art to full-sized projects.

"I put the quilts together and finish

them, and he quilts them," said Janet, who explained that quilting, in a nutshell, involves sewing together 3 layers — a top and bottom layer of printed fabric with a layer of batting in between. The printed fabric can be an entire yardage of ready-made material, but more often the top layer is composed of small pieces, carefully pieced and sewn together into patterns that are limited only by the creator's imagination.

Basically, Janet said, "I cut up perfectly good fabric into pieces and then sew it back together in a design."

It's truly a team effort, with Arthur using a specialized machine to sew each quilt together, followed by Janet putting the final touches — trimming and binding the edges on each project. Very little material is wasted, as the couple uses scraps in future projects.

"There are several brands (of quilting machines) and manufacturers. What we have now is actually called a Tin Lizzie," Janet noted, adding the model is also known as a long-arm quilting machine. The process involves placing all 3 layers of a quilt onto rollers and then sewing them together using a specialized sewing arm and a pattern template. The operator can also sew "free style" with no specific pattern, known as "stippling".

The machine makes relatively quick work of a quilt.

"We can do a queen-size quilt in 2 hours," Janet said, "and it might take 2 or 3 months to do the same thing by hand."

Every quilter has favorite patterns or themes they prefer for their projects, and the Severances are no different. Both look for music-themed patterns, such as musical note or instrument designs. In fact, they've amassed a collection of more than 75 different types of fabric with that theme. Far-mall tractor designs are also a favorite.

That's no surprise, given the role music has and continues to play in their lives. Both Arthur and Janet play key roles in putting together Cass City's annual New Year's Eve Sing, and the popular Lloyd Severance

Thumb Gospel Music Convention — now in its 12th year and scheduled this year for Aug. 27-30 at Bay Shore Camp in Sebawaing — was named in honor of Arthur's father. Janet is an accomplished pianist and organist who has served in that capacity at the Shabbona United Methodist Church for the past 53 years. Back in the 1970s, she served as the pianist for a Thumb trio, The Dorman Sisters, who had a couple of recordings in their day.

Now, music shows up in another form in the Severance household; in homemade quilts that have no doubt become keepsakes for a host of their family members.

"When we first started, we thought we'd do a quilt now and then," Janet said, adding the couple has probably made 150 quilts over the past couple years.

Arthur's interest in the hobby surprised those who know him, especially his children, whose memories of their father are more along the line of a hard-working farmer hauling hay bales, planting fields and tending to a dairy herd. Still, the couple has enjoyed every minute of their time creating together.

"In the winter time, if the weather's bad, we go into the basement and turn on the gas fireplace," Janet said. "It's something we can do together, and it also lets us use some of our creative juices."

Down Memory Lane

By Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO

The Michigan Association of County Clerks was scheduled to honor Tuscola County Clerk Margie A. White-Cormier Tuesday night as the 2004 Michigan County Clerk of the Year during the organization's conference in Thompsonville. The honor was kept a secret from White-Cormier, a Cass City High School graduate and Tuscola County's clerk for nearly 12 years, until Tuesday's conference, according to her husband, Steve Cormier.

A work-related shoulder injury has sidelined Clyde Rhodes when it comes to one of his favorite pastimes, archery hunting with a traditional bow at his side. But that hasn't dampened his enthusiasm for the sport, or his love for making his own bows. In fact, the Owendale man has been busy with a project he hopes will instill in others the same interest in his hobby. Rhodes has completed a book on the subject, entitled "Hidden Beauty, The Unbacked Hickory Flatbow." "I started in March 2003 while I was off of work. In about a month I had it written," said the Cass City native, who began building his own bows in 1992 after reading some books explaining the process. "As I learned more, I wanted to write a book that was based for beginners." Rhodes said, adding his book is geared towards both young and old. He also touches on the different types of archery hunting, hunting ethics, and his own personal experiences, growing up with a father who nurtured his interest in hunting and fishing. Today, Rhodes and his wife, Lynn, have passed on those same experiences to their children, Katie, 13, and Clyde, 11.

Can anyone raise 3 teenage girls and run a business? Dave Scasny can. The 47-year-old Colwood resident decided to expand his field of work to include operating a business in Cass City. Scasny and his 3 daughters, Valerie, 16, Victoria, 13, and 12-year-old Vanessa, run Alley Cats Clothing at 6422 Main St., a teenage/young adult clothing store which opened the Friday of Summer Mania, August 6.

10 YEARS AGO

The first Youth For Christ auction organized to benefit the Cass City-Kingston Region of Bluewater Thumb YFC proved overwhelmingly successful, with organizers estimating the sale netted some \$20,000. More than 300 people attended the event, held Saturday in Cass City Recreation Park.

Air Force Col. James Reid, director of the Strategic Nuclear Arms Reduction Treaty (START), makes regular

trips to Russia to oversee the program. His work was considered so vital that he was granted a 2-year extension past the mandatory service retirement age to supervise the disarmament program. As a youth, the Cass City native did not visualize serving that long. He was reared on the family farm, northeast of Cass City, the son of Jean and the late Don Reid, and is a graduate of Cass City High School. Within the next few weeks, 2 trips to Russia are scheduled and Reid says that's fairly typical of his agenda since he became deputy director in 1997. Before that, he was in charge of one of 3 divisions in the START program. The agreement between Russia and the United States was finalized in 1992 and the actual dismantling began in 1993. Reid joined the program in 1994. The 32-year career for Reid will come to an end next spring.

25 YEARS AGO

Scott Harding and Chris Tuckey, both of Cass City High School, were two of almost 8,000 students who attended the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, Twin Lake, MI, during the summer session this year. Tuckey, 15, an art major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tuckey. Harding, 16, a band major, is the son of Ms. Sandra Harding. The Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, located 15 miles north of Muskegon, is one of the largest summer schools of art in the United States. Last year it attracted students from 29 states and 16 countries.

After 21 years at the same location, Steve Frank has decided to sell his store on Main Street and retire. Frank, owner of the Frank Music Store and Flea Market, will shut down the business soon and join his wife Elizabeth Jane, who retired from Active Industries, Elkton, after more than 20 years of service.

For Barbara Root, memories of the summer of 1984 will not be of her father's farm or her friends in Cass City, but will be filled with the thoughts of travel and discovery in a foreign country. Barbara, 17, a senior at Cass City High School, was part of the Lions Club student exchange program for a five-week trip to Denmark.

35 YEARS AGO

Tuscola County Circuit Court Judge James P. Churchill has been nominated to fill the vacancy on the U.S. District Court's Detroit bench left by the death of Judge Stephen Roth. Churchill's nomination was announced Saturday by Sen. Robert Griffin who made the recommendation to President Gerald Ford. The 50-year-old Churchill, a Vassar Democrat, has served as Circuit Judge in Lapeer and Tuscola Circuit since 1965.

What can you do with two weeks of vacation that's different? How about a 3,675-mile motorcycle trip? That's what Jim Wentworth, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wentworth of Decker decided to try. He loved it. Wentworth traveled from San Francisco to Cass City with his cousin, Tom Ciaramitaro, 20, of San Francisco, leaving the misty city by the bay June 18.

Evergreen's 80-plus Guys and Gals 4-H Club began taking exhibits into Sanilac County's 43rd annual 4-H fair Monday, Aug. 12. By the end of the showing and judging Saturday night, they had taken all Market Grand Champions. This included the Grand Champion hog, shown by Randy Severance, Grand Champion lamb, shown by Tim Severance, and Grand Champion steer, shown by Diane Leslie. The club also took 24 county honors in other projects. In Crafts, blue ribbons were won by Penny and Jane Wright, Scott Vatter, Sandra Pallas, Charlotte Moore, Jeff Moore, Brian Moore, Debbie Smith, Terry Agar, Steve Agar, Russell Bye, Karen Wallace and Delores Peters. Co-honors went to Sally Smith, Sherry Jones, Diane Sefton and Janice Wentworth. In Woodworking, blue ribbons were copied by Greg Moore, Sherry Bader, Terry Agar, Tim Vatter, Scott Vatter, Todd Vatter, Steve Agar and Dwight Loeding. Red ribbons went to Jeff Moore, Bob Leslie, Dave Caister, Charlotte Moore, Dave Mathews, Durrell Caister, Steve Hollis, Kim Meredith, Scott Harmon and Mark Mathews. White ribbons went to Brian Moore and Doug Hyatt. Co-honors were awarded to Diane Leslie, Eddie Izydorek, Phil Bader and John Agar.

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THE 2009 OWEN-GAGE varsity volleyball team members are, from left, Kayla Montreuil, Lauren Mandich, Amanda Muntz, Holly Errer, Christy Schmidt, Ericka Mroz, Kelsey Quick and Amanda Woodruff.

New football era set at Owen-Gage

The Owen-Gage Bulldogs will enter their maiden season in eight-man football with 6 freshmen, 3 sophomores, 3 juniors and 4 senior team members.

Despite just 5 returning letter winners, Coach Jason Pierce is excited about the new upcoming season that will include a pair of home and away games against fellow North Central Thumb League foes Akron-Fairgrove and Carsonville-Port Sanilac.

Leading the list of returnees and expected to be team leaders in 2009 are seniors Nick Zaleski and Ryan Francis. Zaleski will be the Bulldog workhorse in the backfield while Francis, at 6' tall and 240 pounds, will anchor the offensive and defensive lines.

Also back with a year of experience under his belt is sophomore quarterback Hunter Champagne, who will compete with talented freshman Tommy Kennedy to replace Brent Reil behind the center.

In the Bulldog backfield, sophomore Cole Denhoff returns, while sophomore Mike Harp and freshman Danny Jeffery are untested, but eager to play.

Jordan Sprague, 205-pound senior, and Eric Rievert, 210-pound freshman, will give the Bulldogs some muscle in the center of the line, along with a pair of 190-pound freshmen in Jordan Kain and Mike Mandich.

On the corners of the Bulldogs' offensive line will be returning junior Clyde Rhodes and junior Tyler Kain, while senior Ryan Cavey is expected to be one of the team's top receivers.

Junior lineman Megan McLaren replaces graduate Brandy Plowman as the Bulldog's only female player.



Ryan Cavey



Nick Zaleski



Ryan Francis



Jordan Sprague



Tommy Kennedy



Hunter Champagne



Mike Harp



Megan McLaren



Cole Denhoff



Jordan Kain



Andrew Fahrner



Mike Mandich



Danny Jeffery



Eric Rievert

Owendale-Gagetown High School Football Schedule

7:00 p.m. start times unless otherwise noted.

Aug. 27	Eastern Washtenaw Multicultural Academy (EWMA)
Sept. 4	CPS
Sept. 11	EWMA
Sept. 18	Akron-Fairgrove
Sept. 25	CPS
Oct. 1	Michigan School for the Deaf (Flint) @ 5:00 p.m.
Oct. 9	Akron-Fairgrove (Homecoming)
Oct. 16	EWMA
Oct. 29	Michigan School for the Deaf (Flint)
Home games in bold.	

Middle school volleyball practice set

The Cass City Middle School 7th and 8th grade volleyball teams will begin mandatory practice on Thursday, Aug. 27, from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

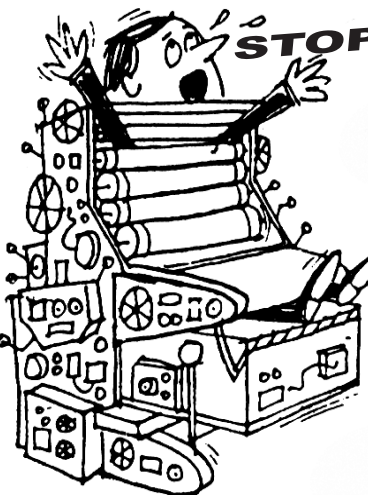
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Fabulous Five's Fearless Forecast

The Chronicle welcomes area resident Leroy Beecher to its Fearless Forecast group. He's got the credentials; a force as a player for the Red Hawks in 1990, prior scout for the Red Hawk varsity team and current 3rd and 4th grade football coach. But, can he stack up against the, uh... pros? Time will tell - Good luck, Leroy!

This Week's Forecast



Clarke Haire



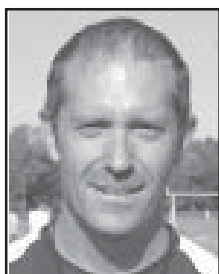
Tom Montgomery



Tina Pallas



Doug Hyatt



Leroy Beecher

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Friday, August 28

Owen-Gage at Ann Arbor
CPS at Engadine
Akron-Fairgrove at Au Gres
Cardinal Mooney at N. Huron
BCAS at Valley Lutheran
Vassar at Caro
USA at Ubly
Cass City at Sandusky
Dryden at Mayville
Marlette at Kingston
Carrollton at Lakers
Bad Axe at Harbor Beach

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August 30

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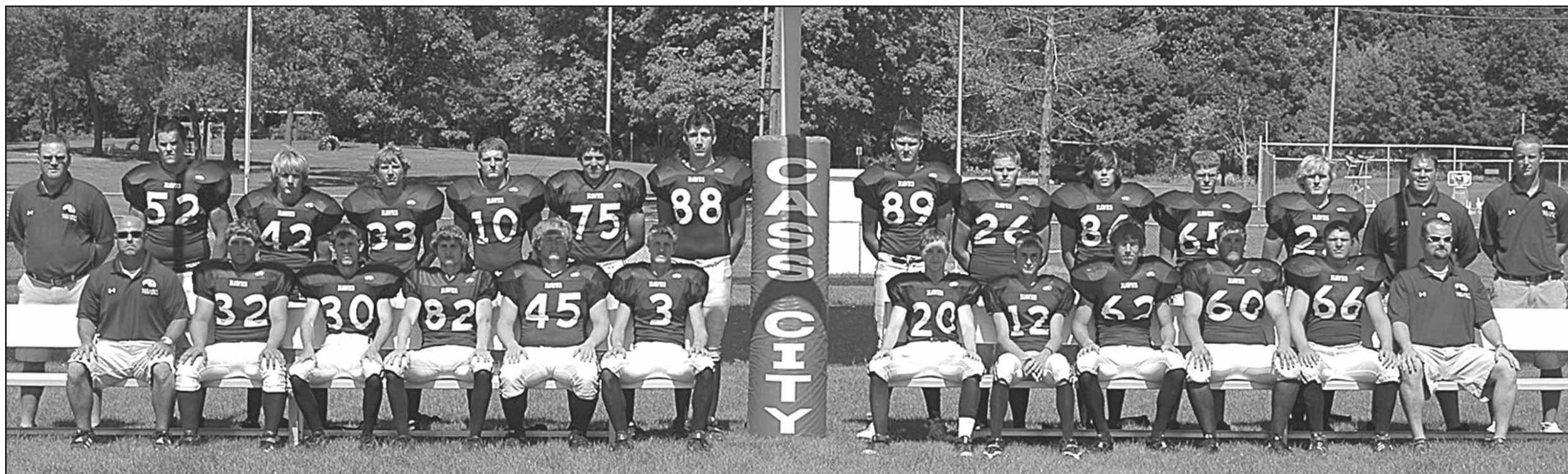
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Monday Night Golf League as of Aug. 17

Division 1	
Scott Richards	163
Daryl Iwankovitsch	155
Richard Tate	153
Dieter Roth	140
Craig Helwig	137
Mike Lowe	136
Jon Zdrojewski	136
Don Ouvry	124

Low gross score for the week: Craig Helwig 38, Dieter Roth 38
Low net score for week: Jon Zdrojewski 35, Dieter Roth 35, Daryl Iwankovitsch 35

Division 2	
Ray Fox	163
Tom Kelly	160
Dan Mosher	141 +157*
Dave Allen	150
Jim Smithson	129
Jack Hool	121*
Jim Peyer	119*
Jim Hobbs	117*

Low gross score for the week: Dan Mosher 41
Low net score for week: Dan Mosher 34

Division 3	
Terry Hendrick	183
Dan Caister	172
Thad Phelps	152
Bruce LaValley	136
Larry Robinson	134
Dan Curtis	131
Harold MacAlpine	124
Dick Wallace	99

Low gross score for the week: Larry Robinson 42
Low net score for week: Larry Robinson 33

Division 4	
Steve Osantoski	160*
Paul Regnerus	156
Steve Palmer	154
Josh Stern	150*
Tom Lis	135
Bob Stickle	127
David House	122
Keith Pobanz	111*

Low gross score for the week: Josh Stern 45
Low net score for week: Tom Lis 31

*Denotes matches to be made up

Wednesday Night 2-Man Golf League Final standings

Division 1 - Early	
Davis/Tate	221
Burns/Kritzman	217
Young/Veggian	212
Hendrick/Kelly	210
Henn/Herron	210
Burns/Caister	206
Warner/Wallace	201
Alexander/Spencer	196
Daniels/Wilson	191
Craig/Knight	189
Hobbs/Meck	186
Zdrojewski/Peters	185
Berwick/Greenlee	183
Iwankovitsch/Stickle	175
Bliss/Irrer	166
Pobanz/Smithson	156
Jones/Marshall	133
Dillon/Tonti	122

Division 2 - Late	
deBeaubien/Lowe	234
Hillaker/Murphy	219
Bliss/Krol	207
Doerr/Haire	206
Langley/Tamlyn	195
Hartel/Brown	195
Hool/Toner	189
Martin/Robinson	184
Biddinger/Smith	182
Corey/Paul - Ulfig	174
Osentoski/D. Wallace	168
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LeValley/Morgan	139

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Aug. 28	Sandusky	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 3	EPB Lakers	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 11	Harbor Beach	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 18	Bad Axe	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 25	USA	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 2	Reese	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 9	BCAS(HC)	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 16	Vassar	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 23	Caro	7:00 p.m.

2009 JV FOOTBALL

Aug. 21	Scrim@Peck	
Aug. 27	Sandusky	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 2	EPB Lakers	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 10	Harbor Beach	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 17	Bad Axe	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 24	USA	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 1	Reese	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 8	BCAS	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 15	Vassar	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 22	Caro	7:00 p.m.

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Aug. 25	Brown City	5:00 p.m.
Aug. 27	Marlette	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 1	Caseville	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 3	Harbor Beach	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 10	Sandusky	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 12	Bad Axe Invite	10:00 a.m.
Sept. 15	USA	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 22	EPB Lakers	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 29	Bad Axe	5:00 p.m.
Oct. 1	Caro	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 6	USA	4:30 p.m.
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Cass City High School

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Welcome students to the 2009-2010 school year!

TUESDAY MORNING, September 08, 2009 (Check schedule below for time.)

General Information

The Cass City Public Schools will open **Tuesday, September 08, 2009**. All students are to report to their respective buildings.

School safety has been and will continue to be a major point of emphasis in our schools. Our district has a safety communication plan which includes the evacuation of all buildings if ever the need arises. The safety and education of our children are our major priorities.

School offices are open and ready to register new students. Considerable waiting time may be saved if appointments to register the students are made.

Kindergarten

All day every day kindergarten classes will begin on Tuesday, September 08, 2009. Kindergarten parents will be notified by letter when to come for parent conferences. Parents should present the child's birth certificate, health record, and enrollment sheet before school starts if they have not already done so.

School Time Schedules

School Building	Starting Time	Dismissal
Campbell Elementary	8:00 a.m.	3:06 p.m.
Early Childhood Ed. Center	8:00 a.m.	3:06 p.m.
Middle School	8:05 a.m.	3:07 p.m.
High School	8:10 a.m.	3:03 p.m.

Safe Routes to School

The CCHS Coordinated Health Team will be sponsoring, “The Safe Routes to School Walk” for all students. On October 7th incentives will be given to students that participate.

Transportation

Parents are asked to call 872-5618 to inform the transportation department if students will not be riding busses due to extended illnesses or to make special requests regarding carry on items. Additionally, inflated balloons are prohibited from all busses due to safety consideration.

Changes in enrollment and a geographical shift in student population within the Cass City Public School District has facilitated the need to restructure several of our bus routes. However, we need your help to ensure a smooth and safe transition. Parents are encouraged to have students ready to board buses early for the first few days of the school year. There will be no in town pickups. Also students are allowed one (1) pickup address and one (1) take home address. Adjustments to balance the bus loads and to provide for the transportation of new students will be made as soon as possible. The following bus policies have been adopted by the Board of Education.

Student Responsibilities

1. Students and parents must understand that the school day does not end until the student is dropped off at the take home location. Therefore students are expected to observe classroom conduct with the utmost respect for the bus driver and the rules that pertain to riding the bus.
2. To occupy the seat assigned by the driver and remain seated in an erect position with both feet on the floor while the bus is in motion.
3. To be at the pickup place designated at the scheduled time.
4. To wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to get on or off.
5. To keep all parts of your body inside the bus at all times.
6. To cross a traveled highway, if necessary after leaving the bus, by walking in front of the bus.
7. To leave or board the bus only with the consent of the driver and only through the proper door.
8. To immediately report to the driver any damage to the bus.
9. To help keep the bus clean, sanitary and orderly and the aisles free of any obstructions.
10. To obey the driver cheerfully and to refrain from unnecessary conversation with the driver while the bus is moving.

Parent Responsibilities

1. To take all precautions necessary for the protection of their children while going to and from the bus stop.
2. To work in a cooperative manner with those responsible for pupil transportation.

Bus Discipline Procedure

1. First violation - The driver submitting the violation report will deliver it personally to the Principal of the building the student attends. The Principal will arrange a conference at which the student, driver and Principal will be in attendance. A written communication regarding the violation and disciplinary action taken will be sent to the parents.
2. Second violation - The same procedure as in the first violation. The minimum disciplinary action will be three (3) day suspension from riding the bus.
3. Third violation - The same procedures as above with a five (5) day minimum suspension.
4. Fourth violation – The same procedures as above with a ten (10) day minimum suspension.

Cafeteria

A computerized debit system for the breakfast and lunch program has been ongoing for several years. This program operates with the student's pin number, which then generates a picture of the student on the computer screen while it accesses that student's account. One of the best features about this program is the security it provides. No one will be able to access another student's account.

Envelopes for this program will be provided to the students. Please fill out the information on the front of the envelope so the money is put in the right account. Checks or money must be sealed in the provided envelopes *and* put in a drop box in the principal's office of each school before 9:30 A.M. Money received after this time will not go on the student's account until the next entry date. A \$5.00 charge limit will be placed on all accounts. Parents have the ability to login to the school's website and put money in and check on their student's lunch balance. For more information, visit www.casscityschools.org and click Skyward Family Access.

Elementary and high school cafeterias will open on Tuesday, September 8th. The price for lunches at Campbell is \$1.75. The price for middle and high school student lunches is \$2.00. Milk is available for all students who carry their own lunch at a cost of .50 cents a carton.

The school breakfast program will begin in all schools on Tuesday, September 08, 2009. Student cost for breakfast is \$1.00. Students who wish to participate in the breakfast program will be allowed in each building's cafeteria approximately 15 to 20 minutes prior to the beginning school time.

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Ronald Wilson	Superintendent
Chad Daniels	High School Principal
Jeffrey Hartel	Middle School Principal
Aaron Fernald	Campbell Elementary School Principal
Donald Markel	Athletic Director/Asst. H.S. & M.S. Principal

Guidance

Jill Rowland	Director of Guidance/Counseling and Student Services
Beth Howard	Elementary School Social Worker (Funded by State Grant)
Stacey Bliss	Middle School Social Worker

Campbell Day Care Center

Terri Maurer

Beth Kittler, Jennifer Vermeersch, JoEllen Bukoski, Lisa Weaver & Katie Pine – Aides

Early Childhood Education Center

Terri Maurer, 4 yr. old Early Childhood (GSRP)/Great Start	
Tammy Schefka, Developmental Kindergarten/Young 5's	
Tracey Jaworski, Kindergarten	Susan Stoutenburg, Kindergarten
Shirley Tuckey, Kindergarten	Marnie Hacker, Kindergarten

Elementary - Campbell

Rosemary Bushong, First Grade	Lori Kemp, First Grade
Paula LeVilley, First Grade	Linda Rose, First Grade
Kathy Dorland, Second Grade	Jeanie McGee, Second Grade
Nancy Walker, Second Grade	Brenda Fulcher, Third Grade
Kristine Milligan, Third Grade	Linda Stee, Third Grade
Lisa Green, Fourth Grade	Debra Peruski, Fourth Grade
Robyn Murdoch, Fourth Grade	Yvonne Sherman, Fourth Grade
Ron McCollum, Physical Education	Rebecca Walker, Vocal Music
Linda Guza, Special Education	

Middle School

Julie Bitzer, Fifth Grade	Jenifer Green, Fifth Grade
Barb Kim, Fifth Grade	Barb Graff, Sixth Grade
Deborah Hobbs, Sixth Grade	Josh Stern, Sixth Grade
Mary Anne Keroson, Seventh Grade	Lisa Laventure, Seventh Grade
Ryan Walker, Seventh Grade	Ronald Woloshen, Seventh Grade
Chris Collins, 8 th Grade Spanish	Kay McCrea, 8 th Grade Language Arts
Lloyd Schinnerer, 8 th Grade Social Studies	Jon Zdrojewski, 8 th Grade Math

Kelli McIntyre, 5 th /8 th Grade Physical Education	Judy Brown, 5 th /8 th Grade Technology
Robin Beckrow, 5 th /8 th Grade Special Education	Kathy Kappen, 6 th /7 th Grade Special Education
Laura Schinnerer, 5 th /8 th Grade Special Education	Tana Shrader, Title I/Interventions

Senior High School

Chris Collins, Spanish	Scott Cuthrell, Physical Education
Nancy Folk, English	Garrett Gordon, Science/Math
James Green, Science	Joseph Guza, Math
William Hartzell, Social Studies/Special Education	James Hobbs, Fine Arts
Judy Hoeltzle, Fine Arts/English	Connie Iwankovitch, Math
Cheryl Kilbourn, Fine Arts	Stacey Markel, Special Education
Nichole Maurer, Math/Science	Kelli McIntyre, Fine Arts
Dennis Meek, English	Jane Reif, English/Social Studies
Kurt Tuckey, Fine Arts/Math	Linda Volz, Social Studies
Marilyn Walsh, Math	Craig Weaver, Science
Kathy Wright, Special Education	Sean Zawilinski, Social Studies
Tammy Downing, P.R.E.P. (T.I.S.D.)	

Multi-Building Personnel

Jonelle Lull Instrumental Music/Vocal Music

Chapter I - (Federally Funded)

Edlore Pasant	Director Federal Programs (Part Time)
Janelle Anderson	Reading Specialist/Reading Recovery/Title I
Linda Bailey	Reading Specialist/Title I Coordinator

School Nurse

Kathy LaPonsie

Technical Director

Lyle Severance

Assistant Director

Brett Davis

Crossing Guards

Barb McComb Connie Lapeer Brenda Stover Sally Pergande

Transportation Director & Bus Mechanic

Rich Sattelberg

Bus Drivers

Robert Angle	Davon Browne	Donna Dorland	Rita Hanby
Sherry Kerr	Lora Kulinski	Carol Long	Alan McClorey
Diana Schmidt	Ralph Zinnecker		

Administrative Support

Linda Bennett	Bookkeeper to Superintendent
Heather Severance	Asst. Business Manager
Els TerBush	Secretary to Superintendent
Stephanie Champagne	High School Secretary
Ruth Fluegge	High School Guidance Department
Brenda Sherman	Middle School Secretary
Kathy Milligan	Middle School Attendance/Athletic Secretary
Deidra Zdrojewski	Campbell Elementary Secretary

Teacher Assistants - (Partially Federally Funded)

Mary Lou Cooper	Carmen Damm	Yvonne Edzik	Amy Hartel
Cathy Meek	Jane Phillips	Deb Ross	Karen Turner
Linda DuQuesnay	Connie Klinkman	Shelly Miller	Karen Ouvry
Lauren Ruthko	Christine Swiderski	Brenda Burns	Paula Fluegge
Nick Moyer	Dawn Leslie	De De Pawloski	

Early Childhood Teacher Assistant - (State Funded)

Michelle Whittaker

Library/Media Specialist

Donna Emerson – Campbell Elementary

Library Clerks

Sandy Taylor -High School
Joan Sattelberg - Middle School/High School

Building Service Personnel

Randy Schuette, Building Maintenance Supervisor	Louis Primeau, Custodial Supervisor
Lisa Bishop, Custodian	Darrel Grady, Custodian
Tim Kelly, Custodian	Mike Stee, Custodian
Martin Zawilinski, Custodian	

Cafeteria

Shari Bock, Supervisor

Andrea Shagene, Cook	Shelley Cook,Cooks Helper
Brenda Stover, Cook	Sharon Delong, Cooks Helper
Linda Mellendorf, Cook	Connie Hollis, Cooks Helper
Helen Larson, Cook	Sue Wynn, Cooks Helper
Tena Rabideau, Cook	Dorothy Kerkau, Cooks Helper
Rita Rockwell, Cook	Maureen Kaweck, Cashier

Immunizations

Act 299, Public Acts of 1975, authorized the Director of the Michigan Department of Public Health to specify, by regulation, the immunizations and tests required of all children enrolling in Michigan schools for the first time. This year the following immunizations are required:

Diphtheria, Tetanus, Rubella, Pertussis, Measles and Poliomyelitis. In addition, each new school entry must have had a vision screening test.

The parent or guardian who, because of religious or other conviction, does not want his/her child protected from these diseases must submit a signed statement to that effect.

As part of our school admission procedure for your child, we must enforce the law stated above. We must have the health record or a similar statement in order to admit your child officially to school.

If you have questions about this, please contact your local school, your doctor, or the Thumb District Health Department.

Discrimination Prohibition and Student Information

It is the policy of the Cass City Public Schools to not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, handicap, or other prohibited matters in employment, or in educational programs. Anyone who feels that a violation of rights has occurred should notify:

Edlore Pasant, Civil Rights Coordinator (Section 504/Title IX)
Cass City Public Schools
4868 N. Seeger St.
Cass City, MI 48726
(989) 872-2148

On occasion the Cass City Public Schools does release the names of individual students and directory information such as grade level, honors and awards. If any parent or adult student wishes not to have such information released, notification, in writing, must be sent to:

Ronald C. Wilson Superintendent
Cass City Public Schools
4868 N. Seeger St.
Cass City, MI 48726

Student Accident Insurance Policy

Student accident insurance is available for parents to purchase through the Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company. This low cost insurance plan can provide coverage for students at both school and home. Forms for participation will be given to all students to take home during the first week of school. Please review this information carefully and contact your child's principal if you have any questions.

Guidance and Counseling

The school guidance program is designed to assist students who have personal and social concerns, and to help students design academic programs to meet their individual needs and abilities. College admission and financial aid assistance is provided for students interested in continuing their schooling after graduation. One of the programs designed to benefit both the student and the community is the co-operative educational program. Under this program, some students are placed in on-the-job-work situations for part of each school day. Students and parents desiring more information are encouraged to contact the guidance offices.

Free and Reduced-Prices Student Meals

The Cass City Public School's policy for free and reduced-price meals or for children unable to pay the full price for meals served under the National School Lunch, School Breakfast or Commodity School Programs uses the following household size and in-

come criteria to determine eligibility.

Family income criteria to be used for the 2009-2010 school year for Scale for Free Meals or Free Milk/Scale for Reduced Price Meals

Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
1	\$14,079	\$1,174	\$20,036	\$1,670
2	\$18,941	\$1,579	\$26,955	\$2,247
3	\$23,803	\$1,984	\$33,874	\$2,823
4	\$28,665	\$2,389	\$40,793	\$3,400
5	\$33,527	\$2,794	\$47,712	\$3,976
6	\$38,389	\$3,200	\$54,631	\$4,553
7	\$43,251	\$3,605	\$61,550	\$5,130
8	\$48,113	\$4,010	\$68,469	\$5,706
For each additional family member add:	\$4,862	\$406	\$6,919	\$577

Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free and reduced price meals.

Applications forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the form and return it to the school. Additional copies of the application form are available at the principal's office in each school. Households should answer all questions on the form.

NON FOOD STAMP HOUSEHOLDS: An application which does not contain all of the following information cannot be processed by the school: (1) the total income by source for each household member (such as wages, child support, etc.); (2) names of all household members; (3) social security number of the adult household member who signs the application; and (4) the signature of an adult household member.

FOOD STAMP/FIP HOUSEHOLDS: If you currently receive Food Stamps or Family Independence Program (FIP) for your child, you only have to list your child's name and Food Stamp or FIP case number and sign the application.

The information provided by the household is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility, verifying data, or qualifying children for other federal and state programs, as authorized by the United State Department of Agriculture. Applications may be verified by the school or other officials at any time during the school year.

If children are approved for free or reduced price meal benefits, the household must report to the school increases in household income over \$50 per month (\$600 per year) and decreases in household size. Households may apply for benefits at any time during the school year. If a household is not currently eligible but has a decrease in household income, an increase in household size or if a household member becomes unemployed, the household should fill out an application at that time.

In most cases, **FOSTER CHILDREN** are eligible for these benefits regardless of the household's income. If a household has foster children living with them and they wish to apply for free or reduced price meals for them, the household should contact the school for more information.

Under the provisions of the policy the building principal will review applications and determine eligibility.

Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. The household also has the right to a fair hearing.

This can be done by calling or writing the following official:

Ronald C. Wilson, Superintendent

4868 N. Seeger Street
Cass City, MI 48726
(989) 872-2200

Emergency School Closing

Special announcements concerning school closing will be made through the following public service facilities: Radio WKYO-Caro, Radio WMIC- Sandusky, Radio WLEM-Bad Axe, Radio WHNN-Saginaw and Radio WIOG-Saginaw, TV-5-Bay City, TV-12-Flint. Announcements will be made as soon as a decision is reached.

Tentative School Calendar - 2009

First Day For Students	September 08, 2009
Fall Professional Development Day	October 19, 2009
Parent/Teacher Conferences/P.M.	November 23, 24 & 25, 2009 (25 th -A.M. ½ student day)
Thanksgiving Vacation	November 26 & 27, 2009
Winter Break	December 23, 2009 - January 03, 2010

Tentative School Calendar - 2010

End of First Semester	January 22, 2010 (A.M. ½ student day)
Professional Development Day	February 15, 2010 (No Students)
Spring MI Merit Exams	March 09/10/11, 2010
Spring Break	April 02 – 11, 2010
½ Professional Development Day	May 28, 2010 (A.M. ½ student day)
Memorial Day	May 31, 2010 (No School)
Last Day For Students	June 04, 2010
Last Day for Teachers	June 07, 2010

What Cass City Schools Offer:

For the 2009-2010 school year you will find the following offerings to students in the Cass City Elementary and Secondary Schools.

Elementary School

Reading K-4	Spelling K-4	Penmanship K-4
Math K-4	Science K-4	English K-4
Social Science K-4	Health K-4	Library 1 - 4
Remedial Reading K-4	Speech Therapy K-4	Vocal Music K-4
Computer Keyboarding Gr. 4	Physical Education K-4	Special Education K - 4

Middle School

Grades five and six include: Reading, Spelling, Math, Science, Language Arts, English, Hand-writing, Music, Social Studies, Health, Band, Computer Literacy, Physical Education and Library Science.

Basic classes in grade seven include: Language Arts, English, Math, Science and Social Studies. Exploratory classes offered are: Physical Education and Health, Band, Computers, Careers, Life Management, and Library Science.

Basic classes in grade eight include: Language Arts, English, Math, Science and Social Studies. Exploratory classes offered are: Physical Education and Health, Band, Computers, Music/Drama Careers, Life Management, and Library Science.

Senior High School

Art - Introduction to art methods and materials, including ceramics, painting, sculpture drawing and jewelry.

Business – Advanced Computers
English - English 9, English 10, English 11, English 12, AP English and Publications
Foreign Languages - Spanish
Life Skills/Home Economics – Life Skills I, Peer Mediation I, II, and III
Instrumental Music - A four year program in instrumental music is available.
Mathematics - Algebra I and II, Geometry, Pre-Calculus and Calculus.
Physical Education/Health for boys and girls. A four year program is available.
Science - Physical Science, Biology I and Advanced Biology, Chemistry and Physics.
Social Studies - Psychology, Sociology, United States History and Geography, AP History, American Government, Civics and Economics.

Technology & Computer Services

Technology is an integral and essential part of education. The passage of the bond has given us the ability to give our students access to the latest technology. The 2009/2010 school year is the first of a three year project where new computers will be installed in all our schools.

This year, Cass City Middle School has been equipped with brand new computers in its four computer labs and with most teachers having seven computers in their classrooms.

Parents have the ability to login on the school's website and put money on their student's lunch account, check their student's lunch balance, grades, attendance, view upcoming assignments, receive school closing alerts via phone, email, and text messages, and more. These services are free and are a great tool for parents. For more information, visit www.casscityschools.org and click Skyward Family Access.

Skill Center Offerings - The following programs are offered to Cass City juniors and seniors at the Tuscola Technology Center. All of these programs are at least one year in duration with the exception of a few that are two year programs. Students enrolled in the programs attend the Tech Center on a half-day basis and are transported to and from the Tech Center on school buses.

Accounting/Financial Services	Administrative Management Support
Advertising Design	AgriSci/Natural Resources & Animal Technology
Auto Body	Automotive Technology
Business & Industry Site Training	Child Care Services
Computer Technology Management	Construction Technology
Job Placement/CO-OP	Cosmetology
Drafting/CAD	Electricity/Electronics
Floral & Greenhouse Technology	Graphic Communications
Hospitality/Food Services Management	Landscaping & Turfgrass Technology
Law Enforcement/Protective Services	Marketing & Business Management
Nursing/Health Technology	Power Technology
Pre-Teaching	Tool & Die/Metal Machining
Welding & Fabrication	

Extracurricular activities including interscholastic athletics for boys and girls. Excellent library facilities are available.

Athletic Family Passes

Athletic Family Passes are available at the following prices from the middle school principal's office. Full Family- \$110.00 + \$5.00/child over 5; Student Passes-\$ 35.00 Individual- \$ 80.00; 2009-2010 Winter Pass only - 50% of total cost; Senior Citizen Pass-(Age 65 & over) - \$75.00 couple/\$50.00 single

(For free senior citizen athletic passes, contact the athletic director).

Where have protestors gone?

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save this money in this way. In other words, there are no academic programs in immediate peril if the custodians remain employed.

The question was asked during June's school board meeting if postponing the need to privatize the custodians would make it any easier. I cannot speak for the rest, but my answer is yes. A "heads-up" and time to develop a back-up plan would have made it easier for us. It appears to me that those courtesies could have been accommodated with the current funds available.

The rumors are true regarding our decision to enroll our daughters in a different school district this year. We have considered doing this many times in the past, due to Cass City Schools' continued neglect in the area of fine arts programs (yes...I'm still whining about that), but because Dan was employed by Cass City Schools, we believed that it would be terribly disloyal of us to take our children to school out of the district. Now that Dan's employment is no longer an issue, we are free to pursue other options without feeling perfidious.

Some will judge us and say that we are using our children to satisfy a personal vendetta against the school, its superintendent and its board. We have discussed our motives over and over again between ourselves; and there are reasons far beyond - or, in addition to - Dan's lost employment that we are convinced make this a positive change. We have prayed for God's guidance and clear direction regarding the switch. We are at peace with our decision and our girls are excited - "nervous...yes, but mostly excited," they tell us. We tell them the option to return to Cass City Schools is always open - at least as far as we're concerned it is.

For those who still ridicule and criticize, I leave you with this: Luke 6:37

Physicians

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source revenue sharing beneficial to both hospitals and under circumstances that would allow Hills and Dales to minimize the burdensome cost associated with supporting a physician practice," the statement continues.

"Huron Medical remains optimistic that a cooperative resolution, which allows these 2 well-qualified physicians to continue to deliver quality medical care to patients in need, is achievable and is in the best interest of the residents of both hospitals' service areas."

Kilbane said Huron Medical officials are confident that an objective review of the facts will confirm that both doctors approached Huron Medical for employment after they had severed their respective employment relationships with Hills and Dales, and were in no way recruited by Huron Medical.

"Huron Medical Center simply employed 2, then-unemployed physicians, who are well qualified, competent and committed to serving patients in this physician shortage area of Michigan," he said.

"Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven..."

I'm working on the forgiving part

myself.

Moving on,
Elizabeth A. Manwell
Cass City

\$25,000 grant goes to area duck domain

The Michigan Nature Association has been granted \$25,000 from the Consumers Energy Foundation to support stewardship activities at several of the association's nature sanctuaries, including Wood Duck Domain, located in Tuscola County.

The funds will go to support much-needed maintenance at the sanctuary. According to the Michigan Nature Association, Michigan's natural environment is disappearing and without direct involvement from private citizens and organizations, these unique natural areas will be lost forever. The \$25,000 grant will help the Michigan Nature Association continue its mission of preserving these rare places across the state.

"A common misconception is that as long as nature sanctuaries are left alone, they are preserved," Jeremy Emmi, executive director of the Michigan Nature Association, said. "In reality, they require constant monitoring and maintenance to protect rare and endangered native species. The Consumers Energy Foundation's support will vastly improve our ability to protect these special places."

Efforts are already underway to remove invasive species, conduct controlled burns, construct trails and boardwalks, and erect signs in the nature sanctuaries the Michigan Nature Association preserves.

The Michigan Nature Association is committed to the protection and maintenance of Michigan's natural areas, in addition to the study of natural history and conservation education. Operating for over fifty years, since 1952, the MNA has acquired more than 160 nature sanctuaries, from the tip of the Keweenaw Peninsula to the Indiana border.

School board hires staff

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an increase in the number of newly-enrolled eighth grade students, pushing the number of kids in that class to a combined 99, or 34 to 35 students per section (classroom). Hartel asked the board to consider hiring an additional teacher in order to reduce the number of students to about 25 per classroom, the same ratio present in the other middle school grades.

The board supported the idea, unanimously approving the hiring at a cost of about \$88,000 annually in salary and benefits.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business during the hour-long meeting, the board:

*Learned the district has about \$300,000 more in fund balance — a little over \$1 million in total — than anticipated earlier this year. Wilson told the board the increase stems from final budget adjustments related to the estimated savings of cuts made during the middle portion of the last school year.

The news was tempered, however, with a report from board Trustee Jim Veneziano, who recently attended a conference in Lansing that offered school officials some projections from the Michigan House and Senate fiscal agencies. State officials, he said, are estimating schools will lose about \$100 per pupil in funding this school year (roughly \$125,000 for the Cass City Schools), and at least another \$612 per student (\$765,000 for Cass City) in the 2010-11 school year. *Approved a student cell phone policy first presented during the board's July regular meeting. The policy ex-

tends the schools' existing rules prohibiting student use of cell phones in school buildings to the district's school buses.

*Heard from Cass City Education Association President Mary Keroson, who stated Cass City teachers are looking forward to continuing a tradition of educational excellence in the classroom in the coming school year. She told board members that the union has enjoyed open discussions with the administrative staff and has asked school officials to be placed on school board agendas on a monthly basis in the future.

*Heard an update regarding ongoing renovation/construction projects at all of the district's buildings, where virtually all of the work is expected to be completed by the start of school Tuesday, Sept. 8.

*Appointed Trustee Sloane Stimpfel as the district's delegate to the Michigan Association of School Board's annual conference Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Lansing Center. Board Vice President Craig Bellew was named the alternate.

Church to host group

The Silverwood Bottom Boys will be the featured artists at the Farver Road Baptist Church Friday, Aug. 29. Freddy Wilborn and The Silverwood Bottom Boys sing and play old time Gospel music. The Lion and Lamb singers will perform at 6 p.m., followed by Silverwood Bottom Boys at 7 p.m. Finger food will follow in the church fellowship hall.

The church is located next to Noah's Ark Christian Theme Park at 4330 Farver Rd. (1 1/2 miles southwest of the intersection of Elkton and Sebe-waing roads).

For more information, call Pastor Duane Plonta at (939) 315-8043.

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Legal Notices

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To: James Brink and Melissa Brink 6053 4th Street Mayville, MI 48744
County: Tuscola

State law requires that you receive the following notice: You have the right to request a meeting with your mortgage holder or mortgage servicer.

The person to contact and that has the authority to make agreements for a loan modification with you is: Orlans Associates, P.C. Loss Mitigation Department, P.O. Box 5041, Troy, MI 48007-5041, (248) 502-1331. You may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") website or by calling MSHDA. The website address and telephone number of MSHDA is: (www.mshda.info/counseling_search/), telephone (517) 373-8370, TTY# 1-800-382-4568.

If you request a meeting with the servicer's designate within 14 days after the Notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not start until 90 days after the date the Notice was mailed to you. If you and the servicer's Designate reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if you abide by the terms of the agreement. You have the right to contact an attorney.

You may contact attorney of your choice. If you do not have an attorney, the telephone number for the Michigan State Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service is 1-800-968-0738.

Dated: August 26, 2009

Orlans Associates P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File Number: 310.49905
ASAP #3235794

8-26-1

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William Clark and Misty Clark, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 31, 2007 and recorded July 10, 2007 in Liber 1124, Page 748, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Eight and 10/100 Dollars (\$100,258.10), 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 front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on SEPTEMBER 24, 2009.

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

Lot 12, Block 5 of The Plat of Johnsons Addition, as recorded in Plat Liber 29, Page 88, 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: August 26, 2009

Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
248-502-1400
File No. 285.9925
ASAP #3237644

8-26-4

FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES US TO ADVISE YOU THAT COMMUNICATION WITH OUR OFFICE COULD BE INTERPRETED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND THAT ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE, AS YOU ARE ENTITLED TO SPECIAL PROTECTIONS.

To: Michael J. Gaval and Michele M. Gaval 10060 Irish Road Millington, MI 48746
County: Tuscola

State law requires that you receive the following notice: You have the right to request a meeting with your mortgage holder or mortgage servicer.

The person to contact and that has the authority to make agreements for a loan modification with you is: Orlans Associates, P.C. Loss Mitigation Department, P.O. Box 5041, Troy, MI 48007-5041, (248) 502-1331. You may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") website or by calling MSHDA. The website address and telephone number of MSHDA is: (www.mshda.info/counseling_search/), telephone (517) 373-8370, TTY# 1-800-382-4568.

If you request a meeting with the servicer's designate within 14 days after the Notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not start until 90 days after the date the Notice was mailed to you. If you and the servicer's Designate reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if you abide by the terms of the agreement.

You have the right to contact an attorney. You may contact attorney of your choice. If you do not have an attorney, the telephone number for the Michigan State Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service is 1-800-968-0738.

Dated: August 26, 2009

Orlans Associates P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File Number: 213.1753
ASAP #3236216

8-26-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Rachel Laframboise and Donald Laframboise, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 4812 Mayville Rd, Silverwood, MI 48760-9403.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1309.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshda or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from August 24, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after August 24, 2009.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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Date: August 26, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC D (248) 593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 161149F04

Dated: August 26, 2009
Orlans Associates P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File Number: 310.4962
ASAP #3237606

8-26-1

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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 Wesley F. Taylor and Lisa M. Taylor, 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 14, 2007 and recorded on September 18, 2007 in Liber 1130 on Page 0394 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to North Carolina Housing Finance Agency as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Seven and 73/100 Dollars (\$164,567.73), 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 September 24, 2009.

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

Part of the Northwest quarter of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing at the West quarter corner of said Section 27, thence along the East-West quarter line of said Section 27, South 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds East, 333.00 feet to the point of beginning, thence parallel with the West line of said Section 27, North 00 degrees 09 minutes 26 seconds West, 233.00 feet, thence parallel with said East-West quarter line of Section 27, South 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds East, 172.00 feet, thence parallel with said West line of Section 27, North 00 degrees 09 minutes 26 seconds West, 1098.69 feet, thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East, 311.86 feet, thence South 00 degrees 44 minutes 27 seconds East, 1333.75 feet to said East-West quarter line of Section 27, thence along said East-West quarter line of Section 27, North 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds West, 497.45 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with and subject to a 66.00 foot easement for ingress and egress and public utilities purposes in part of the Northwest quarter of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, said easement being measured 33.00 feet, each side of the following described centerline commencing at the West quarter corner of said Section 27, thence along the West line of said Section 27, North 00 degrees 09 minutes 26 seconds West, 233.00 feet to the point of beginning, thence parallel with the East-West quarter line of said Section 27, South 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds East, 3180.41 feet, thence North 50 degrees 37 minutes 39 seconds East, 273.40 feet, thence North 80 degrees 23 minutes 34 seconds East, 365.66 feet and there end, the side-lines of said easement are to be extended or shortened so as to meet at their respective intersections.

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: August 26, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC F (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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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 Gary L. Martindale and Jennifer A. Martindale, husband and wife, tenants by the entirety, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated May 4, 2007 and recorded on May 8, 2007 in Liber 1118 on Page 1428 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Two and 89/100 Dollars (\$91,532.89), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 3, 2009.

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

Lot 2, Block 9 of North's Addition to the City of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of plats, Page 20.

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

Dated: August 5, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC L (248) 593-1312
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #276471F01

such sale.

Dated: August 12, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC S (248) 593-1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #273229F01

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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 Randolph C. Kotles, an unmarried man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated April 7, 2006 and recorded on April 24, 2006 in Liber 1078 on Page 814 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Seven and 68/100 Dollars (\$87,287.68), including interest at 10.95% per annum.

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

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

Lot 73 and 108 of North Lake Assessor's Plat No. 3, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 5 of Plats, Page 40 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: August 12, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC L (248) 593-1312
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #278784F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gregory A. Kralik and wife, Jill E. Kralik, to GMAC Mortgage Corporation of PA, Mortgagee, dated March 15, 1996 and recorded March 19, 1996 in Liber 687, Page 676, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Four Thousand Sixty-Seven and 39/100 Dollars (\$34,067.39), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

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

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

Lot 11 of Thomas Fisheries Subdivision, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 84, now being Page 34B.

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

Dated: August 12, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC C (248) 593-1310
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #035792F03

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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 Jeffery M. Berlin and Carrie M. Berlin, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Chase Bank USA, N.A. Mortgage, dated December 21, 2007 and recorded on February 15, 2008 in Liber 1141 on Page 837, and assigned by said Mortgage to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Thirty-Three and 74/100 Dollars (\$167,033.74), including interest at 8.325% per annum.

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

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

Commencing at a point on the South Section line, 2043.548 feet East of the Southwest corner of the South half of the Southeast quarter of Section 30, Township 11 North, Range 11 East, thence East 98 feet; thence North 800 feet; thence West 550 feet; thence South 285 feet; thence East 150 feet; thence South 98 feet; thence East 302 feet; thence South 417 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.

intersection with the centerline of State (M-15) Highway; thence South 29 degrees 46 minutes 18 seconds East along said centerline 287.66 feet to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence South 87 degrees 17 minutes 23 seconds East parallel with said North line of Section 32 a distance of 380.00 feet; thence South 29 degrees 46 minutes 18 seconds East parallel with said centerline of State (M-15) Highway a distance of 287.65 feet; thence North 87 degrees 17 minutes 23 seconds West 380.00 feet to a point of said centerline of State (M-15) Highway; thence North 29 degrees 46 minutes 18 seconds West along said centerline a distance of 287.66 feet to the Point of Beginning. Commonly known as: 7035 State Road, Millington, Michigan 48746.

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The redemption period shall be six (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 the later of thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or when the time to provide the notice required under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires.

Dated: August 12, 2009

OXFORD BANK, Mortgagee
Successor by merger with Oxford Bank Mortgage Services, LLC

Michael G. Cruse
Walter Norcross & Judd LLP
Attorney for Mortgagee
2000 Town Center, Suite 2700
Southfield, MI 48075-1318
(248) 784-5131

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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 Barton M. Long, a married man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated April 12, 2007 and recorded on April 27, 2007 in Liber 1117 on Page 1360, and assigned by said Mortgage to U.S. Bank, National Association, as successor trustee to Bank of America, N.A. as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank N.A., as Trustee for Merrill Lynch First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-3 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 Ninety-Four Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Six and 73/100 Dollars (\$94,556.73), including interest at 12.25% 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 September 17, 2009.

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

Lot 50 of Swanson's Acres No. 2, as recorded in Liber 4 Page 21 and 22 of Plats, 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: August 19, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC G (248) 593-1310
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #274222F01

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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 David Matthews, a/k/a David A. Matthews, married and Maryrose Matthews, husband and wife as tenants in the entirety, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated August 5, 2003 and recorded on September 29, 2003 in Liber 957 on Page 167 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to OneWest Bank FSB as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Four and 100/100 Dollars (\$72,194.94), including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 17, 2009.

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

A parcel of land in the Southwest quarter of Section 10, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the North and South quarter line of said Section which is 156.06 feet; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 32 seconds West of the South quarter corner of said Section; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with the South line of said Section, 258.82 feet; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 32 seconds West, parallel with the North and South quarter line of said Section, 263.00 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, parallel with said South Section line, 258.82 feet to said North and South quarter line, thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 32 seconds East, on said North and South quarter line, 263.00 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: August 19, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC L (248) 593-1312
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #279847F01

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael J. Rioux, a married man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated April 27, 2007 and recorded on May 4, 2007 in Liber 1118 on Page 780 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgage to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Thirty-Seven and 18/100 Dollars (\$150,037.18), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 17, 2009.

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

Lots 42, Knollwood Acres No. 2, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 30, 31, and 32 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: August 19, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #274009F01

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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 Jonathan W. Walker, a single man, and Sarah L. Fox, a single woman, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated July 11, 2007 and recorded on July 18, 2007 in Liber 1125 on Page 478 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Seventy-Five and 60/100 Dollars (\$96,075.60), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 17, 2009.

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

Commencing at a point 323.5 feet West of the Northeast corner of section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, thence continuing West 150 feet; thence South 600 feet; thence East 150 feet; thence North 600 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: August 19, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC F (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #275068F01

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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 Jeffrey T. Bellinger and Jamie L. Bellinger, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 25, 2003 and recorded on September 30, 2003 in Liber 957 on Page 786 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Two and 50/100 Dollars (\$97,542.50), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 24, 2009.

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

Lot 4 and 30, and the South 1/2 of Lots 5 and 29, Block 12, The Plat of the Village of Vassar (now City), according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1, Page 143 of Deeds and Liber 2, Page 93 of Deeds, Tuscola County Records; also commencing at the Southeast corner of said Lot 29, Block 12, The Plat of the Village of Vassar (now City); thence on Easterly direction to the Southwesterly corner of Lot 75, Block 12; thence Northerly along the West line of said Lot 75, 33 feet; thence Westerly to a point on the East line of said Lot 29, Block 12, 33 feet Northerly from beginning; thence Southerly along the East line of said Lot 29, to the point of beginning; and thence that part of Gore Lot lying between Lots 30, 31, 76 and 77, Block 12, the Plat of the Village of Vassar (now City).

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

cordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 26, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #180381F02

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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 Amy Ewald, a single woman, and Adam Curtis, a single man, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated August 15, 2005, and recorded on August 25, 2005 in Liber 1051 on Page 750 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Four and 10/100 Dollars (\$81,944.10), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 24, 2009.

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

Commencing at a point 30 rods South of the Northwest corner of Section 8, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, thence South 20 rods; thence East 8 rods; thence designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1301.

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

Dated: August 26, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC R (248) 593-1305
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #275561F01

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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 Jay Pierce, a single person, original mortgagor, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 31, 2001 and recorded on October 31, 2001 in Liber 846 on Page 260 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Twenty-one and 35/100 Dollars (\$58,122.35), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on September 24, 2009.

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

Lot 2, Block 17 of Seegar's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the plat recorded in Liber 29 of Deeds, Page 144.

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

Dated: August 26, 2009

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Connie Westover, an unmarried woman, and Katie Bachschmidt, an unmarried woman, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgage, dated September 24, 2005 and recorded on November 1, 2005 in Liber 1059 on Page 1355 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eight Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Seven and 52/100 Dollars (\$108,187.52), including interest at 6.04% per annum.

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

September 24, 2009.

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

Parcel 1: Part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 25, which is North 01 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds West 727.19 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 25; thence continuing along said west line North 01 degrees 00 seconds East 300 feet from the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 35; thence parallel to the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 25, North 89 degrees 10 minutes 50 seconds East 330 feet; thence South 01 degrees 30 minutes 00 seconds East 300 feet; thence South 89 degrees 10 minutes 50 seconds West 330 feet to the west line of Section 25 and the point of beginning.

Parcel 2: Commencing at a point 727.19 feet North of the Southwest corner of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 13 East, running thence East 330 feet; thence South 298 feet; thence West 330 feet; thence North 298 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: August 26, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC F (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #255008F02

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Glenn P. Bongard and Doreen J. Bongard, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 7989 Murphy Lake Rd, Millington, MI 48746-9582.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.32

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by CHRIS MOORE, A/K/A CHRISTOPHER MOORE, and BRANDY L. MOORE, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to FIRST FRANKLIN FINANCIAL CORP., SUBSIDIARY OF NATIONAL CITY BANK OF INDIANA, Mortgagee, dated June 1, 2004 and recorded on October 26, 2004 in Liber 1013 on Page 963, and assigned by said mortgage to WELLS FARGO BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2004-FFH3, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars and Thirty-One Cents (\$129,796.31), including interest at 11.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on September 03, 2009.

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

COMMENCING 2472.12 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 26, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST; THENCE SOUTH 200 FEET; THENCE EAST 221 FEET; THENCE NORTH 200 FEET; THENCE WEST 221 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, EXCEPT AN UNDIVIDED 1/2 INTEREST IN AND TO PART OF THE OIL, MINERALS, GAS IN, ON, OR UNDER SUBJECT PREMISES TO ALBERT H. COBB AND LILLIAN E. COBB AND TO THE SURVIVOR OF THEM, AS SET FORTH IN THE WARRANTY DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 371 OF DEEDS, PAGE 319.

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

Dated: August 3, 2009
WELLS FARGO BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2004-FFH3
Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
ASAP #321611

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshta or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from August 20, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after August 20, 2009.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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Date: August 26, 2009
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC D (248) 593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 280770F01

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NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Jerrin Spear and Michelle Spear, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 227 W Grant St, Caro, MI 48723-1517.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1309.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshta or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from August 20, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after August 20, 2009.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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Date: August 26, 2009
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 280790F01

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INITIAL FORECLOSURE NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY MICHIGAN PUBLIC ACT 30 OF 2009.

NATIONWIDE ADVANTAGE MORTGAGE COMPANY hereby provides notice to Jeffrey A. Pyke, 6841 Maple Grove Road, VASSAR, MI. 48768 (Mortgagor), that Jeffrey A. Pyke's mortgage (Mortgage) is in default and you have the right to request a meeting with NATIONWIDE ADVANTAGE MORTGAGE COMPANY through their designated agent, Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. ("Designated Agent"), 23100 Providence Dr., Suite 450, Southfield, MI 48075, 248-539-7400 (Tel), 248-539-7401 (Fax), email: designatedagent@sspclegal.com.

Jeffrey A. Pyke also has/have the right to contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") at their website www.michigan.gov/mshta or by calling MSHDA at (517) 373-8370 (Tel).

If Mortgagors requests a meeting, no foreclosure proceeding will be commenced until the expiration of 90 days from the date Notice was mailed to the Mortgagors pursuant to Section 3205(a) of HB 4454, Public Act 30 of 2009.

If Designated Agent and Mortgagors agree to modify the mortgage, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Mortgagors abide by the terms of the modified mortgage. Mortgagors have the right to contact an attorney or the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 968-0738 (Tel).

Pub Date: August 26, 2009

SCHEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C. 23100 Providence Dr., Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075

8-26-1

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage

made by Jana Vandemark and Tad O. Vandemark, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 24, 2006 and recorded April 28, 2006 in Liber 1079, Page 372, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by US Bank National Association, as Trustee for the Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-WCH2 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Thirty-Three and 97/100 Dollars (\$111,033.97), including interest at 8.52% 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 front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on SEPTEMBER 17, 2009.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 8, Town 8, Range 12 North, Range 9 East, Indianfields Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence South 275 feet; thence West 249 feet; thence North 275 feet; thence East 249 feet to the point of beginning; except easements and reservations of record.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgage 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: August 19, 2009
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48067-5041
248-502-1400
File No. 306.2861
ASAP #3228645

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by TODD AYMER and RENEE AYMER, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 6, 2006, and recorded on July 18, 2006, in Liber 1088, on Page 586, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-One Dollars and Ninety-One Cents (\$229,391.91), including interest at 6.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on September 24, 2009.

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

COMMENCING 40 RODS NORTH OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, RANGE 8 EAST, WEST 90 RODS; THENCE NORTH 40 RODS; THENCE EAST 90 RODS; THENCE SOUTH TO POINT OF BEGINNING, EXCEPT COMMENCING 40 RODS NORTH OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST; THENCE WEST 348.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 250.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 250.00 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING, AND ALSO EXCEPT COMMENCING 910.00 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST; THENCE WEST 256.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 170.00 FEET; THENCE EAST 2.75 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 170.00 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

Dated: August 21, 2009

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

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

8-26-4

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to John Edward Reid and Tonya Marie Reid, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 1111 Edward Dr, Vassar, MI 48768-1555.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1304.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State

Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshta or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from August 21, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after August 21, 2009.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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Date: August 26, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 009901F09

8-26-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Sean M Whalen and Phyllis Whalen, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 10236 Sheridan Ct, Millington, MI 48746-9307.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1304.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshta or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from August 21, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after August 21, 2009.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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Date: August 26, 2009

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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 281469F01

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NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Catherine A Pollard, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 6129 1st St, Mayville, MI 48744-9142.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1304.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshta or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from August 21, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after August 21, 2009.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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Date: August 26, 2009

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2-4-16-1f

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Parcel A: Part of the Northeast quarter of Section 30, Town 11 N, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point in the centerline of State Highway M-15, which is South 89 degrees 12 minutes 16 seconds East, 690.20 feet along the North line of said Section 30 to the centerline of State Highway M-15, and South 30 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds East, 1337.52 feet along the centerline of said Highway to the point of beginning, from the North quarter of said Section 30; thence continuing along said centerline, South 30 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds East, 307.45; thence South 88 degrees 45 minutes 05 seconds East, 375.97 feet; thence parallel to the East line of said Section 30, North 01 degrees 25 minutes 31 seconds East, 262.50 feet; thence North 88 degrees 45 minutes 05 seconds West, 536.85 feet to the point of beginning.

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SPORTSMEN'S GARAGE Sale - Aug. 28 & 29, 9-5 p.m. 80+ guns & hunting equipment. 6216 Hoadley Rd. (5 miles east of Cass City, 1/2 mile south of Cass City Rd.). No early sales! 14-8-26-1

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GARAGE SALE - Back of Hair Benders (corner of Garfield & Vulcan). Thursday, Aug. 27 & Friday, Aug. 28, 8-8 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 29, 8-noon. Rain or shine! Chairs, lawn mower, dishes, Home Décor, Christmas, desk, clothes, toys and more. 14-8-26-1

GARAGE SALE - Friday, Aug. 28, 9-4 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 29, 9-noon. 7261 Bay City Forestville Rd. Oak kitchen table & chairs, DVD player, girls' clothes (8-12), toys, Yamaha guitar, Home Interior, file cabinets, tools & much more. No Early Sales! 14-8-26-1

KINGSTON DAYS Garage Sale - 5525 Legg Rd. Thursday-Saturday. 14-8-26-1

GARAGE SALE - Prom dresses, household items, clothes, Beanie babies, bunk bed. Thursday & Friday, 9-7 p.m.; Saturday, 9-5 p.m. 6386 Garfield Ave., Cass City. 14-8-26-1

YARD SALE - Patio table w/chairs, fire pit, screen tent, furniture, S-10 tonneau cover, clothes, toys, books, dishes, bedding & miscellaneous. Thursday & Friday, Aug. 27 & 28, 8:30-4 p.m. 4094 Nicholas Dr. (across from UPS). 14-8-26-1

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LAST DAY - One Day Garage Sale - This is it! Final 1/2 off of what's left sale. Something for everyone. One day only! Thursday, Aug. 27, 9-3 p.m. 3120 Phillips Rd. (2 miles south of light in Cass City, take Kelly Rd. 2 miles west to Phillips Rd., 3/4 mile south on Phillips Rd.). 14-8-26-1

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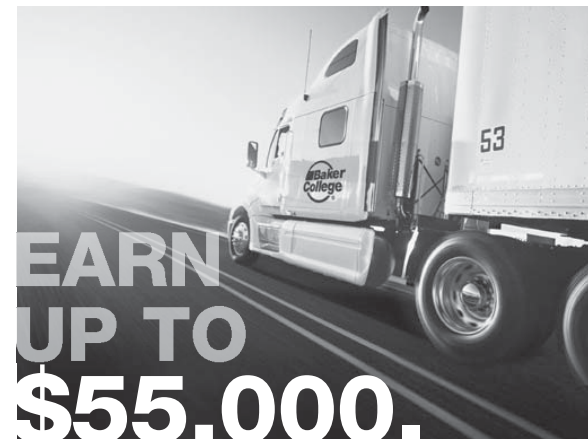
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Obituaries

William Long

William E. Long, 87, of Cass City, passed away Sunday, Aug. 9, 2009.

He was born April 16, 1922 in Manistique, the son of the late Charles and Elsie (Ennis) Long.

He married Novonda Bearce Oct. 17, 1941.

William served in the U.S. Navy and was involved in battles in the Pacific. He was a member of the Masons, Shriners and the Elks Club in the metro Detroit area and was a 50 plus year member of each.

William is survived by his wife, Novonda; children: William (Mary) Long of Warren, Linda (Charles) Basso of Madison Heights, and Marsha (Raymond) Mankowski of Chesterfield Township; 3 grandchildren: Charles, Steven and Richard; 2 great-grandchildren: Jessica and Anna; and a brother, Charles (Carlene) Long of Rochester.

A memorial service and interment with military honors was held in the Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly.



the U of M in December 1974 and continued his education by earning a Law Degree from Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing in May of

Ann (Larry) Bosom, all of Ovid; parents-in-law, Gerald and Ruth Whittaker of Cass City; sisters-in-law, Ann (David) Borger of West Lake Village, Calif., and Colleen Whittaker of Traverse City; a brother-in-law, David Whittaker of Cass City; and many nieces and nephews and friends at Redeemer United Methodist Church.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Aug. 20, at Redeemer United Methodist Church, DeWitt, with Pastor Rodney Kalajainen officiating.

It was Tom's wish to be cremated and his ashes scattered at a later date.

Memorials may be made to an educational trust fund for Tom's daughters at Fifth Third Bank of DeWitt, 13007 S. US 27, DeWitt, MI 48820.

Arrangements were made by Keck-Coleman Funeral Home, St. Johns.

Stanley Schneidt

Stanley George Schneidt, 89, of Caro, passed away on Friday, Aug. 21, 2009 at Covenant Health Care - Cooper in Saginaw.

He was born on June 19, 1920 in Vassar, the son of the late Henry and Amelia (Karbowski) Schneidt.

He married Thelma Roth Nov. 29, 1941 at Hillman. She preceded him in death Feb. 6, 1997.

Stanley was a lifelong resident of Tuscola County. He was employed for more than 40 years as a millwright at Eaton Foundry in Vassar. In addition to his primary occupation, he farmed the family farm, worked at Hill's Orchard and service stations including the Sunoco at M-24 and M-46. After his retirement, he enjoyed working on his son-in-law's farm, as well as hunting and fishing.

Stanley is survived by his children: Judith Ann Irvine of Vassar, Larry (Thelma) Schneidt of Redford, Kenneth (Sylvia) Schneidt of Virginia, and Wendy (Mark) Timko of Cass City; 10 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; his older brother, Kenneth (Edna) Schneidt of Reed City; as well as several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his remaining siblings, Milton, Henry and Gladys Schneidt.

Funeral services were held today (Wednesday), at the Collon Funeral Home, Caro, with Pastor Cameron Steele officiating.

Burial was in the Fremont Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Arrangements were made by Collon Funeral Home, Caro.

Thomas Rasdale

Thomas J. Rasdale, 55, went to be with his Heavenly Father, Monday, Aug. 17, 2009 after a long and difficult 5 1/2 year battle with cancer.

He was born Nov. 6, 1953 in St. Johns, the son of Charles and Joan (Wilcox) Rasdale.

He married Becky Whittaker in 1988 in Cass City.

Tom graduated from St. Johns High School with the Class of 1971 and attended the University of Michigan where he was a manager of the Wolverine football team under Coach Bo Schembechler. He graduated from

1978. Tom was employed with the State of Michigan for 24 years as an attorney with the State Court of Appeals after working 6 years as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in Bay City. Tom was obsessed with golfing and when he enjoyed better health, was an avid runner, competing in and completing full marathons. He loved watching sports of all kinds either in person or on television and was a huge supporter of the DeWitt Panthers.

Tom is survived by his wife, Becky; 2 daughters: Andrea Ruth and Megan Elizabeth; his parents, Charles and Joan Rasdale of St. Johns; 3 brothers: Ed (Diana) and Bob (Sandy) of St. Johns, Mike (Rhea) of Higgins Lake; 2 sisters: Ruth Ann Rasdale and Mary

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AUTHOR JERRY DAVIS of Albuquerque, N.M., spent some time in Cass City last week, signing books at Rawson Memorial District Library and speaking during a Cass City Historical and Genealogy Society meeting. Above, Davis visits with Gagetown area resident Margaret Sergeant.



THIS POSTER DISPLAYS Davis' ancestors back to his great-great-grandparents, who were among the first settlers of Huron County's Grant Township. Davis was born and raised in the Vassar area, and one of his books, "Home on the Farm: Essays on a Michigan Childhood" is about his years in Michigan.

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