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Village council okays spending plan for '10

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

The Cass City Village Council adopted a 2009 amended budget and approved the community's 2010 spending plan during its regular monthly meeting.

A lean budget for next year's finances was unanimously approved Monday following a brief public hearing that was void of any public participation.

Expenditures total \$3.790 million in the 2010 budget, slightly more than estimated expenses this year.

A double-edge dagger, for planning

purposes, also has revenues predicted to come in at \$3.791 million, about \$20,000 less than the current year's estimates.

Village manager Peter Cristiano reported a 4-percent raise in the water and sewer rates is necessary to balance revenues against expenses as required by law.

"The increase in revenues is negated by the number of vacant houses in the community purchasing only minimum water and sewer services," explained Cristiano.

Also factored into the budget is the loss of about \$17,000 in state revenue sharing monies, which are spread

over the General, Major Street and Local Street funds.

Additionally, Cristiano says that a 4-percent decrease in taxable values is expected to hamper the village's finances next year.

The good news, however, is the property rate for property tax revenues will remain unchanged at 18.137 mills, meaning the owner of a house with a market value of \$80,000 and a tax base of \$40,000 would pay roughly \$725 for the year.

Cristiano noted that the millage rate is only an estimate and won't be set until March, when the exact taxable Please turn to page 7.

Clinics scheduled in Tuscola County

Flu vaccine available for all

Restrictions placed on those who can receive an H1N1 flu vaccine have been lifted, according to officials at the Tuscola County Health Depart-

ment.

"The Michigan Department of Community Health is opening up the H1N1 vaccinations to everyone, re-

gardless of age," said Ann Hepfer, health department nursing administrator.

Hepfer last week announced several clinics planned at Tuscola County schools as well as at the health department in Caro.

They include:

*Today (Wednesday) in the USA Elementary School cafeteria from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m., and during the morning and after hours at the health department.

*Thursday, Dec. 17, from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. in the Vassar Central Elementary School cafeteria.

*Friday, Dec. 18, morning and afternoon at the health department.

*Monday, Dec. 21, at the health department (morning only).

Residents can make an appointment by calling (989) 673-8114 (ext. 110 or 102).

"These are walk-in clinics and there is no shortage of the H1N1 vaccine," Hepfer noted. "If the schools are closed due to weather conditions, then the clinics being held at those schools will also be canceled. Parents or legal guardians must be present for children under the age of 18."

Hepfer said seasonal flu vaccinations are available in limited supply today and are by appointment only. The charge is \$25 unless you have Medicare and Medicaid, but is free for those ages 60 to 64.

Vandemark slated to retire at HDC

For the past 38 years, Mary Ann Vandemark has served the people of the Thumb area as financial director/deputy director, and 30 years as executive director of the Human Development Commission (HDC).

After almost 4 decades of service to the people of Huron, Lapeer, Tuscola and Sanilac counties, she will be retiring from her position.

HDC is one of 1,100 Community Action Agencies across the country that serve as America's Poverty Fighting Network. At its founding in 1965, HDC was a small agency, employing 46 people and operating within a \$2 million budget.

During her tenure with the agency, Vandemark spearheaded efforts to grow the agency to where it is today, employing more than 225 people and operating over 70 programs. With an \$18.8 million operating budget, the agency has made a large impact on local communities and people.

Vandemark has proven to be an innovative leader throughout her career, developing new programs to best meet the needs of communities within the Thumb. HDC has been a leader in creative program and service development to fight poverty and promote self-sufficiency. HDC helped to originate Teen Ranch, Meals-on-Wheels, credit counseling, food cooperatives, recycling programs, housing programs and many other services.

At the same time, HDC also took up the torch in development of many other programs, such as substance abuse, senior services, employment assistance, domestic violence services and others.

In recent years, Vandemark led the agency into areas of housing and community economic development, including much needed programs addressing homelessness and home foreclosure. In addition, she has worked to secure partnerships with for-profit corporations to develop var-

ious housing expansions and renovations in a number of communities. "The face of poverty in Michigan is changing," said Vandemark, "More of our services and assistance is going to the working poor than ever before."

The "working" poor are those that are out there working and doing the best they can to provide for themselves and families, but are falling short.

Vandemark referred to several real life situations of people currently seeking help from HDC. "We have a family in Tuscola County where the husband lost his job. He found another job, but took a \$25,000 pay cut per year. The family has since filed for bankruptcy and is now struggling each week to make ends meet," she said.

Vandemark indicated she's proud of her agency's ability to change the lives of area residents. Last year alone, 18,000 people in 4 counties were provided with life-changing assistance, which, in many cases, provided the means for many to retain their self-sufficiency.

While serving as executive director of HDC, Vandemark has held both State and National positions in the Community Action Network.

She served as president of the National Community Action Association, which provides oversight to Community Action Agencies nationwide. She also served as president of the Michigan Community Action Agency Association, comprised of 30 Community Action Agencies throughout the state of Michigan, and president of the Mid-America Community Action Association, serving the interests of CAAs in 6 states.

In addition, Vandemark served as president of the Michigan Economic Development Coalition, was a member of a special citizen's committee in the Eastern District of Michigan to recommend appointees for U.S. Dis-

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Mary Ann Vandemark

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A HOST OF AREA residents are going all out this year when it comes to "decking the halls" for the Christmas season. This home is located on Koepfgen Road, about a mile south of M-81.

Schools get reprieve on \$127 state aid reduction

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm gave the state's school districts an early Christmas present Thursday in the form of a full December state aid payment (minus the \$165 per pupil reduction already implemented this year).

But Cass City School Supt. Ron Wilson isn't holding his breath when it comes to the size of the district's future payments from the state.

Even so, Wilson said the Cass City Board of Education's finance committee remains firm in its decision to not make mid-year program cuts in the local school district. Wilson said the committee will make a recommendation to that effect during the board's next regular meeting, which has been rescheduled and will be held Tuesday, Dec. 22.

Granholm, who was expected to take another \$127 per student from schools this month, announced Thursday that she is postponing that proration until the Jan. 11 Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference (CREC).

Granholm cited lapsed 2008-09 categorical funds of \$50 million, non-homestead property tax revenues coming in stronger than anticipated by \$100 million and other minor changes as reasons for her decision to postpone and possibly eliminate the \$127 reduction, according to David Martell, director of the Michigan School Business Officials (MSBO).

"The governor praised school districts for working diligently to deal with the unexpected reductions in school aid," said Martell, who along with other education leaders attended

Thursday's meeting with Granholm. "Although this announcement comes as welcome news for districts across the state, there is still the possibility that the CREC will result in a proration for 2009-10. If a proration is necessary, it is believed that it will be much smaller than the original \$127 per pupil," Martell added.

"We continue to be concerned about the 2010-11 school aid revenues," he noted. The items mentioned...that helped postpone/eliminate the proration will not help for 2010-11 or later fiscal years."

Wilson is only too aware of that fact, and he isn't optimistic that the state won't cut funding by the full \$127.

"I think it is (just a delay)," he said of Granholm's announcement last week. The reason, Wilson explained, is that the state is banking on financial (revenue) premises that are neither accurate nor realistic. State revenues, he said, are already lower than anticipated, for example, and there's been no movement on finding an extra

\$100 million, which Granholm has said would eliminate the need for another \$127-per-pupil funding cut.

Even if that happens, the best case scenario for schools next year is yet another proration of \$224.

"My gut tells me there is no light at the end of the tunnel, or if there is, it's a train," Wilson said.

The \$165 reduction already implemented by the state cost Cass City Public Schools about \$205,000. The district currently has a fund balance of \$880,000, which would be reduced to roughly \$750,000 if the district loses another \$127 per student.

Wilson said the district's finance committee anticipated a balance of \$750,000, and there are no plans at this time to cut school programs.

"We are really fortunate, all things considered, when you look at where we're at compared to other districts in the area. I think we've positioned ourselves well," he added. "On the other hand, we've got a monumental task, trying to balance a budget next year."

Bank robbery suspect charged in Huron Co.

A 29-year-old Huron County man was arraigned last Wednesday on a felony charge stemming from the robbery of the Chemical Bank branch in Bad Axe the day before.

Darrell R. Polega was formally charged with robbery in Huron County District Court, where Judge David B. Herrington set a pretrial date for today (Wednesday) and a preliminary examination for Dec. 30.

Bond was set at \$200,000 cash for Polega, of Port Austin, who remains lodged in the Huron County Jail.

According to Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson, officers arrested Polega Please turn to page 6.

Bulldog pride Roemer ready to close books on career at O-G

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

You would be hard-pressed to find a stronger or more compassionate supporter of the Owen-Gage School District than Liz Roemer, but her devotion to Bulldog country has little to do with the fact that she has earned a living in the district for the past 24 years or so.

Roemer's love of Owen-Gage goes much deeper than that.

And, while she's preparing to retire at the end of January, it's clear Roemer will always be a part of the tiny Huron County school, which boasts all of about 216 students in grades K-12.

"Five generations of my family have been through here. My grandmother graduated from here in 1922 - she was one of the first graduates," Roemer said, adding her parents, Hazel and the late Ron Good, were 1949 graduates, and she and her husband, John, received their Owen-Gage diplomas in 1973.

Ron Good continued to contribute to the district as an adult, serving on the board of education for 32 years.

Roemer and her husband have 2 sons and a daughter. All of them attended and graduated from Owen-Gage. "I have 2 grandchildren, and they both come to Owen-Gage; one is in sixth grade and the other is in

second grade," noted the Gagetown native, who started working in the district part-time back in 1985.

"I had been a stay-at-home mom," she recalled. "Once I got my first 2 (kids) in school, I thought I might like to work part-time somewhere, and that led to this. But I was ready to work full time at that point."

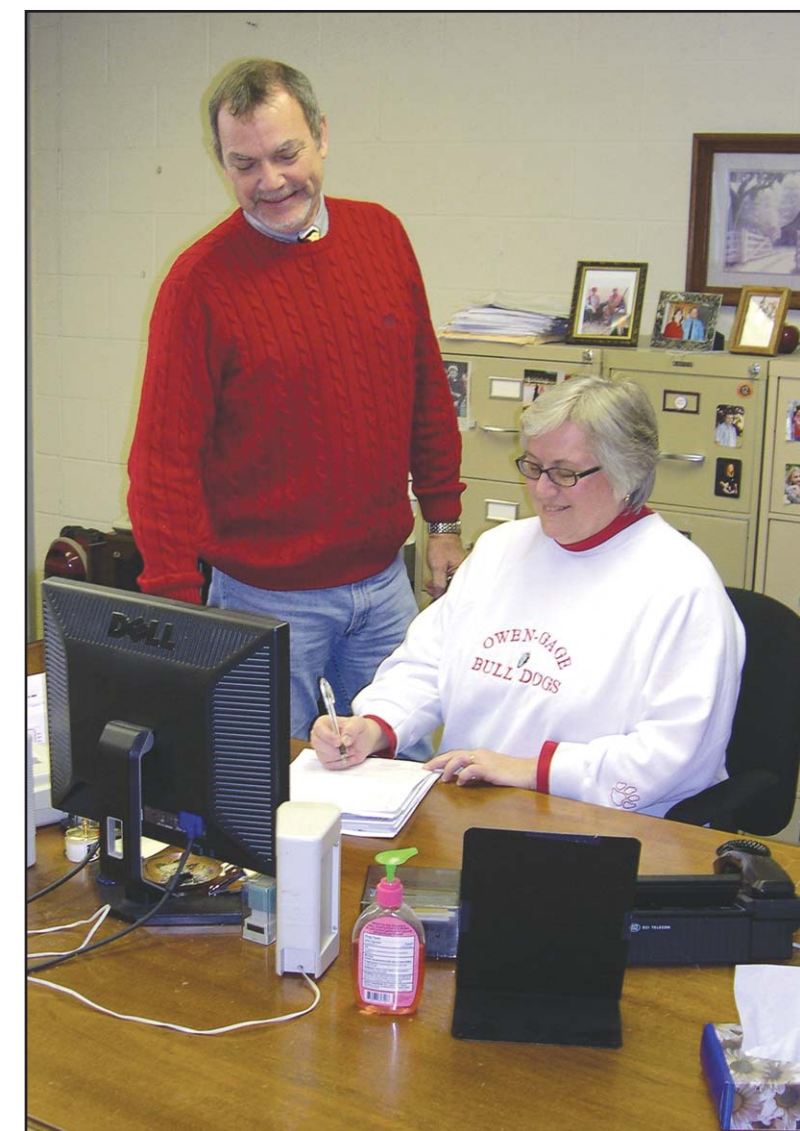
In the process, Roemer got more than she bargained for and, over the years, has worn a variety of hats. She still serves as the Owen-Gage School's business manager, bookkeeper, secretary to the superintendent, administrative assistant, and food service director. "I no longer do transportation, but for a while I did that, too," she said.

On the side, Roemer also does a bit of trouble shooting with computer issues, and she's always available when it comes to youngsters who need a hug.

And those youngsters are never far away. While the Owendale and Gagetown schools consolidated in the late 1950s, another consolidation — closing Gagetown Elementary School and placing all students in the junior-senior high school building in Owendale — took place in 2003.

"It was a necessity for us. That was very difficult, but I think we have adjusted very well here with that change," Roemer said, adding she en-

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OWEN-GAGE SCHOOL Supt. Dana Compton (left) touches base with Liz Roemer, the district's veteran administrative assistant, bookkeeper and secretary. Roemer will retire next month after more than 2 decades of service.

Calendar of Events

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

Wednesday, December 16

Early On Story Time, 10-11 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Thursday, December 17

AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-4816.
Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121 or Amanda at (810) 648-4497.

Friday, December 18

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

Senior Citizen Movies, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Saturday, December 19

Christmas Party/Retreat, 1 p.m., Pieces in a Basket - A Woman's Ministry, Mayville Junction, 2254 E. Ohmer Rd. (M-24) - 1/2 mile east of Mayville. Family and friends are invited. For more information, call (989) 843-0133.

Sunday, December 20

Gagetown AA meeting, 8-9 p.m., Gagetown fire hall. For more information, call (989) 665-0086.

Monday, December 21

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.

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

Historical & Genealogy Society Sing-Along, 6:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Tuesday, December 22

Blood drive, 1 to 6:45 p.m., Cass City VFW Hall. Sponsored by the Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary and the Veterans of Foreign War.

Cass City School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 23

Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.



Kayla and Matthew Livingston

Hoffman and Livingston exchange wedding vows

Kayla Marie Hoffman of Sebewaing and Matthew Curtis Livingston of Bay City were married July 11, 2009 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing with the Rev. Daniel Hahn performing the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Gordon and Susan Hoffman of Sebewaing. She is the granddaughter of Dr. Donald and Sally Rogers of Bay City, formerly of Pigeon, and Marcia and the late Elmer Hoffman of Cass City. She is a graduate of Unionville-Sebewaing Area Schools and Saginaw Valley State University, and is currently employed at Healthway Compounding Pharmacy in Saginaw in the health promotions department.

The groom is the son of Michael Livingston and Darlene Livingston, both of Mt. Morris. He is the grandson of Fay Livingston of Clio. He is a graduate of Mt. Morris High School and a current student of Saginaw Valley State University. He is currently employed with Dr. Pepper/Snapple Group as a route manager.

Mt. Morris, Becky Neumann of Madison Heights, Janelle Lupp of Sebewaing, Yvette Wissner of Sebewaing and Erin Schade of Port Huron, all friends of the couple. Junior bridesmaids were Allie Rogers of Bay City, cousin of the bride, and MaKayla Livingston of Mt. Morris, niece of the groom. The flower girl was Mileah Livingston of Mt. Morris, niece of the groom.

Best man was Damion DeRosia of Saginaw, friend of the couple. Groomsmen were Aaron Livingston of Flushing, Timothy Livingston of Mt. Morris, Michael Livingston of Mt. Morris, all brothers of the groom, Jeffrey Evanish of Clio, William Harris of Mt. Morris, Jordon DeRosia of Saginaw, Nicholas Vliet of Mt. Morris and Brandon Krugielki of Sebewaing, all friends of the couple. Junior groomsmen were Caleb Livingston of Mt. Morris, nephew of the groom. Ring bearers were Elijah Livingston of Mt. Morris and Evan Livingston of Flushing, both nephews of the groom.

Music for the ceremony was provided by Chad Smith of Pigeon, cousin of the bride. Selections included O Perfect Love, Be Thou With Them and The Lord's Prayer. Organist was Beth Elston of Pigeon.

Matron of honor was Christina Bruce of Unionville, friend of the couple. Bridesmaids were Ashley Livingston of Flushing, sister-in-law of the groom; Sandra Geiger of Unionville, Nicole Dewald of Unionville, Samantha Saunders of

Ushers were Bradley Rogers of Mesa, Ariz., Craig Smith of Pigeon, Nathan Rogers of Bay City and Nolan Rogers of Bay City, all cousins of the bride.

Hosts and hostesses were Larry and Gina Smith of Pigeon, Robert and Lori Rogers of Bay City, and Donald Rogers of Grand Rapids, all uncles and aunts of the bride.

A reception was held at the Doubletree Hotel, Bay City Riverfront. Music during the cocktail hour was provided by Flutist Melinda Rogers of Plant City, Fla., cousin of the bride's mother. Dinner and dancing music was provided by Rusch Entertainment.

Following a honeymoon trip to Las Vegas, Nev., the couple resides in Saginaw.

Campbell announces honor roll

Officials at Campbell Elementary School announce the first marking period honor roll.

Grade 4

Travis Albrecht, Kelsey Bouverette, Sarah Colton, Sayge Cuthrell*, Lauren Dickinson*, Megan Graham*, Darren Hutchinson, Riley Klein, Samantha London, Baylee Murphy, McKenna Nye, Layna Oliphant, Jaclyn Palmer*, Nicholas Perry*, Eric Peters*, Bailee Ross, Joseph Sieradzki, Joseph Skiles, Samantha Stern*, CarLee Stimpfel, Richard Voegelpohl, Savannah Walker*, Konnar Warren, Rylie Weiler, Reed White, Brandon Wright and Zane Wright.

Christmas program scheduled

The Farver Road Baptist Church will host a Christmas Program Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 6 p.m.

The festivities will be followed with finger food in the church fellowship hall. The church is located 1 1/2 miles southwest of the intersection of Elkton and Sebewaing roads. Just follow the Noah's Ark signs.

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

K. Goniwicha completes basic training in San Antonio, Texas

U.S. Air Force Airman Kevin L. Goniwicha has graduated from basic

military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.



Kevin Goniwicha

The airman completed an intensive, 8-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete the training earn 4 credits toward an associate's degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

Goniwicha, a 2008 graduate of Cass City High School, is the son of Robin and Sylvester Goniwicha of Cass City.

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In Our OPINION...

Clarke Haire
Publisher

Tom Montgomery
Editor

Thumb drug teams deserve appreciation

Drug trafficking in the Thumb may not seem like a suitable topic to address during the holiday season, but we believe it's appropriate to give credit where credit is due.

And at this time of the year, law enforcement officers - federal, state, county and local - deserve recognition for giving us all the "gift that keeps on giving".

That gift includes not only putting their lives on the line to take illicit drugs off the streets of towns such as Cass City, Kingston, Ubly, Gagetown, Owendale, etc., but also for the end result of their enforcement efforts: reducing a number of other crimes - burglary, assault, domestic violence — tied to drug use and sales throughout the region.

Of course, it's the big drug stings that get all the media attention, including last month's investigation in Sandusky, where a host of Sanilac County law enforcement agencies assisted federal authorities in foiling a major narcotics ring. While the Thumb officers didn't initiate the operation, they played a key role in apprehending 2 suspects and helping to seize a whopping \$10 million worth of Ecstasy tablets and marijuana after a small airplane dumped the drugs at the city airport.

Sanilac County authorities also boast a victory in putting an end to a major marijuana growing and processing operation back in the fall of 1996 at a 75-acre horse farm in the Decker area, east of Cass City.

Authorities said that the sophisticated operation was capable of producing more than 20,000 pounds of processed marijuana worth several million dollars a year.

In the end, 7 suspects - 5 from Indiana and 2 from western Kentucky - were indicted on federal charges.

Closer to home, members of the Thumb Narcotics Unit (TNU) put an end to a 6-year musical festival known as "The Festival of Rage" in 2007. The party drew 250 to 300 people and involved excessive drunkenness and the use of drugs, including the popular party drug Ecstasy.

More importantly, Thumb drug teams remain on the job 24-7, 365 days a year, although the absence of headlines may make it seem as if they are hibernating. In spite of funding cuts, limited manpower and other challenges, they continue to do their job.

TNU Commander Detective Lt. Mark Opra once explained that many of his unit's operations aren't publicized for a number of reasons, including cases involving suspects who agree to cooperate with the drug team by leading officers to other individuals who are higher up on the drug trafficking network.

He noted illicit drug use and sales involve regional operations. In other words, Flint, Saginaw, Detroit, Pontiac and Port Huron are all "source cities" for narcotics being trafficked in the Thumb. So, a raid in Lapeer could involve marijuana or cocaine planned for distribution in the upper Thumb.

For many, the holiday season is all about family and taking the time to be thankful for our health, our families and the safe communities in which we live.

If you know a law enforcement officer or run into one (even if he or she is writing you a citation for speeding), why not take a moment to thank them for making life a little safer for all of us?

You never know. Their efforts may have kept a joint or a dose of Ecstasy out of your teen's hands. Or kept drug users from breaking into your home in search of cash or property to pay for their habit.

Letter to the Editor

Community support has been tremendous

Dear Editor,

As the economy is so hard on many, I wanted to share a little good news.

As you may know, our organization along with "Smiles for Seniors" has and continues to provide "Santa Shops" to the patients in nursing facilities who are unable to get out into the community.

The support we have received from community members both in the Cass City and Caro areas has been tremendous. The hard work the volunteers

have been putting forth is awesome.

Donations from community members who are not even affiliated with us have even come in. People who are not even "our volunteers" have showed up to help out.

It is this time of the season that "giving" so little, means so much to these patients.

Kim Stec-Barnes
TC/VC
Home and Hospice Advantage
Cass City

Reporter's notebook

Facebook isn't just for the young these days

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

An off-hand comment about my Facebook page last summer drew an instant, wide-eyed stare from our news/editorial intern, Patricia Emenpour.

"You have a Facebook page!? That's so funny," she said.

Okay, I knew what she was thinking: "The old man can write a story on a computer, maybe even send an email, but have a page on one of the most popular social networking websites on the Internet? No way!"

A few years ago I wouldn't have considered experimenting with Facebook - even today I have no interest in Myspace or Twitter - but a physician friend of mine who lives in Houston, Texas (and is older than me) convinced me to give it a try.

I'm glad I did.

Setting up a page wasn't nearly as difficult as I imagined, and although Facebook has its technical difficulties here and there, I've enjoyed keeping up with friends - some I hadn't been in touch with in years - along with distant family members. Even coworkers.

Facebook is a global social networking website that is operated and privately owned by Facebook Inc. Users can add friends and send them messages, and update their personal profiles to notify friends about themselves. Users can also join networks organized by city, workplace, school and region.

The website's name stems from the colloquial name of books given at the start of the academic year by university administrators with the intention of helping students get to know each

other better.

Mark Zuckerberg founded Facebook with his college roommates and fellow computer science students while he was a student at Harvard University. The website's membership was initially limited to Harvard students, but was expanded to include other colleges in the Boston area, the Ivy League and Stanford University. It later expanded further to include any university student, then high school students and, finally, to anyone aged 13 and over.

Today, the website has more than 350 million active users worldwide.

Now, I'll be the first to say you have to be careful with what you post on ANY site on the Internet. But Facebook has proven to be a great way to keep in touch with many folks I probably wouldn't otherwise, simply because there are only so many hours in the day.

I've enjoyed posting and sharing photos with my fellow drum corps enthusiasts, and I've been able to keep up with the happenings of family members who live across the state and beyond.

I've even kept in touch with Patricia who, after leaving the Chronicle dove into a schedule at Central Michigan University that would make anyone's head spin. She recently underwent an emergency appendectomy (she's fine) and is hoping to land another internship this coming summer.

She still kids me about having a Facebook page.

That's okay. I remind her about the blank look on her face when I asked her if she was familiar with the music of Bob Seger (she wasn't).

So much for youth knowing it all.



The back forty by Roger Pond

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You can tell a lot about folks by their Christmas decorations. Those with artificial trees, for example, tend to be efficient, pragmatic, and in tune with society.

"Why go out and buy a tree every year?" they reason. "You're just going to send it to the landfill later."

Those who buy a living tree, on the other hand, tend to be young, idealistic, and concerned about the environment. They hope to "save our forests" by purchasing a live tree and then planting it outside after Christmas.

Living tree advocates often plant their tree in the backyard or at a friend's house. I recommend the friend's house, because the tree is probably going to die, anyway.

It's like Mother always said, "You can bring it into the house, and you can feed it. But if I were you, I wouldn't give it a name."

A third group, the "real tree" people, are bound by tradition. These folks tend to be old-fashioned, uncompromising, and possibly stubborn.

There is a need for artificial trees in some cases, but those who buy real trees should be given some room. They believe Christmas trees are grown and harvested for our enjoyment, like any other crop.

We don't see people planting corn in their yards — with the purpose of saving our cornfields. What's this thing with the trees!?

I know some folks are opposed to

tree harvesting of any sort, but that line of thinking has its limitations. This is best illustrated by the Sad Christmas Story.

I should mention the Sad Christmas Story is a fairy tale, as opposed to a redneck story. Readers will recall a fairy tale begins with "Once upon a time." A redneck story starts out "You ain't gonna believe this!"

You ain't gonna believe this, but once upon a time there was a little fir tree growing way out in the National Forest. (In a roadless area, I think.)

The little fir tree had a slight case of needle rust and a few budworms; but still, he was hoping a nice family would come to the forest and take him home to celebrate the holidays.

Try as he might the little fir couldn't compete with the fancy pines or the elegant spruce that grew nearby. One by one, families came to the forest to cut their trees, and nobody noticed the little fir who wanted so badly to celebrate Christmas with a family.

(How these people were getting into the forest without any roads is a political problem not suited for fairy tales.)

Finally, the day before Christmas the little fir tree had almost given up hope. Then suddenly, he heard rustling in the brush! Was this a nice family coming to take him home for Christmas?

Nope. It was a big flock of woodpeckers! And they just wiped him out.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can
get to help)

Still looking for that perfect Christmas gift? If your loved one is a Red Hawk boys' basketball fan, consider Bob Morley's book "Cass City Red Hawk Basketball 1950-2001" which can be purchased at Rawson Memorial District Library.

The book includes detailed year-by-year statistics and photos, and is sure to spark some golden memories for several former Cass City cagers during the era.

An added bonus is that proceeds from the book sales will benefit future hardwood hopefuls.

If you are interested in applying for The Michigan Medical Marihuana Program (MMMP) you're not alone. Since April 6, 2009, the Michigan Department of Community Health has received 10,393 applications.

Information emailed to the Chronicle also states 5,873 patient and 2,440 caregiver registrations have been issued, while 1,867 applications have been denied, mostly due to incomplete or missing documentation.

To obtain laws and rules about the MMMP, or an application form, log onto www.michigan.gov.

Ken Blue had the holiday spirit Saturday during a Christmas social held at Sherwood on the Hill in Gagetown.

So did the 50+ who gathered for the Cass City service clubs event - literally - thanks to Blue who purchased a round of drinks for those in attendance. Blue, a former Hunt Construction employee, was celebrating the birth of his second grandchild and now has one from each daughter, Debra and Lida.

Had a moment last week that I've been told to expect from time to time.

Dick Erla, 85, stopped in at the office Thursday for the first time since suffering a stroke that resulted in a loss of vision in one eye.

After the long-time community businessman conducted his affairs (he's selling his laptop because of sight limitations, if interested) I lent him an arm to lean on to reach his car, as the sidewalks were treacherous accompanied by strong winds.

Still quick with the wit, the former shaker-and-baker of Cass City moved cautiously, getting the job done - reminding me of my dad at that age.

Turning to the reason to pause, it was bittersweet, as I guess most feel with the loss of a loved one.



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Several appear on charges

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

- John W. Elmore, 51, North Branch, pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance Sept. 13 in Fremont Township.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$300. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- David L. Smith, 47, Caro, pleaded guilty to assaulting a police officer Sept. 2 in Caro.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$500. Sentencing is to be set.
- Richard J. Pincumbe Jr., 48, Clif-ford, pleaded guilty to 3 counts of possession of a firearm by a felon Nov. 13 in Koylton Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- Kenneth J. Lowe, 51, Cass City, was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$620 for his plea of guilty to possession of a loaded firearm in or upon a motor vehicle May 1 in Caro.
- Richard L. Radick, 37, Millington, pleaded guilty to operating a motor

- vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Oct. 4 in Koylton Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be set.
- Frederick L. Periso, 46, Cass City, was sentenced to 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to escape from jail while serving a sentence for a felony conviction July 9 in Elmwood Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).
- In addition to probation, he was ordered to pay \$2,128 in costs and fines.
- Donald J. Tucker, 69, received a one-year delayed sentence following his pleas of guilty to 5 counts of using a computer to commit a crime, and 6 counts of possession of child sexually abusive material in August 2008 in the city of Vassar/Vassar Township.
- He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$5,408.
- Thomas M. Sochowicz, 58, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his pleas of guilty to carrying a concealed weapon and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 24 in Dayton Township.
- He was also ordered to pay \$4,196

- in costs and fines.
- Robert S. Arnold, 22, Caro, was sentenced to 13 months to 3 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to as-saulting a police officer May 6 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).
- In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$128.
- Arnold also pleaded guilty to fur-nishing contraband (marijuana) to prisoners Sept. 7 in Caro.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was revoked. Sen-tencing is to be scheduled.
- Michael L. Lawrence, 22, Deford, was sentenced to serve a minimum of 2 years in prison for his plea of guilty to possession of a firearm in the com-mission of a felony June 23 in Kingston and Indianfields townships, and June 23-30 in Novesta Township. He was also sentenced to one to 20 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to 2 counts of first degree home inva-sion.
- In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$324 plus restitution of \$3,245.04.
- Donald M. Kanyak, 55, Cass City, pleaded guilty to writing a non-suffi-cient fund check of \$500 or more Feb. 14, 2007, in Caro.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing is to be set.
- Nicholas C. Helm, 30, Franken-muth, was sentenced to 270 days in jail (90 days deferred), with work re-lease, for his plea of guilty to operat-ing a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Dec. 19, 2008, in Denmark Township.
- He was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay \$8,628 in costs and fines plus restitution of \$95.
- Timothy J. Barden, 50, Kingston, pleaded no contest to third degree home invasion, carrying a weapon with unlawful intent, 2 counts of in-decent exposure, and brandishing a firearm in public Aug. 16 in Kingston.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$500. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- Joseph L. Kipp, 32, Cass City, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with work release and worksite privileges, for his plea of guilty to second degree child abuse July 25 in Ellington Township.
- He was also placed on 24 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,088.



OLD MAN WINTER officially arrived last week, bringing with him snow, brisk winds and bone-chilling temperatures. The weather moderated over the week-end, but forecasters were expecting the cold and snow to return this week.

Hearings set on new flood zones

Under the new federal flood-zone map for Michigan, It doesn't matter if the shoreline, bay, lake or river is miles away, a homeowner's property could be considered in a flood zone anyway.

The new "flood zones" not only take into consideration bodies of water - even ditches - but also rain storms, explained Tuscola County Drain Commissioner Robert Mantey.

There will be public hearings on the Preliminary Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps today (Wednesday), at the Tuscola Technology Center, Caro. The 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. meeting will be for village, city and township officials, and there is another meeting 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. for area residents to ask questions.

"There's been major (flood zone) changes throughout the county, the Thumb, and state.

"Areas that weren't considered in flood areas could be now so it is im-portant to realize there might be a change to your property," he added.

The new proposed flood zone map has several changes, and those changes could have a financial impact on property owners.

Commissioner Amanda Roggenbuck noted previously that in Huron County some residents saw their homeowner's insurance double and even triple in cost, and to homes that were well inland.

Maps will be available for viewing at the Dec. 16 meeting, and in the drain office.

Even though the maps have been drawn, they aren't set in stone - yet, but once they are published it will be very difficult to make any changes. Because there might be inaccuracies or changes that weren't taken into consideration at the time the maps were done, it is important for landowners to know where flood zones are in relation to the property, and if there are inaccuracies, dispute them now.

"I cannot stress enough how impor-tant this is," noted Mantey. "It's easier to make changes now than later, and it could really make a difference in the price of (homeowner) insurance."

Of Tuscola County's 23 townships, 10 have joined the National Flood Insurance Program, and 13 townships have not. Townships that are not part of the program could jeopardize re-ceiving Federal Emergency Manage-ment Agency (FEMA) funding if there is a disaster.

There is no cost for municipalities to join the National Flood Insurance Program, and it would be a significant benefit to them and their constituents.

Mantey also noted that it would be good for insurance agencies to attend the 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. to help answer questions.

According to FEMA's statistics, dev-astating floods in the U. S. cause more than \$2 billion in damage, floods and flash floods occur in all 50 states. Be-sides Mantey and Finn, there will be Michigan Department of Environ-mental Quality (MDEQ) on hand to answer questions.

Additional information will be posted soon on the county's website www.tuscolacounty.org.

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Tuscola County Recycling Center will be closed Thursday, Dec. 24, Friday, Dec. 25, Thursday, Dec. 31, and Friday, Jan. 1 in observance of the holidays.

The regular business hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on the third Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For additional information, call (989) 672-1673 or email: recycle@tuscolacounty.org. You may also check out the center's website at www.tuscolacounty.org/recycling/ for additional information on all recycling programs.

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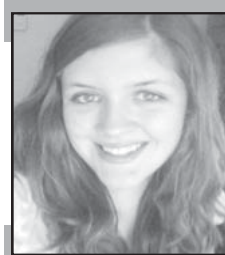
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Santa letters due at the Chronicle Friday

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Red Hawk News & Views Cass City Public Schools by Paige Lester

Christmas songs are a timeless component of the holiday season. From old favorites like "The Christmas Song" to newer classics such as "All I Want for Christmas is You", it seems that the holiday season is not complete without a sing song reminder of the joy of the times. Pop stars come out with albums of their own original Christmas songs or renditions of the songs of old.

Even TV shows and movies seem to be centered on songs and ones that are remembered for a long time. Take, for instance, "White Christmas", "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" or "Frosty the Snowman". All once popular movies or stories, they are now simply remembered by their title songs. And every song tells its own Christmas story.

Everyone at school has their favorites.

For Leah Sanders, a freshman, it's "I want a Hippopotamus for Christmas". This song was originally performed by a 10-year-old Oklahoma City girl named Gayla Peevey. After it became a hit, the local zoo raised enough money to buy a hippopotamus, which they then presented to her.

Jalen Ferris, a member of his family's singing group Not Ashamed, mentioned that his favorite song was "What Child is this". "I also really enjoy 'Christmas Shoes'," Jalen added, "I just sang it as a solo for our band's recent benefit concert." "Christmas Shoes" was the inspiration behind the made for TV movie "The Christmas Shoes", which focused on a woman dealing with terminal illness, and her son who wanted to get her one last Christmas present.

According to composer Mel Torme, "The Christmas Song" or "Chesnuts Roasting on an Open Fire" was written on a summer day when it was so hot that he thought writing a song about winter would help everyone cool off. Today this song with summer origins is one of the most played holiday songs ever.

It seems these songs are liked by students because they reflect their feelings during Christmas. And, though the same ones are played over and over, every year come winter, they seem just as new each holiday season.

A few students, on the other hand, can't seem to take the endless stream of the same tunes. Dean Rabideau is one of these people. "I can't stand Christmas music. It's played too early; all the songs have the same message and are repeated over and over," he said.

A couple of the other students agreed, saying that the day after Halloween is way too early for Christmas music to start being played. Yet the overwhelming majority thought that such music really helps them get into the Christmas mood and focus on what the season is all about.

It makes people think about many aspects of Christmas, such as joy, peace and sharing while giving them something to sing about. All in all it can truly be said that Christmas is the only season of the year when music plays such an important role in the atmosphere of people celebrating a holiday.

A. Burnette recognized for 10 years of service

Yeo & Yeo, P.C., CPAs recently recognized Angela Burnette, CPA, for 10 years of dedicated service during the firm's annual holiday celebration held at the Bavarian Motor Lodge in Frankenmuth.

Burnette is the manager of the firm's Marlette office. She provides audit, tax and managerial accounting services.

She is the treasurer of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce and lives in Cass City.



Angela Burnette

Movies scheduled at Rawson Library

Rawson Memorial District Library will be hosting Senior Citizen Movies Friday, Dec. 18, at 1:30 p.m.

Forgotten Ellis Island: A century ago, in the shadow of the Statue of Liberty, one of the world's great public hospitals was built. Massive and modern, the hospital's 22 state-of-the-art buildings were crammed onto two small islands, man-made from the rock and dirt excavated during the building of the New York subway. The Ellis Island Hospital was where the germs of the world converged, at once welcoming and foreboding - a fateful crossroads for hundreds of thousands of hopeful immigrants. Those nursed to health were allowed entry to America. Those deemed feeble of body or mind were deported. Three short decades after it opened, the Ellis Island Hospital was all but abandoned. As America after World War I began shutting its border to all but a favored few, the hospital fell into disuse and decay, and then into emptiness, its medical wards open only to the salt air of New York Harbor. (57 minutes)

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O-G honors student of the month



Amanda Woodruff

Amanda Woodruff has been named the Owendale-Gagetown High School "Senior Student of the Month" for December.

Woodruff has played volleyball throughout her high school career. As a senior she was chosen as a member of the North Central Thumb League Second Team in the sport.

Academically, Woodruff has consistently been on the honor roll and has been a member of Owen-Gage's 3.0 Honors Club each year. She was also inducted into the National Honor Society last year.

As a junior, she was selected as a homecoming representative and was a member of the prom committee. This year she was nominated as a queen candidate for homecoming.

Woodruff currently serves as the senior class secretary and is also a member of the school's yearbook/newspaper staff. She is also active at the Gagetown Nazarene Church, where she has served as an assistant with the Kids for Christ program.

Woodruff is the daughter of Stan and Julie Woodruff of Gagetown. Her future plans include attending college in the fall.

Blood drive scheduled

Cass City area residents will have the opportunity to give the "gift of life" Tuesday, Dec. 22, at the Cass City VFW Hall.

The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be open from 1 to 6:45 p.m. The Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary and VFW Post 3644, Cass City, are sponsoring the drive.

More information is available by calling Kerry Brown at (989) 912-6319 or Joan Smithson at (989) 872-2031.

Down Memory Lane

By Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO

U.S. Army Private Nathan A. Fisher, son of Scott and Deborah Fisher of Cass City, recently completed 9 weeks of basic combat training at Fort Jackson, S.C. He graduated Dec. 3 with C Company, 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry. He's now in advanced individual training in Maryland, where he will attend the Tracked Vehicle Mechanic Course. Fisher is a 2004 graduate of Cass City High School.

It has been a very long time since the Cass City Red Hawks went into the Christmas holidays undefeated, but a sterling last quarter comeback against Ubly Friday kept alive the hopes that this is the year the Red Hawks will start the new year with an unblemished record. With 4 minutes left in the first half it didn't appear likely that Cass City was going to post a 55-53 win. Cass City rallied by 16 points, 37-21, with less than 4 minutes left in the third quarter before starting its comeback behind a rain of threes. Cass City netted 5 treys in a row as Justin Glaza started the parade with a pair, followed by one each by Brad Langenburg and Nick Stoutenburg. Going into the final 8 minutes the Bearcat lead was cut to 10.

Betty Glaza of Ubly was the first lucky winner in the Cass City Christmas in the Village prize giveaway. Glaza won a Silver Line Train along with \$50 in Cass City Cash.

The winners of this year's spelling bee, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, are Cass City Middle School students Angie Simpson, Rachael Rule, Alexandra Pena, Jared Weidman, Dylan Miller, Kelsey Rudy, Cassie Wilson, Nick Karavas, Mason Doerr and Jalen Ferris.

10 YEARS AGO

Veteran sausage maker Joe Vatter says his original recipe is still the most popular, but the barbecue stick is a close second. Vatter has turned a hobby into a growing family business that is expected to process some 50,000 pounds of venison this year.

Roger Parrish was recently honored with standing ovations by the audience and choir when he played and sang his own new original Christmas song entitled: "This Child of Christmas" at the Dec. 4 and 5 concerts presented by the Tom Thumb Singers at the Cass City United Methodist Church.

Cory Fritz became a household name in the Thumb over the weekend when he lifted visiting Owen-Gage to an exciting 61-59 North Central Thumb League win at Akron. With the win, Coach Leon Westover's squad improved to 2-0 on the early campaign heading into this week's games with conference foes Port

Hope and Peck. Fritz and Corbin Swiastyn led the Bulldogs' offensive charge with 14 points apiece. Swiastyn tossed 3 of his team's 6 triples and added 3 of 4 charity tosses in a fine shooting display.

A pair of Cass City High School seniors is among the students included in the 33rd annual edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students. They are Brooke Ouvry and Aaron Volz. Ouvry is the daughter of Ron and Karen Ouvry. Volz is the son of Chuck and Linda Volz.

25 YEARS AGO

The TAWBA Bowler of the Week for Nov. 19-25 is Tracey Pettit with a 589 actual series. She bowls for Brown's Enterprises on the Sunday 4:30 Mixed League at Bad Axe Lanes.

What was your favorite Christmas present that you received as a child? "It was probably a bicycle, when I was seven or eight years old," said Dewain Jones. "Many moons have passed since those days," added the 65-year-old retired General Motors employee. He recalled that the bicycle had air inflated tires, but that the tire did not have an inner tube. He described the tire as being like a rubber hose, with a hollow core that was inflated to ride easier. If he had a flat tire, a plug was forced into the hole instead of using a patch. He said his dad probably paid about \$15 for the bicycle. He and his wife, Anne, live at 4698 Pringle Rd., Snover. They have six grown children. (From Your Neighbor Says)

Dale Doyen, a self taught taxidermist, is a living example of the old adage that "practice makes perfect." Doyen has been practicing his craft since he was 10 years old. The only formal training in taxidermy work that he has had was reading a correspondence course manual that a friend ordered from a wildlife magazine. "At that time I had no idea that it would become my profession,"

Doyen, now in his 19th year of taxidermy work, said.

35 YEARS AGO

Okay, match this if you can. Fred Jaus dropped in to renew his Chronicle the other day and reported that he has taken the Chronicle as long as anybody. That's a safe boast, too. Because Fred received issue number one and has been subscribing ever since. Not only that, the 93-year-old youngster reports that he also subscribed to the "Enterprise", the paper that preceded the Chronicle in Cass City. I can't report what Mr. Jaus does while reading, but I can say that I've never seen him wear a pair of glasses on the street. (From Rabbit Tracks)

"The Magical Forest" written especially for elementary students by the drama class at Cass City High School was performed Thursday. Cast members included Wayne Wood as the Wizard, Lena Woodruff as the little girl, Tom Sherry as the woodcutter and Ed Keating, Mike Gaszczynski, Cathy Hobart, Donna Francis and Frances Walsh as trees.

Trophies were presented recently to high point winners of the Indian Trails Riding Club. Six contests were held throughout the summer and early fall. All members were eligible to compete. Each contest consisted of three timed events with points awarded for best times. Terri Strieter won the ladies' division with 39 points, while Carl Ignash took top men's division honors with 36 points. Chuck Martin received the first-place trophy for the young men's division. Other winners in the men's division included Ken Pratt, second, 33 points; Art Smith, third, 32 points; Denny Gaskill, fourth, 28 points, and Dick Strieter, fifth, 24 points. Other winners in the ladies' division included Nancy Craig, second, 36 points; Janet Kranz and Linda Dumaw tied for third with 25 points each, and Pat Klucznik, fourth, with 20 points.

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Contacts 872-2367 or 872-3136
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Bible Study Sunday 10:00 a.m. & Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Cass City Church of the Nazarene
6538 Third St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-2604 or (989) 912-2077
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Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study
& Children's Activities 6:00 p.m.
Rev. Judy A. Esckilsen

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Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service & Youth Group 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Family Night 6:30 p.m.
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5100 N. Cemetery Rd.,
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872-3422
Worship: 11:00 a.m.
(Summer 9:30 a.m.)
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Pastor: Rev. Paul G. Donelson

Evangelical Free Church of Cass City
6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726
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Worship 11:00 a.m.
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6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726
989-872-3155
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Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
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Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
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First Presbyterian Church
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6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-5400
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“Harvest For All” effort a record-breaker in 2009

Michigan Farm Bureau's (MFB) 2009 "Harvest for All" campaign supporting local food banks has yielded the biggest contributions to-date in MFB's history with the program. Harvest for All is a national program that encourages county Farm Bureaus to help fight hunger in their local communities by donating surplus agricultural commodities, non-perishable food products, money, and/or volunteer hours to local food banks. This is the fifth consecutive year MFB has participated under the leadership of MFB's Young Farmer and Promotion and Education Commit-

tees, in partnership with the Food Bank Council of Michigan, and marks the biggest campaign results to-date with:

- 123,516 pounds, or nearly 62 tons, of surplus agricultural commodities collected, up a whopping 707 percent from 15,304 pounds collected last year;
- 8,681 pounds, or almost 4 tons, of non-perishable food products gathered, up from 7,931 pounds gathered last year;
- \$24,443 in financial donations raised to help stock pantries, a gener-

ous 107 percent increase from \$11,752 raised last year;- 2,754 hours of volunteer time clocked at local food banks, a 40 percent increase over last year.

"The Michigan Farm Bureau is happy to be able to lend a hand at a time when resources are tight at food banks across the state," said MFB Young Farmer Department Manager Lori Chamberlain. "We're especially grateful to our county Farm Bureau volunteers for making this year such a rousing success in all 4 Harvest for All program areas."



DON HORNE, 50, OF Cass City lost control of his vehicle on Cemetery Road, just south of the village, Monday morning. Horne, who was wearing a seatbelt, ended up in a ditch, but neither he nor his dog, “Mesha” were injured. Horne indicated black ice on the bridge over the Cass River caught him by surprise.

Roemer to retire at Owen-Gage

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joys being around the younger students. "I don't know how many hugs I get a day."

Some things, however, have not changed drastically, according to Roemer.

"For so many years, it was those families that were here. We see more people coming and going today, but there are still those families — there's still that connectivity among families," she said. "And the support. The support has always been here for Owen-Gage," said Roemer, who pointed out that she can't recall a time, prior to implementation of Proposal A, when district voters turned down a millage request for operational funding.

Looking ahead, Roemer said the decision to retire just seems right. She noted the transition will save the district money, because officials will fill some of her roles with personnel through the Huron Intermediate School District. Plus, the mounting red tape that comes with state and federal regulations has become an increasing burden on her. "It's time to let someone else deal with it," Roemer added.

In retirement, she plans to keep busy, including maintaining her active schedule as a longtime member of the Gagetown Church of the Nazarene, where she has served as a pianist for the past 35 years. She's also a Sunday school teacher and Wednesday night

"Kids for Christ" leader at the church.

Probably few people will miss Roemer's presence in the school district as much as Supt. Dana Compton, who has come to rely on her skills and easygoing personality during his 4 1/2-year tenure at Owen-Gage.

"Quite honestly, she does wear a lot of hats. She does a whole lot of work behind the scenes and in all kinds of directions. She does it all. I really think she's one of the strongest individuals I've worked with. She's just a terrific person," Compton said.

"She's a wonderful resource for the district and a wonderful resource for me. She's a source of information, where we can simply ask her and not do a lot of research because she has that connection to the district and to the community," he added. "And she has that personal touch, she really

does. She's a very kind and compassionate person, and in a school setting, it's so important to have that."

Asked how the district will replace Roemer, Compton paused for a moment.

"I don't think it is possible to replace someone with those attributes," he said. "Can you find someone with the people skills? Certainly. Can you find someone with bookkeeping skills? Certainly," he said. "But, it's the intangibles."

For Roemer, the many duties she's taken on over the years have been simply an extension of her love for the Owen-Gage School District.

"You help where you can, and you care. That's the community," she said. "It's a great district. It really is, and I'll miss it. I'll miss the staff and I'll miss the children."

Robbery suspect charged

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outside George E. Greene Elementary School in Bad Axe about 4 hours after the robbery.

Hanson indicated that citizens' tips, prompted by the posting of Polega's description and a surveillance camera photo on various media websites and the Huron County Government website, led officers to the school after being notified

that Polega's girlfriend had called the school, requesting to pick up her child due to an unknown emergency.

Hanson along with a sheriff's department detective, Bad Axe police and an FBI agent responded and took the couple into custody without incident.

"A large amount of cash was found on the suspect at the scene, and he was found unarmed. It is unclear at this time whether he was armed when he committed the bank robbery," said Hanson.

Police responded to the bank earlier

in the day after being notified by the Diebold Alarm Company that a hold-up was in progress at the bank branch.

"It was learned that a male in his 20s, 5-foot 10-inches tall, thin build, brown hair with blonde highlights, sideburns below the ear and wearing a light beige cap with a green bill had passed a note to bank teller Angie Ulfig demanding that she keep her hands in sight, and no one would get hurt, and that she give him all of her money," Hanson said, adding a total of \$4,690 was taken.

"Ulfig, who recently became an employee of Chemical Bank, complied with his demands and the suspect exited the building."

County and local police officials began compiling information, according to the sheriff, who said the FBI and Michigan State Police Crime Lab were contacted and responded quickly to the scene.


Hanson said detectives questioned Polega's girlfriend and are continuing their investigation.

HDC director retiring


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trict Judge vacancies, and she has served as a trainer for CAA Boards of Directors, Executive Directors, and in the area of Community Economic Development, from the local to national levels.


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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & PARKS:		
DPW Superintendent	28.79	28.79
Asst. DWP Superintendent	25.07	25.07
DPW Crew	22.77	22.77
DPW Crew (Current 2006 Hire)	20.04	21.15
Maintenance I	20.04	21.15
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:		
WWTP Superintendent	28.79	28.79
WWTP Operators	22.32	22.32
WWTP Operator (Current 2006 Hire)	20.28	21.39
WWTP Operator (Current 2007 Hire)	18.93	20.04
POLICE:		
Chief of Police	28.79	28.79
Sergeant	23.33	23.33
Patrol Officer	22.77	22.77
Patrol Officer (Current 2006 Hire)	20.49	21.63

Council approves budget

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value will be known.

On the expense side of the budget, Cristiano pointed out the village, like many others, is being forced to get by despite increases estimated to run about 3 percent higher than in 2009.

"The theme that runs through this proposed budget is one of maximizing available resources to continue an exceptional quality of life for the residents of Cass City. (There are) no cost-of-living increases (for village employees) in this budget and all part-time workers are being re-structured within current hourly wage lines," Cristiano said.

Capital improvements in next year's budget include completing the SCADA system at the wastewater treatment plant, replacing fire hydrants and a new leaf vacuum. Also included in the budget are plans to purchase a paint buggy and a new truck with JetVac that will be used to

help maintain the village's sewer lines.

"These purchases are necessary for the safety of our employees and will replace aging equipment," Cristiano said.

Among the village's 8 funds that comprise the 2010 operating budget, the General Fund is predicted to end with \$96,432 less than the estimated dollars for the current year, while the proposed Parks and Recreation budget will have \$21,000 less to work with in 2010.

"In the Parks and Recreation Department, the day camp, swimming pool and other facilities will be restructured to expend fewer dollars, and grants will be aggressively searched and requested," Cristiano said, noting that a capital outlay of \$15,000 is recommended to change the chlorine operated pool to a saline operated pool.

"Over a 5-year period, this new system will reduce chemical supplies by

\$50,000. And by better marketing, we anticipate greater day camp and swimming pool participation," Cristiano said.

Turning to the 2009 budget amendments, the council approved tapping \$10,000 from the water fund and \$20,000 from the wastewater treatment fund.

"Both adjustments reflect unusual, but necessary, repairs to the sewer system and leaks in water connections," Cristiano said.

OTHER BUSINESS

Budget and Finance Committee member Don Richards requested that a 2010 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor be leased for the Cass City Police Department.

The new vehicle will replace a 2007 patrol vehicle and will be ordered

from Signature Ford, Owosso, which has the state of Michigan contract. For a total of \$23,394.54, including finance charges, the vehicle will be leased with annual payments made through the Ford Municipal Finance Program over 3 years. At the end of the contract, the village may purchase the vehicle for one dollar.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Also, during the 19-minute gathering, the council:

- Received and filed the minutes from the November meetings of the Downtown Development Authority and the Economic Development Corporation.
- Accepted the financial statements ending Nov. 30 with a cash balance of \$1,565,292.

- Approved the payments of bills totaling \$229,441.

Sportsmen's club planning gun raffle

The Gateway Sportsmen's Club in Unionville is selling tickets for its annual Gun Raffle Fundraiser.

Ticket holders have a chance to win a gun a month for a year. The raffle is limited to 200 tickets and drawings will take place during regular club meetings, held the first Tuesday of each month.

Proceeds benefit the Gateway Sportsmen's Club. Gateway members believe in giving back to the community. Activities include safety education, a fall youth target shoot, and a scholarship for local high school students.

Winners will be contacted within 5 days of drawings. Randy's Hunting Center in Bad Axe will handle all gun distributions. Visit the club's website at www.gatewaysportsmensclub.org for a complete list of guns.

Tickets are \$50 each and must be purchased by Dec. 31. Contact club President Ralph Rasch at (989) 553-4743. Tickets are also available at Lindy's Sales in Quanicasee.

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FOUL CALLED. Cass City’s Nick Brown was sent to the foul line following this lay in attempt in non-conference play against Sandusky. The Red Hawk junior finished with 8 points in his first varsity contest.

Ketterer goes off in Cass City win

Justin Ketterer wasted little time in leading Cass City to its maiden cage win Thursday, tossing in a career-best 28 points in the Red Hawks’ 56-41 decision over Mayville in non-conference play.

Ketterer scored 11 points during a 20-8 spurt to open the contest and then added 14 more before the break as the visitors went on top, 39-16.

The game’s fast moving pace was to the liking of the Red Hawk junior sparkplug and, more importantly, to coach Jim Green.

“Our guards were really pushing the tempo, resulting in a number of easy baskets. Justin got hot and his teammates were looking for him,” Green said.

Mayville Coach Leon Westover credited Cass City’s speed as key in the outcome.

“The Red Hawks’ quickness led to many easy opportunities early in the game. Coach Green has the Red Hawks playing well and playing together. They moved the ball well on the break and in the half court,” Westover said.

Cass City added to their advantage after the break before Green emptied his bench and the Red Hawks were outscored 13-3 to the wire.

Despite Ketterer’s heroics, Green called the Red Hawk victory a team effort.

“Alex Varney and Jeff Mulrath combined for 11 assists and 6 steals. For the second game in a row, Cameron Dunnuck did a lot of little things that make his teammates better. Nick Brown followed up a solid opening night with 8 points on 3-of-4 shooting,” Green said.

Mayville was led by senior William

Henderson with 12 points, 4 rebounds and 3 steals, while junior Jordan Broadworth chipped in 10 points.

SANDUSKY

Cass City’s season opener ended on a sour note Tuesday as visiting Sandusky held on to emerge with a 53-41 win.

After falling behind 17-13, the Redskins used a pair of steals converted into baskets by Anthony Alvarez and Jordan Coats to take a 20-19 advantage that they would never surrender.

“We came out strong and executed the game plan. Sandusky is a solid team with good depth. Eventually we couldn’t overcome their advantage in rebounding and forced turnovers,” Green said.

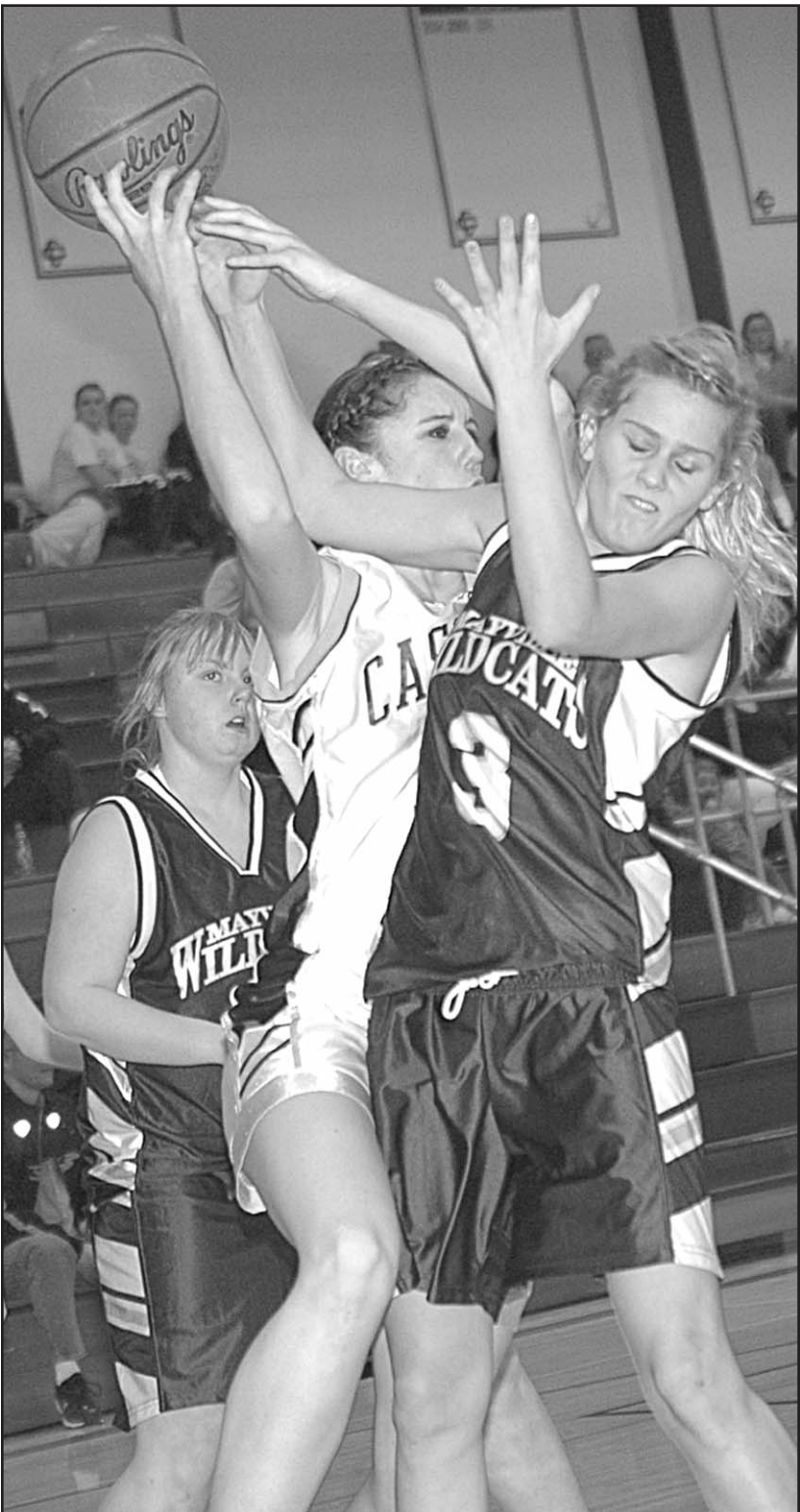
Ketterer had a team-high 12 points for Cass City, while Andrew Fetting recorded game-scoring honors to lead the visitors and finished with 16 points.

CASS CITY - Varney 1-0 (0-2) 2; Brown 3-0 (2-4) 8; Mulrath 1-0 (2-2) 4; Bader 1-0 (0-0) 2; Wolschleger 1-0 (0-0) 2; Dunnuck 4-0 (1-6) 9; Ketterer 2-2 (2-4) 12; Erla 1-0 (0-0) 2.
TOTALS - 14-2 (7-18) 41.

SANDUSKY - Alvarez 1-0 (0-0) 2; Fetting 8-0 (0-0) 16; Ball 0-1 (1-2) 4; Coats 3-0 (1-4) 7; Katt 1-0 (2-2) 4; Haag 0-1 (0-0) 3; Mollstead 1-0 (0-0) 2; Kursinsky 4-0 (1-2) 9; Kritzman 3-0 (0-0) 6.
TOTALS - 21-2 (7-10) 53.

CASS CITY - Varney 2-1 (1-2) 8; Brown 3-0 (2-2) 8; Mulrath 1-0 (2-4) 4; Dunnuck 0-0 (1-2) 1; Ketterer 6-4 (4-4) 28; Rubey 2-0 (1-3) 5; Erla 1-0 (0-0) 2.
TOTALS - 15-5 (11-17) 56.

MAYVILLE - Neighbors 1-1 (1-1) 6; Mercer 3-0 (1-2) 7; Couthcher 1-0 (0-0) 2; Squires 1-0 (0-0) 2; Broadworth 2-1 (3-4) 10; Henderson 2-2 (4-4) 14.
TOTALS - 10-4 (9-11) 41.



SANDWICHED BETWEEN a pair of Wildcat defenders is Cass City’s Logan Rowell. Mayville’s defense Thursday helped prevent the Red Hawks from breaking into the win column.

Lady Hawks struggling in non-conference play

The Cass City Lady Red Hawks fell to 0-4 Friday when visiting Mayville came out on top during a 50-38 non-conference decision.

Despite jumping out to a quick 9-0 margin, Cass City trailed 16-12 entering the second quarter. The Wildcat defense then held their hosts to a pair of Megan Parrish field goals in the third frame, building their margin to 40-22 entering the final 8 minutes.

Chelsea Roehl recorded 18 points and 13 rebounds to lead the winners, while Amy Elenbaum added 10 points and 4 steals, and Shelby Powell chipped in 9 for the Mayville cause.

Cass City was led by Megan Parrish with 16 points, 5 rebounds and 2

steals, while McKensie Parrish finished with 11 tallies, 5 assists and 7 steals.

“Nice efforts by Megan and McKensie Parrish,” Coach Lloyd Schinnerer said. “But the difference in the game was Mayville’s 3-point shooting.”

On the night, the visitors canned 6 treys and were 10-of-15 from the foul line. The Red Hawks connected on a pair of shots from behind the 3-point line and made just 6 of 11 attempts from the stripe.

SANDUSKY

Earlier in the week, on Wednesday, Sandusky showed why many feel the Redskins are the team to beat in

Thumb girls’ basketball.

The hosts used a big 22-6 run to open the non-conference affair as only McKensie Parrish found the basket for Cass City in the early going.

The Redskins then outscored their guests 19-2 to halftime to remove any doubt of the game’s outcome.

Marissa DeMott recorded game scoring honors with 24 points, which included 13 markers during the initial frame.

McKensie Parrish paced Cass City with 10 tallies, 4 steals, and 2 assists, while Logan Rowell added 6 points and 3 rebounds.

Cass City will look to break into the win column tonight (Wednesday) in

their final home game before the holiday break against Harbor Beach.

CASS CITY - Megan Parrish 0-1 (0-0) 3; Martin 1-0 (0-0) 2; McKensie Parrish 4-0 (1-4) 10; Hendrick 1-0 (0-0) 2; Rowell 2-0 (2-2) 6; Warju 1-0 (0-0) 2.
TOTALS - 9-1 (3-6) 25.

SANDUSKY - Jensen 3-0 (2-4) 8; Krause 2-1 (0-0) 7; Foy 0-1 (0-0) 3; Russels 2-0 (0-0) 4; DeMott 4-3 (4-4) 24; Stauffer 2-0 (2-2) 6; Genstaburger 1-1 (0-0) 5; Hale 1-1 (0-0) 5.
TOTALS - 15-7 (8-10) 62.

CASS CITY - Megan Parrish 5-2 (0-3) 16; Martin 1-0 (2-3) 4; McKensie Parrish 4-0 (3-3) 11; Peters 1-0 (0-1) 2; Rowell 2-0 (1-1) 5.
TOTALS - 13-2 (6-11) 38.

MAYVILLE - Buhl 2-0 (2-4) 6; Martell 0-1 (0-0) 3; Elenbaum 0-2 (4-6) 10; Schenk 1-0 (0-0) 2; Roehl 3-3 (3-3) 18; Richardson 1-0 (0-0) 2; Powell 4-0 (1-2) 9.
TOTALS - 11-6 (10-15) 50.

Owen-Gage boys trade basketball decisions

Owen-Gage’s final half rally wasn’t enough to propel the Bulldogs past Memphis Friday in North Central Thumb League play.

The Yellowjackets took a 34-26 half-time advantage, but were outscored 21-13 to begin the final half as the 2 teams entered the final 8 minutes deadlocked at 47s.

Sharp shooter Devin Prich started the Bulldogs’ comeback bid, hitting on 3 long-range jump shots that netted 9 points. On the night, the Bull-

dogs connected on 7 shots from behind the 3-point line, including 3 first half bombs from guard Hunter Champagne.

However, in the final frame Owen-Gage went cold from the perimeter and was outscored 13-6 to produce the 60-53 margin.

Champagne led 4 Bulldogs in double figures, netting 13 points, while Prich added 12, Nick Zaleski, 11, and Ryan

Francis, 10.

SASA

As expected, the Bulldogs emerged victorious in their season opener at Saginaw Arts and Science Academy.

However, the Bulldogs’ win was anything but routine, as the visitors trailed 16-9 after one and 26-24 at the midway point.

Francis took over the scoring chores for the Bulldogs after the intermission and tossed in 14 of his game-high 16 points. He scored 11 markers in the

third frame, where Owen-Gage was able to jump in front, 38-34.

The Bulldogs then turned to Champagne in the final 8 minutes to carry the scoring burden and he responded with 10 points to preserve the 55-47 victory.

OWEN-GAGE - Champagne 3-0 (5-6) 11; Prich 1-1 (4-6) 9; Montreuil 2-1 (4-6) 11; Zaleski 2-0 (4-4) 8; Francis 5-0 (6-9) 16.
TOTALS - 13-2 (23-31) 55.

SASA - Morris 3-1 (0-2) 9; Braddock 3-0 (0-0) 6; Watt 1-0 (0-0) 2; Johnson 2-0 (2-2) 6; Davenport 3-2 (0-2) 12; Lee 3-1 (0-0) 9; Herd 1-0 (1-2) 3.
TOTALS - 16-4 (3-8) 47.

Schneeberger's

ATHLETE of the WEEK

Justin Ketterer is this week’s recipient of Schneeberger’s Athlete of the Week award.

The Red Hawk junior enjoyed a career night Thursday in Mayville, leading the Red Hawks to a 56-41 victory, the team’s first of the early season.

Ketterer, who also led Cass City with a dozen points against Sandusky in the team’s home opener Tuesday, hit for a career best 28 points, which included 4 treys and a perfect 4-4 effort at the stripe in the non-conference outing with the Wildcats. He scored 11 markers in the opening 8 minutes when Cass City took a commanding 20-11 lead and then added 14 points before the break to give the visitors a 39-16 edge.

Justin is the son of Luann and John Ketterer.

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Friday, December 18				
Brown City at Armada	Brown City	Armada	Brown City	Brown City
Kingston at Caseville	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
Memphis at North Huron	North Huron	Memphis	Memphis	Memphis
Owen-Gage at Peck	Peck	Peck	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
Port Hope at CPS	CPS	CPS	CPS	CPS
Dryden at A-Fairgrove	Akron-Fairgrove	Dryden	Dryden	Dryden
GIRLS' BASKETBALL <i>Wednesday, December 16</i>				
Marlette at Bad Axe	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette
Mayville at Lakers	Lakers	Mayville	Mayville	Lakers
Harbor Beach at Cass City	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Cass City
Ubly at BCAS	BCAS	Ubly	Ubly	BCAS
Sandusky at Vassar	Sandusky	Vassar	Vassar	Sandusky
Thursday, December 17				
Brown City at Armada	Brown City	Brown City	Brown City	Brown City
Caseville at Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
North Huron at Memphis	North Huron	North Huron	Memphis	Memphis
Owen-Gage at Peck	Peck	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Peck
Port Hope at CPS	CPS	CPS	CPS	CPS
A-Fairgrove at Dryden	Dryden	Dryden	Akron-Fairgrove	Dryden
Friday, December 18				
Bad Axe at Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach
Lakers at Ubly	Ubly	Ubly	Ubly	Ubly
Cass City at Marlette	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette
USA at Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky	USA
Reese at Mayville	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
Buena Vista at Vassar	Vassar	Vassar	Vassar	Buena Vista
Last Week's Results	16-8	16-8	18-6	14-10
Season's Results	19-8 (70%)	18-9 (67%)	21-6 (78%)	16-11 (59%)

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BASKETBALL STANDINGS

BOYS' STANDINGS

GREATER THUMB WEST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Bad Axe	0	0	2	0
Reese	0	0	1	0
Vassar	0	0	1	0
BCAS	0	0	1	1
Cass City	0	0	1	1
EPBP	0	0	1	1
USA	0	0	0	1

GREATER THUMB EAST				
Team	W	L	W	L
H. Beach	0	0	1	0
Sandusky	0	0	1	0
Brown City	0	0	1	1
Ubyly	0	0	0	0
Deckerville	0	0	0	1
Marlette	0	0	0	2
Mayville	0	0	0	2

NCTL NORTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
N. Huron	1	0	1	0
Caseville	0	1	0	1
O-G	0	1	0	1
A-F	0	1	0	2
Port Hope	0	1	0	2

NCTL SOUTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
CPS	1	0	1	0
Dryden	1	0	1	0
Peck	1	0	1	0
Kingston	0	1	0	2

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Bad Axe 60, Yale 48
Brown City 58, Imlay City 44
Dryden 67, Caseville 43
North Huron 66, Kingston 42
Memphis 60, Owen-Gage 53
Peck 64, Port Hope 34
CPS 62, A-Fairgrove 35

TUESDAY'S GAMES

EPBP at Mayville
Cass City at Harbor Beach
USA at Deckerville

THURSDAY'S GAMES

Ubyly at Reese
Vassar at Sandusky
Brown City at Almont
Caseville at Owen-Gage
A-Fairgrove at North Huron
Dryden at Memphis
CPS at Kingston
Capac at Peck

FRIDAY'S GAMES

Harbor Beach at Bad Axe
Ubyly at EPBP
Marlette at Cass City
Sandusky at USA
Mayville at Reese
Brown City at Armada
Kingston at Caseville
Memphis at North Huron
Owen-Gage at Peck
Port Hope at CPS
Dryden at Akron-Fairgrove

GIRLS' STANDINGS

GREATER THUMB WEST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Reese	0	0	3	0
Vassar	0	0	3	0
USA	0	0	1	3
Bad Axe	0	0	0	1
BCAS	0	0	0	3
Cass City	0	0	0	4
EPBP	0	0	0	4

GREATER THUMB EAST				
Team	W	L	W	L
Brown City	0	0	4	0
Deckerville	0	0	4	0
Sandusky	0	0	4	0
Mayville	0	0	2	0
Marlette	0	0	2	2
H. Beach	0	0	1	1
Ubyly	0	0	1	1

NCTL NORTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
N. Huron	2	0	2	0
A-F	2	1	2	2
Port Hope	1	1	2	1
O-G	0	3	1	3
Caseville	0	3	0	3

NCTL SOUTH				
Team	W	L	W	L
CPS	3	0	3	1
Memphis	3	0	3	1
Kingston	2	1	2	1
Peck	0	1	0	2
Dryden	0	2	0	4

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Sandusky 65, EPBP 33
Mayville 50, Cass City 38
USA 56, Ubyly 34
Reese 68, Marlette 40
Deckerville 60, Capac 37

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Marlette at Bad Axe
Mayville at EPBP
Harbor Beach at Cass City
Ubyly at BCAS

THURSDAY'S GAMES

Sandusky at Vassar
Brown City at Armada
Caseville at Kingston
North Huron at Memphis
Owen-Gage at Peck
Port Hope at CPS
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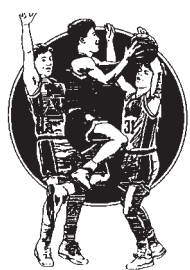
FRIDAY'S GAMES

Bad Axe at Harbor Beach
EPBP at Ubyly
Cass City at Marlette
USA at Sandusky
Reese at Mayville
Saginaw Buena Vista at Vassar

BOYS' BASKETBALL - GIRLS' BASKETBALL - GYMNASICS - WRESTLING

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Dec. 8	Sandusky
Dec. 10	Mayville
Dec. 15	Harbor Beach
Dec. 17	Marlette
Jan. 5	Ubyly
Jan. 12	BCAS
Jan. 14	EPBP Lakers
Jan. 22	Vassar
Jan. 27	Reese
Jan. 29	Bad Axe
Feb. 3	USA
Feb. 5	Deckerville
Feb. 10	BCAS
Feb. 12	EPBP Lakers
Feb. 17	Caro
Feb. 19	Vassar
Feb. 24	Reese
Feb. 26	Bad Axe
Mar. 2	USA
Mar. 4	Deckerville
Mar. 8,10,12	Districts



GYMNASICS

Dec. 17	Vassar
Jan. 12	Freeland
Jan. 19	Vassar
Jan. 26	Vassar
Jan. 30	St. John's Invite
Feb. 13	Freeland
Feb. 16	Vassar Invite

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Boys' Basketball

December 17-
Cass City vs. Marlette
January 14 -
Cass City vs. EPBP Lakers

Girls' Basketball

December 16 -
Cass City vs. Harbor Beach
January 6 -
Cass City vs. USA

Gymnastics

January 12 -
Cass City vs. Freeland

Wrestling

December 15 -
Cass City vs. Sandusky/Mayville
January 20-
Cass City vs. Bad Axe/Marlette

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Dec. 1	Ubyly
Dec. 4	Brown City
Dec. 9	Sandusky
Dec. 11	Mayville
Dec. 16	Harbor Beach
Dec. 18	Marlette
Jan. 6	USA
Jan. 8	Deckerville
Jan. 13	BCAS
Jan. 15	EPBP Lakers
Jan. 19	Open
Jan. 21	Vassar
Jan. 26	Reese
Jan. 28	Bad Axe
Feb. 2	USA
Feb. 4	Deckerville
Feb. 9	BCAS
Feb. 11	EPBP Lakers
Feb. 16	Open
Feb. 18	Vassar
Feb. 23	Reese
Feb. 25	Bad Axe
Mar. 1,3,5	Districts



WRESTLING

Dec. 2	Imlay City
Dec. 5	Cros-Lex Team Tourny
Dec. 9	Caro/Freeland/Nouvel
Dec. 12	Marlette Team Tourny
Dec. 15	Sandusky/Mayville
Jan. 6	Brown City/Vassar
Jan. 9	North Branch Team Tourny
Jan. 13	Nouvel CC/ EPBP Lakers
Jan. 16	Imlay City Invite
Jan. 20	Bad Axe/Marlette
Jan. 23	Mayville Team Tourny
Jan. 27	Pinconning/Oscoda/Standish
Jan. 30	Bullock Creek Team Tourny
Feb. 3	Yale
Feb. 6	GTC League Meet @ Lakers
Feb. 10	Team Districts
Feb. 13	Individual Districts

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 31, 2009.

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

Commencing at a point on the Section line, 660.00 Feet South of the Northeast corner of Section 18, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence West 440.0 Feet parallel with the North line of said Section 18; thence South 198.00 feet parallel with the East line of said Section 18; thence East 440.00 Feet parallel with the North line of said Section; thence North 198.00 Feet to the Place of Beginning.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 31, 2009.

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

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

Tract 2: A parcel of land in the fractional Southwest 1/4 of fractional Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, Denmark Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: To fix the point of beginning, commence at the South 1/4 corner of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds East on the North and South 1/4 line of said section 2,322.19 feet to a point which is South 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds West 315.00 feet from the center post of said Section; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West, perpendicular to said North and South 1/4 line, 125.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds West parallel with said North and South 1/4 line 92.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West perpendicular to said North and South 1/4 line 101.90 feet to a point on a reference line which is parallel with and 24.0 feet, measured at right angles, East of the centerline of the Reese Drain; thence North 44 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds West on said reference line, which is for surveying purposes only and it is the intention of this description to include all lands to the centerline of Reese Drain, 128.47 feet; thence South 89 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds East perpendicular to said North and said 1/4 line, 191.57 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.310 acre, more or less, to said reference line and 0.36 acre, more or less, to said centerline of said Reese Drain and subject to any easements or record.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Keith Robinson and Rebecca Robinson, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as purchaser of the loans and other assets of Washington Mutual Bank, formerly known as Washington Mutual Bank, FA (the "Savings Bank") from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, acting as receiver for the Savings Bank and pursuant to its authority under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. § 1821(d) via affidavit, Mortgagee, dated February 11, 2005 and recorded on February 22, 2005 in Liber 1028 on Page 578 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Seven and 65/100 Dollars (\$90,697.65), 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 December 31, 2009.

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

Commencing 2 Rods West and 2 Rods South of the Northeast corner of Section 23, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence South 16 Rods; thence West 10 Rods; thence North 16 Rods; thence East 10 Rods to the place of beginning.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert T. Jensen and Cynthia L. Jensen, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 8, 2003 and recorded on October 20, 2003 in Liber 960 on Page 422, and rerecorded on December 16, 2003 in Liber 969 on Page 519 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Two and 93/100 Dollars (\$94,582.93), 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 December 31, 2009.

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

The South 165 feet of the North 330 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 27, Township 11 North, Range 7 East.

Except: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 27, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 27, thence North 00 degrees 54 minutes 10 seconds West, 1006.40 feet along the East line of Section, thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds West 697.69 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds West, 660.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 44 minutes 34 seconds West, 165.03 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 08 seconds East, 660.00 feet South 00 degrees 44 minutes 34 seconds East, 165 feet, more or less to the point of beginning. Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, subject to easements, restrictions, reservations and rights of way of record.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Steve D. Wark, a single man, Mortgagor, to GreenTree Servicing LLC, Mortgagee, dated the 18th day of January, 1996 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 18th day of January, 1996 in Liber 684 of Tuscola County Records, page 1366, said Mortgage having been assigned to GreenTree Servicing LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Thirty Six Thousand, Forty and 83/100 (\$36,040.83), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the laws of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of January, 2010 at 10:00 o'clock AM Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 9.500% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to

protect its interest in the premises.

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

Beginning 565 feet North of the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, thence East 250 feet; thence North 135 feet; thence West 250 feet; thence South 135 feet to the Point Of Beginning. Excepting all oil, gas and mineral rights of every kind and nature and all rights pertinent thereto.

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

Dated: 11/25/2009

GreenTree Servicing LLC
Mortgagee

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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 A. Duke, an unmarried man, original mortgagor, to Union Planters Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated January 13, 2005 and recorded on July 20, 2005 in Liber 1046 on Page 552 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-One and 06/100 Dollars (\$78,981.06), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 31, 2009.

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

Lot 10, Block 14, Village of Unionville, now known as H.C. Marvin's Plat, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 48, now being 49A except the West 12 feet of Lot 10, Block 14 of the Village of Unionville.

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: December 2, 2009

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dustin Jones and Karissa Jones, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 28, 2004 and recorded on June 3, 2004 in Liber 994 on Page 1379, and assigned by said Mortgagee to SunTrust Mortgage, Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Seventeen and 24/100 Dollars (\$57,317.24), 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 December 31, 2009.

Said premises are situated in Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/3 of Lot 14, and the East 1/3 of Lot 15, Block 1 of Wiley and McPhail's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 6 (now being Page 7A), Tuscola County Records.

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: December 2, 2009

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the

conditions of a mortgage made by Angela M. McPhee, single, and David Smith, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 4, 2002 and recorded on April 16, 2002 in Liber 874 on Page 463 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Sixty-Three and 26/100 Dollars (\$57,063.26), 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 December 31, 2009.

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

Commencing 12 rods 4 feet East of the intersection of Allen Street with the one eighth line of the Northwest quarter of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; running North 9 rods; thence East 50 feet; thence South 9 rods; thence West 50 feet to beginning, being a part of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East.

More accurately described as: Part of the Northwest fractional quarter of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning distant North 89 degrees 28 minutes 05 seconds West, 1086.54 feet along the North line of said Section and South 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds West, parallel with the North-South quarter line of said Section, 202.20 feet from the North quarter corner of said Section 3; thence, from said place of beginning, continuing South 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds West, 148.50 feet to the occupied Northerly line of Allen Street at a point 228.50 feet West of the Westerly line of A.P. Cooper's Addition to the Village of Caro (Liber 1 of Plats, Page 13A); thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 55 seconds West, 50.00 feet along said street line; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 10 seconds East, 548.50 feet; thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes 55 seconds East, 50.00 feet to the place of beginning.

Subject to restrictions, reservations, easements, covenants, oil, gas or mineral rights of record, if any.

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: December 2, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steve Blumberg, a/k/a Steven W. Blumberg, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 26, 2009 and recorded February 18, 2009 in Liber 1167, Page 855, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Four Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty and 83/100 Dollars (\$204,720.83), including interest at 5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 7, 2010.

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

To fix the point of beginning, commence at the West one-fourth corner of Section 36, thence South 89 degrees 34 minutes 45 seconds East on the East and West one-fourth line of said Section, 2659.63 feet to the center of said Section; thence South 00 degrees 48 minutes 01 seconds West, on the North and South one-fourth line of said Section, 548.22 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 00 degrees 48 minutes 01 seconds West, on said North and South one-fourth line, 779.31 feet to the Southeast corner of said Northeast one-fourth of the Southwest one-fourth; thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 49 seconds West, on the South one-eighth line of said Section, 730.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 48 minutes 01 seconds East, parallel with said East and West one-fourth line, 730.00 feet to the point of beginning. Together with an ingress and egress easement over the following: A strip of land 66.00 feet in width, being 33.00 feet, measured at right angles each side of the following described centerline. To fix the point of beginning commence at the West one-fourth corner of said Section 36; thence South 89 degrees 34 minutes 45 seconds East, on the East and West one-fourth line of said Section, 2188.37 feet, thence South 11 degrees 23 minutes 01 seconds East, on the centerline of an existing gravel drive and its Northerly extension, 33.71 feet to the point of beginning of said centerline description; thence South 11 degrees 23 minutes 01 seconds East, on said centerline, 491.82 feet to a deflection point; thence South 00 degrees 48 minutes 01 seconds West on said centerline and parallel with North and South one-fourth line of said Section 33.79 feet and there end.

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

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

Dated: December 2, 2009

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

bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Karen Maxwell, single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 11, 2005 and recorded on August 11, 2006 in Liber 1091 on Page 131, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Six and 56/100 Dollars (\$76,936.56), including interest at 5.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 7, 2010.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 5 Town 14 North, Range 9 East; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes West 865.0 feet along the East line of said Section 5 to the point of beginning; running thence South 0 degrees 00 minute West 265.0 feet along the East line of said Section 5; thence North 89 degrees 25 minutes 20 second West 164.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 00 minutes East 265.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 25 minutes 20 seconds East 164.0 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: December 9, 2009

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12-9-4

PURSUANT TO 15 USC §1692 YOU ARE HEREBY INFORMED THAT THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND THAT ANY INFORMATION THAT YOU PROVIDE MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the condition of a mortgage made by Stanley E. Schmidt and Carol A. Schmidt, Husband and Wife, to MERS, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by a mortgage dated March 31, 2005 and recorded on April 25, 2005 in Liber 1035 on Page 1321, Tuscola County Records Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Six and 58/100 Dollars (\$91,286.58), including interest at 11.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI at 10:00 am on January 7, 2010.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 35, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Koylton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence South 573.71 feet along the East section line to the point of beginning; running thence South 315.0 feet along the East section line; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes 20 seconds West 416.0 feet; thence North 315.0 feet; thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes 20 seconds East 416.0 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the Northeast quarter of Section 35, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, Koylton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Right of Way for White Creek Road over the Easterly side thereof.

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

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy Dembowske, a single man, original mortgagor, to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, Mortgagee, dated March 24, 2006 and recorded on April 18, 2006 in Liber 1077 on Page 1054, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-One and 58/100 Dollars (\$82,281.58), 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 January 14, 2010.

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

Part of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, known and designated as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Northeast 1/4 which is South along said East line, 963.00 feet; thence continuing South, along said East line, 356.70 feet; thence West perpendicular to said East line 209.00 feet; thence North parallel with said East line 356.70 feet to the South line of a previously recorded survey (recorded in Liber 467 Page 794 of Tuscola County Records); thence East perpendicular to said East line and along said South line, 209.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Subject to the use of the Easterly 33 Feet thereof as Remington Road.

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: December 16, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dana Hultz, husband and wife, all as tenants in common, and Rodney Hultz, husband and wife, all as tenants in common, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 15, 2005 and recorded on July 28, 2005 in Liber 1047 on Page 1055, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Bank of New York as Trustee for the Certificate holders CWABS, Inc. Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-10 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Eight and 73/100 Dollars (\$135,528.73), including interest at 8.28% 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 January 14, 2010.

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

Lot 7, Iva's Acres, Township of Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 3, Page 37, Tuscola County Records

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

Dated: December 16, 2009

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mike R. McNeil and Rebecca A. McNeil, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 2, 2007 and recorded on February 13, 2007 in Liber 1110 on Page 1248, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the Certificate holders of Soundview Home Loan Trust 2007-OPT1, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-OPT1 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 Six Hundred Eighty-Six and 11/100 Dollars (\$94,686.11), including interest at 5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 14, 2010.

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

Lot 3 and 6, Block C, Lynnhurst Annex to the Village

of Mayville, as recorded in Liber 1, Page 52, Changes to 53A 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: December 16, 2009

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Frank Rouse, a married man, and Dora M. Rouse, his wife, original mortgagors, to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated September 10, 2001 and recorded on November 9, 2001 in Liber 847 on Page 1313, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Mortgage Company, An Ohio Corporation as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Eight And 84/100 Dollars (\$45,868.84), 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 January 14, 2010.

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

The West 100 feet of the East 500 feet of the South 20 acres in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbela Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: December 16, 2009

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel D. Samdal and Teresa L. Samdal, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 27, 1998 and recorded on May 6, 1998 in Liber 738 on Page 711, and assigned by mesne assignments to Fidelity Bank a Federally Chartered Savings Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Five And 51/100 Dollars (\$64,755.51), including interest at 9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 14, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Arbela, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 67, of Oak Grove Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in plat Liber 2, Page 40, 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: December 16, 2009

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel C. Story, a married man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 20, 2008 and recorded on September 2, 2008 in Liber 1156 on Page 1476 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee 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 Sixty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Nine and 10/100 Dollars (\$69,869.10), 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 court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 14, 2010.

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

Lot 1, Block 2, Map of Huston's Addition to the Village (now City) of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 20A 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: December 16, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #295285FO1

12-16-4

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

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 Fader, a single man, original mortgagor, to Bank of America, N.A., Mortgagee, dated August 2, 2006 and recorded on August 10, 2006 in Liber 1091 on Page 52 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Two and 88/100 Dollars (\$56,272.88), 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 January 14, 2010.

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

Lot 22 and West half of Lot 21, Block 6 of Charles Montague's Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 10

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: December 16, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #292467FO1

12-16-4

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

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 Andrew Fritfeld, a single man, original mortgagor, to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated July 1, 2003 and recorded on August 29, 2003 in Liber 951 on Page 721 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Two and 81/100 Dollars (\$78,202.81), including interest at 6.85% 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 January 14, 2010.

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

Lot 21 and the East 1/2 of Lot 20, Block 6, Harrington's Addition, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 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: December 16, 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 #294596FO1

12-16-4

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: Dennis G. Thomas, 5713 Denhoff Road, Kalamazoo, MI 48741
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: (http://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: December 16, 2009

Orlans Associates P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File Number: 618.2515
ASAP #3372522

12-16-1

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN THE MILITARY, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER LISTED BELOW.

Notwithstanding, if the debt secured by this property was discharged in a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy proceeding, this notice is NOT an attempt to collect that debt.

To: HEATHER GRAVES, F/K/A HEATHER LORD OF 800 ALLEN STREET, CARO, MI 48723, AND RONALD R. GRAVES, JR. OF 1356 E. DAYTON ROAD, CARO, MI 48723.

State law requires that you receive the following notice: You are presently in default under your Mortgage, which secures the property described as follows:

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF INDIANFIELDS, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MI: PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF EAST DAYTON ROAD, WHICH IS NORTH 65 DEGREES 45 MINUTES WEST 1616.00 FEET FROM THE INTERSECTION OF THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION AND THE CENTERLINE OF EAST DAYTON ROAD; THENCE NORTH 65 DEGREES 45 MINUTES WEST 100.00 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF SAID ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 26 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 183.02 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 65 DEGREES 45 MINUTES EAST 100.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 26 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 183.02 FEET TO SAID CENTERLINE AND POINT OF BEGINNING.

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1356 E. DAYTON ROAD, CARO, MI 48723.

The mortgage holder may be contemplating the commencement of foreclosure proceedings under the terms of that Agreement and Michigan law. A loan modification may not serve to revive that obligation. However, in the event you wish to explore options that may avert foreclosure, please contact our office at the number listed below.

This notice shall apply only if the property encumbered by the mortgage described below is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under Section 7c of the General Property Tax Act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7cc.

You have the right to request a meeting with Northstar Bank, Laura L. Swartzendruber is the designee, and has the authority to make agreements under MCL 600.3205b and MCL 600.3205c, and can be contacted at 833 S. Van Dyke Road, Bad Axe MI 48413, (989) 269-5586.

You may also contact a housing counselor by contacting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) by visiting www.michigan.gov/mshda or by calling (866) 946-7432.

If you request a meeting with Northstar Bank within 14 days after the notice required under MCL 600.3205a(1) is mailed, then foreclosure proceedings will not commence until at least 90 days after the date said notice was mailed. If an agreement to modify the mortgage loan is reached and you abide by the terms of the agreement, the mortgage will not be foreclosed.

You have the right to contact an attorney and can obtain contact information through the State Bar of Michigan Lawyers Referral Service at (800) 968-0738.

Dated: December 10, 2009

Richard L. Trowhill
Attorney at Law
175 Thompson Road
Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-6272

12-16-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Amanda Ball, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 858 W Sherman St, Caro, MI 48723-1495.

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) 593-1312.

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 December 11, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after December 11, 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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Dated: December 16, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC L (248) 593-1312
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 299343FO1

12-16-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Cathy Caruthers and Terry Caruthers, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 2469 Cottrell Dr, Caro, MI 48723-9205.

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) 593-1300.

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 December 11, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after December 11, 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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Dated: December 16, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC H (248) 593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 288971FO3

12-16-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to David Hall, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 717 W Huron Ave, Vassar, MI 48768-1126.

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) 593-1311.

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 December 14, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after December 14, 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

Legal Notices

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by GUADALUPE TARKOWSKI and STEVEN L. TARKOWSKI, WIFE AND HUSBAND, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 25, 2007 and recorded on September 18, 2007 in Liber 1130 on Page 458, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Seventy-Three Dollars and Two Cents (\$142,073.02), including interest at 6.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on January 14, 2010.

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

LOTS 13 AND 14, BLOCK 1 OF THE VILLAGE OF GATES (NOW REESE), ACCORDING TO THE PLAT OF THE VILLAGE THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 29 OF PLATS, PAGE 115 OF TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 194RCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 11, 2009

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

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335

12-16-4

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to William Gage, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 1155 E Dayton Rd, Caro, MI 48723-1644.

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: Trot & Trot, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1315.

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 December 14, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after December 14, 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: December 16, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FCF (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 299537F01

12-16-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Gregory Hood and Charney L. Hood, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 110 Spruce St, Vassar, MI 48768-1620.

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: Trot & Trot, 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 December 14, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after December 14, 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: December 16, 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 # 298881F01

12-16-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Daniel W. Miners and Michelle L. Miners, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property lo-

cated at: 3855 Frankford Rd, Caro, MI 48723-9003.

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: Trot & Trot, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1312.

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 December 14, 2009, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after December 14, 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: December 16, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC L (248) 593-1312
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 297868F01

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AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

Duane L. Edwards, a married man, Kay B. Edwards, his wife have defaulted on a Mortgage for the real property known as: 5700 West Bay City-Forestville Road, Unionville, MI 48767.

This Notice is to inform you that you have the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. Sonja Buchinger has been designated by them as the person to contact who has authority to determine your eligibility for a mortgage modification.

Duane L. Edwards and Kay B. Edwards may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's (MSHDA) website at www.michigan.gov/mshda or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at (866) 946-7432.

That if Duane L. Edwards and Kay B. Edwards request a meeting with the person designated above, within 14 days, foreclosure proceedings will not commence until 90 days after the date a notice was mailed to them. That if Duane L. Edwards and Kay B. Edwards and the designated person reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if Duane L. Edwards and Kay B. Edwards abide by the terms of the agreement.

Duane L. Edwards and Kay B. Edwards have the right to contact an attorney. You may contact the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer referral service (800) 968-0738.

Dated: December 16, 2009

By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
Attorney for Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive
Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48064
WWR# 10030879

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

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

Notice is hereby provided to Louis Moore, IV and Kelly Moore AKA Kelly P. Moore, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property known as 5586 ATKINS ROAD, VASSAR, MI 48768 that the mortgage is in default.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer through its designated agent, Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. ("Designated Agent"), 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335, 248-539-7400 (Tel), 248-539-7401 (Fax), email: designatedagent@sslegal.com.

Louis Moore, IV and Kelly Moore AKA Kelly P. Moore also has the right to contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") at its website www.michigan.gov/mshda or by calling MSHDA at (866) 946-7432 (Tel).

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

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

Pub Date: December 16, 2009

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335

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Local pupils named to the honor roll

Cass City High School officials announce the first marking period honor roll.

Grade 9 (all A's)

Shannon Bardwell, Meri Dzielinski, Stephanie Heckroth, Patrick Horne, Cole Israelson, Jacob Kittle, Alan Leslie, Katelyn Michalski, Andrea Mikolon, Brian Mohr, Lauren Perry, Mishelle Powell and Lukas Schenk.

Grade 9 (B or better)

Shelby Abell, John Ballard, Michael Barnes, Theron Bogart, Taylor Brown, Misha Clark, Zachary Deitering, Ellen Hulburt, Larissa King, Erica Kolacz, Emily Kuenzli, Cassandra LaPonsie, Ryan Larson, Stacey McArthur, Rianna McConnell, Nicholas McCoy, Erin Moore, Cody Orban, Karley Peters, Jake Quinn, Jocelynn Venema, Paul Verhines, Victoria Walsh, Ashley Weidman and Ian Woodward.

Grade 10 (all A's)

Alison Blattner, Angela Braun, Kelsey Dillon, Rebecca Hacker, Kristen Kaweck, Macey Messing, Ethan Nicol, Zachary Potrykus, Jessica Prieskorn, Jordyn Rasmussen, Rachael Rule, Alexandria Smith, Shannon Stee, Heather Sweeney, Courtney Thompson, Jared Weidman, Alexander Zaleski and Sarah Zmier-ski.

Grade 10 (B or better)

Erica Boyd, Andrea Boyd, Morgan Erla, Joshua Farkas, Alexis Fetterhoff, Kyle Hanby, Patrick Henderson, Jordan Hendrian, Carley Hendrick, Jordyn Heredia, Korey Hool, Anthony House, Joshua Jensen, Nicholas Kap-pen, Nicole Kelley, Drew King, Tessa Kus, Stephanie Leeson, Catherine Lugo, James Merchant, Derek Moz-den, Zachary Osentoski, Megan Par-rish, Alexandra Pena, Morgan Potry, Kurt Reif, Logan Rowell, Remington Rushlow, Tyler Samons, Megan Schoel, Krystal Stanley, Hayley Thorp, Alyse Timko, Cassandra Tom-

Grade 11 (all A's)

Amanda Clifton, Krista Guinther, Justin Ketterer, Aaron Magiera, Anthony McArthur, Michael Milligan, Caitlin Reed, Mary Rivest, Victoria Spencer, Robert VanAuken, Alexander Varney, Dallas Woodward and Jeremy Wright.

Grade 11 (B or better)

Mark Alfini, Jonathan Crouch, Cody Crouch, Zachary Deering, Geoffroy Fearson, Chelsea Green, Brooke Hartwick, Angela Janssen, Michael Lange, Rebecca Leslie, Thomas LeV-alley, Elizabeth Lintner, Logan Mika, Brandon Montgomery, Candace Myers, McKensie Parrish, Hayley Pe-ters, Cody Pringle, Michael Skiles, Mariah Tabar, Amber Warju, Thomas Woodruff and Lauren Zdrojewski.

Grade 12 (all A's)

Jacob Ballard, Josiah Battel, Lindsey Bliss, Kevven Dorland, Abby Ellis, Renae Janssen, Amanda Kaake, An-drew Leslie, Paige Lester, Emily Mar-tin, Paul Martin, Ashleigh Moore, Elise Nicol, Dillon Peruski, Eric Reif, Kelsey Rudy, Rochelle Rushlow, Steven Rychlewski, Jenna Sattelberg, Stephanie Steely and Samantha Swiderski.

Grade 12 (B or better)

Zachary Abell, Rachel Auten, Chantel Beyette, Breanna Burns, Cansu Cabucak, Richard Doerr, Jalen Ferris, Nicole Guinther, Keegan Hagen, Stephan Hanselman, Lindsay Jamieson, Amber LaPonsie, Desirae Leal, Thomas Marker, Erin Mc-Fadzean, Dylan Murphy, Tyler Nicholas, Tyler Perry, Trevor Phillips, Bridgette Putnam, Dean Rabideau, Paul Rubey, Vanessa Scasny, Nicholas Shantz, Angelena Simpson, Ashleigh Stoeckle, Sara Venema, Christopher Vogelpohl, Kyle Weid-man, Lars Weigmann and Megan Za-wilinski.

Michigan Education Trust now enrolling

The Michigan Education Trust (MET) opened a new, 8-month enrollment period Nov. 2.

MET, the state's prepaid college tuition program, allows individuals and organizations to pre-purchase credits toward future tuition at today's prices for any of Michigan's public colleges and universities. The enrollment pe-riod runs through June 30, 2010.

"Since it was launched more than two decades ago, MET has been a convenient way to pay for college for thousands of Michigan families," said Robin Lott, MET executive director. "During uncertain times it is even more important to plan for a brighter future. MET is a smart way to gain peace-of-mind in planning for your child or grandchild's future educa-tion."

MET helps make the most of saving for college by allowing individuals and organizations to purchase tuition at today's rates. More than 17,500 stu-dents are currently using their MET benefits at Michigan public colleges and universities, private colleges and out-of-state institutions.

Parents, grandparents and others can purchase a MET contract for a Michi-gan child or adult. MET offers 3 con-tract options: full benefits, limited benefits, and community college. Contracts can be purchased in semes-ter increments and convenient pay-ment options are available. MET purchasers receive a state income tax deduction for the total contract price, including enrollment fees.

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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Virgil R. Cooper and Shondi Cooper, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for BNC Mortgage, INC., A Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 12, 2007 and recorded on March 20, 2007 in Liber 1113, Page 1239, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage was assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-OSI by an Assignment of Mortgage which has been submitted to the Tuscola County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Four and 48/100 (\$177,274.48), including interest at the rate of 7.72500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on January 7, 2010.

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

Lots 16 and 17, Block 3, of the Plat of the Village (Now City) of Vassar, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 2, Page 93, Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as: 342 Prospect Street.

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

Dated: November 25, 2009

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-OSI 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 248-335-9200 Case No. 090MI00468-1 ASAP #3354969

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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 Paul Ricker, a single man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 20, 2001 and recorded on November 14, 2001 in Liber 848 on Page 572, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. 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 Sixty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Seven and 47/100 Dollars (\$66,247.47), 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 December 31, 2009.

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

Lot 117, of Oak Grove Subdivision No. 1, according to the plat thereof as recorded in plat liber 2, page 44, Tuscola County Records.

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Dated: December 2, 2009

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Adam E. Peet, an unmarried man, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 18, 2004 and recorded July 2, 2004 in Liber 999, Page 142, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance, LLC, successor by merger with Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Six and 29/100 Dollars (\$102,486.29), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 7, 2010.

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

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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: December 2, 2009

Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48067-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 310.4962 ASAP #3360514

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MEMBERS OF THE Cass City Arts Council pose at Rawson Memorial District Library next to one of their apron creations. Pictured are (from left) Barbara Ball, Helen Salas, Mimi Nichol, Pat Smith, Traci Souva and Marilyn Biefer. Missing is Rene Kaczynski. (Photo courtesy of Bill Diller)

Through the remainder of December

Cass City Arts Council's apron art is on display at the library

The artist's apron is not the most notable tool in their arsenal of creation, but a handy thing to have around. Not every artist uses an apron, but for those who do, it catches all the spills and splatters left over during the process of fashioning that memorable work of art.

Seven members of the arts council — Mimi Nichol, Pat Smith, Traci Souva, Helen Salas, Marilyn Biefer, Barbara Ball and Rene Kaczynski — responded to her challenge, creating 9 works of art using nothing but an apron and their creative minds.

Reflecting the Artist
The Artist's Apron
'Art Always'

Aprons by members of the Cass City Arts Council

The apron an artist uses receives the 'debris' of their work. It shows the color of their work. It shows the clutter that fills their lives.

It is the receptacle of their hands and their hearts. Join us in celebrating The Artist's Apron.

The aprons will be on display for the remainder of the month of December, during regular hours, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, at the library, located at 6495 Pine St., Cass City.

Being an artist, Pat Smith of the Cass City Arts Council is used to wearing an apron while engaged in her endeavors. She works with fabric, creating quilts with an artistic flair.

One day she asked herself, why not use the apron as a work of art? So she challenged her fellow arts council members to create a work of art on an artist's apron. The results are on display at the Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City.

"It was fun to take this lowly artist's apron and do something with it," Smith said. "It was just a challenge, to do something we've never done. The idea is to promote the arts council, and we thought this would be one way to put our work out there."

The creativity shown on these aprons is exceptional. They're colorful, and reveal the character of the artist. It's hard to believe how something as simple as an apron can be turned into a work of art.

There is a sign, written by Smith, which hangs beside the aprons and explains their purpose. It reads;

"The challenge was open to them, to paint your apron," Smith said. "They're just regular artist's aprons."

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