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CASS CITY ROTARY Club members Mary Cunningham and Dave Osentoski (in front) help to fill bags of toys for an estimated 330 to 350 children whose Christmas will be a bit brighter this year thanks to the club's annual Christmas for Kids campaign. Also pictured, in back, are (from left) Kathy Varney, Ben Varney and Bert Althaver. Volunteers gathered Saturday morning at the project's headquarters, Curtis Chrysler in Cass City, to finish packing the gifts. (Related photo, page 10)

'Tis the season

Community foundation awards nearly \$75,000 in grants and scholarships in Tuscola County

Tuscola County Community Foundation officials awarded nearly \$75,000 in grants and scholarships Monday in conjunction with an annual fall funding distribution held at the Tuscola Technology Center in

Caro. The total includes roughly \$68,000 in grants to various organizations across the county. Foundation Executive Director Ken Micklash outlined the awards from

several funds.

They are:

•**Andrews (Claude D. and Etta H.) Fund** — \$2,000 to Caro High School to purchase 5 interactive math tablets; \$1,000 to Watertown Township Library to support an after-school science program for middle school students; \$865 to Fostoria Family Days to purchase and install park benches at Foster Park; \$2,500 to the Good Samaritan Fund to pay shut-offs, purchase gas cards, pay rent and prescriptions for the needy; and \$7,500 to Thumb Area Big Brothers-Big Sisters to support ongoing programs.

•**Anne S. Laethem Fund (for historical buildings)** — \$500 to the Caro Historical Commission to assist with electrical upgrades to the Caro Roadhouse Museum.

•**Carl Fritz Cancer Transportation Fund** — 2 \$50 travel grants for Tuscola County residents to obtain medical treatment.

•**Future Youth Involvement (FYI) Fund** — \$2,500 to Hills and Dales General Hospital to purchase a computer and games for pediatric patients; \$1,800 to the Akron-Fairgrove Schools to support a student fitness and wellness project; \$3,425 to the Tuscola Technology Center to purchase a fused deposition-type rapid prototyping machine; \$2,300 to the Tuscola County Department of Human Services to support the foster care youth advisory board; \$3,500 to the Reese School Foundation to support youth theatre musical productions; \$7,000 to the Tuscola Technology Center to purchase materials for a large animal learning center; and \$1,000 to the

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Bond dollars to purchase another bus

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The Cass City Board of Education Monday gave school Supt. Jeff Hartel the green light to purchase a new school bus with a portion of leftover funding generated by a voter-approved millage extension.

The bus will cost about \$80,000, according to Hartel, who outlined a number of possible uses for the money, including the purchase of a digital school district sign that would be installed near the Cass City Early Childhood Education Center at a cost of \$29,460 to \$35,480; sidewalk repair between Campbell Elementary School and the early childhood education center, a project that would cost roughly \$10,000; asphalt repair behind the middle school at a cost of \$11,555; installa-

tion of surveillance cameras in the high school parking lot (\$5,000); and repairs to the middle school gymnasium floor (no estimate available).

Board members agreed the money should be spent on a project or projects that address safety issues.

The bond extension approved by voters has paid for millions of dollars worth of capitol improvements in the district over the past couple of years. School officials then spent thousands of dollars in leftover funds to complete repairs at the Cass City Early Childhood Education Center and replace the roof on that building as well as at Campbell Elementary School.

The board learned in October that a final review of expenditures revealed the school system still had about \$106,000 left.

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Sanilac man dies after fall

A Sanilac County man has died after falling some 50 feet from a hunting platform at a popular Thumb area hunting ranch.

Sanilac County Sheriff Garry Biniecki said officers responded to the accident Thursday morning at the Rooster Ranch in Sanilac County's Greenleaf Township.

Investigators identified the victim as 26-year-old Matthew Johnson of Greenleaf Township.

"Deputies from the sheriff's office — Lt. Robert Willis and Deputy Shelly Park — responded and, upon investigating, they found that (Johnson) had been cleaning snow from the platform and had slipped and fallen through an open trap door," Biniecki said. "The fall was approximately 50 feet to the ground below."

The sheriff reported that the Bingham Township Fire Department and ambulance responded along with the Life Flight Helicopter of Saginaw. "A landing zone at the scene was set up and the victim was transported by air to a Flint area hospital," he said.

Funding to boost holiday traffic enforcement effort

Motorists who want to stay off the naughty list — and out of jail — this festive season need to find a sober ride home after holiday gatherings this year.

More than 200 law enforcement agencies are putting extra officers out on the road to look for and arrest drunk drivers through Jan. 2.

Law enforcement officers in 35 counties, including Tuscola County, will be conducting drunken driving enforcement campaigns paid for through federal traffic safety funds administered by the Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP).

"The holidays are a time for family and friends to gather and celebrate," said Michael L. Prince, OHSP director. "Help keep this festive season safe

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STUDENT KAITIE BOCK, 13, helps Wyatt Sutton, 4, select the perfect gift for each of his family members during the Santa's Secret Workshop Thursday night at Cass City Middle School. The 2-day event is a fundraiser that helps to pay for the annual eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C. (Related photo, page 10)



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THE OWEN-GAGE High School Class of 1960 recently held its 50th class reunion at Sherwood on the Hill in Gagetown. Twelve members attended. They are (front row, from left) Nancy (Lorencz) Prokopenko, Joyce Enderle, Norma (Seibel) Kretzschmer, Marilyn (Woods) Haag, Kathy (Toohey) Von Linsowe, Lorraine (Adams) Seurnyck, (back row, from left) Nick Mulrath, Gary O’Connell, Amasa Ondrajka, Charles Pistro, Donnell Holland and Charles Kretzschmer.

Our library through the years...100 years and going strong

by Kate VanAuken, director
Rawson Memorial District Library

I have been asked a few times during this year about the logo that has appeared in this column. The logo is that of the Woman’s Study Club (WSC), the originators of a central library in Cass City. If you recall, this great group of women formed the Club in 1886 and met at members’ homes to discuss world events, contribute to cultural experiences and share works of fiction and non-fiction. Members at that time stated, “We should have in a few years’ time, a first class library free to all people of Elkland Township.” This dream would become a reality in April 1910.

As we come to the end of our celebration of this great creation of the Woman’s Study Club, we proudly

display our logo, which was adopted this year and created by Sue Battel and her children Dori and Addy. In designing this symbol for Rawson Memorial Library, Sue explained the meaning behind the design. “The logo is simple, because it should speak to the



viewer at first glance. I think it’s modern, to reflect the forward moving nature of the library, yet solid to respect the tradition of the institution and community.” In one design, Sue captured the essence of library service in

our community. Our hope is that when you see this symbol you will be reminded of the tradition and history as well as the current and contemporary aspects of what Rawson Memorial District Library has come to be recognized for.

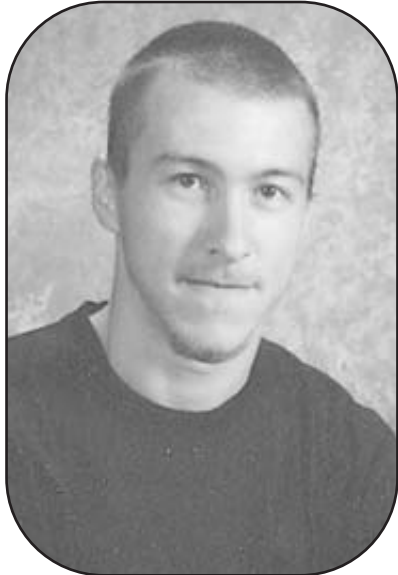
It’s a boy!



Warren Schlegel

Alan and Tara (McNeil) Schlegel of Richville announce the birth of their son, Warren Alan Schlegel. Warren was born Oct. 27, 2010 at Bay Medical Regional Center at 7:52 p.m. He weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 19 inches long. Warren’s grandparents are Terry McNeil of Unionville, Ann and Rick Russell of Akron, and John and Sarah Schlegel of Vassar. Great-grandparents are Raymond and Kathryn (Lois) Sattelberg of Unionville, Robert and Wanda McNeil of Unionville, the late John and Edna Galsterer of Frankenmuth, and the late Warren and the late Lura Schlegel of Frankenmuth.

Forth accepted at Northwestern



Tyler Forth

Tyler Forth, son of William Thompson and Tammy Thompson of Deford, has been accepted to the University of Northwestern Ohio in Lima, Ohio, to begin classes in the June session, when he will be majoring in the Auto/Diesel Program. He attends Cass City High School.

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In Our OPINION...

Clarke Haire
Publisher

Tom Montgomery
Editor

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus

Eight-year-old Virginia O’Hanlon wrote a letter to the editor of New York’s Sun, and the quick response was printed as an unsigned editorial Sept. 21, 1897. The work of veteran newsman Francis Pharcellus Church has since become history’s most reprinted newspaper editorial, appearing in part or whole in dozens of languages in books, movies, and other editorials, and on posters and stamps. We present it again to our readers for their enjoyment.

“DEAR EDITOR: I am 8 years old.
“Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.
“Papa says, ‘If you see it in THE SUN it’s so.’
“Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

“VIRGINIA O’HANLON.
“115 WEST NINETY-FIFTH STREET.”

VIRGINIA, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except [what] they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men’s or children’s, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, VIRGINIA, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VIRGINIAS. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that’s no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby’s rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, VIRGINIA, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood



Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

The Tree



My mom rocked Christmas. For her, the celebration encompassed more than one day and stretched to span an entire season. Our house became a red and green tinted winter wonderland within minutes after blowing out the candles on our jack-o-lanterns.

The holiday started - and ended - with The Tree. Artificial. This may seem counter-intuitive for a person who rocked Christmas, but from my mom’s perspective, a real tree came burdened with too many unpredictable variables. My mom’s tree was, to her, perfect. It was proportionate. It was full. It was symmetric. Best of all it didn’t shed needles all over the living room carpet.

When I was a kid, The Tree came out of its box early fall and the ornaments soon followed. How many ornaments can you fit on one tree? My mom challenged this question every year. The tree was filled from top to bottom with store-bought glass balls, molded figurines, candy canes, paper snowflakes and handmade trinkets brought home from school. When you thought for sure the tree was full, she’d find a spot to squeeze in another ornament - or maybe even 2.

At the end, came the angel. After every ornament found a branchy home, my dad lifted either my sister or me onto his shoulders (we’d take turns from year to year) to place the angel atop The Tree. My mom would plug in the lights and we’d ooh and aah accordingly.

As the years went on, putting up The Tree must have

Letters to the Editor

Dec. 7 should be a federal holiday here

Dear Editor,
Another Dec. 7 has passed (Pearl Harbor Day - a day that will live in infamy) with business as usual. The courthouses, post office and banks were open. Gov. Jennifer Granholm did order flags to be flown at half mast. Bless her!
To me, Dec. 7 rates along with the fourth of July, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Veteran’s Day and more with the exception of Christmas. It was indeed a “Day of Infamy” when so many lives were lost, and many, many changed, including mine.
It should be declared a federal holiday. God bless America!
Sincerely,
Dagmar M. Brown
Cass City

Drug addiction doesn’t have to ruin holidays

Dear Editor,
The holidays are an extremely difficult time for those people struggling with drug addiction and, even more so, those closest to the addicts. I would know because I was one of these individuals struggling with drug addiction.
No one would have guessed that drugs would take full control over my life. Before trying OxyContin, my life was picture perfect. In 2005, I graduated from high school with honors, and even received academic scholarships to the University of Oklahoma. During college I began experimenting with drugs, and very quickly I developed an addiction to OxyContin.
The addiction quickly spiraled out of control when I began mixing the OxyContin with other prescription drugs. I ended up failing out of college and losing everything I had worked so hard to build. The next few years were filled with constant drug abuse and criminal activity, each year worse than the next. The holidays were the worst. I would go home to see family for Thanksgiving or Christmas, and I could see the disappointment and shame in their eyes.
Eventually, my drug addiction pushed my friends and family away. They wanted nothing to do with me. I was alone with only my addiction.
On Dec. 23, 2009, just 2 days before Christmas, I found a drug rehabilitation center called Narconon Arrowhead. Freedom from drug addiction was by far the best present I have ever received. The Narconon program changed my life forever. They helped me return to the life I had before drug
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addiction. I am back in school, and I have a great job. I am able to spend the holidays with my family, drug free.
I want your readers to know that drug addiction does not have to ruin any more of their holidays. Narconon has changed the lives of thousands, and for anyone suffering from drug or alcohol addiction, Narconon, with a 70 percent success rate, can help you, too.
Narconon provides free addiction counseling, local referrals and residential treatment and can be reached at www.stopaddiction.com or 1-800-468-6933. This place can change your life in extraordinary ways.
Sincerely,
Trey Breaux
Narconon graduate

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become more of an effort. Even though she remained queen of Christmas, my mom wasn’t as able to do the work required to get The Tree into its pristine, ornament-laden form. By this time, my sister and I had grown and gone, so my parents had sole responsibility for tending to The Tree.

Instead of giving up the task, my mom took an offensive approach. (She was a stubborn and pragmatic Scandinavian.) She began decorating The Tree earlier in the fall so she could do the work in small chunks and still be done well before the Thanksgiving turkey came out of the oven.

This continued for a few years. My sister and I joked about the possibility of tree decorating in July, but I know we both appreciated The Tree come Christmas Eve.

Time marched on and the tradition of The Tree became daunting for my mom. Because of her advancing age and Alzheimer’s disease, everything about The Tree grew more difficult - from decorating to taking the ornaments off and carefully storing them away after the holidays ended. Some might think that others could step in and take over the responsibilities for The Tree. Those people never met my mom. She might allow others to help with the angel or an occasional glass ball, but the big decisions - like how to position the garlands or where to place special ornaments - were hers alone.

For many people, the tradition would end here, but stubborn (and resourceful) Scandinavians do not give up easily. One Christmas a few years back, my mom decorated the tree for the last time.

Then she got herself an enormous plastic bag. After the holidays, she covered the tree with the bag and had someone move the whole shebang down to the basement where it sat, in storage, until the next year. We moved The Tree (decorations and all) up and down the stairs every year after that. My sister and I joked about the perennially decorated pine, but our tradition of The Tree never wavered.

I’m not sure how long my mom had Alzheimer’s. She was probably aware of the disease well before any of us knew, so I’m guessing it was 10 years at least. The Christmas of 2009 was her last with The Tree - and with us.

This Christmas will be different - without her.
Still, our tradition continues. This year, my dad brought The Tree over to my sister’s house, where they did their best to complete the decorating process in the grand style of my mom. We will celebrate around The Tree on the eve of Dec. 24. We will remember my mom and we will miss her. And we will do our best to rock Christmas, exactly like she’d want us to.

Jill Pertler is a syndicated columnist and author of “The Do-It-Yourselfer’s Guide to Self-Syndication.” She’s collecting fans on Facebook. Please check it out. Email her at perimn@qwest.net; or visit her website at <http://marketing-by-design.home.mchsi.com/>.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Kudos to teacher Danielle Hall, who in her first year at the helm of the Cass City High School Art Program made sure the Chronicle received plenty of outstanding student art for our annual Christmas issue, just as veteran and now-retired art instructor Judy Hoelzle did for years.

Thanks to a new bill, passed in the House last week, the American Red Cross Great Lakes Blood Services Region will soon be able to accept blood donations from 16-year-olds who have written parental/guardian consent. This means that now even more high school students can help save lives by donating blood.

The next local blood drive is scheduled for Dec. 21 at the VFW Hall, 4533 Veterans Drive, starting at 1 p.m. For more information contact the Hills & Dales Hospital Auxiliary at 989-872-2121.

The Chronicle staff received early Christmas presents Thursday courtesy of Deford area farmer Charlie Carpenter.



His real gift hid in his visit, always upbeat, informational and usually about high school sports - most often basketball.

He also handed out several plastic baggies full of navy beans while here, which the Haires’ will enjoy over the holidays.

Both holiday weekends will feel a bit longer for us at the corner of Oak and Main. Our office will be closed all day on both Fridays preceding Christmas and New Year’s. Spending a little extra time with our families and loved ones won’t change your delivery date in the upcoming weeks, but deadlines for display advertising advances one day to Thursday at 5 p.m. - prior to Tuesday’s printing when newsstand copies are available - for the remainder of 2010.

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

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The Gold Refinery, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Hills & Dales General Hospital, Cass City. Turn your unwanted gold into cash. Don't mail it in! We test & weigh in front of you! All transactions are confidential. Sponsored by Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary.

Thursday, December 23
AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-4816.

Friday, December 24
Al-anon meeting for family and friends of alcoholics, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, Elkton. For more information, call (989) 872-4042.

Saturday, December 25
Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., St. John Episcopal Church, 8271 Crescent Beach Rd., Sand Point. Anyone with a drug problem is invited to attend. For more information, please call (989) 963-9077.

Sunday, December 26
Gagetown AA meeting, 8-9 p.m., Gagetown fire hall. For more information, call (989) 325-2592.

Monday, December 27
Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-4816.
Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.



SANILAC COUNTY Sheriff's deputies reported 2 motorists suffered serious injuries in a 2-vehicle accident involving a car and a tractor trailer last Wednesday in Worth Township. The crash occurred on M-25 near Galbraith Line Road, when 82-year-old Joseph Saliba of Lexington lost control of his car on M-25 due to icy road conditions and struck a southbound semi-tractor trailer head-on. The truck was driven by Charles Graser III of Pioneer, Ohio. Both drivers were transported to a hospital for treatment, and M-25 was closed temporarily.

USA students suffer minor injuries in crash with pickup

Four USA School students suffered minor injuries when the school bus they were riding in collided with a pickup truck last Wednesday in Sebewaing Township, troopers from Michigan State Police post in Bad Axe reported.

Trooper Jeff Rucinski reported the accident occurred at about 9:30 a.m. when a pickup truck driven by Tony L. Nitz, 43, Sebewaing, applied her brakes on westbound Bach Road, near M-25, and was unable to stop. The vehicle slid onto M-25 and struck a northbound school bus driven by Kurt W. Bach, 58, also of Sebewaing.

Both the school bus and pickup truck went into the east side ditch after the collision, according to Rucinski, who noted the roads were ice-covered and slippery at the time of the crash.

The school bus had about 25 students on board and 4 of them reported possible injuries. The students, in

grades 4, 7 and 10, were all taken to Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon for treatment of minor bumps and bruises.

Rucinski cited Nitz for failing to yield at a signed intersection.

He and troopers from the Bad Axe

and Caro posts were assisted at the scene by the Sebewaing and Unionville police departments, Huron County Sheriff's Department, ACW and Sebewaing ambulance personnel, and the Sebewaing Fire Department.

Huron Co. sheriff cautions Thumb area ice fisherman

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson is urging Thumb area ice fishermen to avoid a portion of Wild Fowl Bay where a fisherman died last year.

"A little over 11 months ago, a man accidentally lost his life after he ended up in the water while returning from an afternoon ice fishing trip," Hanson said. "With the ice fishing season already in progress, I'm asking that the media provide (the) coordinates of where that accident took place."

Hanson identified the coordinates as: N 44 53 188, W 083 22 233.

"These coordinates are approximately 1.91 miles west of the Mud Creek Public Access parking lot, located off of Filion Road, or 2.21 miles north of the Bay Port Public Access parking lot, located in Bay Port," Hanson noted.

"This is an effort to warn ice fishermen to stay away from or to be cautious of that area," he said. "Since last January's accident, we have received information from area ice fishermen, who believe that this is a yearly event with that location's ice. We have also researched a similar deadly accident that our department handled almost 12 years ago, and that, too, appears to have occurred in the same area."

"What could be causing the ice to not safely freeze is uncertain," Hanson added. "Regardless, we believe this should be a major concern to the Wild Fowl Bay ice fishermen. This does not mean that this is the only area to be concerned with. They need to always be cautious and take nothing for granted while on the ice."

Give the gift of preparedness

With the onset of winter weather statewide and the holiday season here, the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (MSP/EMHSD) is offering gift ideas that will help keep your family and friends prepared throughout winter.

Purchasing preparedness items can serve as a great starting point to ensuring loved ones are ready when an emergency happens, such as being "snowed in" from a severe snowstorm or being stranded on the side of the road. In addition to purchasing preparedness gifts, the holiday season provides an opportunity for families to discuss what they will do during an emergency and to develop or update an emergency communications plan.

"Giving the gift of preparedness is one of the most important things citizens can do to ensure the safety of their family and friends," said Capt. W. Thomas Sands, commander of the MSP/EMHSD. "Being prepared can be as simple as storing an extra supply of water and canned goods, or

discussing with family and friends where you will meet if you become separated during an emergency."

Possible holiday gift ideas that may be of use during an emergency include:

- Emergency preparedness kit for home and office (i.e., food, water and prescription medications for 72 hours; first aid kit, flashlight, emergency contact information and extra clothing)
- Vehicle emergency kit (emergency flares, shovel, ice scraper, flashlight, blanket, food and water)
- Battery-powered or hand crank NOAA weather radio
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- Smoke detectors
- Fire extinguishers (for kitchen, garage and car)
- Pet disaster kit (food, water, leash, dishes and carrying case or crate)

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Coach Markel: We had our poorest showing of the year

Veteran Coach Don Markel blasted his Cass City wrestlers following the team’s effort over the weekend at the Swan Valley Tournament.

The Red Hawks finished 5th in Saturday’s 6-team event with a 1-4 mark.

“We had our poorest showing of the year, wrestling very flat and uninspired for the day,” Markel said. “Our timing was out of sync and we were out of position a good portion of the day.”

In the Red Hawks’ final tune-up before entering Greater Thumb Conference play in 2011, the defending conference champs recorded a solo 45-30 win over Bryon, while bowing 40-36 to hosts Swan Valley, 66-12 against Greenville, 46-28 to Richmond’s “B” team and 48-34 to Capac.

The final team standings saw Greenville on top with a 5-0 mark, followed by runner-up Capac at 4-1, Swan Valley, 3-2, Richmond “B”, 2-3, Cass City, 1-5 and Byron, 0-5.

While Cass City failed to record a single individual champion on the day, several grapplers delivered 4-1 performances, including Jon Crouch, 125-pound weight class, Josh Jensen, 171-pound weight class, Mike Milligan, 189/215-pound weight classes and Nick Adkins, 215/285-pound weight classes.

“The intensity level that we brought to the mat was nowhere near what it had been on Wednesday when we had a good showing against Millington and Chesaning. We have a lot to work on over the Christmas break if we are to compete for the league title,” Markel griped.



THE 2010-11 Cass City junior varsity girls’ basketball team members are (front, l-r) Nicole Boland, Alyssa Bennett, Lauren Bukoski, Ashtyn Janiske, Gracy Hollis, Ashley Wilson (back) Kayla Barnes, Kendra Rogers, Erica Kolacz, Elisabeth Milligan, Stephanie Heckroth, Jocelynn Venema, Kara Reif and Coach Steve Hollocker.



MEMBERS of the 2010-11 Cass City High School junior varsity boys’ basketball team include (front, l-r) Justin Summers, Andy Kaake, Lukas Schenk, Tyler Randolph, Theron Bogart (back) Brandon Green, Thiago Ramim, Cole Israelson, Cody Ross and Justin Kerkau.

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Tuesday, December 21			
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Bullock Creek at Caro	Bullock Creek	Bullock Creek	Bullock Creek
GIRLS’ BASKETBALL			
Tuesday, December 21			
Owen-Gage at Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
Wednesday, December 22			
Reese at Cass City (5:30 p.m.)	Reese	Reese	Reese
Last Week’s Results	8-3	9-2	5-6
Season’s Results	20-12 (63%)	19-13 (59%)	16-16 (50%)

Winning records entering into the Christmas holiday

Jon Crouch
(125) 16-5

Cody Crouch
(130) 17-4

Josh Jensen
(171) 20-1

Mike Milligan
(189) 20-1

Nick Adkins
(215) 19-2

East whips West

In GTC crossover basketball games

It’s good news, at least for the 2010-11 season, for Cass City basketball fans that the Red Hawk boys’ team doesn’t compete in the Greater Thumb East.

Early season Greater Thumb Conference crossover games have been dominated by teams in the East Division, including Friday’s outing in Marlette where the Red Raiders survived a late rally to hand Cass City its third loss in 4 tries.

The Red Hawks, who came up short earlier in the week against GTE guest Harbor Beach, opened the season bowing to another GTE foe in Sandusky.

Although the Pirates dominated Cass City during a 51-38 whipping on Wednesday, Coach Jim Green had nothing but praise for his latest opponent.

“Marlette may be the most talented team around,” he said.

They certainly looked impressive for 3 quarters against Cass City, building leads of 18-11 after one and 45-28 entering the final 8 minutes.

Cass City caught fire in the final quarter and used a 20-7 scoring advantage to narrow the gap, but couldn’t overtake the winners.

“We made a nice comeback and had chances to get the game to within one possession in the last 2 minutes,” Green said. “Inside, Alex Zaleski and Morgan Erla combined for 15 points and 18 rebounds.”

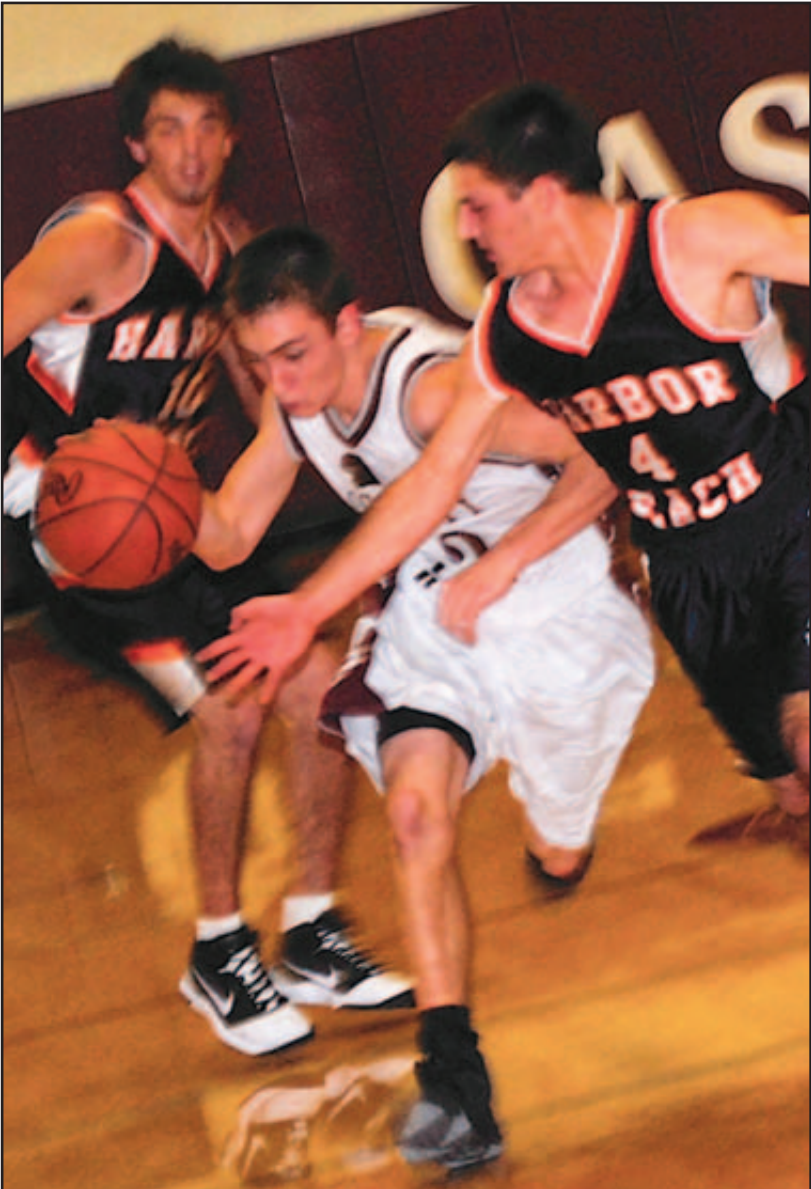
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CASS CITY – Varney 1-1 (0-0) 5; Wolschleger 1-0 (0-0) 2; Dunnuck 2-0 (2-3) 6; Ketterer 6-0 (1-2) 13; Zaleski 4-0 (0-0) 8; Middaugh 1-0 (0-0) 2; Erla 1-0 (0-0) 2. TOTALS – 16-1 (3-5) 38.

HARBOR BEACH – Grekowicz 2-0 (3-4) 7; Sorenson 4-0 (0-1) 8; Ginther 2-0 (0-0) 4; Hanson 0-1 (0-0) 3; Kraft 2-0 (0-1) 4; Mazure 4-0 (0-0) 8; Siemen 8-0 (1-4) 17. TOTALS – 22-1 (4-10) 51.

CASS CITY – Orban 0-1 (1-2) 4; Varney 4-1 (4-4) 15; Dunnuck 2-0 (0-2) 4; Ketterer 4-0 (0-0) 8; Zaleski 3-0 (0-3) 6; Middaugh 1-0 (0-0) 2; Erla 4-0 (1-4) 9. TOTALS – 18-2 (6-15) 48.

MARLETTE – Jickling 1-0 (1-2) 3; Storm 4-1 (0-2) 11; Lange 1-2 (1-5) 9; Thomas 2-0 (0-2) 4; Volz 3-0 (0-0) 6; Mellstead 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hall 7-0 (3-6) 17. TOTALS – 19-3 (5-17) 52.



JUSTIN KETTERER is pressured by Harbor Beach’s Scott Grekowicz. The senior guard tallied a team-high 13 points, but Cass City provided little trouble for their Huron County foes.

Wynn impressive in first gymnastic meet

Junior Haley Wynn looks to be a force to be reckoned with for the Cass City gymnastics team following the Red Hawks’ season opening meet Thursday against Vassar.

Despite bowing 120.075 to 106.05 to the Vulcans, several Red Hawks earned their first regional qualifying score on the night, including Wynn who recorded Coach Kathy Bouverette’s lone victory, earned on the bars with an impressive tally of 7.35.

Wynn, in her third varsity season, also earned regional qualifying marks on the vault and floor events with scores of 8.4 and 8.0, respectively. She placed runner-up in the vault and third during her floor routine.

“I’m really excited about this team,” said Bouverette. “I think this team has the talent to qualify for regionals. We made that one of our season goals, to qualify as a team for the regionals.”

Also with a performance resulting in a top 3 showing for Cass City was senior Mandi Bartnik. Her best finish

came in the beam with a team-high mark of 7.5. Bartnik added a score of 8.2 in the vault. Her third place finish in the beam and fourth place finish on the vault meet the regional qualifying standard in both events.

Rounding out the hosts who earned their first of 4 required scores to advance into regional action were Katherine Woodruff and Sarah Burk. Both scores came in the vault where Woodruff was judged with a score of 8.15 and Burk, 8.0, finishing 5th and 7th in the individual rankings.

Cass City’s team effort suffered in the bars as only 3 Lady Red Hawks competed in the event.

“We were pretty close after the vault, but fell behind after the bars. We are a little weak (in the bars), but we can work on that over Christmas. I think some of our freshmen can help (in the event).”

Cass City trailed just 33.10 to 32.75 entering the bars, but was outscored 24.95 to 18.85 to create what proved to be an insurmountable difference.

Parrish’s return sparks Lady Hawks

Welcome back McKensie Parrish.

Cass City’s all-conference senior guard returned from Nicaragua - where, among other activities, she visited an orphanage while on a mission trip with her church - to spark the Lady Red Hawks Thursday over host Bad Axe to open Greater Thumb West action for both schools.

With the 50-45 overtime win, Coach Lloyd Schinnerer’s cagers improve to 2-3 overall. Winners of back-to-back tilts, Cass City will entertain undefeated Reese tonight in a make-up contest following the junior varsity game which tips-off at 5:30, instead of the usual 6 p.m. starting time.

To have any chance of knocking off the Rockets, however, Cass City will need to find their shooting touch, something that was missing in the opening half against the Hatchets.

The visitors missed 7 of their first 8 shots, yet trailed only 6-3 entering the second quarter. With Cass City’s interior threats Carley Hendrick and Logan Rowell held in check early, teammate Amanda Clifton kept the visitors close with a 3-for-3 shooting effort.

Aside from Clifton’s antics, though, the Red Hawk attack from the floor was limited to treys from Megan Parrish and Shania Chambers until the intermission, where the Hatchets enjoyed a 23-15 spread.

Bad Axe used an 8-2 run to end the opening half, leaving Cass City searching for answers to open the final half.

Enter McKensie Parrish.

Parrish, who Coach Schinnerer elect-

ed not to start in an effort to be fair to the rest of his roster, immediately made a difference. Despite being a bit rusty, Parrish quickly found her shooting eye and after missing a trey, connected on her next 4 field goals to help build a 38-30 edge midway through the final stanza.

But with a chance to ice the contest in regulation, Parrish missed at the foul line, which would have put the Hawks up by 2 possessions with just 16 ticks on the clock remaining.

That gave Justine Morneau just enough time to send the game into overtime with a buzzer beater from behind the 3-point arc.

But in the extra time, Cass City used a 10-2 scoring advantage to come out on top.

“We had a great second half,” Schinnerer said. “Balanced scoring, a very physical game. (Our) players held their own on the road.”

Megan Parrish hit on consecutive 3-point tries to highlight a 15-0 run for Cass City after the intermission and recorded game scoring honors with 14 points, while Hendrick chipped in 11 markers and McKensie Parrish, 10.

Morneau’s 13 points was best for the Hatchets.

CASS CITY – Megan Parrish 0-3 (5-7) 14; Chambers 0-1 (0-0) 3; McKensie Parrish 4-0 (2-5) 10; Clifton 4-0 (0-0) 8; Peters 0-0 (0-2) 0; Hendrick 2-0 (7-8) 11; Rowell 2-0 (0-2) 4. **TOTALS – 12-4 (14-24) 50.**

BAD AXE – Janik 0-1 (3-4) 6; Fligger 2-0 (0-0) 4; Morneau 2-2 (3-4) 13; Butch 1-0 (0-0) 2; Braun 2-0 (2-4) 6; R. Breault 3-0 (0-0) 6; T. Breault 3-0 (2-3) 8. **TOTALS – 13-3 (10-15) 45.**

Red Hawks come up short

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Alex Varney netted 15 points to lead Cass City.

Red Raiders Kyle Hall, with 17 points, and Alex Storm, with 11, complete the list of players who reached double digits in points.

HARBOR BEACH

Harbor Beach doubled the score entering the final 8 minutes against

the Red Hawks en route to victory. The visitors led 44-22 after 3 quarters and completed the shellacking with a 16-7 run to the final buzzer.

“We weren’t able to match Harbor Beach’s aggressiveness and intensity. They proved why they are one of the top teams in the Thumb,” Green said.

Andrew Siemen had 17 points for Harbor Beach.

Justin Ketterer had 13 points for Cass City.

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Wednesday Nite Trio as of Dec. 15		Team High Games & Series: JEBCO 505-603-609 (1717).	
Scheurer Healthcare Network	15.5	Merchanettes as of Dec. 16	
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Charmont	14.5	All or Nothing	2
Kelly & Co.	13		
Scheurer Hospital	13	Individual High Games & Series: Dee Sines 167-143 (412); Marlene Sieradzki 150; Elaine Romain 140-148 (419).	
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ATHLETE of the WEEK

This week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award is Haley Wynn.

The Red Hawk junior recorded 3 regional qualifying scores to highlight the action for Coach Kathy Bouverette's gymnasts Thursday in her team's opening meet against Vassar.

Wynn, in her third varsity season, earned regional qualifying marks on the vault and floor events with scores of 8.4 and 8.0, respectively. She placed runner-up in the vault and third during her floor routine.

Still, it was Wynn's work on the bars that resulted in the Red Hawks' lone victory against the Vulcans. Judges gave her a winning tally of 7.35.

Haley Wynn

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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 Mitchel K. Ill and Deborah L. Ill, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to National City Mortgage, a division of National City Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated February 9, 2005 and recorded on March 7, 2005 in Liber 1029 on Page 1203 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred One Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-One and 77/100 Dollars (\$201,951.77), including interest at 5.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 13, 2011.

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

Part of the East 1/2 of the Northeast fractional 1/4 of Section 4, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the centerline of Barkley Road, which is South 24 degrees 58 minutes 31 seconds East, 971.48 feet from the intersection of the centerline of Barkley Road and the North line of Section 4, said point being East 1,334.26 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 4; thence along said centerline South 24 degrees 58 minutes 31 seconds East, 250.00 feet; thence East 465.0 feet to a traverse line; thence along said traverse line, North 31 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds West, 266.67 feet to its terminus; thence West 430.0 feet to the Point of Beginning, said parcel includes all that land embraced by the traverse line and the centerline of Perry Creek and the said lines extended to the centerline of Perry Creek.

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 15, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Theron L. Middaugh and Elaine Diane Middaugh, husband and wife, tenants by the entireties, original mortgagors, to First Union Home Equity Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 14, 1999 and recorded on November 5, 1999 in Liber 786 on Page 1262, 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 Ninety-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One and 10/100 Dollars (\$94,751.10), including interest at 9.53% 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 13, 2011.

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

Commencing 1450.16 feet North of Southeast corner of Section 6, Town 13 North, Range 11 East to place of beginning; thence West 551.5 feet; thence North 140 feet thence East 335.5 feet, thence South 103 feet, thence East 216 feet and South 37 feet to place of beginning.

Together with all right, title and interest in a 30 feet wide easement running in an easterly and westerly direction across the South 103 feet of the East 216 feet of property described in that certain deed in book 471, page 485, in the 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 15, 2010

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of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Duane Webster and Sheri Webster, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 10, 2006 and recorded on May 23, 2006 in Liber 1082 on Page 595 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Five and 02/100 Dollars (\$264,785.02), including interest at 8.35% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 13, 2011.

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

The West 6 acres of the North 363 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, except Railroad right of way.

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

Dated: December 15, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Scott S. Kidd and Kimberly Kay Kidd, his wife, Mortgagors, to BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Mortgagee, dated the 20th day of January, 2004 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 27th day of January, 2004 in Liber 976 of Tuscola County Records, page 421, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Five and 44/100 (\$83,845.44), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of January, 2011 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 5.87500% 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 Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Lots 13 and 14 and the South 1/2 of Lot 15, Goodwin Creek Subdivision, part of the Northwest Fractional 1/4 of Section 19, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 1 of Tuscola County Records. EXCEPTING LAND Commencing at the Northwest corner of the South 1/2 of the Lot 15 of Goodwin Creek Subdivision, thence Southeasterly along the West line of Lots 15 and 14 of Goodwin Creek Subdivision, a distance of 77.725 feet, thence Northeasterly to the Northeast corner of the South 1/2 of Lot 15, thence Westerly along the North line of the South 1/2 of said Lot 15 to the point of beginning, being a part of Lots 14 and 15 of Goodwin Creek Subdivision, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 1 of Tuscola County Records.

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: 12/15/2010

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.
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 Rudolph Armstrong Sr., a married man, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 17, 2006 and recorded on April 3, 2006 in Liber 1075 on Page 1417, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Mortgage Services, 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 One Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Nine and 37/100 Dollars (\$198,389.37), including interest at 9.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 13, 2011.

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

West half of the East half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 22, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbella Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: December 15, 2010

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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. Cole and Tina M. Cole, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated October 30, 1996 and recorded on October 30, 1996 in Liber 699 on Page 1471, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifteen and 39/100 Dollars (\$49,615.39), including interest at 8.6% 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 January 13, 2011.

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

A parcel of land located in Section 29, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, described as: Commencing at a point 44 1/2 rods North of the Southwest corner of North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, thence East 195 feet; thence North 60 feet, thence West 195 feet; thence South 60 feet to the Place of Beginning.

Subject to the right of way for Van Buren Road over the Westerly side thereof.

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

Dated: December 15, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James D. Spencer Jr. and Lynn M. Spencer, husband and wife, to Standard Federal Bank, a Federal Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated December 15, 1998 and recorded January 13, 1999 in Liber 760, Page 596, 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 Fifty Thousand Four Hundred and 62/100 Dollars (\$50,400.62) 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 front entrance of the Tuscola County Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 13, 2011.

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

Lot 32 of Glenfields Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 2, Pages 41 and 42, Tuscola County Records.

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

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 15, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Vickie K. Curtis, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated August 17, 2000 and recorded on August 18, 2000 in Liber 808 on Page 1267, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty Thousand Fifteen and 99/100 Dollars (\$60,015.99), including interest at 9.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided,

notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 20, 2011.

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

Commencing 42 Rods West of 11 Rods North of the Southeast corner of Section 29, Town 13 North, Range 11 East, Running thence West 4 Rods, thence North 8 Rods, thence East 4 Rods, thence South 8 Rods to the place of beginning.

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

Dated: December 22, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Irene Raymond, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 20, 2005 and recorded on May 24, 2005 in Liber 1039 on Page 1267 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Home Finance, LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-One and 56/100 Dollars (\$102,951.56), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 20, 2011.

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

Commencing at a point which is 206 feet West and North 31 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds East, 165 feet from the South corner post of Section 34, Town 14 North, Range 10 East; thence North 58 degrees 41 minutes 00 seconds West 260.30 feet; thence North 31 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds East, 55.58 feet; thence South 87 degrees 59 minutes 15 seconds East, 298.48 feet; thence South 31 degrees 19 minutes 00 seconds West, 201.73 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Town 14 North, Range 10 East.

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

Dated: December 22, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gary L. Souva and Carol L. Souva, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Franklin Bank a division of First Place Bank, Mortgagee, dated January 28, 2005, and recorded on March 7, 2005 in Liber 1029 on Page 1163, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Freedom Mortgage Corporation as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$96,955.00), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 30, 2010.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East-West 1/4 line of said Section that is North 89 degrees 56 minutes 02 seconds (recorded as North 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds West) 2172.95 feet from the East 1/4 corner of Section 27; thence North 00 degrees 54 minutes 03 seconds West 440.84 feet; thence South 80 degrees 23 minutes 20 seconds West (recorded as south 80 degrees 23 minutes 34 seconds West) 164.26 feet; thence south 00 degrees 53 minutes 50 seconds East (recorded as South 00 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds East) 413.22 feet to said East-West 1/4 line; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes 02 seconds East (recorded as South 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds East) 162.41 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with and subject to following 2 Easements for ingress and egress:

Being 33 feet on either side of the centerline being described as beginning at a point on the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 27, town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan that is North 00 degrees 09 minutes 26 seconds West 239.00 feet from the West 1/4 corner; thence south 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds East 3180.41 feet along the centerline; thence North 50 degrees 34 minutes 44 seconds East 273.44 feet (recorded as North 50 degrees 37 minutes 39 seconds East 273.40 feet); thence North 80 degrees 23 minutes 20 seconds East 365.88 feet (recorded as North 80 degrees 23 minutes 34 seconds East 365.66 feet) to the end of said centerline with the East end of said easement bearing North 00 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds West, being a part of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 8 East.

and Described as: being at the intersection of the East-West 1/4 line with the East 1/8 line; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds West 1398.63 feet along the East-West 1/4 line; thence North 00 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds West 30.00 feet parallel with the East 1/8 line; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds East 60.00 feet parallel with the East-West 1/4 line; thence North 00 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds West 170.03 feet parallel with the East 1/8 line; thence south 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds East 40.00 feet parallel with the East-West 1/4 line; thence South 00 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds East 170.03 feet parallel with the East 1/8 line; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 13 seconds East 1228.63 feet parallel with the East-West 1/4 line; thence North 60 degrees 04 minutes 58 seconds East 80.04 feet to the East 1/8 line; thence South 00 degrees 54 minutes 00 seconds East 70.00 feet along the East 1/8 line to the point of beginning, being a part of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 8 East.

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

Dated: December 1, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Hajdo and Tamara Hajdo, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 19, 2003 and recorded on September 24, 2003 in Liber 956 on Page 492, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company 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 Ninety-Seven Thousand Forty-Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$197,044.00), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 30, 2010.

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

The North 495 feet of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 9 East, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, Except; all rights to minerals, gas and oil in or on the aforescribed real property.

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

Dated: December 1, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Michael Kujat and Sandra Kujat, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to Argent Mortgage Company LLC, Mortgagee, dated the 28th day of February, 2005 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 7th day of April, 2005 in Liber 1033 of Tuscola County Records, Page 1448, said Mortgage having been assigned to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of April 1, 2005 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-WHQ2 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Sixty Thousand Two Hundred Thirteen and 20/100 (\$60,213.2), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of January, 2011 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 7.95200% 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 Arbelva Township, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE EAST 1/2 OF SECTION 20, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: TO FIX THE POINT OF BEGINNING COMMENCE AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 20; THENCE S00° 22' 50" W, ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION, 1561.03 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE S70° 34' 37" E, 417.42 FEET TO A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF THE SMITH DRAIN, AS ESTABLISHED ACROSS SAID SECTION; THENCE S23° 37' 42" W, ALONG SAID DRAIN CENTERLINE, 532.02 FEET; THENCE S00° 53' 16" W, 468.59 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION OF SAID DRAIN CENTERLINE WITH THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE S89° 55' 20" W ON SAID EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE, 180.44 FEET TO THE PREVIOUSLY MONUMENTED AND OCCUPIED CENTER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE N00° 22' 50" E, ON SAID NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE, 1095.03 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

Dated: 12/1/2010

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of April 1, 2005 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-WHQ2
Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
Attorney for Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of April 1, 2005 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-WHQ2
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by GARY H. ERWIN, A SINGLE MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 20, 2006 and recorded on June 27, 2006 in Liber 1086 on Page 181, and assigned by said mortgagee to FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seven Thousand Fifty-Four Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$107,054.70), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on January 6, 2011.

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

A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE WHICH IS NORTH 0 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST, 1520.25 FEET FROM THE SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 31; THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH AND SOUTH 1/4 LINE NORTH 0 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST 145.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 27 SECONDS EAST, 420.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST, 145.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 27 SECONDS WEST, 420 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING BEING SUBJECT TO THAT PART NOW USED AS MILLIMAN ROAD, SO-CALLED.

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

Dated: November 23, 2010

FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB
Mortgagee/Assignee

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

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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 Janet Sieradzki and Walter Sieradzki, wife and husband as joint tenants, original mortgagors, to Arbor Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated November 22, 2005 and recorded on December 21, 2005 in Liber 1065 on Page 1410, and modified by Affidavit or Order executed on January 4, 2010 and recorded on January 11, 2010 in Liber 1190 on Page 817, and assigned by mesne assignments 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 One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Eleven and 66/100 Dollars (\$145,211.66), 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 30, 2010.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 24, Township 11 North, Range 11 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West line of said Northwest 1/4 which is North 01 degree 29 minutes 01 second West, along said West line, 993.44 feet from the West 1/4 corner of said Section 24; thence continuing North 01 degree 29 minutes 01 second West, along said West line, 331.72 feet to the North line of said Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4; thence North 88 degrees 27 minutes 35 seconds East, along said North line, 1327.80 feet to the East line of said Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4; thence South 01 degree 31 minutes 20 seconds East, along said East line, 331.72 feet; thence South 88 degrees 27 minutes 35 seconds West, parallel with said North line, 1328.02 feet to the point of beginning.

Subject to easements, rights-of-way, and restrictions of record.

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

Dated: December 1, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Anthony Bommarito, a single man, and Bobbie Bringold, a single woman, original mortgagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated September 27, 2007 and recorded on January 15, 2008 in Liber 1139 on Page 443 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Seventeen and 72/100 Dollars (\$67,117.72), 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 30, 2010.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 4, Township 12 North, Range 9 East, Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence North along the East line of said Section 4, 534.0 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence West and parallel to the South line of said Section 4, 200 feet; thence North and parallel to the East line of said Section 4, 50 feet; thence East parallel to the South line of aforesaid Section 4, 200 feet; thence South along the East line of said Section 4, 50 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 1, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Stephanie Spencer, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Long Beach Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated September 1, 2004 and recorded on October 21, 2004 in Liber 1012 on Page 1313 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Two and 49/100 Dollars (\$103,732.49), including interest at 9.65% 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 30, 2010.

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

The South half of the East half of the South half of the South half of the northeast Quarter of Section 30, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: December 1, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Shawn Swaffner, an unmarried person, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 10, 2004 and recorded on June 15, 2004 in Liber 996 on Page 1161, and modified by agreement dated June 27, 2005, and recorded on July 14, 2005 in Liber 1045 on Page 733 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Seven and 59/100 Dollars (\$153,457.59), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 30, 2010.

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

A parcel of land in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 14, which is South 88 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds West, 848.80 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 14; thence continuing along said South line, South 88 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds West, 290.63 feet; thence North 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds West, parallel with the East line of said Section 14, 583.74 feet to a point on the centerline of Saginaw Road (M-38); thence South 76 degrees 10 minutes 37 seconds East, along said centerline, 300.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, parallel with said East Section line, 502.33 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 1, 2010

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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 Kevin Doud, a/k/a Kevin M. Doud, and Kelly Doud, a/k/a Kelly K. Doud, husband and wife, tenants by entirety, original mortgagors, to Ameriquet Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated November 10, 2004 and recorded on November 24, 2004 in Liber 1018 on Page 856, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Six and 29/100 Dollars (\$165,726.29), including interest at 7.65% 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 6, 2011.

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

Commencing at a point 463 feet South of the Northeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 30 of Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence South 620 feet, West 125 feet, North 620 feet, East 125 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 8, 2010

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald A. Englehart Jr. and Carren Englehart, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic

Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 10, 2006 and recorded on August 24, 2006 in Liber 1092 on Page 1346 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Bank of New York Mellon, f/k/a The Bank of New York, as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as trustee for the benefit of the Certificate holders of Popular ABS, Inc. Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-D as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Two and 81/100 Dollars (\$136,692.81), including interest at 9.35% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 6, 2011.

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

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

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

Dated: December 8, 2010

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel K. King and Melissa F. King, 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 27, 2006 and recorded on November 1, 2006 in Liber 1100 on Page 1382 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Six Hundred Eight and 55/100 Dollars (\$70,608.55), 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



VOLUNTEER Alex Varney helps out with the Cass City Rotary Club’s Christmas for Kids project Saturday morning at Curtis Chrysler in Cass City.



VOLUNTEER AMY Peters wraps presents for Tanner Russell, 7, son of Keith and Leanne Russell of Cass City, while volunteer Aaron McClorey, an eighth grade student, prepares to escort the youngster back to his parents after he filled his Christmas list at the annual Santa’s Secret Workshop at Cass City Middle School Thursday night.

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School to purchase a new bus

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Hartel noted the district recently spent \$11,600 of the total to replace the air conditioning unit in the high school technology server room at the high school (\$7,200) and to install remote controls on the baskets in the high school gym. Previously, school employees were forced to climb ladders to adjust the baskets manually.

Tim Berlin, the district’s chief financial officer, has said the leftover funds were the result of several projects in which the work came in under budget. School officials have also said a number of projects turned out to be less extensive and less expensive than anticipated.

The board agreed to decide how to spend the remaining \$14,000, after the bus purchase, next month.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

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

- Received some good news from Berlin in the form of his monthly finance report.

Berlin said the state Legislature has paved the way for schools to receive federal education jobs funding in the coming year. In total, Cass City should receive a one-time payment of \$230,000 to \$240,000 to help fund the salaries of newly-hired teachers.

Berlin said he expects to present a revised 2010-11 budget to the board in the coming weeks once more complete revenue estimates are available. However, he noted projections indicate the district will have a fund balance of about \$990,000 at the end of this fiscal year.

- Approved a recommendation from Hartel to lay off middle school Social Worker Stacey Bliss, who has worked in the district for about 4 years.

In spite of his recommendation, Hartel indicated he’s optimistic school officials will be able to secure an alternative funding source that will allow them to get her back on the job after the first of the year.

- Heard a presentation from Ed Pasant, the district’s special projects coordinator, regarding the day care program.

Pasant outlined a number of changes planned in the program, including new, lower rates for families with multiple children, and the hiring of additional part-time workers due to an increase in enrollment, which stands at 73 children, 11 more than a year ago. Pasant pointed out that, as of last September, the program was operating \$4,000 in the black.

- Learned Hartel plans to approve a contract renewal with Anderson, Tuckey, Berhardt and Doran, which has provided auditing services to the Cass City Public Schools for many years.

Hartel said the contract includes a 2-percent fee increase in each of the next 3 years. The district will pay the firm \$8,575 next year, \$8,750 in 2012 and \$8,925 in 2013.

- Approved a proposed mobile dental clinic provided by Health Delivery Inc. School nurse Kathy LaPonsie explained the program, saying the service will not cost the school district a penny, and students will be able to receive services paid for by insurance and other programs, with uninsured families charged just

\$40 for a child to receive a dental exam, cleaning and x-rays.

LaPonsie emphasized that the mobile clinics are not meant to take business away from local dentists, but rather to provide access to dental care for youngsters who don’t regularly receive it.

- Recognized para-professional Carmen Damm for her quick response in an emergency situation

at the elementary school. Principal Aaron Fernald explained a student began choking on a piece of hard candy, and Damm reacted quickly, utilizing the Heimlich Maneuver to dislodge the candy.

- Recognized the Cass City Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) for funding a trip to the Delta College Planetarium for special education students in grades 5 through 8.

Foundation awards grants

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Bullard Sanford Memorial Library to assist in purchasing “teen appealing” materials and programs.

- Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund** — \$3,499 to the Tuscola Underage Drinking Prevention Coalition to support anti-drinking and smoking programs.

- James Plain Sports Foundation Fund** — 7 grants totaling \$1,640 to high schools to support athletic programs.

- Janks (William A. and Ruth) Fund** — \$4,200 to the Tuscola County Rescue Dive Team to purchase 2 dive dry suits for ice rescues; \$5,000 to the Good Samaritan Fund to pay shut-offs, purchase gas cards, pay rent and prescriptions for the needy; \$1,000 to the Caro Historical Commission to upgrade the electrical supply at the Caro Roadhouse Museum; \$2,300 to the Thumb Volunteer Alliance to support volunteer aid in Tuscola County; \$1,530 to Caro Middle School to purchase 3 portable document cameras for science and social studies classes; \$1,000 to the Rainbow Childcare Center to purchase a classroom

phonic ear auditory system; \$2,500 to Thumb Area Big Brothers-Big Sisters to support ongoing programs; and \$5,000 to Rebuilding Together Tuscola County Inc. to rehabilitate or renovate homes for the needy in the county and to obtain equipment to handle lead-based paint.

- Rawson Foundation** — \$1,879 to the Child Fund International organization; \$250 to the Cass City Community Thanksgiving Committee to support the annual community Thanksgiving dinner; and \$2,000 to the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan to support the Cass City Schools Nutrition Backpack Program.

In addition, \$7,000 in scholarships was awarded via the following funds:

- Are You Prepared Scholarship** — 2 \$1,000 grants and one \$500 scholarship to Caro High School students.

- Dr. Bruce Dunn Memorial Scholarship Fund** — 2 \$500 scholarships for Vassar and Reese high school students.

- Rawson Foundation** — 4 \$875 scholarships for Cass City High School students.

Funding to boost enforcement

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by not drinking and driving, or planning ahead by designating a sober driver.”

During last year’s Christmas and New Year’s holiday periods, 10 people died in traffic crashes. Four of those deaths were alcohol related. In 2009, there were 299 alcohol-related traffic deaths, a decrease of 5.7 percent compared to 2008. Although the number of alcohol-related traffic deaths declined this year, crashes involving alcohol are 8 times more likely to be fatal.

In Michigan, it is illegal to drive with a blood alcohol content (BAC) of .08 or higher, although motorists can be arrested at any BAC level if an officer feels they are impaired. As of Oct. 31, motorists face enhanced penalties with a BAC of .17 or higher.

A driver convicted of drunken driving can expect to face serious consequences, including up to 93 days in jail, a fine of up to \$500, up to 360 hours of community service, a 180-day driver’s license suspension, and 6 points on their driver’s license.

If convicted under Michigan new “super drunk” law, in addition to points on their driver’s license and community service, enhanced penalties for first-time drivers include up to 180 days in jail, a fine of up to \$700, a one-year license suspension with restrictions permitted after 45 days, and a one-year mandatory alcohol treatment program or self-help program.

Motorists who wish to have limited driving privileges following a 45-day license suspension may do so only after a breath alcohol ignition interlock device is installed on their vehicle. Installation and monthly fees are the responsibility of the driver. An ignition interlock requires a driver to blow into the device and prevents a vehicle from starting if it measures a BAC level of .025 or above. The device also requires periodic retests when driving longer periods.

In addition, all convicted drunken drivers are subject to a \$1,000 fee for 2 consecutive years, for a total of \$2,000 in extra costs. Anyone who refused a breath test the first time is given an automatic one-year driver’s license suspension.

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