

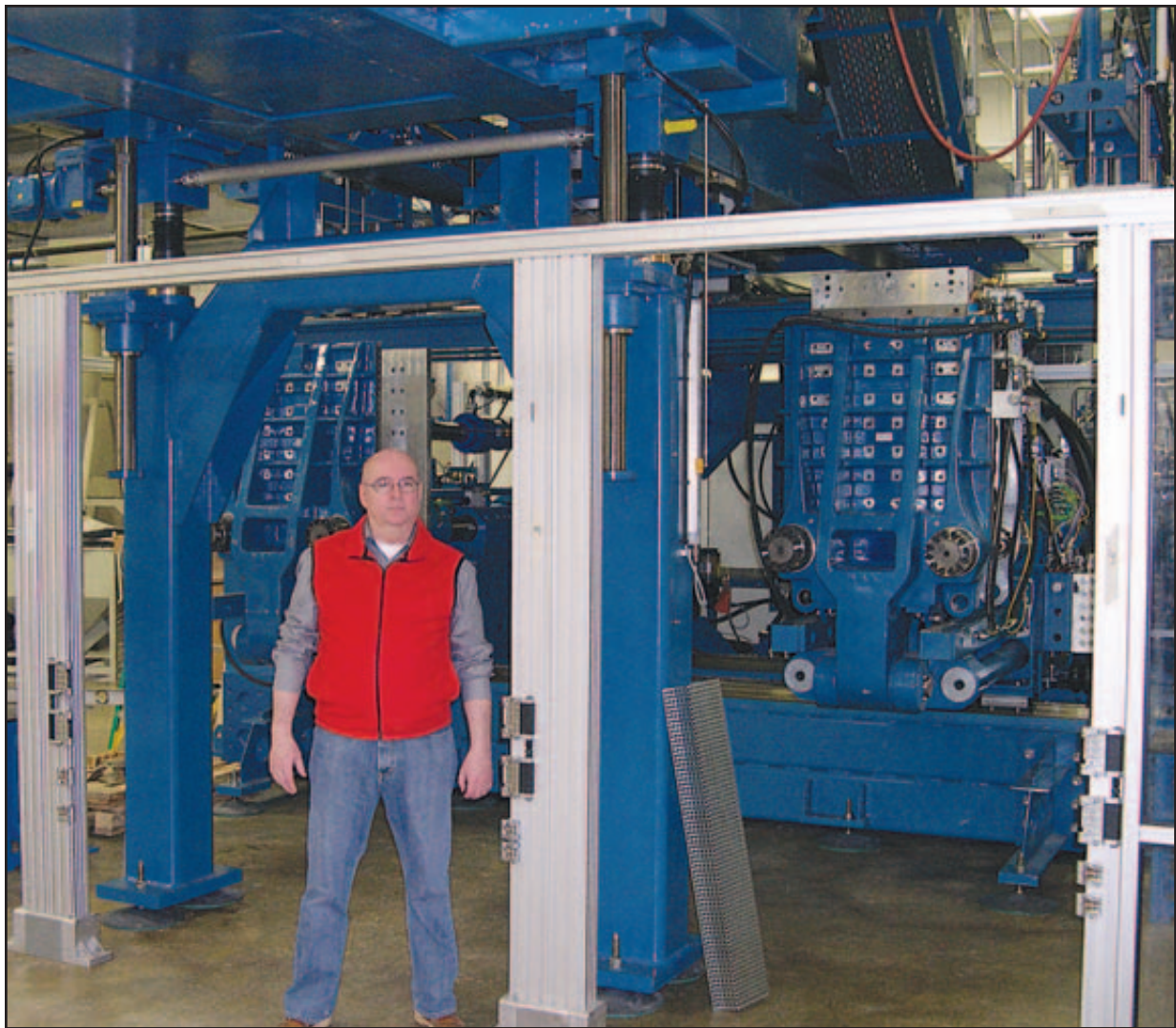


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DAVE MCNAUGHTON, general manager, Aftermarket & Recreation/Marine, Walbro Engine Management, LLC, stands in front of the newest blow molding machine delivered to the company’s Cass City location last month. The firm’s investment in the equipment totals \$2.5 to \$2.65 million and has resulted in the addition of about 9 new jobs in the village.

Walbro investing big-time in new tank equipment

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Walbro Engine Management officials have made good on plans to expand their multilayer fuel tank production and support capabilities to meet what they describe as a rapidly increasing demand for low evaporative emission fuel tanks in the global lawn and garden, recreation and marine markets. That expansion has translated to a substantial investment in the company’s Cass City location along with the addition of a handful of new jobs locally. Walbro Engine Management, a global leader in engine management technology solutions for non-automotive applications, announced last August the addition of 2 new advanced multilayer blow molding machines; one for installation in North America (Cass City) at the end of 2010/early 2011, and the other for installation in Thailand in mid-2011. Company officials said they also planned to add several more blow molding machines in late 2011 and 2012.

Those additions, they said, complement the existing capacity and technical resources established by Walbro over the past 5 years in Cass City.

“As tighter evaporative emission regulations are being implemented and enforced, our multilayer fuel tank technology provides customers with a durable long-range solution that ensures compliance to the end of a product’s life cycle, with a variety of different fuels,” Tony Martin, president and chief executive officer, Walbro Engine Management, said at the time.

“Walbro’s pioneering efforts in multilayer tank technology puts us on the leading edge of evaporative emissions solutions,” he added. “Our expanded manufacturing capacity and footprint, coupled with additional technical support personnel, will help ensure that our fuel tank business is very well positioned to bring the latest technical solutions to our global small engine customer base.”

According to Dave McNaughton, general manager, Aftermarket & Recreation/Marine, Walbro Engine Management, Cass City, the company is in the process of installing its third blow molding machine related to production of fuel tanks, a line the local Walbro Engine Management location launched back in 2006.

In the way of background, McNaughton explained, plastic fuel

tanks are preferred to metal tanks because they can be configured to fit virtually any space. However, the problem in the past was that the plastic tanks consisted of one layer, allowing fuel to permeate the material, leading to air pollution.

Environmental Protection Agency officials addressed that issue by implementing stringent regulations that led to different production technologies.

“What we do...is (produce fuel tanks composed of) 6 layers of plastic, with the center layer being a vapor layer, and the gasoline molecules can not permeate it,” McNaughton said, adding the company produces a variety of fuel tank applications for weed trimmers, riding lawn mowers, ATVs and, more recently, snowmobiles. “Basically, anything below automotive size,” McNaughton noted.

Walbro Engine Management officials have been proactive regarding its production methods, knowing tougher EPA rules would be going into effect last month, he said. “We Please turn to page 8.

Sheriff warns codeine abuse growing threat

Tuscola County Sheriff Lee Teschendorf is warning parents of an increased risk of children abusing codeine syrup in this area.

“Promethazine (codeine) use has been popularized by the music industry of late and may be contributing to the increase in abuse,” Teschendorf said. “Drug teams in our area are finding large quantities of it during drug raids. It is being smuggled in from Canada and other states in large quantities - the codeine is mixed with pop and consumed.”

Even when used correctly, the side effects of Promethazine-codeine can mirror alcohol abuse, including blurred vision, severe drowsiness, seizures, vision problems and loss of coordination. “When abused, the narcotic can become deadly, especially when combined with motor vehicle use,” the sheriff noted.

Teschendorf said Tuscola County appears to have a very high number of codeine prescriptions. “This high, prescription-to-population ratio may indicate false prescriptions being used to obtain the cough syrup,” he added.

Caro coach faces mental evaluation

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The prosecution of a former Caro High School varsity girls’ softball coach is on hold following the defendant’s pre-preliminary exam last week.

Mickey Thomas Gotwalt, 51, of Caro, who is charged with having a sexual relationship with a teenage student, remains jailed on a \$1 million cash bond.

During his exam last week in Tuscola County District Court, Gotwalt’s court-appointed attorney, Thomas Warda of Flint, indicated he plans to request a mental competency exam for his client at the Michigan Center for Forensic Psychiatry in Ypsilanti.

Gotwalt faces 4 felony counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct,

which carries a maximum penalty of up to life in prison or any term of years, and 8 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct, a 15-year felony.

He was arrested by Michigan State Police troopers in late January and had been scheduled for a preliminary examination Monday, Feb. 7, in district court. However, Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark Reese says those proceedings will be delayed by several weeks should Gotwalt’s attorney follow-through with plans to have his client admitted to the Center for Forensic Psychiatry.

“We expect to be adjourned for his evaluation to be completed at the forensic center,” said Reese, who noted it will take some time for that process to be completed. “The very rough rule of thumb is, you’re looking at a couple of months,” he added.

Testimony entered during Gotwalt’s arraignment included allegations that he had threatened to kill the victim’s mother, that a personal protection order had been issued against the defendant, and that he had penned a suicide note indicating he had no

intention of being taken into custody alive.

Prosecutors also noted that Gotwalt engaged in numerous communications with the victim through phone calls and text messages, conduct that was questioned by school officials and prompted Gotwalt to resign as a coach in November.

Reese said the charges stem from alleged conduct between last July and October in Caro. At the time, the victim was 14 years old and a student at Caro Schools.

“From our perspective, it’s extraordinarily troubling when we have a student-athlete in this position, so young, subject to being taken advantage of. It’s incomprehensible,” he commented.

Trooper Jennifer Coulter of the Michigan State Police is the lead investigator in the case and has been assisted by Detective/Sgt. Mark Krebs of the Michigan State Police and Caro Police Chief Brian Newcomb.

Anyone with information regarding the investigation or the defendant is asked to contact Coulter at (989) 673-2156.

BUILDING A FOUNDATION Hills and Dales officials unveil new fund to keep pace with equipment purchases

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Just as a group of civic minded Cass City residents backed their faith with dollars when it came to turning Hills and Dales General Hospital into a reality back in 1960, residents are now being encouraged to help keep that dream alive well into the future.

Hills and Dales Healthcare Corporation officials announced Thursday that they have formed the Hills and Dales Foundation, a tax exempt foundation whose purpose is raising funds for the local hospital.

“With hospital reimbursement continuing to shrink over the years, it has become more and more difficult for hospitals to accumulate the monies necessary to replace expensive equipment as it wears out, or to develop the funds that are required to launch a new service line,” said Bert Althaver, chairman

of the board for the new foundation. “The challenges today are such that — the new technology and new equipment (require) a funding source other than the hospital operating fund. In light of this, we felt that forming a foundation was an excellent way to assist the hospital in raising money for equipment and helping it to continue to develop new services for the community,” he added. “It is also an excellent way to allow the community to actively participate in the future success of the hospital.”

Mike Falatko, CEO of Hills and Dales and president of the foundation, added, “Over the past several years the hospital board has grappled with the changing reimbursement to hospitals and the effects of the recession. The board came to the conclusion that the way hospitals like Hills and Dales are paid was not going to afford them the opportunity, even in the good years, to earn enough income to save up the hundreds of

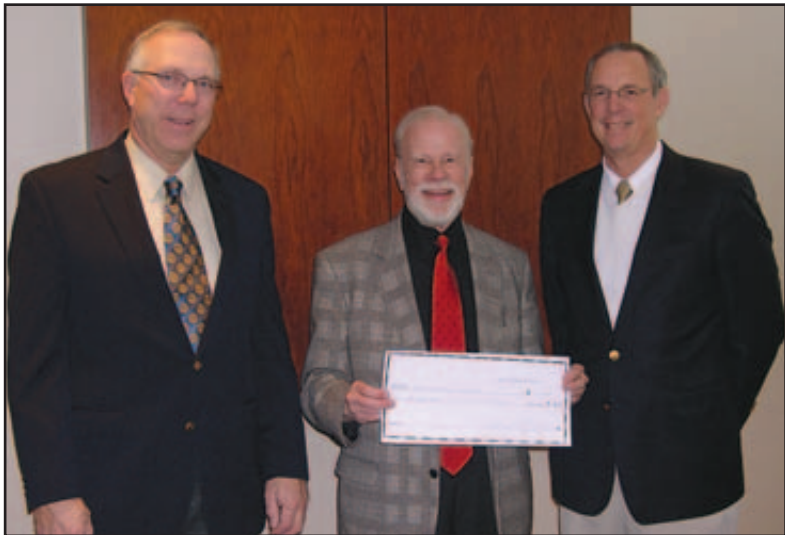
thousands of dollars it costs to replace state-of-the-art diagnostic equipment and fund new services.

“We knew we had to find another source of funds,” Falatko said. “At the same time, we had community members asking us how they could become more involved with the future success of the hospital. In looking at the alternatives, it became apparent that a foundation was the best way to go.”

“I think it’s the right time for it,” agreed Althaver, who noted the hospital celebrated its 40th anniversary in 2010.

Hills and Dales was constructed after more than 15 years of planning and fundraising. The cost was roughly \$1 million, split evenly between area contributors and the federal government. An addition of 8 beds, bringing the total to 65, came in 1972.

A major expansion was added in 1978, with the groundbreaking for an Please turn to page 7.



DAVE MILLIGAN (from left), president of the Cass City Rotary Club, presents the first \$1,000 donation towards the newly-formed Hills and Dales Foundation on behalf of the club to Bert Althaver, chairman of the foundation, and Mike Falatko, chief executive officer of Hills and Dales General Hospital. With the Rotary Club’s latest donation, the local service organization has invested a whopping \$243,000 in the Cass City community over the past decade.



Erica and Nicholas Swanson

Delamarter and Swanson exchange wedding vows

Erica Ross Delamarter and Nicholas Earl Swanson were united in marriage July 31, 2010 at St. Pancratius Church in Cass City. Fr. Richard Ross, SJ, of Boston, uncle of the bride, officiated the wedding. A reception for 100 guests was held at Verona Hills Golf Club following the wedding.

The bride was escorted by her father. Erica is the daughter of Dan and Sharon Delamarter of Cass City. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Loretta Ross and the late Bernard Ross of Cass City, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Delamarter of Spring Arbor. Erica is a speech-language pathologist at Pinewood Elementary in Mt. Holly, NC.


The groom is the son of Mark and Ann Swanson of Cass City. He is the grandson of Mrs. Fay Ballagh and the late Harold Ballagh of Cass City, Mrs. Lorraine Sieker and the late Phillip Sieker of Burlington, Wis., the late Earl Swanson of Lake Geneva, Wis., and Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Nicol of Cass City. Nick is a leader, consumer insights with Newell Rubbermaid in Charlotte, NC.

The maid of honor was Danielle Delamarter, sister of the bride. Also attending were Amanda Rider of Belleville and Jessica Ross of Ventura, Calif., both cousins of the bride. Flower girls were Kate Hill and McKenna Kemp, both cousins of the groom.

The best man was Eric Brown of Cass City, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were Kyle Swanson of Ann Arbor, brother of the groom, and Ethan Nicol of Cass City, cousin of the groom. Ushers were Cody Ross of Marquette and Jared Thacker of Belleville, both cousins of the bride. Ring bearer was Nolan Luke, cousin of the bride.


Vocalists for the ceremony were Dan and Danielle Delamarter, father and sister of the bride. Alyssa Nicol played the harp before the ceremony and Connie Iwankovitsch was the organist. A reception for guests from all over the country was held at Verona Hills Golf Club following the wedding.

Nick and Erica honeymooned in Boston and Portland, Maine. The couple resides in Huntersville, NC.



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- Grade 5**
Emalee Bach*, Aaron Fahrner*, Madison Mandich*, Alyson McCreedy*, Morgan Ondrajka*, Dalton Powell, Luke Retford*, Jacob

Engaged



Brian Doran and Jessica Samons

Brian Doran and Jessica Samons announce their engagement. Brian is the son of Tom and Barb Doran of Caro, and Janet and Leonard Walther of Cass City. Jessica is the daughter of Duane and June Samons of Snover. An August 2011 wedding is currently being planned.

Engaged



Christin Yaklin and Randall Tenbusch

Charles and Vanessa Sanders of Frankenmuth announce the engagement of their daughter, Christin Donna Yaklin, to Randall Joseph Tenbusch, son of Douglas and Karen Tenbusch of Cass City.

Christin is employed by Covenant Healthcare. Randy is employed by Nexteer Automotive.

An Aug. 27, 2011 wedding at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church in Frankenmuth is currently being planned.

Engaged



Ashley Delong and Joseph Homrocky

Joseph Lawrence Homrocky and Ashley Lynn Delong announce their engagement to be married.

Joseph is the son of Lawrence and Anne Homrocky. He is a 2007 graduate of Cass City High School, and a 2010 graduate of Baker College with an Associate's Degree in applied science with an emphasis in human service.

Ashley is the daughter of Brett Delong and Linda Delong. She is a 2007 graduate of Unionville-Sebewaing Area High School. She also attended Baker College.

The couple is currently employed at Village Pizzeria in Sebewaing.

An August 13, 2011 wedding is currently being planned at Bay Shore Camp, Sebewaing.

Gamet and Dustin Woodward.

Grade 6
David Binder, Isaac Fahrner, Cara Morrish and Jacob Warack*.

Grade 7
Daniel Good*, Katelyn Holtz, Kyle Miller, Larissa Miller, Tyler Roemer and Jacob Wright.

Grade 8
Sidney Bencheck, Andrea McCreedy* and Adam Retford.

Grade 9
Benjamin Good, Mackenzie Gould, Bryan Hopper, Alena Lotter*, Steven Lyman, Brett Morrish, Richelle Scharf and Quinn Smith.

Grade 10
Andrew Fahrner, Donna Hopper, Jeremy Jamieson*, Tiffany Jamieson, Michael Mandich, Courtney McCreedy, Justin Miller, Kayla Montreuil*, Miranda Radabaugh, Eric Rievert and Shiloh Starks.

Grade 11
Mariah Blackmer, Hunter

Champagne, Jacob Fuller, Alexis Morrish, Erika Mroz*, Amanda Muntz, Lacie Prich and Carli Warack.

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In Our
OPINION...

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Parents must be vigilant these days

Headlines and “breaking news” reports in the Thumb area media are becoming increasingly disturbing, especially when they involve criminal charges against individuals accused of allegedly taking advantage of their positions of authority in order to engage in sexual activity with minors.

The latest investigation has focused on a former Caro High School varsity softball coach.

Now, we realize this individual is innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

We also want to make it clear that we’re not sitting in judgment of the victim’s parents. After all, all parents know that children — especially teenagers — have a way of side-stepping our best efforts to keep tabs on them.

Having said that, however, we can’t emphasize enough how important it is that we all remain vigilant when it comes to our kids’ activities online and off.

Let’s face it; the days when small towns offered shelter and safety from the worst of crimes committed by adults are long gone. Just ask anyone whose jobs take them into the courthouses in Caro week in and week out. They will tell you that the days never end, and the number of new cases they are forced to deal with — criminal sexual conduct cases in particular — are like a never-ending avalanche of tragic paperwork that only begins to touch on the impact these crimes have on young lives, not to mention the lives of our friends and neighbors.

And, technology — the Internet, cellular phones, etc. — has only made it easier for sexual predators to commit their crimes.

Sadly, the past few years have proven to us all that our children are not even safe at school, on the ball diamond or at home.

Again, we want to emphasize that we’re not painting this picture with a wide brush. In spite of all of the wonderful, dedicated, caring educators and mentors we are fortunate to have in the Thumb, the actions of a few bad apples have forced all adults to face some very unpleasant realities.

So, what can we, as adults, do to stem the tide of assaults against our children?

Our discussions with Tuscola County law enforcement officials, victim advocate experts and the prosecutor’s office have all produced the same advice over the years. And although their recommendations are not specific, they have all hit the nail on the head.

First of all, it goes without saying, but parents **MUST** take the time to monitor their children’s use of the Internet and cell phones, including text messaging habits. Is that a violation of their personal rights? Some may believe that, but when you balance those rights against the damage and lifelong scars a creep could potentially do to your daughter or son, there’s no contest here.

Most importantly, as a parent, if you sense a red flag of any kind — perhaps an adult is paying more attention to your child than you’re comfortable with, or making phone calls/sending text messages in the evening, or your child’s mood or interests have changed — even if you can’t put a finger on your concerns, check it out.

Be proactive, ask questions, seek out the advice of experts.

It’s a fair assumption that our society isn’t going to stop churning out a few of these bad apples, but that doesn’t mean we have to be victims.

Let’s face it, folks, our children’s futures are at stake here.



Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

Talking to your mom



No matter how grown up you become, you experience moments when there’s nothing you’d rather do than talk to your mother.

For me, those times come when I have something special to share - especially a personal success. No one is more proud of you than your mom. No one revels in your glory quite like the woman who rocked you asleep in the middle of the night when you were nothing more than an itty, bitty bit.

I shared everything with my mom. She would listen, listen and then listen some more. When I went across the country go to college, I called her, crying and homesick during the first few weeks. She spent hours on the other end of the phone, telling me I could come home - or not. Her support was unconditional and gave me the strength to see it through that first semester. When I graduated from college four years later, I not only had a diploma, but the capability and courage that came from staying with a difficult situation until it became okay and, after time, even better than okay.

Through the years, whether we talked of my trials and tribulations - or triumphs - she understood and mourned - or celebrated - with me.

Whenever I dialed her number, I loved knowing she’d

Reporter’s notebook

My fingerprints printed, check. Mugshot, check.

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

During the course of running some errands recently, I had my fingerprints and mugshot taken. But not at the same time or in the same location.

I won’t go into the details surrounding why I had my fingerprints taken, but suffice it to say I had not been placed under arrest. Not that being arrested wouldn’t make for an interesting column, but I really wasn’t that desperate for an idea this week.

Next week? Who knows. But I digress (frequently these days...).

The fingerprinting was interesting and taught me that I’m a bit out of touch with modern law enforcement techniques. Too many episodes of Dragnet when I was a kid, I guess. Here I was, ready to have someone push my fingers down onto an ink pad and then hand me some paper towel, and I quickly learned the process is all digital these days.

All 4 fingers on each handed are “printed” on a screen, then both thumbs, then each finger/thumb individually, with each image appearing on a computer screen and the computer program indicated whether or not the images are acceptable. The contraption didn’t like my right forefinger, because the operator had to repeatedly scan it before it was accepted by the software.

All in all, not an unpleasant experience.

Oh, and the mugshot?

No mystery there; that came a few minutes later after I pulled into the Secretary of State Office in Caro to renew my driver’s license.

Two things struck me there. First, 9 a.m. on a Friday is a great time to go. I only had to wait 3 or 4 minutes before it was my turn at one of the counters.

Secondly, it’s clear that I should not have given my optometrist a dirty look during my last appointment, after he said the “b” word (bifocals). Sure, I had no problem reading all of the letters, left to right, perfectly during the course of getting my license renewed. But then the guy at the counter asked me to sign my name on what appeared to be a blank white sheet of paper. Sign your name inside the yellow box, he instructed.

I panicked for just a few seconds. Once my eyes adjusted, I did indeed see the yellow box and applied my John Hancock. Then came the photo, which the gentleman promptly took and showed me on the large screen in front of me. “Is that okay?” he asked.

I nodded, thinking, “Do these photos ever turn out okay?”

Oh well, at least I remembered to renew a few days before my birthday, avoiding the risk of being arrested for driving with an expired license.

I hate it when that happens. Even if I have saved a few minutes by voluntarily having my fingerprints taken ahead of time.

be at the other end. We’d chat for 20 minutes about something as banal as ironing. We didn’t need anything to talk about to fill the airwaves between us. A conversation with her was like meeting up with an extension of me. It was a gift I didn’t appreciate.

Oh, what I would give to talk to my mom - really talk, about something as complex as ironing - and to have her possess the ability to really listen.

I still dial her number; she answers at the other end. I hear her voice, and like always, I try to let her know how happy I am to talk to her by giving a hearty and heartfelt, “Hi, Mom!”

Used to be that’s all it took to catapult us into an hour or more of discussion. Back when long distance bills were a concern for half the country, ours were through the roof, and she never once mentioned the need to hang up.

Now, she usually repeats what I say. “Hi, Mom!” she answers back, and I realize it’s time for introductions.

“This is Jill,” I say.

“Jill?” she speaks the word like a question and is silent. I know she is thinking, “Who is Jill?” Her silence is more difficult than any words could ever be; I swallow hard, my throat becomes thick and it is all I can do to stay on the line.

Our conversations are brief. There isn’t much to say. Sometimes, this feels even more heart wrenching than not talking at all.

I catch glimmers of the mom I once knew. I can see her trying to hold on and keep up. She attempts to ask about my writing, because somewhere inside herself she understands it’s important to me. After all Alzheimer’s has put her through, she is still trying to meet my needs. It literally takes my breath away.

Although most of her words are wrong or unspoken, I often know what she is trying to say. Even at this point in her disease, I understand her, as she tries so desperately to hang on and continue to understand me. Despite the Alzheimer’s, we remain connected - extensions of one another - in some odd, but miraculous, sense.

It is still a gift, even though it doesn’t always feel that way.

(Note: This is part one of a 2-part column written a year ago, as my mom was entering a nursing home. When it was written, it felt too tender to publish. A year has passed and now it seems time.)

Jill Pertler, award-winning syndicated columnist and author of “The Do-It-Yourselfer’s Guide to Self-Syndication” is collecting fans on Facebook on her Slices of Life page. Email her at permtm@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)

Sue Pasanski-Barrons asked and we were glad to help.

She posted the following on our Facebook page: I was wondering if you could put a note in the paper. I graduated with the class of 1980 and I am trying to get my classmates to join FB with me. I have 60 classmates so far and would love to add more. It is great fun talking with everyone and some of us have met for dinner. We just started a monthly virtual party so we can chat with everyone. Anyone from the class of 1980 is invited to join us. I would love it if anyone from the class would set up a FB page and request me and I will set them up with the other classmates.

Consider it done.

Also looking for a little assistance is Cass City’s Parks and Recreation Department. Officials there are looking for ideas or suggestions for possible trips for the spring and summer, noting that the last 2 community trips did not happen due to low interest.

So far, 2 trips to see the Detroit Tigers play are slated in 2011.

The Cass City Rotary Club is hosting a Scrapbook Crop Day on February 19. It will be held from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Novesta Church of Christ, 2896 North Cemetery Rd., Cass City.

Club members say lunch, diner, snacks and drinks will be provided. Additionally, there will be door prizes and the opportunity to chat with vendors.

For more information, call Amy Peters at 872-5114.



A news release from the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) caught our eye Monday morning, largely because of the contact name on the release, which outlined the dangers of a new designer drug being marketed by the name “bath salts”.

The name that stuck out was Kelly L. Niebel, who was known as Kelly L. Adams when she completed her news/editorial internship with the Chronicle back in the summer of 1993.

Niebel went on to have a successful career at the Huron Daily Tribune, where she spent nearly 14 years on the editorial staff, including 9 years as the editor. For the past 2-plus years she has worked for the MDCH, where her job titles currently include speech writer for the department director and “acting public information officer”.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Thursday, February 10
AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-4816.
Friends of the Library meeting, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.
Spanish Club Bake Sale, 9-5:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.
TEA Party meeting, 6:30 p.m., Evangelical Free Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-2657.
Caregiver Connection, 3:30 p.m., Country Gardens, Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon. For more information, call Marie at (989) 453-5222.

Friday, February 11
Al-anon meeting for family and friends of alcoholics, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, Elkton. For more information, call (989) 872-4042.
Spanish Club Bake Sale, 9a.m.-9 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Saturday, February 12
Thumb Dance Club, 7-11 p.m., Sandusky Maple Valley School. Admission: \$4 (members), \$4.50 (non-members). For more information, call Leola at (810) 657-9349 or Dorothy at (810) 404-4250.
Community Lunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Cass City United Methodist Church, 5100 N. Cemetery Rd. Free will offering. Everyone welcome.

Sunday, February 13
Gagetown AA meeting, 8-9 p.m., Gagetown fire hall. For more information, call (989) 325-2592.

Monday, February 14
Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyl. 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.
Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.
VFW monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

Tuesday, February 15
Al-anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.
Parkinson's Support Group meeting, 1:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, Bad Axe. For more information, call Kim at 1-800-843-6394 or Annette at (989) 864-3779.

Wednesday, February 16
United Sportsmen's Alliance meeting, 7 p.m., Cass City Gun Club, 2676 Englehart Rd. All are invited to attend. For more information, please call (989) 872-2398.

New owners of Knights Insurance plan to carry on Klco's legacy of integrity and honesty in business

by **Tom Montgomery**
Editor

Alan Klco spent years building a reputation of honesty and integrity while working with various insurance agencies in Cass City before leaving the village to open a branch office of Knight Insurance in Frankenmuth about 4 1/2 years ago. But Klco's legacy remains alive and well in Cass City, where his daughter and son-in-law, Amy and Virgil Peters, now own and operate Knights Insurance Agency.

It's a tradition the couple fully intends to continue in their office at 6468 Main St.

"We just want people to know that, although dad isn't here anymore, we've purchased (the business) and it's a family business. We're still local and looking to serve Cass City the best we can. We're here for the long haul," said Amy Peters, who noted the only change is in the business' name — they added the "s" to Knight Insurance Agency in order to comply with state regulations when they finalized purchase of the Cass City office.

"This is dad's perpetuation plan; it stays as a family business," Amy Peters added. "We're excited about this."

Klco started in the insurance business in town back in 1975. He worked with Farm Bureau, then continued his career as an owner of Harris-Hampshire and Klco-Inbody Insurance before forming the Knight Insurance Agency in 2000.

Today, the Peters, who have 2 children — Justin, 14, and Emily, 12 — are looking to expand their focus beyond home and auto insurance by offering a wide range of commercial, business, life and health insurance policies to their customers.

While the business will continue to evolve, the family's emphasis on community will not.

"We're very community minded. That's who we are. We want to know who our clients are," said Amy Peters, who noted the company currently has 3 full-time and 2 part-time employees, all of whom are involved in their churches. The company is also represented in the Cass City Rotary and Lions clubs, American Association of University Women (AAUW) and Cass City PTO.

Those affiliations stem not only from a desire to be involved locally, but also from the Peters' commitment to Cass City.

"This is where we chose to be. This is where we want to be," Amy Peters said.

Dwaine Peters, was a popular local barber for many years.

Amy added, "We want to make sure Cass City succeeds. We plan on being here 25 years."



AMY AND VIRGIL Peters stand in the reception area of Knights Insurance Agency in Cass City, which they have purchased from Amy's father, Alan Klco, a former longtime insurance businessman in town who now owns and operates a branch office in Frankenmuth. The Peters say they plan to expand their services, but will continue to be a family business with a focus on community involvement.

Senior tax assistance to be reduced this year

For nearly 20 years, the Human Development Commission (HDC) has provided Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) which assists those age 60 and over in preparing their taxes. The program has helped large numbers of seniors with special senior tax issues such as personal exemptions or proper reporting of pension income.

This year, however, there will be significant changes in that service.

The TCE program is funded through the U.S. Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service and, like many programs receiving financial support at the federal level, resources have been drastically reduced. As a result, HDC is unable to provide tax preparation services at the level it has in previous years.

"We understand that these cuts have come at a bad time," said Lori Offenbecher, HDC executive director. "It is difficult for us to tell seniors that we may not be able to help with their taxes this year because we have no funding." Offenbecher added, however, that the agency will continue to serve seniors through TCE, but at a reduced level.

Seniors wishing to have their taxes prepared through the TCE program will be offered walk-in appointments on a first come, first served basis in Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and Tuscola counties. For specific locations, dates and times, seniors should contact their local HDC office: Huron County (989) 269-9502, Lapeer (810) 664-7133, Sanilac (810) 648-4497, and Tuscola (989) 673-4121.

TCE customers should be aware that they are required to stay while their taxes are completed, and are advised to bring all their required documents with them. If unsure of what documents are needed, seniors may request a checklist from their local HDC office.

"Our funding for TCE won't allow us to serve as many seniors or run the program as we have in the past," said Offenbecher, "but we are dedicated to helping as many people as we can until our funding is depleted."

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Ubly resident hopes to lure bean farmers with new invention

An Ubly inventor is hoping to convince some Thumb area farmers to help him test his newly-patented bean harvester during the coming growing season.

John J. Misico says his Ubly Direct Harvest System is unique in that it eliminates all bean seed losses compared to the use of a conventional, direct-harvest sickle cutter header.

"Bean growers have adopted the one-operational direct bean harvesting system to eliminate the multiple operations of undercutting with bean knives or rodders, windrowing and then elevating the beans into the combine. This method uses more manpower, machinery and time," Misico said.

"The conventional direct harvest (system) uses the sickle cutter header, which will sever the bean stalk, but that also violently jars, whips and shatters the bean plant, especially when the cutters wedge the stalk against the sickle guards, and more so with dull or damaged sickle blades. Also, some of the lower pods are cut off," he added. "This is where the majority of bean seeds are lost. During the drier part of the day, harvesting may have to be discontinued due to excessive bean pod shelling."

Misico cited university research in Michigan as well as North Dakota, Nebraska and Minnesota that suggests, after extensive testing, as much as 3 1/2 or more bushels of beans are lost per acre using conventional harvesting methods. "Thus, over 10 percent or more, or about \$63 of bottom-line profit is lost because all of the expenses on the lost beans were paid from the beans sold."

"Michigan bean growers in 2010 grew about 210,000 acres of dry edible beans," Misico noted. "With a conservative loss of \$50 per acre, that represents a loss of over \$10 million (of) bottom-line profits."

"Researchers, university scientists, plant pathologists and manufacturers have spent millions of dollars over many years trying to reduce edible dry bean seed losses, with only limited success, as their published articles reveal."

"Upon reading those reports, I put my thoughts and efforts on those problems and, within a short time,

came up with the possible solution. After making a prototype of my invention, it looked so promising, I applied for a patent," he continued. "The newly-patented invention of the Ubly Direct Harvest concept is also a one-operational dry bean harvesting process that is fastened to the combine header."

Misico explained that his system uses the modified Ubly hardfaced undercutting bean knives to cut the bean stalk about one inch below ground level.

"There is no shaking or shattering of the bean plant, thus no seed losses because the surrounding soil holds the plant stem firm and intact while being cut. This smooth, shatter-free cutting action allows more hours of the day that harvesting can be continued without any added bean seed losses," he said.

Misico pointed out that the Ubly bean knives cut the bean plant about 12 inches ahead of the combine header, so it takes less than one-half second from the time the bean plant is cut for it to be deposited on the header and then augered to the combine.

"The Ubly bean knives and their mounts can readily be adapted for row spacing from 18 inches to 30 inches," he said. "The patented Ubly Adapters have slotted holes so that the knives can be adjusted to conform to...the header and the knives' cutting depth. Bean growers who grow wheat, grains or soybeans have the major machinery to use the Ubly Direct System without any structural modification; it is simply bolted on in the proper place where the sickle guards were unbolted. There is no need for expensive wind reels"

Misico said he and an associate, David Jaroch, tested his system last year on a McCormick 25 1/2-foot grain harvester header. However, they were unable to complete all of their testing.

"I would like to work with some bean growers who would be willing to become involved with their bean harvesting equipment and bean fields this coming fall," Misico said. "I will furnish all of the Ubly bean knives and the patented adapters."

Misico welcomes calls at (989) 658-8722 from anyone interested in learning more about his invention.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO

The Cass City High School Varsity A Quiz Bowl Team recently captured the Ubly Invitational crown. The squad defeated Deckerville and the Sandusky B Team in the preliminary rounds before defeating the Sandusky A Team in the finals. The win qualifies Cass City for the state meet to be held in April. Team members are Lysa Knight, Philip Nahernak, Adam Kranz and Ashley Puterbaugh.

The Cass City JV Quiz Bowl Team also finished first in its division at the Ubly Invitational. It was the squad's third title of the season. Members of the team, currently 9-0, are Joe Packard, Ben MacGown, Andrew Deering, Evan Bushong, Rob Packard and C.J. Warmbier.

Sometimes the ball bounces in, sometimes the ball bounces out. Tuesday the ball bounced in enough times for Cass City to defeat visiting Bay City All Saints, 62-49. The satisfying win broke a 3-game losing streak for the Red Hawks. Keying the win was Justin Glaza offensively and the entire Hawk team on defense. Glaza led Cass City with 28 points. While the Hawks shot well from the field, converting 25 of 46 for 55 percent, they were well under average from the free throw line, converting just 4 of 12. Glaza's great night could have been better, as he converted just 4 of 7. He has missed just 4 foul shots all season. Tony Agnew netted 20 points and Danny Spyhalski had 10 points for All Saints.

10 YEARS AGO

Jack Esau smiled during the interview as he recalled a lifetime of service to the community and said, be sure to get this in because it "says a lot about our community." From the days when I worked for 15 cents an hour to the present, I never worked for an employer that I didn't like. That covers a wide-ranging list and a lot of years in the business community. It's probably equally true that he never worked for anyone who didn't like him. Esau celebrated his 83rd birthday Tuesday, Jan. 30. Ramrod straight, he appears fully capable of easily fitting into the Marine uniform he wore for 6 years (1940-46) serving his country during all of World War II. He and his wife, Ruth, were married in 1948 and they have 3 children, Eric of Amherst, Mass.; Mary Beth Bealick, of Cincinnati, Ohio and Ann Ballard of Homestead, Fla. Right now he is retired, but don't be surprised if all that changes on a moment's notice. Someone just might call, need a little help, and he'll be off and running for another decade or so. And enjoy

every minute of it.

It was a clean sweep. In fact, it was 2 clean sweeps. The Cass City Police Department with Mike Anderson and his drug-sniffing dog has been active at Cass City Schools. They went through the middle school Jan. 26 and the high school Feb. 1. The search for drugs included all the lockers in the schools. No drugs were found. (From Rabbit Tracks)

25 YEARS AGO

A spot check of service stations in Cass City and Cass City Oil and Gas, a wholesaler, reveals that the price of gas has dropped six to eight cents per gallon since the price of crude oil plummeted last week. That's good news for area motorists, but not necessarily good news for station operators. Major brand gas prices in Cass City Friday were \$1.29.9 per gallon for no lead and \$1.15.9 per gallon for regular leaded. The lowest prices at the pumps were \$1.12.9 for regular and \$1.18.9 for no lead. At least one station operator expects prices to fall further in the near future. Floyd Luettke, owner of L & S Mobil Service, looks for future calls from his wholesaler indicating that prices are to be lowered again. That's what determines our prices, Luettke told the Chronicle. Right now, Luettke figures that he makes around six cents a gallon on gas. Compare that, he says with the margin of 11 cents a gallon suggested by the Michigan Gasoline Retail Association to operate profitably. Clare Mellendorf has been at Clare's Sunoco Station since July 31, 1962. At the time, he said, gas sold for about 30 cents a gallon and the station made a nickel. Today at the full service station, there is about nine cents per gallon profit. In other words, Mellendorf explained, we made about 15 percent on sales in 1962 and today the profit margin is about six percent.

1st Class Petty Officer Ray Piaskowski, a 1979 graduate of Cass City High School, has returned to Tuscola County as a Navy recruiter after traveling more than 150,000 miles over the last seven years.

50 YEARS AGO

With the schedule half completed, two teams, Mac & Leo and Sherman's are still tied for the top spot in the Cass City Independent Basketball League. Sherman's remained on top with a 61-53 decision over Erla's and Mac & Leo topped Tuckey's 60-48. In the other game of the evening, Walbro topped Fuelgas 55-36. The Walbro-Fuelgas game was first of the evening. Walbro played one of its best games of the season and Fuelgas had an off

night. Don Cummings poured in 21 points and Bill Kritzman added 13 for the winners, while Jim Johnson and Don Simmons scored 10 points each and Dean Hoag, nine. Fred Leeson was the big gun for Sherman's with 21 points. J. D. Alexander, Bill Finkbeiner and Mike Hnatiuk helped with 12 points each. Hal Roveda netted 18 and Herb Rutkowski, 10, for the losers. Mac & Leo's Gagetown duo, John Meininger and Clare Comment, again led the scoring. Meininger netted 14 and Comment, 11. Ron Copeland and Frank Gmandt paced the losers with 16 points each.

We doubt if many mothers would appreciate the pet that nine-year-old Mary Ayres brought home from school the other day. Mary found a mouse at school and after showing it to teachers brought it home. When it got home the heat from inside the house revived the "dead" mouse. Mary placed it in a bottle and fed it rice. A few days later the "dead" mouse had two babies...which Mary adored and mother abhorred. So over the tear stained protests of her daughter the mice are now gone from the Ayres' household. (From the Editor's Corner)

100 YEARS AGO

The workshop of Thomas Cross, the painter, presents a busy scene these days where several autos are being arrayed in new "spring dresses." H. Frutchey's car received a new garb of rich maroon, striped in black and scarlet. George Zinnecker of Owendale has ordered a new dress for his car and Joseph Frutchey's car has also been redecorated.

The Farmers' Club, a social organization of Elkland Township, held a very enjoyable session at the farm residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allard, west of town, Friday evening. The time, which passed along all too hastily, was spent in playing progressive pedro, the gentleman's prize being won by C. Bixby, and the lady's prize being taken by Mrs. A. Doerr. A delicious midnight supper was served to the guests which was heartily enjoyed.

All the pretty puffs which have been the delight of girls who like to dress their hair elaborately must vanish into oblivion, for Dame Fashion now decrees a marked change in coiffure. Little curls are coming in - little curls across the forehead, in the nape of the neck, and if not in either of these places they must appear in little clusters at the back of the head. If a girl has not naturally curly hair this fashion is going to give her a great deal more trouble than the puffs have, but it is an agreeable change, and curls are bewitching things, giving a softness to the face.

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872-3422
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MDCH offers tips to stay safe in cold weather

Winter in Michigan is a celebrated season despite the extreme drops in temperature posing serious risks and hazards.

To combat these potential dangers, there are specific guidelines citizens can follow to stay safe and healthy throughout the cold weather months.

Be extremely careful if you use a wood stove, fireplace or space heater in your home. Always keep a multi-purpose, dry chemical fire extinguisher near the area you are heating. Do not burn paper in your fireplace or wood stove and do not leak flue gas indoors. If you are using an indoor gas heater, be sure it is located in a well-ventilated space and only use the type of fuel recommended by the manufacturer. Regardless of the type of heating device you are using, be sure that it is up-to-date and meets all safety standards.

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is also reminding people during this weather emergency about the dangers of carbon monoxide.

Carbon monoxide is produced by gas-powered engines, such as generators and automobiles. It is odorless and colorless and can kill you. If you are using a generator to supply power to your home, make sure the exhaust from the generator does not enter the indoor air. This means placing the generator away from air intakes or doors and windows and not running it in an attached garage. If you have to shovel your car out of the snow, or are stuck in a snowbank, and your car is running, make sure the area around the exhaust pipe is clear of snow. If you are using a generator and feel tired, dizzy, or nau-

seous, get fresh air immediately and seek medical attention.

For more information about carbon monoxide, see www.michigan.gov/carbonmonoxide. Toxic fumes, such as carbon monoxide, from old or faulty heaters can cause unconsciousness or death from lack of oxygen.

While inside, monitor the indoor temperature carefully. Because they lose body heat much faster than adults, infants should never sleep in a cold room. It is also necessary for older adults to take extra home heating precautions, as they tend to have slower metabolisms and therefore make and retain less heat than other adults.

If you are caring for an infant or senior citizen, be sure to frequently check that their homes are adequately heated.

When the weather is extremely cold, and especially if there are high winds, try to stay indoors. Making trips outside as brief as possible can help to reduce the potential dangers associated with cold weather.

To remain healthy and safe this winter, follow these cold-weather tips while outdoors:

- Dress warmly and stay dry: Be sure to dress in layers in wind resistant clothing. Wool, silk or polypropylene inner layers will hold more body heat than cotton. If your clothing is wet, go inside as soon as possible. When inside, remove the wet clothing as soon as possible.

- Avoid exertion: Cold weather can put extra strain on the heart. If you have heart disease or high blood pressure, follow your doctor's advice about shoveling snow or other hard work in the cold. The body is

already working hard to stay warm, so extra work can cause an overload.

- Cover exposed skin: Always wear a warm hat that covers ears, gloves or mittens that cover the full wrist, and a scarf or ski mask to protect face and neck.

- Be Safe During Recreation: Notify friends and family where you will be before you go hiking, camping, or skiing. Avoid perspiring or becoming overtired. Be prepared to take emergency shelter. Pack dry clothing, a two-wave radio, waterproof matches and paraffin fire starters with you. Do not use alcohol and other mood altering substances, and avoid caffeinated beverages. Carefully watch for signs of cold-weather health problems.

It is important to be aware of any changes in exposed skin during cold weather periods.

Frostbite and hypothermia are very serious conditions that can be lessened by early recognition and treatment. Shivering can be a good indicator that it's time to go in, as it is the first sign that the body is losing heat. Frostbitten skin is hard, pale, cold and numb. When the frostbitten skin is in warm air, it will become red and painful. Very severe frostbite can cause blisters, gangrene (blackened dead tissue), and deep tissue damage in tendons, muscles, nerves and bones.

Hypothermia is a life-threatening condition that is caused by short exposure to extreme cold or long exposure to mild cold. Symptoms of hypothermia include trembling, stiffness of muscles, puffiness in the face, poor coordination, confusion, and low consciousness and reactivity.

Obituary

James Gray

James D. Gray, Sr., 68, of Bad Axe, passed away Monday, Jan. 31, 2011 at Huron Medical Center, Bad Axe.

He was born Dec. 31, 1942 in Pontiac, the son of the late Floyd and Myrtle (Wilson) Gray.

He married Carol Sue Lee Aug. 6, 1962 in Pontiac. She passed away June 10, 2007.

Jim liked word search puzzles. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Jim is survived by his children: Carol (Keith) Fisher of Arkansas, Marie (Paul) Slater of Deford, James Gray, Jr. of Cass City, Kim (Dave) Dutcher of Sebawaing, Terrie (Fred) Powell of Cass City, David Gray of Kentucky, Jackie (Shawn) Armtz of Harbor Beach and Margie (Zane Snear) Rolston of Bad Axe; 28 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; siblings: Deloris Richardson of Cass City, Charles (Tolondia) Gray of Caro, Karen (Willis) Wirick of Rochester, Ron (Joan) Gray of Caro, Deb (Clarence) Baker of Caro, Pat (Andy) Mauraski of Owendale, Mike Gray of Cass City and Doug (Meg) Gray of Gagetown.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Sandy Shoup-Gray; grandchildren: Allison and Michael; and 2 brothers, Jack and Harvey Gray.

Funeral services were held Friday, Feb. 4, at Ellington Church of the Nazarene, Caro, with Pastor Ron Comfort officiating.

Burial will be in the spring in the Indianfields Township Cemetery.

Pallbearers for Mr. Gray were Paul, Jr., Brad, Matt, Steven, Tyler and Justin.

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

Jeanette Osentoski

Jeanette Marie Osentoski, 69, of Cass City, died following a short illness Thursday, Feb. 3, 2011 in St. Mary's Medical Center, Saginaw.

She was born Oct. 15, 1941 in Bad Axe, the daughter of Sylvester F. and Regina E. (Warchock) Osentoski.

Jeanette worked for General Cable in Cass City as an inspector, retiring

after 39 years. She was a member of St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Jeanette enjoyed crocheting, making beautiful afghans and dish towels for all her family and friends. She also enjoyed bird watching and especially enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

Jeanette is survived by her aunt, Marie Osentoski of Cass City; uncle, Alger Osentoski of Cass City; and many cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Sylvester and Regina Osentoski.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 8, at St. Pancratius Catholic Church, Cass City, with the Rev. Paul Bala and Sr. Maria Dina Puddu MC officiating.

Interment was in the St. John Cemetery, Ubyly, next to her parents.

Pallbearers for Ms. Osentoski were Gary Rudy, Don Rudy, Marty Osentoski, Thomas Gage, Ken Osentoski and Dave Osentoski.

Memorials may be made to St. Pancratius Catholic Church.

Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Campbell honor roll

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

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Hospital creates foundation

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ambulatory care center connected to the northwest section of the main building. The addition provided space for emergency and out-patient care and for ambulatory surgery. The newly-formed Hills and Dales Foundation has an independent board currently comprised of 6 members of the community — Althaver, Barb Butucel, Mary Cunningham, Alice Zaleski, Nancy Raythatha and Jim Bolton — and has taken over fundraising events of the hospital. “We are just getting started,” Althaver said, “but over time, we will be engaged in a host of fundraising activities for the hospital, ranging from fundraising events like our golf outing and ‘millionaires party’, to estate planning and fund drives for specific projects. We intend to be a strong partner for the future success of the hospital.”

THE CHALLENGE

Falatko outlined the challenges facing small, rural hospitals, when he testified before the Michigan House Appropriations Committee on the Michigan Department of Community Health Budget last spring. “Hills and Dales is designated by the state and federal government as a Critical Access Hospital. It has been determined that our hospital is critical for access to health care services by the most vulnerable citizens of our area. As a result, the facility is entitled to cost-based reimbursement from both Medicare and Blue Cross,” he told lawmakers, just days after having to lay off more than 20 employees due to what he described as inadequate payment received for accepting Medicaid patients. “To give you an idea of the devastating impact that the current level of Medicaid reimbursement is having on my hospital, I offer you the fol-

lowing statistics: our annual total cost of operations is approximately \$19 million. So we would be considered a pretty small hospital,” Falatko said. “For our fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, 2008, the percentage of our patients that were Medicaid beneficiaries was 12.8 percent. Our total cost to treat those beneficiaries was \$2.65 million. We were paid \$880,000 by Medicaid. That represented more than \$1.7 million less than our cost of treatment. “We sustained an \$850,000 operating loss for the year. For our fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, 2009, the percentage of our patients that were Medicaid beneficiaries rose to 14.1 percent. Our total cost to treat those beneficiaries was \$2.85 million. We were paid \$736,000 by Medicaid. That represented more than \$2.1 million less than our cost of treatment. We sustained a \$1.3-million-dollar operating loss for the year. “I find our situation ironic and surrealistic,” Falatko continued. “In 2004, JCAHO (the Joint Commission for the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations) came into Hills and Dales, representing Medicare, to do its accreditation survey, (which) determined that Hills and Dales was deficient in its electrical and air handling systems. JCAHO said (the hospital) needed to do major renovation and construction to remedy the situation or it would lose its accreditation, which would end its participation in the Medicare program and Blue Cross reimbursement and would force it to close its doors.” Hospital officials applied to the state for a Certificate of Need (CON) to complete the renovations, and the application was approved. “At roughly the same time, the state of Michigan designated Hills and Dales as a Critical Access Hospital which, as I already noted, means that the state deemed Hills and Dales and its associated services were critical to health care access for vulnerable

populations and the people of the region,” Falatko noted. “The CON required that Hills and Dales participate in the Medicaid program. The Medicaid program now pays Hills and Dales so poorly to treat its beneficiaries that, should it continue, it will put Hills and Dales, a hospital deemed critical for access, out of business in the near future.” Falatko urged lawmakers to approve legislation that would reimburse hospitals for outpatient services to Medicaid patients on a “cost basis”, as it the practice now for both Medicare and Blue Cross. “From these groups we are paid an average of about 110 percent of our full costs. Medicaid only pays 25 percent of our actual cost,” he pointed out. “So, the small margin we get from Blue Cross and commercial insurers, plus several hundred thousand dollars more, is eaten away by Medicaid. That is not workable in the short or the long run. “Our primary responsibility is to fulfill our healthcare mission and continue to keep the largest employer in our area open,” Falatko concluded. “If the funding and payment issue can not be improved dramatically, given the choices, we would be forced to discontinue participating with and treating the 17 percent (of Medicaid patients) before we would allow reimbursement for that portion of our patient population to close our doors to the other 83 percent.” The Michigan Legislature subsequently approved a law providing for “cost-basis” reimbursement to hospitals for Medicaid patients receiving out-patient care. However, lawmakers attached no funding to the new rules. Which has prompted Hills and Dales Healthcare Corporation officials to return to the hospital’s roots. For more information about the Hills and Dales Foundation, call (989) 912-6275.

State launches opportunities for specialty crops producers

Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) Director Keith Creagh and U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, Chairwoman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry recently announced new opportunities for Michigan businesses thanks to the Specialty Crop Block Grant Program through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Ag Marketing Services. The program is designed to enhance the competitiveness of Michigan’s specialty crops. Grant proposals must be received by MDA no later than April 1. “This grant program provides a unique opportunity for our state’s specialty crop producers to enhance their profitability by expanding their domestic and international markets,” said Creagh. “We appreciate Senator Stabenow’s continued support of Michigan’s agriculture industry and look forward to continued partnerships in the future.” Because of Stabenow’s work, the 2008 Farm Bill (Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008) was the first one in history to recognize the importance of specialty crops - fruits, vegetables, nursery products and floriculture. “I authored this grant program during the most recent Farm Bill so our growers can continue to make significant investments in Michigan’s specialty crop sector,” said Stabenow. “These grants support the men and women who grow fruits and vegetables - and create thousands of jobs throughout Michigan.” The grants, ranging from \$10,000 to \$75,000, enhance the competitiveness of the state’s specialty crops, including, but not limited to: research, promotion, marketing, nutrition, trade enhancement, food safety, food security, plant health programs, education, increased knowledge and consumption, increased innovation, improved efficiency and reduced costs of distribution systems, environmental con-

cerns and conservation, product development, good agricultural practices, good handling practices, and good manufacturing practices. Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations, local, state, and federal government entities, for-profit organizations, and universities. The organizations must be legal entities recognized by the IRS, and applicants must reside and/or conduct their business or organization in Michigan.

Applications should demonstrate how the project will potentially produce measurable impacts for the specialty crop industry as a whole and not-for-profit to a specific product, single organization, institution, or individual. For program information, application form, or submission criteria, please visit www.michigan.gov/mda or contact Mike DiBernardo at dibernardom@michigan.gov or (517) 373-9144.

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LAST WEEK’S blizzard virtually paralyzed the Thumb for a day or 2, shutting down schools and government offices and businesses throughout the area. Cass City students enjoyed 3 extra days of vacation thanks to the storm, which brought bitter cold and dumped up to a foot or more of snow in the region, accompanied by 40 to 50 mile-per-hour wind gusts. The so-called “Groundhog Day Blizzard” blasted the entire state, with one firm — IHS Global Insight, a Boston-based economic consulting firm — estimating that storm-related road closures, canceled flights and missed business meetings added up to an economic impact of some \$251 million per day in Michigan.



WALBRO ENGINE Management Engineer Ken Cotton (above) displays a couple examples of the fuel tanks produced by the local company these days. The 7-gallon tank on the left is designed for use in a utility vehicle, while the smaller tank is utilized in a back pack-style leaf blower.

Walbro invests big-time

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knew that these new regulations were coming into effect. And, to help our customers get ready for those regulations, a lot of testing had to be done, so we got (our first blow molding) machine early in the process.”

The first blow molding machine installed in Cass City is designed to produce smaller fuel tanks, while the second machine manufactures larger tanks. The latest machine, which arrived Jan. 24, is designed to produce mid-size tanks. All of the equipment was designed and built in Germany.

Roy Greenwood, general manager, Recreation/Marine & Fuel Storage and Delivery, Walbro Management, Cass City, said the company’s total investment in the latest blow molding machine totaled \$2.5 to \$2.65 million, including shipping, electrical hook-up, feed systems and robotics.

Anticipation of the third machine has enabled Walbro officials to hire an additional 9 employees, according to McNaughton.

“What’s important to me is, we have no one from our previous layoffs (of union workers)” that haven’t been called back or offered the opportunity to come back, he said. “So, we’re hiring off the street.”

Walbro remains a solid and substantial employer in Cass City, with a total of 201 employees among all of the company’s groups in town, including 87 salaried workers and 114 union employees — 14 of whom have been hired since December.

Nurse aide class slated

St. Clair County Community College’s Workforce Training Institute will offer a certified nurse aide class at the college’s Bad Axe extended learning center.

The college’s nurse aide training program is a 96-hour, state-approved curriculum that qualifies participants to take the Michigan certified nurse aide exam.

The program will run from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, March 9-May 6 at the SC4 Nursing Education Center, 65 Patrick Dr., Bad Axe.

Prior to taking the class, students must complete a pre-assessment workshop from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 23.

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This hosting opportunity is coordinated by Michigan State University Extension, 4-H Youth Development Global and Cultural Programs. Global and Cultural programs help young people explore, appreciate, and value what people next door, across town and around the world have in common and what makes them unique.

The Michigan 4-H/Poland exchange is an opportunity for 4-H youth to learn about another culture and to teach the youth from Poland all about 4-H, Michigan and the United States. It’s also an opportunity for 4-H members to build an international friendship, their global knowledge and 4-H resumes. In addition, the hosting youth can choose to visit Poland on a return exchange in 2012.

Host family applications will be accepted until Friday, April 1. For a host family application or more information, please contact the Huron County 4-H MSU Extension Office at (989) 269-9949.

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HAWKS REPEAT AS GTC CHAMPS

Cass City collects third league title since 2005

One down and one to go.
With a dominating performance over the weekend, Cass City crossed off defending its Greater Thumb Conference wrestling title from the Red Hawks' preseason goals list.
Coach Don Markel's grapplers should take care of another early season ambition tonight (Wednesday) when they travel to Bad Axe for Division 3 team districts action. There, the GTC champions drew a bye in the opening round and will face the winner of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port and Bad Axe for district honors. During the regular season, the Lakers fell 66-9 to Cass City, while the Hatchets suffered a similar fate, bowing 66-18.
At the GTC league meet, held Saturday in Marlette, 7 Red Hawks advanced into the finals to the satisfaction of their veteran coach.
"It was nice to see half of our team in the finals of the GTC league meet. It is a real tribute to this team that has worked so hard this season to attain the goal of a league championship. Our wrestlers performed very well in the championship finals and consolation finals," said Markel.
Junior Josh Jensen, a 3-time GTC champ, and senior Michael Milligan, a 2-time GTC champ, headlined the

list of individual winners for the Red Hawks, while Cody Crouch, Jim Merchant and Kurt Reif each earned their first GTC championships to help Cass City register its second consecutive team banner.
The final GTC tournament results saw Cass City with 189 points, edging runner-up Mayville with 157, Vassar 136.5, Marlette 124.5, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port 61, Sandusky 46, Brown City 44, Memphis 37 and Bad Axe 23.
Besides Cass City's 5 individual winners, the undisputed league champions also received individual runner-up showings from Jon Crouch and Nick Adkins on the day, while Cody Pringle and Travis Wright each placed third and Ron Wolschleger and Kyle Pomeroy, fourth, to complete the list of top point winners for the Red Hawks.
"We will continue to work hard to attain our upcoming goals of capturing a district title and advancing individuals to regional competition," Markel said.
Individual districts will be held Saturday at New Lothrop. Markel expects a stern test in the first round of tourney play, as the Hornets are rated number 8 overall in the state, regardless of school size.



RED HAWK Kurt Reif finished as a Greater Thumb Conference champion Saturday in Marlette, pinning Mayville's Michael Shaver in the first period of the final 160-pound weight class match.

Bulldogs bow to Caseville

Caseville used a 7-2 run to close out Monday's North Central Thumb League contest in Owendale, doubling the Eagles' win total on the season with a 58-52 decision over the Owen-Gage Bulldogs.
With the victory, the visitors upped their conference record to 2-7, matching the Bulldogs' win total in NCTL play in the process.
Junior Hunter Champagne tossed in a game-high 33 points to pace the Bulldogs, but it wouldn't be enough to deny a balanced Eagle attack which had 5 players with at least 7 tallies.
Owen-Gage never trailed in the opening quarter and actually built a 7-2 edge before settling for an 11-10 advantage entering the next frame.
Both schools would then build 5-point cushions before the intermission. Champagne completed a rare 4-point play to match the Bulldogs' largest spread on the night at 15-10. However, with just 6 players dressed on the night, the Bulldogs appeared to tire, especially Champagne who spent most of his energy generating points, and failed to get back on the defensive end through out the final 3 quarters. The hosts' poor defensive showing allowed for 3 lead changes in a see-sawing period that ended with Caseville in front 28-24 at the intermission. The eventual winners never trailed again.
After the break, the Eagles remained on top behind the inside work of Charlie Karafa and Matt Kurschner. Both finished the night in

double figures as Karafa got into the lane and converted some easy looks en route to 18 markers, while Kurschner used a distinct height advantage at 6' 4" to score from the low post. He posted 10 points in the paint that helped the Eagles to a 47-40 cushion with less than 6 minutes remaining on the clock.
Champagne, who drives to the basket like a good college player, scored the hosts' next 7 markers to bring his Bulldogs to within 49-47 over the next 3 minutes of action. The Bulldogs then used a Bryan Buschlen trey to climb within one, 51-50, with 2:07 left in regulation.
But the Eagles remained poised and baskets by Tommy Kennedy and Karafa helped swell the visitors' margin to 55-51 in the closing seconds.
Still, a free throw by Bulldog Andrew Fahrner gave the hosts a chance to extend the game with a 3-point play, but with just 10 seconds remaining Chase Louwers iced the outcome for Caseville with a pair of clutch charity tosses.
Besides double digit scorers Karafa and Kurschner, the Eagles had Kennedy, Louwers and Brandon Sprague all chip in 7 points.

Champagne, who struggled from the stripe with an 8-for-18 showing, was the lone Bulldog in double figures. Fahrner, with 8 points, Eric Reivert, 6, Buschlen, 3, and Clyde Rhodes with 2 completed the list of scorers for Owen-Gage.



CODY CROUCH captured the GTC crown in the 130-pound weight class with a 9-7 decision against Vassar's Billy Abbott. Crouch was one of 5 individual champs for Cass City.



CASEVILLE teammates Tommy Kennedy and Chase Louwers (23) apply pressure to Owen-Gage's Hunter Champagne Monday night.

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Memphis at Kingston	Memphis	Kingston	Memphis
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Port Hope at Owen-Gage	Port Hope	Port Hope	Port Hope
Ubyly at Brown City	Brown City	Brown City	Brown City
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Friday, February 11			
A-Fairgrove at Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
Marlette at Ubyly	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette
Peck at Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
Bridgeport at Caro	Bridgeport	Bridgeport	Caro
Last Week's Results	5-0	3-2	5-0
Season's Results	63-39 (62%)	64-38 (63%)	58-44 (57%)

Farm Collectibles and Toy Show set at Brentwood February 26

The Thumb Area Old Engine and Tractor Association will be hosting its 8th annual Farm Collectibles and Toy Show Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Brentwood, 178 Park Dr., Caro from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

There will be over 60 tables of farm toys, tools, antiques and other farm related items including parts and literature for tractors and equipment.

The event draws vendors and guests from throughout the state, and is a great way for a family to spend a winter day. Whether you are an avid toy collector, or you are just interested in farm related collectibles, there is always a good selection of items at this show to add to your collection.

Table space for this year's show is sold out, but if you have an old farm toy or a manual for a tractor or equipment that you no longer need, bring it along and one of the vendors may be interested in purchasing it from you.

Admission to the show is a \$2 donation to The Thumb Area Old Engine and Tractor Association for adults, and children 12 and under are admitted free when accompanied by an adult. Proceeds from the toy show help cover expenses for the Thumb Area Old Engine and Tractor Association Show that will be held Aug. 12-14 this year at the fairgrounds in Caro.

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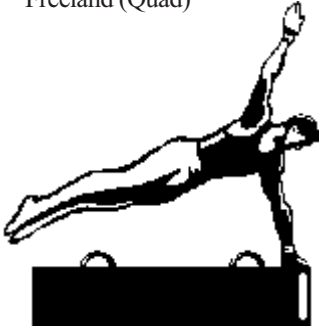
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Dec. 16	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 11	Freeland	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 18	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 29	St. Johns Invite	10 a.m.
Feb. 12	Vassar Invite	12 p.m.
Feb. 19	Freeland (Quad)	6:30 p.m.



WRESTLING

Dec. 1	Imlay City/Capac	5 p.m.
Dec. 4	Cros-Lex Team Tourney	9 a.m.
Dec. 8	Caro/Vassar/Mt. Morris	6 p.m.
Dec. 11	Marlette Team Tourney	8 a.m.
Dec. 15	Millington/Chesaning/Kearsley	6 p.m.
Dec. 18	Swan Valley Team Tourney	9:30 a.m.
Jan. 5	Vassar/Brown City	6 p.m.
Jan. 8	North Branch Team Tourney	9 a.m.
Jan. 12	Memphis/EPBP Lakers	6 p.m.
Jan. 15	Imlay City Invite	9 a.m.
Jan. 19	Bad Axe/Marlette	6 p.m.
Jan. 22	Mayville Team Tourney	9 a.m.
Jan. 26	Midland/Sandusky	6 p.m.
Jan. 29	Bullock Creek Team Tourney	9 a.m.
Feb. 1	Cros-Lex/Yale	6 p.m.
Feb. 5	GTC League Meet @ Marlette	TBA
Feb. 12	Individual Districts	



BOYS' BASKETBALL

Dec. 8	Cass City 45, Sandusky 49
Dec. 10	Cass City 50, Capac 44
Dec. 15	Cass City 38, H. Beach 51
Dec. 17	Cass City 48, Marlette 52
Dec. 21	Cass City 46, Mayville 25
Jan. 5	Cass City 39, Ubyly 45
Jan. 7	Cass City 55, USA 44 OT
Jan. 12	Cass City 63, Brown City 58
Jan. 14	Cass City 53, Caro 51 2OT
Jan. 21	Cass City 63, BCAS 81
Jan. 26	Cass City 59, Lakers 48
Jan. 28	Cass City 45, Vassar 35
Feb. 2	Reese (Cancelled - PPD)
Feb. 4	USA (Cancelled - PPD)
Feb. 9	Bad Axe 6 p.m.
Feb. 14	Reese (make-up)
Feb. 18	BCAS 6 p.m.
Feb. 23	EPBP Lakers 6 p.m.
Feb. 25	Vassar 5 p.m.
Mar. 1	Reese 6 p.m.
Mar. 3	Bad Axe 5 p.m.
Mar. 7,9,11	Districts TBA

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

All Games Begin at 6:00 p.m., unless noted	
Nov. 30	Cass City 38, Harbor Beach 48
Dec. 3	Cass City 34, Marlette 47
Dec. 7	Cass City 22, Sandusky 58
Dec. 9	Cass City 41, Mayville 12
Dec. 14	Game against Reese cancelled
Dec. 16	Cass City 50, Bad Axe 45
Dec. 22	Cass City 42, Reese 56 (make-up)
Jan. 4	Cass City 60, Ubyly 25
Jan. 6	Cass City 43, USA 39
Jan. 11	Cass City 42, Brown City 51
Jan. 13	Cass City 49, Caro 41
Jan. 20	Cass City 47, BCAS 40
Jan. 25	Cass City 37, Lakers 49
Jan. 27	Cass City 32, Vassar 44
Feb. 1	Reese (Cancelled - PPD)
Feb. 4	USA (Cancelled - PPD)
Feb. 8	Bad Axe
Feb. 14	Reese (make-up)
Feb. 15	Kingston
Feb. 17	BCAS
Feb. 22	EPBP Lakers
Feb. 24	Vassar
Feb. 28 - Mar. 2,4	Districts

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Bowling
February 10 ~ vs. Deckerville

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February 8 ~ vs. Bad Axe
February 15 ~ vs. Kingston
February 17 ~ vs. BCAS

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February 9 ~ vs. Bad Axe
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott A. Jordan, an unmarried man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 26, 2006 and recorded on November 9, 2006 in Liber 1101 on Page 1407, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Nationstar Mortgage 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 Sixty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Forty and 92/100 Dollars (\$66,740.92), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

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

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

The East 1/2 of the North 693 Feet of the West 440 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 2, Township 10 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: February 9, 2011

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven P. Masker, a single man, by loan assumption agreement recorded 12/18/2006 in Liber 1105 Page 1218, original mortgagors, to National City Mortgage Services Co, Mortgagee, dated April 8, 2004 and recorded on October 21, 2004 in Liber 1012 on Page 1436, and assigned by said Mortgagee to National City Mortgage Co as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Nine and 64/100 Dollars (\$85,439.64), 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 March 10, 2011.

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

Lot 6 of Canterbury Woods Subdivision according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in plat liber 5 pages 13 through 17 Tuscola County Records.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard Sage and Tina Sage, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 28, 2006 and recorded on January 25, 2007 in Liber 1109 on Page 542, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of the Home Equity Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Trust Series INABS 2007-B, Home Equity Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series INABS 2007-B under the Pooling and Servicing agreement dated June 1, 2007 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-Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-One and 20/100 Dollars (\$142,241.20), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

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

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

Commencing at a point on the West line of Section 5, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, that is 1111.5 Feet North of the Southwest corner of said Section 5; thence East to the East line of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 5; thence North to the Northeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 5; thence West to the Northwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 5; thence South on the

Section line to the place of beginning, excepting the West 250 feet of the North half thereof, also described as part of the Southwest 1/4 of fractional Section 5, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as commencing as the Southwest corner of said Section 5; thence along the West line of said Section 5 North 01 degrees 29 minutes 00 seconds East, 1111.50 Feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along said West line of Section 5, North 01 degrees 29 minutes 00 seconds East, 146.17 Feet; thence South 89 degrees 01 minutes 47 seconds East, 250.00 Feet; thence North 01 degrees 29 minutes 00 seconds East, 80.17 Feet to the North line of the Southwest 1/4 of said Southwest 1/4 of Section 5; thence along said North line of Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 5, South 89 degrees 01 minutes 47 seconds East, 1073.93 Feet to the East line of said Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 5; thence along said East line of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 5, South 00 degrees 41 minutes 50 seconds West, 226.34 Feet; thence North 89 degrees 01 minutes 47 seconds West, 1327.05 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: February 9, 2011

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Debra A. Warren and Kenneth K. Warren, wife and husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 22, 2006 and recorded on October 5, 2006 in Liber 1098 on Page 299, 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 One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Eight Hundred Forty and 06/100 Dollars (\$17,840.06), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

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

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 16, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 16; thence along the North line of Section 16, North 89 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds East, 1314.24 feet to the East line of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 16; thence along said line, South 00 degrees 44 minutes 15 seconds East 391.72 feet to the Northerly right of way line of the C and O Railroad; thence along said Northerly right of way line, North 76 degrees 14 minutes 57 seconds West, 1357.14 feet to the West line of Section 16; thence along said West line North 00 degrees 54 minutes 25 seconds West, 64.87 feet to the Northwest corner of Section 16 and 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: February 9, 2011

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lee Bedore and Holly Bedore, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 11, 2006 and recorded on April 27, 2006 in Liber 1079 on Page 65, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitMortgage, 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 Ninety-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Fifteen and 59/100 Dollars (\$99,915.59), including interest at 7.64% 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 March 10, 2011.

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 22, Town 14 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 22; thence along the West line of said Section 22, North 375.00 feet; thence, parallel to the East and West 1/4 line of said Section, South 89 degrees 30 minutes 45 seconds East 160.00 feet; thence south 375.00 feet to said East and West 1/4 line of said Section 22; thence along said East and West 1/4 line, North 89 degrees 30 minutes 45 seconds West, 160.00 feet to the West 1/4 corner of said Section 22 and 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: February 9, 2011

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jesse F. Palmer, an unmarried man, and Bethany S. Greene, an unmarried woman, as joint tenants, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 27, 2005 and recorded on July 21, 2005 in Liber 1046 on Page 953 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 One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Six and 78/100 Dollars (\$175,656.78), 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 March 10, 2011.

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

Beginning at the centerline of Swaffler Road and the intersection of meander line of the creek, said point being South 383.28 feet and North 89 Degrees 41 Minutes 30 Seconds East, 600 feet and North 79 Degrees 28 Minutes 30 Seconds East, 283.38 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 1, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, thence along the centerline of Swaffler Road, North 79 Degrees 28 Minutes 30 Seconds East, 156.62 feet; thence South 85 Degrees 10 Minutes 30 Seconds East, 1043.08 feet; thence South 49 Degrees 09 Minutes 30 Seconds West, 290 feet to a Point on the Meander line of the Creek (Previously described as South 40 Degree 02 Minutes West, 290 feet); thence continuing Westerly and Northerly along the meander line of the Creek to Point of Beginning, being a part of North 1/2 of Northwest 1/4 of Section 1, Town 10 North, Range 8 East.

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Dated: February 9, 2011

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NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Richard O. Clark, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 6809 Walsh Rd, Gagetown, MI 48735-9708.

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 February 7, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after February 7, 2011.

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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To: Spring M. Coleman and Terry A. Coleman, 3191 Thomas Road, Akron, MI 48701
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

Cass City High School honor roll announced

Officials at Cass City High School announce the second marking period honor roll.

Grade 9 (all A's)

Lauren Bukoski, Kristin Ewald, Elisabeth Milligan, Michael Mulligan, Rachel Patera, Jacob Perry, Braeden Perzanowski, Erin Schuette, Audrey VanAuken, Brennen Winter and Kayla Zmierski.

Grade 9 (B or better)

Alexander Adams, Rachel Bartnik, Madison Brinkman, Jacob Hacker, Dakota Hartel, Collin Hartwick, Halie Hool, Hannah Hulburt, Ashtyn Janiskee, Nicholas Middaugh, Shane Rasmussen, Kara Reif, Kayla Schneeberger, Alexander Tabar, Brock Thane and Miranda Williams.

Grade 10 (all A's)

Shelby Abell, Shannon Bardwell, Meri Dzielinski, Stephanie Heckroth, Larissa King, Katelyn Michalski, Andrea Mikolon, Erin Moore, Lauren Perry, Lukas Schenk and Emily Tuckey.

Grade 10 (B or better)

Nicole Boland, Taylor Brown, Misha Clark, Zachary Deitering, Patrick Horne, Ellen Hulburt, Cole Israelson, Jacob Kittle, Erica Kolacz, Charnelle Kucharczyk, Emily Kuenzli, Kassandra LaPonsie, Ryan Larson, Alan Leslie, Stacey McArthur, Brian Mohr, Ashley Mulrath, Cody Orban, Karley Peters, Mishelle Powell, Jake Quinn, Leah Sanders, Jocelynn Venema, Victoria Walsh, Alex Warju and Ashley Wilson.

Grade 11 (all A's)

Angela Braun, Morgan Erla, Rebecca Hacker, Kristen Kaweck, Catherine Lugo, Jessica Prieskorn, Jordyn Rasmussen, Rachael Rule,

Alexandria Smith, Shannon Stec, Heather Sweeney, Courtney Thompson, Alyse Timko, Jared Weidman, Isaac White, Travis Wright, Alexander Zaleski and Sarah Zmierski.

Grade 11 (B or better)

Trever Brown, Samantha Clapper, Kelsey Dillon, Joshua Farkas, Carley Hendrick, Jordyn Heredia, Korey Hool, Anthony House, Nicholas Kappen, Stephanie Leeson, Trenton Loomis, Adam McFadzean, Macey Messing, Kaitlyn Messing, Kyle Middaugh, Derek Mozden, Ethan Nicol, Tayler Nye, Megan Parrish, Morgan Potter, Ashley Potts, Logan Rowell, Tyler Samons, Cassandra Tomlinson and Michael Wills.

Grade 12 (all A's)

Mark Alfini, Mandi Bartnik, Alevtyna Chernykh, Amanda Clifton, Zachary Deering, Kendra Grady, Chelsea Green, Krista Guinther, ChiAn Huang, Justin Ketterer, Michael Lange, Rebecca Leslie, Kylie Maggard, Anthony McArthur, Michael Milligan, Candace Myers, McKensie Parrish, Thiago Ramim, Caitlin Reed, Mary Rivest, Michael Skiles, Dallas Woodward, Jeremy Wright and Lauren Zdrojewski.

Grade 12 (B or better)

Stephanie Bock, Nicholas Brown, Jonathan Crouch, Austin Deering, Brenda Haley, Brooke Hartwick, Tiffany Hicks, Angela Janssen, Charles Kester, Mitchell Langlois, Jeffery Leslie, Thomas LeValley, Elizabeth Lintner, Logan Mika, Aline Ndalla, Mitchel O'Dell, Austin Osentoski, Hayley Peters, Michael Potrykus II, Kelsey Russell, Kyle Sorenson, Victoria Spencer, Mariah Tabar, Robert VanAuken, Alexander Varney, Lauren Walther and Dana Woodward.

Legal Notices

is: (www.mshda.info/counseling_search/), telephone (866) 946-7432, 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: February 9, 2011

Orlans Associates P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File Number: 356.4146
ASAP #3904034

2-9-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Sarah Evangelista and Jeffery Evangelista, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 1570 E. Blackmore Rd., Mayville, MI 48744-9588.

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) 593-1302.

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 February 3, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after February 3, 2011.

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: February 9, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
File # 361958F01

2-9-1

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.

Todd Ihrke and Melissa Ihrke, husband and wife

have defaulted on a Mortgage for the real property known as: 4821 Worth Street, Millington, MI 48746.

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

Todd Ihrke and Melissa Ihrke 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 Todd Ihrke and Melissa Ihrke 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 Todd Ihrke and Melissa Ihrke and the designated person reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if Todd Ihrke and Melissa Ihrke abide by the terms of the agreement.

Todd Ihrke and Melissa Ihrke have the right to contact an attorney. You may contact the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer referral service (800) 968-0738.

Dated: February 9, 2011

By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
Attorney for Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48084
WWR# 10061134

2-9-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to David J. Rock and Stacey L. Rock, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 5638 Pinkerton Rd., Vassar, MI 48768-9610.

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) 593-1302.

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 February 7, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after February 7, 2011.

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: February

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Michael R. Henry, Sr. and Deborah L. Miller Henry, husband and wife, on August 13, 2009, to Tri-County Bank, Successor by Merger to TCB Mortgage, LLC., a Subsidiary of Tri-County Bank of 4222 Main Street, Brown City, Michigan 48416 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on August 21, 2009 in Liber 1181, page 1461, and upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Fifty-Eight and 30/100 (\$71,058.30) Dollars and said default having continued for more than thirty (30) days and no suit or proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, February 24, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. Local Time, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public venue to the highest bidder at the front entrance of the Courthouse, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said County, of the premises described in said mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage as aforesaid with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses including the attorney fee provided by law and any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes, assessments and insurance premiums on said premises, which said premises are situated in the Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as follows:

Land in the Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Parcel 1: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at a point on the South Section line that is North 89 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East, 544.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 20; thence North 0 degrees 5 minutes 45 seconds East 400.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 0 degrees 5 minutes 45 seconds East 285.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 35minutes 20 seconds East to a point on the East line of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 that is North of the South Section line 685.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes 59 seconds East 100.01 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds West 564.53 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 45 seconds West 185.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds West, 207.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel 2: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at a point on the South Section line that is North 89 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East, 544.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 20; thence North 0 degrees 5 minutes 45 seconds East 400.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East 207.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 45 seconds East 185.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East 564.53 feet; thence along the East line of said Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, South 00 degrees 03 minutes 59 seconds East 584.99 feet; thence along said South line South 89 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds West 773.19 feet to the point of beginning.

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The length of the period of redemption from such sale will be one (1) year immediately following said sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated at Caro, Michigan, this 19th day of January, 2011

Touma, Watson, Whaling, Coury & Castello, P.C.
Attorneys for Tri County Bank
By: Douglas S. Touma
316 McMorran Boulevard
Port Huron, MI 48060

1-19-5

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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 Terry D. Carlisle and Jessica L. Carlisle, F/K/A Jessica L. Brown, Husband and Wife, as Tenants in Common, original mortgagors, to Bank of America, N.A., Mortgagee, dated September 26, 2006 and recorded on October 11, 2006 in Liber 1098 on Page 1180, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Eighty and 18/100 Dollars (\$123,080.18), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2011.

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

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 25, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Section 25, Thence along the South Section line, South 89 Degrees 08 Minutes 00 Seconds West 498.42 Feet, thence North 00 Degrees 30 Minutes 07 Seconds West 442.89 Feet, thence North 89 Degrees 30 Minutes 28 Seconds East 498.48 feet, thence along the East Section line, South 00 Degrees 29 Minutes 32 Seconds East 439.63 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: January 26, 2011

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 #356265F01

1-26-4

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 Kathleen Freeland, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 14, 2007 and recorded on June 21, 2007 in Liber 1122 on Page 1397, 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-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$79,304.00), 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 February 24, 2011.

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

Lot 13, Cooper Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 25, 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: January 26, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #313681F01

1-26-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nicholas A. Holmes, a single man, and Dianne D. Green, a single woman, also known as Dianne Green, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 31, 2005 and recorded on February 14, 2005 in Liber 1027 on Page 780-795, 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 One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Forty and 91/100 Dollars (\$123,040.91), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2011.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 31, Town 10 North, Range 9 East Watertown Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point on the East Section line that is South 00 degrees, 30 minutes 00 seconds East 328.92 feet from the Northeast corner of Section 31; thence continuing along said East Section line, South 00 degrees 30 minutes, 00 seconds East 320.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees, 45 minutes, 01 seconds West 686.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees, 30 minutes 00 seconds West 320.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees, 45 minutes, 01 seconds East 686.00 feet to the point of beginning. Contain 5,039 acres, including that part reserved for Hart Lake Road so-called. Being subject to any restrictions, easements and/or right of ways 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: January 26, 2011

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 #249048F03

1-26-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas B. Stalsberg and Teri Stalsberg, his wife, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 21, 2005 and recorded on October 6, 2005 in Liber 1056 on Page 855 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Twenty-Four and 11/100 Dollars (\$121,024.11), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2011.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning on the North line of said Section 16, which is South 89 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds West, 649.24 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 16; thence, continuing along said North line, South 89 degrees 48 minutes 55 seconds West, 250.00 feet; thence, parallel to the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 16, South 00 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds East, 494.60 feet; thence along the Northerly right of way line of the C. and E. Railroad, South 76 degrees 14 minutes 57 seconds

East, 258.04 feet; thence, North 00 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds West, 556.75 feet to the North line of said Section 16 and 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: January 26, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #319000F01

1-26-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Malisha Boulton, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 28, 2005, and recorded on October 17, 2005 in Liber 1058 on Page 153, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to HSBC Mortgage Services, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand One Hundred Eighty-One and 51/100 Dollars (\$76,181.51), 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 February 24, 2011.

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

Lot 1, Block 4, The Plat of the Village of Gates, now Reese, recorded in Liber 29, Page 115, Tuscola County Records and West 1/2 of Lot 17, Block 4 of A.M. Rogers' Addition to the Village of Gates, now Reese, recorded in Liber 1, Page 26A, 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: January 26, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC H (248) 593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #357589F01

1-26-4

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

Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Marshall Lee Miller, as joint tenants, and Merrie Miller, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for IndyMac Bank, F.S.B, Mortgagee, dated June 15, 2007, and recorded on June 28, 2007, in Liber 1123, Page 1147, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to OneWest Bank, FSB 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 Sixty-Six Thousand Forty-Six and 97/100 (\$66,046.97) including interest at the rate of 8.62500% 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 February 24, 2011.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 30, Town 14 North, Range 10 East, described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 30; thence Easterly, along the North line of said Section 30, 600 feet to the point of beginning; thence Easterly, continuing along said North line of Section 30, 150 feet; thence Southerly, perpendicular to said North line of Section 30, 230 feet; thence Westerly, parallel to said North line of Section 30, 150 feet; thence Northerly, perpendicular to said North line of Section 30, 230 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 2286 E DICKERSON RD.

The redemption period shall be 6.00 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: January 26, 2011

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for OneWest Bank, FSB
43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302
(248) 335-9200
Case No. 10MI03456-1

1-26-4

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.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Joseph T. Haluska, of a single man of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated the 2nd day of December, A.D. 2005, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 21st day of December, A.D. 2005, as Book 1065, Page 1317 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to GMAC Mortgage, LLC, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$34,799.99 (thirty-four thousand seven hundred ninety-nine and 99/100) plus accrued interest at 3.50% (three point

five zero) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings 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 statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 24th day of February, A.D., 2011, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Koylton, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA, TOWNSHIP OF KOYLTON, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING 178 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST, RUNNING THENCE SOUTH 209 FEET, THENCE EAST 190 FEET, THENCE NORTH 209 FEET, THENCE WEST 190 FEET TO THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING. Commonly known as: 6160 Centerline Drive.

Tax ID No. 016-021-000-0700-00

The redemption period shall be six 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: January 26, 2011

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
Attorney for Plaintiff
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48084
WWR# 10049681

1-26-4

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Marlin R. Kibbe, Jr., a single man, on January 25, 2002, to Tri-County Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation of 4222 Main Street, Brown City, Michigan 48416, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on February 26, 2002 in Liber 867, page 21, and upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Seven and 30/100 (\$65,467.30) Dollars and said default having continued for more than thirty (30) days and no suit or proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That on Thursday, March 10, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. Local Time, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public venue to the highest bidder at the front entrance of the Courthouse, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said County, of the premises described in said mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage as aforesaid with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses including the attorney fee provided by law and any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes, assessments and insurance premiums on said premises.

Which said premises are situated in the Township of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as follows:

Lots 6 and 7, Block 16 of the Plat of the Village of Fostoria, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 44-45, now being pages 45A-46A.

Tax ID# 021-500-116-0600-00

The length of the period of redemption from such sale will be six (6) months immediately following said sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated at Caro, Michigan, this 2nd day of February, 2011.

Touma, Watson, Whaling, Coury & Castello, P.C.

Attorneys for Tri County Bank

By: Douglas S. Touma
316 McMorran Boulevard
Port Huron, MI 48060

2-2-5

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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 Tracy Lince, a married woman and Jeffrey A. Lince, her husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 15, 2004 and recorded on April 28, 2004 in Liber 989 on Page 1377, and modified by agreement dated July 27, 2009, and recorded on December 17, 2009 in Liber 1189 on Page 665, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Citizens Bank F/K/A Republic Bank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Thirty and 32/100 Dollars (\$157,130.32), 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 March 3, 2011.

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

A parcel of land in the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 29; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, along the North Section line of said section, 658.24 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, along the North Section line, 330.50 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 20 seconds West 1,321.93 feet to a point on the North 1/8 line of said section; thence North 89 degrees 58 minutes 21 seconds West, along the North 1/8 line, 330.50 feet; thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes 20 seconds East, 1,321.77 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: February 2, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC F (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #356370F01

2-2-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by LESLIE BOYD, A SINGLE MAN, and LUCINDA AVERY, A SINGLE WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 2, 2007, and recorded on July 13, 2007, in Liber 1124, on Page 1295, and assigned by said mortgagee to NATIONWIDE ADVANTAGE MORTGAGE COMPANY, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$109,823.77), 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, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on March 3, 2011.

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

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

NATIONWIDE ADVANTAGE MORTGAGE COMPANY
Mortgagee/Assignee

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2-2-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Curtis B. Gabriel and Linda Gabriel, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July

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“Bath salts”

MDCH: beware of new designer drug

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is warning people to beware of a new designer drug being marketed by the name “bath salts.”

These so-called “bath salts” are being sold across the country as a crystalline powder online, at head shops, convenience stores, and on the street. These are not commercially manufactured bath salts that people purchase to use in the bathtub. These products are sold with names such as “Ivory Wave”, “Aura”, “ZOOM 2”, “Zeus 2”, “Cosmic Blast”, and “White Rush.” They may be snorted, ingested mixed with water, injected, or inserted rectally or vaginally.

At this time, hospital emergency departments in Michigan have reported 18 cases related to the use of “bath salts” in the past 4 weeks, many of which have been in the Marquette area. Many of the people treated in emergency departments have been young adults in their 20s and 30s. Similar reports have been seen in states across the country.

The “bath salt” products may contain a number of synthetic chemicals, including Methylnmethcathinone or Methylenedioxyprovalerone

(MDVP), both of which are strong stimulants that can cause increased heart rate, chest pains, dizziness, delusions, panic attacks, nose bleeding and nausea.

Patients ingesting these chemicals can be extremely paranoid and may not respond to usual calmatives. Some have been involved in homicides and suicides while under the influence. Many describe being chased by demons, gods, aliens or foreign soldiers. Severe cases may require long-term psychiatric care.

“We are very concerned about the use of this dangerous product. These stimulants affect neurotransmitters in the brain which can result in violent behavior and death,” said Dr. Gregory Holzman, MD, chief medical executive for MDCH.

MDCH is working closely with the Michigan Poison Control Center to monitor the number of patients treated for use of “bath salts” in emergency departments across the state. Health care providers are being asked to send all information on suspect cases directly to the Michigan Poison Control Center.

Individuals with “bath salt” related medical concerns or questions are asked to call the Michigan Toxic Hotline at (800) 648-6942.

Free food, nutrition classes set in village

MSU Extension is offering free food and nutrition classes.

Classes will be offered as a 6-week series at Cass City Middle School. Meetings will be held on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. beginning March 3 and ending April 7.

Pre-registration is requested. Class may be cancelled due to low attendance. Individual home visits are also available.

The Food and Nutrition Program (FNP) is an educational program for residents of Tuscola County who are low income, eligible for or receive the Bridge Card, parents of children who receive free/reduced school lunch, receive WIC through the health department, or are involved in the Wise Woman Program through the health department.

The lessons include education on: Eating Healthy Using My Pyramid, Making Healthy Food Choices, Portion Distortion, Eating Right and Light, Planning a Weekly Menu,

Stretching Food Dollars, Shopping Basics, Understanding Food Labels, Food Safety, Breakfast & Healthy Snacks, Tips for Working With Picky Eaters, Organizing Important Papers, and Budgeting Tips.

Class participants will receive a measuring cup and spoon, flexible cutting board and recipes. Upon completion of six classes, participants will receive a Certificate of Recognition and a recipe book through MSU Extension. Program graduates report improvements in food choices, resource management and food safety practices.

FNP provides opportunities and experiences that promote healthy, nutritional choices. MSU Extension collaborates with other agencies to coordinate efforts and refers families to local community services that can best meet the families’ needs.

Anyone interested in attending class or learning more about FNP can contact the Tuscola County MSU Extension office at (989) 672-3870.

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THE 2011 OWEN-GAGE Snowball king and queen candidates are: (front, l-r) Jessie Brown, Holly Errer, Megan McLaren, Victoria Wright; (back) Bryan Buschlen, Dylan Powell, Eric Montreuil and Brandon Clapper. Missing: Shonna Elliot and Clyde Rhodes.




THE 2011 OWEN-GAGE Snowball court members are: (front, l-r) Courtney McCreedy, Mariah Blackmer, MacKenzie Gould; (back) Jordan Kain and Ben Good. Missing: Michael Parks.




THE OWEN-GAGE 2010-11 varsity girls' basketball team members are (front, l-r) Holly Errer, Lauren Mandich, Megan McLaren (back) Lacie Prich, Alexis Morish, Mandy Muntz, Christin Harris, Erika Mroz and Kayla Montreuil.


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



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