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## Cuts will top \$600,000 in spending plan

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

As expected, the Cass City Board of Education Monday approved a new budget for the district in 2011-12 that calls for some \$600,000 in cuts.

The news was no surprise, as Cass City Schools Supt. Jeff Hartel, in recent months, has repeatedly presented a list of possible reductions in spending designed to offset anticipated revenue losses in the coming school year.

Those reductions actually total more than \$805,000. However, the board agreed to approve cutting 75 percent of that amount and cover the remaining red ink with just over \$210,000 from the district's fund balance.

During Monday's regular monthly

meeting, Hartel outlined the factors that were considered in formulating this year's budget. They include the loss of another 60 students this year (since the last statewide student count last February). "Which is kind of disheartening when you look at (our test) scores, K-12 — we're tops in the county," he said.

In addition, the state has reduced funding from \$7,316 per student to \$6,846, and the district will sustain a loss of \$38,681 in state categorical funding plus another \$411,450 in federal dollars, according to the superintendent. Michigan schools will also be forced to pay an additional 3 percent in contributions to the state retirement fund — the percentage has been increased to 24.46 percent for the coming year and is expected to climb another 3 percent

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## Compromise key to teachers pact

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Cass City Board of Education and Cass City Education Association (CCEA) negotiators have reach an agreement on a new, 2-year contract for the district's 64 instructors.

Talks on the new pact spanned roughly 6 months. However, by all accounts, both sides brought a spirit of cooperation to the table, an ingredient that was largely missing during negotiations when the school and union finally hammered out its previous 2-year contract.

The Cass City Board of Education unanimously ratified the labor agreement, which will take effect in August. School Supt. Jeff Hartel outlined the financial highlights.

"We've got an insurance cap that stayed. It's a 90/10 split on the insurance premiums," said Hartel, who explained the district will pay 90 percent of the teachers' monthly health insurance bill up to a maximum of \$1,440. The district was looking at a combined insurance cost of \$1.1 million in the coming year, and the agreement will save the school about \$110,000, he noted.

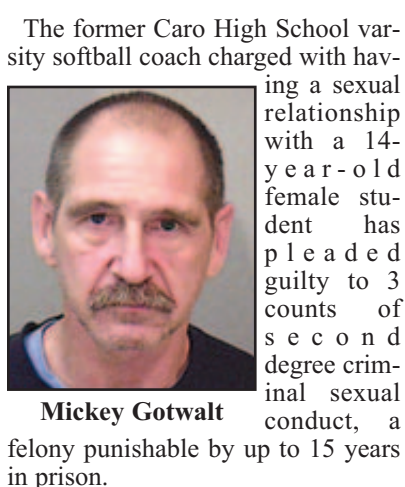
In addition, the 90/10 insurance premium split meets another of the state's financial "best practices", a requirement in order for school districts to qualify for a \$100-per-student award in 2011-2012.

Those best practices also include entering into or continuing service consolidation plans with other districts, bidding out at least one non-instruction service, publicly posting on the web financial and test score data, and school districts opting to become the policy holders for employee health insurance packages. Hartel said he anticipates that Cass City will meet all 5 requirements.

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## Caro coach pleads

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor



Mickey Gotwalt

The former Caro High School varsity softball coach charged with having a sexual relationship with a 14-year-old female student has pleaded guilty to 3 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct, a felony punishable by up to 15 years in prison.

Mickey Thomas Gotwalt, 51, of Caro, was originally charged with 4 counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct and 8 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct. The remaining counts were dismissed in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark E. Reene said the conduct in question took place between last July and October in Caro.

Gotwalt remains lodged at the

Tuscola County Jail pending his sentencing, which has been scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 18, at 8:30 a.m. His bond was continued at \$1 million cash.

Gotwalt was deemed competent to stand trial earlier this month in Tuscola County District Court, where he waived his preliminary examination. He opted to enter pleas of guilty to 3 counts following his arraignment in circuit court.

Michigan State Police troopers arrested Gotwalt in late January. Testimony entered during his 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.

At the time, 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 last November.



**ASHLEE GIBSON, Agriscience teacher at Cass City High School, stands outside of the newly-built AG Learning Lab. The barn will be used to house small animals and a few large animals to teach students responsibility, animal nutrition and hands-on education. The community donated some \$70,000 to pay for the structure. A whopping 150 students have signed up to participate in the year-old program in the coming school year.**

## Village reduces electric bills with solar panel technology

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

The Cass City village government turned a shade of Green last week, but it's neighboring municipalities who should be a tad jealous.

During Monday's regular meeting of the village council, Peter Cristiano told board members that on "Tuesday, June 21, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. the solar panels on the roof of the municipal building began supplying energy to the building."

In addition to producing energy by renewable sources, the village is expected to receive \$34,000 in rebates from Detroit Edison (DTE) over a 20-year period, according to the village manager.

"The system is complete and in operation. The panels have been producing around 40 kilowatt-hours a day. This will reduce our utility bills substantially," said Cristiano.

The solar panels, part of the DTE SolarCurrents Program allows the electric company to obtain easement rights to locate solar arrays on suitable property, while the property owner receives an annual income from DTE based on selling renewable energy credits generated by the system.

The solar panels were paid for, in part, by an \$80,000 grant from the Department of Energy. However, the total cost of \$102,000 leaves Cass City's financial portion of the project at \$22,000.

"The village's investment will be returned in the form of rebates (over the years). We are leading the way in the community with Green energy," Cristiano said, noting similar size projects are on tap at Kranz Funeral Home and Cass City Hardware.

Also during the half hour gathering, the council approved the sale of a Bio-Solid Land Applicator and entered into a contract with BioTech Agronomics, Beulah, Michigan to remove a minimum of 250,000 gallons of sludge from the tanks at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP).

Both motions were presented by Jenny Zawilinski. She requested approval of advertis-

ing and to receive sealed bids for the 1982 Calument Model V-2250 Bio-Solids Injecting Land Applicator. The 2,100-gallon tanker has not been used since 2001.

At the WWTP, Zawilinski said that

sludge with arsenic levels too high for the traditional farmland injection forced superintendent Rick Mohr to research other methods to dispose of the 250,000 gallons of waste.

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## Owen-Gage okays new spending plan

by Sherri Keaton  
Staff Writer

Total expenditures for the Owen-Gages School District outweighed revenues for the 2010-2011 school year, but Principal Terri Falkenberg said there will be a balanced budget for the school in the 2011-2012 school year.

"We have projected a zero balance for next year," she said. "We have money left over this year that has put us into the black."

The board of education approved the new spending plan during a regular monthly meeting last Wednesday.

Stacy Haag, Owen-Gage business office manager, said, "The general fund (budget) for next year (with) total revenue is going to go down by \$219,431."

In other business, the board appointed Julie Good to fill a vacancy left by former board President Terry Muntz, who unexpectedly resigned early this month following a special board session held to appoint a new part-time school superintendent.

Good was the only one to submit a letter to the board, seeking to fill the vacancy.

During the meeting, the board approved the district's May Deficit Elimination Plan, and Haag addressed the need to borrow money in order to get the school through tough financial times.

"State revenue went down \$470 per pupil," she explained. "(That is) \$55,000 reduction in state aid."

## MDOT to close Cass City center

By Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) officials Thursday announced several significant changes that will consolidate or close 8 facilities, with a staff that has 15 percent fewer employees compared to 2009.

The affected facilities include the Cass City Transportation Service Center (TSC).

"The changes we are announcing today show our commitment to working better, faster, cheaper, safer and smarter for the benefit of Michigan residents and businesses," State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle said in a news release. "Our actions show we are committed to consolidating services internally, making smart financial choices to leverage more funding, and partnering with other transportation companies and agencies to save dollars."

The Cass City TSC opened in the late 1990s, with MDOT leasing a building just east of the village.

At full capacity, the center employed 12 to 14 individuals, but the office currently has 8 employees, according to Robert Ranck Jr., Bay Region engineer at MDOT's Saginaw office. Ranck, who noted

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**FIVE GENERATIONS** of the same family are represented in this photo featuring (from left) great-great-grandmother Nancy Coverdill, great-grandmother Norma Adams, grandmother Becky Adams, mother Treanna Dietrich and baby Landan Sprague, all of Cass City.

## Middle school honor roll

Cass City Middle School officials announce the fourth marking period honor roll.

**Grade 5**  
Travis Albrecht\*, Dustin Arter, Katie Autry, Kelsey Bouverette, Traci Broyles, Sarah Colton, Dakota Cook, Sayge Cuthrell, Garrett Deitering, Lauren Dickinson\*, Megan Graham\*, Claire Kausch, Riley Klein\*, Danielle Kopah, Katelyn Kuenzli, Lydia Montei\*, Baylee Murphy, McKenna Nye, Layna Oliphant, Jaclyn Palmer\*, Nicholas Perry, Eric Peters\*, Kelsey Priestly, Seth Roggenbuck, Bailee Ross, Alyssa Sangster, Joseph Sieradzki, Connor Sines, Joseph Skiles\*, Samantha Stern\*, Brittany Stilson, CarLee Stimpfel, Savannah Walker, Konnar Warren, Rylie Weiler\*, Reed White and Kaitlin Witherspoon.

**Grade 6**  
Kelcie Autry\*, Joel Collins\*, Evan Craig, Victoria Cumper, Savana Doerr, Bradley Hacker, Josephine Loomis\*, Hunter McGrath, Katelynne Mester, Adam Michalski, Darren Miller, Joel Patera, Shaede Perzanowski\*, Emily Peters\*, Kelsey Peters, Logan Schenk, Kyle Schmotzer, Drew Susalla, Alex Torres, Amy Verhines, Travis Williams, Hope Wilson\* and Chase Winter\*.

**Grade 7**  
Ilana Blattner, Chandler Cryderman, Sawyer Cuthrell, Mandy Czekai, Kelly DeLong, Macy Dickinson, Mason Erla, Kendra Goss, Matthew Haas, Erin Hartsell, Tyler Hool, Shannon Kawecki, Maegan LeValley, Victoria Mathewson, Rebecca Mulrath, Tara

Nicholas, Jesse Nye, Jessica Peters, Bryan Pinkoski, Lauren Potter\*, Michael Rader, Taylor Rasmussen, Sophia Romain, Taylor Spencer, Matthew Steely, Bransen Stimpfel, Carley Stone and Maria Weilbach.

**Grade 8**  
Jane Ballard\*, Samuel Bootz, Rachel Collins, Rebecca Graff, Jacob Guinther, Katie House, Kendra Kerkau, Luke Koepf\*, Hunter Langenburg, Erika Martin\*, Rachel Miller, Lindsey Montei\*, Kyle Osentoski, Chandler Pawloski, Kyle Potrykus, Jordan Raymond, Kyle Ross, Lindsay Schotter, Nathan Shantz, Barbara Steely, Jackson Stern, Lauren Stilson, Elizabeth Venema\*, Aubrei Witherspoon\*, Genna Woodward, Lucas Wright and Erin Zdrojewski\*.

\*Denotes all A's

## High school honor roll

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

**Grade 9 (all A's)**  
Rachel Bartnik, Lauren Bukoski, Kristin Ewald, Ashtyn Janiskee-Weiler, Elisabeth Milligan, Michael Mulligan, Rachel Patera, Shane Rasmussen, Erin Schuette, Alexander Tabar, Audrey VanAuken, Brennen Winter and Kayla Zmierski.

**Grade 9 (B or better)**  
Alexander Adams, Lucas Baker, Madison Brinkman, Shania Chambers, Emily Cochrane, Jodi Engel, Jacob Hacker, Collin Hartwick, Halie Hool, Katherine Hudson, Hannah Hulburt, JeanLuc Mathewson, Nicholas Middaugh, Jacob Perry, Braeden Perzanowski, Kara Reif, Dakota Schmidt, Kayla Schneeberger, Briana Sheldon, Brock Thane and Miranda Williams.

**Grade 10 (all A's)**  
Shannon Bardwell, Meri Dzielinski, Stephanie Heckroth,

**Grade 10 (B or better)**  
Shelby Abell, John Ballard, Theron Bogart, Nicole Boland, Taylor Brown, Misha Clark, Zachary Deitering, Patrick Horne, Ellen Hulburt, Cole Israelson, Jacob Kittle, Erica Kolacz, Charnelle Kucharczyk, Emily Kuenzli, Stacey McArthur, Rianna McConnell, Brian Mohr, Karley Peters, Leah Sanders, Emily Tuckey, Jocelynn Venema and Paul Verhines.

**Grade 11 (all A's)**  
Andrea Boyd, Rebecca Hacker, Stephanie Leeson, Jordyn Rasmussen, Rachael Rule, Alexandria Smith, Heather Sweeney, Cortney Thompson, Jared Weidman, Isaac White and Sarah Zmierski.

**Grade 11 (B or better)**  
Angela Braun, Treanna Dietrich,

Kelsey Dillon, Morgan Erla, Carley Hendrick, Jordyn Heredia, Korey Hool, Anthony House, Joshua Jensen, Nicholas Kappen, Kristen Kawecki, Catherine Lugo, Kaitlyn Messing, Macey Messing, Derek Mozden, Ethan Nicol, Megan Parrish, Zachary Potrykus, Morgan Potter, Ashley Potts, Jessica Prieskorn, Jessica Proctor, Kurt Reif, Cassandra Salvador, Megan Schoel, Shannon Stec, Taylor Totten, Michael Wills, Travis Wright and Alexander Zaleski.

**Grade 12 (all A's)**  
Mark Alfini, Mandi Bartnik, Amanda Clifton, Chelsea Green, Krista Guinther, Brooke Hartwick, Angela Janssen, Charles Kester, Michael Lange, Rebecca Leslie, Thomas LeValley, Kylie Maggard, Anthony McArthur, Brandon Montgomery, Candace Myers, McKensie Parrish, Michael Potrykus II, Caitlin Reed, Mary Rivest, Michael Skiles, Robert VanAuken, Lauren Walther, Dallas Woodward, Jeremy Wright and Lauren Zdrojewski.

**Grade 12 (B or better)**  
Mandi Bartnik, Stephanie Bock, Cody Crouch, Zachary Deering, Austin Deering, Tyler Forth, Kendra Grady, Derek Guigar, Tiffany Hicks, Justin Ketterer, Mitchell Langlois, Elizabeth Lintner, Michael Milligan, Candace Myers, Austin Osentoski, Cody Pringle, Thiago Ramim, Kelsey Russell, Jason Russell, Kyle Sorenson, Victoria Spencer, Mariah Tabar, Alexander Varney, Amber Warju, Bradley Whittaker, Tiffany Wilson and Robert Wolschleger.

## Ruggles to exhibit Angus in Pennsylvania in July

Justin Ruggles of Kingston will exhibit Angus cattle at the 2011 National Junior Angus Show at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, Pa., July 10-16, according to Robin Ruff, director of junior activities for the American Angus Association.

Ruggles, a junior member of the American Angus Association with headquarters in St. Joseph, Mo., is

one of 549 young Angus breeders from 39 states and Canada who have entered a total of 1,170 head in the show.

In addition to the traditional cattle show, this year's event will include a beef cook-off; team sales competition; and public speaking, photography, graphic design, writing, poster and other contests.

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# In Our OPINION..

Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Tom Montgomery  
Editor

## Our teachers union, board deserve hand

We haven't minced words in the past when it comes to our opinion of certain Michigan Education Association (MEA) actions/statements.

We're going to address the teachers union again this week, and you can bet we're going to be as upfront as we've always tried to be regarding our view. However, this time, we have nothing but praise for the leadership of the local union, the Cass City Education Association.

We also applaud the Cass City Board of Education and school Supt. Jeff Hartel.

Here's why:

Both sides exhibited a spirit of cooperation at the bargaining table that can be hard to find in lean financial years for schools.

Let's face it, negotiating a teachers contract in the years immediately following passage of Proposal A was a no-brainer, because school districts such as Cass City were rolling in cash. There was plenty of money to go around.

But those days are long gone. Our lawmakers in Lansing have time and time again attempted to fix the state's on-going financial crisis on the backs of K-12 education, districts have been losing students hand over foot for the past several years, and many area families are struggling to make ends meet.

In spite of those factors, the Cass City Public Schools — and we're talking the teaching staff, administrators and support staff — has delivered platinum results when it comes to academic achievement. We're talking about posting the top Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) scores in the area, not to mention "Beating the Odds" recognition from the Michigan Board of Education for academic performance at Cass City Middle School, in spite of economic factors that usually negatively impact student performance in the classroom.

Looking back, negotiation of the teachers' current 2-year contract, which expires in August, had the board and union at each other's throats. The talks droned on and on, with no end in sight and the board threatening to present its "last, best offer". It wasn't pretty.

This year was a whole different story.

Both sides came to the table without the usual consultants hired to negotiate in the respective side's best interest. In other words, the board and union leadership worked this one out on their own.

Another key, we believe, is the relationship Hartel has developed with the union leadership during his relatively brief tenure as school chief.

The bottom line?

Both the Cass City Education Association and the local board of education negotiated in good faith to reach this contract. Both also brought something to the table, including a willingness to sacrifice for the sake of the school district's financial health and, ultimately, the quality of education Cass City students will continue to receive in the future. The same can be said of our administrators.

In our opinion, this community should be proud to have such leaders in charge of helping to make this school system one of the best in the region.



## Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

For the love of rhubarb



For as long as I can remember, I've been in love with my rhubarb.

It's a one-sided relationship, to be sure. If there can be such a thing as a relationship with a garden plant.

It may sound counterintuitive, having a soft spot in one's heart for a fruit that can't even be described as sweet (nor return my affections for that matter), but my devotion isn't for the rhubarb, per se. It's what the rhubarb represents.

It starts with humble beginnings, when the rhubarb emerges from the soil in the spring, looking more like an alien than a plant. Its curled leaves erupt from the

ground like a gnarled hand. While not pretty, rhubarb enters the world thick and strong.

That's because rhubarb is a tough piece of produce. There's nothing tender about rhubarb. The large, heart-shaped leaves may connote visions of romance, but let's not forget they are poisonous. Beyond the leaves, the stalks are fibrous and stringy - not juicy and soft like watermelon or strawberries. You have to work with your rhubarb in order to bring it to a sweetness and consistency considered worthy of dessert status.

Even so, rhubarb is a versatile vegetable (so versatile some might mistake it for a fruit). It is a welcome ingredient in everything from sauces and jams to breads and cakes. Its tartness provides a complimentary background to the sweet flavors of other fruits. Best of all, it can withstand winter temperatures that fall to double-digit negatives. It is extremely winter hardy.

Because of its culinary achievements and robust durability, rhubarb, in general, is worth my attention. But my very own rhubarb - growing in my backyard - deserves my love. The reason for this is simple: my rhubarb is old.

It has been with my family for generations. The plants came from my grandma's garden, originally, traveled to my mom's plot, and then, finally, to my own backyard. Something that's been around for nearly a century has earned a place in my family's hall of fame, not to mention our recipe books.

My grandma's stint with the rhubarb was finished long before mine began; yet I feel connected to her through our red stalks. I imagine her harvesting the plant decades ago on the farm. Her days were filled with hard work and her hands showed it. In old photographs, I can see them - working hands that were thick, strong and gnarled. My grandma and her rhubarb - I guess both were winter hardy and tough.

Not to mention versatile and resourceful. Generations ago, good folks like my grandma didn't have the luxury of supermarkets or the availability of produce sitting on grocery shelves year-round. She had to make do with what she had. In the early summer months, that meant cutting, cooking and canning the rhubarb so it would be available during the long winter to keep everyone healthy and hearty.

I'm not as winter hardy as my grandma was. She'd probably take one look at my hands and know they'd never last day working on a farm. Times change. Rhubarb does not. At least not in my experience.

My rhubarb has provided my family with the sustenance of its tart goodness for three generations. It is reliable, versatile and tasty. Something that's managed to be around for so long - and proven itself winter hardy - well, I can't think of anything sweeter.

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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. Rhubarb recipes will be posted later this week. Email her at [pertmn@qwest.net](mailto:pertmn@qwest.net); or visit her website at <http://marketing-by-design.home.mchsi.com/>.

## Letters to the Editor

### Parade is for all, not just whiners

Last week I stopped at the Colwood Bar for lunch and a beer. While enjoying the atmosphere and genuine neighborhood community updates (farming to funerals), my eyes caught the glimmer of several trophies and plaques on the beautiful barn beam mantle over the open hearth fireplace.

It was easy to pick out their most prized awards as there were 2 first-place plaques for parade float entry. Yes, Colwood Bar proudly displays these first-place prizes from one of the largest festivals in Michigan, the "Caseville Cheeseburger Festival". Their famous logo, the "Martini Glass with a Lady," was voted "First in Show" both in 2008 and 2010.

When I asked Joe Orban, co-owner, if they were going to be in Cass City's "Freedom Festival" this year, he replied that they declined to enter due to bad press last year in the Cass City parade. I remember a couple of

complaint "letters to the editor" of this paper.

I find it absolutely ridiculous that we are pushed to make our decisions and take directions from a handful of whiners. After all, who hasn't seen a woman in a bikini or a large martini glass? Just what rock do these people live under anyway?

From the Internet to television to the silver screen or even the pool, bikinis are everywhere, maybe not in a martini glass, but I guess that is why Colwood holds 2 of the highly coveted first-place float plaques from one of the top 10 parades in Michigan!

I say, "Come back Colwood Bar" and show Cass City what a first-place float looks like, and for you whiners, if you don't like it, DON'T LOOK!

The parade is for "everyone", not just the whiners.

Sincerely,  
Tom Brinkman  
Cass City

## Cass City is the best place to live anywhere

Dear editor,

Epilogue:

On Jan. 24, 2009, Stuart said, "This is the best place in the world to live, isn't it?"

We've been to Germany,

Israel, Egypt, south and west, and this is still the best place in the world to live!

Sincerely,  
Joan D. Merchant  
Cass City

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### Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

I beg to differ with anyone who doesn't believe in a time machine. You know the contraption that's capable of transporting a person to another period of time.

Monday provided me with such a journey when I dropped my son, Parker, at the Wolverine Basketball Camp, which is entering its 43rd season.

Now don't be fooled, this camp has nothing to do with the University of Michigan, but rather because it is located in Wolverine, a tiny Up North village about the size of Gagetown.

Anyways, I must have been a camper there in about 5th grade along with Jeff Hartel and Loren O'Harris. We were part of the Cass City High School 1978 graduating class, so if you do the math, we attended the camp during one of its early years.

The grounds looked much smaller than I remembered, but nonetheless stirred-up some old memories, which felt like they happened last night.

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The camp lasts just 2 nights and 3 days, so I'll be headed north again on Wednesday to pick the lad up. My advice for any northbound holiday travelers is to avoid I-75 between Bay City and Pinconning. Lane closures, tight lane shifts and orange barrels are a perfect recipe for long delays.

On the other hand, it should be easy going on the streets in Cass City for the Freedom Festival.

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Geography test. What is the name of the pristine trout stream that runs its way through Wolverine, Michigan? If you answered the Sturgeon River, hats off.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

## Wednesday, June 29

Spoonfuls of Plenty FREE Community Meal, 4-6 p.m., LeeRoy Clark Building, 435 Green St., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal.

## Thursday, June 30

AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.

Summer Reading Program Story Time, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

## Friday, July 1

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

## Saturday, July 2

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

## Sunday, July 3

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

Gagetown United Methodist Brunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All you can eat. \$6 donation.

## Monday, July 4

Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Uby. 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) 553-5932.

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

## Tuesday, July 5

Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.

## Wednesday, July 6

Travel Uganda: Learn about the culture, people and the foods of Uganda, 7-8:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

# Local teens charged with break-ins appear in court

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A pair of Cass City teens arrested and charged earlier this year in connection with the break-ins of vehicles and the garage of a home in the village shortly before the garage and a nearby car were destroyed by fire appeared in Tuscola County Circuit Court last week.

One of the defendants, Cody J. Harju, also known as Cotey J. Harju, 18, was sentenced to 2 to 15 years in prison for his plea of no contest to breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny Feb. 26 in Cass City.

The court dismissed 2 counts of stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without consent of the device holder and 2 counts of larce-

ny of property valued at less than \$200. Harju also pleaded no contest to one count of delivery/manufacture of marijuana Sept. 9 in Elmwood Township, and to charges of second degree home invasion and larceny of firearms Dec. 14 in Elkland Township.

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,662. Restitution in the case is to be determined.

The fire occurred in late February at a Sixth Street residence in Cass City, where a local couple and their 2 young children escaped with their lives when the fire broke out in their garage. Harju told Cass City police that the second defendant in the case, Tyler J. Terbush, 18, had used a cigarette lighter to illuminate the interior of the garage at the scene of the

blaze, and that suddenly "everything was on fire". However, neither defendant has been charged in connection with that fire.

Terbush, who faces the same counts as Harju stemming from the Feb. 26 investigation, stood mute in circuit court last week to another round of charges related to alleged motor vehicle break-ins in Cass City earlier this month.

He is charged with stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without the consent of the device holder, breaking and entering a vehicle to steal property valued at less than \$200, and 2 counts of larceny of property valued at less than \$200 June 4.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case and his bond was continued at \$8,000.

## After 20-mile joyride

# Huron Co. 7-year-old charged

Huron County Sheriff's deputies responded to a reported suspicious driver early last week.

Turns out the driver was suspicious. He was only 7 years old.

Now, his parents will have to appear in Huron County Circuit Court's family division following county Prosecutor Tim Rutkowski's decision to petition the boy into the juvenile court system via a charge of joyriding.

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson indicated a citizen reported seeing the boy behind the wheel of a car.

"Apparently the caller believed the driver of the car was a 6- or 7-year-old child and was eastbound at the Kinde Road/Duffy Road area. The boy turned left onto Grigg Road, which was now in Lake Township and headed north," Hanson said.

"Visual contact was lost with the vehicle. Deputy Randy Britt and Caseville Police Chief Jamie

Learman began to search the Caseville area for the suspected red Pontiac Sunfire. Minutes later, Aaron Scott of Rochester saw the vehicle southbound on Main Street near the Dairy Queen...in Caseville. He contacted dispatch as the vehicle began its turn back onto Kinde Road, again eastbound," Hanson reported.

The sheriff said Britt and Learman caught up with the vehicle just past Sturm Road.

"They began to attempt to stop the vehicle, and the child had difficulty pulling over. Once stopped, the child driver was very upset and had difficulty getting the car unlocked," he said. "The vehicle was still running and in gear. Officers were finally able to calm the child down enough to get the door unlocked, and Deputy Britt then put the vehicle in park."

Hanson said officers learned that the child had left his residence in his

step-father's vehicle in the Sheridan Township area. "He was heading for his father's residence in the Fillion area. It appears the child had traveled well over 20 miles before being stopped.

"Deputy Britt called the child's mother and got her voicemail. She quickly returned the call and was unaware that her son was missing," Hanson said. "Apparently, she had worked a night shift and had left instructions with the boy to be awakened at 10 a.m. The frantic mother was later transported to the scene by Deputy James Jimkoski to be reunited with her child. Deputies made arrangements with DHS (the Huron County Department of Human Services) for mother and child to report to that office immediately."

The investigation is continuing, according to Hanson, who said his department would be contacting the Huron County Prosecutor's Office for a review of the incident.

# House bill doubles moving violations in bus safety zones

Gov. Rick Snyder recently signed legislation targeting motorists who fail to exercise caution in school bus safety zones. He also signed legislation updating landline telephone service regulations.

House Bill 4168, sponsored by state Rep. Margaret O'Brien, doubles fines for moving violations committed in a school bus safety zone. The

bill also makes it a one-year misdemeanor for injuring and a 15-year felony for killing a child getting on or off a school bus.

H.B. 4167, sponsored by state Rep. Tom McMillin, adds the new felony offense to Michigan's sentencing guidelines.

With these changes, moving violations committed in school bus safety zones will be treated similar to violations committed in work zones.

"This legislation sends a clear signal that it's not OK for drivers to disregard school bus safety zones," Snyder said. "Drivers need to take bus stop lights seriously."

The bills are now Public Acts 60 and 59 of 2011, respectively.

The governor also signed H.B. 4314, sponsored by state Rep. Ken Horn, which updates Michigan's landline telephone service regulations.

Although periodically updated, the last major re-write of the Michigan Telecommunications Act was in 2005, before the widespread availability of wireless and voice-over Internet service options led to a severe drop in the number of customers choosing landline telephone service. The updates are aimed at making landline telephone service more competitive.

Among the major changes, telephone companies offering landline service will no longer have to print and deliver telephone books for every customer. Instead, companies will provide free printed or electronic copies to customers by request.

"To make Michigan a competitive place to do business, we need to be relentless in our efforts to make sure our laws and regulations keep pace with changing technology," Snyder said.

The bill is now P.A. 58 of 2011.

## Novesta Church receives 2 grants from foundation

The Novesta Church of Christ recently received 2 grants from the Tuscola County Community Foundation.

The first grant was for \$1,000 and will be used in conjunction with church funds to remodel and re-carpet areas of the church used for 5th Quarter parties and other youth events.

Novesta hosts about 10 free parties a year that are attended by up to 200 junior high and high school kids

after basketball and football games. The church is also used as a meeting place for Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, the Parent Coalition, and Cass City boys' basketball.

The second grant was for \$2,500 and will be used to supplement the "In His Name" food pantry that is run through the church. Last year the pantry gave out approximately \$4,000 worth of groceries in addition to \$4,300 in food vouchers to be used at Erla's to needy residents of the Cass City School District.

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Reporter's notebook

# Okay, I may overdo it a bit on my campfires

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

I'll admit it, I tend to overdo it just a little when it comes to campfires.

I've often wondered if there's a support group for guys like me — you know, the outdoorsmen-wannabes who aren't content to cross 3 or 4 piddly little pieces of wood in a fire pit, light them and sit around on folding chairs, singing stupid songs.

I have some friends who are like that. Of course, these are the same wimps who go camping towing a \$20,000 or \$30,000 house on wheels, complete with air conditioning, TV antennas and electric toothbrushes.

Good grief. You call that camping?

But I digress.

I recently connected with area resident Keith Mitchell, who sells firewood. He promised to deliver a nice load of hardwood, and at the risk of having to get in a long line to buy another load, I'll tell you this: Keith delivers more than your money's worth, not to mention some really great conversation in the process.

Anyway, I think the look in my eyes after my call to Keith sent a shiver or 2 down my wife's back because she already knows it doesn't matter how many logs he delivered.

It wouldn't be enough.

My campfires are legendary among my family members. Truth is, when I head for the woodpile, they tend to scatter in all directions,

knowing I won't be satisfied until relatives in Grand Rapids (on the west side of the state) can see the smoke from my backyard.

Guilty as charged. Hey, I figure it's not a real fire unless you've singed off both eyebrows and most of the hair on your arms.

A physician friend of mine has been fond of poking fun at me ever since I sent him some photos of one of my incendiary masterpieces. He swears he saw the flames from his apartment in Houston, Texas. He also figures I must be on speed dial at just about every fire department within a 100-mile radius of Cass City.

Of course, he's exaggerating. Just because I buy lighter fluid by the case and require my (now adult) children to wear flame suits while roasting marshmallows is no reason to jump to conclusions. Right?

Okay, so neighbors down the block can roast an Erla's hotdog or 2 while seated comfortably in a lawn chair in their own backyards, using the heat from my latest campfire.

The way I figure it, there's no harm in my little hobby, especially when you consider how long Michigan winters can be. And, since I don't have a fireplace, the summer months provide my only opportunities to enjoy a roaring fire, complete with hotdogs and all of the fixings for s'mores (even if my family has to stand across the street, roasting sticks in hand).

Well, I'm sure eventually I'll settle down a bit when it comes to building world-class campfires.

But until then...anybody gotta match?

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



## 5 YEARS AGO

Thumb resident Marv Irrer recently recorded his first hole in one. He accomplished the feat at Rolling Hills Golf Course. Marv used his 8 iron on hole #5, a 133-yard, par 3. Witnessing the ace were Bob Bliss, Jack Baker and Ross Kraft.

Jon Langley recently used a lop wedge to post a hole-in-one on the 133-yard, par 3, hole #5 at Rolling Hills Golf Course.

Jennie Thorp might not look like a seasoned racer at first glance. At just 5 feet 4 inches tall and 105 pounds, the petite blond Cass City area teen looks like she'd be more at home modeling on a runway than coasting down a soapbox derby track. But make no mistake about it — Thorp, 14, is a competitor. In fact, she's a champion. The daughter of Sheri and Shawn Sherman, Thorp recently captured first place in the All-American Local soapbox derby competition at the Saginaw Superslope in Buena Vista Township. The win qualified her to compete in the upcoming All-American World Competition, July 23 in Akron, Ohio.

## 10 YEARS AGO

A pair of Cass City runners competed in Saturday's 5K race in Sebawaing and returned home with 2 of the top 3 finishes. Junior Annjea Tanton, a member of the Red Hawks' Division 3 state championship squad, finished runner up in the event with a time of 21:08. Liz Hoyt, recovering from an ankle injury, finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 16-19 age class with a time of 23:12. Days earlier, on Thursday, Tanton traveled to Bay City and successfully defended her title in the St. Stan's 4-mile race. Tanton's time of 27:00 bested the 16-20 age bracket. Tanton's victory was her 3<sup>rd</sup> straight at the Bay City event.

Cass City's Dale Bullock was recognized recently for 25 years of government service at the Cass City post office where he has spent 23 of those years. Acting postmaster Stacey Middleton presented him with a commemorative plaque and pin.

After curious Cass City residents finally figured out who "clown number 1" was, this fun loving father gets relocated. Father Paul Bala of St. Pancratius is re-locating to St. Mary's Church in Port Sanilac, Michigan. "I asked the bishop to stay, but he said we need your gift someplace else," Bala said. If his schedule permits he wants to appear in Cass City's parade next year, but he's unsure if he'll be able to.

## 25 YEARS AGO

The Tigers finished the season on top in the Cass City Boys' Little League with a record of 9 wins and 1 loss. The team's success was the result of good team hitting and pitch-

ing. The Tigers' leading hitters were Kevin Mika, Ben Schott, Greg LeValley and Stan Dunevant. Kevin Mika supplied the power hitting with 5 round trippers. Greg LeValley was the backbone of the Tigers' pitching staff. Greg received strong support from Ben Schott and Todd Bliss. The Tigers held the opposing teams to an average of less than 5 runs per game. Close behind the Tigers were the Giants with 8 wins and 2 losses. The Giants closed out the season with 7 straight wins. The Giants' hitting attack was led by Billy Graham, Jeff Schember, Stacy Wright and Jim Golden. The Giants' pitching staff was led by Billy Graham. Jim Golden and Ryan Satchell also contributed to their pitching talents.

High point winner at Cass City Junior Wranglers horse show Saturday was Valerie Peruski, of Ubyly, with "Pretty Foxy Chick." Runner-up was Sarah Stoll, Kingston, with "Two Kings High."

Young ladies vying to be crowned queen of the July 4 festival are Katie LaBelle, Ann Leslie, Alicia Bliss, Stacey Patera, Lisa Nicholas, LouAnn Sellers, Tracey Grindey, Sara MacRae, Julie Wrona and Denise Cooper.

## 50 YEARS AGO

It looks like the battle for the title in the Cass City Softball League may shape up as a three-team race, as Bach must now be considered a serious contender with Ellenburg on the mound. With the Sebawaing hurler and Elwyn Helwig pitching, the league boasts two of the finest moundsmen in the area. Ellenburg proved his worth Tuesday night, June 20, against Erla's who were leading the league with a perfect 3-0 record. The polished hurler, who opposing stickers say can do just about anything with a ball except throw it straight, shutout the Foodmen with just one hit by Don Erla in a 1-0 decision. The game decided in the first inning when Clare Comment picked up a hit and scored. Helwig had his turn to shine in the nightcap. He limited Deford to a single safety in a 2-0 decision for Walbro. En route to victory he struck out 19, a new season's high. He was

helped by his brother, Maynard, who clouted a round tripper.

Fourteen members of the Shabbona Extension Group enjoyed their annual Mystery Tour, Tuesday, June 20. The committee who planned the tour were Miss Marie Meredith, Mrs. Joseph Brill and Miss Grace Wheeler. The group visited Murphy's Bakery in Bad Axe, went through the Hercules Powder Plant in Harbor Beach, enjoyed lunch at the Helm Restaurant and were shown through the new Helm Motel which features a fine swimming pool. In the afternoon, Emerson Wood of Harbor Beach showed the group through the Frank Murphy Museum and the Murphy home with its traditional furnishings. Mrs. George Murphy graciously consented to show the group her collection of antiques.

## 100 YEARS AGO

J.E. Winter was the recipient of a nice gift from the Board of Education at their meeting last Friday evening, the gift being a signet ring, bearing the engraving, "Compliments of Cass City School Board." He also received a beautiful picture of the "Madonna" from the teachers in the school. Mr. and Mrs. Winter and son left Saturday for Mt. Pleasant where Mr. Winter will instruct in history at the normal this summer. Next fall, Mr. Winter will go to the University of Michigan. The best wishes of a host of friends go with them to their new abode.

The Royal Neighbors enjoyed a very pleasant time at the home of Mrs. C.W. Heller last Wednesday afternoon. The business meeting of the society was held on the lawn, followed by a social session. Two guests were present, Mrs. C.H. Mellon and Mrs. Edith Pressley, the latter from Detroit. She organized the camp at Cass City, who were delighted to entertain her again. The occasion had another significance, the date also being the birthday of Mrs. Heller. The guests surprised her with a postal shower and she received a large number of pretty cards. Late in the afternoon, the hostess served ice cream and cake, and bananas and oranges. All enjoyed the pleasant occasion.

# Ask your neighbor

## I'd stay in Michigan for summer vacation

If money was no issue, Danielle Dickson would still stay in Michigan for her summer vacation. Why? Because of her devotion to her family.

Dickson, 22, of Cass City, said that Michigan is also her hotspot for a "staycation" because of all the wonderful little quirks that come with living in a small town.

"I grew up in the north. I like it better. It is not so fast paced. I don't have to drive so aggressive, it is just really laid back," Dickson said.

Raised in Deford, she has been living in Cass City for the past 5 years. She not only likes the easy paced life of small towns, but she also enjoys treating herself - especially if money was not an issue.

"If money was out of my mind, I would go on vacation somewhere out of town," she said. "I would spoil myself, I would stay in a motel. I would be shopping."

Dickson, however, plans on working at Parkway for the rest of the summer and attend birthday parties as well.

"We've got the tent set up in our backyard and everything."

With a lot of her family members in Michigan, Dickson said she will enjoy her summer.

"I am shy, so I am not outgoing and ready to meet new people, so I would stay in Michigan and be around my family," she said. I've got a few relatives in Cass City. Some of them (live) in Flint, Clio, Davison — that area. That is where a lot of them are from."



Danielle Dickson

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Sunday School All Ages 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday -  
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
AWANA Clubs 6:45 p.m. During School Year  
Thursday Teen Club 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Pastor: David G. Hill  
Website: www.fbccc.us

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Barrier Free  
State & National Historical Registry  
6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-5400  
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.  
Pastor: Dave Blackburn

**Fraser Presbyterian Church**  
3006 Huron Line Rd., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-5400  
Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Pastor: Dave Blackburn

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-2770  
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 a.m.  
Pastor: Randall Russell

**Novesta Church of Christ**  
2896 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-3658 or 872-1195  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Youth Group & Sunday Evening -  
Services 6:00 p.m.  
Ministers: Brad Gniewek & Brad Speirs  
Visit our website at: www.novestachurch.org

**Potter's House**  
**Christian Fellowship Church**  
Corner of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726  
872-5186  
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Pastor: F. Robert Tucker

**St. Pancratius Catholic Church**  
4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-3336  
Saturday Liturgy 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m.  
Pastoral Administrator:  
Sr. Maria Dina Puddu MC



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**THIS YEAR'S** lifeguard staff at the Cass City pool consists of (from left) Derek Mozden, Jacob Daniel, Cassandra Tomlinson, Travis Mozden (holding Rob VanAuken), Logan Kausch, Audrey VanAuken and Troy Kausch. Missing are Emily Martin, Megan Vanvliet, Karen Fraim, Alex Smith, Bryan Mohr, Jordan Vanney and Amy Howard. The pool will be open the Fourth of July weekend — July 2 from 12 to 7 p.m., July 3 from 1 to 5 p.m. and July 4 from 1 to 5 p.m.

*Circuit court news*

# Several appear on charges last week

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

• Arden J. Thompson, 48, Silverwood, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, Dec. 31 in Dayton Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$1,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

• Michael J. Garces, 24, Caro, was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail and 24 months probation for his plea of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana Nov. 1 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$2,658.

• David Garces Jr., 21, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in jail, with work release, and 36 months probation for his pleas of guilty to 2 counts of delivery/manufacture of marijuana, subsequent offense, Oct. 26 and 28 in Caro, and to delivery/manufacture of marijuana, subsequent offense, Nov. 1 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay \$3,464 in costs and fines.

• Jermaine L. Smith, 39, Freeland, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 36 months probation for his plea of no contest to third degree home invasion Nov. 26, 2009, in Vassar. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felonies).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$4,598.

• Kevin J. Martin, 24, Deford, received a one-year delayed sentence for his plea of guilty to unlawfully driving away an automobile and conspiracy to commit unlawfully driving away an automobile July 31 in Kingston Township.

He was ordered to pay \$2,466 in costs and fines.

• Joshua D. Hinkle, 28, Caro, was sentenced to 45 days in jail (30 days deferred), with work release, for his plea of no contest to domestic violence Dec. 15 in Cass City. He received a one-year delayed sentence for his plea of no contest to assault with a dangerous weapon on the same date/location.

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,551.

• Justin D. Grice, 22, Deford, was sentenced to 180 days in jail and 24 months probation for his plea of guilty to unlawfully driving away an

automobile July 31 in Kingston Township.

He was also ordered to pay \$1,898 in costs and fines.

• Kathy A. Dietrich, also known as Kathy A. Hill, 41, Saginaw, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with work release, for her pleas of guilty to malicious destruction of police or fire department property, assaulting/obstructing a police officer and driving while impaired, third offense, July 17 in Fremont Township.

She was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$4,224 plus restitution of \$120.

• Jonelle N. Lancaster, 24, Alpena, stood mute to charges of first degree home invasion and assault or assault and battery Sept. 28, 2008, in Caro.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$2,000.

• Amy L. Hunkins, 35, Vassar, was sentenced to 180 days in jail and 60 months probation for her plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Jan. 24 in Millington Township.

She was also ordered to complete 100 hours of community service and pay \$4,198 in costs and fines plus restitution of \$310.

• Keri M. Williams, 36, Mount Pleasant, stood mute to charges of second degree home invasion, larceny in a building, larceny of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 and 2 counts of conspiracy Sept. 18, 2006, in Fremont Township. She is also charged with being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-trial hearing was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$5,000.

• Dustin Alan-James Harp, 19, Gagetown, pleaded no contest to receiving and concealing stolen property March 26-27, 2009, in Gagetown.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

• Patrick A. McDonald, 40, Cass City, was sentenced to 365 days in jail (100 days deferred) for his pleas of guilty to 2 counts of delivery/manufacture of marijuana, subsequent offense, April 12, 2010, in Elkland Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions). In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,766.

# O-G okays spending plan

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budget," Haag added.

The numbers were based on a projected enrollment of 211 students next year.

"Owen-Gage will also be receiving an additional grant for reduction in students next year," she said.

"It's a good picture, a very positive look. You are going to end up with a fund balance for 2010-2011. We have a little bit more next year," she added.

"In comparison to the 2010-2011 budget, revenues will be increasing by \$5,000," she said.

"We're shifting dollars around a little bit," she said.

Owen-Gage no longer has an athletic fund, and Haag said this year, for the purpose of accounting, they combined the athletic fund with the general fund.

In other financial business, Karen Gaeth, Owen-Gage Food Service director, said that, because of the economy and gas prices, the school

lunch program would be more efficient if school officials increase their milk, breakfast and lunch prices.

"We'd like to up our milk prices to 50 cents," she said. "That gives us leeway so this year, if gas prices go up, milk prices are going to go up more, so that means we won't be making anything," she said.

Currently, Gaeth noted, the school is making 2 cents on milk.

Breakfast prices were increased from \$1 to \$1.25.

"And that is still good," she said, adding the adult breakfast will now cost \$1.50.

For the elementary students, who now pay \$1.75, the price was changed to \$2. "The high school is paying \$2, we'd like to up that to \$2.25," she said.

The adults' lunch price was changed from \$2.75 to \$3.00.

Kathy Champagne, who is acting board president, asked Gaeth, "do you think that is going to be sufficient?"

"Well, let's hope," Gaeth said.

# Legal Explorers participate in field trip at the Capitol

Recently 11 area high school students who are members of Legal Explorers Post 2550 participated in the Legal Experience Field Trip.

The students were accompanied by Post Advisors Tuscola County Assistant Prosecutor Ariana Heath, attorney Tara Hofmeister and Probate Judge Amanda Roggenbuck.

During the trip students observed the Michigan Senate session; were introduced and recognized by the Michigan Senate; toured Thomas Cooley Law School; toured the Judicial Learning Center and the Michigan Supreme Court at the Hall of Justice; met with a lobbyist and had an opportunity to speak with governor Snyder's chief of staff.

"It was great to see students experiencing government in such a hands-on fashion," said Heath.

The goal of the trip was to expose students to various aspects of the legislative and judicial branch of government. "Learning what a student is interested in and passionate about helps to guide them in their education and career choices," Roggenbuck explained.

Legal post members participating in the trip were Emily Wells, Ashley Williams, Jenna Luth, Alex Barrons, Kayla Zmierski, Kyle Campbell, Kelsey Mossner, Travis Fader, Alyssa Deming, Mitch Davies and Kendra Dillon.

The explorers meet the first Monday of each month at 4 p.m. in the Tuscola County District Court room. Students interested in joining should contact Hofmeister at (989) 672-1444.

**Cass City Public Schools**

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August 2 - September 22, 2011

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3 days per week - \$150 per session  
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# MDOT to close Cass City center

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the Bay Region consists of 13 counties, including the Thumb, said all of the Cass City employees have the option of transferring to MDOT offices in Bay City, Saginaw or Davison. In the process, he added, MDOT will be saving \$6,000 per month in lease payments and another \$1,000 for utilities at the Cass City TSC.

Ranck pointed out that closure of the local center is part of a much larger plan to save money and better serve state residents.

State Senator Tom Casperson, chairman of the Senate, agreed.

"The strategic steps the department announced...will allow MDOT to more efficiently serve the state's transportation needs," Casperson said. "Although there were certainly some difficult decisions to be made, this reorganization will allow MDOT to more effectively focus on its essential operations.

Officials said that consolidation/elimination of 8 MDOT facilities by Oct. 1 will save an estimated \$300,000 per year in rent and utilities.

The department plans to close TSCs in Howard City and Grayling along with the Cass City location, with those facilities' duties covered by the nearest region office in the Lower Peninsula.

"We are committed to providing the same level of customer service in these areas," said Steudle, "but now there are fewer locations, or perhaps more mobile offices. The business world calls it 'meaner and leaner', but we call it smarter.

"We have 15 percent fewer staff than 2 years ago, which is worth an estimated \$45 million to the department in potential state and federal funds, plus we have chosen not to fill 60 manager or supervisor positions," he added. "We have curtailed hiring in anticipation of fewer federal dollars and the basic need of state government to trim staff."

MDOT officials say the restructuring will preserve funding by using Build America Bonds to save \$22 million in debt service, restructuring Comprehensive Transportation Funding bonds to make more than \$41 million available for transit capital over 3 years, and improving standard processes at MDOT to save \$8 million in staff time this year.

# MSU wheat variety plot tour slated

Huron County MSU Extension is hosting a tour of the local MSU wheat variety plot today (Wednesday).

The plot is located between Sebawaing and Owendale, one-half mile south of Sebawaing Road on Pobanz Road (east side of the road on the Darwin Sneller farm). The plot will be open to visitors from 10 a.m. until noon.

No reservations are necessary. Contact the Huron County MSU Extension office at (989) 269-9949 with questions.

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**2 p.m. and 5 p.m.**  
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**178 Park Drive, Caro**

Call for reservations ~ limited seating  
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# Legal Notices

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 OR IF YOU ARE IN BANKRUPTCY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Todd Vatter a/k/a Todd M. Vatter a single man, to Citizens First Mortgage, LLC, Mortgagee, dated April 11, 2008 and recorded April 28, 2008 in Liber 1147, Page 1437, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Cenlar FSB by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Three and 83/100 Dollars (\$137,163.83) 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 front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 28, 2011.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 36, Town 14 North, Range 11 East; thence running West 900 feet; thence South 300 feet; thence West 200 feet; thence South 1020 feet; thence East 1100 feet; thence North 1320 feet to the point of beginning, EXCEPT Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 36, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan and the point of beginning; running thence South 00 degrees 59 minutes 52 seconds West 350 feet along the East line of said Section 36; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 450 feet; thence North 00 degrees 59 minutes 52 seconds East 350 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 450 feet along the North line of said Section 36 to the point of beginning, being a part of the Northeast quarter of Section 36, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan and subject to an easement for the purposes of ingress and egress over the Westerly 33 feet of the above described parcel.

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

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgage can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: June 29, 2011

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 275.0253

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by ADAM P. DOWEN and MICHELLE M. DOWEN, A MARRIED COUPLE, to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Mortgagee, dated January 18, 2006, and recorded on January 31, 2006, in Liber 1070, on Page 523, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Fifteen Dollars and No Cents (\$132,515.00), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on August 4, 2011.

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

LOT 35, BROAD LEA SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 28, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

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

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Mortgagee/Assignee

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

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by LONNIE S. ELLIS, AN UNMARRIED MAN and SHERRY L. CALDWELL, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 22, 2004, and recorded on November 29, 2004, in Liber 1018, on Page 1339, and assigned by said mortgagee to FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Dollars and Seventy-Three Cents (\$114,570.73), including interest at 2.250% 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 July 28, 2011.

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

PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 15, WHICH IS SOUTH 89 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 65 SECONDS EAST,

511.50 FEET FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 15; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST, 330.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST, 280.50 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, 330.00 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE BOTH 89 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST, 280.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB  
Mortgagee/Assignee

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

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

Notwithstanding, if the debt secured by this property was discharged in a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy proceeding, this notice is NOT an attempt to collect that debt. You are presently in default under your Mortgage Security Agreement, and the Mortgage Holder may be contemplating the commencement of foreclosure proceedings under the terms of that Agreement and Michigan law.

You have no legal obligation to pay amounts due under the discharged note. A loan modification may not serve to revive that obligation. However, in the event you wish to explore options that may avert foreclosure, please contact our office at the number listed below.

Attention: The following notice shall apply only if the property encumbered by the mortgage described below is claimed as a principal residence exempt from tax under section 7cc of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7cc.

Attention Charles Weber and Debra Weber, regarding the property at 8665 W. Sanilac Rd., Vassar, MI 48768. The following notice does not apply if you have previously agreed to modify the mortgage loan under section 3205b, 3205a, 3205d and 3205c do not apply unless the terms of the modified mortgage loan entered into were complied with for one year after the date of the modification.

You have the right to request a meeting with your mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. Potestivo & Associates, P.C. is the designee with authority to make agreements under MCL 600.3205b and MCL 600.3205c, and can be contacted at: 811 South Blvd., Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123. You may also contact a housing counselor. For more information, contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) by visiting [www.michigan.gov/mshda](http://www.michigan.gov/mshda) or calling (866) 946-7432.

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

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

Dated: June 29, 2011

Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd., Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123

Information may be faxed to (248) 267-3004  
Attention: Loss Mitigation  
Our File No: 11-42355  
ASAP #FNMA4029753

6-29-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Heather Germain and Eric Molesworth, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 495 W Millington Rd, Fostoria, MI 48435-9709.

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

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at <http://www.michigan.gov/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 June 23, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after June 23, 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: June 29, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
FC S (248) 593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525  
File # 326715F02

6-29-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Donna Barnes and Timothy L. Barnes, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 7185 Fostoria Rd., Mayville, MI 48744-9541.

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

make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1304.

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at <http://www.michigan.gov/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 June 24, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after June 24, 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: June 29, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
FC S (248) 593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525  
File # 369323F02

6-29-1

NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Pamela Roland and Lonny Roland, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 398 Gaway St., Vassar, MI 48768-9670.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1311.

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

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from June 24, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after June 24, 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: June 29, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
FC J (248) 593-1311  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525  
File # 375657F01

6-29-1

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY IN BANKRUPTCY OR HAVE RECEIVED A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY AS TO THIS OBLIGATION, THIS COMMUNICATION IS INTENDED FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT IN VIOLATION OF THE AUTOMATIC STAY OR THE DISCHARGE INJUNCTION. IN SUCH CASE, PLEASE DISREGARD ANY PART OF THIS COMMUNICATION, WHICH IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE FOREGOING.

OTHERWISE, FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES US TO ADVISE YOU THAT COMMUNICATION FROM OUR OFFICE COULD BE INTERPRETED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND THAT ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AS YOU MAYBE ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS OF THE SERVICE-MEMBERS' CIVIL RELIEF ACT.

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To: Etta M. Thane and Willard M. Thane Sr., 4657 Hospital Drive, Cass City, MI 48726  
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-

1311.

You may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") website or by calling MSHDA. The website address and telephone number of MSHDA is: ([www.mshda.info/counseling\\_search/](http://www.mshda.info/counseling_search/)), telephone (517) 373-8370, TTY# 1-800-382-4568.

If you request a meeting with the servicer's designee 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: June 29, 2011

Orlans Associates P.C  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File Number: 650.1784

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INITIAL FORECLOSURE NOTICE AS

REQUIRED BY MICHIGAN PUBLIC ACT 30 OF 2009.

Notice is hereby provided to Dennis R. Geitman II, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property known as 3680 SWAFFER ROAD, MILLINGTON, MI 48746 that the mortgage is in default.

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

Dennis R. Geitman II also has/have the right to contact the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA") at its website [www.michigan.gov/mshda](http://www.michigan.gov/mshda) or by calling MSHDA at (866) 946-7432 (Tel).

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

If Designated Agent and Borrower(s) agree to modify the mortgage, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower(s) abide by the terms of the modified mortgage.

Borrower(s) have the right to contact an attorney or the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer Referral Service at (800) 968-0738 (Tel).

Pub Date: June 29, 2011

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**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Robert A. Jager and Kelly J. Jager, husband and wife, on December 7, 2005, 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 December 19, 2005 in Liber 1065, page 266, and upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Eight and 61/100 (\$125,548.61) 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, July 14, 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 Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as follows:

**Parcel 1:** A parcel of land in the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Fractional Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: To fix the point of beginning commence at the Southeast corner of said Section 7; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds West on the South line of said Section, 1313.72 feet to the centerline of Phillips Road (so-called), and the East 1/8 line of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 49 minutes 53 seconds West on said centerline, and said East 1/8 line, 400.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing North 00 degrees 49 minutes 53 seconds West on said centerline, and said East 1/8 line, 253.40 feet; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds East, parallel said South Section line, 600.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 49 minutes 53 seconds East parallel with said East 1/8 line, 253.40 feet; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds West parallel with said South Section line, 600.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3.49 acres of land and subject to highway use of the West 33.00 feet thereof and subject to any other easements of record.

**Parcel 2:** A parcel of land in the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Fractional Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 7, which is 713.72 feet; South 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds West, of the Southeast corner of said Section; thence continuing South 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds West, on said South Section line, 600.00 feet to the centerline of Phillips Road (so-called), and the East 1/8 line of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 49 minutes 53 seconds West on said centerline of Phillips Road, and said East 1/8 line, 400.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds East parallel with said South Section line, 600.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 49 minutes 53 seconds East parallel with said East 1/8 line, 400.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5.51 acres of land, and subject to highway, use of the West and South 33.00 feet thereof and subject to any other easements of record.

**Parcel 3:** A parcel of land in the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Fractional Section 7, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 7, which is 313.72 feet; South 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds West of the Southeast corner of said Section; thence continuing South 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds West on said South Section line, 400.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 49 minutes 53 seconds West parallel with the East 1/8 line of said Section, 653.40 feet; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 47 seconds East, parallel with said South Section line, 400.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 49 minutes 53 seconds East parallel with said East 1/8 line, 653.40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 6.00 acres of land, and subject to highway use of the South 33.00 feet thereof, and subject to any other easements of record.

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 15th day of June, 2011.

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

6-15-5

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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 Wesley A. Jones, an unmarried man, original mortgagor, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 29, 2006 and recorded on July 14, 2006 in Liber 1088 on Page 221, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Eight and 99/100 Dollars (\$55,458.99), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 14, 2011.

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

Lot 224, Shay Lake Heights Subdivision No. Two, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2, Page 45, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: June 15, 2011  
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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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 John S. Kubisz and Dorothy J. Kubisz, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Mortgagee, dated October 5, 2007 and recorded on November 7, 2007 in Liber 1134 on Page 486 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Seven and 80/100 Dollars (\$157,387.80), including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 14, 2011.

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

The Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Township of Fremont, Tuscola County, Michigan, except a piece of land commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, thence North 16 rods, thence East 15 rods; thence South 16 rods, thence West 15 rods to the place of beginning. Also except the West 15 rods of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, excepting therefrom the South 16 rods thereof.

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

Dated: June 15, 2011

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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 Ronald Lewis, a married man, and Brooke Lewis, a married woman, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 20, 2002 and recorded on August 23, 2002 in Liber 891 on Page 147 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand One Hundred and 45/100 Dollars (\$62,100.45), including interest at 2.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 14, 2011.

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

Part of Lot 6, Block 22 of the Plat of the village of Vassar (now city), according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Deeds, Pages 143 and Liber 2 of Deeds, Page 93 and replatted as the map of North's Addition to the village of Vassar (now city), according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 20, now Page 21A, more particularly described as: Commencing at the Easterly Line of Goodrich Street and the Southwesterly line of East Huron Avenue, said point also being North 03 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds East 9.60 feet from the Northwest corner of Lot 2, Block 22 of the Plat of the Village of Vassar; thence South 03 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds West, 284.45 feet along said line of Goodrich Street to the point of beginning, thence South 85 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, 166.09 feet to the East line of said Lot 6; thence South 03 degrees 50 minutes 27 seconds West, 49.49 feet, along said East line of said Lot 6; thence North 85 degrees 41 minutes 59 seconds West 141.52 feet; thence North 83 degrees 23 minutes 00 seconds West, 24.53 feet to the West line of said Lot 6; thence North 03 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds East, 49.50 feet along said West line to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: June 15, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel J. Schlaud and Hope C. Schlaud, husband and wife, to American Financial Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 25, 1999 and recorded February 26, 1999 in Liber 764, Page 1049, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Five Hundred Forty and 7/100 Dollars (\$51,540.07) including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 14, 2011.

Said premises are located in the Township of Vassar,

Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

A parcel of land in the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as follows: Commencing on the North-South 1/4 line of said Section 23 at a point 1,671.00 feet North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, from the South 1/4 corner of said Section, said point being the Southwest corner of the North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, on said North-South 1/4 line, 167.10 feet, thence North 89 degrees 27 minutes 16 seconds East, 1,277.61 feet to a point on the East line of said North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 35 seconds East, on said East line, 167.36 feet, to the Southeast corner of said North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence South 89 degrees 27 minutes 58 seconds West, 1,278.32 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.

**TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: June 15, 2011

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 671.1189

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kevin M. Green and Peggy I. Green, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Wells Fargo Financial America, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 27, 2007 and recorded on January 7, 2008 in Liber 1138 on Page 666 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Six and 30/100 Dollars (\$80,726.30), including interest at 9.38% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 21, 2011.

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

Part of the West 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 8, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Commencing at the West 1/4 corner, Thence North 914.88 feet along the West line to the point of beginning; Thence North 410.5 feet to the North line of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4; Thence South 89 degrees 26 minutes 56 seconds East 1167.3 feet; Thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes 53 seconds East 410.52 feet; Thence North 89 degrees 26 minutes 55 seconds West 1168.48 feet to the point of beginning.

This property may be located within the vicinity of farmland or a farm operation. Generally accepted agricultural and management practices which may generate noise, dust, odors, and other associated conditions may be used and are protected by the Michigan Right to Farm Act.

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

Dated: June 22, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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6-22-4

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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 Kevin M. Green and Peggy I. Green, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Wells Fargo Financial America, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 27, 2007, and recorded on January 7, 2008 in Liber 1138 on Page 656 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Six and 30/100 Dollars (\$80,726.30), including interest at 9.38% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 21, 2011.

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

The West 1/4 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8 and the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8, the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of the East 5 acres of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 8, all in Township 10 North, Range 8 East, except commencing at the Southwest corner of the East 40 acres of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8; thence West 28 rods; thence North 160 rods; thence East 33 rods; thence South 160 rods; Thence 5 rods to the place of beginning, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, subject to easements and rights of way of records.

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

Dated: June 22, 2011

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6-22-4

**FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES) 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 Carol S. Peck, an unmarried woman of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Independent Mortgage Company dated the 29th day of July, 2008, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 6th day of August, 2008, in Liber 1155, Page 775 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to Independent Bank, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$74,021.82 (seventy-four thousand twenty-one and 82/100) plus accrued interest at 6.75% (six point seven five) 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 21st day of July, 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 Village of Caro, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Situated in the Village of Caro, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan: The East 76 feet of Lot 1 and the East 76 feet of the South 8.25 feet of Lot 2, Block 2 of Street's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page(s) 17A, Records of -Tuscola County, State of Michigan. Commonly known as: 411 Fremont Street.

Tax Parcel No.: 050-500-632-0100-00

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: June 22, 2011

By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Weltman, Weinberg, and Reis  
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S  
Troy, MI 48084  
WWR# 10068398

6-22-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David McPherson and Tammy McPherson, husband and wife, to Fifth Third Mortgage - MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated November 18, 2005 and recorded December 9, 2005 in Liber 1064, Page 88, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Fifth Third Mortgage Company by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Twenty-Nine and 86/100 Dollars (\$178,029.86) 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 front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 21, 2011.

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

Land situated in the Township of Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, is described as follows: The Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 22, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Except land described as beginning at a point on the South Section line, North 87 degrees 46 minutes 41 seconds West 690.02 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 22; thence continuing along said line, North 87 degrees 45 minutes 41 seconds West 262.94 feet; North 0 degrees 38 minutes 59 seconds West 1325.46 feet to the North line of said Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter; thence continuing along said line, South 88 degrees 25 minutes 67 seconds East 262.80 feet; thence South 0 degrees 38 minutes 59 seconds East 1328.55 feet to the point of beginning. Also except land described as beginning at a point on the South Section line that is North 87 degrees 45 minutes 41 seconds West 440.02 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 22; thence continuing North 87 degrees 45 minutes 41 seconds West 250.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 59 seconds West 400.00 feet to the point of beginning. Also except part of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of section 22, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at the Southeast corner; thence North 87 degrees 45 minutes 41 seconds West 440.02 feet along the South Section line; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 59 seconds West 400.00 feet; thence North 87 degrees 45 minutes 41 seconds West 250.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 59 seconds West 928.55 feet; thence

South 88 degrees 25 minutes 57 seconds East 689.66 feet; thence along the East Section line, South 00 degrees 38 minutes 59 seconds East 1336.63 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.

**TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: June 22, 2011

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 200.7689

6-22-4

**NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)**

**NOTICE** is hereby provided to William Freeman, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 1708 W. Bliss Rd., Caro, MI 48723-9541.

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

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/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 June 23,



# Legal Notices

**OTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE -** Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Gerald L. O'Connor and Wendy S. O'Connor on April 26, 2005, to Eastern Michigan Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, of 65 N. Howard Avenue, Crosswell, MI 48422, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on May 17, 2005, in Liber 1039 of Mortgages, Pages 36-41, and upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred One and 46/100 (\$223,701.46) 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 July 14, 2011 at 10:00. Local Time, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public venue to the highest bidder at the front entrance of the Courthouse Building, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan 48723 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 Indianfields, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as follows:

Part of the East half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 35, Town 12 North, Range 9, East, being described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 35, thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 42 seconds East 919.67 feet along the South Section line to the point of beginning; thence North 00 degrees 10 minutes 40 seconds West 505.70 feet, parallel with the West line of the East half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes 42 seconds West 258.40 feet to the West line of the East half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, thence North 00 degrees 10 minutes 40 seconds West 823.07 feet along the West line to the South 1/8 line, thence North 89 degrees 49 minutes 30 seconds East 660.11 feet along said 1/8 line to the West 1/8 line, thence South 00 degrees 13 minutes 40 seconds East 1327.46 feet along said 1/8 line to the South Section line, thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes 42 seconds West 402.87 feet along said South line to the point of beginning.

Parcel ID: 79-013-035-300-0400-00  
Commonly known as: 201 E. Sanilac, Caro, MI 48723

The length of the period of redemption from such sale will be six (6) months immediately following said sale unless the property is deemed to be abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days.

Dated at Caro, Michigan, this 8th day of June, 2011.

TOUMA, WATSON, WHALING  
COURY, CASTELLO & STREMER, P.C.  
Attorneys for Eastern Michigan Bank  
By: Michael J. Whaling  
316 McMorran Boulevard  
Port Huron, Michigan 48060-3808

6-8-5

**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 Helynn Frady-Sayan, and Anthony A. Sayan, wife and husband, original mortgagors, to Bank of America, N.A., Mortgagee, dated September 25, 2009 and recorded on October 7, 2009 in Liber 1185 on Page 118 in instrument 200909023890, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Two and 33/100 Dollars (\$68,992.33), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 7, 2011.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 34 Town 14 North Range 8 East, Akron Township described as beginning at the center of said Section 34; thence along the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 34 North 00 degrees 58 minutes 10 seconds West 99.00 feet; thence parallel to the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 34 North 89 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds East 363.00 feet South 00 degrees 58 minutes 10 seconds East 99.00 feet to the East and West 1/4 of said Section 34; thence along said East and West 1/4 line South 89 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds West 363.00 feet to the Center of said Section 34 and the point of beginning as recorded in Tuscola County Records, State of Michigan.

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

Dated: June 8, 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 #371594F01

6-8-4

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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 Christina M. Gawrylowicz, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 9, 2008 and recorded on October 22, 2008 in Liber 1160 on Page 506, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee as docu-

mented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Nine and 64/100 Dollars (\$52,709.64), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 7, 2011.

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

Land Commencing at a Point 15 Rods South of the Northeast corner of the North One-Half of the South One-Half of the Northeast One-Quarter of Section 11, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, thence West 10 Rods, thence South 5 Rods, thence East 10 Rods, thence North 5 Rods to the Place of beginning.

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

Dated: June 8, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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File #315134F01

6-8-4

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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 Roy C. Johnson, III, a single man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 29, 2003 and recorded on April 30, 2003 in Liber 928 on Page 1006 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Five and 82/100 Dollars (\$70,475.82), 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 July 7, 2011.

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

Lot 2, Block 4 of the plat of the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 15 of deeds, page 564.

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

Dated: June 8, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
FC L (248) 593-1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #365111F01

6-8-4

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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 Joel J. Mata, an unmarried man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 12, 2004 and recorded on November 1, 2004 in Liber 1015 on Page 578, and modified by Affidavit or Order received by and recorded, and assigned by mesne assignments to U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-RMS1 as assignee as documented by an assignment, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on April 11, 2008 in Liber 1146 on Page 818, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Nine and 97/100 Dollars (\$231,799.97), including interest at 5.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 7, 2011.

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

Part of Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Fremont Township, Tuscola County, Michigan commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Fremont Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence South 0 degrees 04 minutes 58 seconds West 330.00 feet along to West line of said Section 15 to the Point of Beginning. Running thence North 90 degrees 00 seconds East 801.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 04 minutes 58 seconds West 243.40 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 East 123.63 feet; thence North 81 degrees 53 minutes 06 seconds East 400.14 feet; thence South 0 degrees 07 minutes 02 seconds 806.23 feet along the West 1/8 line of Section 15; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 40 seconds West 1320.19 feet along the South 1/8 line of said Section 15: thence North 00 degrees 04 minutes 58 seconds East 991.48 Feet along the West Section 15, to the Point of Beginning.

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

Dated: June 8, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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File #152719F05

6-8-4

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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 Donna M. Wyman, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Independent Mortgage Co. East MI, Mortgagee, dated October 29, 2003 and recorded on November 10, 2003 in Liber 963 on Page 1242, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Independent Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Three and 35/100 Dollars (\$116,183.35), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 7, 2011.

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

The North 300 feet of the West 726 feet of the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 17, Township 14 North, Range 10 East.

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

Dated: June 8, 2011

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #373646F01

6-8-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott Joseph Kelley and Mindy Lynn Kelley, husband and wife, to Icon Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 8, 2002 and recorded April 16, 2002 in Liber 874, Page 364, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Nationstar Mortgage LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Four and 74/100 Dollars (\$129,744.74) including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 7, 2011.

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

Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 20, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 32 seconds West, 621.42 feet along the East-West quarter line, thence South 45 degrees 08 minutes 25 seconds East, 876.12 feet along the centerline of East Dayton Road; thence South 00 degrees 02 minutes 15 seconds West, 406.10 feet along the East section line to the point of beginning; running thence South 00 degrees 02 minutes 15 seconds West, 300.00 feet along the East section line, thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 12 seconds West, 726.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 02 minutes 15 seconds East, 300.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 12 seconds East, 726.00 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the Southeast quarter of Section 20, Town 12 North, Range 10 East. Right of way for Murray Road over the Easterly side thereof.

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.

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If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: June 8, 2011

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 426.1941

6-8-4

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

**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by JOHN H. BERLIN, A SINGLE MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 24, 2001 and recorded on January 4, 2002 in Liber 854 on Page 663, and assigned by said mortgagee to GMAC Mortgage, LLC, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$44,427.58), 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

July 7, 2011.  
Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

**COMMENCING AT A POINT 20 RODS NORTH OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST; THENCE EAST 330 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 280.50 FEET; THENCE WEST 330 FEET; THENCE NORTH 280.50 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 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

GMAC Mortgage, LLC  
Mortgagee/Assignee

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

6-8-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nicholas E. Utley, an unmarried man, and Jodi M. Wilcox, an unmarried woman, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 28, 2003 and recorded September 17, 2003 in Liber 954, Page 1161, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, successor by merger to Chase Home Finance LLC successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seven Thousand Six Hundred Seventeen and 33/100 Dollars (\$107,617.33) 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 front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 7, 2011.

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

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 13, Town 11 North, Range 9 east, described as: Commencing at the South quarter corner Section 13, North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 1482.75 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 00 seconds East, 580.80 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 150.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 00 seconds East, 747.27 feet; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 56 seconds East, 331.30 feet; thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 00 seconds West, 1328.08 feet to said South line of Section 13; thence along said South line of Section 13, South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 181.30 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.

**TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: June 8, 2011

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 682.0453

6-8-4

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**MORTGAGE SALE -** Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sarah S. Woodhull, a married woman, and Andrew M. Woodhull, her husband, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 29, 2004 and recorded July 14, 2004 in Liber 1000, Page 785, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, successor to Chase Home Finance LLC successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Eight and 44/100 Dollars (\$52,258.44) 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 front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 7, 2011.

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

Lot 10, Block 43, Plat of Centerville (now Caro) according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 59A, Tuscola County Records.

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

**TO ALL PURCHASERS:** The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

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Dated: June 8, 2011

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 682.0567

6-8-4

2005, 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 May 10, 2005 in Liber 1037, page 1431, and upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of One Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy and 67/100 (\$131,670.67) 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, July 14, 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 Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as follows:

Parcel 1: Lots 16, 17 18, Block 2, Wilmot and Walker's Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 10A.

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.

Together with Land in the Township of Wells, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 20; thence along the East line of said Section 20, North 00 degrees 03 minutes 33 seconds West 1106.57 feet to the point of beginning; thence parallel with the North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; South 89 degrees 59 minutes 21 seconds West 860.21 feet; thence parallel with the West line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; North 00 degrees 00 minutes 16 minutes West 216.57 feet to said North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence along said North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; North 89 degrees 59 minutes 21 seconds East 860.00 feet to said East line of Section 20; thence along said East line of Section 290.20; South 00 degrees 03minutes 33 seconds East 216.57 feet to the point of beginning.

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 15th day of June, 2011

Touma, Watson, Whaling, Coury & Castello, P.C.  
Attorneys for Tri County Bank  
By: Douglas



# Obituaries

## Virginia Bilicki

Virginia Mae Bilicki, 87, of Deford, died following a short illness Tuesday, June 21, 2011 in Rose Arbor Inpatient Hospice, Kalamazoo.

She was born March 14, 1924 in Detroit, the daughter of John and Anna (Glac) Kapala.

She married Edward Peter Bilicki Oct. 2, 1943 in St. Michael Catholic Church, Wilmot. He died Jan. 6, 2010, leaving a very large hole in Virginia's life.

Virginia graduated from Cass City High School. She attended Aribright Business School in Battle Creek. Virginia worked for the Tuscola County Intermediate School District as a teacher's aid, retiring after over 23 years. She enjoyed antiques, bowling and crafts. Virginia was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church and their altar society. Virginia also supported Association for Retarded Citizens in Caro.

Virginia is survived by her children: Karen (Gareth) Smith of Brighton, Lynn (Steve) Duriga of Tucson, Ariz., Edward John (Rainell) Bilicki of Oriental, NC, and Jane (Tom Harris) Bilicki of Kalamazoo; grandchildren: Edward, Jedd, Carrie, Sarah, Julie, and Heather; great grandchildren: Green, Braden, Gavin, Linnea, Aven and Brady; a sister, JoAnn Asher of Cass City; sisters-in-law, Rita Kapala of Lapeer, Mary Ann Kapala of Oak Park; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers: Norbert and Anthony Kapala; and a brother-in-law, Alden Asher.

Funeral services were held Friday, June 24, at St. Michael Catholic Church, Wilmot, with the Rev. William Bonnici officiating.

Interment was in the St. Michael Cemetery, Wilmot.

Pallbearers for Ms. Bilicki were Gareth Smith, Jedd Smith, Steve Duriga, and Scott Vroegindewey.

Memorials may be made to St. Michael Catholic Church.

Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at [www.kranzfuneralhome.com](http://www.kranzfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston.

## Otis Dorland

Otis W. Dorland, 86, of Decker, passed away Saturday, June 25, 2011 after a long illness, at his home, with his family by his side.

He was born Oct. 4, 1924 in Flynn Township, the son of the late Otto and Elizabeth (Alexander) Dorland.

He married Donna Mitchell March 24, 1950 in Cass City.

Otis was a lifelong farmer and worked for 25 years for General Cable. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII. He enjoyed wood-working and reading and writing poetry.

Otis is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Donna; children: Cheryl Kilbourn of Cass City, Kathryn Luana of Decker, James Dorland of Deford, Barbara (Dave) McComb of Cass City, Timothy (Lorna) Dorland of Deford, Thomas (Kathy) Dorland of Cass City, Debra (Dave) Heacock of Charlotte and David (Kim) Dorland of Coleman; 24 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; sisters: Belva (the late Lloyd) Kuhl of Sebawaing, Shirley (Roy) Wagg of Cass City and Lois (Newell) Harris of Arizona; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by 2 great-grandchildren, Justin and Michael Dorland; and siblings: Eleanor, Ruth, Dwain, Newell and Chester.

Visitation will be held Sunday, July 3, from 2 to 9 p.m., and Monday, July 4, from 10 until an 11 a.m. serv-

ice at Deford Community Church, Deford, with Pastor David Cooper officiating.

Burial will be in the Evergreen Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Deford Christian Academy or Home and Hospice Advantage.

Family and friends can share condolences at [www.thabetfuneral-home.com](http://www.thabetfuneral-home.com).

Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Helen Fuester

Helen Jane Fuester, 93, of Edwardsburg, formerly of Cass City, died Thursday, June 23, 2011 in East Lake Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Elkhart, Ind.



She was born June 15, 1918 in Cass City, the daughter of Thomas and Helen (Fenton) Whitfield.

She married Elmer Fuester Sept. 19, 1936 in the Parsonage of the Presbyterian Church in Cass City. He died March 4, 1995 after 58 great years.

Jane graduated from Cass City High School in 1936. Jane and Elmer worked their farms in Cass City for many years. They spent winter months at their home in Bradenton, Fla., since 1963. They belonged to 2 Euchre clubs for over 50 years. Jane enjoyed playing cards, playing piano, reading, dancing and traveling.

Jane was a member of the Busy Bees, Red Cross, Greenleaf Extension Club, Shabbona Extension Club, Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary, Greenleaf Evergreen Farm Bureau and was a lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star. At age 12 Jane accepted Jesus Christ as her savior and became a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Cass City, where she attended until age 83. Because of failing health, she moved to Edwardsburg to live with her daughter Carol and husband Kurt. Jane loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them and also with her many great friends.

Jane is survived by her daughters: Joan (Lester) O'Dell of Ashley, Carol (Kurt) Comer of Edwardsburg, and Linda (Walt) Gee of Edwardsburg; 13 grandchildren; and many great and great great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her daughter and son-in-law, Rosemary and Bill Ross; infant daughter, Wendy; 4 infant grandsons; half-sister, Catherine Rodger; and her 2 sons, Tom and Stewart Rodger.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 27, at First Presbyterian Church of Cass City with Pastor David Blackburn officiating.

Interment was in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Cass City or the Charity of the donor's choice.

Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at [www.kranzfuneralhome.com](http://www.kranzfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

# School to cut \$600,000 in budget

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in 2012-13.

Roughly half of the cuts — about \$310,000 — planned for the coming year will come in the form of eliminating 5 teaching positions, although school officials have not yet specified which positions will be cut.

Other cuts slated for 2011-12 include \$60,000 by eliminating textbook purchases for one year, \$46,000 in miscellaneous spending, \$44,751 by reducing one administrative position, \$25,000 due to the retirement of one para-professional, \$23,000 by reducing the technology budget by 11 percent, \$24,000 through an agreement in which all administrators and support staff will pay 10 percent of their insurance premiums, \$20,000 in athletic department budget cuts, \$14,350 in additional superintendent and administrative costs, and \$10,000 by eliminating summer school for one year.

## NEW BUDGET

Hartel and Tim Berlin, the district's chief financial officer, presented the proposed 2011-12 budget as well as Cass City's amended, final 2010-2011 spending plan. The board approved both Monday night — the state requires all schools to have new budgets in place by June 30.

The proposed spending plan totals \$9.197 million in revenues, a decrease of roughly \$960,000 compared to 2010-11. Expenditures are set at \$9.415 million, \$571,000 less than in 2010-11.

The district is starting the year with a fund balance of more than \$1 million, but the total is expected to drop by \$217,862, to \$830,263, by June 30, 2012. Berlin noted the anticipat-

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Hartel said the new contract includes no step increases for instructors. However, the board agreed to pay teachers a one-time non-salary stipend of \$2,500 next year and \$2,000 in 2012-13.

"They've been on a pay freeze for the past 3 years. This would have been the fourth year. It was a chance to say 'thanks' to our teaching staff without breaking the bank," he said, adding the net increase will be less because teachers will be covering more of their own health insurance costs.

"My assessment of (this contract) is that it's a fair contract; it's going to cost us about \$80,000, and when you're talking about 64 employees, it's not that big a cost," Hartel said. "I think our teachers deserve it. They've worked hard, our kids are doing well" in terms of standardized test scores and other measures of academic success.

Cass City Education Association President Mary Keroson acknowledged this contract is on the lean side with respect to pay hikes for teachers. However, she indicated, the teaching staff is well aware of the money challenges facing the local school district. "It's not just Cass City that's looking at financial issues. I think, as a union, we need to be aware of the impact of what happens in the state that affects all of us."

Students remain the priority for both the school board and union, Keroson said.

"That's what we're all about. We're working together. We're working together for the kids. Ultimately, the school board and the teachers union are on the same track."

Keroson added, "We believe Supt. Hartel is doing a great job. He really has the best interest of the kids in mind. It's a tough position to be in."

ed fund balance will still equal about 9 percent of the district's budget, which he described as acceptable given all of the financial challenges over the past year and in the coming year.

In other business Monday, the board:

- Approved a resolution designating the Cass City Public Schools as the policyholder for MESSA insurance benefits.

# Village is going green

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"BioTech Agronomics, Inc. gave us the best program in timing and cost. Their quote is estimated at \$23,825. The final cost will be determined after the sludge is removed," said Zawilinski.

Added Cristiano, "Rick's thinking was outside the box and much appreciated. We had concerns that our costs would be an annual charge of \$30,000 or more for removal to a landfill."

In a matter related to high levels of arsenic, the council also voted to hire Rooney Contracting, Bad Axe, in the

amount of \$18,005, for site preparation and installation of a fiberglass backwash storage tank purchased from Wagner Enterprises for the amount of \$44,682 plus freight.

Mohr wrote in a memo to Cristiano, that the Backwash Storage Tank is necessary to store the water from the Arsenic Treatment Plant backwash process. The backwash material contains high levels of arsenic. When the backwash is discharged to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the arsenic content of the backwash water contaminates the bio-solids making it unusable for land applications.

# Ubly Schools Honor Roll

Ubly High School and Junior High School officials announce the fourth marking period honor roll.

## GRADE 7

Evan Block, Kaylee Block, Emily Booms, Joshua Bowman\*, Macanna Briolat, Alexandria Camp\*, Austin Chernow, Kyla Czewski, Abigail Deering, Brandon Dickert, Trevor Dropiewski\*, Jennifer Gentner, Jacqueline Gilbert\*, Lindsey Glaza, Madison Glaza, Miranda Glaza, Andrew Gosdzinski, Katlyn Groth, Grant Hagen, Aaron Hund, Ethan Hund, Aliyah Kaczor, Jessi Kincaid, Courtney Klee\*, James McBride\*, Jonathan Messing\*, Justin Messing, Jaylynn Monzo, Nicole Osantowski, Ashley Osentoski\*, Kasey Palmer, Arianna Partaka, Michaela Partaka, Shannon Particka\*, Lucas Rothe\*, Daniel Rutkowski\*, Brandon Sadro, Haley Spicer, Ashley Sweeney\*, Mariah Tezak, Brigitte Vogel, Jesse Vogel, James Weber, Roman Weltin, Jeffrey Wright, and Jonathan Wright.

## GRADE 8

Jonathon Bischer, Courtney Cook\*, Mathias Dekker\*, Jason Doyle, Hanna Drake\*, Shelby Farver, Jaclyn Geiger, Alexis Gezequel, Adam Grifka\*, Marisa Guza\*, Michela Guza\*, Emily Halifax, Thomas Hill, Cody Hutchinson, Alexis Inbody\*, Cody Klee, Meagan Kozfkay\*, Kurt Kubacki\*, Logan Lenke, Joseph Lipskey, Preston McCarty, Sawyer Messing, Tiffani Moore, Zachary Nowicki, Cynthia O'Connor\*, Brandy Osentoski, Briann Osentoski, Shane Osentoski, Frederick Pallas, Bailey Peruski, Alex Ratcliff, Cole Roggenbuck, George Selleke, Scott Shepherd, Nicole Sweeney, Joshua Ulfig, Kelsey Ulfig, Trevor Walsh, Grant Weber, Bryce Weltin, Jenna White\*, Jessica Wolschleger, and Shanae Woolner.

## GRADE 9

Teryan Block, Sydney Bonnema\*, Tyler Brandel\*, Lindsey Briolat, Matthew Brown, Austin Burton, Kandace Crickon\*, Tyler Cross, Kyle Franzel, Heather Gentner, Ashley Glaza\*, Marissa Hagen\*, Brent Heleski, Jensen Hund\*, Jacob Inbody, Janelle Leppok\*, Clayton Messing, Leah Messing, Trenton Morell\*, Sara Osantowski, Destiny Osentoski, Kady Osentoski\*, Leah Osentoski, Danielle Pionk\*, Brayden Rich, Brittney Sadro\*, Justin Sadro, Shawn Schmidt, Logan Schumacher, Shelby Schumacher\*, Kassidy Swanson, Hannah Sweeney, Brett Vogel, Marshal Weltin, and Kari White.

## GRADE 10

Moritz Ahlmann, Faithe Baslock, Austin Bischer, Kurt Booms\*, Alyssa Briolat\*, Lindsay Dickert, Brandon Dorsch, Tyler Dripiewski\*, Jacob Fulton, Jamie Grifka, Skye Grifka\*, Tyler Grifka\*, Cody Groth, Maria Guza, Krysta Jackson, Jamie Keller, Henry Kenga, Zachary Kranz\*, Ashley Kubacki\*, Hailey Kubacki, Brandon Leppok, Matthew Leppok, Catharine Loss, Tiffany Maurer, Tabitha McCarty, Gabriel Messing, Corey Miller, Rakel Osentoski\*, Jessica Peplinski, Kristi Pollum, Nattamon Ponsaena, Jeremy Porzondek, Zachary Priemer, Ryan Ransay, Austin Rothe\*, Becky Rutkowski, Jason Rutkowski\*, Sahobiddin Sadriddini\*, Allison Sadro\*, Ashley Samuelson, Camilla Sanchez, Rickelle Schmidt\*, Carsten Seemann\*, Elizabeth Shaw, Nycote Shepherd, Morgan Smalley, Rachel Sorenson\*, Justin Stepka\*, Chandra Susalla, Katelyn Taylor, Alyssa Tyrrell\*, Vanessa Ulfig, Joseph Varosi, Jacob Walker, Jonathan Watchowski, Marie Wolverson\*, and WeiJun Xu.

## GRADE 11

Mickayla Bischer, Ryan Bischer, Kelsey Block\*, Jennifer Booms, Nicole Booms, Brandi Burton, Bret Cleary, Wayne Conley, Ashley Deachin, Bart Dekker, Susanne Dekker\*, Austin Drake, Brittany Forman, Stephanie Geiger, Ian Grifka, Mitchell Guza\*, Connie Heleski\*, Mikyla Hogston, Jason Kaufman, Austin Keller, Joshua Kubacki, Nicole Kubacki\*, Marshall Leipprandt\*, Briana Lemke\*, Leandra Leppok, Darcy Lipskey, Jason, Messing, Raquel O'Connor, Cari Osentoski, Kyle Peplinski, Michael Pichla, Taylor Pionk, Laken Rich, Nathaniel Schumacher, James Shaw, Jennifer Susalla, Brooke Vogel, Melissa Vogel, Merisa Weber, Bryan White\*, Joshua White, and Laura Wrubel\*.

## GRADE 12

Elektra Amott, Cory Booms, Eric Booms, Timothy Bosley, Katelyn Briolat\*, Kayla Conley, Caleb Fisher, Brandon Glaza\*, Cassandra Glaza, Jessica Gracey\*, Nikki Grifka, Alicia Heilig\*, Brandon Heritier, Brittany Jewett, Alexandria Kranz\*, Andrea Kumaus, Jasmine Loss, Lucas Loss, Alyssa Marks, Leonard Nowicki, III, Matthew Particka, Lauren Peplinski\*, Dakota Porzondek, Emily Sawdon\*, Nathan Sorenson, Tara Sweet, Alexander Walsh, Arielle Walsh, and Laura Warner\*.

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