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GATHERING AT THE newly-renovated Cass City VFW 3644 Hall last week were (front row, from left) Pinney Foundation Board members Bev Perry and Ben Varney, post Commander Joe Merchant, (back row, left) post member Bruce Sherman, Pinney Foundation member Bob Hirn, post member Phil Nichols and Pinney Foundation member Dave Milligan.

Like new VFW showcases renovated hall

**by Tom Montgomery
Editor**

If you haven't been inside the Cass City VFW Hall lately, you haven't been inside the Cass City VFW Hall. VFW Post 3644 officials last week showcased the completion of the second phase of a major renovation project underway for the past several months at the hall, located appropriately along Veteran's Drive in Cass City.

Chances are good visitors familiar with the old VFW Hall — originally constructed as a bowling alley back in the late 1940s or early 1950s and still in use for that purpose into the 1970s — will be impressed with what they see when they step through the front doors these days. What they'll find is a completely made over interior. The kitchen has been refurbished, with new appliances, cupboards, counter tops and sinks along with a new exhaust fan

system. The ceiling was raised, and an addition to the west now houses the caterers' entrance within the kitchen area. The walls throughout the hall have been repainted/textured. There are new windows, doors and wood trim, the women's bathroom was renovated, the dance floor has been sanded and repainted, the stage expanded and recarpeted, and there's a new public address system in place. Please turn to page 8.

Mandates versus patients: hospitals walking tightrope

**by Tom Montgomery
Editor**

New research out of Ohio State University underscores the tight rope hospital officials walk when it comes to balancing the need to adopt strategies to meet government requirements and at the same time maintain the quality of individual patient experiences. It's a balancing act that takes place not only at major medical centers across the country, but also at small,

rural hospitals such as Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City. The Ohio State University study found that as state and federal mandates are met, patients ultimately suffer, showing a negative link between clinical quality and patient experience. "This is a perfect example of how government mandates are again trumping the health and welfare of American citizens," commented Twila Brase, president and co-founder of the Citizens' Council for Health Freedom, a patient-centered national health policy organization based in St. Paul, Minn. "When will we learn that doctors and nurses have to be given the freedom to treat patients as individuals? We are tying the hands of our med-

ical professionals through our government's mandate that care be standardized," Brase said. "Care is not something that should be standard. It's personal, it's human, and it can't be controlled by government mandates. When it is, the patient is the one who suffers, as we see in this study." Researchers surveyed directors of quality or chief nursing officers at 284 hospitals in 44 states about their adherence to guidelines from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, as well as state patient guidelines mandated in 2003. The researchers weren't surprised to find that implementing techniques to reduce medical errors and improve patient safety did, in fact, improve Please turn to page 8.

Man charged in death of infant son

Sanilac County Prosecutor James V. Young last week announced his office has charged a Sanilac County man in the death of his infant son earlier this month. Young formally charged Robert Orlin Droelle, 24, of Croswell, with second-degree murder following the death of the 4-month-old, who was transported to Port Huron Hospital April 2 and then transferred to Detroit Medical Center Children's Hospital in Detroit with severe head trauma. The child died a week later. Detectives at the Michigan State Police post in Caro investigated the case and submitted their report to Young's office for review. "Based on their investigation along with the medical records and preliminary verbal autopsy findings related to the case, (our office) has determined that the father of the child should be charged," Young stated. Droelle was arraigned last week in Sanilac County District Court. A preliminary-exam was scheduled to be held Tuesday, April 24.

Campbell will close this year

**by Tom Montgomery
Editor**

The Cass City Board of Education voted unanimously to close Campbell Elementary School a year earlier than originally planned during a special meeting last week. The decision was based on a desire to lessen the impact of budget cuts on staffing. School Supt. Jeff Hartel said school officials were looking at eliminating 8 positions. Of those, one individual is retiring and another has already resigned from the district, leaving 6 teaching jobs. However, it appears that number could be reduced to 4 teachers with the closure of the Campbell Elementary building after the conclusion of this school year. The board had planned to close the Cass City Early Childhood Education Center at the end of this school year, and close Campbell in 2013-14 as part of a plan to trim roughly \$800,000 from the district's next budget, which is slated to be approved at the end of June.

Now, the doors of both buildings will be closed this year. "Why not just close it (Campbell) now and save some jobs?" Hartel said of the board consensus. He added that eliminating a half-dozen teaching positions would have meant increasing class sizes next year to the tune of 33 to 34 students in second and sixth grade classrooms. "One thing the Cass City Schools has always hung its hat on is keeping class sizes in the low to mid 20s. Other schools have already gone to (larger) class sizes, but we don't want to do that," Hartel said. He estimated the district will save about \$40,000 by closing the early childhood education center, while vacating the elementary school will net a savings of some \$200,000, although school officials will incur some expenses related to physical changes necessary at the middle school to accommodate younger students. Beginning next year, the middle school will house students in grades K through 6, while the high school will house students in grades 7 through 12. "It's been done (in other districts). It's worked. We're hoping to save some jobs," said Hartel, who noted there is ample room for elementary kids at the newer middle school building. "There's probably 8 to 10 rooms empty at the middle school right now," he added. In addition to consolidation within the district, Cass City School officials are keeping their eye on a controversial state Senate bill now under consideration that would overhaul Michigan's retirement system. Specifically, schools' mandatory payments to the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System, or MPSERS, which now cost districts between 10 and 15 percent of their operating budgets, would be reduced. The target contribution rate set by legislators is between 20 and 22 percent, compared to the current rate of 24.46 percent, which is now projected to increase by nearly 3 more percentage points next year. Facing a \$45.2 billion unfunded liability in the state retirement system, GOP lawmakers are hoping to fast-track the bill this spring to Gov. Snyder's desk to relieve rising retirement costs for school districts and community colleges. Please turn to page 11.

Campaign nets \$60,390

**by Tom Montgomery
Editor**

United Way of Tuscola County officials last week distributed the first of 2 checks to a host of county organizations following completion of its 2012 campaign. "Allocations for 2012 totaled \$60,390, with the first check to agencies for one-half of their allocation mailed in early April. The second check for the remaining allocation will be presented at the annual kick-off breakfast on Sept. 27, 2012," said United Way of Tuscola County Director of Operations Jim Heiser. Recipients of this year's campaign include: American Association of University Women (\$600), American Red Cross - Great Lakes Bay Chapter (\$2,500), Cass City Literacy Council (\$1,000), Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan - Saginaw Region (\$1,500), Good Samaritan Fund (\$5,000), Human Development Commission (HDC) Please turn to page 11.

Prich, Mroz top O-G Class of '12

Owen-Gage School officials have announced the names of the valedictorian and salutatorian of the Class of 2012. Lacie L. Prich, daughter of Larry and Annette Prich is this year's valedictorian, while Erika Jo Mroz, daughter of Rick and Kathy Mroz, has been named salutatorian. Prich, who earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.9298, has been on the honor roll and a member of the school's 3.0 Honors Club throughout her high school career. She was inducted into the Owen-Gage chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) as a sophomore and served as the chapter's secretary for the past 2 years. She has also served as her class secretary each year in high school and as the student council secretary as a junior and senior. Prich has been a representative for

Owen-Gage as a member of the Youth Advisory Committee for Huron County the past 2 years and



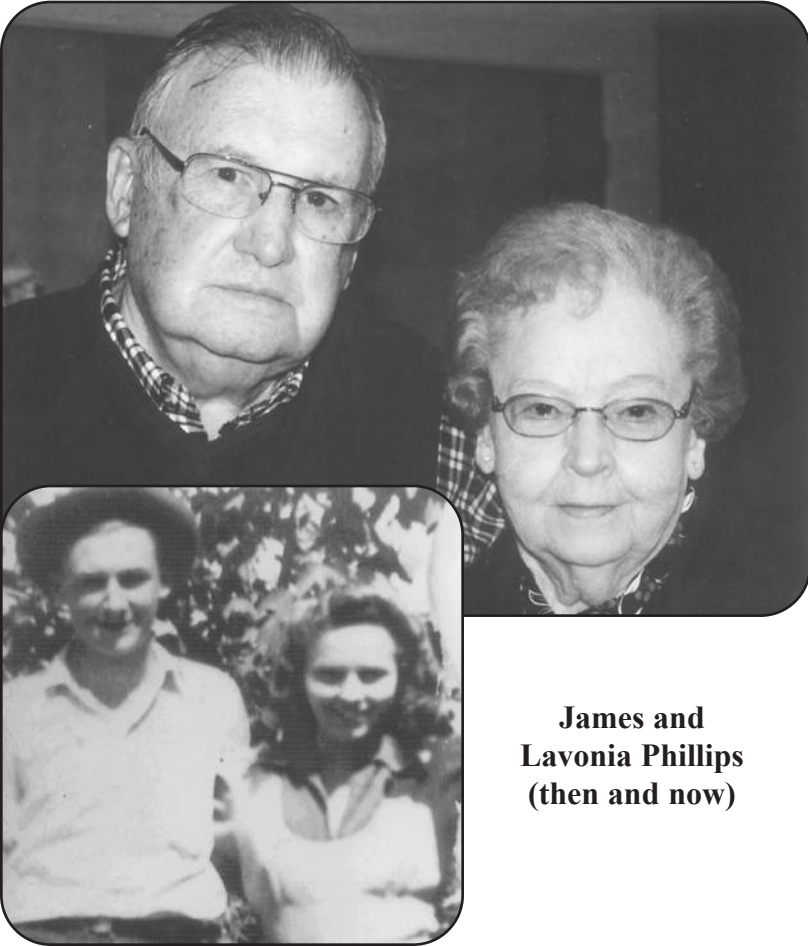
Lacie Prich

has been an active participant in the "Cardboard City" event to raise awareness of homelessness. She has



Erika Mroz

also participated in community activities such as National Honor Society-sponsored blood drives, the Huron County Senior Ball and the Kids' Clothes Closet at Owen-Gage. Prich has also been very active in athletics as a member of the volleyball, basketball and softball teams each year. She was named captain of the basketball team this year and captain of the softball team for 2 years. Prich received the NCTL (North Central Thumb League) Scholar-Athlete Award. She has also been a member of the yearbook staff and the band program each year and served as the high school band secretary all 4 years. As a freshman, she was a class representative on the snowball court, served as a member of the Please turn to page 8.



James and
Lavonia Phillips
(then and now)

Phillips to celebrate 71st anniversary

James and Lavonia Phillips will celebrate their 71st wedding anniversary this year. The couple were married in Rhone, Georgia on September 27, 1941.

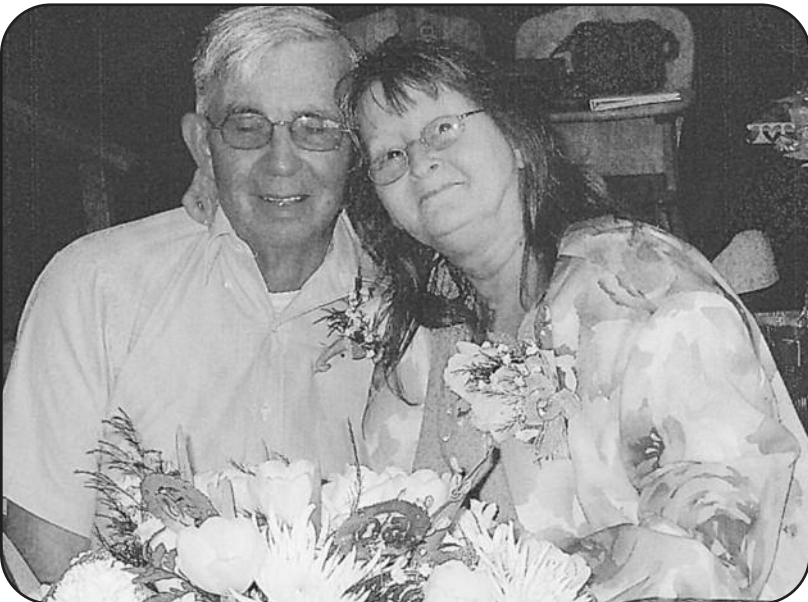
James (Jim) was in WWII and fought in England, France, Germany, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg with the 832nd Engineers. After the war the couple moved to Michigan were they settled in Rochester Hills. Jim worked at Rochester Paper Co. until he retired. Lavonia (Bonnie) worked for ITT Higbie in Rochester Hills until she also retired.

Jim and Bonnie loved to travel through the years with a few of their trips traveling out West and to Hawaii. The couple's favorite vacation spot was Florida. After retirement the couple moved to Cass City. For 6 months out of the year they resided in Cass City and then the other 6 months they would travel to Clearwater, Florida.

Jim loved to grow a big garden, and enjoyed golfing and playing shuffleboard. Bonnie loved to make Sunday dinners for the family and to spend time with her children and all of her grandchildren.

The couple now reside in Cass City permanently and enjoy spending time with their friends and going to church.

Jim and Bonnie have 3 children: Chris (Jeannine) Phillips, Lyn (Don) Moonen and Steve (Alixann) Phillips. They have 9 grandchildren: Aimee (Vance) Reisig, Ken (Donna) Richardson, Jaime (John) Martin, Marty Phillips, Amanda Phillips, Jordan Phillips, Shelby Phillips, Kate Phillips and Jenna Phillips. They also have 2 great-grandchildren: Lauren Reisig and Elizabeth Reisig and 2 step great-grandchildren: Ian and Jocelyn Reardon.

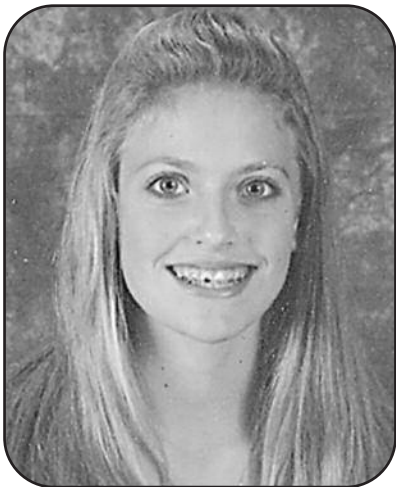


50 years and still smiling!

Cass City residents Larry and Barbara Limberger recently celebrated their golden anniversary April 14 with several family members and friends in attendance.

Nicholas, Roemer

Area piano students shine



Tara Nicholas

HHW spring collection scheduled

The Tuscola County Recycling Center will host a spring household hazardous waste collection Saturday, May 5. Residents must have an appointment to attend.

Now is the time to clean out the unwanted hazardous wastes you may have in your house, garage, or barn. What is hazardous waste? It is a product that is toxic, flammable, caustic, or chemically reactive. Key words to look for are danger, poison, warning, or caution. These are items that should not be poured down drains, onto the ground or put into the waste stream.

Some examples include oil based paints, stains, home repair products, cleaners, contaminated oil, pesticides, herbicides and mercury containing items. If you have any of these items that you will no longer use, or think they are unsafe to use this is the way to responsibly dispose of them. Water-based paints will not be collected at this event.

This collection is free of charge to all Tuscola County residents. Call Tuscola County Recycling at (989) 672-1673, email recycle@tuscolacounty.org, or check out the website: www.tuscolacounty.org/recycling, for more information.

Pierce inducted into Lifetime Achievement Hall of Fame

Former Cass City resident Joan (Maleck) Pierce was recently inducted into the Lifetime Achievement Hall of Fame during the third annual awards banquet of the Michigan State University School of Packaging.

Pierce, the daughter of Lena Maleck of Cass City and the late Joseph Maleck, is a 1972 graduate of Michigan State University.

A resident of Okatie, S.C., she was valedictorian of the Cass City High School Class of 1968 and was also honored as a Cass City Junior Citizen of the Year, also in 1968.

Soper completes basic training

Marine Corps Pvt. Jacob W. Soper, son of Sue A. Nast of Ubly, recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C., designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Soper and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running 3 miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Soper spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments, which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Soper and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values—honor, courage and commitment, and what the core values mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Soper and fellow recruits ended the training phase with "The Crucible", a 54-hour, team evolution culminating in an emotional ceremony in which recruits are presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and addressed as "Marines" for the first time in their careers.

The Bay Area Music Teachers Association recently awarded the Ester Rosekrans Foundation Scholarship in piano to Cass City resident Tara Nicholas, daughter of Terry Nicholas and Melanie Nicholas.

Nicholas' piano teacher, Mindy Sutherland of Unionville, encour-

aged the Cass City Middle School eighth grade student to enter the competition. She was awarded \$150 towards lessons, music or music camps of her choice.

In Nicholas' division the second-place winner was Tyler Roemer, an Owen-Gage eighth grade student who received a \$75 prize.

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In Our
OPINION...

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Let’s keep it up, Michigan drivers

Thumb area drivers deserve some praise along with their peers across the state, according to Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning officials, who say fewer people died in Michigan traffic crashes last year.

Experts say the latest statistics were driven partially by significant declines in motorcyclist fatalities, commercial motor vehicle-involved fatalities and alcohol and drug involvement in fatal accidents.

The numbers are encouraging.

Overall, traffic deaths fell by 5 percent, from 937 in 2010 to 889 in 2011, according to the Michigan State Police (MSP) Criminal Justice Information Center, which collects statewide crash information.

Changes from 2010 to 2011 include a one-percent increase in total crashes, up from 282,075 in 2010 to 284,049 in 2011; and a 2-percent increase in crash-related injuries, up from 70,501 in 2010 to 71,796 last year.

Crash data also showed a 3-percent drop in alcohol-involved fatalities, down from 283 in 2010 to 274 in 2011. Drug involvement in fatalities fell 17 percent, from 153 in 2010 to 127 in 2011.

“It is extremely good news that traffic deaths are down in 2011,” commented Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, MSP director. “Further study will take place to see if we can determine what may have caused the fairly large changes in the areas of motorcycles, commercial motor vehicles and drug involvement in fatal crashes.”

Some of those numbers could also be affected by Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder’s recent decision to sign bi-partisan legislation putting an end to the state’s mandatory motorcycle helmet law. Only time will tell.

In the meantime, traffic accidents declined in most areas last year compared to 2010.

Cell phone-involved crashes decreased from 881 to 821, while cell-phone involved fatal accidents increased from 4 to 6 (Michigan cannot track crashes involving texting specifically); commercial motor vehicle-involved crashes fell 23 percent, from 95 to 73; motorcyclist fatalities dropped 13 percent, from 125 to 109; bicyclist fatalities were down 17 percent, from 29 to 24; pedestrian fatalities increased 6 percent, from 131 to 140; and the number of car-deer crashes declined 4 percent, from 55,867 to 53,592.

The statistics officials released last week are encouraging, but they won’t mean much if we all don’t continue to concentrate on the basics — paying attention to the road (put down those cell phones and eat when you get home), designate a driver if you’re going to drink, and always watch out for “the other guy”.

Let’s keep it up, folks!

Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

Facebook friends – what type are you?

I am a member of Facebook – the social networking service. I’m not alone. According to estimates, 50 percent of the good folks in the U.S. have a Facebook account, and the website boasts over 845 million active users worldwide. As statistics go, that’s not too shabby for a grass roots idea that began in a dorm room at Harvard less than a decade ago.

In general terms, Facebook is a place to share photos and information with others who sign up to be your Facey friends. How and what (and if) you share is up to you. Over time, my unscientific research has shown Facebook users tend fall into certain categories defined by the way we use the social networking site.

Photo posters – Facebook began as a place to share photos, and this feature continues to be a favorite for many users. Photo posters share images of their son’s wedding, a family vacation to Disneyland and new pet puppy. They also post photos of their car’s flat tire, an old surgery scar and their dog’s fleas. I learned of my daughter’s new hair color and cut via Facey. Is this a good thing? I’m not sure.

Fitness updaters – When you log on FB, you’ll likely come across a group I call fitness updaters. These folks use Facebook as a sort of journal to report on their healthy lifestyle habits. A possible entry from an updater might read something like, “Jogged five miles today and then biked halfway across the state. Ate a strawberry for a snack. Lunch was two Triscuits, 14 peas and half a banana. Doing sit-ups now as I type.”

I am inspired by fitness updaters, or at least want to be. Truth is, in my world exercise and multitasking don’t

Letter to the Editor

Here’s the truth about bond issues

RE: “Another” bond issue for the ignorant citizens

Forgive me if I offended anyone that is aware of what is really going on with school bond issues, but for all the rest of the citizens that have no idea how badly they are being ripped off, it certainly applies as stated.

This of course refers to the most recent (O-G preparing for a bond issue) and not to be the last of the ongoing bond issues for school needs, etc. Now I am aware that Mr. Montgomery is just now getting himself back into the throes of being once again the editor, and personally I am pleased he is doing so. He has been a good editor for many years now. That being said he is not what one would consider a real “investigator” type of editor and probably simply does not have the time or the resources necessary to search out subjects brought before him.

That along with the fact he is also a staunch supporter of whatever has a name that has the slightest thing to do with the word school is ok in his world. Having read many of his takes on schools and funding and the need for more piles of money by any means necessary, this newest bond issue is just fine, I believe he would say or soon will say.

Now what is the big issue about this bond or any bonds that support schools you say? While the dirty secret is that the schools already received money for such repairs and upgrades to the school every year. I really wish Tom would go back when Governor Engler finally got the full support of the school unions when after so many attempts to change the way the money was allocated for schools, and finally it was changed to a larger sales tax from the normal property taxes. You all should recall this if you do and if Mr. Montgomery would do the research, he would find this to be quite true.

Now “why” after so many years of the school unions refusing to allow this to happen did they then decide to agree and whole-heartily support this new method of getting their money from the state? Well it was none other than the extra one “billion” dollars that Governor Engler put on the table for the teachers union that they did their 360 in full support of such a great plan.

Now for many years the teachers union was content with just a continuing increase in property taxes to then be handed over to them for their superior job performance. But who could possibly turn down a “billion” dollars in new money to come to them so quickly, so on the gravy train of an increased sales tax the union went. The ride was just beginning and the money was pouring in and they all danced as the public wondered if this was a good idea at all.

So now time passes and we are back in the same fix of needing more money, and so while enough money is coming to the schools every year the teachers union found their loophole in the form of a BOND issue. After all, why spend the money that could go into the teachers “two” pensions (one contributory and one passive) and into larger salaries and benefits for themselves and their children I might add when you can simply ask for a “bond” issue to fix all the problems with any school.

Are you getting what I am saying to you in this matter? Why spend the money they are getting to repair a building or pave a parking lot or replace a boiler when you can just ask for a bond issue and get a new building that the citizens can then pay for over the next 20 or 30 years? Is it even starting to hit you yet? All the money that is coming in is quickly spent and so no way is there any left for

Please turn to page 4.

mix. I’m not that talented. Still, I enjoy living vicariously through my six-pack touting triathlete friends. Most days.

Lurkers – Lurkers stay within the shadows of Facebook. They are invisible, reading comments, viewing photo albums and scrolling through status updates without ever typing a word of their own. Lurkers may fear the public nature of Facey. Once you make a statement, it is available for the world (or at least your 172 friends) to see. I admit, sometimes I am a lurker.

Likers – I also find myself being a liker. Facebook gives you the option of commenting on status updates, or you can simply express your support by pressing the like button. I press the like button a lot. I like to like and want to be liked. I want others to experience the like. It’s like a regular like fest over on Facey, and I like it that way.

Gamers – Facebook is a place to play, games that is. Users collect farm animals, play arcade games, try their luck with casino slot machines and even engage in an online version of Scrabble with friends. This all sounds like fun, and perhaps just a tiny drain on time. I’d be a game player if it weren’t for the fine print. Signing up for said games involves allowing the application in question access to your computer and Facey account even when you are not using them. This scares me. Call me paranoid, but I fear the app.

Kid promoter – Parents (and grandparents) use Facebook to share information about the kids in their lives. From them, you learn about baseball games, trumpet lessons, loose teeth and fourth grade math quiz scores. I enjoy reading about other people’s kids, except when it becomes extreme and I know more about them than my own children. This makes me feel like an inadequate mother (again). So I do some posting of my own. Yeah, I can be a kid promoter.

Facebook has changed the way we interact with one another. It has increased our ability to share information with dozens (hundreds, even) of friends with a simple click of a mouse. This is (mostly) a good thing. Through Facebook, I have supported friends through difficulties and have requested the same on my behalf. Facebook will never take the place of face-to-face conversation or a real-life hug. Still, I’ve decided – all in all – I like it.

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Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Huron County SafePlace – a women’s shelter for survivors of domestic abuse – is hosting a fun family game night. The fundraising event is planned for Sunday, May 6, from 2-4 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Bad Axe, located next to the Huron Medical Center just off of M-53.

Your dollar door donation allows access to game playing action, popcorn and drinks, music and dancing, and kid prizes. Any questions about this worthy cause can be directed to 989-269-5300.

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Better yet, just bring your prize to the corner of Oak and Main streets between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and we’ll do the rest.

The phrase “boob tube” sounds about right here. Although I’ve never met her, and my opinion isn’t worth much, I have to declare Nancy Grace a long ways away from being my favorite TV legal analyst.

I find her too outspoken and opinionated, too rude and overbearing, and too sensational. Heck, a semi-friendly smile once in a blue moon wouldn’t hurt her image, either.

Brad Speirs, Novesta Church of Christ Minister, says once again the Cemetery Road church will host an ‘After-Prom’ Party on May 5 following Cass City’s prom.

He says it’s not a religious event in any way, but rather a community event to help prevent substance abuse.

If you would like more information, or to get involved with the event, call Speirs at 989-550-3940.

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Wednesday, April 25

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.

Ravenous Readers Book Club, noon, Rawson Memorial District Library.

Thursday, April 26

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

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

Thumb TEA Party meeting, 6:30 p.m., Evangelical Free Church, Cass City. Guest speaker Paul Kersy.

Senior Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

Friday, April 27

Al-Anon meeting for family and friends of alcoholics, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, Elkton. For more information, call (989) 912-0546.

Saturday, April 28

Closed AA meeting, 10-11 a.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Ubly Rd., Argyle. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church). For more information, contact Mandy at (989) 975-0544.

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Sunday, April 29

Gagetown AA meeting, 8-9 p.m., Gagetown fire hall. For more information, call (989) 665-0086 or (989) 912-5493.

Monday, April 30

Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

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

Cass City Village Council meeting, 6:30 p.m., municipal building.

Tuesday, May 1

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



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Scammers targeting tax refunds via the Internet

by **Tom Montgomery**
Editor

Huron County law enforcement officials are warning all Thumb residents to be on the lookout for an electronic tax scam that has been growing in popularity nationwide.

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson last week reported a senior in Oliver Township was targeted by electronic thieves.

"What had occurred is that the complainant learned he had filed an electronic income tax return when, in fact, he had not done one yet," Hanson explained. "Apparently, a scam artist had electronically filed a tax return with the victim's basic personal information and may have provided account information in the form of a debit card to steal his electronic refund. Fortunately in this case, the victim was due to pay in."

"What our understanding is, is that this latest scam is occurring across the nation," Hanson said. "As unbelievable as it sounds, it appears the IRS is not verifying W-2 information until after the refund has been sent."

Hanson said his department has experienced very few complaints involving this type of scam.

Still, he added, "We are making efforts to combat it by cooperating with the IRS and contacting our federal lawmakers. From what we have been told, the victim's CPA will know which form to file with the IRS in order to get an investigation started. It is believed to be a lengthy process."

Hanson said area residents can take steps to safeguard themselves.

"From what it appears, the best defense is to file your electronic taxes early, in order to be on file before the scam artist files a fraudulent return," he said. "Our understanding is that the IRS is working with scammed individuals to correct the situation. But once again, the process is expected to be lengthy."

According to Hanson, news accounts report that the Federal Trade Commission is getting about 50,000 identity theft complaints a week, with the majority of them being electronic tax refund thefts, costing the federal government billions of dollars.

"It is suggested the best way to protect yourself is to practice basic identity protection: Do not give away your personal information, do not carry your Social Security card in your wallet, do shred all important documents that contain personal information," he said.

"If anyone suspects they have been a victim of this scam, they should contact their CPA immediately or law enforcement officials for help."

Circuit Court

Several face felony charges

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

- James F. Dubrovich, 22, Sterling Heights, pleaded no contest to assault with a dangerous weapon and attempted resisting, assaulting or obstructing a police officer Nov. 20 in Cass City.
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case. Sentencing was scheduled for June 4.
- Jacob Brooks-Simeon Pratt, 20, Saginaw, pleaded guilty to intentionally damaging a school bus Dec. 14 in Mayville. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).
- A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and sentencing was scheduled for June 4.
- Michael J. Missovich, 32, Cass City, received a one-year delayed sentence for his plea of no contest to assault with a dangerous weapon (a pistol) July 2 in Elmwood Township.
- He was also ordered to complete 100 hours of community service and pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,198.
- Lyle M. Vernon Jr., 63, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence for his pleas of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana and possession of marijuana Sept. 19 in Indianfields Township.
- He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,448.
- Diane E. Vernon, 63, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence for her plea of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana Sept. 19 in Indianfields Township.
- She was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$798.
- Henry R. Gere IV, 45, Caro, was sentenced to 48 months probation for his plea of no contest to domestic violence, third offense, Sept. 11 in Akron Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).
- In addition to probation, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,698.
- Joshua P. Martin, 20, Vassar, received a one-year delayed sentence for his pleas of guilty to 2 counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, and one count of assault or assault and battery Dec. 26 in Vassar Township.
- He was ordered to complete 50 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,116.
- Sarah M. Phelps, 28, Vassar, pleaded guilty to a charge of uttering

and publishing involving a \$100 check (changed to \$400) drawn on PNC Bank July 13-21 in Tuscola Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and sentencing was scheduled for June 4.

- Linden J. DeMott, 49, Mayville, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail and 36 months probation for his plea of guilty to possession of a weapon by a felon April 1, 2011, in Dayton 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 \$1,198.
- Brian L. Schriber, 44, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence for his pleas of no contest to assaulting with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, and assault or assault and battery Nov. 8-10 in Almer Township.
- He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,248.

Letter to the Editor

Truth about bond issues

Continued from page three.

Editor's note:

Mike,

You're right when you say I'm not an investigative reporter — never have been, never will be. You are also correct when you suggest that even if I were, I probably would not have the luxury of spending a great deal of time on any one story due to the size of our editorial staff.

And, yes, I am a staunch supporter of education.

As for research, I can only tell you that I've been covering small school districts as a newspaper reporter/editor for the past 26 years.

In answer to your question, "Where is all the money going?", here are a few vital facts you failed to address in your letter:

The shift from property tax to sales tax to fund schools was a great solution when voters approved Proposal A. After all, times were good, Michigan's economy was reasonably solid and sales tax dollars were reliable. However, as you are well aware, the state's economy has been in the dumps for years now, resulting in a significant drop in sales tax revenue for schools.

In addition, while funding schools on a per-pupil basis seems fair, what happens when a district loses 500 kids over a 10-year period (as is the case in the Cass City Schools)?

Where is the money going? Ask the folks in Lansing, who have time and time again set funding levels for schools only to take back \$50 or \$100 or \$150 (per student). The state has made a poor habit of trying to balance its own budget mess on the backs of public schools, not to mention taking from K-12 education and giving to colleges and universities.

And all the while costs — particularly health insurance premiums and mandated contributions to the state retirement fund — have soared.

In the case of Owen-Gage specifically, yes, I support the district's efforts to secure tax dollars to upgrade its buildings. In the end, voters have the choice of approving or rejecting the measure, but I believe the fact that Owen-Gage is currently debt free says a lot about school officials' financial stewardship.

Tom Montgomery, editor
Cass City Chronicle

such nonsense as repairs.

So if you are a hard core liberal then you consider my facts as "hating children" which is usually the case with such issues. If you see my point then you have to wonder why no one is talking about this at all, including our editors of various newspapers. I do not place this at the feet of Mr. Montgomery solely because he is joined by just about every other newspaper in the country.

To say that to increase the school budget by 100 percent over what they have allocated now would likely only last about 10 years before they would once again need more money. After all this has been the war cry since I was in grade school and will be the war cry when my great grandson is in grade school.

Check out this fact. In 1950 the school budgets on average took about 37 percent of the budget to pay the teachers and the balance went towards books, buildings, etc. and we got the job done. Now the latest stats show that about 85 percent of the school budgets go to salaries and benefits and the balance is for books, buildings, etc. Now while this seems like a small amount of money left, if you take a 16 billion budget it still leaves about 2.4 billion left for such needs, but has anyone checked lately to see the new books purchased? My grandson came home with a list of items that needed to be "contributed" to his class to include pencils, erasers, paper, paper clips, etc. just to do their work so where the "HELL" is all the money going?

I did notice that now the teacher's union "insurance" company is advertising what a great job they are doing for our teachers. Since when is this advertising necessary and who is paying for it? You got it if you said we are paying for it!

So now at least you do know the truth about the bond issues, and Mr. Montgomery did not have to take a lot of his valuable time to research this issue for us. After all he is just getting settled in again and I do wish him well regardless of what we agree on or not. He is a good person and we are lucky to have him on our small town newspaper.

Sincerely,
Mike Byron
Cass City


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Reporter’s notebook

Headline writing not as simple as it seems

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Probably few things are as challenging in this business as headline writing. It’s a task I enjoy all the same.

My first attempts years ago were miserable failures. There aren’t many rules to the process, but it isn’t as easy as it might look. If you doubt that, give it a try, keeping in mind that a good headline should be written in active voice (in other words, verbs are an editor’s friends), and you’re limited by space.

In the process, you can end up with a headline such as the one I wrote for a story some years ago about a husband and wife charged with marijuana possession: “Couple in hot water over pot”.

It helps to have a good sense of humor.

Over the years I’ve collected an informal list of my favorite goofs by my journalistic brethren, courtesy of various newspaper stories and web-sites. They’re a good reminder of how easy it is to get crossed up with the English language. And, they’re just plain fun to read.

Here are a few good examples when the editor commits a gaffe in grammar, a slip of the tongue, or simply

overstates the obvious.

- Enjoy.
- Deaf mute gets new hearing in killing
- Police help dog bite victim
- Miners refuse to work after death
- Drunk drivers paid \$2,000 in 2009
- Farmer bill dies in house
- Safety experts say school bus passengers should be belted
- Stiff opposition expected to cas-ketless funeral plan
- Enraged cow injures farmer with ax
- Convicts evade noose, jury hung
- Police launch campaign to run down jaywalkers
- If strike isn’t settled quickly, it may last a while
- Cold wave linked to temperatures
- Two sisters reunite after 18 years at checkout counter
- Man is fatally slain
- Something went wrong in jet crash, experts say
- Death causes loneliness, feeling of isolation
- Smokers are productive, but death cuts efficiency
- War dims hope for peace.
- And, my favorite, for all of my friends in law enforcement: “Thieves break into police station and steal toilet, officers have nothing to go on”



Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas

5 YEARS AGO (2007)

Curt Strickland was born and raised in Cass City. He has called Cass City home for most of his adult life. Saturday, the longtime banker and community supporter was honored as the Chamber of Commerce’s 2007 Citizen of the Year. Also recognized at the Chamber’s formal annual dinner gala was Cass City High School senior Courtney Rabideau, who was announced as this year’s Junior Citizen of the Year.

Cass City’s Ashleigh Rabideau had 3 doubles and drove in all 5 runs in a 5-3 softball win over Caro Friday, April 20, while Courtney Rabideau pitched a no-hitter in a 3-1 Red Hawk victory over Brown City Monday, April 16.

10 YEARS AGO (2002)

Ask Art Battel if there’s any truth to the old adage, “you’re as young as you feel”, and he’ll tell you to ask somebody else. Just the same, Battel, 85, says he feels pretty good thanks to regular visits to the Michigan Athletic and Rehabilitation Center (MARC) in Cass City, where he regularly works out on weekday mornings. He isn’t alone. Battel is often joined by 2 of his cousins, Jack Esau, 84, and Cal MacRae, 81, who have also made workouts at the local MARC facility a regular part of their routines each week. “It just keeps you in better physical shape all the way through,” Battel said, adding the exercise has helped him lower his blood pressure to normal levels. “And it gives you a good appetite. There’s not the activity there was on the farm to keep us busy,” Battel continued, “You go for a month not exercising and just laying around, you’ll see what we’re talking about. What’s the old saying – ‘you’ll rust out before you wear out’, there’s a lot more (substance) than poetry to that.”

It’s official. Kingston senior Eric

Marquardt signed his letter of intent to play basketball for Lake Superior State University. Witnessing the signing were his parents Dale and Ellen Marquardt, along with Cardinal Coach Mike Rea.

25 YEARS AGO (1987)

Cass City’s favorite astronaut, Air Force Lt. Col. Brewster Shaw Jr., is scheduled to make a third “official” return visit to his hometown May 7 and 8. Shaw, 41, a veteran of 2 space shuttle flights, will make a presentation on National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) efforts at 7:30 p.m. May 7 in the Cass City High School gymnasium. The program is open to the public. The 1963 Cass City High School graduate will also make presentations May 8 to Cass City School students.

Students identified as being academically “talented” at Cass City Intermediate School are Chris Fruendt, who finished among the top 450 students who scored better than 90 percent of college-bound seniors on the SAT.; Jennifer McNaughton, Donald Burnette, Greg Sturtevant, Amy Ross, Deb Adams, Soo Yun and Jeff Jeung.

Cass City Intermediate students set to take part in a regional math competition at Central Michigan University Saturday are Rachel Sugden, Ben Schott, Bart Hall, Jandi Hillaker, Deb Adams, Scott Traube, Chris Fruendt and Chris Herringshaw.

50 YEARS AGO (1962)

For the third year in a row trout have been dumped into White Creek at Deford. Late last week, 1,200 trout were planted between Deckerville and Phillips roads... the same number that was planted the previous two years. The Michigan Conservation Department said that the planting included 600 Browns and 600 Rainbows. The fishing is strictly of a put-and-take variety as the trout do not live over the winter.

Month-long negotiations by a Detroit couple for the purchase of the New Gordon Hotel, Cass City, will culminate Tuesday, May 1,

when Mrs. A.B. Fleming takes over as manager of the hotel. The sale of the hotel has been announced by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Cumper, owners of the business for the past 17 years.

Regional winners – Three Cass City High School speech students took top places at the Cass City-hosted Region J Forensic Contests Wednesday, April 18, at the High School. Cass City was the only school, out of 16 participating, that took more than one place in the contests. Wayne Dillon, first in humorous reading; Sharon Profit, second in declamation and Bill Dobbs, first in original oratory.

100 YEARS AGO (1912)

Work will be commenced this week on a garage just west of Brown & West’s blacksmith shop on Main St. east. It will be the property of J. H. Striffler, 20 by 40 feet in size, and one story high. The building will be made of cement blocks and so constructed that a second story may be easily added. The garage will be used as a show room for the Metz, Patterson and Cartercar automobiles which are handled in this territory by Henry Wettlaufer and J. H. Striffler. A carload of the first named machines has been ordered.

A head-on collision on the P.M. railroad occurred Saturday morning at Bad Axe, caused by an open switch, when the Port Austin passenger train, bound south, plowed into the Saginaw passenger train standing on the siding. Both engines were badly wrecked. Walter Campbell, fireman on the Port Austin train was injured by jumping from the window of the engine just before the collision and Ed Reynolds, conductor, Hugh Ross of Bad Axe and ten others on the same train were slightly injured by being thrown when the accident occurred. No one on the Saginaw train was injured.

Peter P. Webber received a box of fish Wednesday from his son at Caseville and proved himself a generous neighbor when he presented a number of his friends a portion of the contents of the box for their supper that evening.

Ask your neighbor
“Circle of friends”
enjoy their quilts

The history of making quilts dates back hundreds of years. The process of making a quilt are joining together layers of fabric or padding to make a blanket or bed covering. There are 3 main types of quilts: plain or whole cloth quilts, appliqué quilts and patchwork quilts. Appliqué are often made using a whole cloth with the design applied to a single piece of fabric. A patchwork quilt is separate elements that are sewn together, from either new fabric or saved scraps of fabric that are cut into pieces and sewn together to form designs, usually simple geometric shapes.

“Circle of Friends Quilters” is a group of local residents who gather weekly to work on individual quilt projects together, sharing quilting ideas and fabrics and mainly just enjoying the time talking, teaching and helping one another craft quilts.



Front: Michelle Leeson; back (l-r) Cathy Meck, Olga Schneeberger, Linda Guza and Marcia Hoffman

Linda Guza started the group in 1999. Over the years, several quilters have joined the ladies to share their love of quilting. “Anywhere between 8-10 people will show up to quilt together,” Michelle Leeson of Cass City stated. “We all work on our own projects, but we share ideas, techniques and fabric with one another. We enjoy being able to talk and mainly be a part of a women’s social group in Cass City,” Leeson further stated.

A few of the Cass City women present at a recent quilters’ get-together were Marcia Hoffman, Linda Guza, Olga Schneeberger, Cathy Meck and Michelle Leeson. All of the ladies present agree that their group is very therapeutic and they enjoy being able to make quilts together to give to family and friends. “Occasionally we will go on trips together to buy fabric. We meet fellow quilters and fabric shop owners who are some of the nicest and friendliest people. We all really enjoy those trips,” Leeson stated.

A few ladies learned to quilt back when they were just children in church and 4-H programs. Linda Guza and Cathy Meck took a class from Community Education back in 1991 where they learned how to quilt. Marcia Hoffman said, “I learned about 4 years ago when I started coming to this group. Michelle and a few other ladies taught me how to quilt.” “If we don’t know how to do something, then we all just ask Michelle,” said Olga Schneeberger.

“I enjoy making quilts because I have a lot of long distance relatives and this is a way for me to send my form of a hug to those family members,” said Cathy Meck.

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Red Hawk News

by Alex Warju



Five Cass City academic teams headed to the Saginaw Valley State University campus April 18 with the goal of bringing home wins that would be etched on the school’s plaques. In the end, some teams fared better than others.

The Academic Games are a yearly competition held at SVSU. There are 5 competitions held — English, math, science, social studies and technology. Cass City had a team in every event and each was led by a member of the faculty who had experience in the area tested. For English, Mr. Meck was the advisor. Math was headed by Mrs. Walsh. Mrs. Maurer led the science team, and Mrs. Zawilinski commanded the social studies team.

This year 9 teams were set to compete in the games. However, Brown City did not show up, leaving only 8 teams to actually take part. Seven teams seemed too much for most of Cass City’s academic teams to take on. The English, technology, social studies and science teams did not place in the standings. The math team, however, was able to return home with a first-place finish for the second time in a row.

“My math team generally does a good job. It is a nice opportunity for kids,” team advisor Mrs. Walsh said. The team was composed of Elisabeth Milligan, Erin Moore, Braeden Perzanowski, Shane Rasmussen, Cortney Thompson and Jarod Weidman, who have high hopes of a win next year due to a mostly returning squad.

Though the other 4 teams didn’t fare as well as the math team, next year is always a chance at redemption. The Cass City spirit is still in full swing and the students did not let this loss put them in down moods. Coming back next year, the teams will try harder for victory and the math team will hope to defend its victorious streak.

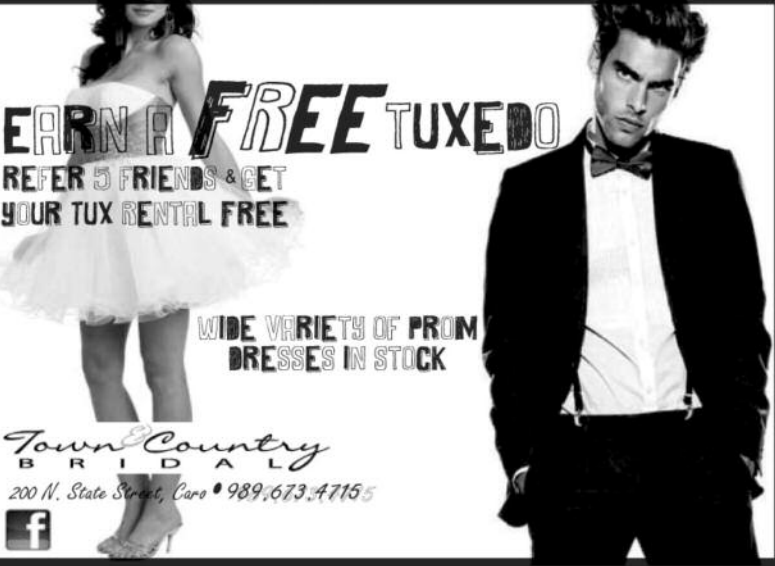
Winning isn’t everything when it comes to the games. A great opportunity, students get to meet other people, see the campus, and have chances to win prizes like T-shirts from SVSU. The academic games were another fun event for Cass City to take part in again this year.

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Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Township of Elkland will hold a public hearing on the 14th day of May, 2012, at 6:30 p.m., at the Township Hall located at 6691 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider the application by Raymond R. Miller for a variance for the purpose of minimizing the reduction of tillable ag acreage by reducing the rear and side yard setbacks of 75’ and 25’ respectively to 5’ (cemetery setback) to be located at Sec. 2, T14N, R11E, south 1/2 of southwest 1/4, approximately 1/4 mile north of Daus Road on property identified as tax parcel number: I.D. #007-012-000-0700-03.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing to ask questions or to make comments as to the application. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk at 6691 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 at any time prior to the public hearing.

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DISPATCH DEPUTY of the Year Connie Smith (center) with Undersheriff Brad Roff (left) and Sheriff Garry Biniecki.



SANILAC COUNTY Corrections Deputy of the Year Deputy Sue Bower (center) is pictured above with Undersheriff Brad Roff (left) and Sheriff Garry Biniecki during the department’s annual awards ceremony.

Church to host concerts

Noah’s Ark Park and The Farver Road Baptist Church will host 2 concerts in May featuring Michigan talent.

On Saturday, May 5, it’s Jerry Garcia from Adrian at 7 p.m. The concert will be preceded by special music at 6 p.m. On Saturday May 19, at 7 p.m. there will be a concert featuring the Gospelmen from Genesee.

Both concerts will be held in the Noah’s Ark building, located at 4330 Farver Rd. (2 miles south east of the intersection of Elkton and Sebewaing roads). Finger foods will follow the concerts held on the new stage. For more information, call (989) 315-8043.

Obituaries

William Bottrell

William H. Bottrell, 98, formerly of Flint, passed away Thursday, April 5, 2012 at his home in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii.

He was born Dec. 3, 1913 in Ewen, the youngest of 3 children of Thomas S. Bottrell, a Methodist minister, and Cora Ham.

He married Marjorie Graham in 1936, and moved to Flint.

William was a 1931 graduate of Cass City High School, where he lettered in Track and Field (Javelin), played baseball and softball, sang and acted in school plays, played the clarinet, and met his wife-to-be Marjorie Graham. He worked for AC Spark Plug Division of General Motors in Flint as a purchasing agent, office manager and divisional buyer for 33-years. He contributed to the WWII effort at AC and also served in the U.S. Army.



Bill and Marge were very active in the Flint community and school organizations including long memberships at Court Street Methodist Church, West Flint Kiwanis Club, Flint Industrial Executives Club, Jr. Chamber of Commerce, and Free and Accepted Masons of Michigan (Life Member). He was especially active with his sons in scouting and served as Pierce School Troop 186 committee chairman.

Bill was an avid boater and out-

doorsman, and took his sons on remarkable camping excursions throughout Michigan and Ontario. He achieved senior membership in the U.S. Power Squadron with the rating of Navigator, and was certified by the U.S. Coast Guard as a Master in the Great Lakes. He was a life-long HAM operator (W6CSA) and his 'radio shack' at his Kailua-Kona home was first class.

William is survived by 3 sons: Edward (Hazel) of Glen Haven, Nova Scotia; Captain Thomas (Susan), of Kailua-Kona; and Paul (Mei Mei) of San Mateo, Calif.; 5 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 56-years, Marjorie Graham.

The family will hold a memorial service in Cass City, in 2013.

Those desiring may make donations to Hospice of Kona, 75-5925 Walua Rd., Kailua Kona, HI 96745-4130.

Local arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Mary Geister

Mary E. Geister, 83, of Deford, passed away Monday, April 16, 2012 at Tendercare in Cass City.

She was born June 23, 1928 in Cass City, the daughter of the late Owen and Martha (Mark) Darling.

She married Carl D. Geister Feb. 2,



1946 in Detroit.

Mary attended the Mizpah Church in Cass City. She enjoyed sewing,

gardening, helping her husband farm and most of all, spending time with family and friends.

Mary is survived by her husband of 66 years, Carl; 2 daughters: Linda (Delbert) Woodward of Deford, and Marsha (Ted) Roberson of Kingston; 4 brothers: James (Violet) Darling of Bad Axe, Robert (Norretta) Darling of Marlette, Fred (Patricia) Darling of Marlette, and Jerry (Sue) Darling of Grayling; a sister, Norma (Clark) Cryderman of Waterford; 5 grandchildren; and 6 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Owen and Martha Darling; a daughter, Barbara Geister; and 2 brothers, Mark and Don Darling.

Funeral services were held Thursday, April 19, at Marsh Funeral Chapel, Marlette, with Pastor Dale Bullock officiating.

Burial followed the service in the Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Arrangements were made by Marsh Funeral Chapel, Marlette.

Shirley Griffen

Shirley A. Griffen, 70, of Deford, passed away Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012, at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City, after a long illness.

An interment service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 28, in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

2 students semi-finalists in contest

A pair of Cass City High School seniors were named semi-finalists in the Stossel in the Classroom Essay Contest.

They are Jared Weidman and Rachael Rule — both students in Jane Reif’s AP English class — who received a prize of \$100 each from the Stossel in the Classroom — Center for Independent Thought.

Weidman, who is a co-valedictorian of the Cass City High School Class of 2012, is the son of Dale and Maryke Weidman. Rule, this year’s class salutatorian, is the daughter of Mike and Becky Rule.

The local students wrote their essays on the following topic: “Why do you think politicians make promises? When they try to keep them, why are there often unintended consequences? Describe a promise made by a current politician or political candidate from any party, and discuss whether or not he/she will be able to keep that promise and what, if any, are some of the potential unintended consequences from that promise.”

In all, contest officials selected 225 winning essays from nearly 4,000 submissions, according to officials with the Stossel in the Classroom program, which is sponsored by the Center for Independent Thought, a non-profit educational foundation that serves as the parent foundation for a number of educational activities.

Stossel in the Classroom offers a new DVD free to teachers each school year. The DVDs include video segments from John Stossel’s television programs and specials, along with a teacher guide with lesson plans and ideas for complimentary activities.

Bankers set to educate local pupils

Chemical Bank employees are using their banking knowledge this month to encourage and inspire more than 4,000 students across Michigan to become lifelong savers as part of National Financial Literacy Month and National Teach Children to Save Day.

This week 125 Chemical Bank representatives will be providing basic financial education to second graders at 60 schools across the state, including Campbell Elementary School in Cass City.

“We really enjoy working with local elementary schools to educate and inspire students to become regular savers,” said Dennis P. Gilkey, community bank president for Chemical Bank. “Our Teach Children to Save Program introduces children to the concept of saving in addition to developing skills for financial success.”

Volz gearing up for work project in El Salvador

Chuck Volz of Cass City is traveling to El Salvador May 12, to help build a community of homes side-by-side with families in need thanks to a multi-year, multi-million dollar partnership between Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and Habitat for Humanity International.

Volz, a Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Financial Consultant, CFP, LUTCF, FIC serving Lutherans and their family members in Caro, was selected to represent his colleagues from the organization’s Great Lakes region of Thrivent Financial. Volz was nominated for this team because of his sales performance, passion for volunteering with members and drive to help people be wise with money.

This team of Thrivent Financial representatives and employees from regions across the United States will spend May 12 through May 19 in El Salvador. They will build both goodwill and homes working with Habitat for Humanity El Salvador to construct a community of homes with local Salvadoran families. Thrivent Financial is committed to building as many as 20 homes this year with Habitat El Salvador in the Getsemani Community. As a fraternal benefit society, a unique type of not-for-profit membership organization, Thrivent Financial focuses on both financial security as well as caring for others. This program is one example of how Thrivent Financial and its members work together to help others.

“Volz has proven his dedication to serve in our community,” said Daniel Nickodemus, managing partner of the Great Lakes region of Thrivent Financial. “Whether he is helping a family in the Caro area plan for their future or when he is building a home with a family in another country, Chuck is passionate about serving others. This life-changing trip to El

Salvador will only increase his energy for service.”

Volz has invested his time, talent and resources in charitable causes in the Thumb area, including Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, the Tuscola County Chapter of Thrivent Financial, Lutheran Home Foundation Board, and Habitat for Humanity throughout Mid-Michigan, North Dakota and Louisiana.



Chuck Volz

Thrivent Builds with Habitat for Humanity is a multi-year, multi-million dollar partnership between Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and Habitat for Humanity International. Thrivent Builds is designed to involve Thrivent members and Lutherans in helping provide a “hand up” to people in need of affordable housing, offering them a path to greater economic independence. Excluding government funding, Thrivent Builds with Habitat for Humanity is Habitat’s largest single source of funding, constructing more than 2,600 homes in the U.S. and around the world since 2005.

Ubly inventor Misico seeking area farmers

An Ubly inventor is recruiting area farmers willing to participate in a test utilizing a dry edible bean harvesting system that he says virtually eliminates the loss of beans and, in the process, increases producers’ profits.

“Bean growers using direct harvesting of dry edible beans with the sickle cutting head are losing about 11 percent of their beans. Some of them are the riper and larger beans. Taking the Michigan harvested yield of 22 bags — the actual yield was 24 bags — and at \$49 per hundred-weight, that equals \$120 lost per acre,” said John J. Misico, who has invented a different way to harvest beans.

“Michigan bean acreage in 2011 was 170,000 with an average bean seed loss of 9 percent,” he added. “They lost \$16.5 million worth of beans in the ground, plus the overhead cost, which are all bottom-line profit losses.”

Misico says the Ubly direct harvesting of dry bean concept he invented, designed and patented eliminates bean seed losses caused by the direct harvest sickle cutter head now used because the sickle cutter bar is eliminated.

“The Ubly hard-faced, self-sharpening bean knives are bolted to the patented mount, which is bolted to the header,” Misico explained. “The knives sever the bean plant stalk one to 2 inches underground and 12 inches ahead of the header, thus taking less than a half-second for the bean plants to be laid on the header and augured to the combine.

“There is no need for a \$10,000 wind reel. The existing reel will perform sufficiently. The wind reel air can split open dryer pods, causing earlier harvest termination,” Misico

said, adding there is also no need to purchase a \$25,000 header because a producer can attach the Ubly system to the existing grain or soybean header.

“With the Ubly system, the bottom of the header is raised about 3 inches above ground level,” he said. “There is no need to roll the stones into the ground. Rolling restricts cultivation to control weeds, needing more chemicals, and the packed soil causes rain run-off. Cultivated, loose soil absorbs more rain and insulates root areas from excessive heat. All these benefits increase yields and aids in bean knife undercutting with its hilled soil.”

Misico said bush-type beans out-yield upright beans and are being developed to reduce seed losses with the direct harvest sickle cutter header. He noted bush beans give more shade to retard weed sprouting and growth, and reducing moisture evaporation.

Bean growers who saw the Ubly system display during the Michigan Bean Day in Saginaw commented that they would convert to the new equipment after it’s tested, according to Misico.

“I plan to have some bean growers from the Thumb area help test the Ubly system during this bean harvest season, in their field with their equipment,” he said. “I will furnish all of the Ubly direct harvest material needed and, if necessary, some finances.”

Any producers interested in participating in the test or learning more are invited to contact Misico at (989) 658-8722 or by emailing him at Leila-john@sbcglobal.net. Misico also has a website at www.ubly-bean.com.

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THE SECOND OF 2 phases of construction/renovation is now complete at the VFW hall in Cass City. The project included a new building facade, canopy, flag poles, sidewalk and landscaping.



CAROLYN HAYES STIRS sauce in the new Cass City VFW Hall kitchen in preparation for a regular spaghetti dinner fundraiser last week. Also pictured is Bill Zeidler.

VFW hall renovations completed

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“The lighting on the dance floor is all brand new, energy-efficient lighting,” said VFW Post 3644 member Phil Nichols, pointing to where what amounted to shop lights used to hang from the ceiling by chains. Nichols, who spearheaded the construction/fundraising effort, noted the second phase took about 2 months to complete. The first phase began in February with interior improvements, including renovation of the entranceway and the men’s bathroom. Later, workers installed a new facade and canopy in front of the building, which also sports new sidewalk, flagpoles and landscaping. Completion of the first phase marked the start of a new partnership with the village of Cass City, according to Nichols, who explained that relationship led to the post becoming a “VFW Community Center” uti-

lized for a variety of functions. It also now serves as an emergency facility available, for example, in the event that students need to be evacuated from school buildings and moved to a temporary location. The combined construction phases also saw workers fully insulate the space above the ceiling and install a pair of 3-ton air conditioning units and 2 new, 95-percent energy-efficient furnaces. Nichols said the post’s monthly utility bills have since dropped from \$800 to \$900 down to \$300 or less. “We’re about as energy efficient as we can be now,” he added. Nichols estimated the first phase of the project cost roughly \$45,000, while the second phase totaled about \$52,000. He was quick to say the generosity of many groups and individuals made it possible for the local VFW post to take on such a large project. Topping the list is the Pinney Foundation, which chipped in \$25,000 towards the first phase and another \$27,000 for the latest series of upgrades. “Without the Pinney Foundation, we wouldn’t have been

able to do anything,” Nichols said, adding other major contributors included the Cass City Rotary Club, Cass City Gavel Club, Curtis Chrysler and all local banks. Private donations also played a role in the successful completion of the work. “A good number of the VFW members dipped into their personal pockets,” he said. Nichols pointed out that the post hired local contractors for most of the improvements, and those companies along with suppliers provided the post with discounts. They including Danco Construction (carpentry), Martin Electric, Scott Wallace, Roger Bolzman, Superior 1 Plumbing and Heating, Evergreen Molding, Plain and Fancy Decorating, ProBuild and Caro Rental. While Nichols was busy singing the praises of all those who helped with or contributed to the renovations, VFW Post 3644 Commander Joe Merchant made it clear that Nichols played a vital role in the project as well. “Phil put many, many hours into this,” Merchant said. “It’s not an easy thing to do, day in and day out.”

Mandates versus patients

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outcomes. However, they unexpectedly found that “these improvements sometimes came at the expense of the quality of the patient experience.” “We don’t want to lose sight of the patients, who are often treated as commodities these days,” stated the lead author of the study. “Clinical quality is about doing things correctly — strict guidelines, standardization and checklists, for example — so when you consider experiential quality is about customizing healthcare delivery to an individual patient’s needs, there is tension there.” “This is part of an ongoing discussion surrounding how medicine is going to incorporate clinical pathways and standardized treatment plans for a given ailment or disease with individualized patient care, a positive patient experience and the art of medicine,” commented Hills and Dales General Hospital President and CEO Mike Falatko. “While there are certainly benefits to be gained and a certain amount of cost to be controlled through use of standard treatment protocols, there still has to be the latitude for the physicians to practice the art of medicine. Sometimes that requires a deviation from the standard pathway,” Falatko said. “I have seen physicians review the results on a patient that would indicate one treatment pathway, and watched that physician ‘feel’ that he or she was dealing with something different and proceed down that different path only to find that what the

tests were showing weren’t what was really happening with the patient,” he added. “I have also seen physicians getting ready to discharge a patient and say to the nurses, ‘Something isn’t right. I don’t know what it is, but I don’t think we should discharge this patient today’. Now, there were no tests or other indications that something was wrong with that patient. And if one were to strictly adhere to protocols, that patient would have been discharged. Yet the patient stayed in the hospital only to have a stroke later that day and, because the patient was in the hospital, the patient could be quickly treated with clot busting drugs and had no residual effects from the stroke.” A significant concern, Falatko continued, is that physicians and hospitals will be punished for not following the guidelines, and the physician-patient relationship will be compromised, with patients finding that they aren’t receiving individualized care. And, the physicians are afraid that they won’t be able to practice the art of medicine, which will result in bad outcomes. “Another concern, from the patient experience standpoint,” he said, “is the concern that, with physician and hospital payments expected to be reduced under health reform, patients will be rushed through the process using standard protocols because you will have to see more patients during the same amount of time to make the same amount of money to cover your overhead. So, the personalized care and treatment would likely suffer from the patient’s perspective.”

Prich, Mroz top O-G grads

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prom committee in her junior year, and was elected a queen candidate for the homecoming and snowball titles. After graduation, Prich plans to study pharmacology at Ferris State University, where she has been awarded a Ferris Achievement Scholarship. Mroz, who has achieved a grade point average of 3.8872, has also been on the honor roll and has been a member of the 3.0 Honors Club throughout her high school career. She served as class president in her freshman and sophomore years, was inducted into the National Honor Society as a sophomore and served as the chapter treasurer last year and as president this year. She was also elected student council vice president last year and president in her senior year. Mroz has represented Owen-Gage on the Huron County Youth Advisory Committee for the past 2 years and has been active in the

“Cardboard City” event. She has also participated in community events such as NHS-sponsored blood drives, the Huron County Senior Ball and the Kids’ Clothes Closet. She is also an active member of St. Agatha Catholic Church in Gagetown. In school athletics, Mroz has been a member of the volleyball, basketball and softball teams each year and participated in track as a freshman. She served as captain of the volleyball squad this year and received the Sportsmanship Award in both volleyball and softball along with the NCTL Scholar-Athlete Award. Also a member of the high school band/marching band each year, she was a class representative on the homecoming court as a freshman and was nominated as a homecoming and snowcoming queen candidate as a senior. Mroz is also a member of the yearbook staff. Her future plans include attending Eastern Michigan University to pursue a Master of Science Nursing Degree. She has already been awarded an Eastern Michigan University Emerald Scholarship.

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At Tuscola County Tourney

Short-handed Reese defeats CC
in tight semifinal contest, 5-4

Cass City bowed from the Tuscola County Tournament Saturday when rival Reese eliminated the Red Hawk baseball team with a tight 5-4 decision during a semifinal contest.

The loss frustrated Coach Nathan Haag and a handful of Cass City spectators who reported the contest ended with just 8 Rocket players taking the field. Reese's prom was held over the weekend and several Rocket players opted to leave the tourney to attend.

"Saturday was not a great day and would be best if it never existed. We're just going to "bury" that story for the best interests of the team," wrote Coach Haag in an email Monday.

Cass City advanced to the semis with a 6-0 victory over Caro to start play over the weekend.

UBLY GAMES

The Red Hawks improved to 9-2-1 on the seas o n Thursday claiming both ends of a non-conference twin bill with Ubly by identical margins of 12-2.

Nick Kappen collected honors on the mound in game one, while A l e x Zaleski was the pitching winner in game 2.

At the p l a t e, C o d y O r b a n recorded a home run, w h i l e Zaleski a n d Kappen chipped in doubles.

In the late game, Orban tallied 3 runs and Jake Hacker scored twice for the winners.



UBLY catcher Austin Rothe blocks a pitch in non-conference play against Cass City.



THE 2012 OWEN-GAGE varsity softball team are (front, l-r) Lacie Prich, Kayla Montreuil; (middle) Emily Sopha, Rachel Mroz, Courtney Wightman, Donna Hopper, Andrea McCreedy and Richelle Scharf; (back) Alexis Morrish, Amanda Muntz, Erika Mroz, Christin Harris, Carli Warack, Miranda Radabaugh and Coach Steve Hollocker.



THE 2012 Owen-Gage varsity baseball team members are: (front, l-r): Adam Retford, Devon Lorenz, Jacob Wright, Dan Good, Bryan Hopper (middle) Allen Miller, Jordan Kain, Brett Morrish, Hunter Champagne, Austin Cavanaugh, Lorenzo Robinson (back) Assistant Coach Donald Gusa, Coty Wilson-Cole, Eric Rievert, Ben Good, Quinn Smith, Andrew Fahrner and Coach Brian Wright.



UBLY'S Raquel O'Connor, right, tags out Cass City's Rachel Bartnik in Thursday's game one action.

Hawks win county
softball tournament

Will the real Cass City softball team please stand.

After struggling with consistency over the past couple of weeks, the Lady Red Hawks showcased their talent Saturday in Vassar at the Tuscola County Tournament, claiming the weekend championship with a potent offense and capacity defense. On the day, Cass City outscored its 3 opponents by a 19-1 margin.

"We've seen lots of ways to lose games recently," said Coach John Hacker. "But Saturday we all were on the same page. Things clicked and I am hoping this weekend will get things turned around as we get ready for conference play."

Cass City hosts Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Thursday for its Greater Thumb West opener.

Cass City advanced to the championship game with wins of 8-0 and 7-1 over Vassar and Caro, respectively.

"We hit the ball better and our pitching was much improved. We had several timely hits," said Hacker.

In Game One, Cass City hurler Shannon Stec struck out 10 on her way to earning a 8-0 victory over hosts Vassar.

At the plate, Lauren Perry punched a 2-run double in the first that stood as the game winning RBIs. Rebecca Hacker added a triple for the winners, who also had Morgan Potter and Carley Hendrick with 2-baggers.

In the semifinals, Cass City disposed of Caro 7-1. The winners plated a trio of runs in the first and sixth innings to move into the championship game.

Hacker was on the hill for Cass City and received credit for the win. Mikayla Tysick was tagged with the defeat. Both pitchers fanned 7.

Once again, Perry had a big hit in the opening frame, doubling with the bases full that produced 3 RBIs.

Hayley Vinson had a double to lead Caro.

In the finals, Cass City plated a pair of runs in the third to break open a scoreless tie against Millington en route to a 4-0 victory.

Stec returned to the mound for the title game and dominated. She allowed just 4 hits and notched 10 strikeouts.

Hacker put Cass City on top for good in the third with a 2-run double. Andrea Mikolon scored twice for the winners.

UBLY GAME

Earlier in the week, Cass City entertained Ubly on Thursday and managed a split with the Bearcats.

In the opener, Cass City's bats were quiet as the hosts suffered a 7-1 defeat.

Stec was the victim of little offensive support and was the pitcher of record for Cass City. Ubly's Marie Wolverton tossed a 4-hitter to collect the win.

Perry had Cass City's only extra base hit in game one.

In the nightcap, Cass City came away with a 6-3 win.

Hacker and Stec combined to handle the pitching chores for Cass City. Stec relieved Hacker in the third and tossed 3 scoreless frames to earn the decision.

Shania Chambers had a pair of singles for the champs.

Cass City's record stands at 8-7.

Lakers on
top of GTW
standings

Host Vassar fired a team total of 188 to win the second Greater Thumb Conference Jamboree, vaulting the Vulcans into a tie with Cass City in the GTC West standings. Both schools trail front-runner Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port in the race for league honors.

Lakers' Tyler Matteson and Bad Axe's Brandon Dean each recorded rounds of 43, good for medalist honors at the Vassar Golf & Country Please turn to page 10.

Hollocker, Wright take
over at Owen-Gage

The Owendale-Gagetown School has a pair of new skippers on the ball diamonds in 2012.

Leading the Lady Bulldogs is rookie softball Coach Steve Hollocker, while Brian Wright makes his varsity coaching debut on the boys' baseball bench.

Both coaches take charge with a handful of experienced players. Hollocker, who replaces Doug Hyatt at the helm, will look for big contributions from returning infielder Kayla Montreuil, the team's offensive catalyst in 2011.

Also returning for the Lady Bulldogs is Christin Harris, Lacie Prich, Erika Mroz, Amanda Muntz, Alexis Morrish and Carli Warack.

Wright, who takes over from Joe Tkacz, has a half dozen key players back, including senior pitching ace Hunter Champagne and catcher Andrew Fahrner.

Also returning to the Bulldog line-

up with a year of experience under their belts are Jordan Kain and Quinn Smith.

Owen-Gage High School Baseball and Softball Schedule 2012			
4/10	Millington	4 p.m.	
4/12	Frankenmuth	4 p.m.	
4/16	Memphis	4 p.m.	
4/19	Deckerville	4 p.m.	
4/23	CPS	4 p.m.	
4/26	Kingston	4 p.m.	
4/30	Peck	4 p.m.	
5/03	Caseville	4 p.m.	
5/07	Port Hope	4 p.m.	
5/10	A-Fairgrove	4 p.m.	
5/17	North Huron	4 p.m.	
Home games in bold.			

Lady Hawks lack concentration

The Cass City Lady Red Hawk soccer team remained winless in early season action, despite showing marked improvement. Last Monday, Cass City came up just short in its home opener with Bad Axe, 4-3, followed by Wednesday's setback to host Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port, 4-1.

Against the Hatchets, extremely high winds and low temperatures made quality soccer difficult, but the Red Hawks used a short passing game to control the ball and tight defense to limit Bad Axe's scoring chances. The score was even at the half with the Red Hawk goal coming from Ally Smith with an assist from Kassie LaPonsie.

The Hatchets came out aggressive in the second half and netted 3 quick scores before the Red Hawks picked up the intensity and got a pair of markers from Jessica Bootz.

Kaitlyn Messing had 2 good scoring chances late, but could not beat the Hatchet keeper, according to Coach Chuck Reed.

"A lapse in concentration early in the second half hurt the Hawks badly and gave the Hatchets the space they needed to build a lead that the

Hawks could not quite catch," said Reed.

Meri Dzielinski had 11 saves for the game and the visitors put 13 shots on goal.

LAKERS

Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port grabbed a 4-0 advantage in the opening half and cruised to the Greater Thumb Conference decision.

In the first half, the Red Hawks had trouble clearing the ball, giving the Lakers many scoring chances and severely limiting the Hawk offense. The Hawks had only one shot on goal in the first half while making 12 saves.

The second half was a different story, according to Reed, as the Hawk passing attack started to click and play started going up and down the field.

Messing scored on a breakaway for the lone Cass City goal.

"The Hawks had 24 saves for the game, but generated only 2 good scoring chances. Inconsistency is the Hawks' biggest problem right now, but the new players are beginning to

catch on so hopefully the Hawks are ready to play a complete game and avoid the mental lapses that have killed them so far," said Reed.

Cass City will host Harbor Beach on Monday.

Cass City places 2nd at Vassar jamboree

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Club.

Finishing third at last Monday's affair was Cass City with a team score of 192.

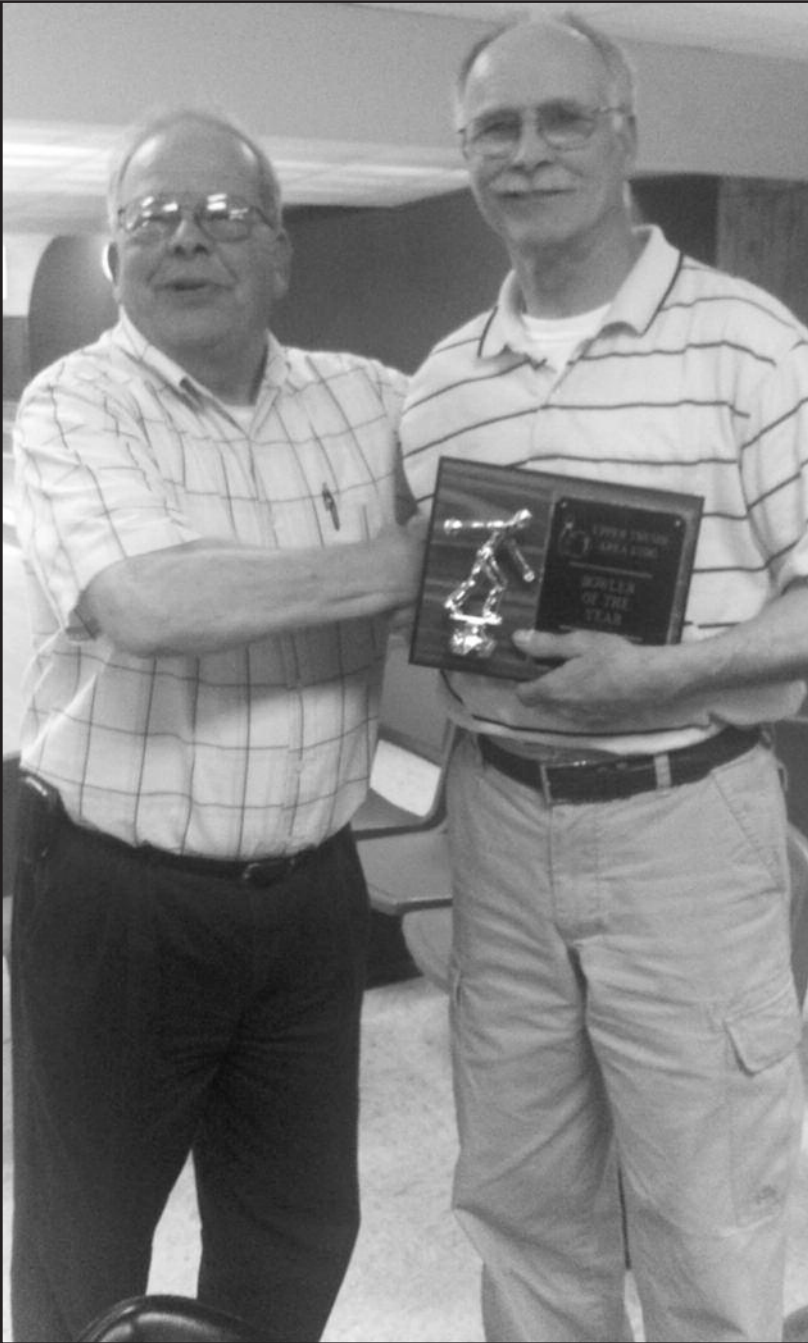
The Red Hawks had 3 players finish among the top 10 individually. Trenton Loomis and Brandon Green finished in a tie for eighth place, carding scores of 47, while Dew King placed tenth, tallying a 9-hole total of 48. Michael Mulligan and Tyler Samons each shot 50 for Cass City.

GTW GOLF STANDINGS as of April 16, 2012

- 1st – Laker – 11 points
- 2nd – Cass City – 9 points
- 3rd – Vassar – 9 points
- 4th – Bad Axe – 6 points
- 5th – All Saints – 5 points
- 6th – USA – 2 points

INDIVIDUAL POINTS WINNERS AT VASSAR

- Tyler Matteson – Laker – 19.5 points
- Brandon Dean – Bad Axe – 15.5 points
- Drew Lawrence – Laker – 14.5 points
- Drew King – Cass City – 10 points
- Wade Foltz – Laker – 8 points
- Austin Baker – Vassar – 7.5 points
- Trenton Loomis – Cass City – 7 points
- Greg Frank – All Saints – 5.5 points
- Jake McIntyre – Vassar – 5.5 points
- Tyler Samons – Cass City – 4.5 points
- Brandon Green – Cass City – 4.5 points
- Ben Grzegorzczak – All Saints – 4 points
- Andrew Batzer – Bad Axe – 2 points
- Michael Mulligan – Cass City – 2 points.



HIGH ROLLER. Marty Zawilinski, Cass City, recently accepted a plaque from Gary Krause (left), Association Manager of the Upper Thumb Area Bowling Association as their 2012 Bowler of the Year award winner.

Schneeberger's

ATHLETE of the WEEK

This week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner is Cass City's Cody Orban.

Orban, a Greater Thumb West baseball all-conference dream team pick in 2011, is off to a terrific start in his junior year. He's coming off a banner week for the Red Hawks, who posted double header sweeps over Brown City Monday and visiting Ubly on Thursday.

Against the Green Devils, Orban collected a save in game one and then was Cass City's pitcher of record in the nightcap.

Against the Bearcats, Orban let his bat do the talking. He was 2-for-4 at the plate, which included a 2-run home run in game one.

In game two, Orban scored 3 runs and added an RBI.

Cody Orban

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joshua D. Hills, a married man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for CSMC, Inc. DBA Central States Mortgage, its successors or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 26, 2008 and recorded December 2, 2008 in Liber 1162, Page 1244, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-One and 8/100 Dollars (\$58,771.08) including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 17, 2012.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 35, Township 14 North, range 8 East, thence North 13 Rods 14 feet, thence West 10 Rods, thence South 13 Rods 14 feet, thence East 10 Rods to Place of Beginning. Except right of way to Michigan Bell Telephone Company Akron, Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. 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 the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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

Dated: April 18, 2012

Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File No. 682.0923

4-18-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Tracy Mcmahan, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Decision One Mortgage Company, L.L.C., Mortgagee, dated April 11, 2006 and recorded on April 24, 2006 in Liber 1078, Page 874, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee under POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT Dated as of June 1, 2006 MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL INC. TRUST 2006-HE5 by an Assignment of Mortgage dated February 13, 2012 and recorded February 24, 2012 in Liber 1241, Page 983, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety and 64/100 (\$138,790.64) including interest at the rate of 8.49000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on May 17, 2012.

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

The South 8 acres of the Southeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 28, Town 10 North, Range 7 East Commonly known as: 9738 Barkley If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later.

If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, 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: April 18, 2012

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee under POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT Dated as of June 1, 2006 MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2006-HE5
43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302
248-335-9200
Case No. 110MI01416-1

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Joseph R.J. Ball, a single man, to Icon Financial Group Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 18, 2002 and recorded June 27, 2002 in Liber 883 Page 638 Tuscola County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to: CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated February 16, 2012 and recorded March 5, 2012 in Liber 1242, Page 555, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Thirteen Dollars and Eighty-Two Cents (\$54,313.82) including interest 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on May 17, 2012.

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

Lot 25, Block 6 of Charles Montague's Subdivision, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 10, now being Page 11A of Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as 335 Norman St, Caro MI 48723.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: 4/18/2012

CitiMortgage, Inc.
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd., Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
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Our File No: 12-59499

4-18-4

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 Kenneth R. Stuart, A/K/A Kenneth Stuart, a married man, and Sandra K. Stuart, his wife, of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for GMAC Mortgage, LLC, f/k/a GMAC Mortgage, Corporation, its successors and assigns dated the 24th day of March, 2008, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 1st day of April, 2008, in Liber 1145, Page 382, and further evidenced by Affidavit of Scrivener's Error recorded on February 9, 2012 in Liber 1240, Page 1127 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to GMAC Mortgage, LLC successor by merger to GMAC Mortgage Corp, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$132,110.90 (one hundred thirty-two thousand one hundred ten and 90/100) plus accrued interest at 5.875% (five point eight 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 24th day of May, 2012, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

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

Situated in the Township of Tuscola, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 23, Township 11 North, Range 7 East, thence North 00 degrees East, 1065.52 feet to a point of curvature of curve to right having a radius of 819 feet; thence Northerly on arc of curve 744.02 feet to a point of tangency of said curve, said arc being subtended by a chord bearing North 26 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds East, 718.69 feet to said point of tangency; thence North 52 degrees 03 minutes East on centerline of relocated Buell Road 7.61 feet to the point of beginning of this description, said point of beginning being 1542.65 feet South 52 degrees 03 minutes West of intersection of said centerline and East-West 1/4 line; thence South 52 degrees 03 minutes West, 7.61 feet to a point of curvature of a curve to the left having a radius of 819 feet; thence Southwesterly on arc of curve 118.58 feet to a point said arc being subtended by a chord bearing South 47 degrees 54 minutes 08 seconds West, 118.48 feet to said point; thence North 32 degrees 47 minutes 06 seconds West 304.87 feet, North 62 degrees 32 minutes 20 seconds East on reference line approximately 35 feet Southeasterly of water's edge at Southerly bank of Cass River 100 feet; thence South 37 degrees 57 minutes East, 276.86 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 6306 Buell Road.

Tax Parcel No.: 019-23-0000-3000-00

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: April 25, 2012

By: Foreclosing Attorneys
Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48084
WWR #10089418

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Donald A. Thomas and Stephanie J. Thomas, Husband and Wife, Joint Tenancy with Full Rights of Survivorship to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for PLB Lending LLC its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 11, 2005 and

recorded August 16, 2005 in Liber 1049 Page 1483 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated April 10, 2012 and subsequently recorded in Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Fourteen Cents (\$126,877.14) including interest 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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on May 24, 2012.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 50 seconds West, 300.35 feet along the North line of said Section 25 to the point of beginning; running thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 46 seconds East, 605.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 50 seconds West, 360.0 feet; thence North 00 degrees 07 minutes 46 seconds West, 605.0 feet; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 50 seconds East, 360.0 feet along the North line of said Section 25 to the point of beginning. Commonly known as 1940 E. Snover Rd., Mayville MI 48744.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: 4/25/2012

CitiMortgage, Inc.
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd., Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 12-61284

4-25-4

SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE - Tuscola COUNTY

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 MELVIN CUNNINGHAM and RUTH J. CUNNINGHAM, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to CSMC INC., DBA CENTRAL STATES MORTGAGE, Mortgagee, dated April 17, 2007, and recorded on May 2, 2007, in Document No. 200700895285, Liber 1118, on Page 297, and assigned by said mortgagee to NATIONWIDE ADVANTAGE MORTGAGE COMPANY, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars and Fifty-Six Cents (\$120,592.56), including interest at 4.875% 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, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 24, 2012.

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

COMMENCING AT A POINT 16 RODS EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 15, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST; THENCE NORTH 20 RODS; THENCE EAST 16 RODS; THENCE SOUTH 20 RODS; THENCE WEST 16 RODS TO PLACE OF BEGINNING, EXCEPT THE WEST 100 FEET THEREOF AND ALSO EXCEPT THE EAST 1 ROD THEREOF.

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

If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

NATIONWIDE ADVANTAGE MORTGAGE COMPANY
Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
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Farmington Hills, MI 48335
NAM.000519 FHA

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NOTICE TO BORROWER PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4) THIS FIRM MAY BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE.

NOTICE is hereby provided to the Borrower(s) regarding the property located at 3040 PHELPS LAKE RD., MAYVILLE, MI 48744.

State law requires that you receive the following notice:

You have the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. Pursuant to MCL 600.3205a(1)(c), BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP has designated the Loan Modification Department of Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 at (248) 883-0157 as its agent to serve as the contact under MCL sections 600.3205a-3205c and has the authority to make agreements for a loan modification pursuant to MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c.

You may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website at <http://www.michigan.gov/msbda> or by calling 1-800-A-SHELTER, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, year-round.

If you request a meeting with the designated agent, foreclosure proceedings will not start until 90 days after the notice required by MCL 600.3205a was mailed to your last known address, subject to the provisions of MCL 600.3205b.

If an agreement to modify the mortgage is reached and you abide by the terms of the agreement, the

Campbell closing this year

Continued from page one.

The bill would impose higher pension contributions on most employees hired before 2010. Critics say the bill has turned retirement plans upside down for employees in their late 40s and 50s whose combined years of service and age would have to equal 85 for them to qualify for health insurance.

The reduction under consideration could save the Cass City Public Schools roughly \$150,000, according to Hartel, who said the bill's approval or rejection will play a key role in school officials' final budget decisions in the coming weeks.

Another unknown but important ingredient will be teachers' response to a board of education offer to sign a separation agreement in exchange for a one-time payment of \$15,000. The plan was offered last month to instructors with a minimum of 10 years of service with the district who are working full-time this year. At least 5 teachers must agree to leave under the proposal, which could save the district several thousands of dollars and/or prevent the layoff of any teachers prior to the next school year.

As for Campbell Elementary School, Hartel acknowledged many area residents have a strong sentimental attachment to the building, which was constructed in the early 1950s and bears the name of former longtime school Supt. Willis Campbell. The school was named after Campbell in 1963, a year before his retirement following more than 40 years of service to the district.

Hartel said he welcomes suggestions from community members on ways school officials could mark the closing of the building on a positive note, such as inviting the public to the school while classes are still in session so parents and others can take photos and reminisce.

The board of education will hold the final meeting in a series of financial workshops Tuesday, May 15, at 7 p.m. in the high school library to finalize the district's consolidation plans.

In other business during the special session, the board accepted the resignation of Transportation Director Rich Sattelberg, who has accepted another position.

The district has hired a part-time bus mechanic, Rod Mazure, and Hartel will take over Sattelberg's other duties through the end of the school year, when the board is expected to decide how to proceed.

REGULAR MEETING

During Monday night's regular monthly meeting, the board joined other school districts across the state in adopting a resolution to stop borrowing against the state in order to meet cash-flow needs at the beginning of the district's fiscal year.

The resolution, initiated by the Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education, asks the state to put an end to the practice of forcing public school districts to borrow money in order to continue operating and meet their payrolls and other financial obligations during the first 4 months of the school year. The resolution also requests the state to reimburse districts of any interest paid on loans taken to meet expenses before the October school aid payments are mailed.

At issue is the fact that Michigan's fiscal year doesn't line up with school districts' fiscal year, leaving schools without state funding from July through October — the fiscal year for public schools begins in July of each year, while the state's fiscal year begins in October. A few schools have been able to make end meets in the past by using their own fund equity, but most districts are forced to borrow.

According to the resolution, school districts were forced to borrow more than \$690 million at the beginning of the 2011-12 fiscal year to meet their obligations, with interest costing more than \$15 million, or roughly \$10 per pupil attending Michigan public schools.

“Right now we’re borrowing \$1.499 million to get us through until we get state aid payments in the fall,” Hartel told the board, noting that loan costs Cass City about \$13,000 in interest payments, money “that we could clearly use in other ways.”

The resolution asks the Michigan Legislature to pass, and the governor to sign, legislation reimbursing districts for that expense beginning with the 2011-12 fiscal year and continuing for any fiscal year where borrowing is required. The resolution also asks that the reimbursements do not come from funds already committed to funding education.

In other business, the board: •Approved a resolution in support of the Tuscola Intermediate School District's (TISD) general education budget. The spending plan projects total revenues of \$2,752,471, with expenditures estimated at \$2,720,379.

Campaign nets over \$60,000

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Foster Grandparent Program (\$2,500), HDC Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center (\$6,300), HDC Spoonfuls of Plenty Program (\$2,500), Lake Huron Area Council - Boy Scouts of America (\$1,500), Rawson Memorial District Library (\$1,000), Thumb Area Big Brothers-Big Sisters (\$5,000), Thumb Compassionate Friends (\$1,100), Thumb Nature Area (\$1,500), Tuscola Homeless Coalition (\$5,000), and the Tuscola Imagination Library (\$1,500).

Heiser noted the area United Way board recently welcomed new board member Mary Kulis during its annual allocation meeting.

“Mary is the Thumb area manager for Consumers Energy and is currently responsible for public affairs in Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac counties, as well as for the Karn Weadock Generating Complex in Essexville,” he said, adding anyone interested in applying for membership is encouraged to contact him at (989) 325-1980 or by email at: info@united-waytuscola.org.

United Way officials are already planning for their second annual United Way of Tuscola County Online Auction, Sept. 15-30.

“Last year’s auction was a success, and we believe that this year will be even more successful,” Heiser said.

“Almost everyone has an item or 2 in their home or business that they no longer need or use that someone else can benefit from,” he added. “Sporting events generate lots of bidding, so if you have season tickets, donation of a single game is an excellent way to help United Way of Tuscola County agency funding. Each item sold contributes to (our) profit, and locally-donated items are the foundation of a successful auction.”

Area residents interested in making a donation can learn more by contacting Heiser. The auction site can be viewed online at: www.bidding-forgood.com/uwtt.

Heiser said people seeking assistance can now call a new phone number — 888-636-4211 — to reach a call center representative who has access to all agencies serving Tuscola County residents.

Legal Notices

mortgage will not be foreclosed.

You have the right to contact an attorney. If you do not have an attorney, the telephone number for the Michigan State Bar Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

Dated: April 25, 2012

Notice given by: Randall S. Miller
Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302
248-883-0157 (Loan Modification Dept.)
loanmods@rsmalaw.com
Case No. 12MI01212-1

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NOTICE TO BORROWER PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4) THIS FIRM MAY BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE.

NOTICE is hereby provided to the Borrower(s) regarding the property located at 4370 Phelps Lake Road, Silverwood, MI 48760.

State law requires that you receive the following notice:

You have the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. Pursuant to MCL 600.3205a(1)(c), Owen Loan Servicing LLC

has designated the Loan Modification Department of Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 at (248) 883-0157 as its agent to serve as the contact under MCL sections 600.3205a-3205c and has the authority to make agreements for a loan modification pursuant to MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c.

You may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website at <http://www.michigan.gov/msbda> or by calling 1-800-A-SHELTER, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, year-round.

If you request a meeting with the designated agent, foreclosure proceedings will not start until 90 days after the notice required by MCL 600.3205a was mailed to your last known address, subject to the provisions of MCL 600.3205b.

If an agreement to modify the mortgage 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. If you do not have an attorney, the telephone number for the Michigan State Bar Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

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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 V. Leota Glazier, by Barbara E. Childs - Attorney in Fact, original mortgagors, to James B. Nutter & Company, Mortgagee, dated June 18, 2008 and recorded on July 31, 2008 in Liber 1155 on Page 180 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 Seven Hundred Sixty-Seven and 23/100 Dollars (\$116,767.23).

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 May 10, 2012.

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

Commencing at a point on the Southeast corner of Lot 12, Block 6, Huston's Addition to the Village of Vassar, Michigan according to the recorded Plat thereof, thence Northerly 82 1/2 feet along the East boundary line of Lot12; thence Westerly 99 feet; thence Southerly 82 1/2 feet parallel to East boundary line of Lot 12; thence Easterly 99 feet along Southern boundary line of Lots 11 and 12 to place of beginning, being part of Lots 11 and 12, Block 6, Huston's Addition to the Village of Vassar.

Also, commencing at a point 8 1/2 rods South of the Northeast corner of Lot 1, Block 6, Huston's Addition to the Village of Vassar, according to the recorded Plat thereof on the East line of said Lot 1; thence Westerly 99 feet parallel with the North line of Lots 1 and 2 of said Block 6; thence South at right angles 4 1/2 rods; thence Easterly 99 feet parallel with North line of Lots 1 and 2 of said Block 6; thence Northerly 4 1/2 rods to the point of beginning, all being a part of Lots 1, 2, 11 and 12, Block 6, Huston's Addition to the Village of Vassar, according to the recorded Plat thereof.

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: April 11, 2012

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FCH (248) 593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #394571F01

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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 Jason D. Zyrowski and Jessica K. Zyrowski, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 9, 2007 and recorded on April 10, 2007 in Liber 1115 on Page 1265, and assigned by mesne assignments 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 Seventy-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Three and 52/100 Dollars (\$72,773.52).

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 May 10, 2012.

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

Lot 6, Block 4 of Plat of Newberry (now Village of Kingston), according to the Plat recorded in Liber 24 of Deeds, Page 304, except the West 2 Rods thereof.

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: April 11, 2012

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #353959F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael Lagness, a single man, whose address is 1230 Coolidge, Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022, to Oxford Bank Mortgage Services, LLC, mortgagee, which mortgage is dated October 10, 2005 and was recorded on October 20, 2005, in Liber 1058, Page 872, Tuscola County Records, and is now held by Oxford Bank, as successor by merger to the mortgagee. The mortgage was modified by Balloon-Note Mortgage Loan Extension Agreement, dated November 18, 2010, which was recorded on November 24, 2010 in Liber 1211, Page 465, Tuscola County Records. There is claimed to be due on that mortgage, at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE and 96/100 Dollars (\$65,685.96), including interest, plus all expenses incidental to or arising from the sale or sales of the mortgaged premises. Additional interest will continue to accrue until the mortgage is satisfied.

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, Michigan, at 10:00 am on Thursday, May 10, 2012.

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

Lot 14, Block 24, Plat of the Village (now City) of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 143 and in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 93, Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as: 218 Cherry Street, Vassar, MI 48768.

Tax Id No. 79-051-500-124-1400-00

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

Dated: April 9, 2012

Oxford Bank
Mortgagee

WALTON & DONNELLY, P.C.
Attorneys for mortgagee
By: Jonathan T. Walton, Jr.
1550 Buhl Building, 535 Griswold Street
Detroit, MI 48226
(313) 963-8989

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. MAY BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE.

Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by RONALD RAY LOONEY, JR. AND KRISTI LYNN LOONEY, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting Solely as a nominee for Primary Residential Mortgage Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 24, 2009 and recorded on April 9, 2009, in Liber 1171, Page 1088, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Bank of America, N.A. successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP, F/K/A Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP by an Assignment of Mortgage dated June 20, 2011 and recorded June 27, 2011 in Liber 1224, Page 1467, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Five and 29/100 (\$133,125.29) including interest at the rate of 5.50000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on May 10, 2012.

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

The South half of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 12, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, except the West 36 rods of the South half of the Northeast quarter of Southeast quarter, also except land commencing at Southeast corner of Northeast quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 12, running thence North 114 feet, thence West 440 feet; thence South 114 feet, thence East 440 feet, to the place of beginning, also except land commencing at a point 18 rods North of the Southeast corner of Northeast quarter of Southeast quarter of said Section 12, running thence North 15 rods, thence West 26 and two-third rods, thence South 15 rods, thence East 26 and two-third rods to the place of beginning. Commonly known as: 8368 VASSAR ROAD.

If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes.

If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year.

Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, 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: April 11, 2012

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Bank of America, N.A. successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP, F/K/A Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP
43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302
(248) 335-9200
Case No. 12MI00616-1

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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 DAVID A. REAMER and JO L. REAMER, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (“MERS”), solely as nominee for lender and lender’s successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 3, 2006, and recorded on April 12, 2006, in Document No. 200600879582, Liber 1077, on Page 142, and assigned by said mortgagee to GMAC Mortgage, LLC successor by merger to GMAC Mortgage Corporation, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Seventy-Six Cents (\$130,745.76), including interest at 6.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 10, 2012.

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

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST 30 ACRES OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 9, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST; THENCE EAST 356 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 165 FEET; THENCE WEST 356 FEET; THENCE NORTH 165 FEET TO THE PLACE 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. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

GMAC Mortgage, LLC successor by merger to GMAC Mortgage Corporation
Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
GMAC.010192

4-11-4

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 MAY 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 MAY BE ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS OF THE SERVICEMEMBERS' CIVIL RELIEF ACT.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael E. Low, a married man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Polaris Home Funding Corp., its successors or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 31, 2008 and recorded April 7, 2008 in Liber 1145, Page 1194, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Six and 84/100 Dollars (\$81,926.84) including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 10, 2012.

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

Land situated in the City of Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, is described as follows: Lot 21 of Swanson's Acres, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 101 of Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. 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 the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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

Dated: April 11, 2012

Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File No. 682.2369

4-11-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Marc H. Waske, and Elizabeth A. Waske, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for America's Wholesale Lender, its successors or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 24, 2006 and recorded March 10, 2006 in Liber 1073, Page 1048, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing L.P by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventeen and 71/100 Dollars (\$204,817.71) including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 10, 2012.

Said premises are located in the Township of Vassar,

Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point that is North 90 degrees East 928.16 feet from the South 1/4 corner of section; thence North 00 degrees 22 minutes 11 seconds West 293 feet, thence North 90 degrees East 366.57 feet, thence South 00 degrees 29 minutes 04 seconds East 293 feet; thence South 90 degrees West 367.16 feet to the point of beginning. Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan. Section 26 Town 11 North, Range 8 East

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. 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 the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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

Dated: April 11, 2012

Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File No. 708.1242

4-11-4

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Trevor H Foster, a married man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for C & M Lending, Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 24, 2004 and recorded November 15, 2004 in Liber 1017 Page 531 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Flagstar Bank, FSB, by assignment dated July 1, 2011 and recorded July 13, 2011 in Liber 1225, Page 1423, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Dollars and Ninety-Four Cents (\$104,880.94) including interest 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on May 10, 2012.

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

Commencing at a point that is due West 665.22 feet and North 00 degrees 16 minutes 06 seconds East, 1322 feet from the South Quarter corner of said Section 13, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, thence continuing North 00 degrees 16 minutes 06 seconds East 267 feet, thence East 663.03 feet, thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 40 seconds West 267 feet; thence 663.37 feet to the point of beginning. Together with an easement for ingress and egress purposes over and across a 66 foot wide strip of land, the centerline of which is described as beginning at a point on the South Section line that is West 655.22 feet from the South Quarter corner of Section 13; thence North 0 degrees 16 minutes 06 seconds East 1984.26 feet to a point of ending. Commonly known as 8353 Marys Ln, Fostoria MI 48435.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: 4/11/2012

Flagstar Bank, FSB
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd., Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 12-58964

4-11-4

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Robert L. Rossman and Karen J. Rossman, Husband and Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for CitiMortgage, Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 16, 2007 and recorded May 25, 2007 in Liber 1120 Page 822 Tuscola County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned to: CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated February 16, 2012 and recorded March 12, 2012 in Liber 1242, Page 1224, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Sixty-Four Cents (\$171,345.64) including interest 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on May 10, 2012.

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

The East 6.00 acres of the West 20.50 acres of the North half of the fractional Northeast quarter of Section 3, Town 10 North, Range 8 East. Commonly known as 4259 Swaffier Rd, Vassar MI 48768.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemp-

tion period.

Dated: 4/11/2012

CitiMortgage, Inc.
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd., Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 12-58504

4-11-4

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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 Jeff Vanamburg single man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 2, 2006 and recorded on February 24, 2006 in Liber 1072 on Page 694, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB 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 Six Hundred Two and 49/100 Dollars (\$116,602.49).

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 May 17, 2012.

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

Lot 14 of Cardwell Acres, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, Page 40B, 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.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: April 18, 2012

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy M. Dunham and Laura H. Dunham, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 14, 2011 and recorded on January 26, 2011 in Liber 1215 on Page 512, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. 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 Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Fifty and 31/100 Dollars (\$280,650.31).

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 May 17, 2012.

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

Part of the Southwest Fractional 1/4 of Section 18, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel

Legal Notices

Case No. 2011-26715-CH

CIRCUIT COURT SALE

In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 9th day of January, A.D., 2012 in a certain cause therein pending, wherein Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, a limited liability company (was) (were) the Plaintiff and Raymond J. Sala, an Individual, Beverly Sue Sala aka Beverly S. Sala, an Individual, and Chiropractic Federal Credit Union, a federal credit union (was) (were) the Defendant(s). NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue, at the Tuscola County Circuit Court (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said County), on the 3rd day of May, A.D., 2012 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, viz:

All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Village of Caro, County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan, described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the North line of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, which is North 89 degrees 14 minutes 40 seconds West 416.56 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 3; thence continuing along said North line North 88 degrees 14 minutes 40 seconds West 68.42 feet; thence South 04 degrees 07 minutes 00 seconds East 161.45 feet; thence perpendicular to the centerline of State Street South 43 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds East 132 feet to the centerline of State Street; thence along said centerline North 46 degrees 57 minutes 00 seconds East 98 feet at a point that is South 46 degrees 57 minutes 00 seconds West 262.80 feet from the intersection of the North line of said Section 3 and the centerline of State Street; thence at right angles to said centerline North 43 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West 132 feet; thence North 46 degrees 57 minutes 00 seconds East 52 feet; thence North 43 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West 77.37 feet to the North line of said Section 3 and the point of beginning. Except all that part of the above described lying Southeasterly of a line 45 feet Northwesterly of, measured at right angles and parallel with the survey line of Highway M-81 which is described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, which is North 87 degrees 41 minutes 56 seconds West, a distance of 96.31 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 34; thence South 47 degrees 23 minutes 39 seconds West, a distance of 600 feet to a point of ending. Commonly known as: 765 N State Street, Caro, MI 48723.

This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale.

Dated: 3/14/12

Leland Teschendorf
Sheriff

Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff By:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Richard W. Frederick and Norma L. Frederick, husband and wife, tenants by entirety, Mortgages, to Mortgage Solutions of Michigan, 75 E. Henry St., Saline, MI 48176, Mortgagee, dated the 29th day of April, 1998 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 30th day of April, 1998 in Liber 737 of Tuscola County Records, page 1419, said Mortgage having been assigned to Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BA Mortgage, LLC, successor by merger to NationsBanc Mortgage Corporation, 7105 Corporate Dr., Mail Stop PTX-C35, Plano, TX 75024 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Sixty One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Four Dollars and 31/100 (\$61,254.31), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of May, 2012 at 10:00 o'clock AM Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 7.125% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

Land situated in the Township of Ellington, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at a point on the South line of Section 19, Town 13 North, Range 10 East that is 128 feet West of the Southeast corner of the West 1/2 of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of said Section 19; thence West on South Section line 195 feet; thence North 150 feet; thence East 323 feet; thence South 38 feet; thence West 128 feet; thence South 112 feet to point of beginning.

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

Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: 4/4/2012

Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BA Mortgage, LLC, successor by merger to NationsBanc Mortgage Corporation, 7105 Corporate Dr., Mail Stop PTX-C35, Plano, TX 75024 Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Carolyn West, a married woman, and Rodney West, her husband, and Maxine M. Wyman, an unmarried woman, Mortgages, to Long Beach Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated the 29th day of August, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 27th day of September, 2002 in Liber 895 of Tuscola County Records, page 1196, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Eighty One Thousand Two Hundred Forty Six and 48/100 (\$181,246.48), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of May, 2012 at 10:00 o'clock AM Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 10.700% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

The West 20 acres of the East 30 acres of the West 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 12, T12N, R9E, EXCEPT the Detroit, Bay City and Western Railroad Right of Way.

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

Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: 4/4/2012

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-5 Mortgagee

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Attorney for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-5
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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 John R. Gross, a married man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Ross Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 26, 2008 and recorded on December 17, 2008 in Liber 1163 on Page 978, 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 One Hundred Six Thousand One Hundred Ninety-One and 61/100 Dollars (\$106,191.61).

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 May 3, 2012.

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

Beginning at the interior quarter corner of Section 31, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, thence North along the North and South quarter line of said Section, a distance of 150.00 feet, thence East parallel with the East and West quarter line of said Section, a distance of 580.80 feet, thence South parallel with said North and South quarter line, 150.00 feet to a point on the East and West quarter line of said Section, thence West along said East and West quarter line, 580.60 feet to the place of beginning.

Affidavit of Affixture recorded in Liber 1157, Page 293.

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

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Dated: April 4, 2012

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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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 MAY 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 MAY BE ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS OF THE SERVICEMEMBERS' CIVIL RELIEF ACT.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Carolyn Green formerly known as Carolyn Balcer, an unmarried woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 19, 2004 and recorded May 6, 2004 in Liber 991, Page 742, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-One and 62/100 Dollars (\$49,451.62) 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 front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 3, 2012.

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

Commencing 4 Rods South of the Southeast corner of Lot 1, Block 16, Plat of the Village of Millington; thence West 11 2/3 rods; thence South 4 Rods; thence East 11 2/3 Rods; thence North 4 Rods to the place of beginning, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1, Page 42A of Plats, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: April 4, 2012
Orlans Associates, P.C.
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2485022633 File No. 617.8898

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Dated: April 4, 2012

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dale E. Bruman and Jennifer S. Bruman, husband and wife, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 26, 2001 and recorded on April 1, 2002 in Liber 872 on Page 324, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Three Hundred Ninety and 56/100 Dollars (\$70,390.56).

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 May 3, 2012.

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

Lots 1 and 2, Block 36 of the plat of the Village of Fostoria, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of plats, Pages 45A-46A, 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.

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Dated: April 4, 2012

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Town 10 North, Range 8 East; Thence North 20 rods to the beginning; Thence 20 rods North; Thence 96 rods West; Thence 20 rods South; Thence 96 rods East to the beginning, except land deeded to Consumer Power Company, A Michigan Corporation, as recorded in Liber 438, Page 873, and excepting therefrom the following: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 34; Thence along the East line of said Section 34, South 00 Degrees 37 Minutes 54 Seconds East 801.01 feet to the point of beginning; Thence continuing along said East line of Section 34, South 00 Degrees 37 Minutes 54 Seconds East 195.03 feet; Thence North 89 Degrees 57 Minutes 01 Seconds West 582.35 feet; Thence North 05 Degrees 44 Minutes 22 Seconds East 90.00 feet; Thence South 89 Degrees 54 Minutes 30 Seconds East 295.01 feet; Thence North 06 Degrees 59 Minutes 29 Seconds East 150.78 feet; Thence South 80 Degrees 16 Minutes 05 Seconds East 261.60 feet to the point of beginning.

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Dated: April 4, 2012

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert Stephens, a married man and Cassandra L. Stephens, his wife, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 25, 2006 and recorded September 6, 2006 in Liber 1094, Page 120, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Seven and 65/100 Dollars (\$75,167.65) including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MAY 3, 2012.

Said premises are located in the Village of Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 18, Assessor's Plat Number 1, Village of Newberry (now Kingston), according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 70-71, 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: April 4, 2012

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YARD SALE – 4-family. Over 500 items: dishes, couch, recliner, movies, Nintendo Wii, 2007 Honda ATV, etc. Thursday-Saturday, April 26-28, 8 a.m.-?. 5351 E. Cass City Rd. 14-4-25-1

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Household Sales

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Hosted by: Cass City Red Hawk PTO

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Cass City Middle School Gym

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For more information, call Liz Phillips at (989) 912-0879.

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Legal Notices

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 Shannon Ferguson, a single woman of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated the 25th day of May, 2004, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 3rd day of June, 2004, in Liber 995, Page 31, and further evidenced by Affidavit of Scrivener's Error recorded in Liber 1239, Page 50 on January 17, 2012 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to U.S. Bank National Association ND, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$54,167.04 (fifty-four thousand one hundred sixty-seven and 04/100) plus accrued interest at 8.000% (eight point zero zero zero) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 10th day of May, 2012, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

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

Situated in the Township of Koylton, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan: Part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 35, Township 11 North, Range 11 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West section line that is South 00 degrees 40 minutes 15 seconds East, 2141.45 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 35; thence continuing South 00 degrees 40 minutes 15 seconds East, 466.69 feet; thence North 89 degrees 19 minutes 45 seconds East, 466.69 feet; thence North 00 degrees 40 minutes 15 seconds West, 466.69 feet; thence South 89 degrees 19 minutes 45 seconds West, 466.69 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 6725 Clothier Road.

Tax Parcel No.: 016-035-000-0775-00

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: April 11, 2012

By: Foreclosing Attorneys
Attorney for Plaintiff
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S

Troy, MI 48084
WWR# 10086266

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Paula Tuneburg, a married woman, and Timothy Tuneburg, a/k/a Timothy C. Tuneburg, her husband, of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for MILA, Inc., DBA Mortgage Investment Lending Associates, Inc. its successors and assigns dated the 2nd day of September, 2004, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 17th day of September, 2004, as Book 1008, Page 1215 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, F/K/A The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A., as Trustee for RASC 2004-KS10, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$84,978.39 (eighty-four thousand nine hundred seventy-eight and 39/100) plus accrued interest at 6.45% (six point four 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 17th day of May, 2012, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

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

SITUATED IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA, TOWNSHIP OF TUSCOLA, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE NORTH 444.00 FEET OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH-EAST 1/4 OF SECTION 15, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, TOWNSHIP OF TUSCOLA, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, EXCEPTING THEREFROM A PARCEL DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER THEREOF, THENCE WEST 130.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 444.00 FEET; THENCE EAST 130.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 444.00 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as: 6671 Frankenthuth Road.

Parcel Number 019-015-000-2100-00

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: April 18, 2012

By: Foreclosing Attorneys
Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S
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WWR# 10091566

4-18-4

FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. MAY BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE.

Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dale R. Rutkowski and Patricia A. Rutkowski, Husband and Wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Heartland Home Finance, INC, Mortgagee, dated September 15, 2005, and recorded on September 27, 2005, in Liber 1055, Page 583, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS, as trustee for the registered holders of SAXON ASSET SECURITIES TRUST 2005-4 MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-4 by an Assignment of Mortgage dated April 22, 2011 and recorded April 28, 2011 in Liber 1221, Page 179, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Seventy-Two and 67/100 (\$123,072.67) including interest at the rate of 8.75000% 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 public premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on May 17, 2012.

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

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Dated: April 18, 2012

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS, as trustee for the registered holders of SAXON ASSET SECURITIES TRUST 2005-4 MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-4
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CASS CITY’S Joe Luana (above) and his brother, Jim, not only completed the Tough Mudder obstacle course, the brothers also finished in the top 5 percent of competitors, earning them the right to compete in the World’s Tough Mudder event slated for Dec. 15 and 16. (Photo courtesy of Carrie Luana)

Tough Mudders

Luanas tough enough to qualify for world obstacle course event

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For many, the words “tough” and “mudder” conjure up images of a large monster truck designed and constructed to plow through the sloppiest of conditions.

When referring to the series of obstacle course competitions known as Tough Mudder, the words take on an entirely different meaning. The course is intended to test the strength, stamina and mental toughness of its human participants.

Tough Mudder events are usually 10-12 mile long obstacle courses that push men and women to the limits of their physical and mental endurance. The courses were designed by the British Special Forces and can be found at various locations in Canada, the United States, Europe, South Africa, Japan, Australia and New Zealand.

One such event was held at Amherst, Ohio, on the weekend of April 15 and 16. Cass City resident Joe Luana, along with his brother Jim, set their sights on finishing the grueling challenge.

Luana began training for the Tough Mudder well before attempting the feat. He would run upwards of 10 miles at a time for the 11.5-mile course. Mixed in with the running were various upper body exercises to prepare him for the various obstacle stations he would face on the course.

All the training led him to a 10 a.m. start time at the course outside of Amherst. The participants have designated start times that are staggered to ensure that not all the registered “mudders” are on the course at the same time. There were over 13,000 men and women who tackled the obstacles over the course of the weekend. Luana’s start time slot held roughly 150 entrants.

In order to fully appreciate the accomplishment of finishing the course, Luana described his experience.

For most people it would be a challenge to run an 11.5-mile marathon on a flat, solid surface. Tough Mudder runners must adapt to a variety of conditions while attacking 24 well-planned obstacles. Adding to the already difficult terrain of gravel hills, mud, hard rocks and 48 degree temperatures was a steady rain that would at times reach a downpour.

After a cross country run, the mass of participants entered a small pool filled with ice water. A board was strategically placed over the pool which forced people to submerge their bodies, as well as their heads, below the icy surface. “I wasn’t hanging around in the pool any longer than I had to,” Launa recalled, laughing.

One obstacle that followed the breath-taking pool experience was called the Swamp Stomp. Luana felt this was one of the most challenging obstacles in the competition. A series of 12-15 trenches that were 4 feet in length were filled with water. The idea was to find a way to make it across all the trenches to the other side of the obstacle. To add a degree of difficulty, a mound of clay and dirt awaited the participants on the other side of each trench.

Even though Luana found the Swamp Stomp difficult, he felt the hardest obstacle required him to carry an 80-pound log. He had to lug the log 300 yards through a swampy marsh, then down into a ravine and haul it back up the other side. He witnessed another competitor take a nasty fall while coming down the side of the hill, and to make matters worse the log landed directly on the man’s shoulder.

There were also several bad wrecks on the obstacle called Everest, which was a 12-foot high wall covered

in Teflon that was shaped like a quarter pipe used by skate boarders. The goal was to reach the peak of the wall by any means necessary. Luana and several other competitors displayed great sportsmanship by coming to the aid of individuals who were having a hard time scaling the giant. A strategy employed by some was to construct human ladders in order to reach the summit.

Anyone afraid of heights would shudder when they reached the Cliffhanger. It was at this station that Luana climbed to the top of a 15-foot high platform. The next step was literally off the structure where a drop of approximately 40 feet ended with a splash in a lake that was 30 feet deep. After rising to the surface, he had a short swim in frigid water before re-entering land.

The obstacle Luana trained the most for was known as the Killa Gorilla. Monkey bars located in elevated rafters had to be crossed in order to continue. Luana held the same thought in the back of his mind while preparing for Killa Gorilla, “I’m not falling off the monkey bars!” His hard work paid off because he did succeed in staying off the ground and completing the obstacle.

Two other obstacles that are etched into Luana’s memory both provided him with a small shock.

The aptly named Electric Eel required those who entered into its domain to crawl through mud and water several inches deep. Above their heads were strands of horizontal barb wire to discourage anyone from standing up while attempting to defeat the obstacle. Dangling into the pit were vertical wires that could zap someone with a small electric shock. Luana was the recipient of a timely jolt as he was clearing the pit.

The second shock he received came via the Twinkle Toes. This station had mudders crossing a water filled pit that was 40 to 50 feet in length. Boards that were 2 inches by 2 feet traveled the length of the pit, however, the boards were very flexible which caused them to shake and bend during crossing. Luana lost his footing and ended up in the water only to receive a surprise as he attempted to pull himself back on top of the board; a wire providing a small shock was located 2-3 inches from the top of the board.

These were only some of the 24 obstacles that stood in the way of competitors seeking to finish the course.

The tangible prize at the finish line for those who conquered the course was an orange headband with “Tough Mudder” printed on the side. The real reason most men and women battled hypothermia, injuries and multiple crashes was to test their mental grit.

Luana found the experience exhilarating. “If I could, I would do it again this weekend!” he said. He also discussed what he felt were the keys to finishing the challenge. “Staying excited to see the next obstacle and keep moving to stay warm are important. If you slow down it only makes it worse because it drags out the pain,” he explained.

The main goal for Joe and his brother, Jim, was to give it their all to finish.

“At no point I thought I wasn’t going to finish,” said Luana, who along with his brother stopped to help many others along the way to the finish line and still accomplished their objective. Upon receiving their time of 2 hours and 43 minutes, the brothers learned that they finished in the top 5 percent of the total entries. That means both are eligible to compete in the World’s Toughest Mudder event planned for Dec. 15 and 16 at a location yet to be determined.

For more information about the Tough Mudder obstacle courses and events, visit their website at <http://tough-mudder.com>.



JOE LUANA CRAWLS through the Electric Eel obstacle during the Tough Mudder competition held April 15 and 16 in Amherst, Ohio. (Photo courtesy of Carrie Luana)

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