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## Board cuts \$1 million as budget deadline looms

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Five veteran Cass City Schools teachers have taken the local school board up on an offer to pay them \$15,000 each to leave the district.

For school officials, that means not having to lay off any instructors, in spite of the monumental task of trimming nearly \$1 million in spending by the time the district approves its 2012-13 general fund budget next month.

Finances were the focus of agendas during both a special meeting last week and the Cass City Board of Education's regular monthly session Monday night.

The teachers who accepted the board's offer are Marilyn Walsh (high school math), Dennis Meek (high school English), Deb Hobbs (sixth grade), Nancy Folk (high school English) and Lisa Levisky (fifth grade).

The agreement will save the district roughly \$404,000, nearly half of the amount officials need to cut, accord-

ing to school Supt. Jeff Hartel, who previously estimated that up to 8 positions would have to be eliminated in order to balance next year's budget.

The school board has already decided to close Campbell Elementary School this year, saving nearly \$220,000. However, school officials

last week reversed a decision to also close the Cass City Early Childhood Education Center, where the district's youngest students attend class.

Hartel said the savings realized from closing the facility would have been lost due to renovations at the middle school in order to accommodate the younger children. Now, he

explained, the early childhood education center will house Cass City's preschool/day care program and young 4's students.

Other savings proposed by the board include not replacing high school counselor Jill Rowland (school officials plan to fill the void by assigning a teacher the duties of

"dean of students"), laying off the district's part-time business manager and not replacing a technology assistant.

Eliminating a pair of maintenance positions and a part-time mechanic's job are expected to save a combined \$73,759.

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## CC village sets 2012 tax levy

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Although real property – consisting mainly of residential housing – slid by nearly \$625,000 in taxable value for Cass City residents from a year ago, village officials Monday said those same home owners won't see a hike in their next tax bills to help balance the deficit.

The Cass City Village Council set the 2012 tax levy at 18.1387 mills during its regular monthly meeting, keeping the rate unchanged for the past 5 years. It will cost the owner of a home located in the village, with a market value of \$100,000, about \$725 annually.

Despite the expected loss of \$11,273 in 2012 tax revenues from housing woes, Village Manager Peter Cristiano expects an overall gain of over \$8,000 in total tax revenue.

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## Races slated for a host of county posts

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

It's going to be a busy, if not interesting, election year in Tuscola County.

The races on tap for county office include a 5-way battle for register of deeds, and 2-way races for prosecutor, sheriff and probate judge. In addition, 4 of 5 county commissioners will be facing challengers.

The deadline to file the necessary paperwork to run for local office was Tuesday, May 15. This year's state primary election will be held Tuesday, Aug. 7, while the general election will be Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Residents will be saying goodbye this year to veteran Tuscola County Clerk Margie White, whose plans to marry and move to Huron County prompted her decision to retire after 20 years on the job.

White took over the reins of the clerk's office from Erma Brown, who served a 4-year term following the retirement of longtime Clerk Elsie Hicks.

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## Still on Cloud 9...



MEMBERS OF THE Deford Dazzlers 4-H Club pose after finishing 10th in the national finals of the Team America Rocketry Challenge in The Plains, Va., earlier this month. Team members are (in front, from left) Catherine Gordon, Chrysler Parrish, Dustyn Parrish, Peter Hansen, William Webster and Christopher Hansen. Also pictured are (front row, far right) Trip Barber, president of the National Association of Model Rocketry; Anne Ward, Aerospace Industries Association's event coordinator, and (in back) industry leaders.

## Deford 4-Hers dazzle at national competition

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Forgive members of the Deford Dazzlers if they're still on Cloud 9.

They have good reason to be; the youths involved in the area 4-H club headed up by Deford's Mark and Patricia Hansen recently returned home from a prestigious model rocketry competition in the Washington, D.C., area, where they finished 10th in the nation and, in the process, set a new national flight record. They also earned a \$2,000 grant that will be used to fund their next rocket season.

"They conducted themselves admirably; with grace, poise and dignity," Mark Hansen said of his team. "Our science club is growing and we've got younger kids

who now look up to this extraordinary group of 6 teens and dream of being old enough someday to have the same chance at making 4-H history for Michigan."

The area teens certainly made a name for themselves during the Team America Rocketry Challenge (TARC) earlier this month. The challenge annually accepts hundreds of teams composed of youths in grades 7 through 12 from any U.S. school, home school or non-profit youth organization to vie for the opportunity to compete nationally.

Sponsored by the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) and the National Association of Rocketry (NAR), this year's rocket contest challenged teams of 3 to 10 students to design and build a rocket that will climb to 800 feet with a payload of 2 raw eggs and stay aloft for 43 to 47 seconds.

The top 100 TARC teams, including the Deford Dazzlers, were invited to compete at the national finals in The Plains, Va.

### TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

The Deford contingent arrived for the competition May 10, according to Hansen, who in addition to his role as Deford Dazzlers club leader also serves as superintendent of Youth Sciences for Tuscola County 4-H.

"They (students and chaperones) attended the Congressional breakfast at the Russell Building. This building houses the offices of many senators as well as conference rooms. It is across the street from the Capitol Building, which the kids saw up close and personal," he said.

"They were a very popular group of presenters because they not only

took one of their rockets, but also a cross-section of the engine and payload section from a prototype so that they would be able to show off and explain the custom engineering they put into those sections of the rocket," Hansen noted. "They spoke personally with one of the top executives from the NSA, the president of the AIA, the event coordinators for AIA, some engineers from Lockheed Martin and Raytheon, several congressional aides, journalists from the Washington Post and The Roll Call (Capitol Hill newspaper) and some Department of Defense high ranking officials.

"Many times they were so intent on presenting their project, they did not even realize the important position the person in front of them held," he continued. "It was

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EMILY MARTIN is standing inside a telephone box in London, England. Martin was recently a part of the University of Michigan's study-abroad program called, "Global Course Connection: Behind the Scenes at the London Olympics".

## Observances on tap for Memorial Day

by Mason Doerr  
Staff Writer

Freedom is often a word that a lot of people take for granted. The word freedom, in words, stands for the power to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint. But the word freedom, in action, means much more, and that's why we celebrate Memorial Day.

Mark Zmierski, of Cass City, has been the emcee for the Cass City Memorial Day celebration for the last several years. Zmierski was a Senior Chief in the U.S. Navy, and retired in 2006. He is very enthusiastic about Memorial Day and its meaning.

"Typically, Memorial Day is a time to honor those who died for our country, and in my opinion, it's kind of nice that it's not commercialized," Zmierski said. "I think that's how it should be."

"It's a time to reflect on those who have died so we can have the freedoms that we have today," Zmierski added. "And often it's not people that we had ever met, but it's keeping their memory alive and showing our gratitude for

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## Martin combining love of writing and sports

by Mason Doerr  
Staff Writer

The words Michigan wrestling, Westminster Abbey and the Boston Red Sox all have one thing in common, and that is Emily Martin.

There have been many students who ventured out of Cass City High School's doors and went on to pursue great things. Martin is one of those outstanding graduates.

After collecting her diploma, Martin chose to major in sports management in the School of

Kinesiology at the University of Michigan. She is also pursuing a minor concentration in writing through the University of Michigan's Sweetland Center for Writing.

Martin has recently had several distinct opportunities arise for her, the first being named a James B. Angell Scholar, which recognized her for having two years of academic all A's. Martin previously received the William Branstrom Award, which distinguished her as a member of the top five percent of the university's

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Alfred and Mary Horne recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary with family at their home in Cass City. The couple was married May 18, 1946 in Port Huron.

They have 8 children: Marie (Larry) Groombridge, Randy (Marie) Horne, Don (Robin) Horne, Al (Jenny Chrzan) Horne, Mike (Denielle) Horne, Bob (Penny) Horne, Fred (Sharon) Horne (deceased), and Curt Horne (deceased).

## AAUW awards \$4,500 in scholarships to students

The Cass City Thumb Area Branch of Michigan AAUW (American Association of University Women) recently awarded scholarships to women attending college after having graduated from high school at least a year ago.

Money raised at the annual Flamingo Fling held April 12 allowed the Branch to award \$4,500 in scholarships.

The \$1,500 scholarships were awarded to Dorothy Kerkau of Cass City (Baker College, medical assistant), Mary Penn of Caro (Flint School of Therapeutic Massage,

massage therapy), and Eileen Sopha of Cass City (Baker College, medical assistant, Associate's Degree of Applied Science).

The AAUW's purpose is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. The local branch also sponsors a Halloween carnival, RIF (Reading is Fundamental) at Campbell Elementary School and the Fourth of July "Paint-In." To support these events, the branch also holds its annual wreath sales, and again in the early fall will host its second "Butter Braid" sales.

## It's a girl!



Adalee Brinkman

Joel and Lindsey (Hendrick) Brinkman of Bay City announce the birth of their daughter, Adalee Jo Brinkman.

Adalee was born at 9:16 p.m., April 3, 2012, at Covenant Hospital in Saginaw. She weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Her grandparents are Chuck and Kelli Hendrick of Decker, Marcy Brinkman of Cass City, and Richard and Kay Brinkman of Caro. Great-grandparents are Janice Winter and the late Marv Winter of Cass City, Doris Hendrick and the late Earl Hendrick of Decker, Delmar and Margo Miller of Owendale, and Robert and Betty Brinkman of Reese.

## It's a girl!



Ella Diegel

Aaron (formerly of Cass City) and Ericha Diegel, of Clare, announce the birth of their daughter, Ella Grace Diegel.

Ella was born at 10:19 a.m., May 14, 2012 in Alma. She weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Her grandparents are Michael and Christine Diegel of Cass City.

## Great Start series begins Wednesday

Tuscola Great Start is offering an educational class series for parents and caregivers of young children.

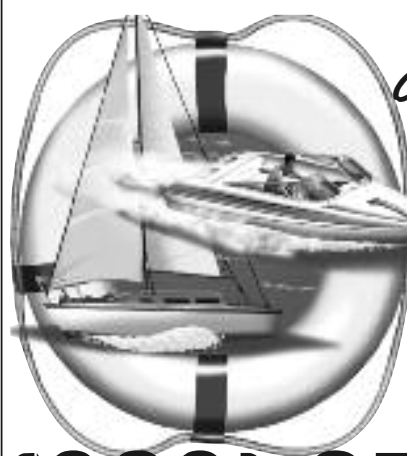
The class series is free and will be offered at the Tuscola MSU Extension Building at 362 Green St., Caro. The class is being provided through a Great Parents Great Start grant from the Michigan Department of Education and the Tuscola County ISD.

The "Alternatives to Anger-RELAX" class will be held on 4 Wednesday evenings beginning May 23, from 5 to 7 p.m. The series helps participants identify what anger is and what triggers it; how to problem solve and manage stress for themselves and the children they provide care for; ways to develop communication and problem solving skills; and how to forgive and let go of the past. Participants who provide care for children, ages 0-5, who complete all 4 sessions will receive a cash card to assist with transportation costs.

"RELAX, Anger Management, has already helped hundreds of people learn better ways to handle their anger and to understand the anger of others", said Gail Innis, Extension educator. "This program can help parents and other caregivers of children find ways to identify and handle the stresses that keep them from moving forward in their daily lives.

Additional free parenting education classes will be offered in August and September. All participants must register by calling Charlotte Harrison at (989) 672-6930. For more information, contact Innis at Sanilac MSU Extension, (810) 648-2515 or innis@msu.edu.

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# In Our OPINION...

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

## Their sacrifice is why we live free

Guest Editorial  
by Senator Mike Green

Americans love superheroes. But our country's true heroes aren't those on the silver screen or in comic books. They are the members of our armed forces who have given their lives in service to our country.

Since our nation's founding, more than one million men and women have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedom. These patriots answered our nation's call of duty to protect our lives at the cost of what Lincoln referred to as "...the last full measure of devotion."

On Monday, May 28, Memorial Day gives us the opportunity to stand together, give thanks and remember the heroic sacrifice of our fellow countrymen.

As Americans who cherish freedom and love of country, we must never forget the significance of this somber day. In today's world, it is more important than ever that we pay tribute to the legacy of honor, courage and love of country displayed by our fallen heroes.

The National Moment of Remembrance was established by Congress in 2000 to keep this very sentiment alive. This observance asks people to pause at 3 p.m. local time on Memorial Day to recognize and memorialize those who have died in service to our country. This act of national unity is a way to stand together as Americans in silent thanks and gratitude.

The Moment of Remembrance doesn't replace traditional events. In fact, I hope you will join with your community in remembering these real heroes at a Memorial Day ceremony organized by your local VFW, American Legion or AMVET post. If you have not attended one in the past, it truly is a sobering experience that will forever alter your perspective on the cost of freedom and the gift given to each one of us by these selfless patriots.

Whether in quiet reflection or public ceremony, please take time to remember our nation's fallen soldiers in your thoughts and prayers on this special day and throughout the year. Their sacrifice is the reason we live and live free in the greatest nation in the world.



## Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

*Spring flows into summer, creating a canvas like no other*



The earth turns on her axis; the sun rises, then sets. Today merges with tomorrow. Spring unfolds into summer and the earth serves as a canvas for the metamorphosis. The planet is alive with growth and color and sound as birds and insects and trees and flowers and homeowners all race to complete their respective outdoor tasks.

A full spectrum of greens (who knew there could be so many?) burst forth from branches, bushes and bulbs. Leaves unfurl from their budding pockets and within days, my neighbor's house is no longer visible through the back window. Grass shoots upward, defying gravity, lifting a pointed finger toward the sky. My rhubarb, its leaves the color and texture of wrinkled raisins, eases its way out of the dirt slowly, like a grandmother pushing herself up from a favorite chair.

Tulips provide some of the first blooms, exploding in scarlet bursts, dotting my flowerbeds with vivid, welcome color. Their vibrancy fades, only to be replaced by the crimson of poppies, with hairy, slender stems bending under the weight of giant blossoms.

Dandelions, with their golden manes, roar a warm path across the lawn – like sunshine, emerging from beneath the ground. Fastidious homeowners get up early on Saturday with the purpose of mowing them into oblivion; I've never been sure why. Small glass jars sit ready on my windowsill waiting for dandelion bouquets to

enter the kitchen, courtesy of the mud-smudged fingers of a child still too young to comprehend the undesirability of weeds or the logic of why a bright yellow flower isn't vase-worthy.

The sky resonates a new, never-before seen blue. I can't find a name fitting of the tint. Turquoise? Lapis? Azure? Cerulean? No label sounds right. Even the clouds – puffs of white – appear to possess romantic under (or would that be over?) tones.

Regal hues of purple appear in dual shades as iris and lilac blossoms burst forth in tandem. Scents of lilac fill the kitchen, where I place a bevy of the lavender blooms in a large vase, next to the dandelions.

Noises amplify and augment the palette, becoming part of the landscape. Insects buzz. Dogs bark. My cat, on high alert, birdwatches from a prime spot on the driveway. Children laugh. Birds chirp, unaware of feline dangers below. Lawn mowers rumble. Neighbors converse. The wind whispers through the branches. If we are lucky, an ice cream truck jingles. The world is noisy, dynamic and alive.

Weeds complete Mother Nature's masterpiece, filling in any unaccounted for or ignored patches of soil. Even cracks in the sidewalk can't escape the miracle of growth and the preponderance of life that accompanies the season. Again, the homeowner attempts to squelch this unwanted vegetation, and for a moment or two – by earth's standards – he may appear to have the upper hand. Weeds disappear, only to reemerge elsewhere, or in the same spot, because it is not for us to decide. Each element is part of the masterpiece – one where we merely occupy a fraction of the canvas, and the true artist, Mother Nature, holds all the brushes.

## Letter to the Editor

### Poppy drive was another success

Each May, local VFW organizations take to the streets armed only with their donation cans in hopes of collecting much needed funds.

Cass City is no different in this regard as you no doubt noticed just a week ago. Sadly, days before our poppy campaign got under way, yet another story of fraudulent misappropriation of charitable funding for veterans broke on a national level involving millions of dollars.

In response to this unfortunate incident, I would like to allay anyone's fears as to where your donation dollars ultimately go from our local community.

Your generosity during our annual poppy drive allows us to replenish our relief fund and to further our ability to assist local veterans, their widows, and or family members in times of need. Any and all monies collected during this campaign stays in the


community and are completely accounted for.

Post 3644 Veterans of Foreign Wars membership is based on honesty and integrity, and each of us feel a sense of duty and pride in safeguarding your trust. As a non-profit organization, we attempt to give back to the Cass City community wherever and whenever needed. Without your continued support this would not be possible.

And so, on behalf of the membership of the Cass City VFW, allow me to express my thanks to our fine townspeople for your gracious support once again. Even though money is tight, you all made it possible for another successful poppy drive.

Very respectfully submitted,  
  
VFW Post 3644  
  
Joe Merchant,  
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## Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Attended my son's junior high track meet in Uby Monday and was very surprised to learn that there was no pole vault competition. Fact is that particular field event venue has never been part of the landscape in Bearcat country.


More than one school official told me it was too costly because of liability insurance. I find that difficult to believe. The Bearcats have a first class 7-lane track surrounding their football field, but the facility lacks a pole vault runway.

On the other hand, the Bearcats made good use of the football scoreboard during the meet to clock the running events. It allowed fans to see each runner's unofficial time as they crossed the finish line.

Was able to catch my daughter's little league softball game Saturday afternoon, when spectators noticed smoke rising from the south end of the village.

Moments later the fire whistle blared and I couldn't help but think about the irony that our local fire department was in the midst of their annual golf fundraiser at Rolling Hills Golf Course.

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We will not publish thank you letters of a specific nature, for instance, from a club thanking merchants who donated prizes for a raffle.

On Thursday, May 24th, Cass City is hosting an Economic Summit at the VFW Hall. Dr. Timothy Nash, vice-president, Strategic & Corporate Alliances, Northwood University, will speak on the subject of Capitalism and the American Dream.

Village manager Peter Cristiano says several Cass City businesses will receive awards at the event, which is open to Thumb business people.

Please remember that the Chronicle office will be closed Monday in observance of Memorial Day. That means next week's issue will arrive on newsstands on Wednesday, while subscribers will get their paper a day later.

We wish everyone a safe holiday weekend.





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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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## Wednesday, May 23

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.

Tuscola County Republican Party meeting, 6 p.m., H.H. Purdy Building, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro.

Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

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

## Thursday, May 24

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

Sandusky Farmers' Market, 2-7 p.m., Sanilac County Court House, Sandusky.

Senior Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

Thumb TEA Party, 6:30 p.m., Evangelical Free Church, Cass City. Guest speaker: Dan Grimshaw, candidate for 84th District House seat.

## Friday, May 25

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

## Saturday, May 26

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.

Thumb Dance Club, 7-11 p.m., Maple Valley School, Sandusky. Catered dinner at 6 p.m. (sign-up required, \$7). Everyone is welcome to attend. Admission: \$4 (members), \$4.50 (non-members). For more information, call Leola at (810) 657-9349 or Dorothy at (810) 404-4250.

## Sunday, May 27

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

## Monday, May 28

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.

Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans.

Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.

Rawson Memorial District Library will be closed in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

## Tuesday, May 29

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

# Deputies say Ubly pedestrian purposely ran in front of truck

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Huron County Sheriff's deputies say an Ubly resident was injured when he purposely ran in front of a truck in the village of Ubly Thursday afternoon.

Deputy Ryan Swartz was dispatched to the scene, Washington Street (M-19) near Clem Street, at about 2:23 p.m. to investigate a personal injury accident involving a man and a semi-truck, according to Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson.

"What he learned was a 2001 Western Star truck owned by Theut Products of Romeo, driven by a 42-year-old Applegate resident, was pulling a flatbed trailer loaded with cement retaining blocks, traveling at about 35 miles per hour, when a 30-year-old Ubly man ran and impacted with the front of it," Hanson said. "Statements made by the man at the scene are indicating he deliberately ran in front of the truck."

The victim, whose name has not been released, was transported by Bingham Township Ambulance Service to Huron Medical Center in

Bad Axe for treatment of his injuries. He was later transferred to a Saginaw area hospital.

"Our motor carrier (officer), Deputy Sgt. James Hunt, inspected the truck and trailer and found no issues that would have had a bearing on this incident. The uninjured truck driver and rig were later released," Hanson said.

The Bingham Township Fire Department and Ubly police assisted deputies at the scene.

The accident remains under investigation.

# Ubly teen injured in accident

A Huron County teen suffered minor injuries in a 2-vehicle traffic crash last week in Tuscola County's Wisner Township.

Tuscola County Undersheriff Glen Skrent reported the accident occurred on M-25 near Bradford Road at about 1:49 p.m. Tuesday.

"A passenger car being driven by

Tracy Janik, 33, from Ubly, was driving eastbound on M-25 when her vehicle struck the rear of a farm truck turning into a driveway," Skrent said.

"The driver of the semi-truck, Daniel Vader, 29, from Unionville, was not injured. However, a passenger in the car, Calvin Janik, 13, was injured and

transported by ACW Ambulance to Bay Medical (Center) for treatment."

Tuscola County Sheriff Lee Teschendorf reminds area motorists to use extra caution this time of year. "It's planting season and farm vehicles are out and about, sometimes moving slowly," he said.

## Circuit Court

# Several face felony charges

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

•Daniel S. Stepanski, 22, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence following his pleas of no contest to charges of interfering with electronic communications and assault or battery Nov. 26 in Caro.

He was ordered to complete 100 hours of community service and pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,248.

•Justin W. Harms, 18, Clifford, was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail and 24 months probation for his pleas of guilty to charges of breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny, receiving and concealing stolen property, and conspiracy to commit receiving and concealing stolen property June 13 in Koylton Township.

He was also ordered to complete 100 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,334 plus restitution of \$2,500.

•Todd A. Pease, 28, Millington, was sentenced to 8 to 20 years in prison for his pleas of no contest to 4 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim

under the age of 13 years between January 2009 and January 2012 in Arbela/Millington townships and the village of Millington. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

•Tony S. Bossert, 38, Caro, was sentenced to 2 ½ to 15 years in prison for his pleas of guilty to 2 counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, and possession of marijuana Dec. 10 in Denmark Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$446.

•Jeffery T. Harris, 52, Fostoria, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with work release, for his plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance Aug. 12 in Watertown Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was placed on 36 months probation and ordered to complete 150 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$698.

•Samuel L. Tallman, 48, Caro, was sentenced to 270 days in jail and 36 months probation for his plea of guilty to delivery/manufacture of 5 to 45 kilograms of marijuana, subsequent offense, Sept. 6 in Indianfields Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,758.

•Robert W. Giddings, 60, Cass City, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to violation of the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to notify local law enforcement of a change in address between Dec. 1, 2011, and Jan. 12, 2012, in Cass City.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,298.

•Chrystena A. Banowski, 26, Decker, was sentenced to 45 days in jail, with work release, for her pleas of guilty to assaulting, resisting or

obstructing a police officer, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, second offense, Dec. 31 in Kingston.

She was also placed on 30 months probation and ordered to complete 100 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$988.

•James S. Castor, 47, Cass City, was sentenced to 275 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Feb. 1 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,798 plus restitution of \$120.

•Holly L. Pilon, 27, Bay City, pleaded guilty to one count of uttering and publishing involving a \$300 check drawn on Independent Bank between April and May 2011 in Wisner Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Janice L. Kagen, 51, Millington, was sentenced to 18 months to 20 years in prison for her pleas of guilty to charges of being a prisoner in possession of contraband and tampering with evidence Nov. 28 in Caro. She was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, she was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$266.

•Benjamin J. Booth, 37, Mayville, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his pleas of guilty to 3 counts of second degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years between August 2008 and May 2009 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 \$5,254.

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Reporter's notebook

# Plumbers are from Mars, writers are from Venus

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

After all the effort it took to find a good plumber, I figured I had completely avoided embarrassing myself by trying to install a new bathtub.

Nope. Turns out we (the plumbing crew and me) had a communication gap of sorts going throughout much of the day. Don't get me wrong; these guys were professional and did a great job with the installation, plumbing, wiring, etc. But somehow I expected to be able to talk to them on the same, you know, "guy" level.

"You know this isn't the right bathtub for the installation application, right?" one of the guys says to me. He then mentioned something about a flange issue, etc., and went on to explain.

I just stood there looking like a deer caught in the headlights.

"I thought we all knew what kind of installation we're talking about here," he said with an expression that told me he knew he was talking to someone who didn't have a clue and probably wouldn't know a hammer if it conked him on the head.

"No," I finally replied. "That's why we hired a professional contractor to install the tub."

Minutes later, after further examining the tub installation instructions, he learned we could purchase an accessory that would make this tub

project the correct application. Apparently, even professional guys have an aversion to instruction manuals.

Anyway, the damage was already done; I looked like an idiot.

He might as well have tried to explain the Pythagorean Theorem to me (I nearly flunked math in high school). By the way, I looked it up because for some reason the Pythagorean Theorem was faintly familiar to me. For the record, the theorem states that the square on the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle is equal to the sum of the square on the other 2 sides.

So what? I'm a writer.

In any event, the plumbers wrapped up their work more quickly than expected and they were on their way, probably snickering and making jokes about me all the way back. That's okay, I would have shown them something had they engaged me in a discussion about nouns, verbs and adjectives. Maybe next time.

Perhaps I'll just encourage my wife to tackle the next project on her own with a little help from me.

At least she won't expect me to know anything about construction, and she's seen me look like an idiot a number of times. As for communication, that's a no-brainer; we don't understand where the other is coming from half the time anyway.

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



## 5 YEARS AGO (2007)

For the first time in 47 years, Jack Esau will not be serving as the master of ceremonies for this year's Memorial Day Remembrance observation in Cass City. Instead, he will be watching from the crowd. The 89-year-old World War II veteran made the decision to retire from a job he filled for nearly half a century because of his age. "I'm getting deaf and stumble around a bit. It's time to get out," Esau said. His wife, Ruth Esau, 89, said her husband had difficulties retiring. "He's done such a great job. With great reluctance he's giving this up," she added. This year's master of ceremonies, Mark Zmierski indicated he's humbled by the opportunity to fill the position of a local legend. "Jack has kind of been the icon. He's done it forever. I'm 45. He's done it my whole life plus a little," Zmierski said.

Cass City's Lukas Varney and Kyle Reif finished second and third, respectively, in the 3200-meter run at the Division 3 regional in Bad Axe. The pair helped the Red Hawks to their first regional track title since 1962.

Jennifer Richards had a banner day in the hurdles to pace Cass City. She will head to the Division 3 state final in Comstock Park as the lone Lady Red Hawk regional champ, claiming top honors in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 49.43. Richards also placed as the runner-up in the 100-meter hurdles (16.43). Joining Richards at Comstock Park will be Brittany Loomis, who finished second with a time of 12:34.31 in the 3200-meter run and third in the 1600-meter run (5.44.10).

## 10 YEARS AGO (2002)

Veteran Cass City Middle School teacher Jim Mastie is retiring after more than 30 years in education. Mastie spent virtually his entire 32-year career in Cass City, where he also devoted 21 years to coaching various sports. Even after he retires, Mastie will have a close link to the middle school because his wife will still be teaching there. "This is her 30th year, but she says she's not ready (to retire) yet," he said, adding 32 years is enough for him.

Lauren Howard, Cass City 12-year-old, bagged her first turkey while hunting Saturday morning in Tuscola County on private land. The tom,

which sported a 9" beard, 3/4" spurs and weighed 19 pounds, was called into shooting range by her father, Tom Howard.

Combine excellent pitching and timely hitting and the result is an easy victory and that's what the Hawks had while posting a 10-0 decision over the Cougars in the nightcap. Deidre Deering and Lindsey Hendrick shared the mound for the Hawks, each pitching 3 innings. All Saints was limited to 2 hits. Cass City rapped out 9 hits spread among 7 players. Kayla Wentworth and Becky Hartel led with 2 hits each. Wentworth, Krystee Dorland and Tessia Zawilinski each drove in 2 runs.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1987)

Deborah E. Blue, a senior flutist in the Cass City High School Band, received the Harold Ferguson Award May 21 during the annual spring band concert. The Harold Ferguson Award is given each year to a Cass City High School Band member "who best exemplifies band in Cass City," Band Director George Bushong said before presenting the award.

Cass City Intermediate School Student Council officers Garen Barker, Mindy Fulcher, Stephanie Spencer and Steve Tuckey, along with advisor Richard Partlo recently accepted the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals' Student Council Award of Excellence.

A Cass City Intermediate School seventh grader has been named an international semifinalist in the 31st annual International Piano Competition slated for July 6-10 in Cincinnati, Ohio. Soo Yun, 12, qualified for the international event, sponsored by the American Music Scholarship Association, during a competition April 5. The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. No Yk Yun, she has been playing for about 5 years.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1962)

Cass City remained in contention for the Thumb B Conference baseball crown Thursday by defeating defending champion Frankenmuth 3-1. The loss eliminated the Eagles from the title chase. Coach Claseman said that it was the finest played game of the season. Cass City made just one error and Frankenmuth had

only two bobbles. The game was reeled off in just one hour and 15 minutes. Wayne Brown pitched a strong game as he posted his fifth win against two defeats for the season.

Football fans whose memory of Cass City High School's football teams stretch back to 1954 will need no introduction to Oarie Lemanski, new head grid mentor at the school. Lemanski was an outstanding quarterback on the great grid teams at Bad Axe from 1952-54. Hired last week to replace Mike Yedinak, Lemanski will be coming to Cass City from Rogers City where he has coached for two years.

Harvey W. Fleming, Decker, has been awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for his 10-year service record on the Sanilac County Selective Service Board. Fleming, Evergreen Township Clerk, was cited in the certificate for his "devotion to duty, integrity and leadership and demonstrated spirit of volunteer public service." Chairman of the Sanilac Board, James Curry, announced the award in Sandusky recently.

## 100 YEARS AGO (1912)

The Bird School closed Tuesday, after a very successful school term with Miss Eugene Hendrick as teacher. A picnic and a ball game between the school boys and married men were features of the day. The score was 12-36 in favor of the school boys.

Not only are the wide and well kept streets of Cass City a topic on which visitors to the town express much admiration, but they are well drained and kept remarkably free from mud holes, etc. After a week of rain, culminating in a heavy fall of water Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning the dust was blowing Thursday, and the street sprinkler man found it necessary to resume his labors.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Evangelical church held its annual election at the home of Mrs. J.H. Striffler Friday and chose the following officers: President, MRS. M.M. Schwegler; vice president, Mrs. C.O. Lenzner; recording secretary, Miss Emma Muck; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Salome Bien; treasurer, Mrs. J.A. Schweitzer; mission band manager, Mrs. O.Y. Schneider.

# Ask your neighbor

## Movie rentals are still popular in area

Cass City resident Robyn Williams is an employee at Videomation of Cass City. When asked about what types of movies Williams appreciated she said, "I like all kinds of movies, some of my newer favorites are the new Footloose, New Year's Eve and the new Adam Sandler movie Jack and Jill."

When asked what older rentals were still popular, Williams stated, "Probably the most popular rental to still be frequently checked out would be Titanic, the movie seems to always be off the shelves. Another popular section that a lot of customers check out from would be our Horror section."

For kids' movies, Williams also said that any Carebear, Scooby-Doo, or Spongebob movies are always being checked out.

"We also have had a lot of customers checking out Underworld and The Vow in our new release section. Several customers have really enjoyed those movies," said Williams when asked about newer movies that customers may want to rent.

Videomation also carries several movie series that are frequently being checked out, such as Twilight, Star Wars, and Mission Impossible.

Videomation also carries several TV series that are frequently being checked out such as True Blood, Weeds and Deadwood.

Williams is a 2009 Cass City High School graduate. She is the wife of Eddie Williams, Jr.



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Saturday Service: 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.  
www.anchorcoveoutreachchurch.com

**Calvary Bible Fellowship  
an Independent Baptist Church**  
4446 Ale St., Cass City, MI 48726  
989-872-4088  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday -  
Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 7:00 p.m.

**Cass City Church of Christ**  
6743 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726  
Contacts 872-2367 or 872-3136  
Worship Service Sunday 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.  
Bible Study -  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. & Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

**Cass City Church of the Nazarene**  
6538 Third St., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-2604 or (989) 912-2077  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study -  
& Children's Activities 6:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Jerry Harrington  
Associate Pastor: Judy A. Esckilsen

**Cass City Missionary Church**  
4449 Koeppgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726  
989-872-2729  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:50 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service & Youth Group 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Family Night 6:30 p.m.  
Pastor: Phil Burkett  
www.casscitymc.org

**Cass City United Methodist Church**  
5100 N. Cemetery Rd.,  
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872-3422  
Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
(Summer 9:30 a.m.)  
Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m.  
Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon)  
Pastor: Rev. Jackie Roe

**Evangelical Free Church of Cass City**  
6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-5060  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Midweek Bible Studies  
Biblical Counseling  
Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould  
www.casscityefc.org

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Barrier Free  
6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726  
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Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.  
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Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
AWANA Clubs 6:45 p.m. During School Year  
Thursday Teen Club 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Pastor: David G. Hill  
Website: www.fbccc.us

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Barrier Free  
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6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726  
872-5400  
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.  
Pastor: Dave Blackburn

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

**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726  
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872-5186  
Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Pastor: F. Robert Tucker

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Winter  
Saturday Liturgy 4:00 p.m. EDT  
Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m.  
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4631 N. Van Dyke, Cass City, MI 48726  
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Sunday Service: 11 a.m.  
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Pastor: Rev. Mark Karwowski  
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## Red Hawk News

by Alex Warju



The hardworking students of Cass City's graduating class were honored during Senior Awards Night, a formal event held last week to celebrate the achievements of the seniors and announce any scholarships that students have earned. After 4 years of diligence, those receiving honors are overjoyed with their accomplishments.

Presenting scholarships was a big part of the night. Local scholarships can range from being given out by a local business such as Thumb National Bank, to being presented by an organization such as the Cass City Lions Club and Cass City Gavel Club. Scholarships set up in honor of someone, like Alison Emmert and Cory Merz, were given out as well. The local area was able to give an impressive estimated amount of \$13,000 to help those in their community get off to a good start. Scholarships given through colleges totaled a staggering \$214,500. Most of these scholarships are spread out over a student's 4 year college career.

There were a wide variety of awards presented for athletic and academic achievements.

Shannon Stec and Jared Weidman were named valedictorians and Rachael Rule is salutatorian. Honor cords, academic letters and academic pins were also given out. Gold cords are given to students with a GPA in the range of 4.0 to 3.5; silver or maroon are for those with a 3.499 to 3.0 GPA. Academic letters are awarded for having at least a 3.25 GPA and academic pins are given to those with such a GPA, but have already received their letter. A perfect attendance award was presented to Alex Pena. For those showing great excellence in specific classes, class pins were given out as well.

Four members of the class of 2012 have made the decision to enter one of the branches of the military. Representatives from these branches were present to acknowledge the commitment the young people are making. Jordyn Heredia will be going on to be a part of the U.S. Marine Corps, Travis Wright will be joining the U.S. Army, Terrance Bennett is going into the U.S. Navy, and Remington Rushlow will be enlisting in the U.S. Air Force.

For all that they have accomplished in their high school career, Senior Awards Night summed it up perfectly. The recipients had given their all for 4 years and it was all paying off now. The scholarships, the awards, and the honorable mentions all brought to light what these kids have been working so hard for. All there were deserving of their recognition and will continue on to do great things with what they earned.

## Races slated for county posts

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Seeking White's job is Chief Deputy Clerk Jodi Fetting, a Kingston area native who now resides in Caro. Fetting has served in the clerk's office for nearly 4 years and was promoted to deputy chief about 18 months ago.

In the race for prosecutor, Republican Pamela Stefan is challenging incumbent Republican Mark E. Reene for a 4-year term.

Likewise, there are 2 candidates for sheriff — incumbent Republican Lee Teschendorf and Democratic challenger Chris Rogner — and for probate judge — incumbent Amanda Roggenbuck and challenger Nancy L. Thane.

A field of 5 candidates is vying for a 4-year term as register of deeds following incumbent Dan Grimshaw's decision to run for the 84th District seat in the Michigan House of Representatives. The deeds candidates are Republicans John Bishop, Paula Cavanaugh and Scott McCool and Democrats J. Warren Taylor and Aaron Gyurko.

Running unopposed for 4-year terms are county Treasurer Pat Donovan-Gray and Drain Commissioner Robert Mantey.

All of the county commissioners' 2-year terms are expiring, and this year marks a new layout of representation in the county due to redistricting.

The following candidates filed to run for those terms:

•**District One** — Republican Commissioner Roger Allen currently represents Wisner, Gilford, Akron, Fairgrove, Columbia, Elkland and Elmwood townships. He is running unopposed.

•**District 2** — Republican Commissioner Thom Bardwell represents the city of Caro and the townships of Almer, Ellington, Novesta and Kingston. He is being challenged by Democrat Ricky A. Jonas.

•**District 3** — In District 3, which is comprised of Indianfields, Wells, Fremont, Dayton and Koylton townships, newcomers Lynne L. Staples, a Democrat, and Republican Christine Trisch are vying for incumbent Tom Kern's seat. Kern, a former longtime Tuscola County sher-

iff, opted not to seek reelection to another term as commissioner.

•**District 4** — Two newcomers are also vying for the District 4 seat, which represents Tuscola, Arbela, Millington and Watertown townships. The candidates are Douglas DuRussel and Craig W. Kilpatrick, both Republicans. Incumbent Roy

Petzold is not seeking reelection.

•**District 5** — District 5 Commissioner Jerry Peterson also opted not to seek another term. Vying for the right to represent the city of Vassar and Denmark, Juniata and Vassar townships are Judy Adams and Matthew Bierlein, both Republicans.



ACCEPTING THE BAND awards are (top to bottom) Sarah Zmierski, Jared Weidman and Alison Blattner. Zmierski was awarded the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award, Weidman was awarded the John Philip Sousa Award and Blattner was the recipient of the Harold Ferguson Award.

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# Gagetown's Karpovich top Chemistry teacher

The Midland Section of the American Chemistry Society selected Dave Karpovich as the region's Outstanding College Chemistry Teacher Award winner for 2012. The award is presented annually to an individual in Bay, Gratiot, Isabella, Midland or Saginaw counties who makes a substantial contribution to science learning through his or her

own voluntary efforts.

"Dr. Karpovich is an exemplary instructor," said Deborah Huntley, dean of SVSU's College of Science, Engineering and Technology. "He is down to earth, yet professional, and very clear in the expectations he holds for his students. He holds a strong conviction that research is a key component of a strong under-

graduate education, which is why he incorporates hands-on experience. Plus, he brings just enough humor to the classroom to sustain student attention, but without sacrificing the message or the importance of the topic."

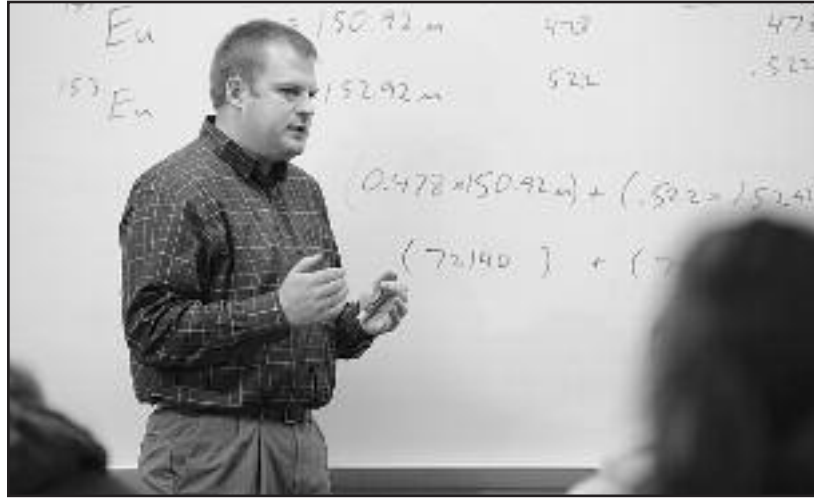
Karpovich joined the SVSU faculty in 1998 and accepted an appointment as the H.H. Dow Endowed Chair in Chemistry in 2010. He teaches courses in general, analytical and environmental chemistry; he also leads a tutoring program where SVSU students volunteer in local high schools.

A resident of Gagetown, Karpovich has a long history of scholarly interest in the Saginaw Bay Watershed.

One current research project — which includes SVSU students and is a partnership with Delta College — was cited as a premier example for similar partnerships throughout the Great Lakes states and nationwide during the National Center for Science and Civic Engagement Symposium and Capitol Hill Poster Session in Washington, D.C., in March. The project includes field, classroom, teaching, lab and community-based research components, and aims to assess methods to restore the Kawkawlin River in a way that can be replicated elsewhere in the Saginaw Bay Watershed.

Karpovich completed a Ph.D. at Michigan State University and a bachelor's degree at SVSU. He received the award at the annual American Chemical Society recognition banquet Thursday, May 3 at the Great Hall Banquet and Convention Center in Midland.

With more than 154,000 members, the American Chemical Society is one of the world's leading sources of authoritative scientific information. Chartered by Congress, the group comprises chemists, chemical engineers and other experts in related fields, and creates a professional organization for members around the globe. For more information on the Midland Section, visit its website at <http://www.midlandacs.org>.



**GAGETOWN AREA** resident Dave Karpovich was recently named this year's recipient of the "Outstanding Chemistry Teacher Award" by the Midland Section of the American Chemistry Society.



**STATE REP. KURT Damrow (R-Elkton), left, is pictured above on the House floor with Dominick Calhoun's family — Rick, Judy and Eric Calhoun — following the unanimous passage of Dominick's Law by the Michigan House last week.**

## "Dominick's Law" gets thumbs up

State Rep. Kurt Damrow last week announced that the Michigan House unanimously approved legislation he co-sponsored, known as "Dominick's Law," to strengthen penalties for child abuse in Michigan and create penalties for abuse committed in front of other children.

House Bills 5562 and 5563 are named in memory of Dominick Calhoun, a 4-year-old who was beaten to death in 2010 by his mother's boyfriend in Argentine Township. The bills hand down stiffer punishments for child abusers.

"Enacting a zero tolerance policy toward people guilty of child abuse will prevent other children in Michigan from suffering like Dominick did," said Damrow (R-Elkton). "This legislation will allow courts to harshly punish criminals for committing such horrific crimes in the presence of another child and help ensure justice gets served."

Committing child abuse in the presence of another child, which is not currently an element of a specific crime, would also carry severe consequences in addition to penalties for the abuse itself.

"Our children rely on us to protect them and it is our job to create a voice for them that will continue to be heard above all voices," Damrow said.

The legislation also strengthens penalties for first- and second-degree child abuse, creating additional penalties for additional offenses of child abuse.

## 3 from area on dean's list

Three area residents are among the students recently named to the dean's list at Michigan Technological University, Houghton.

They are: Derek Sugden, a biological science major from Gagetown; Brock Dean, a software engineering major from Kingston; and Heather Bernia, a general sciences and arts major from Unionville.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must achieve a minimum grade point average of 3.5.

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**THE OLYMPIC RINGS** were photographed by Emily Martin who had the opportunity to travel to several postcard-worthy attractions while staying in London.

## Martin combines love of writing, sports

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honor students.

Along with those honors, Martin just flew back from London. Martin was chosen for a study-abroad experience called, "Global Course Connection: Behind the Scenes at the London Olympics".

"Upon my acceptance, I was one of the 26 students and 2 faculty members from Ann Arbor that met with Olympic organizers, corporate sponsors, programming committees, media personnel and other officials directly related to the staging of the 2012 London Games," said Martin. "We had the opportunity to first hear lectures on the Olympic sport structure in a classroom setting, and then we got to see its impact and significance on the greatest international stage."

"It was humbling to see individuals work tirelessly for the benefit of both the athletes and the audience," Martin added.

Although Martin spent a majority of her time working with people at the site where the Olympics will be held, she also had many opportunities to visit 'once in a lifetime' attractions.

"Besides visiting facilities and arenas that will host Olympic competitions this summer, we traveled around the city of London to postcard-worthy sites, including the Tower of London, Hyde Park and Buckingham Palace," Martin said. "From a service inside Westminster Abbey to strawberries and cream at Wimbledon, it was nothing short of incredible."

Martin has been working her entire undergraduate career in the Michigan Athletic Department for the Michigan wrestling team. She has also contributed to a blog on the university's Cliff Keen Wrestling Club website. In fact, one of the University of Michigan's senior level athletes made the 2012 Olympic team and is training to represent the United States at the London Games.

Another good fortune that Martin has received is a summer sports internship as a beat writer for the Boston Red Sox's minor league complex in Fort Myers, Florida.

"I'll be covering their season from

June through August," Martin said. "Through academic classes at Michigan and my genuine love of sports, I hope to one day be able to tell the stories of sport and its power in our lives."

## Memorial Day observances set

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their ultimate sacrifice, which is dying for your country."

This year's ceremony will begin Monday, May 28, starting with a wreath laying ceremony at the war memorial, which is next to the municipal building in downtown Cass City. After the wreath laying ceremony, the parade will begin making its way down Main Street at 10 a.m. sharp, and will travel to the Elkland Township Cemetery where the rest of the ceremony will take place.

"It's the avenue of flags," Zmierski said. "It's a very humbling thing to walk down the road with them set up and just remembering that obviously every flag that is flying is a veteran that has died."

Approximately 150 large flags will be lined up along the cemetery drive that leads to the podium. This year's speaker will be Pastor Burkett from the Cass City Missionary Church.

"The Boy Scouts have been very supportive of helping us put the flags out for many years," Zmierski said.

Zmierski also added that they are still looking for volunteers to donate their time and help get things set up for the celebration.

A lot of hard work and plenty of time go into setting up everything for Memorial Day. However, the people of Cass City have always been supportive of this event.

"For a community of our size, it shows that it (Memorial Day) is important to us," Zmierski said. "It just shows the amount of respect we have for the people who served our country."

"This year, the village of Cass City is doing a proclamation to honor the fallen of our nation," Zmierski added. "And it will be: 'The fallen of our nation, the brave men and women who served and gave the ultimate gift of their life during periods of conflicts and war.'"

All veterans are encouraged to march with the group and there are even alternatives for those who aren't able to make the trek.

"Any veteran that can't walk or can't march is more than welcome to ride on the wagon, which will be decorated up for the veterans in red, white and blue," Zmierski said. "The Octagon Barn lets us borrow their wagon for the parade, and they've been letting us use it for years."

Those who are planning on lowering their flag to half-mast on Memorial Day are encouraged to follow some flag etiquette.

"On Memorial Day from sunrise until noon, the flag should be raised briskly to the top and then slowly lowered to the midway of the pole," Zmierski said. "At noon the flag should be raised back to the top of the pole."

Zmierski, who took over the emcee duties from Jack Esau, said he had very large shoes to fill. Esau had been the emcee for roughly 50 years and that just says something about that generation.

"Once the World War II generation started something, they stuck to it," Zmierski said. "They were just hard workers and it was something they believed in."

The celebration is always a large attraction in Cass City and it is expected to be another great year for the veterans and people of our village.

"There's a lot of people that have served from this area because they love their country, and that's the bottom line," Zmierski said. "We live in the greatest country, second to none."

Other Memorial Day events include Novesta Township's celebration on Monday, May 28, which begins at 1 p.m. and also the 73rd annual Grant Cemetery Memorial Service, which will be held on Sunday, May 27, at 2 p.m.

## Dazzlers still on Cloud 9

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an amazing sight to see them conducting themselves in such a professional manner, quashing their nerves and excitement, and making an impressive presentation that seemed so much more mature than what our society typically expects out of young teens. I could not have been more proud."

Hansen said the area teens also mixed and mingled with the other 41 teams who made it into town in time to attend the reception.

"They made friends in particular with the team from Arizona and the Krueger team from San Antonio, Texas, who finished second this year," he said. "I was very impressed that instead of seeing each other as 'the competition', all of these teams, including mine, were transparent about their engineering processes, sharing successes and failures alike, and giving each other tips. It was nothing like a typical competition. There was a spirit of camaraderie and friendship that was very endearing."

### THE COMPETITION

The Dazzlers' members flew in the first flight window of the day, which meant being at the competition field by 6:45 a.m. "They were set up, certified to launch and ready to go by 7:30 a.m.," Hansen said.

"They posted a 1.26, which is now the field record for best score at national finals. The rocket achieved a perfect apogee of 800 feet and total flight time was 42.58. Since the goal was 43-37 seconds, they incurred a flight time penalty of 1.26. This is as close to perfect as has ever been accomplished at finals. They hope their record holds for a good, long time."

"We did note that winds were picking up throughout the day and that the first 50 teams to fly early had a distinct advantage over the last 2 flight windows, or 50 teams," Hansen recalled. "There is definitely some luck with this competition as there are variables outside the teams' control."

The Dazzlers found themselves in the lead among the top 24 teams that were given a chance to fly again and compete for the win.

"Unfortunately, wind gusts and strong thermals popped up and wreaked havoc for many teams," Hansen said. "Only a handful of teams scored really well, and it was because they were fortunate and their rockets went up in between gusts. The Deford Dazzlers' rocket still performed admirably and logged an altitude of 793 feet which, had they not caught a thermal, would have given them the win since the only other team out of the 24 that scored 15 or so — remember, low score wins just like in golf — was Krueger, who took second."

"The kids knew they were the new-

bies going into this competition and had only hoped for a top 24 finish. Well, they beat that dream by a bunch, finished 10th, earned a grant for their team, received a gorgeous, hand-crafted pewter trophy, and sat in the winner's circle. Over the moon — that's what we are!

"To put it in perspective...679 teams began this journey in autumn 2011 — 409 teams managed to get to the place that they were successfully flying a rocket consistently and submitted qualifying scores," Hansen said. "Of these, the 100 best scoring teams were invited to (nationals). This original 679 teams represented more than 4,000 students. This means that of that original group, our team finished in the top one percent."

"Tenth at finals is an amazing achievement and that they hold the field record for lowest single flight score at any finals is just icing on the cake," he added.

### MORE TO COME

In addition to finishing in the top 10 in the nation, the Deford club was invited to participate in SLI (Student Launch Initiative), which is the NASA-sponsored program for youth to vie for grants of up to \$5,000 to build high-powered rockets — think huge rockets and flying a mile high — that gather specific types of scientific data.

"I will be in Huntsville, Ala., at NASA July 18-21 for seminars and training, and then when I return, the team will begin the raw engineering and data gathering which will lead to the grant proposal," Hansen explained.

"They will be a busy bunch because at the same time, the new competition parameters for TARC will be posted and they will also begin working on next year's contest design since they are completely committed to continuing with this program."

In the meantime, the Deford Dazzlers will probably continue to enjoy their success for awhile and appreciate all of the hard work and dedication that went into making their way to national-level competition.

"I can't emphasize enough how important this event has been in their lives," Hansen said. "The entire process of engineering, working as a team, setting these lofty goals, etc., has helped them grow, mature, hone their academic skills, discover their talents, and made them better human beings."

"I could not have asked for a better group of teens to travel with. We did not have issues, we did not have problems, we did not have attitudes no matter how tired they were. My in-laws, the other chaperones, were just bowled over at how easy their job was," Hansen added.

"The character development alone has been worth more than any grant or prize money could ever be."

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## GTW Red Hawks too much at Merrill baseball tourney

It's hard to argue the parity among the teams in the Greater Thumb West baseball standings. Especially between the 3 top contenders – Cass City, Reese, and USA – all who have traded wins in conference play on the season.

Thursday, it was the Red Hawks and Patriots turn to meet in GTW action.

In game one, Cass City bats went cold and the hosts recorded a tight 2-1 victory. Red Hawk Dakota Hartel suffered the hard luck defeat. He worked 2 2/3 innings, striking out 4 and yielding 3 hits, before handing the pitching duties to ace Cody Orban.

Orban entered the contest trailing 1-0, and with USA runners on first and second base. It's a strategy, bringing Orban to the mound at the first signs of danger, which has served Coach Nathan Haag well the last 2 seasons. Not this time.

Patriots Nick Fletcher and Jake Beachy made sure of it. They each clubbed RBIs to make the margin 2-0.

Cass City, limited to hits from Kyle Hanby and Hartel on the night,

scored their lone run in the bottom of the third. Nick Kappen accounted for the marker on a Hanby sacrifice fly.

Beachy fanned 4 to collect the win on the hill.

In the late game, Cass City scored 2 runs in the bottom of the second inning to set the stage for Ethan Nicol's game-winning sacrifice fly in the 5th.

Orban handled the pitching duties for Cass City and went the distance. He scattered 4 hits and fanned 13.

At the plate, Nicol was 2-for-3, while Cody Ross added a 2-bagger for the winners.

### MERRILL TOURNEY

Cass City showed it can play with the best over the weekend, delivering defeats to hosts Merrill and St. Charles on their path to tourney honors.

The Red Hawks advanced to the finals with a 5-2 win over Merrill – the 2011 Division 4 state runner-up – and then brought home the invite trophy with a lopsided 10-1 victory over St. Charles in the championship

game.

In the semis, Coach Haag's Red Hawks overcame what he felt was a bad call.

"Morgan Erla scored the first run of the game in the top of the first inning and Merrill responded with a foul ball 2-RBI base hit that was ruled fair to take a 2-1 lead," he said.

Adding, "Cass City's Watson Moore tied the game in the top of the 4th after leading off with a triple. Cody Ross hit a sacrifice fly to even the score. The Hawks scored 3 more runs in the 6th and final inning to pull away."

In the finals, Cass City hammered St. Charles to give pitcher Hartel credit on the rubber for both games.

"Dakota was the horse, picking up 2 wins on the day to send us home with some tournament 'hardware.' We've played very well this year against the Tri-Valley conferences. Both Merrill and St. Charles are in the West Division," said Haag.

Last week, Cass City thumped Frankenmuth on their home field. The Eagles are 10-0 (first place) in the Tri-Valley East Division.



**NICK KAPPEN** establishes a lead as Patriot first baseman **Brendan Ballard** keeps the Red Hawk slugger honest in Thursday's GTW action. The 2 teams traded one-run victories.

## USA slugs multiple home runs in GTW sweep over Cass City

This past week was a tough one for the Cass City softball team.

It started with the Lady Red Hawks losing both ends of a double header at Frankenmuth and concluded with twin bill setbacks in Unionville.

"I hope we learned something last week," said Coach John Hacker. "Against good teams we have to keep the ball down. That hurt us against the Patriots. We also have to clean up our fielding. That was costly against Frankenmuth."

Thursday's Greater Thumb West contests saw Cass City slip to 6-4 in conference play, 17-15 overall.

Cass City ace Shannon Stec started on the hill in game one and was roughed up during a 10-0 mercy win. She fanned 6, but surrendered 3 home runs, including Ashley VanHoost's 3-run blast in the 5th inning that ended play, her second of the game.

Stec was the victim of little offensive support, as Lauren Perry's double in the top of the 5th broke up Erika Treiber's bid for a no-hitter. Treiber whiffed 6.

Besides VanHoost, Jessica Gremel homered for the winners.

In game 2, Cass City jumped out in front 2-0, but it wouldn't be enough to prevent the Patriot sweep.

Chelsey Bitzer handled the pitching duties and struck out 5 to earn the 10-3 decision. She bested Cass City's Rebecca Hacker.

Megan Parrish supplied Cass City's only extra base knock with a double in the first inning, while the Patriots received extra base hits from Stephanie Neuman, Ali Hoppe, Troy Anker, Tessa Dinsmoore and Bitzer.

against Cass City with victories of 1-0 and 10-3.

In game one, pitching ruled the affair as Eagle Abby Loftus and Red Hawk Stec fanned 13 and 9 batters, respectively.

At the plate, Hacker had a 2-base hit

for Cass City.

In game 2, Frankenmuth used a comedy of Red Hawk errors to plate 6 runs to remove most doubt from the game's outcome.

Stephanie Heckroth's double was the lone Cass City extra base hit.



**RED HAWK** Rebecca Hacker beats the throw home to USA catcher Ashlyn VanHoost. Cass City was swept in the GTW twin bill.

## Wynn rebounds from disaster at regional

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Stephanie Leeson and Erin Zdrojewski to compete for all-state  
Please turn to page 10.

When Haley Wynn was disqualified for a false start Saturday at the Division 3 Regional in Bad Axe, Cass City track coaches Amy and Scott Cuthrell's hearts sunk.

"Haley Wynn is a senior and her career at Cass City High has been full of accomplishments, but never has she been able to advance to that final stage of a state meet. She has been afflicted with injury, nudged by a second, or it simply wasn't her day," said Amy Cuthrell.

"The 400-meter is her signature event. She's dominated that race all season long and she's never false started before throughout her career.

"It was a setback for us all and as a coach I thought maybe she was jinxed."

Perhaps. But Wynn also showed why Cuthrell believes she's extra special and advanced to the State Final meet with a qualifying time in the 200-meter dash. Her time of 27.49 was good for third place honors.

"In the 200-meter finals Haley showed that she is deserving of advancement and what an exciting moment it was for everyone involved. Haley is one of our most fit athletes. She worked hard in the weight room this year."

Wynn will be joined by teammates



**CASS CITY'S** Stephanie Leeson displays her winning form at Saturday's Division 3 Regional.

### FRANKENMUTH

Host Frankenmuth came out on top Monday in non-conference play

## Jensen, Hendrick honored with Paul Smarks Award, AAUW Outstanding Female Athlete Award at ceremony

by Mason Doerr  
Staff Writer

Before the class of 2012's high school careers came to an end, their Senior Awards Night recognized many of the top students and athletes before they moved on to pursue their individual endeavors in life.

The 2 most honorable athletic awards have always been the Paul Smarks Award and the AAUW Outstanding Female Athlete Award. This year's graduating class had many outstanding athletes, both male and female, and choosing the recipients was difficult.

"Both the UAW Outstand Female Athlete Award and the Paul Smarks Award are based upon 4 criteria. The criteria are athleticism, sportsmanship, scholarship and citizenship," said Don Markel, Cass City middle

school's principal. "It was agreed that the selection of both the male and female outstanding athletes were especially difficult this year because we have so many athletes who excel in all of the areas mentioned and are deserving of the award."

This year's Paul Smarks Award winner was Joshua Jensen. Jensen has earned 11 varsity letters in the sports of football, golf, wrestling, and track & field. He has been the captain of the wrestling team and was voted by area coaches as the MVP of the Greater Thumb Conference in wrestling. Jensen was an all-conference player in football and wrestling and was named "athlete of the week" by local newspapers on numerous occasions. He was also a member of 3 league and 3 district championship teams in wrestling and was also a 3-time state qualifier and a 2-time medalist. On the academic side,

Jensen has been an academic all-conference recipient in each sport in which he has competed, with a 3.1 GPA.

This year's AAUW Outstanding Female Athlete Award went to Carley Hendrick. Hendrick has also earned 11 varsity letters throughout her high school career in basketball, softball, track and volleyball. She has earned all-conference honors in basketball and volleyball and was a member of the district championship volleyball team. Hendrick has also been named "athlete of the week" by local newspapers. Beyond athletics, Hendrick has been involved in numerous community activities such as the American Red Cross Blood Drive, Christmas for Kids and the Highway Cleanup Projects, along with many others. She has also been an academic all-conference athlete in every sport that she competed in, with a 3.45 GPA.



**BIG SMILES** are shown on the faces of Joshua Jensen and Carley Hendrick, who were both honored with athletic awards. Jensen was the winner of the Paul Smarks Award and Hendrick was the recipient of the Women's Athletic Award.



# Lady Hawks break into win column

The Cass City soccer team made good use of Friday's make-up contest with Sandusky and earned their first win on the season, 2-0, behind a pair of goals from Kaitlyn Messing.

After suffering setbacks to Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port and Bad Axe earlier last week, when the Red Hawk offense scored just once in 2 games, the Sandusky game served as a wake-up call for the Cass City offense as they generated 24 shots for the game, 12 in each half.

Jessica Bootz was credited with 2 assists in Cass City's victory.

In the first half, the Red Hawks dominated the action, but hit either the post or crossbar on their scoring chances. Coach Chuck Reed also credited the Sandusky keeper, who made numerous saves with little help from her defense.

The second half was a little more balanced, but the Red Hawks generated better shots and posted their first win of the season.

Reed said the presence of 4 subs was also a big benefit, as the Red Hawks were able to play a full game

and did not fade late. Liz Milligan, Kassie LaPonsie, Kennedy Brown, Laura Cowdry and Janey Ballard all had strong games, as did Katie Michalski.

"The Hawks are probably as strong personnel wise as they have been since the first week of the season and demonstrated against Sandusky what they can do with a healthy bench. And we may get Connie Marques back from her knee injury before districts, but Tessa Kus and Macey Messing are done for the year. We can only hope that everybody stays healthy for 2 more weeks," said Reed.

On Monday, the Red Hawks bowed in a 6-1 loss to the Lakers, while on Wednesday, they suffered a 6-1 loss to the Hatchets.

In both the Laker and Hatchet games, the Hawks were still short handed and although they played well, they ran out of gas late in both games.

Erin Moore started in net for the injured Meri Dzielinski against the Lakers and put on a solid perform-

ance, but Cass City's patched up defense had no answer for the Laker attack.

The lone Red Hawk goal came on a breakaway by Messing late in the first half, but that was the extent of the offense except for one other shot by Ali Smith.

Reed called his Red Hawk short passing game ineffective for most of the game, making it difficult for Cass City to get past the Laker defensive zone.

The story was much the same against the Hatchets, although the offense did generate 4 shots and had several other good attacks that did not result in goals.

"Our short passing game was working and our defensive pressure was better. Alyse Timko had a strong game at midfield and Alex Engelberg and Dakota Schmidt played well. Alex Pena also had a strong game," Reed said.

Alexina Somerville had another stint in net and produced 2 saves, but again the lack of a bench hurt the Red Hawks.

# Hawks boast 3 GTW individual champs

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honors. The pair will enter as regional champions.

For senior Leeson, who captured the pole vault with a height of 9' 4", her return to track's biggest stage is nothing less than remarkable.

After winning regional honors as a sophomore, she cleared 9' even. Leeson endured more than her fair share of injuries, including a bum knee in 2011 which forced her to sit out her junior season.

Freshman Zdrojewski will be competing in both the 1,600 and 3,200 meter runs at the June finals. Her time of 12:15 was best in the 3,200 meter, while Zdrojewski's time of 5:34 in the 1,600 meter run resulted in a runner-up finish.

"Leeson dominated the pole vault and will spend the next 2 weeks raising that bar. There is plenty of competition awaiting her at the state meet and since she is a returnee, she knows the pressures and the work it will take to be a repeat all-stater," said Amy Cuthrell.

Adding, "Zdrojewski ran her races well and as a freshman she will get the experience of a state meet. She works very hard for all her accomplishments and this is a feather in her cap. Erin has learned that running comes with strategy and she has implemented this in her races the last couple of weeks. She is a team player who I placed in many situations that most freshmen simply would find difficult."

## GTW MEET

Braeden Perzanowski, Logan Rowell and Zdrojewski each earned Greater Thumb West individual championships Tuesday in Pigeon to highlight the efforts for the Cass City track team.

Despite the trio of first team all-conference performers, the Red Hawks lagged in the team standings, captured by the USA girls and Reese boys.

The Lady Patriots scored 111 points to easily turn back GTW runner-up Bad Axe with 102. Reese was third on the day with 92 points, followed by Vassar, 84, Cass City, 64, and EPBP, 58.

Zdrojewski earned what should be

the first of several individual crowns over her high school tenure, capturing the 3,200-meter run in 12:25. She also collected second team all-conference honors in the 1,600-meter run, with her runner-up time of 5:34.

Rowell collected GTW first-team honors in the high jump with a winning height of 5' 0".

Perzanowski finished first in the 200-meter dash to earn the same honors.

Other top 3 place finishers for Cass City included Garrett Ferguson finishing third in the 400-meter dash. Perzanowski, Ferguson, Alex Williams, Terrance Bennett took second in the 800-meter relay and third in the 400-meter relay. Zdrojewski placed second in the 1,600-meter run. Wynn placed second in the 400-meter dash. Katie Hacker, Miranda Spry, Hayley Wynn and Erin Zdrojewski placed third in the 800-meter relay. Wynn also placed third in the 200-meter dash. Zdrojewski placed first in the 3,200-meter run and Rowell placed first in the High Jump event.

The girls' winning track results were: **3,200-meter relay** - USA (Kennedy Hicks, Lexi Pitcher, Leah Desimplear, Cali Valentine), 11:01.92; **100-meter hurdles** - Andrea Vermeersh, USA, 16.38; **100-meter dash** - Gala Shively, Lakers, 13.16; **800-meter relay** - Vassar (Alyssa Muntz, Sierra Morley, Latonya Wilson, Jessica Lockwood), 1:53.23; **1,600-meter run** - Leah Desimplear, USA, 5:31.66; **400-meter relay** - Vassar (Alexis Gronowski, Sierra Morley, Whitney Reames, Jessica Lockwood), 54.03; **400-meter dash** - Jaydn Fuerst, Reese, 1:01.97; **300-meter low hurdles** - Drew Findlay, Reese, 48.52; **800-meter run** - Leah Desimplear, USA, 2:37.25; **200-meter dash** - Gala Shively, Lakers, 26.83; **3,200-meter run** - Erin Zdrojewski, Cass City, 12:25.22; **1,600-meter relay** - USA (Cali Valentine, Lexi Pitcher, Sarah Rievert, Andrea Vermeersh), 4:22.16; **Shot Put** - Kayla Deering, Lakers, 40'05.50"; **Discus** - Kayla Deering, Lakers, 103'11.00"; **Long**

**Jump** - Gala Shively, Lakers, 15'07.00"; **High Jump** - Logan Rowell, Cass City, 5'00.00"; **Pole Vault** - Whitney Reames, Vassar, 9'06.00".

The boys' winning track results were: **3,200-meter relay** - USA, 8:37.58; **110-meter hurdles** - Nick Gordon, Lakers, 15.75; **100-meter dash** - Isaiah Gonzales, Vassar, 11.66; **800-meter relay** - Reese (Andrew Houghtaling, Trevor Elbers, Adam Fuerst, Austin Felske), 1:37.72; **1,600-meter run** - Joey Southgate, USA, 4:47.74; **400-meter relay** - Reese (Andrew Houghtaling, Trevor Elbers, Matt Kushion, Austin Felske), 46.30; **400-meter dash** - Connor Studer, Bad Axe, 52.95; **300-meter interm. hurdles** - Drew Dutcher, USA, 43.47; **800-meter run** - Grant Harris, USA, 2:09.28; **200-meter dash** - Braeden Perzanowski, Cass City, 23.70; **3200-meter run** - Joey Southgate, USA, 10:45.57; **1,600-meter relay** - USA, 3:36.30; **Shot Put** - Mitch Gilmore, Reese, 48'10.50"; **Discus** - Mike Bednarski, USA, 133'07.00"; **Long Jump** - Mitch Gilmore, Reese, 17'07.00"; **High Jump** - Drew Dutcher, USA, 5'08.00"; **Pole Vault** - Austin Felske, Reese, 14'03.00".

Results of the Division 3 Regionals in Bad Axe are listed on our website: [www.cccronicle.net](http://www.cccronicle.net)

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## Golf results on page 15.

# Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

This week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner is Cass City track star Braeden Perzanowski.

The sophomore sprinter is a dedicated weight lifter. He bench presses roughly 300 pounds and rarely misses an opportunity to strength and condition his body.

Scott Cuthrell, his track coach, says all Braeden's hard work is paying dividends.

Perzanowski was named to the Greater Thumb West all-conference first team last week in Pigeon, where he proved fastest in the 200-meter dash with a winning time of 23.70.

Perzanowski also ran legs on Cass City's 800 and 400 meter relay teams, which placed second and third, respectively.



**Braeden Perzanowski**

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# Board cuts \$1 million

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Schools \$150,000 to \$200,000.

School officials expect to trim \$50,000 from the athletic budget by eliminating freshman sports and no longer providing transportation for athletic events. Another \$13,500 used for field trip transportation is also targeted among the cuts.

In addition, under a cooperative agreement between the school district and Hills and Dales General Hospital in which both will share the cost of retaining a school nurse, the district could save more than \$37,000.

School officials have also been considering privatizing transportation, but opted not to pursue that change last week. Privatizing the jobs of 7 bus drivers could have saved \$13,548 by contracting with Michigan Educational Transportation Services (METS), which provides schools with drivers without the cost of benefits.

The decision not to privatize was approved a vote of 4-1, with Trustee Dave Osentoski casting the lone dissenting vote.

Hartel indicated privatization is still a possibility in the future, depending on what state officials do with a proposal to overhaul Michigan's retirement system. Specifically, schools' mandatory payments to the Michigan Public Schools Employees Retirement System, or MPERS, which now cost districts between 10 and 15 percent of their operating budgets, may be reduced.

Facing a \$45.2 billion unfunded liability in the state retirement system, GOP lawmakers are hoping to relieve rising retirement costs for school districts and community colleges by imposing higher pensions contributions on most employees hired before 2010.

The proposal under consideration could save the Cass City Public

## REGULAR MEET

During Monday's regular meeting, the board formally approved the list of cuts totaling \$1,010,863, although school officials acknowledged adjustments — both positive and negative — are inevitable because there are so many unknowns. Those include enrollment, which has declined significantly over the past decade. Hartel noted he is projecting the loss of another 50 students for the purpose of budgeting.

The board acted Monday in an effort to give Chief Financial Officer Mike Klosowski time to prepare a detailed, proposed 2012-13 spending plan, which must be approved by the end of June in accordance with state law.

In other business, the board:

- \*Approved extending by one year the contracts of principals Chad Daniels, Don Markel and Aaron Fernald following a brief review of the administrators' job performance evaluations. Hartel said each was given an "effective" rating for the past year.

- \*Adopted an annual resolution stating the Cass City Public Schools will remain a "Schools of Choice" district, with student openings available in grades K-10.

- \*Accepted "with regret" the resignations of Jonelle Lull, director of bands; Scott Miklovic, information technology assistant; and Brenda Sherman, middle school secretary.

- \*Read letters of commendation from the Michigan Department of Education in appreciation of Andrea Shagene's 25 years of service to the Cass City Schools food service program; and from the Michigan School Business Officials (MSBO) in recognition of Heather Severance earning certification as a chief financial officer.

# Village sets 2012 tax levy

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venues for the current year.

"Real property values decreased this year by \$621,507," said Cristiano, who noted personal property values increased by \$1,071,000 over the same time period, resulting in a \$19,426 increase in 2012 tax revenues, mainly from equipment purchases at Walbro Corporation.

"With the combination of the 2 types of taxable property, the gains in personal property tax offset the losses in the real property tax, leaving a gain in village taxable value of \$449,493, resulting in an increase of \$8,153 in tax revenue."

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE

Trustee Jenny Zawilinski presented a pair of motions during the hour-long gathering and both requests were quickly approved.

Zawilinski's first proposal was for the purchase of a John Deere 1023E tractor from Tri County Equipment, Caro, in the amount of \$13,507. She said the tractor will be used to remove dried waste material from the Wastewater Treatment Plant, reducing the man-hours necessary to dispose of the waste, which is now manually transferred to a dumpster.

Zawilinski also asked for, and received unanimous support, for a new cathodic protection system for the village's 200,000 gallon water tank.

Corrpro Waterworks, Medina, Ohio, will install the new safeguard system at a cost of \$10,350, which is similar to a cathodic system used on

boats to protect steel from corroding, according to Cristiano.

## PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

In another money matter, Trustee Kevin Israleson reported that a \$5,990 grant for the purchase of an in-car video system has parlayed into a pair of video systems for Cass City Police vehicles.

"After beating the bushes, we were able to find 2 video systems for less than the cost of one," said Israleson. Pro-Vision Video Systems, Kentwood, was awarded the work for a sum of \$5,559.

## IN OTHER BUSINESS

Also during Monday's meeting, the council:

- Set a public hearing for Monday, June 25, for the purpose of reviewing the Reaffirmation of the Downtown Development Authority 2012-2032 Amended Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan.

- Heard from Trustee Marilyn Biefer, who reported the village pool needs to install a lift chair before opening on June 4 to satisfy new legislation for public pools. Beifer said Blue Water Pools and Spas, Bad Axe, will install the chair, which is expected to cost slightly more than \$2,000.

- Approved a fireworks display permit for Schramke Fire Equipment on June 30 in conjunction with the annual Cass City Freedom Festival.
- Accepted the village's financial statements ending April 30, 2012, with a cash balance of \$1,139,021.

# Legal Notices

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian Jaruzel, a/k/a Brian A. Jaruzel, and Charlotte M. Jaruzel, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to CitiMortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 18, 2003 and recorded on April 11, 2003 in Liber 925 on Page 694 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Seven and 78/100 Dollars (\$56,937.78).

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 June 21, 2012.

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

Lot 14 and 15, Block 2 of the First Assessors Plat of Fairgrove, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 72, now being Page 22B.

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.

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NOTICE OF RIGHT TO NEGOTIATE MORTGAGE LOAN MODIFICATION

This Notice is given to Cheree Clear, a single woman ("Borrower"), whose address is 3508 Cemetery Road, Cass City, MI 48726, and concerns a real estate mortgage ("Mortgage") granted by the Borrower to Thumb National Bank & Trust Company. The Mortgage covers property commonly known as 3508 Cemetery Road, Cass City, MI 48726, which is legally described as follows:

Premises situated in the Township of Novesta, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan:

Beginning at the Southwest corner of Section 3, Town 13 North, Range 11 East, and running North along center of Road 208 feet; thence East 208 feet; thence South 208 feet to center of road; thence West to place of beginning.

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Certain defaults have occurred under the Mortgage and the Mortgage Holder has or concurrently is mailing a Notice to Borrower (the "Notice by Mail") pursuant to MCL 600.3205a(3) notifying Borrower of rights Borrower may have to request a meeting with the Mortgage Holder to negotiate certain types of modifications to the mortgage loan documents. Mortgage Holder gives further notice hereby in accordance with MCL 600.3205a(4).

THE BORROWER IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT:

- (a) Borrower has the right to request a meeting with Mortgage Holder.
- (b) Mortgage Holder has designated C Sorenson as the person ("Contact Person") that the Borrower may contact about the Mortgage and the matters that are described in this Notice. The Contact Person has authority to make the agreements described in this Notice on behalf of Mortgage Holder. The Contact Person's contact information is as follows: email, telephone number, address of branch location.
- (c) Borrower may contact a housing counselor ("Housing Counselor") by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website at: www.msgha.info/counseling\_search or by contacting Michigan State Housing Development Authority at: 1-866-946-7432.
- (d) If the Borrower wishes to participate in an attempt to work out a modification of the mortgage loan, the Borrower must contact a Housing Counselor within 14 days.
- (e) If the Borrower requests a meeting (using a Housing Counselor) with the Contact Person within the time period provided in the Notice by Mail, Mortgage Holder will not start foreclosure proceedings until 90 days after the date the Notice by Mail was sent to the Borrower.
- (f) If the Borrower and the Contact Person reach a written agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the Mortgage will not be foreclosed so long as the Borrower abides by the terms of the modification agreement.
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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Erica Wilson, an unmarried woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as a nominee for Executive Mortgage of Michigan LLC, Mortgagee, dated June 15, 2009 and recorded on June 18, 2009, in Liber 1177, Page 1143, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Bank of America, N.A. successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP by an Assignment of Mortgage dated September 21, 2011 and recorded September 29, 2011 in Liber 1231, Page 206, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Nine and 58/100 (\$59,709.58) including interest at the rate of 5.50000% per annum.

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Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Paul R. Binder and Shelly L. Binder, Husband and Wife, to Access Mortgage and Financial, A Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 16, 2000 and recorded on November 28, 2000 in Liber 816, Page 472, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for Soundview Home Loan Trust 2003-1, Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2003-1 by an Assignment of Mortgage dated March 26, 2012 and recorded April 10, 2012 in Liber 1245, Page 230, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred One Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Four and 67/100 (\$101,954.67) including interest at the rate of 7.50000% 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 June 7, 2012.

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

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 35, Town 15 North, Range 8 East, running thence East 16 rods; thence North 20 rods; thence West 16 rods; thence South 20 rods to the place of beginning. Right of way for Leonard road over the Southerly side thereof. Commonly known as: 3840 Leonard 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: May 9, 2012

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for Soundview Home Loan Trust 2003-1, Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2003-1  
43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302  
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Case No. 110MI01235-1

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert L. Sherman and Debra L. Sherman, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 24, 2001, and recorded on February 3, 2002 in Liber 862 on Page 213 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Twenty-Two and 05/100 Dollars (\$73,022.05).

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 June 7, 2012.

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

Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning at the Southeast corner of said Section 25; thence along the South line of said Section, North 89 degrees, 05 minutes, 15 seconds West, 396.00 feet; thence North 0 degrees, 23 minutes, 00 seconds East, 396.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees, 05 minutes, 15 seconds East, 396.00 feet in the East line to said Section; thence along said East line South 0 degrees, 23 minutes, 00 seconds West, 396.00 feet to the Southeast corner of Section 25 and the point of beginning.

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

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: May 9, 2012

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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Joey A. Dillehay and Megan Reid Dillehay, Husband and Wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc as nominee for Irwin Mortgage Corporation its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 19, 2004 and recorded April 12, 2004 in Liber 987 Page 824 and corrected by affidavit recorded October 21, 2011 in Liber 1232, Page 1348 Tuscola County

Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated August 11, 2011 and recorded September 6, 2011 in Liber 1229, Page 255, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars and Seventeen Cents (\$76,355.17) including interest 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on June 7, 2012.

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

Commencing 234 feet North of the Southwest corner of the North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 7, Town 11 North, Range 9 East; thence North 180 feet; thence East 236 feet; thence South 354 feet; thence West 81 feet; thence North 174 feet; thence West 155 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as 4363 Washburn Road, Yassar 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 redemption period.

Dated: 5/09/2012

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: 12-60750

5-9-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DAWN GLEASON, A SINGLE WOMAN, and JEFFREY RAYMOND, A SINGLE MAN, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 29, 2008 and recorded on May 5, 2008 in Document No. 200800907215, Liber 1148, on Page 716, 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 Ninety-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Eleven Dollars and Eighty-Eight Cents (\$98,611.88), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on June 7, 2012.

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

LOT 15, BLOCK 29 OF PLAT OF THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF VASSAR ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 2 OF PLATS, PAGE 93 OF TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. 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.007706

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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 MARGARET L. KEMP, SINGLE, AND SHARON M. BROWN, AS JOINT TENANTS, of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for GMAC Mortgage, Corporation its successors and assigns dated the 17th day of June, 2004, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 28th day of June, 2004, as Book 998, Page 410 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor-in-interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee for MASTR ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2005-2, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, Series 2005-2, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$45,681.56 (forty-five thousand six hundred eighty-one and 56/100) plus accrued interest at 7.375% (seven point three 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 7th day of June, 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 Almer, in the County of Tuscola and

State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND IN TOWNSHIP OF ALMER, TUSCOLA COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK 667, PAGE 487, ID#002-036-000-2400-00, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED COMMENCING AT A POINT 272 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 36, TOWN 13 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, THENCE EAST ALONG THE SECTION LINE 4 RODS, THENCE SOUTH AT RIGHT ANGLES 10 RODS, THENCE WEST PARALLEL WITH THE SECTION LINE 4 RODS, THENCE NORTH 10 RODS TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 36, TOWN 13 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, ALMER TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS. Commonly known as: 1518 E. Deckerville.

Parcel Number 002-036-000-2400-00

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: May 9, 2012

By: Foreclosing Attorneys  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S  
Troy, MI 48084  
WWR# 10092031

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rebecca A. Garey, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Fifth Third Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated November 5, 2008 and recorded on November 13, 2008 in Liber 1161 on Page 1015 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six and 98/100 Dollars (\$77,896.98).

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 June 14, 2012.

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

Commencing 500 feet North of the West quarter post of Section 1, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, running thence North 165 feet; thence East 226 feet; thence South 165 feet; thence West 226 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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: May 16, 2012

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Vincent E. Tucker and Jenell Tucker, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 14, 2006 and recorded on December 29, 2006 in Liber 1106 on Page 1421, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. Bank, National Association, as Successor Trustee to Bank of America, N.A. as Successor to LaSalle Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the Holders of The Merrill Lynch First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-FF2 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Four and 26/100 Dollars (\$90,884.26).

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 June 14, 2012.

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

Lots 1,2,3, 4, and 5, Block 7 of Plat of The Village of Wilmot, Tuscola County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 43A, except Easements and rights of Way of Record.

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

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: May 16, 2012

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #388757F01

5-16-4

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY IN BANKRUPTCY OR HAVE RECEIVED A DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY AS TO THIS OBLIGATION, THIS COMMUNICATION IS INTENDED FOR INFORMATION 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 Harry Pestruie, to MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated May 26, 2010 and recorded June 4, 2010 in Liber 1199, Page 753, and Affidavit of Error recorded in Liber 1199, page 1449, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Forty and 63/100 Dollars (\$34,940.63) including interest at 5.49% 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 JUNE 21, 2012.

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

Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 15, Town 11 North, Range 10 East; thence West 16 rods; thence South 10 rods; thence East 16 rods; thence North 10 rods to point of beginning.

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

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: May 23, 2012

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 724.0010

5-23-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roger A. Rochefort and Tracy L. Rochefort, husband and wife, to Signature Bank, Mortgagee, dated August 19, 2002 and recorded September 10, 2002 in Liber 893, Page 289, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Federal National Mortgage Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight and 72/100 Dollars (\$55,728.72) 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 JUNE 21, 2012.

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

Commencing 518 feet North of the Southeast corner of the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 31, Township 15 North, Range 8 East, Akron Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence North 238 feet; thence West 22 rods; thence South 238 feet; thence East 22 rods to the place of beginning, being in and a part of the Northwest quarter of Section 31, Township 15 North, Range 8 East, except easements and rights of way of record.

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

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.

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Dated: May 23, 2012

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
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Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 575.0126

5-23-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donna Jean Gibson, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Michigan Home Finance its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 31, 2007 and recorded on September 10, 2007 in Liber 1129 on Page 476, 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 Sixty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Seven and 68/100 Dollars (\$69,567.68).

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 June 21, 2012.

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

Lot 22 of Seed's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 91, now being 2A, 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.

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: May 23, 2012

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File #397171F01

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steve Smith and Gail Smith, husband and wife, original mortgag



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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Denise J. Dembowske, unmarried, original mortgagor, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Mortgagee, dated January 22, 2009 and recorded on April 3, 2009 in Liber 1171 on Page 296 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Six Hundred Thirty and 33/100 Dollars (\$90,630.33).

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 31, 2012.

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

The North 7 1/2 acres of the South 15 acres of the North 30 acres of the East 90 acres of the Southeast 1/4, North of Chesapeake and Ohio railroad right of way in Section 8 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.

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: May 2, 2012

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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 Michael Fisher and Peggy Fisher, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated October 7, 2005 and recorded on November 1, 2005 in Liber 1059 on Page 1472, 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 Fifty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Three and 85/100 Dollars (\$150,983.85).

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 31, 2012.

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

Lot 15, 16 and 17 of Fred Huston's Subdivision No. 2, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 2 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.

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Dated: May 2, 2012

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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 Gerald D. Kern, a married man, and Deborah Kern, his wife, original mortgagors, to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated August 3, 2001 and recorded on August 9, 2001 in Liber 840 on Page 817, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Mortgage Company as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred One and 69/100 Dollars (\$43,701.69).

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 31, 2012.

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

Parcel B: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 34, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 34 which is South 00 degrees 07 minutes 54 seconds West, along said East line, 513.85

feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 34; thence continuing along said East line, South 00 degrees 07 minutes 54 seconds West, 135.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 54 minutes West, 560.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 07 minutes 54 seconds East, 135.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 41 seconds East, 560.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Except an undivided 1/2 interest of the oil, gas and other mineral to L.H. Gilman as set forth in mineral deed recorded in Liber 211 of Deeds, Page 63, also except reserving 1/2 of all oil and mineral rights as set forth in Warranty Deed recorded in Liber 385 of Deeds, Page 157 and any interest from subsequent instruments recorded pertaining to same.

Affidavit of Affixture of Manufactured Home recorded June 3, 2005 in Liber 2041, Page 44.

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: May 2, 2012

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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 Vernon W. Bush and Carol Bush, his wife, original mortgagors, to Gehrke Mortgage Corporation, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 2, 1997 and recorded on January 7, 1997 in Liber 703 on Page 814, and assigned by mesne assignments to MidFirst Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Thirty and 68/100 Dollars (\$47,230.68).

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 31, 2012.

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

The East 59 1/4 feet of Lots 13 and 14 of Block 3 of Montague and Wilmot's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 17, now being page 18A 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.

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Dated: May 2, 2012

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nicholas D. Mallory and Kelly L. Mallory, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 18, 2006 and recorded on September 21, 2006 in Liber 1096 on Page 579, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Citimortgage, Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand Five and 07/100 Dollars (\$89,005.07).

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 31, 2012.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 28; thence South 1073.65 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning; thence South 250 feet along the East section line; thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 00 seconds West 348.48 feet; thence North 250.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes 00 seconds East 348.48 feet to the East Section line and the point of beginning.

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

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Dated: May 2, 2012

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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 Deborah Halvorson, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registrations Systems, Inc., as nominee for Aegis Lending Corporation its successors and assigns., Mortgagee, dated January 24, 2003 and recorded on February 3, 2003 in Liber 913 on Page 711, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Aegis Asset Backed Securities Trust 2003-1 Mortgage Loan asset Backed Certificates, Series 2003-1 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Two and 56/100 Dollars (\$68,402.56).

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 31, 2012.

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

Lot 4, Block 2, Village of Gates (now Reese), Tuscola County, Michigan as Recorded in Liber 29, Page 115, 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: May 2, 2012

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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 Laura A. Killinger and Edward J. Periso III, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Polaris Home Funding Corp., its successors or assigns., Mortgagee, dated August 18, 2006 and recorded August 24, 2006 in Liber 1092, Page 1397, 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 Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Five and 27/100 Dollars (\$80,335.27) 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 31, 2012.

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

Land situated in the Township of Kingston, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as: Commencing 80 rods South of the Northeast corner of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 33, Town 12 North, Range 11 East; thence West 470 feet; thence North 184 feet; thence East 470 feet; thence South 184 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 MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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

If 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 damaging 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: May 2, 2012

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 682.2901

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Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Garry Cox, Sr. and Cathy Cox, husband and wife, of 1183 Weeden Road, Caro, MI 48723 as Mortgagors, to Northstar Bank, f/k/a Community Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, whose principal office is in Bad Axe, Michigan, as Mortgagee, dated September 15, 2003 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on September 18, 2003 in Liber 954, pages 1333, et seq, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand One Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and 84/100 (\$109,177.84) and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main entrance of the Tuscola County Building in the City of Caro, and County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Thursday, June 7, 2012 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., local time, in the forenoon of said day, and the premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage, together with interest, legal costs, attorney's fees and any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Land situated in Township of Indianfields, Tuscola County, Michigan:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, thence North 20 rods; thence West 8 rods; thence South 20 rods; thence East 8 rods to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 1115 E. Gun Club Road, Caro, MI 48723.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the period of redemption shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240.

Dated: May 4, 2012

NORTHSTAR BANK, Mortgagee

RICHARD L. TROWHILL  
Attorney at Law  
175 Thompson Rd.  
Bad Axe, MI 48413  
(989) 269-6272

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Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Roy D. Keller, a single man, of 168 Park Drive, Caro, MI 48723 as Mortgagor, to Northstar Bank, f/k/a Community Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, whose principal office is in Bad Axe, Michigan, as Mortgagee, dated May 8, 2002 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on May 17, 2002 in Liber 878, pages 805, et seq, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Forty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars and 83/100 (\$48,757.83) and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main entrance of the Tuscola County Building in the City of Caro, and County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Thursday, June 7, 2012 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., local time, in the forenoon of said day, and the premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage, together with interest, legal costs, attorney's fees and any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF CARO, TOWNSHIP OF INDIANFIELDS, TUSCOLA COUNTY MICHIGAN: COMMENCING AT A POINT ON THE SECTION LINE THAT IS 812.43 FEET EAST OF THE SW CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, THENCE NORTH 43 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 15 SECONDS WEST 93 FEET; THENCE NORTH 58 DEGREES EAST, 100 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE CENTERLINE OF HIGHWAY KNOWN AS PARK DR, VILLAGE OF CARO, AS NOW ESTABLISHED; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG CENTERLINE OF SAID PARK DRIVE, 170 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 3 THAT IS 969 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SECTION LINE, 156.57 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. COMMONLY KNOWN AS 168 PARK DR, CARO, MI 48723.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the period of redemption shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240.

Dated: May 4, 2012

NORTHSTAR BANK, Mortgagee

RICHARD L. TROWHILL  
Attorney at Law  
175 Thompson Rd.  
Bad Axe, MI 48413  
(989) 269-6272

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assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Nine and 77/100 Dollars (\$128,899.77).

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 June 7, 2012.

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

Part of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 18, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, described as beginning at the Southeast corner of said Section 18, thence along the South Section line, South 88 degrees 41 minutes 43 seconds West 680.00 feet, thence North 00 degrees 56 minutes 4 seconds West 360.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 41 minutes 43 seconds East, 680.00 feet; thence along the East Section, South 00 degrees 56 minutes 04 seconds East 360.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

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Dated: May 9, 2012

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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 Christopher B. Gong, a married man, by Patricia D. Gong, his attorney in fact, and Patricia D. Gong, his wife, original mortgagors, to PHH Mortgage Services, Mortgagee, dated May 25, 2005 and recorded on May 31, 2005 in Liber 1040 on Page 850 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seven Thousand One Hundred Fourteen and 96/100 Dollars (\$107,114.96).

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 June 7, 2012.

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

Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 28, Township 12 North, Range 7 East, Denmark Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence East along the South Section line, 243 feet; thence North 45 feet to the South line of the South branch of the Richville Drain; thence Northwesterly 288 feet more or less to a point on the North and South quarter line which point is 178 feet North of the Section line; thence South on said quarter line, 178 feet to the point of beginning, except easements and rights of way of record.

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

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**Household Sales**

GARAGE SALE - Wednesday-Saturday, May 23-26, 9-6 p.m. 6650 Gilbert (east of M-53, off of Cass City Rd.). Gun, boat & miscellaneous items. 14-5-16-2

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**Household Sales**

GARAGE SALE - Friday & Saturday, May 25 & 26, 9-5:30 p.m. Futon, end tables, clothing & etc. 4 east, 4 north of Cass City just east of M-53 on Bay City Forestville Rd. 14-5-23-1

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| Fox, Ray  | Alexander/Spencer                          | 35 |
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| Kelly, Tom  | 22 Jones/Marshall                          | 21 |
| Peyerker, Jim   | 22 Berwick/Greenlee                        | 21 |
| Diegel, Justin  | 20 Individual medalists: Hoard 41; Tate 41 |    |
| Allen, David  | 18 Team medalists: Biefer/Hoard 90         |    |
| Walker, Lane  | 17   |    |
|   | 16   |    |
| <b>Late Division</b>  |  |    |
| Smithson, Jim   | 14 Bitzer/Curtis                           | 46 |
| Maurer, Noel  | 13 Hartel/Brown                            | 45 |
| MacAlpine, Harold   | 6 Richards/Bitzer D.                       | 39 |
| Warner, Don   | deBeaubien/Lowe                            | 39 |
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## “Cardboard City Sleep-out”

# Tuscola County youth focus on homelessness

by Mason Doerr  
Staff Writer

Dozens of local teenagers had the experience of being homeless for a night.

On Saturday, May 19, Tuscola County's Future Youth Involvement (FYI) had their annual Cardboard City Sleep-out, which took place on the courthouse lawn in downtown Caro.

The event's purpose was to raise awareness of the homeless in our area. This year, roughly 50 people volunteered to sleep outdoors in cardboard forts, which were fashioned out of old boxes and duct tape. The money raised was added to FYI's homelessness fund, which directly benefits the homeless of

Tuscola County.

Ali Smith, president of FYI, is very passionate about the event and its righteous cause.

"It may take the form of a fun event, but when students participate in the whole thing, the sleep-out and all, they get to see the not-so-fun side of sleeping outside. Rain or shine, Cardboard City will happen, so students who sign up are expected to stay no matter what," Smith said. "It gives you a new perspective when you wake up in the middle of the night with the roof of your box collapsed. Cardboard City is a fun event that brings schools from the community together, raises money for homelessness and hopefully makes students more aware of the hardships of some people around them."

Although Smith is obligated to participate in this event because she is the president, she doesn't take the experience lightly. She is very committed to this event as an individual.

"I feel strongly about this cause because it is something that not many teenagers probably think about, but it is a very real problem for many people in our area," Smith said. "Volunteering here opened the eyes of many FYI members to the reality of the needy we do have in our county."

When most people think of somebody who is homeless, the image of a vagabond traveling with the trains, or a person begging for change in the slums of New York is what they see, however, that often isn't the reality. "Homelessness can be in many

forms nowadays, not just the traditional sleeping in the park or under a bridge idea that many people have about the homeless," Smith said. "It can mean living out of your car, or being a struggling single mother who loses her house and has to live off of the couches or out of the basements of various relatives until she gets back on her feet."

There are several different ways in which the members of FYI raise money to help those in need.

"We raise money at this event in 4 different ways," Smith said. "We send out letters asking for donations,

FYI members sell raffle tickets, students camping out at the event bring in pledges and concessions and T-shirts are sold at the event."

"This fund goes into a separate account from FYI, and once a year we grant out money to organizations, or to those who need the extra help," Smith said. "This account usually grants out approximately \$3,000."

After all the cardboard shacks are taken down and folded away, the young adults walk away from this event with more than just a community service, they walk away with a brand new outlook on the reality of being homeless.



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**STARTS FRIDAY (ALL ACTION)**  
All Evenings 7:30 - OPEN Monday & Tuesday  
Children \$3.50 - Teen/Adults \$5.00  
NOTE: Closed Wednesday, May 30

The Super Hero Team Fight Crime  
Iron Man - Incredible Hulk - Hawkeye  
Captain America - Thor - Black Widow

**THE AVENGERS**  
PG13 Giant Screen Action

SOON: Johnny Depp "DARK SHADOWS"



# FREE Seminar

## Get Your Ducks in a Row

Thursday, May 24, 2012

From 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Northwood Meadows**

6086 Beechwood Drive

Cass City, Michigan 48726

Don't go Broke in a Nursing Home

"Medicaid and Information Regarding Aid and Attendance Funding for Veterans"

Learn how to get help paying for Assisted Living, In-home Care or Medicaid for Nursing Homes

Presented by: **Renee J. Wood,**

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