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## “Super district” future of “public” schools?

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Lawmakers are considering legislation that would create a single, statewide “super school district” in Michigan, an effort that many education officials in the state say undermines public education and would snatch local control of schools from taxpayers.

Opposition to House Bills 6004 and 5923 is being voiced by parent and education association groups alike.

“As written, the (legislation) would create a statewide ‘super district’ with authority well beyond turning around the state’s lowest performing schools,” Bob Kefgen, associate director of Government Relations for the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals (MASSP) wrote in a recent article posted on the organization’s website.

Kefgen explained the bills would significantly expand the authority of the interlocal agreement between the Detroit Public Schools and Eastern Michigan University that created the Education Achievement Authority (EAA), a virtual school district.

Under the legislation, he said, the EAA would have sweeping powers to take over control of districts with

the poorest achievement levels in the state, even if the schools were making progress toward improvement; authorize so-called new forms of charter schools anywhere in the state, regardless of the performance of the local school district; and force local districts to sell or lease their unused buildings, even over the objections of taxpayers and voters in the community.

“MASSP opposes this legislation in its current form and we are asking members to engage their lawmakers and tell them not to rush through hasty, dangerous legislation that is going to harm students, schools and communities,” Kefgen said.

Officials at the Michigan Association of School Administrators (MASA) are also opposed to the bills, saying they would create a statewide district accountable to a board elected not by the people, but appointed by the governor.

“Not only is this district not governed by any local elections, it would operate without any oversight from the Michigan Department of Education. And, your tax dollars would be sent to this new ‘super district’ without any approval from your elected representatives,” a statement

issued by the association states. “These new schools are not

required to meet the same quality requirements as local public schools

— in fact, they need not follow the Please turn to page 7.



**A TRAFFIC CRASH** closed a portion of M-81 at Cedar Run Road Monday afternoon. Details were not available at press time, but the accident appeared to have involved multiple injuries and at least 3 vehicles – 2 passenger cars, including one driven by a U.S. Mail carrier, and a panel truck. Cass City police, Tuscola County Sheriff’s deputies, Elkland Township fire fighters and MMR ambulance crews were all dispatched to the scene.



**THREE OF SANTA’S helpers**, (from left) Meri Dzielinski, Mady Brinkman and Elisabeth Milligan, all Cass City High School students, welcomed the crowds that flowed into the Cass City VFW Hall following Saturday night’s parade. Residents enjoyed snacks while the kids visited with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

### Holiday fest another success

## Nearly 300 kids flock to Santa

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Dee Mulligan has served as coordinator of the Cass City Chamber

of Commerce for some time now, but she still marvels at how the community comes together with the sense of generosity and giving she’s seen time and time again.

Cass City’s Christmas in the Village celebration, held over the weekend, is a good example, with families throughout the area invited to enjoy a day of holiday fun at virtually no cost to them.

“We really are, as a community, blessed, and (our) sponsors are angels,” Mulligan commented, referring to the businesses and volunteers whose efforts and financial contributions make the popular celebration possible each year.

At the top of the list are the event’s “Premium Sponsors”, who each contributed a minimum of \$500 towards expenses. This year’s sponsors included the Pinney Foundation, Captured by Christine, the Cass City Downtown Development Authority (DDA), Diva Disposal, Hills and Dales General Hospital, Knights Insurance, McDonald’s, Thumb National Bank & Trust, and VFW Post 3644, Cass City.

“I think everything went really, really, really well,” Mulligan commented, adding the community gathering Saturday night, featuring free hot chocolate, popcorn, hot bean soup, caramel apples and punch, as well as visits and photos with Santa and crafting activities courtesy of local Girl Scouts, drew a record crowd.

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**CASS CITY resident Amanda McDermott** waits in the line to see Santa and Mrs. Claus with her daughter, Melody, 4 months.

## Prosecutor: driver free on bond when he fled, hit 2 cars

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A driver faces several charges after hitting a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) vehicle and then causing an accident that injured another man along with his young children in Tuscola County’s Wells Township.

Prosecutors say the suspect, Dale R. Lasiewicki, 60, of Caro, was free on bond stemming from a third-offense drunken driving charge at the time of the incident, which occurred Monday, Nov. 26, at about 4:40 p.m.

“Troopers attempted to stop a subject after the suspect rammed a Department of Natural Resources Conservation Officer’s vehicle on Murray Road south of Riley Road,” said First Lt. Mitch Krugielki of the Michigan State Police post in Caro. “As a result of the subject fleeing police, a crash occurred at the intersection of Murray Road and Riley Road in which a 28-year-old man along with his infant and toddler daughters were injured.”

The man and his daughters, ages 2 and 3 months, were transported by MMR personnel to Caro Community Hospital, where they were treated and then released, Krugielki noted.

Troopers along with a DNR conservation officer arrested the suspect,

and a day later the Tuscola County Prosecutor’s Office authorized several charges against Lasiewicki, who was formally arraigned Friday by Tuscola County Magistrate Joseph A. Van Auken.

Lasiewicki is charged with fleeing and eluding a police officer, malicious destruction of police or fire department property, 3 counts of assault with a dangerous weapon, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, malicious destruction of property valued at \$200 to \$1,000, driving without insurance, 2 counts of malicious destruction of property valued at less than \$200, driving while his license was suspended or revoked, and possession of an open intoxicant in a motor vehicle.

Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark E. Reene said the charges carry penalties ranging from 90 days in jail to 5 years in prison.

The suspect, who is being held on a \$100,000 cash bond, faces a preliminary examination Monday, Dec. 10, at 8:30 a.m. in Tuscola County District Court.

Krugielki noted the DNR, Tuscola County Sheriff’s Department, Kingston Police Department and Kingston fire fighters assisted troopers at the scene.

## Fire chief says woman lucky to be alive today

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Elkland Township fire fighters say a Cass City woman was lucky to escape with her life after a malfunctioning natural gas fireplace ignited a blaze in her Seed Street home early last week.

Firemen were dispatched to the Ronda Dennis home, 6609 Seed St., at about 1:22 p.m. Monday.

Elkland Township Fire Chief Glenn Guilds reported Dennis was sleeping on a couch in the living room when she awoke to the heat and smoke from a nearby loveseat that had caught on fire. MMR Ambulance personnel were dispatched to the scene and transported Dennis to Hills and Dales General Hospital for treatment of smoke inhalation.

Dennis was home alone when the blaze started, according to Guilds. He said her 3 children were at school.

“She was real close to not being with us today,” added Guilds, who noted Dennis did not have working smoke alarms installed inside the house.

The fire chief said the living room and kitchen sustained extensive smoke damage. He estimated the damage at \$25,000, with another \$15,000 for lost contents. Dennis was not insured.

American Red Cross officials were called in to assist the family. Guilds said anyone interested in helping them can contact Dennis by calling (989) 269-8433.

The Elmwood Township-Gagetown Fire Department assisted Cass City fire fighters at the scene.

# O-G honors several students

Brittany Guilfoil has been named Owendale-Gagetown School's

ly serves as the chapter's vice-president.

clean-up activities at Owen-Gage this fall.



**MIKAYLA ROSS, 11, of Cass City, displays her entry in the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. The Owendale Lions selected the Owen-Gage sixth grade student's artwork to compete in the international competition.**



**Brittany Guilfoil**

"Senior Student of the Month" for November.

Guilfoil attended Vassar School her freshman year and served as the student council secretary, was a cast member of the school play, and a member of the choir. Since she has been at Owen-Gage, she has also been active in extra-curricular activities. As a sophomore, Guilfoil participated in softball and track. This year, she was a member of the volleyball team.

Academically, Guilfoil has been on the honor roll and a member of the 3.0 Honors Club each year. During her junior year, she was inducted into the Owen-Gage Chapter of the National Honor Society and current-

As a junior, she was a member of the prom committee and a class representative for homecoming. This year, she was nominated as a 2012 homecoming queen candidate. She also serves as the senior class treasurer, is a member of the yearbook staff, and has been a member of the webpage staff the past 2 years.

Guilfoil has volunteered and participated in many school/community activities such as the Magic Preschool Harvest Festival, Grandparents' Day, Jump Rope for Heart, Huron County Senior Citizen Ball, church bazaars, and being part of the outdoor school



**Madelyn Haldane**



**Megan Fritz**

She enjoys reading, being creative, listening to music and spending time with friends and family.

Guilfoil is the daughter of Kathryn Guilfoil of Gagetown. Her future plans are to become successful in life as an event planner/photographer.

The focus for Owen-Gage students for the month of November was being an "effective communicator".

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The following students were recognized: Madelyn Haldane, third grade (elementary level), daughter of Robert and P a t t y

**Andrew Muntz**

Haldane; Megan Fritz, sixth grade (junior high level), daughter of Randy and Debbie Fritz; Andrew Muntz, ninth grade (high school level), son of Terry Muntz and Karen Muntz; and Brittany Guilfoil, twelfth grade (senior student), daughter of Kathryn Guilfoil.

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## Brzuchowski to graduate from Ferris



**Lauren Brzuchowski**

Lauren Ashley Brzuchowski of Cass City will graduate from Ferris State University in December 2012 with a Bachelor of Science degree in human resource management.

Brzuchowski is a 2006 graduate of Cass City High School. She is the daughter of Ronald and Susan Brzuchowski of Cass City.

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## Engaged



**Justin Aman and Lauren Brzuchowski**

Justin Joseph Aman of Gladwin and Lauren Ashley Brzuchowski of Cass City announce their engagement.

Aman is a 2008 graduate of Skeels Christian School. He attends Ferris State University and will graduate in May 2013 with a Bachelor of Education degree in corporate fitness and wellness. He is the son of Mike and Karin Aman of Gladwin.

Brzuchowski is a 2006 graduate of Cass City High School. She will graduate in December 2012 from Ferris State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in human resource management. She is the daughter of Ronald and Susan Brzuchowski of Cass City.

The wedding is currently being planned for Jan. 5, 2013 at the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Gladwin, with the reception to follow at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

The couple plans to reside in Midland.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

## Wednesday, December 5

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

## Thursday, December 6

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

## Friday, December 7

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

## Saturday, December 8

Closed AA meeting, 10-11 a.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Uby 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, 138 Maple Valley St., Sandusky. Everyone is welcome to attend. Admission: \$4 (members), \$4.50 (non-members). For additional information, please contact Leola at (810) 657-9349 or Dorothy at (810) 404-4250.

## Monday, December 10

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

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

Women's AA meeting, 7 p.m., Faith Free Methodist Church, 2380 Deckerville Rd. For more information, call the Rev. Wayne at (810) 672-9242 or Bob at (810) 672-9084.

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.  
VFW monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.  
PJs and the Classics, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer", 6 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

## Tuesday, December 11

Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.  
Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.  
Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m., HDC Generations Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121.  
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## Circuit court news

# Several appear on felony charges

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

•Noah T. Shiel, 34, Caro, was sentenced to 270 days in the county jail and 36 months probation for his pleas of no contest to charges of breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny and possession of burglars tools July 1 in Caro, and to possession of a controlled substance May 11 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$2,014.

•Leon E. Noykos, 48, Midland, received a one-year delayed sentence for his pleas of guilty to possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance, second offense, and driving while his license was suspended or revoked, subsequent offense, June 22 in Unionville.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,298 plus restitution of \$100.

•Kenneth L. Middaugh, 49, Caro, was sentenced to 90 days in jail (delayed for one year) for his pleas of guilty to charges of child abuse, second degree, and allowing an unlicensed minor to drive a motor vehicle June 29 in Caro.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$568.

•Steven A. LaFave, 25, Caro, was sentenced to 120 days in jail and 36 months probation for his plea of guilty to stealing/retaining a financial transaction device June 2 in Caro.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,138 plus restitution of \$150.

•Paul D. Hodler, 54, Vassar, received a one-year delayed sentence following his plea of guilty to a charge of delivery/manufacture of marijuana July 23 in Millington Township.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,318.

•Johnathon E. Parent, 18, Mayville, received a one-year delayed sentence following his plea of guilty to a charge of delivery/manufacture of marijuana July 23 in Fremont Township.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,678.

•Mary A. Mansfield, 53, Millington, received a one-year delayed sentence following her plea of no contest to one count of domestic violence July 11 in Millington Township.

She was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$125.

•Teresa J. Spears, 47, Millington, pleaded guilty to a charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, and assaulting, resisting or obstructing a

police officer Aug. 22 in Millington Township, and to assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer and assault or assault and battery Nov. 18 in Millington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

•Jackie J. Jackson, 63, Millington, was sentenced to 300 days in jail (deferred) and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to verify his sex offender registration information with local law enforcement between July 1 and July 15 in Arbel Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$698.

•Dion C-Winston-Alston Hardy,

29, Saginaw, was sentenced to one year and 9 months to 10 ½ years in prison for his conviction by jury on charges of inducing a person to violate controlled substance laws, and carrying a dangerous weapon with unlawful intent Nov. 8, 2011, in the city of Vassar/Arbela Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

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

•Amanda R. Byrd, 26, Gagetown, was sentenced to 30 days in jail and 36 months probation for her plea of guilty to obtaining a controlled substance by fraud Aug. 15 in Cass City.

She was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,058.

# Letters to the Editor (cont.)

## Bills attack on public education

Continued from page 3.

requirements in the school code and could even allow federal funds to bypass the State Department of Education—going directly to this new education authority.

Under House Bill 6004, this new district will be able to open new schools anywhere it chooses in the state. The bill will even require your school district to sell or lease any empty school building to the newly developed school district. This new school district could also be a for-profit charter school. It would require local school districts to keep unoccupied school buildings ready for the Education Achievement Authority or any other education entity, such as a charter school, to open a school in your community and compete with your local community school.

The bill prevents districts from selling unused buildings for non-education uses even if the district could receive more money. Many districts have closed buildings to reduce costs and would now be required to keep the building "school ready." The cost to keep these buildings "school ready" will come from operational budgets, further reducing funds that flow to classrooms and students.

This new statewide district operated by the EAA is not required to meet the same quality requirements as local public schools, nor does it need to follow the state's assessment systems (such as the Michigan Education Assessment Program), making it impossible to compare these schools to all other public schools. The EAA schools would also not be required to follow the newly mandated teacher evaluation requirements that your local districts have implemented to ensure that the best teachers are in front of your children.

The EAA is the first step in dismantling public education as we know it and reducing local control. Michigan Board of Education President John Austin calls the EAA legislation a "nuclear bomb" for education.

If legislators accept the provisions of these bills, it will open the door for another series of bills in the coming year, such as House Bill 5923 that allows a host of new forms of charter schools, including selective admission schools, and potential store-front schools operated by businesses, cultural organizations and other groups. For example, any company could open a school for the children of its employees and collect

state education funding for it. These are funds no longer provided to our local school districts.

Essentially, the EAA creates a parallel public school system in direct competition with the current system operating with a strained budget.

Legislation such as this may have a devastating effect on local schools and communities. It will not help us provide excellent education to all children. It will take away your local community control, bypass safeguards required by all other public schools, and funnel your tax dollars to for-profit corporations. As superintendents, we are not opposed to an EAA. We are opposed to a parallel system lacking local control and local oversight!

In our current schools, parents and community members have access to a local board of education to address concerns about the operation of their community school. Under the EAA proposal, the school may be operated from one remote location with a board of directors lacking direct accountability to the local community. Is this the community school you want using your local tax dollars?

We encourage you to contact your lawmakers to express your views on this topic. Rushing this extremely important decision in a lame duck session could harm our students, schools, and communities for many years to come. Please contact Senator Mike Green at 517.373.1777 or senmgreen@senate.mi.gov and Rep. Kurt Damrow at 517.373.0476 or kurtdamrow@house.mi.us to express your thoughts on community schools and the possible effects of the EAA. We appreciate the community for your support of education and our local community schools.

Sincerely,

Steve Ley, superintendent, Akron-Fairgrove Schools  
Bruce Nelson, superintendent, Caro Community Schools  
Jeff Hartel, superintendent, Cass City Public Schools  
Mike McLaughlin, superintendent, Kingston Community Schools  
Rhonda Blackburn, superintendent, Mayville Community Schools  
John Males, superintendent, Millington Community Schools  
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THE CASS CITY Junior-Senior High School Jazz Band performed under the direction of Laura Curtis at Artistic Endeavors Art Gallery in conjunction with the Christmas in the Village celebration Saturday afternoon in Cass City.

## Holiday music fills Cass City gallery during Christmas fest

by Ryan Walker  
Freelance Writer

The first weekend in December typically signifies the beginning of the Christmas season for local residents who celebrate the holidays.

Mild temperatures the past few years have helped make the seasonal outdoor chores and gatherings more enjoyable. Homes around the Thumb area are decorated with twinkling lights and festive decorations. Christmas music emanates from automobile radios and home stereos to spread holiday cheer.

The first weekend in December also marks Cass City's annual Christmas in the Village celebration. Saturday was loaded with options for people seeking to kick-start the Christmas holidays. There was a craft show, local businesses took part in a chili "cook-off", and the young and young at heart enjoyed the village's annual Lighted Christmas Parade.

Another holiday happening took place at Artistic Endeavors Art Gallery, as local musicians displayed their musical talents.

The Cass City Senior High Jazz Band, under the leadership of Laura Curtis, performed a lineup of 6 holiday songs. They began the set with "Christmas Fantasy" and then followed with "Doctor No-EL", "Hark the Herald Angels Rock!", "Nutcracker Swing" and "Dashing Through the Snow" before ending their 35-minute show by delighting those in attendance with "You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch".

Curtis explained there were 3 types of instruments used by the jazz band

during Saturday's performance. Traditional instruments included saxophones, trumpets and trombones. Non-traditional instruments utilized were clarinets and a tuba. Rhythm instruments that rounded out the band's sound included drums, a bass guitar, a regular guitar and a piano.

Those in attendance enjoyed a piping hot cup of apple cider while being entertained by the group. "It's nice to showcase these kids' talents and give back to the community in a different way," Curtis said.

This wasn't the only performance planned for the Cass City Senior High Jazz Band during the holiday season. They, along with the High School Band and Junior High Band, will be performing in the Cass City Junior/Senior High School gymnasium Thursday, Dec. 13, at 7 p.m. Senior trumpet player Emily Kuenzli commented on playing at this time of year, saying, "It's fun playing for the Christmas season because it's something everyone can enjoy."

Members of the jazz band weren't alone in sharing their musical talents at Artistic Endeavors Saturday afternoon. The local duo of Connie Iwankovitsch and Linda Volz followed the jazz band with a number of holiday songs. Iwankovitsch, a Cass City resident, played the flute and added her vocal talents to the featured songs. Volz, also a Cass City resident, played her guitar and also lent her melodic singing voice to the show. They sought audience participation as they performed classics such as "Jingle Bells", "O' Holy Night", "O' Little Town of Bethlehem" and "The First Noel", to name a few.

The blend of musical and visual art represented at the gallery Saturday is something Artistic Endeavors would like to foster in the future. Beginning Jan. 11 from 6 to 8 p.m., the gallery will feature a different artist every second Friday. The goal is to include musical artists as well as visual artists, according to Cass City Arts Council member Marilyn Biefer. "The creative spirit is in all of us," she said.

Fellow Cass City Arts Council

member Judy Hoelzle added, "The arts are more than just visual, they include music, drawing, dance, etc."

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Joann Tauber, Clerk

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Budget Hearing will be held on Monday, December 10, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. for all interested citizens of the Village of Cass City.

The following budget is proposed for fiscal year 2013.

#### PROPOSED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 2013

##### REVENUES:

General Fund	1,330,465
Major Street Fund	208,227
Local Street Fund	349,861
Economic Development Fund	26,200
Downtown Development Fund	65,923
Wastewater Treatment Fund	717,803
Water Fund	499,121
Motor Vehicle/Equipment Fund	340,300
	<u>3,537,899</u> Operating Revenues

##### EXPENDITURES:

General Fund	1,330,460
Major Street Fund	208,227
Local Street Fund	349,846
Economic Development Fund	26,164
Downtown Development Fund	65,853
Wastewater Treatment Fund	717,415
Water Fund	499,118
Motor Vehicle/Equipment Fund	339,976
	<u>3,537,058</u> Operating Expenses

The Property Tax Millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

The meeting will be held at the Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan for the purpose of discussion of the proposed budget. The proposed budget may be examined on weekdays at the Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. All interested citizens will have the opportunity to give written and oral comment.

Nanette S. Walsh  
Clerk/Treasurer

## Obituary

### James Connolly

James F. Connolly, 74, of Deford, passed away Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at his home.

He was born Aug. 30, 1938 in Detroit, the son of the late Alfred and Della (MacArthur) Connolly.

He married Violet Pratt Aug. 24, 1957 in Bad Axe.

Jim worked for a time for Whittaker Sawmill, before opening his own, Connolly Saw Mill. He enjoyed duck hunting and building race cars, and most of all loved time with his grandchildren.

Jim is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Violet; a son, Wayne Dean (Donna) Connolly of Deford; a brother, John Connolly of Cass City; sisters: Nancy (Sonny) Churchill of Cass City and Ann McFann of North Carolina; grandchildren: Deana, Erica and Wayne Joseph Connolly; and great-grandchildren: Justin, Coltin and Liam Colbert.

He was preceded in death by 2 sons, Wesley and Walter Connolly.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service was held Tuesday, Nov. 27, at Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City, with Brad Speirs officiating.

Burial will be in the Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to the family or to Novesta Church of Christ.

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

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# “Super district” future of “public” schools?

Continued from page one.

state’s assessment systems, making it impossible to compare school quality. But the absolute worst part of the plan is that some of these schools will be managed by for-profit operators and even corporations, and only some of our state’s students will be allowed to attend some of these schools.”

## MEA OPPOSED

Michigan Education Association (MEA) officials are also opposed to the bills, noting they would expand EAA’s current reach from Detroit to the entire state, allowing those in Lansing to assume many of the responsibilities currently entrusted to local school board members, parents and educators.

“Proponents of the legislation tout the Detroit EAA’s alleged effectiveness, despite the fact that it has only been in place since the beginning of the 2012-13 school year. The Detroit EAA has not existed long enough to be ripe for fair evaluation, much less statewide implementation,” officials said.

“This is bad policy and will not help us provide an excellent education to all children,” agreed Steve Norton, executive director of Michigan Parents for Schools.

“We have to wonder why the Legislature is so eager to make the EAA permanent and expand it when

the EAA’s track record is barely 3 months long,” Norton said. “We also wonder why the bill sponsors are so careful to give the governor complete control over the EAA, shutting out the state Board of Education, which is both directly elected and given responsibility for public education in our state Constitution.”

Cass City School officials are encouraging residents to let their feelings be known in Lansing.

“There is nothing wrong with competition, having high expectations for our students and use of more innovation in our schools, but when a lame duck group of politicians puts the education of hundreds of thousands of Michigan students in the hands of a small group of people (EAA), there is something wrong,” commented Cass City School Supt. Jeff Hartel.

“What happens if this plan doesn’t work? I am anxious to see how students are allowed to pick classes at different schools. How do they get there? How will the money follow them from school to school?” Hartel asked.

“All that really is happening is the state is taking funds currently used for education for our local schools and businesses all because a few schools in the state are failing to educate their students,” he said. “I see this as a complete failure waiting to happen and hope that the citizens of Cass City will voice their opinion in

Lansing. Leave local decisions to publicly elected school boards and stop the bureaucracy.”

## VOUCHER PROGRAM?

“I am concerned that the Education Achievement Authority is an attempt to put public money into corporate hands by shifting funds from traditional schools through a voucher program. And that much of what is being attempted looks to be happening under the dark veil of the lame duck session, before the new Legislature is seated,” said 84th District state Rep.-elect Terry Brown (D-Pigeon), who was elected in November and is scheduled to return to Lansing as the representative for Tuscola and Huron counties following a 2-year absence.

“This includes expanding the number of schools to be taken over by the state from the approximately 146 that are now in existence to potentially an unlimited number,” Brown added. “I think we need to hold on

to some local control as I do not trust those in Lansing or Washington to understand the resources, needs or wishes of those who have chosen to live in the Thumb area.”

“I continue to support efforts to improve teaching and learning in schools. I believe that we are developing the most important natural resources and economic hope for the future — our students — who will become our future work force,” he said. “Because what we do today is so important, I am fearful of experimenting on our public schools on such a grand scale without any data that would suggest, let alone guarantee, a good income.”

Brown indicated he’s also wary of legislation that would take away taxpayers’ voices when it comes to selling or leasing vacant school buildings — such as the former Campbell Elementary School — to for-profit groups.

“Even successful schools like Cass City would have to submit a list of

unused buildings for posting on the department of education website while maintaining these unoccupied buildings ‘in a condition that is suitable for use as a school building,’” Brown noted. “This seems like an expensive endeavor best left to the local taxpayers, not to those appointed by the governor or left in the hands of state bureaucrats.”

“It looks to me that this plan won’t help schools that are already struggling, but will exacerbate failure and lead to more state takeovers. And the students that need the most support will be even less likely to get help, as the new state-supported, corporate-run schools may be allowed to exclude students that are more difficult to teach,” Brown concluded.

“Again, it’s time for the focus to be put on teaching and learning, not on going against the will of the electorate by making rash decisions which are likely to further erode public education during the next month.”

# Meningitis count 64 in state

As of mid-November, Michigan’s case count related to the ongoing multistate fungal meningitis investigation includes more epidural abscess cases than meningitis cases. The current case count for Michigan is 158, included 64 meningitis cases and 86 cases of epidural abscess, in addition to 7 joint infections and one stroke.

Due to the evolving nature of the investigation, the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) worked quickly during the week of Nov. 12 to grant emergency Certificates of Need (CONs) for Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor continues to evaluate and treat more patients related to this investigation than any facility nationally.

MDCH expedited the review of a CON to expand the operating rooms (OR) capacity, as well as granted an emergency CON to employ the use of a mobile MRI service at St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor. MRI scans and ORs are necessary to detect and treat the growing number of cases, especially those presenting with an epidural abscess. MDCH worked

with the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) to quickly grant these two CONs.

“We at MDCH recognize the critical importance that testing and treatment capacity plays in protecting the patients involved in this investigation,” said James K. Haveman, director of the MDCH. “Thanks to the responsiveness and cooperation of our partners at St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor and LARA, we are working swiftly to detect and treat as many cases as we can, as soon as possible.”

For patients who have contracted meningitis through the contaminated steroid injections prepared by the New England Compounding Center (NECC), located in Framingham, Mass., symptoms include fever, new or worsening headache, neck stiffness, sensitivity to light, and/or a new neurological deficit such as weakness or numbness, consistent with deep brain stroke. Symptoms of an epidural abscess, an infection at the epidural injection site, may also include new or worsening pain.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

(CDC), in this outbreak, symptoms typically have appeared one to 4 weeks following injection, but longer, and shorter periods between injection and onset of symptoms have been reported. Therefore, patients and physicians need to closely watch for symptoms for at least several months following the injection.

“MDCH staff will continue to work closely with the facilities involved in the investigation, including St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor, to ensure that patient safety and their overall health and wellness remains the primary focus of our efforts,” said Haveman.

In the beginning of October, MDCH was made aware of 4 facilities in Michigan that received contaminated steroid injections from NECC. The product was recalled and patients who received the injection were notified. Any individual who received a steroid injection at one of the four Michigan facilities and is experiencing the symptoms described above should immediately contact their physician or seek medical attention.

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“As you reflect on what you are grateful for this holiday season, set aside time to come donate blood,” said Todd Kulman, communications program manager for the Great Lakes Region of the American Red Cross. “Your donation can give someone another moment, another day, another holiday to spend with loved ones and friends. And that’s something to feel thankful for.”

Patients rely on blood from volunteer donors. In fact, patients across the United States need more than 44,000 units of blood each day to treat emergency and ongoing medical conditions. About 700 blood donations are needed daily for patients in the hospitals served by the Great Lakes Blood Services Region of the Red Cross, according to Kulman.

But while the need for blood is constant, the supply sometimes isn’t. Blood donations can dip around the holidays, making it important for donors to make and keep appointments to ensure a strong and stable blood supply for sick and injured people.

“If you want to express your grati-

tude this holiday season and do something meaningful for others, try blood donation,” Kulman said. “Someone, maybe in your very community, will need blood this holiday season and will be thankful for the gift of life you can give.”

Eligible donors must be at least 16 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be in generally good health. Those planning to give blood are asked to take their Red Cross blood donor card or another form of positive identification with them.



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Dan Erla, Supervisor

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## Fernald: If the seniors have a productive year, we will have a successful season

Aaron Fernald enters his 10th season in charge of the Cass City boys' basketball team with 5 returning let-

ter winners. They'll be heavily counted on to lead his Red Hawk cagers during the 2012-13 campaign,

including Friday's non-conference home opener against Capac.

Four of Cass City's returnees hail

from the senior class.

"Our team will go as our seniors go. If the seniors have a productive year,

we will have a successful season," said Fernald.

Cody Orban headlines the group of tested players for Fernald. The Red Hawk sharp shooter averaged 14 points per game as a junior, earning first team all-conference honors along the way. Orban will be the focus of opponents' defenses in his final go-round and to improve on last year's 10-11 overall and 5-7 Greater Thumb West marks, somebody else will need to step-up to fill the holes left by graduates Morgan Erla, Ethan Nicol, Drew King and Alex Zaleski.

Most indications are that Cole Israelson is that somebody.

Israelson also was recognized as a Greater Thumb West all-conference player in 2011. The honorable mention choice averaged 7 points and 8 rebounds per game as a junior. Fernald would like to see his 6' 8" center average a double-double to wrap up his 3-year varsity career.

Seniors Lukas Schenk and Cody Ross return to the Red Hawk roster as tested performers, as does junior Shane Rasmussen.

"All 3 of those players played on the varsity last year. All will be counted on this year for bigger roles," said Fernald.

New to the varsity ranks in 2012 are juniors Collin Hartwick, Jacob Perry, Jacob Hacker, Curtis Dickinson, Eric Churchill and Tristen Kuntz.

Fernald calls Kuntz and Perry strong inside/out type players, while Hartwick has a golden touch from the outside. Dickinson, the team's best jumper, Churchill and Hacker are good athletes, according to Fernald, and all should see plenty of action in the early season.

"Reese should be the team to beat. After Reese the league is a toss-up," said Fernald, who hopes to have his team in the mix at season's end.



THE 2012-13 Cass City varsity boys' basketball team members are: (front, l-r) Jacob Hacker, Shane Rasmussen, Curtis Dickinson, Jacob Perry, Collin Hartwick, Cody Orban (back) Lukas Schenk, Tristen Kuntz, Cole Israelson, Cody Ross and Eric Churchill.



THE OWEN-GAGE varsity boys' basketball team consists of: (front, l-r) Lorenzo Robinson, Brett Morrish, David Lorenz, Dan Jeffery, Quinn Smith (back) Michael Mandich, Eric Rievert, Ben Good, Brett Stockton, Andrew Fahrner and Coach Steve Hollocker.



THE 2012-13 Owen-Gage varsity girls basketball team members are: (front, l-r) Donna Hopper, Miranda Radabaugh, Kayla Montreuil, Katie Green, Courtney McCreedy (back) Courtney Wightman, Richelle Scharf, Coach Mike Sutherland, Emily Cole and Rachel Mroz.

## Owen-Gage prepares for action away from NCTL

Second year Coach Steve Hollocker has 8 returning letter winners to build around as the Owen-Gage boys' basketball team gets ready for play in the 2012-13 season.

High scoring senior playmaker Brent Stockton is the Bulldogs' marquee name, but Hollocker exits from play in the North Central Thumb League with a talented and veteran squad.

Also back are top rebounders Ben Good and Andrew Fahrner from last year, along with Michael Mandich, Dan Jeffery, Brett Morrish, Quinn Smith and Eric Rievert.

Despite the returning talent, Hollocker will surely miss 2012 graduate Hunter Champagne in the upcoming year.

The news isn't as bright for first year Coach Mike Sutherland, who replaces Doug Hyatt at the helm of the Lady Bulldog basketball program.

Sutherland, a Spanish teacher in Owendale with previous coaching experience with the Bad Axe boys' program, will need to find replacements for a heavy graduation toll which included Christin Harris, Alex Morrish, Lacie Prich, Erika Mroz and Mandy Muntz.

Sutherland will have to lean heavily on senior Kayla Montreuil in his first year, while Miranda Radabaugh, Katie Green and Courtney McCreedy should see increased minutes with a year's experience under their belts.

## Turnovers plague Lady Red Hawks

Cass City will need to be much improved from their opening night showing if they hope to pull off an upset in tonight's (Wednesday) contest at Sandusky.

The Lady Red Hawks' kicked off their 2012-13 campaign last Tuesday suffering a lopsided 48-20 defeat in non-conference action against visiting Harbor Beach.

The Pirate's pressing defense proved to be the difference on the night.

"Harbor Beach's pressure on the ball bothered us. We committed 35 turnovers and obviously that can't happen if you want to be competitive," said Coach Clarke Haire.

The visitors jetted to a 17-2 margin early as only Shania Chambers entered the score book for Cass City in the opening frame.

Harbor Beach continued to attack defensively during period 2 and extended their margin to 20-2 before another basket from Chambers, and sophomore Erika Martin's first career field goal had the hosts behind 32-6 at the intermission.

Senior Ashley Guitar, who recorded game scoring honors with 20 points, poured in a dozen markers to pace the Pirates' fast start. Guitar then handed the scoring duties to Mikada Pfaff in period 2, who responded with 4 buckets and a pair of free

throws before the break.

Harbor Beach outscored Cass City 16-14 over the final 2 quarters to earn the easy victory.

"We settled down a bit in the final half. I was surprised that Harbor Beach's pressure caused us so many problems. I didn't expect that," said Haire.

Trailing 41-12, Cass City actually outscored Harbor Beach over the final 8 minutes as Chambers scored from close range and hit on 4-of-4 chances at the foul line in the final period.

Chambers led Cass City with 12 points, while Gracy Hollis chipped in 4 points, all coming in the final half.

Pirate Pfaff finished with 13 tallies as the game's only other double digit scorer.

**CASS CITY** – Chambers 4-0 (4-4) 12; Reif 1-0 (0-0) 2; Martin 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hollis 2-0 (0-1) 4.  
**TOTALS** – 8-0 (4-5) 20.

**HARBOR BEACH** – Auel 1-0 (1-2) 3; Guitar 9-0 (2-3) 20; Wolschleger 0-0 (1-2) 1; Weber 2-0 (1-1) 5; Pfaff 5-0 (3-4) 13; Woodward 1-0 (0-0) 2; Braun 1-0 (2-4) 4.  
**TOTALS** – 19-0 (10-16) 48.



**THE 2012-13 Cass City Lady Red Hawk junior varsity basketball team members are: (front, l-r) Erin Zdrojewski, Gloria Armstead, Carley Stone, Kelly Delong, Briana Samons (back) Hunter Langenburg, Maegan LeValley, Macy Dickinson and Jessica Peters.**



**THE 2012-13 Owen-Gage junior varsity girls basketball team members are: (front, l-r) Cara Morrish, Emily Sopha, Andrea McCreedy, Adrianna Woodward (back) Coach James Harris, Abigail Jeffery, Kristen Cummins, Brooke Soderquist and Ashlee Woodruff.**

## Owen-Gage Area Schools airs 1st marking period honor roll

### Grade 4

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Team High Series: Martin Electric (1737).

Owen-Gage Girls' Basketball	Date	Time	Opponent
11/26	7:00 pm	vs. International Academy of Flint	
11/30	7:30 pm	@ Mayville	
12/04	7:30 pm	vs. Deckerville	
12/07	6:00 pm	@ Vanderbilt	
12/11	TBA	@ Peck	
12/11	5:45 pm	vs. SASA	
12/18	6:00 pm	vs. Port Hope	
01/04	5:30 pm	@ Merritt Aca.	
01/08	7:00 pm	@ Akron-Fairgrove	
01/11	TBA	vs. North Huron	
01/14	6:00 pm	vs. Caseville	
01/21	7:30 pm	@ Deckerville	
01/25	7:00 pm	@ International Academy of Flint	
01/28	TBA	vs. Peck	
01/29	6:00 pm	@ Buena Vista	
01/04	6:00 pm	@ Port Hope	
01/06	6:00 pm	@ SASA	
01/19	6:00 pm	vs. Buena Vista	
01/21	6:00 pm	vs. Caseville	

Owen-Gage Boys' Basketball	Date	Time	Opponent
11/28	6:00 pm	@ Caseville	
12/03	7:00 pm	vs. International Academy of Flint	
12/06	6:00 pm	@ Deckerville	
12/06	7:30 pm	@ Deckerville	
12/10	TBA	vs. Peck	
12/11	7:00 pm	vs. SASA	
12/20	6:00 pm	@ Mayville	
01/04	7:00 pm	@ Merritt Aca.	
01/07	6:00 pm	vs. Mayville	
01/07	7:30 pm	vs. Mayville	
01/10	7:00 pm	@ Akron-Fairgrove	
01/15	6:00 pm	@ Caseville	
01/18	7:00 pm	vs. Merritt Aca.	
01/25	7:30 pm	vs. Deckerville	
01/29	7:00 pm	@ Buena Vista	
02/06	7:00 pm	@ SASA	
02/13	7:00 pm	@ International Academy of Flint	
02/15	7:00 pm	vs. Akron-Fairgrove	
02/19	7:00 pm	vs. Buena Vista	

## Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast

### Varsity Basketball



Tom Montgomery



Tina Pallas



Geoff Morgan



Doug Hyatt

GIRLS' BASKETBALL	Tom Montgomery	Tina Pallas	Geoff Morgan	Doug Hyatt
<b>Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2012</b>				
Deckerville at Owen-Gage	Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville
Kingston at Akron-Fairgrove	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2012</b>				
Cass City at Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky	Cass City	Sandusky
Reese at Ubyly	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
EPBP at Memphis	EPBP	Memphis	Memphis	EPBP
USA at Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	USA	Harbor Beach	USA
<b>Friday, Dec. 7, 2012</b>				
Harbor Beach at BCAS	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	BCAS
Bad Axe at Caro	Caro	Caro	Caro	Bad Axe
Sandusky at EPBP	Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky
Marlette at Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
Ubyly at USA	Ubyly	USA	USA	USA
Owen-Gage at Vanderbilt	Vanderbilt	Vanderbilt	Owen-Gage	Vanderbilt
Kingston at Caseville	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
<b>BOYS' BASKETBALL</b>				
<b>Monday, Dec. 3, 2012</b>				
Int. Aca. of Flint at O-G	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Int. Aca. of Flint	Owen-Gage
<b>Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2012</b>				
Cass City at Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky	Cass City	Sandusky
Glenn at BCAS	Glenn	Glenn	Glenn	Glenn
Vassar at Marlette	Vassar	Vassar	Vassar	Vassar
Reese at Ubyly	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
EPBP at Memphis	Memphis	Memphis	Memphis	EPBP
Bullock Creek at Caro	Bullock Creek	Bullock Creek	Bullock Creek	Bullock Creek
<b>Thursday, Dec. 6, 2012</b>				
Harbor Beach at BCAS	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach
Vassar at Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Vassar
Marlette at Reese	Reese	Marlette	Reese	Reese
Ubyly at USA	Ubyly	USA	Ubyly	USA
Owen-Gage at Deckerville	Deckerville	Owen-Gage	Deckerville	Deckerville
Akron-Fairgrove at Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
<b>Friday, Dec. 7, 2012</b>				
Capac at Cass City	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City
Sandusky at EPBP	Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky	EPBP

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BOYS' BASKETBALL	
All games at 6 p.m.	
12/4	Sandusky
12/7	Capac
12/11	Harbor Beach
12/20	Ubly (JV)
12/21	Ubly (Varsity)
12/28	Caro
1/3	Marlette
1/8	Bad Axe
1/10	BCAS
1/16	USA
1/18	Brown City
1/25	EPB Lakers
1/30	Reese
2/1	Vassar
2/6	Bad Axe
2/8	BCAS (Snowcoming)
2/15	Brown City
2/20	USA
2/22	Lakers
2/26	Reese
2/28	Vassar Districts

GIRLS' BASKETBALL	
All games at 6 p.m.	
11/27	H. Beach 48- Cass City 20
12/5	Sandusky
12/12	Reese
12/14	Vassar
12/19	Imlay City
12/20	Ubly (JV)
12/21	Ubly (Varsity)
12/28	Caro (Varsity)
1/4	Marlette
1/9	Bad Axe
1/11	BCAS
1/15	USA
1/17	Brown City
1/24	Lakers
1/29	Reese
1/31	Vassar
2/5	Bad Axe
2/7	BCAS
2/14	Brown City
2/19	USA
2/21	Lakers
2/28-3/2,4	Districts

WRESTLING		
12/5	Imlay City/Capac	5:30 p.m.
12/8	Marlette Team Tourney	8:00 a.m.
12/12	Caro/Cros-Lex/Yale	6:00 p.m.
12/15	Cros-Lex Team Tourney	8:00 a.m.
12/28	Mayville Tourney	TBD
1/3	Memphis/Lakers	6:00 p.m.
1/5	North Branch Team Trny	9:00 a.m.
1/9	Bad Axe/Marlette	6:00 p.m.
1/12	Imlay City Invite	9:00 a.m.
1/16	Sandusky	6:00 p.m.
1/19	Mayville Team Tourney	TBA
1/23	Brown City/Vassar	6:00 p.m.
1/26	Bullock Creek Team Trny	9:00 a.m.
2/2	GTC Leag. Meet @Sandusky	TBD
2/6	Team Districts	TBD
2/9	Individual Districts	TBD
2/13	Team Regionals	TBD
2/16	Individual Regionals	TBD
2/22-23	Team St. Finals @Battle Creek	TBD
2/28-3/2	Ind. St. Finals @Auburn Hills	TBD

GYMNASTICS		
12/13	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
1/17	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
1/21	Farmington Invite	8:30 a.m.
1/26	Vassar/Freeland	6:30 p.m.
1/22	Freeland	6:00 p.m.
1/26	St. John's Invite	10:00 a.m.
2/16	Freeland Invite	TBD

## FOLLOW THE HAWKS AT HOME!

- Boys' Basketball**  
Dec. 7 ~ Capac ~ 6 p.m.  
Dec. 11 ~ Harbor Beach ~ 6 p.m.
  - Gymnastics**  
Dec. 13 ~ Vassar ~ 6:30 p.m.
  - Girls' Basketball**  
Dec. 14 ~ Vassar - 6 p.m.
  - Wrestling**  
Jan. 9 ~ Bad Axe/Marlette ~ 6 p.m.
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- Junior High Girls' Basketball**  
Dec. 5 ~ Marlette ~ 5:30 p.m.  
Dec. 10 ~ USA ~ 5:30 p.m.  
Dec. 11 ~ Harbor Beach ~ 5:30 p.m.
  - Junior High Boys' Basketball**  
Jan. 14 ~ Memphis ~ 5:30 p.m.



## JUNIOR HIGH SPORTS

BOYS' BASKETBALL	
All games at 5:30 p.m.	
1/14	Memphis
1/16	Vassar
1/21	Marlette
1/23	USA
1/28	Harbor Beach
1/30	Reese
2/4	Memphis
2/6	Vassar
2/11	Marlette
2/13	USA
2/20	Harbor Beach
2/25	Reese

GIRLS' BASKETBALL	
All games at 5:30 p.m. unless noted	
11/5	Memphis
11/7	Vassar
11/12	Marlette
11/14	USA
11/19	Harbor Beach
11/26	Reese
11/28	Memphis
12/3	Vassar
12/5	Marlette
12/10	USA
12/11	Harbor Beach
12/17	Reese 4:30 p.m.

WRESTLING	
All games at 5:30 p.m. unless noted	
11/12	Sandusky/Bad Axe
11/19	EPB Lakers/Brown City
11/26	Bad Axe/Mayville
11/28	Mayville
12/1	Caro Tour. 9:00 a.m.
12/3	Marlette 6:00 p.m.
12/5	Vassar/Memphis
12/10	GTC Leag. Meet @Br. City

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 10, 2013.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at a point on the East and West 1/4 Line of Section 12, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, 87 feet West of the Northeast corner of the Southwest

1/4 of said Section 12, thence due West along said 1/4 line 90 feet, thence South 00 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds East 300 feet, thence due East parallel with said 1/4 line 90 feet, thence North 00 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds West 300 feet to point of beginning.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 3, 2013.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 3, 2013.

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

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made in the conditions of certain Mortgage made by VIRGINIA L. SOUSA, a single woman, of 4422 Leix Road, Mayville, MI 48744, to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture, with its Office being located at 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee being dated October 9, 2003, and recorded October 14, 2003, in Liber 959, Pages 1189-1195 in Tuscola County Records, such Mortgage being given to secure Promissory Note payable to the Government, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of date of the notice, for principal, interest and other charges, the sum of NINETY SEVEN THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE AND 95/100 (\$97,921.95) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity 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 of the State of Michigan 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 County Courthouse at 440 N. STATE STREET, in the City of Caro, County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the Mortgage together with 5.375% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale.

Which said premises described in said Mortgage are situated in the State of Michigan, Tuscola County and are described as:

PARCEL F: Land situated in the Southeast one quarter of the Southeast one quarter of Section 8, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, Township of Fremont, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan. Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 8; thence North 00 degrees, 00 minutes, 00 seconds East, 534.61 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees, 56 minutes, 05 seconds West, 587.42 feet; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes, 11 seconds East, 164.22 feet; thence North 89 degrees, 56 minutes, 21 seconds East, 587.17 feet to the East Section line; thence South 00 degrees, 00 minutes; 00 seconds West, 164.17 feet to the point of Beginning. Commonly known as: Parcel F. Leix Road.

In further consideration of and as further security for the above described loan(s), borrower hereby pledges the mobile home/manufactured home, model NM 2852138, Redmond New Moon with serial number 11267349.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale. According to MCL §600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, 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.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure, contact USDA - Rural Development, Centralized Servicing Center, Foreclosure Centralization Initiative, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, telephone (800) 349-5097 ext. 4500.

Dated: December 5, 2012

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture Mortgagee

Michael I. Conlon (P43954)  
 Running, Wise, Ford, P.L.C.  
 326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686  
 Traverse City, MI 49685-0686

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Kenneth Mahan, a/k/a Kenneth S. Mahan, and Embery Skinner, as joint tenants to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for MAC-Clair Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 18, 2003 and recorded March 24, 2003 in Liber 921, Page 1442, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated July 11, 2011 and recorded July 18, 2011 in Liber 1226, Page 337, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Two Thousand One Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Seventy-Four Cents (\$72,118.74) including interest 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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on January 3, 2013.

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

Lot 24, and the East 6 feet of Lot 25 of Block 2, of M. J. Smith's addition to the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof, in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 14A, Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as 673 Court St., Caro, MI 48723.

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

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

Dated: 12/05/2012

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: 12-68557

12-5-4

# Legal Notices

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File #412457F01

11-14-4

Case No. 12-27239-CH  
CIRCUIT COURT SALE

In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 1st day of October, 2012 in a certain cause therein pending, wherein ROSE ACCEPTANCE, INC. was the Plaintiff and CHASITY ROBERSON and FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK OF INDIANAPOLIS were the Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for Tuscola County), on the 10th day of January, 2013 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, viz:  
All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Arbeta, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and more particularly described as:

Commencing at a point on the West side of Bray Road 759 feet South of the Northeast corner of the East half of the Southeast quarter; thence West 200 feet; thence South 89 feet, thence East 200 feet, thence North 80 feet to the point of beginning, Section 5, Township 10 North, Range 7 East. Commonly Known as: 7720 Bray Road, Vassar, Michigan 48766.

Tax Parcel Number: 79-003-005-400-1000-00

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

Dated: November 12, 2012

Leland Teschendorf Sheriff  
ROSE ACCEPTANCE, INC. of East Lansing, Michigan  
Mortgagee

FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH, P.C.  
Benjamin J. Price  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
313 S. Washington Square  
Lansing, MI 48933  
(517) 371-8253

11-21-7

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

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by June C. Barrow, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 6, 2006 and recorded on January 26, 2007 in Liber 1109 on Page 690, and assigned by mesne assignments to Federal National Mortgage 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 Twenty Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Three and 79/100 Dollars (\$120,153.79).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 20, 2012.

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

Lot 317, except the North 10 feet and all of Lots 318 and 319, of Shay Lake Heights Subdivision No. Two, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 1A of Plats.

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: November 21, 2012

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
FC J (248) 593-1311  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #412479F01

11-21-4

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

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made the 10th day of April, 2003 by Douglas Rocho and Betty J. Rocho, husband and wife, of 7935 Huston, Millington, MI 48746, Mortgagor to Lapeer County Bank & Trust Co., a Michigan Banking Corporation, of 83 W. Nepessing St., P.O. Box 660, Lapeer, Michigan 48446, Mortgagee, recorded on the 27th day of May, 2003 in Liber 932, Pages 1209 to 1224 of Tuscola County Records, Caro, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid as of

November 13, 2012, for principal, interest, costs and late fees, the sum of one hundred forty eight thousand seven hundred seventy eight dollars and 99/100 (\$148,778.99).

No suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale in said mortgage contained having become operative by reason of such default. 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 20th day of December, 2012 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at the main entrance of the Circuit Court building located at 440 N. State St., Caro, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at six and 3/8 (6.375%) percent per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: Township of Millington, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan to wit:

Commencing at a point on the Section line 1,488.56 feet East of the South 1/4 corner of Section 1, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence (North 10 degrees 20 min. East Magnetic Bearing) Northerly making an angle with the Section line of 88 deg. 10 min. in the Northwest quadrant 671.3 feet for a point of beginning; thence East parallel with the South line of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 1 to the water's edge of Murphy Lake, a distance of 538 feet; thence Southeasterly along the shore of Murphy Lake to a point 60 feet South thereof; thence West parallel with the Eastern line from the point of beginning, 550 feet to the Easterly edge of private road running North and South; thence Northerly along the Easterly line of said private road 60 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 7935 Huston, Millington, MI 48746.

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

Dated: November 13, 2012

Martin W. Hable (P-27634)  
Attorney for Lapeer County Bank & Trust  
235 W. Genesee St., Ste. B  
Lapeer, MI 48446  
(810) 667-7123

11-21-4

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

Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dale R. Rutkowski and Patricia A. Rutkowski, Husband and Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Heartland Home Finance, INC, Mortgagee, dated September 15, 2005, and recorded on September 27, 2005, in Liber 1055, Page 583, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustee for Saxon Asset Securities Trust 2005-4, Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2005-4 by an Assignment of Mortgage dated April 22, 2011 and recorded April 28, 2011 in Liber 1221, Page 179, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Four and 25/100 (\$121,264.25) including interest at the rate of 8.75000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the 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 December 20, 2012.

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

A parcel of land in Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 36, T12 N., R 8 E., Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the North and South quarter line of said Section 36 which is 1591.00 feet, S. 00 degrees 09 minutes 13 Seconds E., from the North quarter corner of said section; thence continuing S. 00 degrees 19 minutes 13 seconds E., on said North and South quarter line, 248.91 feet; thence N. 89 degrees 27 minutes 21 seconds W., parallel with the North one-eighth line of said section, 350.00 feet; thence N. 00 degrees 09 minutes 13 seconds W., parallel with said North and South quarter line, 248.91 feet; thence S. 89 degrees 27 minutes 21 seconds E., parallel with said North one-eighth line, 350.00 feet to the point of beginning Subject to highway use of the East 33.00 feet thereof, and also subject to any other easements of record. Commonly known as: 3800 Kile 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 mortgage 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: November 21, 2012

Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustee for Saxon Asset Securities Trust 2005-4, Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2005-4  
43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302  
248-335-9200  
Case No. 11OMI00265-3

11-21-4

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PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN THE MILITARY, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER LISTED BELOW.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Patsy A. Lachappelle, a single person, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Lehman Brothers Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 12, 2004 and recorded November 4, 2004 in Liber 1015, Page 1466, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, by assignment dated September 18, 2012 and recorded October 22, 2012 in Liber 1262, Page 1360, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Sixty-Seven Dollars and Seventeen Cents (\$111,067.17) including interest 2.875% 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 December 20, 2012.

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

That part of the North three-fourths of the East half (East one-half) of the Southeast quarter (Southeast one-quarter) of Section 20, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, that lies North and East of the centerline of Cole Drain, but excepting therefrom a parcel described as commencing at the Northeast corner thereof, thence South 50 rods; thence West to the centerline of Cole Drain, thence Northerly along the center line of Cole Drain 50 rods, more or less to the North line of the Southeast quarter of said Section 20; thence East to the place of beginning. Commonly known as 9338 Bray Rd., Millington, MI 48746.

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: 11/21/2012

Nationstar Mortgage, LLC.  
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd., Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 12-70862

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Kerry N. Bader and Susan M. Bader, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Home Star Mortgage Services, LLC, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 25, 2003 and recorded June 5, 2003 in Liber 934, Page 676, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to CitiMortgage, Inc., by assignment dated September 28, 2012 and recorded October 12, 2012 in Liber 1262, Page 204 and by assignment dated September 21, 2012 and recorded October 16, 2012 in Liber 1262, Page 581, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars and Twenty-Eight Cents (\$73,856.28) including interest 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on December 20, 2012.

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

Commencing at the Southeast corner of that 34 acre parcel of land described in the deed from Albert Smith to Harry Swaffler and Mary Swaffler, husband and wife, dated March 9, 1929 and recorded March 21, 1929 in Liber 208 of Deeds on page 116 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Tuscola County, Michigan, said point of beginning being a point on the centerline of State Highway M-38; thence Westerly along the centerline of State Highway M-38 200.00 feet; thence North and parallel to the East line of the 34 acre parcel described in said Deed to the South line of the P.M. Railroad; thence Easterly along the South line of the P.M. Railroad to the Northeast corner of the 34 acre parcel described in said Deed; thence South to the place of beginning. Being part of the North half (North one-half) of the Southwest quarter (Southwest one-quarter) of Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 8 East.

The property description within the Deed recorded in Liber 208 of Deeds page 116 reads as follows:

Commencing in the center of the State Road between Sections fourteen (14), and fifteen (15), twenty-five and thirty-five hundredths (25/35) chains North of the corner of Sections fourteen (14) and fifteen (15) twenty-two (22) and twenty-three (23); thence North on Section line thirteen (13) and twenty-two hundredths (22) chains to the South line of the F & P.M. Railroad; thence South seventy-five (75) degrees East along the South line of said railroad ten and fifty two hundredths (10.52) chains; thence South thirteen and twenty-two hundredths (13.22) chains to the center of the State Road and thence North seventy-five (75) degrees West along the State Road ten and five hundred eighty-five one thousandths (10 & 585/1000) chains to the place of beginning. Also that part of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 14 lying between the State Road leading from Vassar to Port Huron and the F & P.M. Railroad, being twenty (20) acres lying East of said piece of land heretofore deeded by Remos Disbrow to Norton Sherman and being a part of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 14, Township Eleven (11) North, Range Eight (8) East.

Property description in the Deed from Remos Disbrow and Esther J. Disbrow, his wife to Norton C. Sherman reads as follows:

Town of Vassar County of Tuscola County, State of Michigan, commencing at a point in the center of the State Road on the line between Sections fourteen (14) and fifteen (15), twenty-five and thirty-five one hundredths (25 & 35/100) chains North of the corner of Sections fourteen (14) and fifteen (15) twenty-two (22) and twenty-three (23) run thence North on said Section line thirteen and twenty-two one hundredths (13 & 22/100) chains to the South line of the F & P.M. Railroad; thence South seventy-five (75) degrees East along the South line of said railroad ten and fifty-two one hundredths (10 & 52/100) chains; thence South thirteen and twenty-two one hundredths (13 & 22/100) chains to the center of the State Road; and thence North seventy-five (75) degrees West along the State Road ten and five hundred eighty-five one thousandth (10 & 585/1000) chains to the place of beginning. Commonly known as 3866 W Saginaw Rd., Vassar, MI 48768.

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

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

Dated: 11/21/2012

CitiMortgage, Inc.  
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
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Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 12-70554

11-21-4

IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR ONE YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1502.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeremy T. Beidler, a married man, and Jeannie M. Beidler, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 13, 2004 and recorded April 19, 2004 in Liber 988, Page 580, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Federal National Mortgage Association ("FNMA") by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand Sixty-Five and 2/100 Dollars (\$53,065.02) including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on 12/27/2012.

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

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 10, Block 5, Montague's Subdivision to the Village of Caro; thence North 45 degrees East 47.50 feet; thence South 45 degrees East 100 feet, South 45 degrees West, 24.14 feet; thence West 33.04 feet; thence North 45 degrees West, 76.64 feet to the point of beginning. Being the Southwesterly 47.50 feet of Lots 10 and 11 of Block 5 of the Plat of Montague's Subdivision, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats Page 10 now being 11A.

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: November 28, 2012

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 650.3255

11-28-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Johnnie Lee Carpenter, a married man, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB it's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 28, 2003 and recorded on June 2, 2003 in Liber 933 on Page 1103, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand One Hundred Seventy-One and 26/100 Dollars (\$62,171.26).

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 January 3, 2013.

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

Parcel 1: Commencing 20 rods South of the Northeast corner of Section 14, T12N, R8E East; thence South 4 rods; thence West 20 rods; thence East 20 rods to the point of beginning.

Parcel 2: Commencing 24 rods South of the Northeast corner of Section 14, T12N, R8E East; thence South 5 rods; thence West 16 rods; thence North 5 rods; thence East 16 rods to the point of beginning, 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: December 5, 2012

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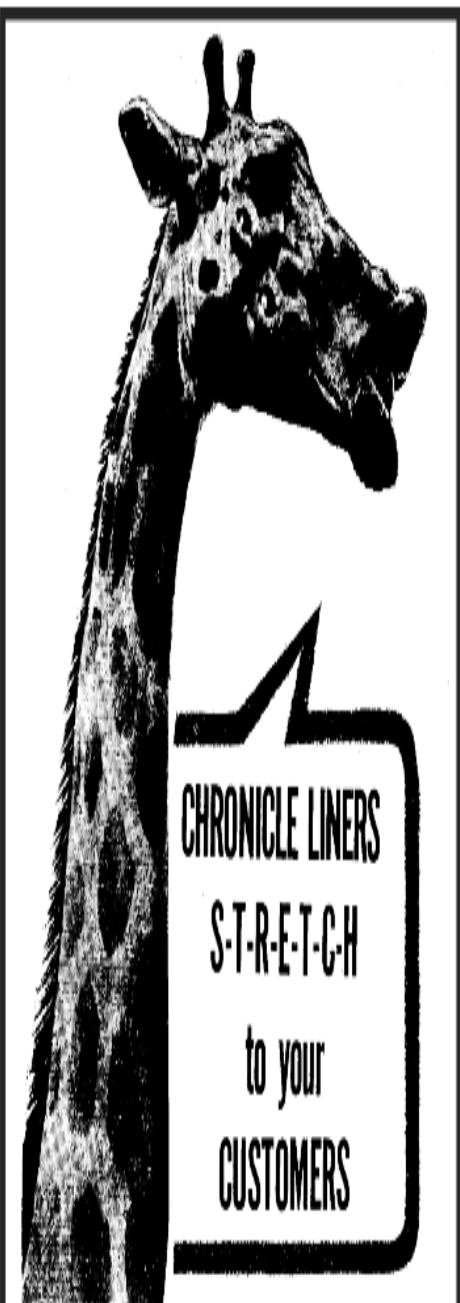
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**TAKE A LOOK** at this 3 bedroom home within walking distance of downtown Cass City. Home features hardwood floors, 1st floor laundry, large living room, formal dining room and a breakfast room with a doorwall to the deck overlooking the backyard. TCC1640

# Christmas in the Village visitors all smiles



AMY PETERS OF Knights Insurance (left) presents \$100 in Cass City Cash to winner Stephanie Leeson following this year's Christmas in the Village Chili Cook-off. In all, 211 people tasted chili this year and awarded first place to the Elkland Township Fire Department, followed by CK Graphics (second place), and Chemical Bank and Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt & Doran (third place tie). Carla Cofka was the winner of a gift basket in a drawing of the names of those who visited all of the chili stations.



FREE HOT BEAN soup, a Christmas tradition established years ago in Cass City by local residents Matt Prieskorn, Steve Wright and Kris Repshinka, was continued during this year's Christmas in the Village celebration Saturday night. Above, Repshinka (right) and Paul Szarapski serve up cups of the hearty soup.



MAIN STREET was lit up by a host of entries in this year's Lighted Christmas Parade in Cass City.



JIM KOSINSKI SERVES up some of the Elkland Township Fire Department's "Firehouse Chili" to Angela and Heith Forster, Gagetown, during Saturday's 9th Annual Christmas in the Village Chili Cook-off in Cass City. The Cass City crew, led by Fire "Chef" Nick Moyer, defended its local chili crown this year after winning the title in both 2010 and 2011.



CASS CITY HIGH School junior Elisabeth Milligan (left) and junior Mady Brinkman take their turn in front of the camera with the Clauses.

## Holiday fest a success

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Chamber officials had printed 200 to 250 tickets that were distributed to the children in an effort to form an orderly line as they waited to see Santa and Mrs. Claus, and there were still 60 to 70 children in line when the tickets were gone, Mulligan said. "So, we had close to 300 kids in the building at one point."

The annual craft show was also a big hit again this year, with 50 vendors on hand in the junior-senior high school gymnasium. Organizers don't keep an attendance record, but Mulligan said a campaign to benefit the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, held in conjunction with the show, drew 3 full boxes of canned goods along with the sale of 200 paper ornaments at \$1 each.

"The chili cook-off went really well, too," Mulligan continued. She noted Knights Insurance owners Amy and Virgil Peters, who organize the event, tried something new this year in the form of offering a gift basket — comprised of items donated by various participating businesses — as the prize in a drawing composed of the names of those who managed to visit all 23 chili entries. "What a great idea," Mulligan said, adding participating businesses

located beyond the immediate downtown area reported seeing more chili taster foot traffic this year.

"I think it worked really well," Peters agreed, noting 113 people visited all of the participating businesses. "That's a lot of people that saw the inside of businesses they may not have seen before."

For the third consecutive year, Nick Moyer and his fellow volunteers at the Elkland Township Fire Department were named this year's chili champ.

Mulligan said the Christmas in the Village's greatest success each year lies in the joy it gives to area youngsters, especially those whose families are struggling financially.

Of course, the businesses that take an active role in chamber-sponsored events also benefit, according to Mulligan, who pointed out that community festivals provide them with an opportunity to showcase what they have to offer to both local residents and visitors from neighboring towns.

"This will get somebody in your door. People are in a good mood when they're at an event. They might come back, and if you give them a good reason to come back, they just might," she said. "You have to try every avenue you can."