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Kalamazoo Promise chief to speak in town

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Cass City School officials are inviting the community to explore the success of the Kalamazoo Promise and discuss whether it might be possible to establish a similar program here.

Everyone is invited to attend a town hall-style meeting Monday, Jan. 21, starting at 7 a.m. at Northwood Meadows in Cass City.

Scheduled to attend is Janice Brown, executive director of the Kalamazoo Promise, an unprecedented experiment in community development that guarantees full college scholarships to potentially every graduate of the Kalamazoo Public Schools.

"We are lucky to have Janice Brown willing to come to Cass City to address the process of getting a program set up to assist our graduating seniors with college tuition," commented Cass City Public Schools Supt. Jeff Hartel. "It's just an idea we're putting out there to see if there's any interest. This could lead to a great opportunity for our students and community."

The Kalamazoo Promise is a pledge by a group of anonymous donors to pay up to 100 percent of tuition at any of Michigan's state colleges or universities for graduates of the public high schools in Kalamazoo.

To receive the minimum 65 percent benefit, students must have lived within the school district, attended a public high school there for 4 years, and graduated. To receive a full scholarship, students must have attended the Kalamazoo Public Schools since kindergarten.

The program was unveiled at a Nov. 10, 2005, Kalamazoo Board of Education meeting.

According to the W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, which plays a leading role in research, evaluation and community mobilization activities surrounding the Kalamazoo Promise, the defining features of the program include the following:

*Flexibility — Eligible students may access their Kalamazoo Promise funding any time within 10 years of graduation, and funds may be used for any credit-bearing program offered by an in-state public college or university (there are 44 eligible institutions to choose from).

*Generosity — The Kalamazoo Promise is a "first-dollar" scholarship that is awarded before any other source of funding is considered (most of the programs modeled on the Kalamazoo Promise award scholarships only after federal financial aid is taken into account), which means that students are able to access additional financial aid such as federal Pell Grants or institutional scholarships.

In the first 5 years of the program, the anonymous donors spent $25 million on scholarships for more than 2,000 graduates.

*Perpetuity — The Kalamazoo Promise will continue in perpetuity, giving students, families, businesses and other affected by the program a long time frame within which to take the scholarship program into considering when making decisions, such as which district to attend, where to

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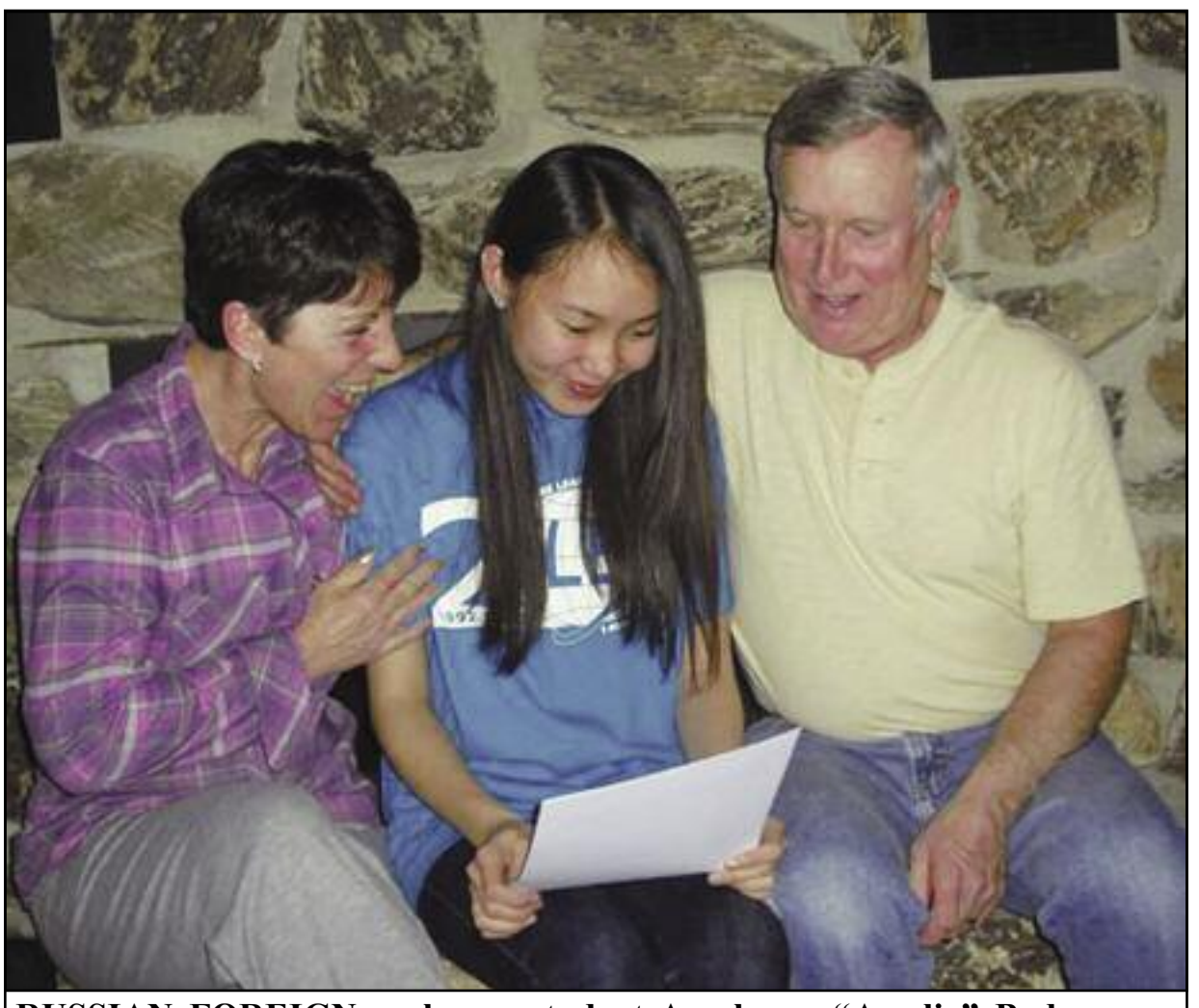

RUSSIAN FOREIGN exchange student Amulanga "Amelia" Badmayeva shares the news of her Civic Education Workshop Scholarship with her host parents, Ruth and Rich Fluegge, Cass City. Badmayeva is scheduled to leave March 17 to attend the weeklong event in Washington, D.C.

Motivated!

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

What do you get when you cross a dedicated teacher with a motivated student?

For Amulanga "Amelia" Badmayeva, a Russian exchange student spending a year in Cass City, the answer is a weeklong scholarship to a Civic Education Workshop in Washington, D.C.

With the assistance and encouragement of veteran Cass City High School teacher Jane Reif, Badmayeva was named among the winners of 100 available scholarships for the American Councils-sponsored workshop, according to Gail Smith, Cass City, who serves as an area representative for ASSE International (originally founded as the American Scandinavian Student Exchange program).

Smith noted the competition was open to all Future Leaders Exchange Program (FLEX), Youth Exchange and Study Program (YES) and American Serbia and Montenegro Leadership Exchange (A-SMYLE) participants currently enjoying an academic year in American high schools — roughly 1,200 youth in all.

"Amelia is from Elista, Russia, and is part of the ASSE International's FLEX program," Smith said. "Even to become part of the FLEX program, which sponsored her academic year in America, was an honor. There were over 250 applicants for the slot that Amelia eventually won."

Badmayeva joined the Rich and Ruth Fluegge family in early September and quickly settled into the routine at Cass City High School.

Eager to improve her English skills, she signed up for Reif's Preparatory English class.

"Many times (Amelia) went beyond the requirements of the class, demonstrating her persistence to achieve excellence by completing expansion activities to ensure her success," Reif recalled. "Rating (her) on academic ability alone is difficult — her desire to understand

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'67 Citizen of the Year "paved the way" to Cass City

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Editor's note: The following is the third installment in a series of stories the Chronicle will be running this month in honor of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce's annual Citizen of the Year Award.

The program will mark its 50th year next month, when the community again gathers for the annual chamber banquet, highlighted by the presentation of the top citizen honor along with recognition of the community's Junior Citizen(s) of the Year. The 2013 banquet is slated for Saturday, Feb. 2, at Northwood Meadows in Cass City.

You may have never heard the name E.B. "Chick" Schwaderer, but if you've been to Hills and Dales General Hospital or Rawson Memorial District Library — or appreciated driving on a well-constructed Michigan roadway, you've seen the sort of quality work the late Cass City native was known for in the community and beyond.

E.B. "Chick" Schwaderer

The Cass City Chamber of Commerce's 1967 Citizen of the Year, Schwaderer's contributions to the Cass City community were varied.

He was first and foremost known as an outstanding road builder and the man responsible for getting the first paved highway in the Thumb. A major road contractor by trade, he founded E.B. Schwaderer Construction Co., which built roads throughout Michigan, turning them from dirt roads into paved concrete highways. His firm constructed portions of M-81, including the stretch from Cass City to Caro, as well as portions of M-53, M-46 and M-24 in the upper Thumb.

Schwaderer installed most of Cass City's early storm and sanitary sewers during his tenure as village president, from 1937 through 1941.

It was Schwaderer who decided Cass City needed a swimming pool, so he set out to start work on what would be the first municipal swimming pool outside of Saginaw in eastern Michigan at the time. The 1913 Cass City High School graduate not only donated equipment and labor for construction of the pool, but also for ball fields, skating rinks in the winter, and a track.

ON THE JOB

He volunteered his time to oversee construction of Hills and Dales General Hospital — in fact, he was on the job every day for 18 months (1959-60). He also donated his expertise in overseeing construction of the Cass City library in 1970 and of its addition 7 years later.

A past president of the Michigan Road Builders Association, Schwaderer served on the Tuscola County Road Commission and was chairman during

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Cass City man jailed for taking host's SUV

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Huron County Sheriff's deputies say alcohol and impatience landed a Cass City resident in jail last week after the man allegedly drove away with his host's vehicle without asking.

The incident was reported shortly after 1 a.m. last Wednesday, according to Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson, who said one of his officers, Deputy David Navock, was dispatched to 112 James St. in Pigeon to investigate a reported stolen vehicle.

"While en route, Michigan State Police Sgt. Maria Eichler came across power tools in the roadway near Michigan Avenue and James Street, along with skid marks and a fence that had been driven through in the parking lot of a nearby Pap's Pizza," Hanson said. "Deputy Navock arrived shortly thereafter and learned from homeowner Samantha Simes that one of her home guests had taken her 1998 Ford Explorer without her permission.

"Apparently, 21-year-old Christopher M. Garrett of Cass City decided he needed to go home and his ride wasn't ready to go," the Sheriff said. "Garrett, who was alleged to be intoxicated, claimed he was on probation in Tuscola County and was supposed to be home by 11 p.m. After an argument with his girlfriend, he waved and left, unknown to the homeowner that he would be taking her vehicle."

Simes and others at the residence heard the vehicle start up and saw it leave, according to reports, which note the vehicle had power tools stored in the back, and the vehicle had a faulty rear latch.

"She was told about the tools in the roadway and her husband, James, went to the scene and was able to identify them," Hanson said. "Garrett ended up calling Simes while she was still talking to Deputy Navock and claimed he didn't know where he was at. He agreed to call 911 in an effort for dispatch to locate where his cell phone was calling from. This took Deputy Navock and Sgt. Brandon Kadar to the M-25 and M-142 area of Fairhaven Township. Once there, they began following footprints, which led them to a ditch where Garrett was found hiding."

Garrett told the officers he had been riding in the passenger seat of the Ford Explorer with an unknown driver. "He also claimed he jumped out of the vehicle because he didn't know who was driving," Hanson said.

Deputies, who took Garrett into custody and lodged him in the Huron County Jail, located the Simes' Ford Explorer in a marsh area west of where they arrested Garrett.

The Huron County Prosecutor's Office subsequently authorized a felony charge of unlawfully driving away an automobile against Garrett, along with misdemeanor charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, second offense, and driving while his license was suspended or revoked.

Bond was set at $5,000 and the defendant remained lodged in jail.

Deford man, child injured

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A Deford motorist and his 5-year-old passenger suffered injuries when the vehicle they were riding in struck a truck parked in a Lamotte Township roadway in Sanilac County Saturday night.

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the scene, the intersection of Germania and Mushroom roads, at about 7 p.m.

Investigators reported that a 2002 GMC Envoy driven by George Kile, Deford, struck a 2001 Ford pickup truck and trailer that was parked in the roadway. The truck and trailer, owned by Jean Smith of Snover, had broken down and were left roadside while arrangements were being made to remove them, deputies noted.

The collision caused the Envoy to overturn, resulting in injuries to both Kile and his 5-year-old passenger. Both occupants were transported to Marlette Regional Hospital, and the child, whose name was not released, was later flown to Covenant Hospital in Saginaw for treatment of his injuries.

Deputies issued citations to both drivers.

Marlette EMS personnel and Lamotte Township fire fighters assisted at the scene.

THE WINNER of the annual Cass City Lions Club Car Raffle is Ben Varney (right), Cass City, who donated his $700 in winnings back to the local service club. Club officials say the raffle has been a great success over the past 4 years, raising nearly $20,000 for various projects in the community.

Movies slated for area seniors at the library

Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City will show the following Senior Citizen Movies Friday, Jan. 18, at 1:30 p.m.

The Great Rift - Africa's Greatest Story: Visible from space, the Great Rift runs for thousands of miles. This is the wildest, most diverse landscape in the world, spanning erupting volcanoes, forest-clad mountains, spectacular valleys, rich grasslands, vast lakes and mighty rivers. The Great Rift features new discoveries, dramatic encounters and exciting animal behavior and reveals a landscape that continues to surprise. (55 minutes).

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Refreshments will be served. This Older Adult Program is offered free of charge.

Obituary

Robert Hartwick

Robert Lee Hartwick, 83, of Cass City, formerly of Zephyrhills, Fla., died following a short illness Sunday, Jan. 6, 2013 in United Hospice of Marlette Residence Center in Marlette.

He was born May 19, 1929 in Cass City, the son of Edward and Ruth (Jackson) Hartwick.

He married Gladys Patricia May Nov. 30, 1989 in Pasco County, Fla.

Robert was a journeyman plumber with Local 370 Plumbers and Pipefitters Union of Flint. He worked many assignments with local 370 including many years with Daveny Plumbing and Heating, Flint. Over the years, Robert enjoyed hunting, especially pheasant hunting, fishing and riding motorcycles. After his retirement, Robert enjoyed rebuilding bicycles. He enjoyed trips to garage sales and auctions to acquire old bicycles and bicycles for parts and then taking them home to rebuild.

Robert is survived by his wife, Gladys; children: Robert Lee (Nancy) Hartwick of Columbiaville, and Sharon (James) Ribble of Metamora; step-children: Thomas (Maria) May of Livonia; grandchildren: Ryan, Adam (Stephanie), Nathan (Abby), Brooke, and Hunter; great grandchildren: Emerson and Rylee; a brother, Charles and Kathleen Hartwick of Cass City; sisters-in-law: Wilma Hartwick and Carole Hartwick; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son, Randall Hartwick; a step-daughter, Pamela May; brothers and sisters-in-law: Arlan (Lucy) Hartwick, Paul Hartwick, Laurence (Gloria) Hartwick, Gerald Hartwick, Leland Hartwick, and Leslie Hartwick; and sisters and brothers-in-law: Erma (Stanley) Mellendorf, Elaine (Jay) Crane.

Memorial services were held Saturday, Jan. 12, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. David Hill of Cass City First Baptist Church officiating.

Interment was in the Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Memorials may be made to United Hospice of Marlette.

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

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

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In Our OPINION...

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Walk a mile in trustees' shoes

When tensions are high — even when they're not — it can be easy to criticize the folks who serve on a local board of education.

We suspect, however, that there would be more pats on the back and fewer critical remarks if more members of the community took a mental mile-long stroll in the shoes of a school board trustee.

It can be a thankless job.

Board of education trustees are charged with stewardship of multimillion dollar budgets as well as overseeing teaching and administrative staffs and thousands of children, from the youngest tots just starting their education to high school seniors itching to collect their diplomas and conquer the world.

School board members must understand the ins and outs of school funding, including the impacts of unfunded mandates, new state regulations and shrinking enrollments. They are challenged to keep up with curriculums and standardized test scores, weigh financial and other considerations when making policy decisions, ensure buildings are safe and functional, and serve as the final step in resolving discipline issues.

Trustees not only volunteer thousands of hours attending various meetings and extracurricular functions, many also devote additional time to completing training in an effort to become even more effective board members.

Trustees receive very little compensation for their efforts, yet they often find themselves in the line of fire when it comes to making unpopular but necessary decisions for the good of all.

January is set aside each year as a time for special recognition of school boards, and we'd like to personally thank each trustee, present and past, who has served in the Cass City School District as well as those in our neighboring districts, including Owen-Gage, Kingston and Ubly.

We'd also like to encourage all area residents to make a point of offering a word of praise and support to these volunteers, who give of their time, talent and experience.

Board members come from all walks of life — they're parents, grandparents, neighbors, retirees, bankers, mechanics, attorneys, etc. — but they all share at least one goal: providing our children with a quality education in a safe, healthy environment.

That's a job worthy of both our respect and gratitude year-round.

Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

Wait for it… wait for it…

"Please take a number. Your call will be answered in the order it was received."

It isn't as bad as a root canal or having the hot water run cold just as you are putting the conditioner into your hair, but it's no hot fudge sundae. Waiting. In line. On the phone. At the superstore. In school. Anywhere. No fun.

Unfortunately, the whole waiting experience is inevitable. It starts in preschool and is never-ending thereafter. Lines are a part of life – and not just the ones creeping in around our eyes and forehead.

I often find myself face to face with the gauntlet of the checkout line. Because I am a (self-dubbed) super shopper, I've devised certain strategies to decrease waiting time. For instance, I give a visual once-over of the filled carts ahead of mine, mentally calculating the scan time involved with each customer. I'll take a cart filled with large packages of toilet paper and gallons of milk over one filled with tiny toiletries any day. When desperate, I've even sneaked through the express lane when my cart contained more than the allotted 20 items. I'm not merely a super shopper; I'm a daredevil.

I've got line savvy. I know how to avoid the wait, which is why I love going to national theme parks where waiting is a way of life.

Wait a minute. Did that make sense to anyone but me?

Cutting to the front of the line is frowned upon in normal society. If some daredevil super shopper were to try such a suicidal tactic at the grocery store, they'd run the risk of getting punched in the kidney by a guy with a 30-pound bag of dog food in his cart.

When you visit a mega theme park in Florida, however, feel free to throw the rules of normal society right out the castle window. You are, after all, visiting lands inhabited by thousands of princesses, a wizard named Harry and one very rich mouse. It is a magical place where cutting in line is not only encouraged, it is endorsed with a golden ticket of sorts. It is a line-beater's dream.

For our purposes, let's call this special pass the speedy-quick ticket (my own term; I don't want to be perceived as endorsing either the rodent or wizarding wizard).

A mechanized scan of your regular park ticket processes a speedy-quick ticket, which allows you to return to a popular ride at a set time and go right to the front of the line – as long as you are willing to ignore the cold, bitter stares from hundreds of tired and impatient tourists who've been standing in the regular line for 93 long minutes, and counting.

The quick ticket operates under specific parameters. You can only use it on one attraction at a time, creating an inherent strategy with the waiting game. You want to get the most bang from your quick ticket buck, so which ride you access – and when – are key. Smart use of the speedy ticket involves assessment of ride desirability multiplied by current ride wait time. You might want to bring your calculator.

To complicate matters, some attractions are not eligible for speedy-quick ticket status. One of these is the restroom, so if you think you're going to need to ride the biffy, you better do so before entering the 70-minute line for the outer space anti-gravity coaster that beams you to the stars.

While a speedy-quick ticket decreases wait time for one ride at a time, it cannot eliminate waiting completely. The kingdom is magical, not perfect.

Waiting is part of the theme park package – right up there with meeting and greeting characters and the proverbial princess breakfast. For their part, the parks are honest about wait times; each ride has a placard announcing the current length in minutes. Even kids under age 4 learn quickly that 90 minutes is a lot longer than an hour, and whining will most likely get them a turkey leg to chew on. Parental manipulation and math skills – two unexpected perks of waiting in the Dumbo line.

The parks also do their best to make our wait less boring. They create long queues filled with interesting facts and information pertaining to each ride's storyline – sort of like a beefed-up movie trailer. Some of the pre-game fluff is just as interesting as the ride itself, so in a psychological sense you aren't really waiting when you are waiting if it doesn't feel like you are waiting, correct?

Waiting. For the end of this column. You're nearly there. Unless you had a speedy-quick ticket – in which case you were done five minutes ago. Hope you enjoyed the ride.

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Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

The cost to snail mail goes up on January 27. Reportedly, the hike is needed to keep the electric sliding doors operating at the post office in Pigeon. Okay, so I exaggerated for effect, but sliding glass doors in the metro area of Pigeon is a perfect example of wasteful government spending.

My daughter Kacey was part of the Cass City 6th grade ski trip to Apple Mountain last week. Arranged by the 6th grade teaching staff, a day of skiing is offered for mere pennies on the dollar. That's unless you break something, which unfortunately 2 of Kacey's classmate did. And by something, I'm talking about bones – one collar bone and one broken arm.

Editor Tom Montgomery told me Tyler Perry has been a big help behind the scenes on his well received series of past Citizen of the Year winners in Cass City. I told Tom that Julie Kolacz and Amy Stone are my behind the scène helpers for supplying some of this week's action sports photos.

Letters to the Editor

Board members deserve praise

January is School Board Recognition Month, and the Cass City Public Schools is joining 552 local and 56 intermediate school districts across the state to recognize these community volunteers for their untiring dedication to public education.

Serving on a school board has been described as the 'toughest volunteer job in America.' Yet Michigan's public school board members dedicate countless personal hours to attending meetings, school functions, and hours of preparation for the decisions they make. On top of that, many pursue their own professional development to stay on top of the ever-changing education landscape. Collectively, school board members in Michigan have spent about 7,000 hours attending training and professional development. They're dedicated individuals who are committed to the continuing success of our schools and students.

It's an exciting and challenging time in public education. School board members in Cass City Public Schools develop policies and make tough decisions that help shape the future of our education system. They bear responsibility and oversight for an annual budget of approximately $9 million, 1,082 students, 130 employees and four buildings.

We proudly join educators and community members in saluting these education advocates as they provide vision and leadership for student achievement, academic programs, district funding and school facilities. They preserve the core of our democracy—public education.

The Cass City Board of Education will be honored at the Jan. 28 board meeting. Please feel free to come join us in honoring each of their contributions or say "Thanks" if you see one of them around town.

The men and women serving in the Cass City Public Schools and their years of service are President Craig Bellew (6 years), Vice President Alice Zaleski (3 years),

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Wednesday, January 16

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, January 17

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

Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121 or Amanda at (810) 648-4497.

Friday, January 18

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

Fish & Chicken Dinner, 4-7 p.m., Knights of Columbus Hall, Cass City. Adults $8; children $4; under 10 FREE.

Saturday, January 19

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.

Monday, January 21

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.

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.

Tuesday, January 22

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

Deputies seeking public's help

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Sanilac County Sheriff's Department investigators are asking the public's help in locating a trailer stolen in the county last month.

Undersheriff Brad Roff said deputies were dispatched to Blue Bird Enterprises, 3950 West Burns Line Rd., in late December regarding the stolen trailer, which is believed to have been taken between Dec. 21 and Dec. 26, according to the complainant, Andrew Lewis.

"The stolen trailer is described as a 20-foot 3-axle Central Trailer with a black steel frame and wood deck," Roff said. "The trailer has 2-inch sides and a 4-foot drop off the back. The non-expiring Michigan Registration on the trailer is A604504."

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of the trailer is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 1-800SPEAKUP, the Sanilac County Sheriff's Department Detective Bureau at (810) 648-8361, or Deputy Kevin Nowiski at (810) 648-8639.

A $1,000 reward is being offered for information that leads to an arrest and/or return of the trailer.

Letters to the Editor

School board members deserve praise

Continued from page three.

Treasurer Dave Osentoski (4 years), Secretary Sloane Stimpfel (4 years), Trustee Dan Manwell (2 years), Trustee Jeff Loomis (newly elected) and Trustee Janie Meeker (newly elected).

Recognition is also extended to board members who served on the board this past year at one time or another: Past Treasurer Jim Veneziano and past Trustees Kathy Leslie and Chad Kreeger. We appreciate your service to our students and community as a whole.

Sincerely,
Jeff Hartel
superintendent
Cass City Schools

Hospital and MMR friendly and efficient

Recently my husband suffered a serious heart attack and was taken to Hills and Dales Hospital, where he was treated and transferred to Covenant in Saginaw. The staff at Hills and Dales was very efficient and did everything that needed to be done to prevent further damage. They were friendly and efficient and kept the family informed at all times. He was transferred to Saginaw by MMR who also performed their jobs in a very efficient manner.

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We appreciate Hills and Dales, MMR and the local community for being here and encourage everyone to support the local businesses.

Sincerely,

Janet and Arthur Severance
Evergreen Township

Toss elected bums out of Washington

Senator Reed presented his relief bill for $61 billion for the Sandy Relief victims to Congress. At that time, John Boehner should have taken the $40 billion of pork out of it and left the $21 billion for the Sandy Relief victim in it and sent it back to the Senate. If they didn't approve it, the Senate would be to blame.

If the Senate did approve the bill it would've been sent to the President to sign and he would have the decision to make. If he decided not to support it, that would be on his back.

But John Boehner was too senseless to do that. He did nothing and threw out the whole bill and left the Sandy victims hanging.

This happened because Boehner and Reed can't stand one other. If the American people think that those 2 can solve the problems in America, you've got to be kidding yourself. We're going to have to bring our troops back to America so they can protect us from the people we elected.

They spend $123 billion of taxpayers' money in 2012 creating new laws. We need laws, but how many laws can they impose on the American people before we start crossing this line to no return and going into a dictatorship? Russia and China at least call themselves for what they are. This is why we have term limits because if we didn't, we would get ourselves into one big mess.

I would like to know the name of the firm that they hire to balance their personal checkbooks. We can all see they are not capable of doing it on their own. Perhaps they should take a class on how to balance one.

I hate to use this kind of language, but I call them for what they are; we've got some elected officials that are bullheaded, stupid idiots in office who we expect will do what is right for this country.

If the majority of the American people only knew what is going on right now, they wouldn't wait to vote elected officials out; they would go to Washington, D.C. and physically throw those bums out. They're going to bring this country down to a third world country.

Robert Peruski
Ubly

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Reporter's notebook

AARP has finally caught up with me

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Well, the AARP folks finally caught up with me over the weekend.

I glanced at the envelope and was ready to pass it off to my wife with my usual evil grin, since AARP (American Association for Retired People) has been sending her offers for discount coupons, life insurance, prescription deals, etc., for a few years. That's understandable, given her age.

Sure, she always tells me to toss these notices in the trash. But, hey, there could be something important in there. You can never be too careful when you reach that stage in life, you know?

Anyway, it took a few seconds to realize this thing had my name on the envelope — not Deb's — and suddenly the mail wasn't nearly as amusing as it was a few moments earlier. Of course, you wouldn't know that with the laughter filling the room after I accidentally handed it to her.

Yup, that figures. Just when I had convinced myself that I'm nowhere near retirement age.

Hey, I'm the first to admit I'm getting a bit long in the tooth. Our growing family (3 daughters, one son and 7 grandchildren with another on the way) is a daily reminder that a few years have past since my bride and I were newlyweds. But, I'm still shy of my 51st birthday, I have most of my hair (well, the hair I was born with), and the gray in my beard, while making great strides in recent years, hasn't taken over.

And, as much as I'd like to sit back and write on my own schedule, retirement still seems like a distant destination in my own personal circle of life.

Actually, I'm not all that offended by AARP looking out for me once I decide to close the books on my own career to pursue some other interests. The way I look at it, retirement is a new beginning, and the folks who are successful at it seem to find more than enough to keep them busy.

I think we can all agree that retirement certainly is preferable to the alternative once you've clocked out of the office for the last time.

My only real hesitation is applying for Social Security. With my luck — and at the rate that those yahoos in Washington, D.C., are going — my application will probably end up back in my mailbox a few weeks (months?) later, unopened.

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Yup, that figures.

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Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas

5 YEARS AGO (2008)

The tree care industry is ranked among the most dangerous professions in the United States, close behind logging and commercial fishing, but a Cass City area company is a shining example that attention to safety is no accident. Kappen Tree Service, LLC, was recently honored with the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) Consultation Education and Training (CET) Division Gold Award for its outstanding safety and health record. In fact, the firm has gone 16 years without a lost time accident. MIOSHA Deputy Director Martha Yoder presented the award to Crystal, Warren and Jason Kappen. "Our employees are the true recipients of this award and we are extremely proud of them. As managers, we strive to create a strong safety culture. However, it is our employees who must work safe every day," said Crystal Kappen. "We are honored…to accept this award that belongs to all of our dedicated employees."

Riding a wave of 3-point shots, the Owen-Gage Bulldogs posted a 64-55 decision over the Akron-Fairgrove Vikings last week, Tuesday. The Bulldogs burned the nets for 10 3-pointers that obviously were the difference in the game. The Bulldogs showed a diversified attack with 4 players in double figures – Brandon Dubs, 17; Justin Trupe, 16; Devin Prich, 14, and Nick Zaleski, 10.

Enrollment at the new Campbell Day Care Center may not be what Cass City School officials had hoped for when they opened the doors for the first time early last week, but they say all the elements are in place for growth and success as word about the program gets out.

10 YEARS AGO (2003)

Dr. James Thomas recently purchased the building he has shared with Dr. Paul Chappel for nearly 7 years. Both dentists plan to continue serving patients at the Cass City practice.

The Cass City volleyball team cruised to the title of its own 8-team invitational Saturday, collecting a slice of Red Hawk history along the way. With the championship, Coach Beth Howard's spikers became the first Hawk volleyball team to win a trophy – of any sort – at a weekend tourney.

The Mayville Wildcats came within an eyelash of breaking into the win column last Tuesday for the first time this season after 9 straight losses. Heavily favored Cass City prevailed at the end, 37-34, but it was anybody's ball game right down to the wire. The ability to cash in at the charity line pushed Cass City to the win. Nick Swanson and Jake Brinkman each converted 2 for 2. The Wildcats missed all four tries from the free throw line and that proved to be the difference in the game. Brinkman with 13 points, including 6 of Cass City's 8 points in the fourth quarter, and Chris Maharg with 11 points led the Hawks. Justin Draves led Mayville with 12.

25 YEARS AGO (1988)

A 37-year career in education, all but 5 years of it in the Cass City School system comes to an end next week for Robert "Bob" Stickle, Cass City Intermediate School principal. Stickle, and his wife, Barbara, have 3 children and 6 grandchildren. His retirement plans are indefinite. His wife still teaches in Cass City so travel is not on the immediate agenda. However, Stickle said, he has a real estate license and may do some of this work in his retirement.

The Cass City Chamber of Commerce is ending its first year since its revitalization and, highlighted by the successful "Storytime" Christmas display, has been successful in promoting the community, judging by the reaction of area residents to the new programs. Almost 13,000 cars drove by the display and Lambert Althaver, Cass City, a member of the board, said that plans are already underway to enlarge the display for next year. Althaver estimated that over 1,000 man hours were donated to the Christmas display project and 25 persons worked on the display figures. In addition there were many others who assisted in erecting the display. Over $2,000 was spent on the display and authorities were extremely pleased that there was not one incident of vandalism during the weeks the display was outdoors.

Four area residents are among 233 Saginaw Valley State University students named to the school's President's list of the fall 1987 semester. Among those on the list are Cass City residents Scott A. Mellendorf and Barbara A. Watson, Alisa J. Pennington of Kingston and Emilie M. Roggenbuck of Snover.

50 YEARS AGO (1963)

Harry Little returned from Florida with a healthy tan and a big smile because he was the first left-handed golfer ever to score a hole-in-one at a par three golf course in the Sunshine state. Little is anxiously awaiting the arrival of a certificate that will be proof to his doubting friends that he actually did achieve the once-in-a-lifetime shot. Besides the certificate commemorating the event, Little received a golf cap and was the subject of an article in a Florida newspaper.

Edison is celebrating its 60th birthday this week, but its service in Cass City area is much younger. According to statistics revealed by the company, the village did not come under the Edison service area until 1935 when Michigan Electric Power Company was merged with Edison.

After five games in the City Cage league, three teams are tied for the top with single defeats and it's anybody's guess who will replace Tuckey's, last year's champions, on the throne. Mac & Leo helped to tighten the race in the games played during the week by handing General Cable its first loss, 48-88. In other action, Fuelgas topped winless Walbro, 55-35, and Snover measured Kingston 50-23.

100 YEARS AGO (1913)

A number of Cass City's young people enjoyed a sleigh ride party to Caro Monday evening. Everyone had a good time and declared that the walk of several miles on the way as great fun. Thanks to a few hustlers in the bunch, they arrived in town in time to go to work Tuesday morning. The company consisted of Norris Winslow, Edward Skinner, Alex Miller, Audley Kinnaird, Robert Skinner and R. Jenen and Misses Audrey Pell, Lura DeWitt, Nellie Truman, Stella Doerr, Catherine Hall and Buelah Whitney.

Prosecuting Attorney H.H. Smith has appointed as his assistant in office, J.D. Brooker of this city.

About thirty-five of the friends of Martin Anthes gave him a pleasant surprise Tuesday evening. That day was Mr. Anthes' birthday and his friends reminded him of it by dropping in on him and presenting him with a handsome rocker. The evening was spent in playing games and refreshments were served.

Cass City Area Church Directory

Anchor Cove Outreach Church
201 E. Sanilac Rd.
Caro, MI 48723
989-672-2262
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 6:00 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 Koepfgen 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.,
P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726
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
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6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726
989-872-3155
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Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday-
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
AWANA Clubs 6:45 p.m. During School Year
Thursday Teen Club 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Pastor: David G. Hill
Website: www.fbccc.us

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

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

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726
872-2770
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www.goodshepherdlutherancasscity.webs.com

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Christian Fellowship Church
Corner of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726
872-5186
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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Pastor: F. Robert Tucker

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872-3336
Summer
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Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Winter
Saturday Liturgy 4:00 p.m. EDT
Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Pastoral Administrator:
Sr. Maria Dina Puddu MC

Mizpah Missionary Church
4631 N. Van Dyke, Cass City, MI 48726
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Group 7-8 p.m.
Wednesday Kids' Club 7-8 p.m.
Pastor Dale Bullock 989-325-0736

Living Word Worship Center Church of God
6536 Houghton Street, Cass City, MI 48726
989-872-4637
Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.
Family Training Hour: Wednesday 7 p.m.
(including youth and children's services)
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Website: www.lwwccog.net

Visitors always welcomed... Please join us today!

1967 Citizen of the Year "paved way" to Cass City

Continued from page one.

part of his tenure, which began in 1949 and continued through 1954. He was a past president of the Cass City Rotary Club, a member of the Detroit and Saginaw clubs, served on the Tuscola County Selective Services Board from 1943 through 1954, and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Cass City.

Schwaderer, nicknamed "Chick" because he contracted chicken pox as a child, built not only roads, but also runways, according to his daughter, Nancy Golinvaux, Cass City. "Most of the runways were built during World War II," she said, adding her father joined with 2 other contractors and worked around the clock to build the landing strip at the Willow Run bomber plant near Detroit, later to become the old Detroit Metro Airport.

Schwaderer's E.B. Construction also built air strips, roads and concrete bunkers at military installations in Michigan, Illinois and Ohio during World War II, including the landing strips at Kincheloe Air Force Base in the Upper Peninsula and Gross Isle Naval Air Station.

Golinvaux recalled her father was a quiet man "until you got to know him. He was very involved in engineering of all kinds."

He also had a sense of adventure, according to his daughter, who said Schwaderer was in his third year of studying to be a mining engineer at what is now Michigan Technological University when he met some recruiters from British South Africa and took a job as a gold mining engineer overseas for 2 or 3 years.

"Then World War I broke out (and) he joined the British Army," noted Golinvaux, who said her father contracted malaria and returned home to recover, then joined the U.S. Army. "He was actually in the trenches in France when the armistice was signed, so that was a pretty big deal for him."

Schwaderer married his bride, Isabelle MacIntyre, on Armistice Day 1925 (now Veterans' Day, originally celebrated every Nov. 11 to commemorate the armistice signed between the Allies of World War I and Germany at Compiegne, France, for the cessation of hostilities on the Western Front of World War I). The couple had 2 children; aside from Golinvaux, they had a son, Tom, a retired orthopedic surgeon who resides in Grand Rapids.

Schwaderer died on Veterans' Day, Nov. 11, 1982, at the age of 88.

The process established to select Cass City's Citizen of the Year has largely remained unchanged over the years.

Each year a committee composed of the previous 5 years' Citizens of the Year, along with a permanent representative appointed by the chamber board of directors, selects the recipient or recipients of the Citizen of the Year Award after considering nominations offered by the community as well as the board members themselves.

The criteria used in the selection process includes the following:

*The importance of a body of work over many years rather than a single year's accomplishments.

*The need to recognize contributions within the scope of the individual's profession, but above and beyond the call of duty.

*The recognition that an individual might be a member of a number of organizations but not a strong contributor to any of them, versus another who might have concentrated his or her efforts in one particular discipline and accomplished great things.

*The desire of the community to acknowledge, from time to time, "unsung heroes" — those individuals who may provide services for the elderly or the infirmed, such as taking them shopping or on other errands, supporting them, visiting with them — but who rarely are involved with organizations, titles and the so-called "power structure".

SCHWADERER, pictured above in his U.S. Army ID card, was fighting in the trenches in France when the armistice was signed, marking the end of World War I and the defeat of Germany by the Allies.

THE CASS CITY Chamber of Commerce's 1967 Citizen of the Year, E.B. "Chick" Schwaderer, was a master road builder whose firm, Schwaderer Construction Co., constructed M-81 from Cass City to Caro. The photo above was taken in the 1930s, looking west toward Cass City from a point just west of M-53.

THIS PHOTO WAS taken during construction of M-81 just east of Cass City across from the Elkland Township Cemetery.

PAVING M-81 proved to be a muddy challenge for Schwaderer's road crew on some days.

D. Kranz qualifies for recertification

Debra L. Kranz, owner and operator of Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City, was recently qualified for recertification of the designation of Certified Funeral Service Practitioner (CFSP) by the Academy of Professional Funeral Service Practice.

Kranz is a lifetime member of the academy.

A number of professions grant special recognition to members upon completion of specified academic and professional programs, and CFSP is the national funeral service industry's individual recognition.

"A select few have distinguished themselves among their peers within the funeral service profession as they continue their education to exceed the highest standards of care," said Kimberly A. Gehlert, executive director of the Westerville, Ohio-based Academy of Professional Funeral Service Practice, Inc. "This achievement is especially notable because Debra has voluntarily elected to participate in quality educational and service opportunities that far surpass what the funeral service licensing board in Michigan requires. Debra has committed to a program of lifelong learning to serve (her community) with the level of excellence expected of a CFSP."

Since its 1976 founding, the academy has had 3 goals: to recognize those practitioners who have voluntarily entered into a program of personal and professional growth; to raise and improve the standards of funeral service; and to encourage practitioners to make continuing education a lifelong process in their own self-interest, the interest of the families they serve, and the communities in which they serve.

To initially receive the academy's recognition, a practitioner must complete a 180-hour program of continuing education activities and events. In addition, he or she is required to accumulate 20 hours per year to recertify. The academy awards credits for work leading to personal and/or professional growth in 4 areas: academic activities, professional activities, career review, and community and civic activities.

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Village of Cass City, Michigan Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2012

In 1996, Congress amended the Safe Drinking Water Act. This legislation added a provision requiring all community water systems deliver to their customers a brief Annual Water Quality Report.

The Village of Cass City is pleased to provide you with this year's Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. We want to keep you informed about the water quality and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is, and always has been, to provide a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. The Village of Cass City obtains its water from three different municipal wells. All three wells are located in the Village Park, at the east end of town. Wells No. 1 and No. 2, located just east of the tennis courts, were installed in 1946. They are 290 feet and 240 feet deep respectively. Well No. 3 is located on the west side of the volleyball courts. Well No. 3 was installed in 1998 and extends to a depth of 311 feet. All three municipal wells are drilled into the bedrock of the Michigan Formation. The Village now has the capacity to pump 1,656,000 gallons of water per day.

On January 23, 2006 the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) lowered the MCL(Maximum Contaminant Level) for arsenic from 50 ppb to 10ppb. The Village of Cass City did not meet the new Arsenic standard. An arsenic removal plant was constructed by the village to meet the new standard. On April 18, 2007 the Village started supplying water that exceeds the new standard of 10ppb. The arsenic was reduced from a high of 29ppb to under 5ppb.

The State of Michigan has produced a Source Water Assessment for each of the Village's wells. This Assessment reports the susceptibility of our water supply sources to contamination. The susceptibility score is broken down into 7 categories. Very Low, Low, Moderately Low, Moderate, Moderately High, High, or Very High. The score, given by the State, for all three of the Village wells, is Moderately High. The susceptibility rating is based primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry and contaminant sources. The complete Source Water Assessment is available by contacting the Village office.

This report shows our water quality and what it means to you, our customers.

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) "Safe Drinking Water Hotline: at 1-800-426-4791.

The Village of Cass City routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The Village has conducted tests for over 150 different contaminants, on each municipal well and throughout the system. The following table shows the results of our monitoring, for the period January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2012.

If you have any questions concerning this report, or about your water, or your water utility please contact Gary Barnes, Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. thru 3:30 p.m., 989-872-2911. The Village also has regularly scheduled Village Council Meetings the last Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 6506 Main Street, Cass City Michigan. The public is welcome at all meetings of the Village Council.

VILLAGE OF CASS CITY MICHIGAN DRINKING WATER TEST ANALYSIS

Contaminants Not Regulated by The State of Michigan

Unregulated Contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. Monitoring helps EPA to determine where these contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. Potential health concerns are not listed for these contaminants.

Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Level Detected In Distribution System	MCL	Likely Source of Contaminant
Sodium	1-30-2012	25 ppm	No MCL	Erosion of natural deposits
Sulfate	1-30-2012	62 ppm	No MCL	Erosion of natural deposits
Bromodichloromethane	4-16-2012	.6ppb	80ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chlorodibromomethane	4-16-2012	.5 ppb	80ppb	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chloroform	4-16-2012	.5ppb	80ppb	By product of drinking water chlorination

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man-made.

These substances can be:

Microbial Contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
Pesticides and herbicides, may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and residential uses.
Radioactive contaminants, are naturally occurring, or can be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public systems. The FDA regulates contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

MCL's (Maximum Contaminant Levels) are set at very stringent standards. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime, to have a "one-in-a-million chance" of experiencing the described health effect.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at: (1-800-426-4791).

Please call the Village Office if you have any questions or would like to see the reports for all of the tests the Village has conducted. The contact person for this information is Gary Barnes, telephone: (989) 872-2911.

TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED IN TABLES BELOW

Non-Detects - (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.
Parts Per Million - (ppm) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in $10,000.
Parts Per Billion - (ppb) - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in $10,000,000.
Maximum Contaminant Level - (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water . MCL are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
Maximum Residual disinfectant Level - (MRDL) is the highest level of free chlorine allowed in the distribution system.
Action Level - (AL) is the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Picocuries per liter - (pCi/l) picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

The State of Michigan allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. All of the data is representative of our water quality, but some are more than one year old. The tables below represent the most current testing information available.

Contaminants Regulated by The State of Michigan

CHLORINE RESIDUALS
From the Distribution System

Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Highest Level Detected in our Water in 2012	Lowest Level Detected in our Water	Highest running Annual average	Likely Source of Contamination
Free Chlorine Residuals	3 samples taken each month throughout the system in 2012	.76 ppm	.03ppm	.38	Water additive used to control microbes

BYPRODUCTS FROM CHLORINE DISINFECTANTS
Detected in the Distribution System

Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Level Detected in our Water	Range detected in our water Only one sample taken there is no range of samples	Violation Yes/No	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Trihalomethanes	4-16-2012	2ppb	2 ppb	No	80 ppb	No MCLG	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Total Haloacetic Acids	7-18-2011	ND	ND	No	60 ppb	No MCLG	By-product of drinking water chlorination

LEAD AND COPPER
Detected in the Distribution System

Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Number of sites Tested	90th Percentile	Number of sites over Action Level	Violation Yes/No	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Lead	8-14-2012 and 8-15-2012	10	1	0	No	15 ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing
Copper	8-14-2012 and 8-15-2012	10	250	0	No	1300 ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing

RADIOLOGICAL CONTAMINANTS
Samples taken from all 3 Village Wells

Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Highest Level Detected in our Water	Range detected in our water	Violation Yes/No	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination
Gross Alpha	1-16-2002	1.2 pCi/L	.8 pCi/L to 1.2 pCi/L.	No	15 pCi/L	0	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium 226	1-16-2002	.4 pCi/l	.3 pCi/L to .4 pCi/L.	No	5 pCi/L	0	Erosion of natural deposits

INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS
Samples were taken from water treatment plant tap

Contaminant	Date of Most Recent Testing	Highest Level Detected in our Water	Range detected in our water	Violation Yes/No	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	4-16-12	.14 ppm	Only 1 sample taken. There is no range of detection	No	2 ppm	2ppm	Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	1-30-2012	.56 ppm	Only 1 sample taken. There is no range of detection	No	4 ppm	4 ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth

ARSENIC
Samples taken quarterly from arsenic treatment plant tap in 2012

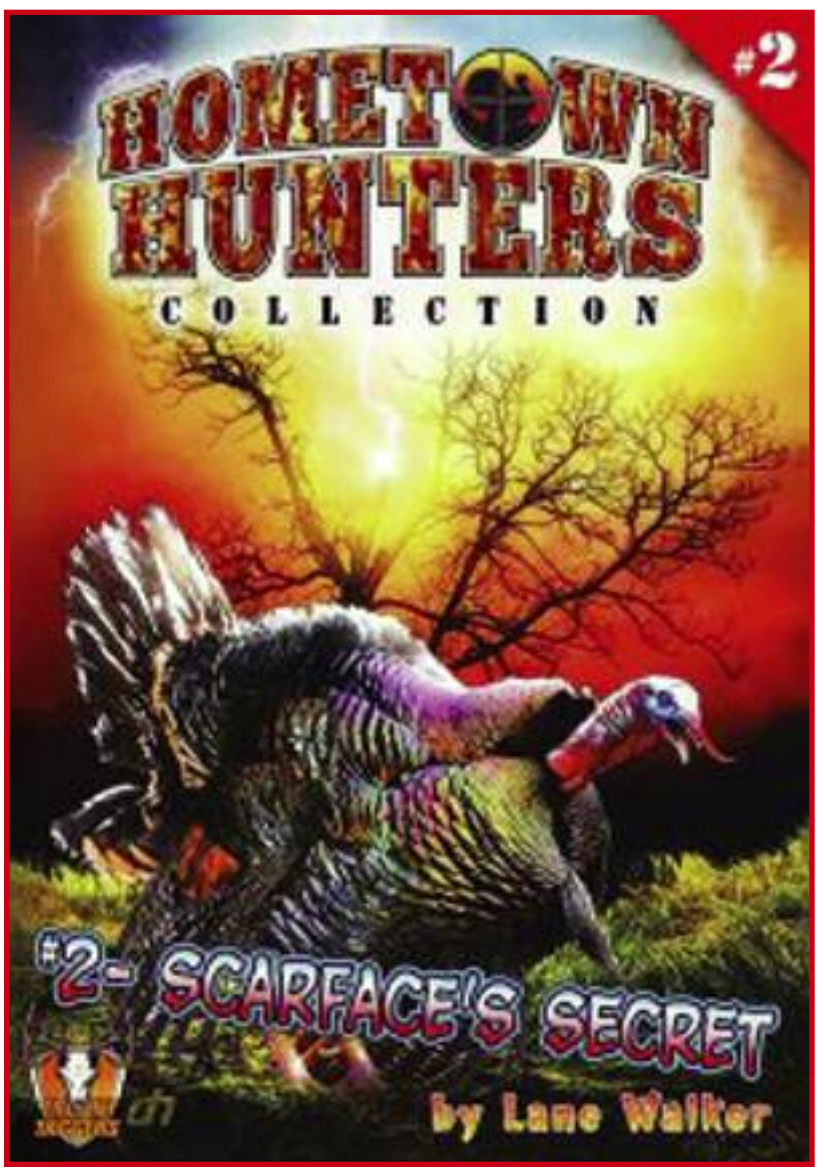
Contaminant	Highest Level Detected in our Water in 2012	Range detected in our water	Violation Yes/No	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	5 ppb	3 ppb To 5 ppb	No	10ppb	0	Erosion of natural deposits

POTENTIAL HEALTH CONCERNS FOR CONTAMINANTS LISTED IN TABLES ABOVE

Arsenic - Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL, over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Barium - Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL, over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.
Chlorine - Some people who use water containing chlorine well in excess of the MRDL could experience irritating effects to their eyes and nose. Some people who drink water containing chlorine well in excess of the MRDL could experience stomach discomfort.
Copper - Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor.
Fluoride - Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL, over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Children may get mottled teeth.
Lead – If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Village of Cass City is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods , and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater /lead.
Total Trihalomethanes - Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Radiological Contaminants

Gross Alpha - Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Radium 226/228 - Some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.



THUMB AUTHOR Lane Walker, Kingston, is gearing up to release the second book in his Hometown Hunters series. The new book is entitled "Scarface's Secret".

Walker gearing up to release second book in collection

by Ryan Walker
Freelance Writer

Local author and Kingston Elementary principal Lane Walker released his first book "The Legend of the Ghost Buck" at the end of May 2012. The first book in the Hometown Hunters collection was initially available at 3 area stores. It was also sold at Jay's Sporting Goods.

As the months after the book's release passed, so did the options for purchasing the hunting-themed work of fiction. Amazon and Barnes and Noble, both the store and online location, added the book to their inventory.

"Since there are no other outdoor-themed chapter books, it has been encouraging to see the national response. My first book has been sold all over the country, from California to Texas to Virginia. We've sold books in approximately 20 different states," Walker said.

Walker's second book in the Hometown Hunters collection is scheduled for release Friday, Feb. 1. Walker began "Scarface's Secret" shortly after the release of his first book.

"With the overwhelming success of 'The Legend of the Ghost Buck', we were able to move right into 'Scarface's Secret', Walker said, adding the latest book is about twins Kent and Kyle who live in Nebraska and are chasing an old tom turkey they have nicknamed Scarface. Along the way, they uncover a secret about a treasure that is located in their hometown.

The search for the treasure leads the duo on an unforgettable adventure. They find an ancient map that places their family property in the middle of a frenzied treasure hunt. There are others who would like to get their hands on whatever is hidden in the Nebraska countryside.

Walker said that even though the book is geared to an upper elementary reading level, people of all ages will enjoy "Scarface's Secret".

A big change for Walker since the first book was released was the addition of working with Trophy Taggers, an online outdoor equipment store, based in Traverse City. President and owner Rob Garrow, Jr. enjoyed the book and wanted to be a part of the Hometown Hunters collection.

"Trophy Taggers have offset some of the publishing costs, making the process to release book #2 quicker," Walker said.

The books have opened another avenue for Walker in the form of author visits to schools, churches and outdoor organizations. "I've really enjoyed meeting and interacting with kids from all across the state. It makes my day when they tell me they loved the book and that I am their favorite author; it is flattering." he said.

Walker's books will be available at Wild John's, Gambles, The Red Zone, Jay's Sporting Goods and Barnes and Noble. Walker has upcoming book signings scheduled for shortly after the release at The Red Zone and Barnes and Noble. Both books can be purchased online at Amazon, Barnes and Noble and www.hometown-hunters.com.

For more information about book signings as well as occasional drawings and giveaways, follow "The Legend of the Ghost Buck" and "Scarface's Secret" on Facebook at Hometown-Hunters. Also be on the lookout next fall for the next book "Bear-ly Alive" which takes place in the wilderness of Alaska.

Promise chief to speak in town

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buy a home or where to locate a business.

*Anonymity — The donors behind the Kalamazoo Promise have opted to remain anonymous. This has required the surrounding community to take the initiative to ensure that all students can take advantage of their scholarship funding.

Community support has included everything from increased number of volunteers in the schools to new tutoring and mentoring programs offered by area churches, from the creation of private-sector-led internship programs to community-wide organizing efforts such as the Kalamazoo Learning Network.

Institute officials say one of the most important impacts of the "promise" has been to reverse the school district's decades-long slide in enrollment.

Between 2005 and 2010, enrollment in the Kalamazoo Public Schools grew by 20 percent, bringing new financial resources into the district and leading to the construction of 2 new schools — the first schools to be opened in the city in almost 40 years.

Institute officials say the promise has also intensified efforts by the district to create a strong college-going culture that reaches every student in the K-12 system. School officials have seen a dramatic increase in the number of students (including minority and economically disadvantaged students) who are taking advanced placement courses.

"Beyond its impact on human capital and the educational system, the Kalamazoo Promise is envisioned as a catalyst for economic growth and development," states an institute report adapted and updated in 2011 by Michelle Miller-Adams, entitled "A Simple Gift? The Impact of the Kalamazoo Promise on Economic Revitalization". "By creating incentives for current residents to remain in the district and for new residents (especially those with children) to move in, the scholarship program is expected eventually to bring about a tightening in the slack housing market and higher property values.

"The promise also makes the community more attractive for businesses seeking to invest, expand or relocate — not only will their employees' children have access to free college tuition, but the businesses themselves will be able to tap an increasingly well-trained workforce."

Exchange student wins scholarship

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enhances her academic ability. This is very rare."

That "rare" quality helped Badmayeva compose a 700-word essay on an aspect of American culture that she felt she needed to learn more about, and why that issue was important to her.

Choosing a topic wasn't difficult, as Badmayeva is intrigued by American politics.

"I was really surprised about how passionate people are about elections," she said. "Everybody talks about it everywhere — in my host family, at school, at the grocery store. I can even hear people talking about it on the streets.

"Neighbors, colleagues, classmates and even family members can have different beliefs," she added. "There are so many people around me and each of them is ready to stand for their opinion without giving up on it. I think that is one of the qualities of Americans as people and citizens of their country — to be true to themselves no matter what. The main thing I have learned here: how people of different nationalities, religions, even traditions can be united in one big 'melting pot'."

Badmayeva leaves for Washington, D.C., March 17.

Her success in making the most out of a year studying and soaking up culture in the United States is a story Smith has seen time and time again since she first began hosting exchange students back in 2006.

"I have opened my home and life in Cass City to 7 incoming students, mostly boys and mostly students from the former Soviet Union — I have a weak spot for them," Smith commented. "Last year, my student was Muslim, which was a new and quite positive experience for me."

A year after she became a host "parent", Smith began serving as an area representative for ASSE. Later, she spent a year working as the Eastern Michigan coordinator for ASSE before returning to her role as an area representative for the organization.

"I do not actively recruit homes in the Cass City area for students, as we have a very capable and active area representative (for) ASSE locally — Deanna Loomis," Smith explained. "Once a candidate has a home, is settled in and the necessary and initial orientations are done, if we can recruit...another area rep who is geographically closer to the student, I turn the placement over to them."

Smith, who placed 7 exchange students from Germany, Russia, Denmark, Mexico, Aremenia and Tajikistan for the 2012-13 academic year, also serves as a "rescue home" in situations where an exchange student and host family arrangement don't work out.

"Hosting for me is the giving back for all I have been gifted; intelligence, health, lifestyle, family and friends," Smith said. "I have learned more from 'my kids' than I could ever hope to teach them. But the fun of sharing Michigan, and to a larger degree, our American way of life, is a pleasure beyond comprehension.

"You know how it is said that you never appreciate anything until you no longer have it? Well, I truly believe you cannot appreciate the 'American way of life' until you have shared it with a foreign exchange student."

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SHANIA CHAMBERS splits a pair of Bay City All Saints defenders Friday in GTW play. Chambers tallied 20 points in the Red Hawks' 37-31 victory.

Chambers clutch in win

In a fight between a pair of evenly matched teams, Shania Chambers proved to be the difference in Bay City.

The Cass City junior guard recorded a season-high 20 points Friday, leading the visitors to a 37-31 victory in Greater Thumb West play. Chambers tossed in 8 field goals, including a second half trey, and made 3-of-4 attempts at the foul line during a performance admired by Coach Clarke Haire.

"That girl has plenty of game and plenty of smarts," said Haire. "Shania has been shooting the ball well for about a month now. Even so, when she got a steal and break away at the end of the game, she didn't take it. She knew running time off the clock was more important."

The Red Hawks took a 9-4 early cushion, only to see the Cougars close to within a point at the half thanks to a strong showing from Jackie Christensen who tallied 9 of her team-high 11 points before the break.

Cass City expanded its 20-19 half time advantage into an 31-28 gap entering the final 8 minutes. Kara Reif hit for a pair of key baskets to help keep the Red Hawks in front.

"I thought Kara put together a strong final half. She's not the biggest player out there, but she has the biggest heart. I'd take a team full of girls just like Kara Reif and take my chances," said Haire.

After Chambers and Lizzie Gillard exchanged baskets to start the final period, both schools went to the foul line in the closing minutes. The Cougars made just one of 7 tosses while Cass City made good on 4-of-8 attempts in the deciding frame.

"When Shania was fouled and sent to the line in the closing minutes, I felt pretty good about our chances. She gave us a 6-point spread with 2 shots that hit nothing but net."

Reif finished with 5 points for the winners, while Erica Kolacz chipped in 4 points and Elisabeth Milligan had 3 points and a game-high 11 rebounds.

Danielle Lutz had 11 points for the Cougars and Gillard had 8.

BAD AXE

Earlier last week, the Red Hawks gave host Bad Axe all they could handle before surrendering 45-31 in a game much closer than the final margin suggests.

The Hatchets enjoyed leads of 8-4 and 19-12 at the end of each quarter in the opening half. However, Cass City had put Bad Axe star Rachel Breault into early foul trouble thanks to an outstanding effort from Red Hawk senior Kolacz.

"Erica had her best game of the season. If she can continue to improve, we'll be a much better team. She gave us a threat in the post," said Haire.

But trailing 31-25, the Red Hawks' chances of upset sustained a major blow when senior forward Gracy Hollis went to the floor agonizing in pain.

"Gracy hurt the same ankle she injured at the start of the season. She's so important to our team. I hope she can return for this week's game against USA and Brown City. Without her on the court we struggle."

With Hollis on the bench, the Hatchets closed out the game on a 14-6 run.

Kolacz posted game scoring honors with 13 points, while Chambers added 9.

Stephanie Butch's 12 points topped Bad Axe.

CASS CITY – Chambers 3-1 (0-2) 9; Reif 0-0 (0-1) 0; Martin 1-0 (0-0) 2; Kolacz 3-0 (7-14) 13; Venema 2-0 (0-0) 4; Hollis 1-0 (1-2) 3.
TOTALS – 10-1 (8-19) 31.

BAD AXE – Kociba 2-0 (5-8) 9; Shemka 1-0 (2-2) 4; MacAlpine 0-0 (1-2) 1; Butch 4-0 (4-9) 12; Messing 0-0 (2-4) 2; Holz 3-0 (0-1) 6; Breault 3-0 (0-0) 6; Wiley 2-0 (1-4) 5.
TOTALS – 15-0 (15-30) 45.

CASS CITY – Chambers 7-1 (3-4) 20; Reif 2-0 (1-3) 5; Kolacz 2-0 (0-4) 4; Boland 1-0 (0-0) 2; Venema 1-0 (1-2) 3; Milligan 1-0 (1-2) 3.
TOTALS – 14-1 (6-15) 37.

BCAS – Gillard 2-1 (1-2) 8; Lutz 3-1 (2-3) 11; M. Christensen 0-0 (1-3) 1; J. Christensen 4-1 (0-6) 11; Jasman 0-0 (0-2) 0.
TOTALS – 9-3 (4-16) 31.

Red Hawks rally over BCAS

Cass City rallied from 15 points down Thursday to hand host Bay City All Saints a heartfelt 61-57 defeat while improving their Greater Thumb West record to 2-0 and 5-2 overall.

The Red Hawks will now put their perfect GTW mark on the line tonight (Wednesday) when rival USA invades Cass City for an early showdown between league leaders. It's doubtful they'll survive another poor start against the Patriots if they hope to be successful.

Cass City came out flat in Bay City and allowed the Cougars to grab an early 18-7 advantage before settling for a 36-22 difference at the break.

Full court pressure, resulting in 20 turnovers, bothered the visitors on the night, as did foul troubles which resulted in a 23-10 scoring advantage at the stripe for the hosts.

Although Cass City was able to narrow the gap to 43-37 entering the final 8 minutes, the Red Hawk charge saw Jacob Perry saddled with his third foul with 7:35 showing on the clock. Cass City was then whistled for a pair of fouls in the last 70 seconds of the period that sent Cole Israelson and Cody Ross to the sidelines with 4 fouls each.

Still, Cass City started the final period on a 11-5 run and after a pair of baskets from Curtis Dickinson and 2 treys from Collin Hartwick both teams were knotted at 48-all.

But with 3:27 left in regulation Perry was disqualified on fouls.

Insert Jake Hacker.

The Red Hawk junior reserve made an immediate impact on the game's outcome without scoring. He did, however, grab 4 rebounds, including a pair of offensive rebounds that helped put the visitors over the top.

Cass City closed to within one at 55-54 on a Cody Orban triple that was the direct result of the hustle of Hacker.

Hacker ran down a pair of long rebounds in the key Cass City possession that ended with his kick out pass to Orban on the wings, who put the Red Hawks within a point with his only trey of the game.

Bay City, to their credit, refused to go away quietly, and 2 free throws by Justin Bates helped keep the hosts on top with less than a minute remaining.

But with 41 ticks left, Hartwick took aim from long distance and nailed his fourth trey of the night, giving the eventual winners a lead they would not relinquish.

Israelson paced Cass City with a double-double that included 18 points and 11 blocks. Hartwick added 13 points and 3 assists, while Orban tossed in a dozen points and a steal.

Cougars Noah Petersen and Josh Dorion had 19 and 18 points, respectively.

BAD AXE

Earlier in the week, Cass City earned a lopsided 64-42 victory over Bad Axe.

The Red Hawks led 15-6 after one quarter and 32-22 after two. The visitors outscored the Hatchets 32-20 to pull away after the intermission.

Orban tallied a game-high 24 points, 16 in the first half, in addition to dishing out 8 assists. Israelson joined him in double figures with 17.

Bad Axe had Ben Braden with a team best 12 markers.

CASS CITY – Orban 3-4 (6-6) 24; Hartwick 0-3 (0-0) 9; Schenk 0-1 (0-0) 3; Perry 1-0 (2-2) 4; Ross 1-0 (0-0) 2; Dickinson 0-1 (2-2) 5; Israelson 8-0 (1-2) 17.
TOTALS – 13-9 (11-12) 64.

BAD AXE – Heintz 1-1 (0-0) 5; Turmell 0-3 (0-0) 9; Braden 4-0 (4-5) 12; Knarian 1-2 (0-0) 8; Labor 2-0 (0-0) 4; Krug 2-0 (0-1) 4.
TOTALS – 10-6 (4-6) 42.

CASS CITY – Orban 3-1 (3-6) 12; Hartwick 0-4 (1-2) 13; Perry 2-0 (2-2) 6; Dickinson 5-0 (0-0) 10; Kuntz 1-0 (0-0) 2; Israelson 7-0 (4-6) 18.
TOTALS – 18-5 (10-16) 61.

BCAS – Peterson 6-1 (4-4) 19; Donajkowski 0-0 (3-6) 3; Bates 1-1 (0-0) 5; Feinauer 1-0 (4-5) 6; Dorion 4-0 (10-13) 18; Skorczewski 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hunter 0-0 (1-3) 1; Newsham 1-0 (1-2) 3.
TOTALS – 14-2 (23-33) 57.

CASS CITY center Cole Israelson blocked 11 shots during Thursday's come-from-behind win in Bay City. The senior big man recorded a double-double in the Red Hawk victory.

Wrestlers shine following disappointing home opener

Following a disappointing showing Wednesday night in the Cass City wrestling team's home opener, the Red Hawk grapplers rebounded over the weekend at the Imlay City Team Tournament to the delight of veteran Coach Don Markel.

"Cass City had its best showing of the year thus far in capturing the 4th place trophy in the 10-team Imlay City Team Tournament," said Markel.

Cass City recorded a 3-1 mark Saturday in pool play action, defeating Capac's "B" team 48-33, Royal Oak 52-24, and Oxford's "B" team 39-36.

The Red Hawks suffered defeat to Imlay City 42-36 to place second in their pool. However, in the placement round Cass City lost to Almont 39-36.

The final team standings were: Clawson, Imlay City, Almont, Cass City, Royal Oak, Brown City, Oxford "B", Mt Clemens Lutheran North, Capac "B" and Otisville-Lakeville.

Cass City wrestlers who posted undefeated records for the day included Garret Ferguson at 4-0, Justin Ferguson at 5-0, Bobby Beyette 5-0, and Austin Baker 5-0.

"The team shows steady improvement. One area of weakness, however, is that we are not putting away our opponents when we have them on their backs. Several of our opponents were able to get off their backs and defeat their Cass City opponents. We shall focus on sealing up our pinning combinations this week in practice," said Markel.

In league play last week, Cass City fell to 1-3 in the Greater Thumb Conference Wednesday when they were beaten by guest Bad Axe, 48-27, and Marlette, 39-36.

Double winners for the hosts on the night included Garret Ferguson, Justin Ferguson and Austin Baker.

Cass City, who faces Sandusky tonight (Wednesday) in their season's home finale, holds a dual meet record of 10-18.

BULLDOG Ben Good moves along the baseline Thursday's in Summit League play against Akron-Fairgrove. The host Viking recorded a 69-59 victory.

Hawk gymnasts kick off season

The Cass City Red Hawk gymnastic team kicked off their season over the weekend at the Frazer Invitational. There, veteran Coach Kathy Bouverette said her Lady Red Hawks put on a better than expected showing.

"I wanted to break 100 points and we did," said Bouverette. "With only 3 returning letter winners, we didn't want to finish last, and we didn't."

In fact, the Red Hawks just missed finishing in 7th place - tallying 104.7 points – to place just behind Troy with 104.850. The top 3 team scores on the day went to Plymouth (138.075), Birmingham (136.100), and Gross Point (134.225).

As expected, Bouverette's returning letter winners Katie Hacker and Dakota Wilson paced Cass City. Hacker earned the Red Hawks' lone podium finish Saturday with a regional qualifying score of 8.350 for her floor routine and added another regional standard mark in the vault with a score of 8.4. She also earned scores of 6.1 on the bars and 5.85 on the beam.

Wilson also recorded regional qualifying marks in the vault and floor with scores of 8.150 and 7.950, respectively. Returning letter winner Kendra Kerkau registered a score of 7.7 in the vault and 5.15 on the bars.

"Allie Inbody, Victoria Mathewson, Becca Mulrath, Sophia Romain and Miranda Spry all did very well for being their first meet," said Bouverette.

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Varsity Basketball

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	Tom Montgomery	Tina Pallas	Geoff Morgan	Doug Hyatt
GIRLS' BASKETBALL				
Monday, Jan. 14, 2013				
John Glenn at BCAS	John Glenn	John Glenn	John Glenn	John Glenn
Caseville at Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
Peck at Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2013				
USA at Cass City	USA	USA	USA	USA
Vassar at Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
Bad Axe at EPBP	EPBP	EPBP	EPBP	EPBP
Caro at Bridgeport	Caro	Caro	Caro	Bridgeport
Harbor Beach at Ubly	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach
Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013				
Brown City at Cass City	Brown City	Brown City	Brown City	Brown City
Bad Axe at BCAS	BCAS	Bad Axe	BCAS	Bad Axe
EPBP at Vassar	EPBP	EPBP	Vassar	EPBP
USA at Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
Memphis at Ubly	Ubly	Ubly	Memphis	Memphis
Kingston at North Huron	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
BOYS' BASKETBALL				
Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2013				
Caro at Bridgeport	Bridgeport	Bridgeport	Bridgeport	Bridgeport
Owen-Gage at Caseville	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
Kingston at Peck	Peck	Peck	Kingston	Kingston
Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2013				
Cass City at USA	Cass City	USA	USA	Cass City
Vassar at Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
Bad Axe at EPBP	EPBP	EPBP	EPBP	EPBP
Harbor Beach at Ubly	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach
Friday, Jan. 18, 2013				
Cass City at Brown City	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City	Brown City
Bad Axe at BCAS	BCAS	BCAS	BCAS	Bad Axe
EPBP at Vassar	EPBP	EPBP	Vassar	Vassar
USA at Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
Caro at Garber	Caro	Caro	Garber	Garber
Memphis at Ubly	Ubly	Ubly	Ubly	Ubly
Merritt Academy at Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Merritt Academy	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
Kingston at Mayville	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
Last Week's Results	**23-6**	**23-6**	**16-13**	**25-4**
Season's Results	**60-33 (65%)**	**69-24 (74%)**	**58-35 (62%)**	**65-28 (70%)**

Balanced attack sparks Lady Cardinals

If opponents can shut down Crystal Shafor, it's not a problem for the Kingston girls' basketball team. Put a defensive strangle hold on Jenna Boyle and Cardinal Coach Jim Green can turn to Bailey Barden for production on the offensive end of the court.

Add in a solid defense and it's no surprise the Cardinals stand alone on top of the North Central Thumb League Stars division with a perfect 6-0 conference record.

The Cardinals upped their overall mark to 9-1 Friday with an easy 60-22 non-conference decision over visiting Mayville, which followed Tuesday's 47-33 home victory against Deckerville in a battle between conference leaders.

"Our defensive intensity and effort were high this week as we picked up 2 big home wins. We currently have 6 girls averaging at least 8 points per game, that balance has been a key to our success," said Green.

Against the Wildcats, Barden registered 14 points, while Boyl had 13 points, Shafor 11 points and 8 rebounds, Taylor Chorba 11 points, Elissa Chambers 8 points and 9 rebounds and Cassidy MacGuire had 7 assists and 5 steals.

Against the Eagles, Shafor netted a career-high 24 points, while Boyl chipped in 7 points, 6 rebounds, 7 assists and 5 steals during a solid all around showing.

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Kingston boys fall short to Carsonville-Port Sanilac

Kingston recovered from a sluggish start Monday, but couldn't survive a similar finish, spoiling their North Central Thumb League contest with guest Carsonville-Port Sanilac.

The Tigers ended the affair on a 10-4 run to claim a 38-36 victory. With the win, CPS improves to 4-0 in the NCTL Stars Division, while Kingston slips to 2-2 in league play and 3-4 overall.

The Tigers held an 8-4 edge entering the second quarter in last Monday's affair as they held the hosts to field goals by Newt DeLong and Eric Hartsell in the early going.

Justin Ruggles heated up for Kingston in the game's 2 middle quarters, tossing in 4 field goals that had his team in front 32-28 entering the final 8 minutes of regulation.

Kingston used the long ball to reduce the Tiger cushion at the break as a pair of treys from Ruggles and one from Alex Lemos had the Cardinals within one at 22-21.

Dan Racket took over the scoring chores for the winners down the stretch and proved worthy of the test with 3 hoops from the floor that sealed the outcome.

Ruggles had 10 points and 4 rebounds to pace Kingston, while DeLong chipped in 8 markers and 6 rebounds.

Rickett had 13 points to record game scoring honors to lead Carsonville-Port Sanilac and Matt Falls added 11 points and 5 rebounds.

Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

Who else, but Shania Chambers, could be this week's choice for Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner? The junior guard went off for a season best 20 points Friday, leading the Lady Red Hawks to a 37-31 victory over host Bay City All Saints. Chambers shot 6 for 11 from the floor in the opening half to help keep Cass City in control and then removed all doubt from the game's outcome with a pair or pretty tosses at the foul stripe in the closing seconds. In addition, Cambers, who is a team co-captain with Jocelynn Venema, held BCAS high scorer Danielle Lutz scoreless for the final 8 minutes. She grabbed 5 defensive rebound and stole 2 passes in a solid all-around display.

Shania Chambers

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All games at 6 p.m.

12/4	Cass City 50, Sanduksy 37
12/7	**Cass City 52, Capac 37**
12/11	**Harbor Beach 59, Cass City 50**
12/20	Ubly (JV) **CANCELLED**
12/21	**Ubly (Varsity) CANCELLED**
12/28	Cass City 39, Caro 31
1/3	Marlette 57, Cass City 38
1/8	Cass City 64, Bad Axe 42
1/10	Cass City 61, BCAS 57
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 60, Cass City 19
12/12	Reese 68, Cass City 20
12/14	**Vassar 52, Cass City 20**
12/19	Imlay City **CANCELLED**
12/20	Ubly (JV) **CANCELLED**
12/21	**Ubly (Varsity) CANCELLED**
12/28	Caro 46, Cass City 21
1/4	Marlette 49, Cass City 21
1/9	Bad Axe 45, Cass City 31
1/11	Cass City 37, BCAS 31
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

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SR. HIGH

Wrestling
Jan. 16 ~ Sandusky ~ 6 p.m.
Girls' Basketball
Jan. 15 ~ USA ~ 6 p.m.
Jan. 17 ~ Brown City ~ 6 p.m.
Gymnastics
Jan. 22 ~ Freeland ~ 6 p.m.
Boys' Basketball
Jan. 30 ~ Reese ~ 6 p.m.

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Junior High Boys' Basketball
Jan. 16 ~ Vassar ~ 5:30 p.m.
Feb. 11 ~ Marlette ~ 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 CANCELLED**

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 Tourn. 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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Dated: December 26, 2012

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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 front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on JANUARY 31, 2013.

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

Parcel 1:Part of the North half of the South half of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing at the East quarter corner of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 1678.03 feet along the East section line to the point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 36 seconds West, 280.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 32.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 36 seconds East, 280.00 feet to the East Section line; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 32.00 feet along the East Section line to the point of beginning. Subject to the right of way for Sheridan Road over the Easterly side thereof.

Parcel 2:Part of the South half of the South half of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, being further described as: Commencing at the East quarter corner of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 1589.48 feet, along the East Section line, to the point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 36 seconds West, 492.00 feet, thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 88.55 feet; thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 36 seconds East, 492.00 feet, along the North line of the South half of the South half of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter to the East Section line; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 88.55 feet, along said Section line to the point of beginning. Subject to the right of way for Sheridan Road over the Easterly side thereof.

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

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: January 2, 2013

Orlans Associates, PC.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 12-511826

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IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1400.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Nicole Hutchinson, an unmarried woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 29, 2012 and recorded March 1, 2012 in Liber 1242, Page 196, and , Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, NA by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight and 10/100 Dollars ($50,338.10) including interest at 4% 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 AM on JANUARY 31, 2013.

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

Property located in the State of Michigan, County of Tuscola, City of Cass. Lot 1, Block 17 except the South 8 feet thereof of Seeger's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 29 of Deeds, page 145.

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: January 2, 2013

Orlans Associates, PC.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 12-511438

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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 Lori Hall, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 14, 2002, and recorded on October 25, 2002 in Liber 899 on Page 1476, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO CITIBANK N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION 2003-7H TRUST FUND as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred One Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Four and 98/100 Dollars ($101,964.98).

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 February 7, 2013.

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

Land situated in the Village of Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as:

Beginning at a point on the North and South quarter line, which is North 72.0 feet from the intersection of the North and South quarter line and the South line of the North half of the South half of the Northeast quarter of Section 16, Town 10 North, Range 8 East; thence South 89 degrees 38 minutes East, 259.38 feet; thence North 0 degrees 23 minutes East, 160 feet; thence South 89 degrees 25 minutes West, 260.53 feet to said North and South quarter line; thence South 155.90 feet along the quarter line to the point of beginning, EXCEPT the South 75 feet thereof.

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

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

Dated: January 9, 2013

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #419495F01

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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 Choncy M. Brace and Amanda J. Brace, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 11, 2005 and recorded on February 18, 2005 in Liber 1028 on Page 492, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. 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 Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Five and 08/100 Dollars ($104,125.08).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 7, 2013.

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

Commencing 310 Feet South of the Northeast Corner of the South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 32, Township 11 North, Range 9 East, Running thence West 16 Rods; Thence South 10 Rods, Thence East 16 Rods; Thence North 10 Rods to the Place of beginning.

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

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: January 9, 2013

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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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 Lisa Jo. Smith, a married woman and Daniel V. Smith Jr., her husband, original mortgagor(s), to Union Federal Bank of Indianapolis, Mortgagee, dated September 24, 2004, and recorded on October 8, 2004 in Liber 1011 on Page 869, 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-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Eight and 06/100 Dollars ($44,878.06).

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 vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 14, 2013.

Said premises are situated in Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 1/2 of Lot 23, Section 14, Town 11 North, Range 10 East of Shay Lake Heights Subdivision No. 1 Filed in Plat Liber 2, Page 35-36.

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: January 16, 2013
For more information, please call:
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File #393567F03

1-16-4

IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1400.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven T. Repkie, a single man, to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated May 8, 2006 and recorded May 17, 2006 in Liber 1081, Page 932, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-AMC1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Nine and 93/100 Dollars ($77,569.93) including interest at 8.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue 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 02/14/2013. Said premises are located in the Township of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Land situated in the Township of Fairgrove, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as:
Part of the Southwest quarter of Section 2, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the West line of said Southwest quarter which is South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along said West line, 40.00 feet from the West quarter corner of said Section 2, thence continuing South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along said West line 200.00 feet, thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, perpendicular to said West line, 290.00 feet, thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East parallel with said West line, 200.00 feet, thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, perpendicular to said West line, 290.00 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.

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: January 16, 2013
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File No. 356.4640

1-16-4

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this 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: Bradley Wescoat, A Married Man and Victoria Wescoat, his wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB its successors and assigns , Mortgagee, dated August 14, 2003 and recorded August 25, 2003 in Liber 950 Page 736 Tuscola County Records, Michigan Said mortgage was assigned to: Flagstar Bank, FSB, by assignment dated December 18, 2012 and recorded December 28, 2012 in Liber 1268, Page 641, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Five Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Fifteen Cents ($94,519.15) including interest 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on February 14, 2013. Said premises are situated in Township of Arbela, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Arbela Township, Tuscola County, State of Michigan, Section 20, Township 10 North, Range 7 East, Commencing at a point 250 feet North of Southeast corner of North three - quarters of East one half of Southeast one quarter; thence North 130 feet, West 298 feet, South 130 feet, East 298 feet to point of beginning. Commonly known as 9364 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: 1/16/2013
Flagstar Bank,
FSB Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys:
Potestivo & Associates,
P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 12-74029

1-16-4

OPPORTUNITY WITH SUPPORT
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

To: Cass City Business Owners and Chamber Members,

The Cass City Chamber of Commerce Board would like to invite you to a meeting on January 16, 2013, at 6 p.m. at Hills & Dales General Hospital. The focus of the meeting will be to discuss the future direction of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce, in hopes of opening the lines of communication, to reach a common goal of keeping Cass City grow and prosper. By joining our resources and talents, we will be able to make changes and address concerns that you as businesses owners may have.

Chamber Meeting with Cass City Business Owners

Location: Hills & Dales General Hospital (Lower level Conference Room)

Time: 6pm on 16-Jan-2013 (Wednesday) – Refreshments

Topic: How can The Cass City Chamber help Local Businesses?

The Cass City Chamber of Commerce
Email: president@casscitychamber.com

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DONALD R. CLARK, UNMARRIED, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 26, 2007 and recorded on November 14, 2007 in Liber 1134 on Page 1052, and modified, recorded May 4, 2011 in Liber 1221 on Page 1001, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and Ninety-Two Cents ($39,436.92), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on February 7, 2013.

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

TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, SECTION 21, LOT 32 OF BIRCHCREST ACRES SUBDIVISION, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3 PAGE 12 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.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: James Hess, SR., A Single Man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 4, 2008 and recorded January 15, 2008 in Liber 1139 Page 389 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to Flagstar Bank, FSB, by assignment dated December 14, 2012 and recorded December 27, 2012 in Liber 1268, Page 387, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars and Thirty-Four Cents ($103,538.34) including interest 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on February 7, 2013.

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

Commencing at a stake 60 rods West of the Southeast corner of the South part of the West part of the Southwest quarter of fractional Section 7, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, thence running North 80 rods, thence West 9 rods, thence south 80 rods, thence East 9 rods to the place of beginning. Commonly known as 5912 Millington 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: 1/09/2013

Flagstar Bank, FSB
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd., Suite 100
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(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 12-73967

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey L. Stevens and Dawn M. Stevens, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Mortgagee, dated July 14, 2005 and recorded August 31, 2005 in Liber 1052, Page 494, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by GMAC Mortgage, LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Nine and 52/100 Dollars ($67,559.52) including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on FEBRUARY 7, 2013.

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

Situated in the Village of Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan: Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 6 of Pepoon's Addition to the Village of Kingston, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 38, now being Page 39A.

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

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

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Dated: January 9, 2013

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REDUCED!!

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Donald and Shirley Kruse in 1953

Richard and Pat Easton celebrate 50 years together

Richard and Pat (Profit) Easton were honored by relatives and friends Nov. 11, 2012 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple was married Nov. 10, 1962 at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City, by the late Pastor Paul Heitman.

Their attendants were maid of honor, Ruth (Karr) Grassman; bridesmaids: Doris (Cummins) Vahovick and Judy (Profit) Shreloff; flower girl, Molly (Butler) Hartel; best man, Harold Easton; groomsman, Leroy Vahovick; ring bearer, Randy Easton; and ushers: Calvin Easton and Phil Profit.

Richard and Pat Easton in 1962

Donald and Shirley Kruse now

Kruses Celebrate 60 years together

Donald and Shirley (Strauch) Kruse were married on May 2, 1953 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Linkville, Mich.

Donald and Shirley have been married 60 years.

The couple have 3 sons together Deon, Duane and Douglas.

Richard and Pat Easton now

Mark the day with a creative memento

(MS)- Many couples remember their wedding day through photographs, videos and a guest book. The book is placed near the door and guests are encouraged to sign their names and write a little message. But, for the creative couple you can express your individuality with clever ideas that borrow tradition from the guest book. Here's a few ideas, courtesy of Easiest WeddingTM.

• Ask your friends and family to sign a mat board that you will later frame along with a photograph of yourself and your new husband. As an unconventional form of remembering your guests, the signatures can be mounted in your new home.

• In Asian cultures, wedding guests sign a piece of silk with a permanent marker. This, too, makes an unforgettable decoration to hang in your home.

• Have a special wedding quilt made that can be signed on one side during the reception.

• If you or your husband-to-be are sports enthusiasts, consider having your guests sign a basketball, golf club bag, tennis skirt or shorts, or running wear. Let your imagination run wild.

• Have a special 12-month calendar made for the year of your wedding. Ask each family member and friend to sign on the date of their birthday. This not only is a memento of your wedding, but you'll remember guests' birthdays, too.

• A white linen tablecloth and matching napkins can be signed with an indelible marker. On each occasion you set your table, you'll have your wedding guests dining with you. If you're ambitious, later you can embroider over the signatures, using thread colors matching those of either your dining room or wedding bouquet.

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David and Nancy Barrios in 1969

David and Nancy Barrios now

David and Nancy married in 1969

David and Nancy (Adamczyk) Barrios will celebrate their 44th wedding anniversary Thursday, June 21.

The couple were married June 21, 1969 at St. Michael's Catholic Church, in Wilmot. They are the children of John and Mary Adamczyk and Clayton and Doris Barrios. Grandparents are Stanley and Lottie Adamczyk.

The maid of honor was Lynn Bilicki. Bridesmaids were Mary Denhoff, Karen Pearsall, Rita Koteski, Tanya Adamus, Lorraine Lewicki, Patricia Lis and Patricia Turner.

The best man was Don Barrios. Groomsmen were John Adamczyk, Ron Adamczyk, Allen Adamczyk, Don Adamczyk, Jack Nickens, Dan Dudek and Michael Mack.

The flower girl was Darlene Barrios and the ring bearer was Randall Adamczyk.

Ushers were Larry Adamczyk and Lenny Adamczyk.

The couple honeymooned in New Orleans.

They have 4 children: Kelly Ross, Michael Barrios, Kerry (Todd) Rose and Christopher Barrios. They have 6 grandchildren: Jalen and Jordyn Ross, Gabriel, Grant and Garet Rose and Rodney Barrios; 1 great-grandchild, Alexander Selph.

Home Sweet Home: Easy Relocation Tips

(MS) - Congratulations - you and your spouse are moving into your first home together as newlyweds. Whether that means a house with a white picket fence or an urban condo on a tree-lined city street, the process of moving - even with help from professional movers - can be overwhelming.

By following a few helpful moving tips, you can make the load a little lighter and lessen the chances of letting your excitement about a new home get lost within the shuffle. Following are some tips to help you get started:

• Make a list of addresses and phone numbers of utility companies, newspapers, magazines and any other publications to which you subscribe. You will need to inform them about your move. Then, familiarize yourself with the new area. Locate the nearest pharmacy and bank; check for branch stores or offices and make sure your new information is in their database.

• Get a free change-of-address kit from the post office. For extra flair when informing friends of your move, send specially designed change-of-address cards (available at card shops) or create your own and personalize them using rubber stamps or stickers.

• Make sure you have plenty of boxes on hand. First, pack the things you don't use or need right away, and move them in early. Anything you can take care of ahead of time will make the moving day easier. Remember to label the outside of the boxes so you know what is inside each one.

• Consolidate as much as you can. Wrap fragile items in towels, linen, tissue or thick layers of newspaper. Use smaller boxes for heavy items like books, and larger boxes for lighter items.

• Before you start unpacking, make the bed. Moving can take days, but this way, you're guaranteed a good night's rest, no matter where you leave off in your unpacking. And, you'll be better rested for the next day's labors.

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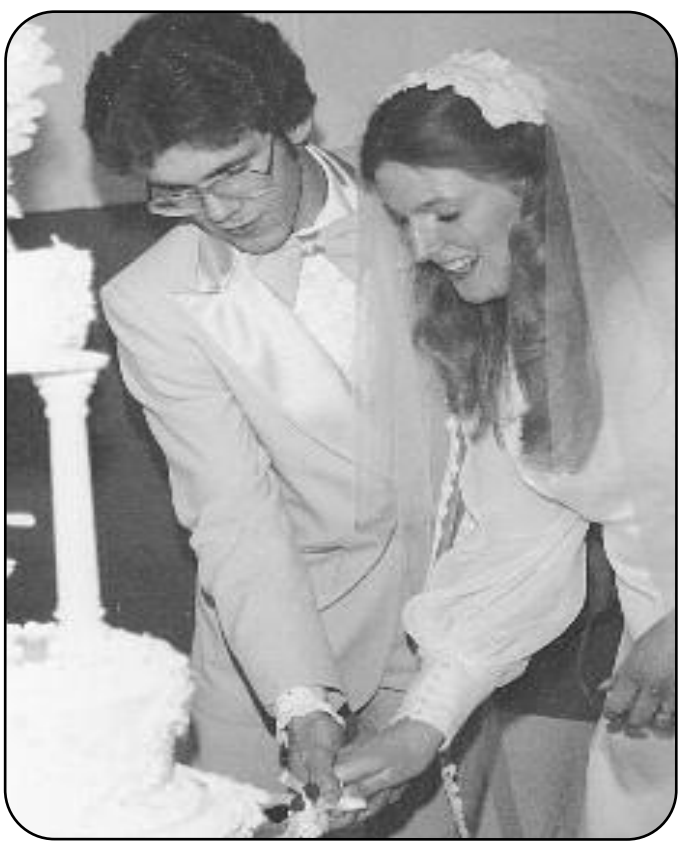

Tom and Deb Montgomery in 1982

Tom and Deb Montgomery now

Montgomerys married in 1982

Debra Hinds and Tom Montgomery were married Feb. 20, 1982 at Alton Bible Church, Lowell, Mich. They have 4 children; Jennifer, 28, Christie, 26, Lindsey, 24, and Brandon, 20. They have 7 grandchildren and another one on the way.

Deb is a registered nurse employed by DaVita Dialysis, Bay City. Tom has been employed as a reporter/editor of the Cass City Chronicle for the past 26 years.

Don't forget the groom

(MS)-Weddings are all about the bride, right? After all, "Here Comes the Bride" is played, she walks down the aisle with a special escort, while the groom hangs out to watch all of the festivities unfold. Actually, a wedding celebrates the union between two people who will be spending their lives together, therefore it is important to make the groom feel included.

Even though many of the magazines are geared toward the bride, the major wedding issues include tips for the groom as well, notably a listing of his responsibilities leading up to the big day. Here are some of those responsibilities, courtesy of YourWeddingPlan.com.

- Announce engagement to family and friends.
- Choose and pay for engagement and wedding rings with your fiance
- Draw up a guest list with your family.
- With fiance, meet the celebrant and discuss the ceremony, legal requirements and any pre-marital counseling that may be required.
- Choose your Best Man and ushers.
- Discuss honeymoon destinations - check passport validity, visas and vaccinations required.
- Choose your wardrobe and arrange for the male members of the bridal party to provide sizes.
- Pre-book accommodations for out-of-town guests and attendants
- If you're having a bridal registry, help your fiance choose your preferred styles.
- Arrange to pay for bride's bouquet, corsages and boutonnieres.
- Confirm and reconfirm honeymoon arrangements, pick-up travel documents, travellers cheques and, if travelling overseas, exchange at least $100 of foreign currency.
- Attend (and try to survive) bachelor party two weeks before the wedding.
- Consider your grooming - if a haircut is in order, try to make the appointment for at least a week before your wedding day.
- Pick up suits and arrange their return (usually via the Best Man).
- Plan and practice your speech.
- Place celebrants fee (and other on-the-day expenses) in an envelope and give to the Best Man.
- Make sure the Best Man has the rings - then make sure again!
- Be on time, and be understanding when your bride is not.

The groom should be involved in all aspects of wedding planning.

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Evans and Lillian Gibbard in 1958

Evans and Lillian Gibbard now

Gibbards to celebrate 55 years

Evans & Lillian Gibbard were married June 21, 1958 in Cass City at St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Pat & Joe Walsh were the maid of honor and best man. They have 6 children: Theresa & Keith Welby of Ubly, Dan & Chris Gibbard of Cass City, Greg & Chris Moore of Snover, Sandy and Dan Taylor of Ubly, Kim & Kevin Theil of Lake County and the deceased Tom Gibbard. 9 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. The couple are currently retired and reside in Ubly on the family farm.

Trends in honeymoon planning

(MS) - For many couples, planning a honeymoon is just as important as planning the wedding itself. Regardless of where you plan to go on your honeymoon, there are some things you should do and some new ideas of which you need to be aware in order to make it the kind of experience you want it to be.

First, you must decide on a budget. If money is not an issue for you, bon voyage! However, if you're like most couples getting married, you're already paying for more than you anticipated. Establish a budget and use it as a guide. You may also want to consider using a honeymoon bridal registry like the free one provided by TheHoneymoon.com. Honeymoon registries allow wedding guests to contribute toward specific elements of your honeymoon. Things like shore excursions, parasailing, spa services and tours all make great wedding gifts. These are becoming more popular as couples getting married nowadays often have many of the basic household necessities that comprise a traditional gift registry.

After deciding on a budget, figure out where you would like to go. If you and your spouse-to-be want the same type of honeymoon experience, no problem. However, if one of you wants adventure and the other wants to relax in the sun, you need to compromise. There are destinations that can satisfy you both; you just need to do some research. Of course, it is also important that your destination fits your budget.

Once you have a destination in mind, decide whether you want an all-inclusive package or whether you would prefer to be on your own a little more. For those with tight budgets, an all-inclusive honeymoon has the advantage of one all-inclusive package price. This includes most activities at both all-inclusive resorts and on cruises. However, there are usually things that are not included for which you will need to pay. Again, these make great gift items for your honeymoon registry. If the idea of an all-inclusive honeymoon with multiple destinations excites you, then a cruise may be the dream honeymoon for you.

If you wish to be on your own to take in more of the surrounding area and culture, then you have a lot of options at your disposal. Do you want a big hotel, or a small boutique hotel with history and character? If you like to experience the world through your taste buds, you'll want a variety of gastronomical adventures. In other words, if you don't want to be confined to a preset menu of activities and dining experiences, then you may be better off creating your own experience.

Of course, the honeymoon takes on a whole new meaning when you decide to do a "destination wedding." These are becoming very popular as more couples decide to forego the average $20,000 wedding price tag in addition to the honeymoon expense. These are especially popular with second marriages. It's easier to get married in some countries than others, so check with a reliable information source first.

Your final step is booking and paying for this trip. Many honeymoon suppliers offer specials for early booking, which may or may not include airfare. Many packages that include airfare can offer significant savings because these suppliers buy airline seats in bulk at a discount and then package hotel and sometimes car rental to give you significant value. Usually these packages need to be purchased from a travel agent or from businesses like TheHoneymoon.com, which combine travel agent services, the convenience of the Internet, honeymoon registry, personal wedding Web pages, and honeymoon information all at your fingertips - all from the convenience of your home or office.

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