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Love for a lifetime

*Former area couple, wed
83 years, parted by death*

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A former Huron County couple whose lifelong love and devotion earned them a spot in the record books have been separated by the only thing that could keep them apart — death.

Victoria “Vickie” Wrubel, 102, of Holiday, Fla., formerly from Mt. Morris and St. Helen, Mich., died Monday, April 8, at Angelica’s Place in Romeo. Wrubel and her husband, Steve, 103, were married for more than 83 years. They were believed to be the longest-married couple in the nation at the time of her death.

The Wrubels, who met at St. Mary Catholic Church in Parisville, were married Sept. 28, 1929, at St. John The Evangelist Catholic Church in Ubyly.

The Wrubels resided in Mt. Morris after Steve retired from General Motors. They later sold their home and moved to Holiday, Fla., where she was a member of St. Vincent DePaul. She was also a member of The Daughters of Isabella for 25 years.

Wrubel enjoyed dancing with her husband. The couple belonged to the Polish American Club in Holiday. She enjoyed traveling with her husband, going on multiple cruises all over the world, and playing pinochle and euchre.

Wrubel was born Dec. 15, 1910, in Huron County, the daughter of Albert and Martha (Ulfig) Puwalowski. She was preceded in death by her parents and 6 sisters; Stella Kozfkay, Blanche Rubel, Anna Gwisdella-Pasterveaki, Minnie Maurer, Gertrude Wrubel and Beatrice Chilva.

Funeral services were held Friday at Martin Funeral, Cremation & Tribute Services in Mt. Morris.

ABATE questions bike crash figures

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Officials with the American Bikers Aiming Towards Education (ABATE) Michigan are taking issue with the state’s annual traffic crash report, which noted motorcyclist fatalities were up by 18 percent, from 109 in 2011 to 129 in 2012.

The report was issued about one year after the state enacted a rider choice law that allows adult motorcyclists to choose whether or not they want to wear a helmet.

According to Vince Piacenti, statistician for ABATE Michigan, the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP) report analyzing the fatality and fatality rate increases since the helmet choice law went into effect have been “presented in an erroneous and biased manner.”

“Our primary concern about the accuracy of the data from OHSP is that 2 single points of data are being compared, when a multi-year comparison will give the clearest and most accurate depiction of motorcycle fatalities,” Piacenti said.

“The average fatality rate on motorcycles from 2005-2011 is 119.7 with a standard deviation of 8.4 — plus or minus 3 percent to make it statisti-

cally significant. This means that the normal year-to-year fatality rate can vary from 95 to 145. Anything within this range is normal variation; the fatalities would have to be above 145 or below 95 to make a statement with statistical confidence,” he explained. “Fatalities in 2012 were 129, which fall within the normal range of variation and proves conclusively that the helmet-law amendment has had no adverse effect on motorcycle safety.”

“What should concern the Michigan State Police, OSHP and the public is the fact that more than half of the fatalities involved riders not endorsed to drive a motorcycle,” Piacenti added.

“Losing a member of our motorcycle family is devastating. To know that a death could be prevented (by) motorcycle education and increased enforcement from state police is unimaginable. Our mission...at ABATE Michigan, as we approach Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month in May, is motorcycle safety. ABATE encourages the Michigan State Police to be proactive this coming riding season by focusing on car driver/motorcyclists awareness and motorcycle education,” said Vince Piacenti.

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Congress delays plan for 5-day mail delivery

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The U.S. Postal Service’s plan to eliminate mail delivery on Saturdays has been placed on the back burner due to Congressional action.

Postal officials are hopeful they will be able to eventually implement the cost-savings plan. In the meantime, they say they’ll be exploring other ways to reduce expenses and increase revenue, including additional rate hikes.

In a statement released last week, the U.S. Postal Service Board of Governors reported it had met to discuss the Continuing Resolution passed by Congress to fund government operations.

“By including restrictive language in the Continuing Resolution, Congress has prohibited implementation of a new national delivery

schedule for mail and packages, which would consist of package delivery Monday through Saturday and mail delivery Monday through Friday, and which would have taken effect the week of Aug. 5, 2013,” the statement read.

“Although disappointed...the board will follow the law and has directed the postal service to delay implementation of its new delivery schedule until legislation is passed that provides the postal service with the authority to implement a financially appropriate and responsible delivery schedule. The board believes Congress has left it with no choice but to delay this implementation at this time. The board also wants to ensure that customers of the postal service are not unduly burdened by ongoing uncertainties and are able to adjust their business plans accordingly.”

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CASS CITY BARBER Jack Generous gives longtime customer Bernie Pisarek, Gagetown, a trim Thursday morning at his Jack’s Hillside Barber Shop in Cass City. Generous has been practicing his trade for 50 years and still welcomes faithful clients at his Main Street shop each week.

A cut above Veteran Cass City barber Jack Generous marks 50 years in village

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Walking into Jack’s Hillside Barber Shop isn’t unlike slipping back in time and stepping through the door of Floyd’s Barber Shop in the fictional North Carolina town of Mayberry.

You half expect to see Emmet the fix-it man or Howard the county clerk sitting in the single chair operation, getting a trim, while Barney, Andy and Goober sit around sharing the news and gossip of the day.

But Jack’s Hillside Barber Shop in Cass City is the real McCoy. The atmosphere is relaxed and quiet on this Thursday morning with the exception of a little conversation and the gentle humming of electric sheers as owner Jack Generous finishes up with Bernie Pisarek, a Gagetown area farmer who’s been a regular customer of Jack’s for 4 decades.

The conversation focuses on yet

another cold, rainy day, the sort of weather that has kept Pisarek and his fellow producers out of their fields this spring.

For Generous, it’s just another morning of good old-fashioned hair care and visiting with a handful of faithful customers, just as he has for the past 50 years.

These days, Generous isn’t nearly as busy as he used to be, but that’s just fine by him.

“At one time I was so busy, I had all the doctors and dentists and attorneys — all the businessmen in the area, but they’re all gone, deceased, and I thought they’d be here as long as I was.”

“That’s all changed now. I come in 5 days a week, but it’s just till noon,” he said. These days, a half day is good. I might have 5 (customers) a day, sometimes a little more. Years ago, I’d come in at 7 in the morning and not leave until 7 at night. If I could (do that again), I wouldn’t.”

“I’m fortunate; I can work a little, and this kind of gives me a reason to

get up in the morning.”

A Gagetown native, Generous attended the former St. Agatha’s Catholic School up to the eighth grade. Then moved on to Cass City High School, receiving his diploma in 1959.

“I was 21 when I went to Flint Barber College, and back then, it was an old college over a bar. We worked on old winos — that was our training. We’d shave them for a dime, and if they didn’t have the dime, that was okay, too,” he recalled.

After a year of training, Generous returned to Cass City, where he completed a 2-year apprenticeship at former longtime Cass City barber Bill Johnson’s Main Street shop downtown.

“Bill Johnson — he was my uncle, and I thought it looked like quite a good job,” said Generous, who later opened his own barber shop in a building adjacent to Erla’s Food Center. He also established a lifelong practice of requiring customers to schedule appointments, something out of the norm back in the day.

Changes in hair length prompted Generous to seek out some additional training in the early 1970s. When the long hair came out over the ear, a barber wasn’t getting much business if he didn’t,” he said, adding he took a 6-month course in hair styling in Southfield, and he ended up staying there for a year, working at a 6-chair styling shop.

It wasn’t a difficult decision to come back to the Thumb, according to Generous. “I couldn’t handle the city,” he said.

It’s a decision he didn’t regret, although the business he’s embraced for a lifetime has undergone a drastic change.

“I’m glad I’m not just starting out. The beauticians have kind of taken over the trade,” he said. “This is the only one (barber shop) in town now. When I started out there were 6 shops in town, and there used to be twice as many in Caro as there were here.”

Prices have also changed, but

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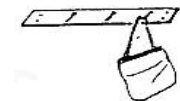


GENEROUS GOT HIS start in Cass City working for longtime barber Bill Johnson downtown. He later opened his own shop in a building adjacent to Erla’s Food Center before moving to his current Main Street location back in 1985.



Meg's Peg

Signs of spring?



by Melva E. Guinther

As I'm writing this, I just returned from walking Shadow and my fingers are thawing out as I type. It's April first and the temperature has plummeted about 30 degrees since yesterday. Mother Nature's idea of an April Fool joke???

Nevertheless, the tulips and daffodils are poking up through the frozen earth and shivering robins can be seen in the back yard.

Activity at the park is reassuring too. Village crews have placed porta-johns and trash cans, for which we dog walkers and poo bag carriers are grateful. We also saw them unloading bags of pool salt. Can real spring weather be far away?

Another sure sign is the avid golfers dusting off their clubs and bags (if they ever put them away.)

For the uninformed, here are some definitions regarding the game:

GOLF, n: [1] A game that consists of a lot of walking, broken up by disappointment and bad arithmetic. [2] A game of opposites – the world's slowest people are ahead of you and the fastest are behind. [3] A colorful sport that keeps you on the green, in the pink and financially in the red. [4] A game which is allowed to be played on Sunday (under blue laws) because it was not considered a game by the law, but a form of moral effort. [5] A game a lot like taxation – you drive hard to get to the green, then you find yourself in a hole.

GOLF CART, n: A popular mode of transportation because, unlike a cadie, it can neither count, criticize, nor snicker.

GOLFER, n: [1] a person who yells "fore", takes six, and puts down five. [2] A guy who has the advantage over a fisherman – he doesn't have to bring home anything when he brags he had a great day.

Shifting gears, our official moving date has been established. It's April 16. We hope that readers and friends will keep in touch. Our new address will be: 296 Eastwood Ave., Westerville, OH 43081.

Had we known people would be so nice to us, we might have moved away a long time ago. We genuinely appreciate all the tributes, well wishes and offers of help. You just can't beat small town Michigan people.

Before we leave the state, I'd like to respond to a few of Jeff Foxworthy's views. Foxworthy says, "You might live in Michigan if..."

- You have a lengthy conversation with someone who dialed a wrong number. (What can I say, we're a friendly bunch.)
- Your dad's suntan stops at a line curving around the middle of his forehead. (We work hard and spend a lot of time outdoors.)
- You know several people who have hit a deer more than once. (They are plentiful.)
- You go out to a fish fry every Friday night. (Fish is good for you.)
- You know what a Yooper is. (Doesn't everyone? We also know what a Troll is.)
- You consider it a sport to gather your food by drilling through 18 inches of ice and sitting there all day hoping one will swim by. (You can't go to a fish fry every night.)
- You see people wearing camouflage at social events, including weddings. (At least we're comfortable.)
- You drink pop and bake with soda. (Duh!)
- You often switch from "heat" to "AC" in the same day. (I confess, I've done that.)

We'll have to learn how to tell people where we live in Ohio. We've spent our entire lives till now pointing to our right thumbs.

I guess it's true – You can take the old gal out of Michigan, but you can't take Michigan out of the old gal.

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Nick Bliss

A fully licensed financial advisor, Bliss offers no obligation consultations, meeting with clients to review their current financial plans or helping them to create new ones with their goals in mind. He also assists customers with reviewing their portfolios, setting up an IRA or planning for their child's education costs.

Bliss earned a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree at Saginaw

Valley State University, where he majored in accounting.

Bliss, the son of Paul and Madonna Bliss, Cass City, is a 1996 graduate of Cass City High School. He resides in Cass City and is active in the community. He served as Elmwood Township treasurer from 2008 through 2012 and currently is a trustee on the township board.

Open auditions scheduled for "Peter Pan the Musical"

The Thumb Area Community Theatre recently announced open auditions for "Peter Pan the Musical", a musical based on the play by James M. Barrie.

Auditions will be Sunday, April 28, and Monday, April 29, from 6 to 9 p.m. at USA High School, 2203 Wildner Rd., Sebawaing (please attend one day only).

Auditions are open to male and female actors of all skill levels ages 7 and up. Actors must prepare a 30 second to one minute monologue of their choosing and a 30 second to one minute a cappella song of their choosing.

Call backs may be scheduled at the directors' discretion.

Actors are asked to bring a current photograph. Minors need parental signature/permission at the audition. Be prepared to provide any dates you are unavailable from May through August.

Performance dates are Aug. 1, 2, 3 and 4. Actors must be available for all performance dates.

There is a \$30 participation fee per actor due at the first rehearsal.

For more information, contact Karen Southgate at (989) 977-0626 or Angie Noah (989) 964-1364.

It's a girl!



Leiya Lounsbury

Norris and Paula Lounsbury of Cass City announce the birth of their daughter, Leiya Kruz Lounsbury.

Leiya was born Feb. 26, 2013 at Covenant Hospital, Saginaw. She weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 20 inches long.

She was welcomed home by big brother Keith, 15.

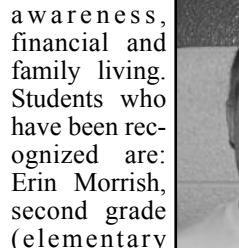
Her grandparents are Juanita Lounsbury of Gageton, and John and Rosa Klosowski of Elkton.

Owen-Gage recognizes focus students

The focus for Owen-Gage's students of the month for April is being a "goal setter".

A student who is a goal setter sets goals and priorities in the following areas: personal, career awareness, financial and family living. Students who have been recognized are: Erin Morrish, second grade (elementary level), daughter of Janet Abfalter and Mark Morrish; Luke Retford, seventh grade (junior high level), son of John and Gina Retford; Amaris Janos, eleventh grade (high school level), daughter of Stacy Janos; and Eric Rievert, twelfth grade (senior student), son of Ed and Ame Rievert.

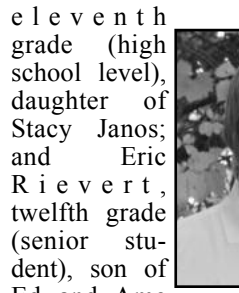
Erin Morrish



Luke Retford



Amaris Janos



Eric Rievert

Stoeckle awarded a scholarship at The University of Findlay

Ashleigh Stoeckle, a freshman animal science major, has been awarded The University of Findlay's Great Lakes appaloosa Horse Club Operating Scholarship for the 2012-13 academic year.

Stoeckle, a 2010 graduate of Cass City High School, is the daughter of Carol and Mark Stoeckle, 5776 Schwegler Rd., Cass City.

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In Our OPINION..

Clarke Haire
Publisher

Tom Montgomery
Editor

Crime victims can turn to state fund

Money can't turn back the hands of time for a victim of crime, nor can it erase the physical and emotional scars victims carry with them.

But a helping hand in the form of cash and other assistance can make a difference in terms of helping a person heal and get on with their life. And Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) officials are ready to reach out to eligible crime victims with both.

The MDCH and the agency's Crime Victim Services Commission (CVSC) have launched a statewide advertising campaign aimed at raising awareness about a compensation program available to victims of physical crimes.

Michigan's compensation program helps pay out-of-pocket expenses, lost earnings, funeral bills or financial support for eligible victims if they suffer physical injury as a direct result of a crime.

We should note that taxpayers aren't shouldering the burden of this program. In fact, appropriately, money to support the services comes from criminal defendants convicted in Michigan's courts. The state also receives money to help crime victims from criminal fines collected in federal courts.

"Our goal is to educate the public about our Crime Victim Services compensation program so that we can assure that we are protecting the health, wellness and safety of our citizens," said James K. Haveman, director of the MDCH. "Michigan residents who are physically injured in a crime have a place to turn. The Crime Victim Services program is there for them to help people heal, move forward and survive an unfortunate and, in some case, a devastating ordeal."

More than 20 million Americans are victims of crime each year, and each crime affects many more people, including families, friends and communities.

The CVSC provided services, which include compensation benefits, victim assistance, victim rights and Sexual Assault Forensic Exams (SFAE Response) to more than 300,000 residents during the last fiscal year. In 2009-10, the CVSC handled 1,663 cases and paid an estimated \$5 million in claims. In 2010-11, the CVSC received 1,535 cases and paid \$4.9 million in assistance.

As we said, all of the money in the world isn't going to erase what someone goes through when they become the victim of a crime, especially when that crime is a violent one and leaves the victim injured.

However, it's important to know that there is help available, and we encourage anyone who may be eligible to learn more about the state CVSC program by logging onto the website www.michigan.gov/crimevictims.

Applications are also available from the commission's office, county prosecuting attorneys, victim assistance agencies, state police posts and other agencies and care providers.

Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

Dirty Little Secrets




Dirty little secrets. None of us are completely immune. We all have them – pesky yet irresistible traits or habits or desires we try to hide from everyone except ourselves. Some of us even attempt to shield the truth from the person staring back at us in the mirror. We justify our behavior. It isn't hurting anyone. I'll quit soon. The jeans must have shrunk in the wash. It looks more blond than gray. I'll work out tomorrow. Just five more minutes. One more potato chip and I'll be done. For good. For sure. Forever.

Our dirty little secrets are as unique as each of us. They come in various shapes, sizes and colors. Mine is a two-pound brick of artificially colored orange satisfaction, although I've cavorted with similar stuff in a can or jar.

Before releasing my secret for the world to taste, I feel the need to justify. I eat healthy. I cook healthy. I prefer natural ingredients and wholesome foods. I enjoy fresh produce and serve broccoli on a regular basis. It is one of my favorite vegetables. Especially when topped with...

Pasteurized prepared cheese product. There, I said it. I love cheese that isn't exactly cheese.

Understanding what is and isn't cheese may seem complicated, but the information is all on the label. When the label says "cheese," plain and simple, you've got an item made from actual dairy products, like milk. One step down on the ladder of wholesomeness sits pasteurized process cheese, which, according to the Food and Drug Administration, is mostly cheese with minimal optional ingredients. One rung further removed, pasteurized process cheese food also wields a complex definition courtesy of the FDA. A few levels below this you'll find – my favorite – pasteurized prepared cheese product. It doesn't even warrant an FDA definition and apparently has made the transition from food to product. A little scary, I know.

But it tastes so good.

My introduction to PPCP occurred during my high school years. I was hanging out at a friend's house and she offered me my first slice. I hesitated. My mom grew up on a farm and only served bona fide cheese. I wasn't

sure she'd want me exploring the likes of PPCP or any sort of cheese product outside the dairy aisle. But I was a rebellious teen and the orange glow of the creamy chunk was steeped in temptation. I thought I'd take a tiny nibble – not really eat it, but just taste it. Three nibbles later, I was hooked. I've pretty much been a regular user ever since. Technically, cheese product is not an addictive substance, but I wouldn't want to live without it.

A number of characteristics (beyond the orange glow) make PPCP appealing – and worthy of being my dirty little secret. The most important, of course, is the meltiness factor. Nothing melts like prepared cheese product. It's ooey and goeey, smooth and creamy and flows down and around broccoli or a baked potato like no cheddar ever could. It plays well with others, mixing amicably with sour cream, salsa, canned cream of mushroom (another dirty little secret) and even real cheese. It's a welcome addition to soups, sauces, grilled sandwiches and even tastes good on a cracker.

It may not possess a standard of identity under the FDA, but pasteurized prepared cheese product does have a spot in my fridge – hidden in the back behind the ketchup and mustard. Now that I've shared the truth about my highly refined tastes and culinary expertise with cheese (product), I'd be grateful if you kept this information confidential. (We can consider it our little secret.)

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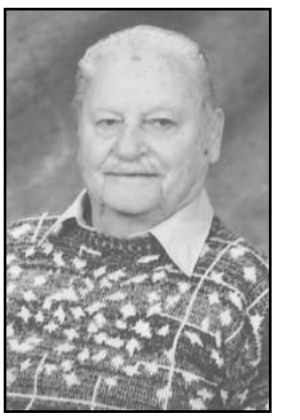
Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



Next Tuesday, Cass City resident Lee Moffat will celebrate his 96th birthday. His wife, Marlene, supplied the adjacent photo. In my opinion, Lee looks more like 66 and if you are judging his age by hair color – which matches mine – he could pass for 56. Granted, my opinion could be skewed slightly. None-the-less, if you get the chance, let's wish Mr. Moffat a happy birthday.



Monday, April 15, was Tax Day. In the United States, Tax Day is a colloquial term for the day on which individual income tax returns are due to the federal government. It also is a day for celebration at the Haire household as Karen and I marked 19 years of marriage.

You can celebrate spring with a day of family fun. The 15th Annual Children's Fun Fair will be held this Saturday at the Highland Pines School on Cleaver Road in Caro, from 11:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Admission is free and includes magic shows, balloons, books, free lunch, door prizes, free child ID program, games, crafts and music activities.

Good news for area boaters. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has awarded the Port Austin State Harbor a \$747,250 grant. The money, which is part of a \$1.4 million total project, seeks to provide a safe and convenient stop for transient nontrailer recreational vessels traveling between Detroit/Port Huron and Mackinaw City. The project will add up to 42 slips, utility pedestals, water and related amenities, which will increase use of the State Harbor by eligible boaters by an estimated 75 percent.

It looks like the student has become the teacher. Tim Micklash, who I coached as a junior high player in Cass City many moons ago, has surpassed his old mentor.

He has been named by 4 Oakland County papers as Coach of the Year, including most recently, by the Oakland Press.

Micklash led the Farmington Hills Harrison varsity girls to a 19-1 regular season record. I led the Cass City varsity girls to a 1-19 regular season record. Congrats Tim.

Speaking of Coach of the Year honors, our own Red Hawk boys' varsity coach Aaron Fernald was also granted the prestigious award after leading Cass City to the Greater Thumb West championship in 2013. Congrats Aaron.

Have a concern? A complaint? Just want to voice your opinion?

The Cass City Chronicle welcomes letters to the editor.

Letters must include the writer's name, address and telephone number. The latter is in case it is necessary to call for verification, but won't be used in the newspaper. Names will be withheld from publication upon request, for an adequate reason. The Chronicle reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Wednesday, April 17

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.

VFW Spaghetti Dinner, 4:30-6:30 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City. Take outs available.

Thursday, April 18

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, April 19

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

Senior Citizen Movies, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Fundraising Chicken Dinner, 4-8 p.m., VFW Hall, Marlette. Proceeds to go towards Garret Ferguson's (Cass City) trip to Auckland, New Zealand to participate in wrestling in the Down Under Sports Tournament.

Senior Citizen Movies, 1:30 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

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

Saturday, April 20

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

Cass City Red Hawk PTO Mom-2-Mom Sale, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Cass City Elementary School gymnasium. \$2 per person (children under 10 are free). Door prizes & lunch available to purchase. Contact Carrie Luana for more details at (989) 395-5399.

Swiss Steak Dinner, 4:30-7 p.m., Gagetown United Methodist Church, Gagetown. Adults \$8.5; children (5-10) \$4.50; under 5 FREE.

Sunday, April 21

Brunch with the Bunch! 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gagetown. Donation: \$7 or what you can afford.

Monday, April 22

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

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

Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligan's.

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

Tuesday, April 23

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

Story Time, 10 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

Wednesday, April 24

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

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

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



STATE SENATOR Mike Green's office is the new home of an inspiring art collection created by the students of Cass City Elementary School. "These fine works of art created by the talented students (in Cass City) will impress visitors to my Capitol office," said Green (R-Mayville). "I'm grateful for their hard work and proud to show off their talent to state leaders, district constituents and my fellow legislators." The art consists of work by Rebecca Walker's students in the second through fifth grades and will be on display throughout April.

Circuit court news

Several charged with felonies

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

•James L. Ward II, 43, Unionville, pleaded no contest to a charge of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Oct. 12 in Caro.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case, bond was continued at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Aaron R. Callahan, 43, Caro, was sentenced to 270 days in the county jail and 60 months probation following his plea of no contest to one count of aggravated stalking Feb. 8-15 in Reese.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$3,598.

•Dereck W. Halasz, 24, Vassar, pleaded no contest to charges of first degree home invasion, interfering with electronic communications and

domestic violence Dec. 4 in Cass City.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Lyle R. Peters, 56, Atlanta, Mich., was sentenced to 330 days in jail following his plea of no contest to receiving and concealing stolen property April 14, 2012, in Fremont Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,198.

•Jacob L. Mozden, 20, Cass City, pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, Dec. 8 in Cass City.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,500. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Randy R. Manning, 53, Millington, pleaded no contest to one count of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Jan. 27 in Arbel Township.

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

•Lauren D. Mallets, 52, Fairgrove, pleaded guilty to charges of delivery/manufacture of 5 to 45 kilograms of marijuana and maintaining a drug house Sept. 5 in Fairgrove.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$3,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Michael R. Mallets, 49, Fairgrove, pleaded guilty to charges of delivery/manufacture of 5 to 45 kilograms of marijuana, subsequent offense, and maintaining a drug house, subsequent offense, Sept. 5 in Fairgrove.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$3,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Cody S. Sheridan, 30, Akron, was sentenced to 300 days in jail and 36 months probation following his plea of no contest to assault with intent to commit great bodily harm less than murder between October and November 2012 in Akron Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,368 plus restitution of \$1,489.

•Jeffrey T. Trischler, 60, Essexville, was sentenced to 180 days in jail following his pleas of guilty to charges of delivery/manufacture of 5 to 45 kilograms of marijuana, subsequent offense, and delivery/manufacture of marijuana, subsequent offense, Sept. 25 in Dayton Township.

He was also placed on 24 months probation and ordered to complete 140 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$667.

•James G. Tanner, 65, Millington, received a one-year delayed sentence following his pleas of guilty to delivery/manufacture of marijuana and possession of marijuana Sept. 18 in Vassar Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$667.

•Neal E. Rushford, 48, Fairgrove, received a one-year delayed sentence following his pleas of guilty to 2 counts of assault with a dangerous weapon Nov. 19 in Fairgrove Township.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,146. Restitution in the case is to be determined.

•Lance G. Benn, 28, Caro, pleaded guilty to charges of delivery/manufacture of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic, possession of a controlled substance, maintaining a drug house and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony Sept. 26-27 in Caro.

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

•Jonathan R. Saunders, 28, Caro, pleaded guilty to 2 counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Jan. 15 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$6,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

•Jonathan M. Bamford, 39, Millington, pleaded no contest to one count of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Jan. 27 in Arbel Township.

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

•Brett G. Lackie, 31, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in jail, with worksite privileges, following his plea of guilty to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to notify local law enforcement of a change in address last September-October in Almer Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,598.

•Matthew S. Brown, 42, Decker, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with worksite privileges, following his plea of guilty to writing a no-account check June 17 in Indianfields Township.

He was also placed on 24 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,678 plus restitution of \$261.15.

•Matthew J. Gola, 19, Uby, was sentenced to 365 days in jail following his plea of guilty to breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny June 29-July 4 in Gagetown.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$698 plus restitution of \$300.

•Virgil O. Rexin, 58, Mayville, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with work release, following his plea of no contest to a charge of attempted carrying a weapon with unlawful intent Jan. 9, 2012, in Watertown Township.

He was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,098.

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Reporter's notebook

Plenty of truth to these stereotypes

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The word "stereotype" has a negative connotation, but I think many of us can agree that there's plenty of truth when it comes to certain stereotypes.

Take the popular "You might be from Michigan if you..." lists that can be found all over the Internet, for example. Have you ever pointed to a spot on your hand to show someone where you're from? I have, and I'm not a bit embarrassed to say so.

I have some friends in San Antonio and Houston who find that amusing. Of course, I think it's pretty amusing that when any part of Texas gets a half-inch of snow, the folks down there are ready to call out the National Guard. "Are you sure you have enough bottled water and blankets down there? I could send you a care package," I tell them, knowing that a 50-degree day sends them scurrying for their coats while we hearty Michiganders strip down to our T-shirts and shorts and get started on our tans.

Anyway, here are a few of my favorite "You might be from Michigan..." tidbits:

- If the word "Thumb" brings to mind a geographical rather than an anatomical definition.
- If you know someone from Porch Yeurm.
- If the Big Mac is something you drive across.
- If you know what a panczki is.
- If you've ever experienced frostbite and sunburn in the same week.
- If you expect Vernor's when you order ginger ale (and if you don't have a coughing fit from the first sip).
- If you know that Kalamazoo not only actually exists, but isn't too far from Hell.
- If your snowmobile and fishing boat have big block Chevy engines.
- If you know what a millage is.
- If you call Lake Michigan the West Coast.
- If octopus and hockey go together as naturally as hot dogs and baseball.
- If you think alkaline batteries were named for a Tiger outfielder.
- If you know Mackinac rhymes with Mackinaw (and you know how to pronounce Sault Ste. Marie).
- If the trees in your backyard have spigots
- If you drink "pop" and bake with "soda".
- If you know how to play Euchre.
- If you know how to pronounce Euchre.
- If you know the words to any song by Da Yoopers.
- If you've totaled more than 3 cars bagging a deer.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2008)

Just 3 games into the Owen-Gage softball season, Coach Doug Hyatt has some concerns. His Bulldogs, which suffered 7 one-run losses in 2007, have yet to learn how to put teams away. "We can't win a close one," Hyatt said after his Bulldogs fell to 1-3 on the year following a narrow setback to visiting Uby Thursday in nonconference play.

The Cass City Lady Red Hawks split a double header with the Brown City Green Devils Monday at Cass City, defeating the highly rated visitors in the first game, 7-6, before bowing in the nightcap 6-2. The Hawks won it with a hit by Lauren Dillon and the game-winning hit by Heather Moore. Langenburg got the win, allowing 8 walks and 4 hits. Sandi Oligney allowed 6 hits and walked 2. Oligney also pitched the second game, allowing 4 hits and 2 walks; Carley Rabideau took the loss, allowing 6 hits and 4 walks.

Akron-Fairgrove School officials opted Monday night not to accept an invitation from the Owen-Gage School District to join a cooperative football program.

10 YEARS AGO (2003)

Aaron Magiera, a fourth grader at Campbell Elementary, recently won the Uby K of C Hall Free Throw Competition for the 9-year-old District Division. Presenting the award was Bob Romain, event coordinator.

Strength in the relays propelled the Cass City Red Hawk girls to a victory in a triangular meet Thursday at Marlette. The Hawks scored 76 points, Brown City, 57 points, and Marlette, 38 points. The Hawk girls winning relay teams were: 3,200 (11:23.64), Carrie Hillaker, Erika Karavas, Liz Hoyt and Annjea Tanton; 400 relay (55.16), Kayla Morrish, Sarah Zawilinski, Tara Sherman and Lindsay Lowry; 1,600 relay (4:46.69), Karavas, Tara Whittaker, Amanda Sullins and Krista Homakie. In addition to the relay wins, 6 other Hawk girls won races. Lowry, 110 hurdles and pole vault where she set a record with a 10-foot vault; Homakie in 400-run; Karavas in 800 run; Sullins, 200 run; Edwards in shot put.

Central Michigan University student Edward Hartwick of Cass City participated in the annual "Posters at the Capitol" research exhibition in Lansing April 2. Hartwick, a senior majoring in geographic information

science, presented research on "Mapping Student Data." His project involved the creation of maps that show university student population distributions throughout the state. A graduate of Cass City High School, he is the son of Janet Hartwick of Cass City and Larry and Jeanne Hartwick of Kinde.

25 YEARS AGO (1988)

Local winners in a math contest sponsored by the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics are Cass City eighth graders Scott Traube and Bart Hall, seventh graders Ben Schott and Rosie Blue, and sixth graders David Bills and Shane Baird. Each of the winners will compete at the regional level April 23 at Delta College.

Cass City High School Principal Russell Biefer recently announced the school's valedictorians and salutatorians for 1988. Jane Dickinson, Mark Gracey, Kathy Leino and Dan Tuckey have been named valedictorians, while Raymond Stachura and Dean Whittaker have been named as salutatorians.

A pair of athletes from the area are doing well in college, according to announcements of sports departments of their respective schools. Pete Walpole, Cass City, went 3 for 4 and knocked in 3 runs for Colorado College against Colorado School of Mines. After 23 times at bat, Walpole has 9 hits and is hitting .391. Yvette Hurd of Gagetown, a graduate of Cass City High School, is a sophomore at Nazarene College in Kalamazoo and a member of the 13-person softball team. The team plays 12 doubleheaders and the schedule is completed April 23.

50 YEARS AGO (1963)

Curt Hunt, Cass City construction company owner, was named chairman of the Thumb District organization of Boy Scouts recently at a dinner in Pigeon. An estimated 100 persons were present. The post is one of the highest in the Thumb district. Hunt just finished a term as district commissioner. Also elected were Dr. Patrick Garety, Caro, vice-chairman, and Clayton E. Peterson, Harbor Beach, commissioner. Directors are: Peter Hebert of Bad Axe, finance, and Max Berry of Caro, camping. Walter Wenzel, assistant of conservation for Boy Scouts of America, was the speaker.

Phil Retherford claims to be the oldest (in point of service) substitute

mail carrier in the Thumb and perhaps in Michigan. Working out of the Deford office when regular carrier Norman Ruggles is absent, Retherford is approaching his 30th year at the job.

An estimated 400 children took part in the Cass City Jaycee sponsored Easter Egg Hunt Saturday morning at the Recreation Park. Eighteen of the children were awarded silver dollars for finding eggs. Chris Schneider, Jaycee committee chairman, termed the hunt one of the most successful events staged by the group. The hunt followed a parade through town which featured the high school band and most of the children taking part in the hunt.

100 YEARS AGO (1913)

J.E. Kennedy, superintendent of the Cass City Schools, was quite surprised the other day to receive through the mails a deed for 100 acres of land. Mr. Kennedy couldn't remember having paid for the farm, and being an honest man, he returned the legal paper to the county official from whom he had received it. The deed was drawn to John E. Kennedy and the schoolmaster soon learned that it was intended for another John E. The official had mailed the deed to Sterling, the former home of the superintendent, and the postmaster there had forwarded the letter to Cass City.

The junior-senior box social was well attended in spite of the rain. Every one enjoyed themselves. Ask the C-a-t Club and quartette boys. Was also a financial success as they made \$16.50.

Edward Gingrich has moved his pianos and accessories from the Sheridan building into the Moore building. Mr. and Mrs. Gingrich will occupy the living rooms in the second story.

Food pantry scheduled at Kingston UMC

The Kingston Lions Club is sponsoring a "bonus" food pantry at the Kingston United Methodist Church today (Wednesday), from 5 to 7 p.m.


This will be a double order and was not on the schedule, but a special offer by the Eastern Michigan Food Bank.

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<p>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.</p>	<p>Evangelical Free Church of Cass City 6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5060 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Midweek Bible Studies Biblical Counseling Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould www.casscityefc.org</p>	<p>Novesta Church of Christ "the friendly church that cares" 2896 Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3658 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Minister: Brad Speirs Visit our website at: www.novestachurch.org</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>First Baptist Church (Independent, Fundamental) Barrier Free 6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-3155 Sunday School All Ages 9:45 a.m. 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</p>	<p>Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church Corner of 6th and Leach, Cass City, MI 48726 872-5186 Thursday Evening 7:00 p.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: F. Robert Tucker</p>
<p>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</p>	<p>First Presbyterian Church Barrier Free State & National Historical Registry 6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5400 Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Dave Blackburn</p>	<p>St. Pancratius Catholic Church 4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3336 Summer Saturday Liturgy 5:30 p.m. DST 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</p>
<p>Cass City Missionary Church 4449 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-2729 Worship Service 8:30 a.m. 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</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>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</p>
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Visitors always welcomed... Please join us today!



CASS CITY CUB Scout Pack 3594 recently held its annual Pinewood Derby. The first place winners were (from left) Gavin Medere (Webelo 2), Ayden Torres (Webelo 1), Isaac Dearman (Tiger), Sam Mack (Bear) and Vaughn Severance (Wolf). Severance also won Grand Champion honors, with Mack coming in as the runner-up.

Local barber marks 50 years in village



TOOLS OF the trade. Generous isn't as busy as he used to be — he typically sees 5 or so customers during the morning hours on weekdays — but that suits him just fine because it also gives him the opportunity to enjoy some free time.

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Generous, who says a haircut used to run around \$1.25, figures his rates are lower than many of his larger competitors in other communities. Today he charges \$12.50 for a styling, \$10 for a haircut. "I never, ever thought I'd see the day when I'd get \$10 for a haircut," he added.

Although business isn't what it was, Generous still enjoys his work — maybe more than ever now that he can practice his trade and still enjoy plenty of free time.

"Talking to the fellas as they come in," he commented when asked what he enjoys most about the job. "We reminisce a lot about how it used to be, in general.

"It's just a good place to come and relax," Generous said. "It's been a good life for me."

Shabbona UMC plans meal, auction

The Shabbona United Methodist Church will be holding its annual Fish Supper and Auction Saturday, April 20.

The supper will be available from 4 to 6 p.m., serving fish, potatoes, cole slaw and a variety of desserts. The auction begins at 6:30 p.m., with Osentoski Auction Services providing the auctioneering. There will be dinners, soft goods, decorative garden items, gift certificates and a variety of other items sold.

This year there will be a \$5 and a \$10 table with goodies for sale throughout the evening. These will include gift baskets, homemade items, baked goods and many other bargains.

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Ubly wins opener; Orban returns to mound for Hawks in nightcap

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

In a non-conference doubleheader Monday, hosts Ubly and Cass City traded decisions.

The Bearcats needed 8 innings to come out on top in the opener, claiming a 6-5 victory.

Nick Sweeney went the entire distance to collect the Ubly win, while the Red Hawk pitching duties saw Dakota Hartel, Jake Hacker and Cody Ross share the work load.

Hartel started on the hill and worked 3.2 innings. He fanned 6, walked 4, surrendered 5 hits and allowed 3 earned runs. Hacker took the rubber next and tossed 4 innings. His line totals included 5 strike outs, 3 hits, one walk and one earned run before handing the ball over to Ross who threw just one pitch that was dribbled into the infield producing the winning tally for Ubly. Hacker was the pitcher of record for Cass

City.

Watson Moore gave Cass City a 3-0 edge in the third inning with his first home run on the season. But to their credit, the Bearcats answered with 3 runs of their own in the fourth. Both teams then scored twice in the 6th frame before the Bearcats plated the deciding run in the bottom of the first extra frame.

It was the bottom third of the Bearcat lineup that proved fatal for the visitors.

"We handled Ubly's 1 thru 6 hitters fairly well. They were a combined 4-for-26. But their 7-thru-9 hitters went 5-for-12," Coach Nathan Haag said.

At the plate, Brad Thornton and Cody Orban recorded RBIs in vain for Cass City.

In the nightcap, Cass City scored once in the first and then exploded for 12 runs in the second to remove any doubt from the game's outcome, which was called due to darkness

after 3 innings.

To the delight of many Cass City fans, Orban, who sustained arm trouble at the end of the 2012 campaign, started in the rubber for the Red Hawks. The senior standout worked 2 innings.

"Cody told me he wanted to go," Haag said. "He threw about 30 pitches and struck out 6."

Ross worked one inning of relief for Cass City, striking out 2.

"I have 4 of the top pitchers in the area," Haag said referring to Orban, Hartel, Hacker and Ross. "I can turn to anyone of them with total confidence."

Cass City used the long ball en route to the 13-0 final score. Orban helped his own cause when he received a green light from Coach Haag and sent a 3-0 pitch over the outfield fence. Freshman Mason Erla added 2 safeties for the winners, including a grand slam.



CASS CITY'S Brad Thornton holds Ubly's Jeffrey Wright tight to first base in non-conference action.

Lady Bearcats sweep visiting Cass City

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

Neighbors Cass City and Ubly squared off Monday in a Greater Thumb Conference crossover softball twin bill. The host Lady Bearcats swept the visitors with wins of 8-7 and 8-3 leaving the Red Hawks searching for their first win of the season this Thursday when Harbor Beach comes to town.

In game one, Cass City surrendered 4 runs in the first only to battle back to take a 7-4 edge into the 5th frame.

The Red Hawks scored once in the second inning when Audrey Van Auken tripled home Susa Palviala and once in the third when Shania Chambers scored on an RBI double by Rachel Bartnik.

Trailing 4-2, Cass City plated 5 runs in their next at bats, but couldn't hold on as the Bearcats scored the

game's final 4 markers.

Lauren Bukoski started on the hill for the visitors and yielded 7 runs while fanning 3 and issuing 8 free passes. She was relieved by freshman Carley Stone in the 7th frame who was tagged with the defeat.

Marie Wolverton handled the pitching chores for Ubly and tossed a complete game to earn the decision. She whiffed 3.

Maria Guza clubbed a triple and Kari White punched a single and double to lead Ubly.

For Cass City, Stephanie Heckroth had a pair of doubles in vain.

In game two, both teams plated 2 runs in their initial at bats. Ubly matched their run total in the next inning and cruised to an easy 8-3 victory.

Guza settled down after a rough start to collect the win on the mound

for the hosts. She struck out 4 and helped her own cause at the plate with a home run and double.

Karley Peters suffered the loss for Cass City. She retired one batter on strikes and walked 7.

"We need to get a win soon," Coach John Hacker said. "Walks seem to be our biggest issue right now. We can't walk that many batters and expect to win. We walked 15 batters over the 2 games and most of those base runners ended up scoring."

Heckroth paced the Red Hawk offense in the nightcap with 2 doubles, while Hannah Hulburt and Palviala had RBI knocks.

"Its non-conference play and I've been giving everyone a good look in the early season, but once we enter our Greater Thumb West schedule that could change," lamented Hacker.



RED HAWK Andrea Mikolon scores in the opener Monday against Ubly. The Lady Bearcats swept visiting Cass City.

DNR offers common sense safety tips

Spring in Michigan means a lot of diverse outdoor recreationalists taking to the woods in search of edible mushrooms, migrating birds, wild turkeys, fishing spots or just some solitude.

Michigan's conservation officers are offering some common sense safety tips for anyone taking to the woods for some fun and adventure.

"In the spring, cabin fever has caught up to a lot of Michiganders and they want to get outdoors," said Dean Molnar, assistant chief of the Department of Natural Resources' Law Enforcement Division. "By

preparing for your time in the woods with safety in mind, everyone can have a great time before they head into the woods."

Springtime in Michigan is prime time for bird watching, mushroom hunting and other outdoor pursuits like hiking, ORV riding and mountain biking. Public lands, such as state forests, state game areas, state parks and recreation areas, are common places for these activities to take place. Spring also brings the start of the new fishing season and the first of Michigan's 2 turkey hunting periods.

Molnar offered the following tips for a safe outing in Michigan's outdoors:

- Always tell someone, such as a family member or friend, where you are going and what time you plan to be back before you leave. That way, if you are running later than your expected return time, it is easier to notify authorities you may be lost, the approximate area you may be and that you need assistance. Additionally, leave your car where it can easily be found to give searchers a starting point to come look for you.
- Take your cell phone with you. Today's cell phones have technology that can allow law enforcement to track your phone's signal if you are lost. Also, many smartphones come with GPS technology. Be familiar with how to use these applications on your smartphone before you venture into the outdoors.
- If you have a smartphone, download flashlight and compass applications – there are a few free ones available at both Google Play (for Android phones) and the App Store on iPhones.
- If you don't have a cell phone or smartphone, be sure to take a compass and small flashlight with you.
- Be familiar with any land use rules if you are going out on public land. If the land is open to hunting, be aware of Michigan's spring turkey season – wear hunter orange and stay on designated trails and pathways.
- Remember that in the spring, Michigan's weather can be unpredictable. Dress in layers for warmth and comfort. Also remember if you are trout fishing in a cold-water stream that water temperatures will be considerably colder than air temperatures this time of year, making it imperative to dress in layers.
- Take snacks and water. It's easy to shove a granola bar or snack crackers in your gear so you have some food with you in case you get lost. Take a bottle of water with you, too.
- Take a whistle. Having a small whistle with you is a good idea because it can create a noise to help search and rescue squads to find you.

"Even the most experienced outdoor recreation enthusiast can get lost in the woods," said Molnar. "We encourage those seeking fun in Michigan's outdoors to consider these safety tips and be familiar with outdoors survival as well. The better prepared you are, the more safe and enjoyable your time in the woods will be."

For more information about Michigan's outdoor recreation opportunities, visit the DNR's website at www.michigan.gov/dnr.



CURTIS CHRYSLER, Cass City, is planning a fundraiser for the Red Hawk wrestling team. Standing next to a 2013 Dodge Dart and 2013 Grand Caravan, which can be test driven during the event, are employees Dan Curtis and Susan Truemmer.

Local fundraiser planned for Red Hawk wrestlers

The Dodge brand and Curtis Chrysler will team up with the Cass City High School wrestling team for a Dodge Booster Club Fundraiser Saturday, April 27 at Cass City High School.

Everyone in the community is invited to come out to test drive the 2013 Dodge Durango, Journey, Grand Caravan and Dart. For each brief test drive taken during the fundraiser, Dodge brand will donate \$20 to the Cass City High School Wrestling Team. Curtis Chrysler will provide the vehicles, and staff will be on hand to assist with the fundraising test drives.

"We enjoy working with the parents and students in our community and look forward to the opportunity to help the Cass City High School wrestling team raise money for uniforms," said Dan Curtis, general manager at Curtis Chrysler. "The

Dodge school fundraisers are friendly and fun for everyone. Stop by and spend a few minutes with us to help raise needed funds for Cass City High School wrestling."

The Dodge Booster Club Fundraiser not only helps the wrestling team, it's also a fun and friendly opportunity to check out and drive the exciting new 2013 Dodge Dart, Durango, Journey, and Grand Caravan, Curtis said.

With the cooperation of local dealers like Curtis Chrysler in Cass City, the Dodge brand supports local schools and student enrichment programs in communities across the country, and has helped raise an estimated \$4.5 million since 1993. Last year alone, Dodge donated \$690,000 to local high school booster clubs through the Dodge Booster Club Fundraiser.

Record holders aired at Cass City schools

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

I've never had the opportunity to watch Paul Holmberg in action. But by all accounts, he was one to keep an eye on when he competed in track and field for Cass City. The son of a principal, Holmberg once held the state record in the 440-yard dash and still holds the Red Hawk record in the long jump today at 21' 10 3/4". Established in 1961, Holmberg's field event mark is the longest standing mark in Red Hawk lore.

As Cass City's 2013 track season is scheduled to start Friday in Marlette, it seems timely to take a peek at the records coaches Jon and Deidra Zdrojewski's Red Hawk thinclads hope to erase this spring.

Let's start with the men's track and field records. There are several names that appear more than once on the Red Hawk record board hanging on the north wall of the high school gym. Three former Red Hawk track stars – Austin Babich, Greg Bliss and Mike Middaugh – each hold a pair of individual marks.

In 2008, Babich laid his claim as the fastest ever to roam the halls of the Cass City school district. Not considered great out of the starting blocks by his coaches Amy and Scott Cuthrell, once Babich reached full stride the Cuthrells felt he could run stride-by-stride with anyone in the state. Babich holds the 200-meter record with a time of 22.35 and the 100-meter record with a time of 10.99.

Bliss is the 800-meter and 3200-meter record holder in Cass City. Greg Bliss' brother, Kevin and Kurt, were outstanding distance runners in their own right. They both are listed on the "Top Ten Best Performances" board of the Cass City Cross-Country program with times of 16:34 and 16:41, respective-

ly. However, they fall far short of big brother's 5K time of 15:40, which is over a half-minute faster than Lukas Varney's second place time of 16:19. In 1983, Greg Bliss posted a 3200-meter time of 9:31.80 and in the following year completed the 800-meter run in 1:59.40. Both marks have never been bettered.

Middaugh, meanwhile, has the credentials as the school's best hurdler. A classmate of Greg Bliss, he holds records in both the high hurdles and low hurdles venues. A member of the Class of 1984, as a senior Middaugh added his name to the record books with times of 15:24 in the 110-meter high hurdles and 38:70 in the 300-meter low hurdles.

Completing the list of individual running record holders in Cass City are Lukas Varney and Domonick Vargo. Varney's 2009 time of 4:22.45 replaced Greg Bliss' name in the 1600-meter run, while Vargo earned legendary status in 1993 with a time of 50:40 in the 400-meter run.

Joining Holmberg as field event record holders in Cass City are Chris Summersett, Adam Dorland, Dennis Bowen and Brent Morell.

In 2008, Summersett cleared 6' 5 1/4" to become the school record holder in the high jump, a record once owned by his grandfather Wally Hempton. Dorland cleared 14' 1" in the pole vault in the year 2000 to become the first vaulter in school history to reach that plateau. He bettered Steve Ballard's 1978 record by a foot.

Bowen and Morell are record holders for Cass City in the shot put and discus venues. In 2007, Bowen's shot put measured 50'10", while in 1990 Morell's discus toss was taped at 152' 1".

Not surprisingly, several of Cass City's individual record holder names also appear on the school's relay team records. In 2009, Cass City's 3200-meter and 1600-meter Please turn to page 8.

Red Hawk track and field all-time best performances are impressive collection

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records were erased. With a time of 8:26.11, the team of Ty Burk, Dewey Mabe, Lukas Varney and younger brother Alex Varney set the standard in the 3200-meter relay, while teammates Babich, Summersett, Lukas Varney and Luke Newton became the fastest foursome to complete the 1600-meter relay with a time of 3:22.45. Finally, Cass City's 400-meter relay record was set in 1984 by

the team of Dan Smith, Joe Viney, Jeff LaBelle and Bryan Beecher with a time of 45:50 and the 800-meter relay record of 1:33.35 was set in 1998 by James Taylor, Heath Zawilinski, Chad Lenhard and Ryan Brinkman.

Women's Track

Turning to the women's track and field records at Cass City, 2001 was a banner year for the Lady Red Hawks. In addition to setting 5 new track and field records, state quali-

fiers Jamie Fluegge, Holli Cooper, Ashley Ouvry, Sara Homakie, Amanda Sullins and Annjea Tanton captured Cass City's first state championship in any sport.

During 2001, the state champs set a pair of new relay standards. In the 800-meter relay, Amanda Sullins, Sara Homakie, Holli Cooper and Jaime Fluegge circled the track twice in a time of 1:47:37, while in the 1600-meter relay teammates Ashley Ouvry, Homakie, Cooper and Fluegge finished with a previously uncharted time of 4:08.81.

Also in 2001, new records came in the 100-meter, 200-meter and 800-meter events. Fluegge, like Babich, holds both of Cass City's sprint records. She posted a time of 12:20 in the 100-meter dash and a time of 25:84 in the 200-meter dash. In the 800-meter run, Cooper broke the tape in a record time of 2:20.06.

The year 1981 also produced several new records for the Lady Red Hawks. Carrie Lautner, who after graduation went on to run for UCLA, became the school's best in the 1600-meter and 3200-meter runs with times of 5:08.5 and 11:19.58, respectively. Her classmate, Michelle Fahrner (Erla) was clocked with a time of 59:89 in the 400-meter run which has withstood the test of time.

Rounding out the individual record holders in Cass City are Kerri Santos and Jennica Richards. In 1989, Santos became the 300-meter low hurdle record holder with a time of 46:00, while in 2008, with a time of 15:82, Richards worked her way into the history books in the 100-meter high hurdles.

Rounding out the relay record holders in Cass City are Melissa Homakie, who teamed up with her sister Sara Homakie, Lindsay Mills and Cooper in 2000 to set the bar in the 3200-meter relay with a time of 9:41.50 and the 400-meter relay team of Andrea Cooper, Kathy Woodruff, LeAnn Foster and Shivaugn Rayl who were timed in record fashion during the 1994 season at 51:79.

The best ever for the Lady Hawks in the field events arena include Logan Rowell, Lori Calka, Andrea Rea, Essi Reponen and Stephanie Leeson. Rowell holds the high jump mark at 5' 4" (2010), Calka holds the long jump record at 17' 11 1/2" (1984), Rea holds the shot put record at 36' 8 1/2" (1997), Reponen holds the discus record at 117' 10" (1992) and Leeson holds the pole vault record at 10' 7" (2010).

Cass City Middle School Track Records

Boys'

EVENT	NAME	RECORD	YEAR
3200m	Lukas Varney	10:35.03	2005
55 Hurdles	Dustin Bitzer	8.46	2002
800m Relay	Brenden Ricker, Braeden Perzanowski		
	Wes Morris, Bobby Beyette	1:43.91	2009
800m	Lukas Varney	2:11.25	2005
1600m	Lukas Varney	4:44.45	2005
100m	Braeden Perzanowski	11.72	2010
400m	Eric Churchill	56.51	2010
3200m Relay	Brent Weaver, Brent Cooper		
	Kyle Reif, Cameron Lautner	10:00.91	2003
70m	Braeden Perzanowski	8:30	2010
200m Hurdles	Lukas Varney	27.05	2005
200m	Austin Babich	24.55	2005
1600m Relay	Alex Varney, Brandon Stine		
	Nick Brown, Josh Jensen	4:06.24	2007
400m Relay	Dalton Mellendorf, Austin Babich		
	Tyler Tomlinson, Tylor Johnson	49.97	2005
Shotput	Jason Morgan	46' 1"	1991
Pole Vault	Joe Leeson	10' 1"	1982
	Matt Weippert	10' 1"	1986
High Jump	Craig Emmert	6' 1"	1997
Long Jump	Dennis Dadacki	18' 8"	1985

Girls'

EVENT	NAME	RECORD	YEAR
Shot Put	Ashley Puterbaugh	34' 9 1/2"	2002
Long Jump	Sue Papp	15' 11"	1986
High Jump	Shelly Ulfeg	4' 9 1/2"	1995
Pole Vault	Stephanie Leeson	8'	2008
3200m	Missy Lowe	12:26.09	1993
1600m	Josephine Loomis	6:00.56	2012
800m	Alyssa Bennett	2:32.37	2009
400m	Sara Homakie	1:03.87	1997
200m	Jamie Fluegge	28.52	1997
100m	Jamie Fluegge	13.18	1997
70m	Jenny Romsted	9.31	1988
100m LH	Sue Papp (Event Discontinued in 1994)	15.68	1986
200m LH	Jennica Richards	31.12	2004
55m LH	Estee LaFave	9.02	1999
800m R	Ann Leslie, Teri Wilson		
	Lisa Nicholas, Jean Weaver	2:01.65	1983
3200m R	Lyndi Trischler, Kerry Shagene		
	Deidre Deering, Lindsay Hendrick	11:59.21	1988
1600m R	Sara Homakie, Ashley Ouvry		
	Lyndi Trischler, Brooke Marks	4:42.12	1998
400m R	Darcie Monroe, Nadine Hoppe		
	Jenny Romsted, Jodi LaRoche	55.30	1989

DNR: enjoy the outdoors

With the arrival of spring, wild animals are giving birth and hatching the next generation.

Baby red foxes appeared in dens during the last days of March and the first days of April. The first litters of cottontails will appear soon. Great-horned owls have already hatched and are growing up in stick nests high above the ground. Mourning doves have made nests, and some have already laid eggs.

As springtime brings an increase in sightings of nestlings and baby animals, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages Michigan residents to get outside and enjoy the experience of seeing wildlife raising its young, but reminds them that it is important to remain at a distance.

"These are magical moments to witness but, unfortunately, sometimes the story has a different ending when people take baby wild animals out of the wild," said DNR wildlife biologist Erin Victory. "Please resist the urge to try to help seemingly abandoned fawns or other baby animals this spring. Some people truly are trying to be helpful, while others think wild animals would make good pets, but in most cases neither of those situations ends well for the wildlife."

"We appreciate the good intentions of those who want to help, but the animals are better off left alone than removed from the wild," Victory added.

Victory explained that the species that are most problematic are white-tailed deer and raccoons. "Deer seem so vulnerable and helpless, but really they stay still because that is a mechanism to let them be undetected. Raccoons seem cute and cuddly, but they grow up to be mischievous and aggressive. It's best to just leave them alone."

It is not uncommon for deer to leave their fawns unattended for up to 8 hours at a time. This behavior minimizes the scent of the mother left

around the fawn and allows the fawn to go undetected from nearby predators. While fawns may seem abandoned, they almost certainly are not. All wild white-tailed deer begin life this way.

Most mammals have a keen sense of smell, and if humans touch them, their parents will abandon them. Other wildlife, such as birds, should not be handled either. Adult birds will continue to care for hatchlings that have fallen from their nest, and although most birds do not have a strong sense of smell, if people move them, the adults may not be able to locate and care for them.

The DNR advises:

- It is illegal to possess a live wild animal, including deer, in Michigan. Every day an animal spends with humans makes it less likely to be able to survive in the wild.

- Many baby animals will die if removed from their natural environment, and some have diseases or parasites that can be passed on to humans or pets.

- Some "rescued" animals that do survive become habituated to people and are unable to revert back to life in the wild.

- Eventually, habituated animals pose additional problems as they mature and develop adult animal behaviors. Habituated deer, especially bucks, can become aggressive as they mature, and raccoons are well-known for this, too.

"Licensed wildlife rehabilitators are trained to handle and care for wild animals. They know the peculiarities of diet for the birds and animals they assist. They also know how to release them so they can survive in the wild," said Victory. "If you know of a deer or other animal that has truly been orphaned - and remember, most are not - a licensed rehabilitator may be able to help."

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ABATE questions crash statistics

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Consiglio, ABATE president. "We also want to make sure those that ride without an endorsement face stiffer fines, and we also support limited Temporary Instruction Permits (TIP) to 2 per adult. If you need more than 2 TIPs, you shouldn't be riding," added Consiglio, who noted education of all motorists on the road continues to be a priority for ABATE members. "A motorcyclist has a responsibility to know how to handle his or her bike," he said. "However, a motorcyclist is much more vulnerable than a passenger vehicle occupant in the event of a crash. The majority of 2012 fatalities were wearing helmets." A motorcycle endorsement on a driver's license is required by law to ride on public roads and can be obtained by attending and passing a motorcycle rider education class, which are available statewide for a fee. A list of Secretary of State-approved Michigan Motorcycle Safety Program instructors, along with their locations and contact information, can be found on the Secretary of State's website. The

Michigan website also features a list of rider education class locations and times. Michigan legislators amended the requirement for motorcycle helmets April 12, 2012. The change allows adults who are at least 21 years of age to ride without a helmet provided they carry additional insurance and complete an accredited motorcycle safety course or have a minimum of 2 years riding experience.

2012 CRASHES

According to the Michigan Department of State Police (MSP) Criminal Justice Information Center, while Michigan traffic crashes and injuries were down 2 percent in 2012, fatalities increased by 5 percent over 2011, from 889 to 936. The number of traffic crashes fell 4 percent to 273,891 from 284,049 in 2011. Injuries were down 2 percent to 70,519 from 71,796 in 2011. Aside from more motorcyclist fatalities, officials noted there was a 3-percent increase in both alcohol-related traffic deaths (281) and drug-involved fatalities (135). On a positive note, teen fatalities fell by 14 percent, from 99 in 2011 to 85 in

2012. "Michigan's increase in traffic fatalities mirrors what has taken place across the country," said Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, MSP director. "Despite an increase in traffic deaths last year, the long-term picture indicates this is the fifth year in a row Michigan had fewer than 1,000 traffic deaths. Ten years ago there were nearly 1,300 people who died as a result of traffic crashes in our state." The 2012 traffic crash report also noted:
 •Cell phone-involved crashes decreased 9 percent, from 821 in 2011 to 748 in 2012. Cell phone-involved fatal accidents increased from 6 in 2011 to 8 in 2012 (the state can't track crashes involving texting specifically).
 •Commercial motor vehicle-involved fatalities increased 10 percent, from 73 in 2011 to 80 in 2012.
 •Bicyclist fatalities were down 17 percent, from 24 in 2011 to 20 in 2012.
 •Pedestrian fatalities decreased 5 percent, from 140 in 2011 to 133 in 2012.
 •The number of crashes involving deer declined 9 percent, from 53,592 in 2011 to 48,918 in 2012.

Congress delays mail delivery plan

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ingly. "The board continues to support the transition to a new national delivery schedule. Such a transition will generate approximately \$2 billion in annual cost savings and is a necessary part of a larger 5-year business plan to restore the postal service to long-term financial stability. According to numerous polls, this new delivery schedule is widely supported by the American public. Our new delivery schedule is also supported by the administration and some members of Congress," the board stated.

Vital to the postal service plan is the flexibility to reduce costs and generate new revenue to close an ever-widening budgetary gap — a goal that must include adjustments to the delivery schedule, officials noted. "Any rational analysis of our current financial condition and business options leads to this conclusion. Delaying responsible changes to the postal service business model only increases the potential that the postal service may become a burden to the American taxpayer, which is avoidable," the board stated. Postal service officials urged Congress to quickly pass comprehensive postal legislation, including

provision that will provide the agency with the ability to implement its proposed new delivery schedule. Until then, the board announced it has "directed management to seek a reopening of negotiations with the postal unions and consultations with management associations to lower total workforce costs, and to take administration actions necessary to reduce costs. The board has also asked management to evaluate further options to increase revenue, including an exigent rate increase to raise revenues across current postal service product categories and products not currently covering their costs."

MMPA honors Senator Mike Green

The Michigan Milk Producers Association (MMPA) recognized state Senator Mike Green (R-Mayville) as its first ever "Champion of Dairy" during the 97th Annual MMPA Meeting in Lansing Thursday. "Because of his relentless support of agriculture and the dairy industry, we are pleased to recognize Senator Green as a true 'champion of dairy,'" said MMPA President Ken Nobis. "When we faced the possibility of losing funding for the Grade A milk inspection program, one person stood out as a true friend of our

industry. It was the work of Senator Green that preserved this program in all areas of the state so that it could continue serving the Michigan dairy industry and consumers." In addition to the dairy inspection program, Nobis said, Green worked tirelessly on other issues important to the dairy industry, including legislation strengthening the voluntary Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assessment Program, legislation to improve economic development for agriculture and rural development and increased funding for the Michigan Department of Agriculture of nearly 25 percent after years of devastating cuts under a previous

administration. "Dairy farmers and their partners are an important part of the \$91 billion food and agriculture economy," Nobis added. "It is essential for us to have people like Senator Green in place to make sound decisions that help enhance the stability of our industry." MMPA is a member-owned and controlled milk marketing cooperative serving nearly 2,000 dairy farmers in Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin and Ohio. Green represents the state's 31st District, which is composed of Arenac, Bay, Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties.

Obituary

Marian Hendrie

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Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 9th day of May, 2013, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

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

Situated in the Village of Millington, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan:

Lot thirty two (32), ENO SUBDIVISION, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 2, Page 39, Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as: 4966 Worth Street.

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If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale the borrower, pursuant to MCLA 600.3278 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.

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

Dated: April 10, 2013

By: Foreclosing Attorneys
Attorney for Plaintiff
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kathleen L. Rhodes, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 23, 2003 and recorded August 22, 2003 in Liber 950, Page 300, and , Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Four and 78/100 Dollars (\$78,444.78) including interest at 5.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 9, 2013.

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

Tuscola County, Village of Fostoria, Michigan: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block 4 of Village of Fostoria, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 45A and 46A of Tuscola County Records.

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

the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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

Dated: April 10, 2013

Orlans Associates, PC.
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File No. 13-003294

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael Friske and Lisa Friske, husband and wife, to CitiMortgage, Inc., successor by merger with ABN Amro Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 21, 2001 and recorded January 31, 2002 in Liber 860, Page 1088, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Four Hundred Ninety and 57/100 Dollars (\$51,490.57) including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 16, 2013.

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

Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan: a part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 18, Township 11, North Range 7 East, Tuscola Township, Tuscola County, Michigan: described as commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 35 seconds East 281.00 feet along the South section line to the point of beginning; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 200.00 feet parallel with North and South 1/4 line; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 35 seconds East 185.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 35.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 35 seconds East 40.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 165.00 feet to the South section line; thence South 89 degrees 24 minutes 35 seconds West 225.00 feet along the South section line to the point of beginning. Subject to the right of way for Traux Road over the Southerly 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.

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Dated: April 17, 2013

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File No. 13-005117

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kathy A. Fuller and Dale A. Fuller, Jr., wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns., Mortgagee, dated November 18, 2009 and recorded December 4, 2009 in Liber 1188, Page 908, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing L.P. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Three and 88/100 Dollars (\$122,463.88) including interest at 5.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 16, 2013.

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

Land situated in the Township of Arbel in the County of Tuscola in the State of Michigan The North 5 acres of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 27, Township 10 North, Range 7 East.

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

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to

MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Leo R. Wright and Mary Wright, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Arbor Mortgage Corporation, its successors or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 10, 2008 and recorded November 25, 2008 in Liber 1162, Page 898, and, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Seven and 27/100 Dollars (\$156,137.27) including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on APRIL 25, 2013.

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

Township of Wells, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan: The West half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, except commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast quarter of Section 5; thence East on the quarter line 125 feet; thence South 1045.3 feet; thence West 124 feet; thence North on the North and South quarter line 1045.3 feet to the point of beginning. Also except commencing 330 feet West of the Southeast corner of the West half of the Southeast quarter; thence North 80 rods; thence West 20 rods; thence South 80 rods; thence East 20 rods to the point of beginning. Also except commencing at the Southeast corner of the West half of the Southeast quarter; thence West 330 feet; thence North 80 rods; thence East 330 feet; thence South 80 rods to the point of beginning. Also except the East half of the Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter.

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

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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Dated: March 27, 2013

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File No. 13-002372

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by ADAM LEE SHUE, A SINGLE MAN, to INDEPENDENT MORTGAGE COMPANY, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2008, and recorded on July 18, 2008, in Liber 1154, on Page 428, and assigned by said mortgagee to MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Two Hundred Seven Dollars and Twenty-Eight Cents (\$73,207.28), including interest at 5.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on April 25, 2013.

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

COMMENCING 80 RODS NORTH OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 16, TOWN 13 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, THENCE EAST 20 RODS; THENCE SOUTH 5 RODS, THENCE WEST 20 RODS; THENCE NORTH 5 RODS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING

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

MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Mortgagee/Assignee

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Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Joshua Donald Dean Dodd and Wendy Marie Dodd, a husband and wife, of 214 Kirby Street, Bay City, MI 48706 as Mortgagors, to Northstar Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, whose principal office is in Bad Axe, Michigan, as Mortgagee, dated December 28, 2007 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on January 8, 2008 in Liber 1138, pages 999, et seq, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Seventy Two Thousand Four Hundred Eighteen Dollars and 94/100 (\$72,418.94) and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and in pursuance of the statute in such

case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the main entrance of the Tuscola County Building in the City of Caro, and County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., local time, in the forenoon of said day, and the premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage, together with interest, legal costs, attorney's fees and any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Commencing 660.15 feet South of the West quarter corner of Section 28, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 20 seconds East, 250.38 feet; thence South 89 degrees 03 minutes 17 seconds East, 43 feet; thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 20 seconds West, 59 feet; thence South 89 degrees 03 minutes 17 seconds east, 527 feet; thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 20 seconds West; 191.38 feet; thence North 89 degrees 00 minutes 53 seconds West, 570 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 6853 Hess Road, Vassar, Michigan

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

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 redemption period.

Dated: April 3, 2013

NORTHSTAR BANK
Mortgagee

RICHARD L. TROWHILL
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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 Rex Biebel, married, and Rae Ann Biebel, his wife, original mortgagors, to Altegra Credit Company, Mortgagee, dated March 19, 1998, and recorded on April 13, 1998 in Liber 735 on Page 51, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Bank USA, National Association as Trustee in trust for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust Inc., Asset Backed Pass Through Certificates Series 2003-HE4 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 Thirty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Eight and 09/100 Dollars (\$37,298.09).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 2, 2013.

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

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 1, Block 14, Village of Watrousville, thence West to the East line of the West half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, thence South to North line of lot 11, said Block 14; thence East to the East line of said Block 14; thence North to the Point of Beginning, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 6 of Deeds on Page 12, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: April 3, 2013

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brandon Smithhart and Christina L. Smithhart, Husband and Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Encore Mortgage Enterprises, Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 17, 2006, and recorded on April 11, 2006 in Liber 1077 on Page 112, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Twelve and 14/100 Dollars (\$87,212.14).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 2, 2013.

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

Lot 5, Block 2, Hamilton's Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1, Page 35A, Tuscola County Records.

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

the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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

Dated: April 3, 2013

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4-3-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard Tavernier and Shirley Tavernier, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Oak Street Mortgage LLC, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 25, 2006, and recorded on August 11, 2006 in Liber 1091 on Page 74, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Mortgage Services, Inc. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Six Hundred Thirteen and 38/100 Dollars (\$195,613.38).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 2, 2013.

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

The East 1/2 of the East 50 acres of the West 60 acres of the North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Town 11 North, Range 11 East. Subject to the right of way for Cartwright Road over the Northerly 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.

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

Dated: April 3, 2013

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gene W. Stroup and Sandra K. Stroup, his wife, to New Century Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 15, 2000 and recorded June 9, 2000 in Liber 803, Page 237, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by HSBC Bank USA, as Trustee in trust for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust, Inc., Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2003-HE4 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-two thousand, seven hundred thirty-two dollars and 82/100 (\$62,732.82) including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on 05/02/2013.

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

Lot 17, Evergreen Acres, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, on Page 23, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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

Dated: April 3, 2013

Orlans Associates, PC.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File No. 306.4102

4-3-4

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jeffery Lee Diehl and Jennifer E. Diehl, husband and wife of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Encore Mortgage Enterprises, Inc., A Florida Corporation dated the 29th day of June, 2006, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 3rd day of July, 2006, in Liber 1086, Page 929 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to Capital Income and Growth Fund, LLC, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$43,186.30 (forty-three thousand one hundred eighty-six and 30/100) plus accrued interest at 7.50% (seven point five zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of May, 2013, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

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

Situated in the Village of Akron, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan: Lot 2, Block 5, Assessor's Plat of Akron, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, page 30B, Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as: 3685 Main Street.

Tax Parcel No.: 79-031-500-105-0200-00

If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale the borrower, pursuant to MCLA 600.3278 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. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 3, 2013

By: Foreclosing Attorneys
Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48084
WWR# 10111700

4-3-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Julie Radick and Clarence Radick, wife and husband, to Bank of America, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 25, 2011 and recorded November 10, 2011 in Liber 1234, Page 1162, and, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Four and 2/100 Dollars (\$146,354.02) including interest at 5.38% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 2, 2013.

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

The North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 1, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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Dated: April 3, 2013

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tricia M. Hess, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor, to Fifth Third Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated October 8, 2008, and recorded on October 13, 2008 in Liber 1159 on Page 1059, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Five and 25/100 Dollars (\$81,445.25).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 9, 2013.

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

The Southeast half of Lots 6 and 7, Block 2 of Joseph Gambles Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 21 of Plats, Page(s) 352, records of Tuscola County, State of Michigan.

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

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

Dated: April 10, 2013

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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 Linda Magierka, a single woman, original mortgagor, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, successor by merger to Chase Home Finance, LLC successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 29, 2004, and recorded on September 3, 2004 in Liber 1007 on Page 601, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Two and 38/100 Dollars (\$106,342.38).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 9, 2013.

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

The North 208.75 feet of the West 208.75 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 19, Town 13 North, Range 7 East.

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

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Dated: April 10, 2013

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“Sorting” family fun at Orchard Arena in Vassar

by Ryan Walker
Freelance Writer

When most people hear the word sorting, it conjures images of household chores. Sorting dirty laundry by colors is a task few find exhilarating, and sorting through clothes in your closet that no longer fit doesn't always generate excitement.

For equine enthusiasts, the term sorting takes on an entirely different meaning as it describes an event that moves cattle from one pen or area to a separate location while on horseback.

Traditionally done as a means to separate cattle that were being sold or branded, sorting is now done to compete, strengthen the bond between horse and rider and to just have a great time. Sorting is an equine sport whose popularity is growing throughout the country, and the Thumb area is seeing an increased interest in this family-friendly rodeo sport.

Orchard Arena, located on M-46 outside of Vassar, provides sorting enthusiasts of all skill levels the opportunity to practice their talents and compete against other sorters in an indoor arena. Established in September 2011 by Gary and Deb Wright, the facility is also helping to enhance the basic understanding of sorting.

Gary Wright explained the basic rules and procedures associated with team sorting at Orchard Arena, saying competitors begin by registering upon arrival at one of the events regularly held at the arena. The riders are then separated by a drawing and placed into teams of 2 or 3 depending on which type of event they are attending.

Larger calves are placed into groups consisting of 10 calves per group. The young cows have banners tied around them with a large number printed on the side that falls in the range of one to 10. An announcer will call out a number randomly

selected by a computer. The team of sorters must then move the calves one at a time in numerical order to a separate pen or area.

For example, if number 2 is called, the riders must find and separate number 2 first followed by 3 through 10 and finally finishing with number one. If a calf enters the pen or area out of order, the team is disqualified.

Teams compete against the clock to see who can reach the goal of all 10 cows sorted in the correct order in the fastest time.

Wright uses a total of 50 cows, which equals 5 sets of 10. Each group of cows runs 10 times and are then rotated out of the arena so they receive an hour long break in between their allotted times. This ensures the cows aren't overused or overworked.

Orchard Arena has a number of events that take place weekly. Every Wednesday night, riders can take part in an informal practice, which allows participants to sort without

being timed or disqualified. Every Saturday, riders from around the southern Lower Peninsula compete for cash prizes.

Wright explained that they will draw an average of 30 riders on Saturdays, while 2 weeks ago they had 48 compete for top sorting honors. The riders pay an entry fee, but admission for spectators is free of charge.

In addition to the weekly events, Orchard Arena hosts 2 events that are scheduled to take place each month. A Jack Pot sorting event takes place 2 Sundays a month. This event operates under the same guidelines as the Saturday rides; however, the Sunday offerings entice more riders. Wright said there were 84 teams at the most recent Jack Pot event. An added event at the arena is a horse auction that takes place on the third Saturday of every month.

The arena has grown since its 2011 inauguration. Wright explained that in contrast to the 50 head of cattle he now has for sorting, he began by borrowing 18 head from a neighbor. He fed the cattle during the time he used them in exchange for use in the events. As with any venture, time and experience help build knowledge.

“We've 18 months in this, and we're still learning,” Wright said, adding what hasn't changed is the enthusiasm and fun experienced by participants and observers who attend the events.

Not only do the Wrights operate and participate in the sorting events; their family is also actively involved.

Kingston resident Shawna Marquardt, the Wright's niece, has sorted and helped at Orchard Arena

since its beginning. While she has been horseback riding since before she could walk, Marquardt has been sorting for about 2 years. In fact, she won the first sorting buckle awarded by the arena.

For Marquardt, sorting is truly a family affair as her mother, Carol Long of Cass City, also helps out at the arena. In addition, Marquardt's husband, Tim, also frequents the events. Their 2 young sons, Turner and Isaac, have taken a shine to sorting. Both boys began their sorting careers when they were 5 years old. Turner Marquardt, now 7, describes sorting as “Really fun and the best part is going after the cows.” He and his Poa mare sorted 9 out of 10 cows Saturday night — a personal best for Turner. His younger brother, Isaac, 6, also had a strong showing Saturday atop his Shetland pony. Isaac said that his favorite part of sorting was when they changed the cows.

Marquardt views sorting as a fun, family oriented event.

“Sorting is an energizing good time to have with your horse,” she said. “It gets you out and about. It's fun to be able to get out and use your horse.”

Sorting at a location close to home like Orchard Arena allows for Marquardt's children to stay actively involved in the family tradition. “It keeps them interested. They want to be the cowboys like everyone out here doing it,” she said. “Plus, you can come in the winter, summer, spring and fall.”

More information about the events at the Orchard Arena is available by visiting the website www.gwhorseandtrack.com, or call (989) 823-3352.



SHAWNA MARQUARDT of Kingston is pictured above on her appaloosa mare, along with her 6-year-old son, Isaac, riding his Shetland pony. The Marquardt family is active in “sorting” competitions held at Orchard Arena near Vassar.

Prescription drug take-back scheduled in Sanilac County

The Sanilac County Drug Task Force and the Sanilac County Sheriff's Department, in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Justice - Drug Enforcement Administration, are again sponsoring a prescription drug “take-back day”.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A collection site manned by a drug task force officer will be set up in the corrections lobby of the Sanilac County Sheriff's Department, 65 N. Elk St., Sandusky. Residents unable to visit the department can also contact the Sanilac County Drug Task Force for pickup of unused medications by calling (810) 648-4580 or 1-800-544-DRUG (3784).

Weather spotter workshop slated

Area residents are invited to participate in a National Weather Service (NWS) Severe Weather/Tornado Spotter Workshop sponsored by the Tuscola County Office of Emergency Management.

The workshop is slated for Monday, May 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Tuscola County Tech Center (commons room), 1401 Cleaver Rd.,

Caro. Persons completing the program will become “Informed Weather Spotters” with the NWS and the Tuscola County Office of Emergency Management.

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