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## Report: Thumb area children still at risk

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

There were fewer births to teen moms, fewer repeat births to teens who are already mothers, and fewer premature births in Tuscola County in 2011 compared to 2005.

However, the county saw a jump in the number of unwed mothers and low-birthweight babies born during the same period, according to the latest Michigan League for Public Policy's Kids Count in Michigan Project report.

The report concludes that Michigan has much work to do to give infants the right start in life, with little progress made in improving maternal and infant health from 2005 to 2011. One immediate opportunity, using federal dollars for health care for low-income uninsured women in Michigan, could drive improvements, the report authors say.

The report ranks the state's 54 Great Start Collaboratives, or GSCs, on 8 maternal and infant health measures. Livingston GSC topped the list at

number one, while the Genesee and Wayne GSCs tied for last place.

In the Thumb, Tuscola County ranked 20th overall. Sanilac County came in 15th and Huron County, 30th.

Statewide, the largest increase in risk was in more births to unmarried women, rising from 36 percent of all births to 42 percent, an 18 percent jump.

In Tuscola County, the number of unwed mothers increased by 17 percent. Sanilac County also saw a 17-percent hike, while the percentage of unmarried mothers in Huron County increased by nearly 30 percent.

"High unemployment, particularly among men, has been cited as a major reason to delay or reject marriage," said Jane Zehnder-Merrell, Kids county in Michigan Project director. "Unfortunately, children born to single mothers are much more likely to face economic hardships and insecurity. Policies that grow opportunities for low-income workers will help."

The most positive change was a 9-percent improvement in repeat teen births, to teen moms who already had a child, showing that public policy can make a difference, Zehnder-Merrell said. She noted Michigan's teen birth rate has been halved since 1990 as a result of a sustained public health and education campaign.

Repeat teen births fell by 12 percent in Tuscola between 2005 and 2011, according to the report, which states Sanilac County saw a whopping 44-percent drop in that category. The number of repeat teen births in

Huron County, meanwhile, increased by 26 percent.

In other categories, overall teen births fell by 4 percent in Tuscola County (down by 13 percent in Sanilac County and 19 percent in Huron County), with pre-term births falling by 10 percent (down 10 percent in Sanilac County and 2 percent in Huron County). The number of low-birthweight babies, however, increased by 2 percent (the figure fell by 7 percent in Sanilac County and dropped by 12 percent in Huron County).

In spite of the bad news included in the report, Gilda Z. Jacobs, president and CEO of the Michigan League for Public Policy, says there is reason to be optimistic. "It's important to note that when we have the will, we can find the way to improve a child's chance for success in life," she said.

"This information will be given to local and state policymakers to highlight successes as well as areas where improvements are needed to help guide resources," Jacobs added.

Of the 8 indicators, 5 could be

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## Driver, police in high-speed chase

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A 41-year-old Kingston man landed in the Tuscola County Jail after leading troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro on a high-speed chase in Wells and Dayton townships over the weekend.

The incident unfolded Sunday at about 8:20 p.m. when troopers attempted to stop a vehicle for traveling 99 miles per hour on Hurds Corner Road near Rossman Road.

The suspect vehicle was south-

bound and approached the intersection of M-46, and the driver failed to stop at the stop sign, continuing east-bound at a high rate of speed, according to a news release issued by the post. The release noted troopers were behind the suspect vehicle with their emergency lights and siren activated.

Troopers said the suspect vehicle lost control as it approached Plain Road and entered the north ditch, but the driver was able to get out of the ditch and took off westbound on M-46. Please turn to page 6.

## Community mourns former county clerk, commissioner Hicks

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Funeral services were held Saturday at the Novesta Church of Christ for former longtime Tuscola County Clerk Elsie Hicks, whose public service to the county's citizens spanned 3 1/2 decades.

## Producers' progress is slow, sure

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Thumb area farmers took advantage of a recent string of warm, breezy days to begin catching up on planting chores delayed by a cool, wet spring.

Michigan Farm Bureau officials called producers' progress slow but steady, an assessment Huron County MSU Extension Field Crops Educator Bob Battel agreed with Thursday.

"Some guys started (planting sugar beets) as early as Wednesday or Thursday a week ago, so sugar beets are going in very well. A handful of folks have finished, and I'd say a lot of them are finishing them today," said Battel, who estimated that 75 to 80 percent of the crop had been planted as of late last week.

"As far as corn goes, a number of people have started (planting). A handful have maybe up to half of their corn in, and then I wouldn't doubt that a few have some soybeans

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Hicks, 87, of Deford, died Thursday at the Timberline AFC Home.

Hicks started her public career in the Tuscola County Clerk's office, working for her father-in-law, Archie Hicks, who served as the county's clerk for about 10 years along with stints as a township supervisor and school officer.

When he died, Elsie was elected clerk and served with distinction for 18 years.

After a brief retirement, she accepted an appointment to complete the term of then-District 2 Commissioner Kim David Glaspie after he was elected Tuscola County District Court judge, a position he's held for the past several years.

After finishing Glaspie's term as a commissioner, Hicks again retired from public service, but she was called back in 1991 to serve as a commissioner after Mary Lou Burns was named the Tuscola County Friend of the Court.

Hicks ran for office in 1992 and was elected. In her long career she was never defeated at the polls.

Hicks was born July 17, 1925, in Ellington Township to Glen and Eva Mae (Vandemark) Tousley. She married Gerald Hicks May 18, 1946, in her parents' home in Deford. He preceded her in death Sept. 25, 2012.

A Caro High School graduate, she and Gerald were recognized as a Tuscola County "Honor Couple of the Year". She was a member of the Deford United Methodist Church for many years and later attended the Novesta Church of Christ.

Hicks was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service.

A complete obituary appears elsewhere in this edition.



**A GROUP of Cass City sixth graders recently participated in a "Young Eagles Fly Day" at the Tuscola Area Airport in Caro. Above, Morgan Green and pilot Jack Lewis prepare for take-off. At left, ground crew member Betty Kiel describes what the students can expect when they take to the skies. The event was organized by Cass City teacher Ron Woloshen.**

## Red Hawks soar

### Woloshen organizes "fly day" for kids

by Ron Woloshen  
Special for the Chronicle

The skies over Cass City were filled with Red Hawks recently, but it wasn't an invasion, or even an annual migration.

The Red Hawks were sixth grade students participating in a "Young Eagles Fly Day" at the Tuscola Area Airport in Caro. On a perfect morning, with sunshine, clear skies, and a light wind, these students took to the air to experience flying firsthand.

I met volunteer pilots and ground crew at the airport at 9 a.m. to organize the day in the air. Five pilots donated their time, their planes, and fuel to introduce these students to the excitement of flying a plane. Two volunteers ran the ground operation, ensuring that all ran smoothly.

Planes ranged from a Piper Cherokee, which coasted along at about 90 miles per hour, to a twin-engine Baron BE able to move at 220 mph.

It was decided the best route for the slower planes was to fly from Caro to Cass City; make a westward turn over the Unionville area, then return to the runway. The 2 planes that can fly in excess of 200 miles per hour took a slightly longer route, going over Cass City, then up to the tip of the Thumb

before returning along the shoreline. Each plane was airborne for about 30 minutes.

The pilots and their planes were Bob Zimmerman, flying in a Piper Warrior II; Jack Lewis, also in a Piper Warrior II; Ron Keil piloting a

Piper Comanche; Carl Jennings at the controls of a Baron BE; and Vic Adamko, flying a Super Decathalon.

The aerobatic Super Decathalon offered students a special treat.

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**CASS CITY sixth grade student Layna Mathewson proudly displays her "Young Eagles" certificate.**

## Senior Citizen Movies on tap at Rawson Memorial

Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City will show the following Senior Citizen Movies Friday, May 17, at 1:30 p.m.

JFK: The Lost Bullet - They are among the most infamous home movies ever made, capturing an event that changed history. But do these humble 8-millimeter films reveal the whole story of John F. Kennedy's assassination? National Geographic reveals these home movies as never before; restored to a state more pristine than the day they were exposed to the Dallas sunshine of November 22, 1963. Join a team of pioneering investigators as they bring the home movies to life and expose the hidden secrets of the crime of the century. (50 minutes).

Winded Seduction: Birds of

Paradise – Join National Geographic photographer Tim Laman and ornithologist Ed Scholes as they journey deep into New Guinea's remote jungles in search of all 39 species of Birds of Paradise. Far-flung islands, impenetrable jungle and extreme elevations all create areas of isolation where ordinary birds have evolved into some of the most beautifully bizarre species on earth. Digital explorers on an old-fashioned quest, Tim and Ed have survived everything the jungle has to throw at them to become first in the world to capture all 39 species of Birds of Paradise on film. (45 minutes)

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

## Kingston announces outstanding attendance

- Grade 1 (Perfect Attendance)**  
Owen Corlis, Matthew Sommerfield, Hayden Schuler and Myles Spencer.
- Grade 1 (Outstanding Attendance)**  
Hayden Gusek, Trent Heilig, Preston Lupa and Malawi Roberson.
- Grade 3 (Perfect Attendance)**  
Kristen Ensign, Alex Kotsch, Jacob Rayl, Brandon Sanders and Dominique Wilson.
- Grade 3 (Outstanding Attendance)**  
Andrew Beckrow, Zachary Branch, Paige Chambers, Joseph Cryderman, Nathan DeVine, Katelyn Ensign, Kyle Ensign, Nicholas St. George, Jayden Stark, Ethan Ulewicz, Basil Vanderpool and Brooklyn Walker.
- Grade 4 (Perfect Attendance)**  
Don Anger, Hailey Bitterle, Evan Carpenter, Jolie Crittenden, Erin Ensign, RayAnn Harp, Joslyn Lupa, Dustin Peter, Jessica Stoll and Trayton Wenzlaff.
- Grade 4 (Outstanding Attendance)**  
Cheyenne Bearden, Houston Boots, Julie Brown, Katelyn DuRussell, Kendall Geister, Ella Retan and Aiden Rulason.

- Grade 5 (Perfect Attendance)**  
Raven Bearden, Caleb Dodds, Cheyenne Eagle, Loagine Frazee, Riley Ford, Jack Green, Kyle Henderson, Aaron Koehler, Jessie Pedigo, Jacob Savage and Mason Tallieu.
- Grade 5 (Outstanding Attendance)**  
Anna Ahern, Anna Crider, Danielle Crisman, Jake DeLong, Zoe Easlick, Robin Edwards, Vincent Favazza, Michael Frazee, Caleb Goss, Jalen Little Thunder, Kristen McLaughlin, Brooke Mooney, Lohr Smith and Gregory Uhl.
- Grade 6 (Perfect Attendance)**  
Josh Benjamin, Michael Bombard, Randy Crisman, Levi Cryderman, Jillyan Dinsmore, Gary Goodman, Kara Haebler, Aric Hobson, Brian Hobson, Lily Lyons, Morgan Tallieu and Emily Warrington.
- Grade 6 (Outstanding Attendance)**  
Gerilyn Carpenter, Hailey Clark, Mason DeBlois, Dakota Distelrath, Tyler Hayost, Shyanne LaFond, Michael McLaughlin, Haley Parsell, Calvin Robinson, Garrett Sheridan, Carley Smith, Jonathon Tolfree, Leigha Vanderpool and Bryan Wright.

## Cass City announces honor roll

- Grade 4**  
Madison Beckrow\*, Alexis Bogart-Veneziano\*, Haven Bouverette\*, Kyrra Clark, Riley Copeland\*, Madison Cumper, Ryan Delong, Bryce Fernald, Austin Hatcher, Isabella Hill, Owen Hoppe\*, Cameron Kaake, Kaylyn Kappen\*, Dawson Klein\*, Hali Kucharczyk, Malakye LaBean, Samantha Lynch, Taylor Marshall, Sophie Mazure\*, Mariah Mellendorf\*, Justin Miller, Raeven Periso\*, Alexander Perry\*, Marissa Petepurin Ball, Lauren Peters\*, Abigail Phillips\*, Ryan Pisarek, Chloe Russell\*, Cody Sangster, Jacob Shantz\*, Sierra Spry, Kristin Stimpfel, Anthony Thabet,

- Autumn Turnbull\*, Macey White, Noah Zaleski and Joseph Zietz.
- Grade 6**  
Zachary Beecher, Jared Blattner\*, William Boyes, Cory Brown, Emilee Bruno\*, Mason Copeland, Alexandria Crase\*, Dylan Crase\*, Ethon Fetterhoff, Samuel Gasta, Jesse Goniwicha, Lauren Grady, Kacey Haire, Brittany Hamilton, Mason Hartsell, Lukas Hayes, Shane Hoppe, Kayla Koepf, Jalene Krol\*, Layna Mathewson, Rebecca Morrish\*, Anthony Pawloski, Kyle Schneeberger, Lucas Stern\*, Joshua Stone\* and Race Woloshen.
- \*Denotes all A's

## Timko receives award

Michigan Campus Compact (MCC) recently announced that 25 students from Northwood University were awarded for their dedication and commitment to community service during the 17th annual Outstanding Student Service Awards in East Lansing.

Among those honored was Krysta Timko, a senior from Cass City.

Each year MCC awards students, from member colleges and universi-

ties across the state, for their outstanding commitment to service-learning and civic engagement. Three types of awards are given, including the Heart and Soul Award, which was presented to Timko and several other students.

The Heart and Soul Award recognizes undergraduate and graduate students for their time, effort and personal commitment to their communities through service.



SEVERAL AREA home schooled students recently presented a piano and violin recital at the Cass City Missionary Church. Pictured above are (front row, from left) Mia Wright, Seth Spencer, Joshua Steely, Emilee Steely, (back row, left) teacher Marci Merchant, Meredith Fisher, Sierra Damm, Emily Wright and Sarah Steely.

## It's a girl!



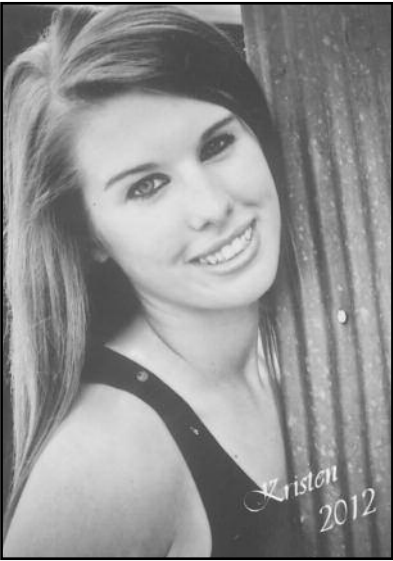
Harper Middaugh

Ryleigh Middaugh announces the birth of her little sister, Harper Leigh Rose Middaugh.

Harper was born April 21, 2013 at 11:50 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 20 inches long.

Her parents are Anthony and Caitlyn Middaugh.

Harper's grandparents are Wendy Rickett of Decker, Steven Rickett of Redford, Valdora Russell of Cass City and Ron Russell of Cass City. Her great-grandparents are Jim and Judy Doerr of Ubly, and her great great-grandmother is Velma Cleland of Ubly.



Kristen Kawecki

## Kawecki on dean's list

Kristen R. Kawecki of Cass City has been named to the Saginaw Valley State University dean's list for the fall 2012 semester in recognition of her high academic achievement.

The dean's list is produced at the end of each fall and winter semester. It is composed of students in SVSU undergraduate degree programs who have earned a minimum grade point average of 3.40 in at least 12 credits of 100-level or above course work graded on an A-B-C-D-F scale.

Kristen is a 2012 high honors graduate of Cass City High School. She served as her senior class treasurer and is currently employed at Northwood Meadows.

Kristen is the daughter of Maureen and Mark Kawecki.

## Recital on tap

Longtime area piano teacher Mindy Sutherland will host her annual spring piano recital Thursday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. at the Colling Church in Colling.

The evening will feature Sutherland along with 4 of her students; Tara Nicholas, Tyler Roemer, Kyle Graf and Landon Strzelewicz. Planned performances will include piano, piano duets, voice and violin.

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# In Our OPINION...

Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Tom Montgomery  
Editor

## Raise some hope and foster dreams

*Department of Human Services (DHS) workers are often unwelcome visitors when it comes to seeing to the welfare of youngsters in homes where they suspect neglect or abuse issues.*

*Those concerns aren't always confirmed, but when they are and a child must be removed from the home temporarily, it's vital that a foster family be available to care for that child while the adults in their life sort things out.*

*Unfortunately, the demand for licensed foster homes often exceeds the supply.*

*Sadly, some 14,000 Michigan children are in foster care at any given time.*

*"We need your help to find safe and nurturing homes for these children until they can be returned to their families," said Kara Hunt, a Tuscola County DHS foster home licensing worker. "In some cases when children cannot be returned to their homes, foster parents are asked to provide permanent homes. At this time, Tuscola County is limited in the number of foster homes that it can offer to those in need."*

*Who can become a foster parent? If you are at least 18 years of age, have a defined source of income, can pass a health exam and criminal history check, and rent or own a home/apartment, you may be eligible.*

*"Most importantly, you must express a willingness to provide care for children," said Hunt, who noted fostering can take several forms. "Foster parents can provide long- or short-term care to children, offer emergency placement or even respite care, allowing other foster parents the opportunity for a well-deserved break," she explained.*

*Step-by-step instructions on the foster home licensing process can be found on the Michigan DHS website at [www.michigan.gov/hopeforahome](http://www.michigan.gov/hopeforahome).*

*Becoming a licensed foster caregiver doesn't happen overnight and requires some effort, but the return on that investment can't be measured, especially when you make all the difference in the life of a youngster whose life has been turned upside down.*

*You can take the first step in making that difference simply by contacting Hunt at (989) 545-8669 or one of Tuscola County's other foster home licensing workers; Amanda Duncan at (989) 545-8670 or Krystal Reinhardt at (989) 545-8686.*



## Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

### Lessons of motherhood



I've been on the job for more than 21 years, without a day off for longevity, illness, endurance or good behavior. I'm not complaining. I wouldn't want a day off. Not a whole day, anyway. Although I do appreciate 10 minutes under a hot shower within the solitary confines of my bathroom each morning.

If you're a newbie to the profession, you might feel tired. Heck, I'm absolutely certain you are tired. Don't worry. (There will be plenty of things to worry about during the next 18 years, believe me.) You'll get used to the brain fog – even learn to use it to your advantage. Besides, sleep is over-rated. It's one of the lessons motherhood has taught me.

There's more. Motherhood is practically a classroom, and some of the things learned within its confines are even more exciting than sleeping through the night. Like one concept I call the time conundrum.

Back when I was a rookie mom, friends, family and strangers at the grocery store predicted the next 18 years would zoom by faster than warp speed. I nodded my sleep-deprived head, tried not to yawn and failed to believe them. Other mothers fall into the same trap.

Here's why: When you are in the throes of colic, or potty training, or learning to ride a bike, or first day of kindergarten, or getting braces on crooked teeth, or taking a driving test, or going to prom, or moving into the dorm, it's hard to imagine anything beyond your current circumstance. Until the event at hand ends, and another consumes you faster than you can say, "Grab the car seat," and so on until you turn the calendar to another year filled with new adventures and milestones and before you can say, "Here are the car keys," your chubby toddler has become a gangly 16-year-old. Warp speed – a mystical, magical and practically supernatural reality for moms, hopefully not teenage drivers.

The time conundrum – whereby the years zip by speedy quick – logically brings us to our third lesson: Don't sweat the small stuff. And fourth: Ninety-nine percent of it is small stuff.

I kept fastidious track of when my kids learned to walk. The earlier the better! Look at the little guy go! He's got to be advanced for his age! My children now range from 11 to 21 and they all walk just fine. I'd be willing to bet a nickel no one could examine their gaits and determine who walked at nine months and who at 13. To tell the truth, I can't remember myself.

A bad grade in math, making (or not making) the team, messing up at a piano recital, stumbling in the race, squabbles with friends – they all seem important in the moment. But in the big picture, they are but a blip. While I understand this concept, I find it difficult to implement because as mothers we may be able to get by with less sleep, but when it comes to emotions – ours multiply. Lesson five: Motherhood changes you in ways you'd never expect.

I remember the first time I cried because of a TV commercial. My daughter was a newborn and I didn't know what hit me. In the midst of an actress promoting a product – ketchup, if I'm not mistaken – I felt a surge in my chest and tears running down my cheeks. You can

## Letter to the Editor

## Poppy drive benefits our brave servicemen

Once again, it's time for the veterans of foreign wars from the Cass City post to take to the streets in accordance with our annual Buddy Poppy Drive.

For those of you who may be wondering or asking why the Buddy Poppy is used to commemorate our fallen comrades, I'd like to share how this came to be.

The significance of the poppy in regards to those who have died in battle from all wars, was first inspired by the poem, "Flanders Fields", written by Col. John McCrae of the Canadian Armed Forces before the United States entered World War I. The rows of crosses dotted heavily with the little red flower reminded him of the blood shed in battle across the fields of France.

In a few short years, this poem would inspire and lead the VFW to adopt the red poppy as a national symbol of remembrance to those who have paid the ultimate price.

The first nationwide poppy campaign in America took place in 1921. When the Franco-American Children's League, under the direction of Madam Guerin, sold poppies for the relief of children in war torn areas of Belgium and France.

Following the dissolution of the children's league, the next year, the VFW held its first ever poppy drive just prior to Memorial Day, 1922, using only poppies that had been made in France. This, however, created logistical problems in obtaining the poppies in a timely manner, and in 1923, a plan was put into place to have the buddy poppy made here in America by disabled and needy veterans, who in turn would be compensated by the VFW.

From 1924 on, all buddy poppies distributed through the United States would be assembled totally by disabled American

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only imagine how I react when one of my kids is bleeding or fails the test or is the last to be picked for the team. They invented the term, "basket case" for a reason.

I know an enlightened mother sucks it up and ignores the small stuff. I also realize this is practically impossible in real life. Some day I hope to be an enlightened mother. For now, pass me the Kleenex.

I entered motherhood prepared to teach my kids important lessons about things like being kind, the golden rule, respecting others, being on time, flushing and never leaving chewed gum under your chair. I anticipated molding and changing them for the better, never expecting they'd do the same to me. But they did. And I'm glad. In fact, if someone offered me the chance to go back and do it all over, I probably would. Then again, maybe that's the brain fog talking.

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## Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

I was instructed to go fly a kite. And was happy about it. So Sunday, I invested \$80 into a large Delta flyer, which I plan to use as often as possible on Sunday afternoons in the Recreational Park near the pool from 3-7 p.m., according to a flyer hanging in the Parkway drive-thru that invites everyone to join the fun.

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Craig Haynes likes what he sees. Actually, it's what Cass City's police chief isn't seeing that makes his duties just a little easier this time of year.

With grandkids involved with the local summer ball programs, Haynes has been spending more time in the park. And what he's not witnessing is pick-up truck beds traveling the roads loaded with young players after their games.

Part of the reason, I'm guessing, is due to the closing of the Main Street Grill, a popular hot spot for ice cream after each contest.

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Al Patrick, chairman of the annual Gavel Club golf tournament fundraiser, reported the 2013 winners, with a score of 10 under par, were Matt Ender, Jim Mastie, Kevin Roemer and Paul Brown. He also said Saturday's golfers avoided a monsoon by about one hour. "The weather overall was pretty good as that is always our nemesis. We were up 8 players for a total of 88 and the new and improved Rolling Hills Golf Course was phenomenal, as were Ryan and Amy Lowman and their staff!

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Rawson Memorial District Library held a surprise party Friday. The celebration was for Library Director Kate Van Auken as she completes her Masters in Library and Information Science from Wayne State University.

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Here's more from our local library. The Friends of the Rawson Memorial District Library present - Michigan's Hidden Treasures: a tour of unique Michigan sites planned for July 24th and 25th.

The overnight excursion has stops planned in Bay City, Clare, Houghton Lake and Mount Pleasant. For right around \$200 bucks, you'll enjoy a dinner theater production plus have a culturally relevant educational experience learning about the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe. For all the details, call Gail Smith at 989-872-3121.

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The Greater Thumb Area Lodge #148 Fraternal Order of Police is sponsoring its annual country music concert this Saturday at the Caro High School.

This year's event, "Police-a-Palooza II" starts at 7 p.m. Headlining the fundraiser is country music legend and hall of famer Dickey Lee. Dickey Lee came to Nashville by way of Memphis. He recorded such #1 hits as "Patches", "Never Ending Song of Love" and "9,999,999 Tears"

For tickets and concert information, call the ticket hotlines at 989-673-3360 and 800-205-7174.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

**Wednesday, May 15**  
Spoonfuls of Plenty FREE Community Meal, 4-6 p.m., LeeRoy Clark Building, 435 Green St., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal.

**Thursday, May 16**  
AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.  
Cass City Genealogy meeting, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.  
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, May 17**  
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.  
Fish & Chicken Dinner, 4-7 p.m., Knights of Columbus Hall, Cass City. Adults \$8; children \$4, under 10 FREE.

**Saturday, May 18**  
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.  
Super Hero Program for ages 5-8, 1 p.m. Rawson Memorial District Library.

**Monday, May 20**  
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.  
Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans.

**Tuesday, May 21**  
Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.  
Parkinson’s Support Group meeting, 1:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, Bad Axe. For more information, call Kim at 1-800-843-6394 or Annette at (989) 864-3779.

**Wednesday, May 22**  
Ravenous Reader’s, noon, Rawson Memorial District Library.

# Sanilac County woman arrested in health care fraud investigation

**by Tom Montgomery Editor**

Michigan State Police troopers arrested a Sanilac County woman last week following a lengthy health care fraud investigation.

According to Detective Sgt. Brian Ferguson of the state police post in Caro, officers arrested Sara Ylen, 38, of Lexington, who was later arraigned on several charges, including obtaining money/services by false pretenses, using a computer to commit a crime, and health care fraud.

“The investigation was initiated in May 2012 when a person familiar with Ylen for many years contacted police and reported an upcoming fundraising event to benefit Ylen,” Ferguson said. “Ylen claimed to have been diagnosed with cancer since 2005, and in fact had received hospice care in 2009, 2010 and 2011. “Ylen identified several physicians that had made a diagnoses of cancer, (but) the investigation revealed that none of the physicians had, in fact, made that diagnosis,” Ferguson added.

The detective noted that Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan officials conducted an independent investiga-

tion into the matter as well, as they had received a complaint from Mercy Hospital. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan had paid more than \$94,000 in hospice care for Ylen.

“Both agency investigations were presented to the Sanilac County Prosecutor’s Office,” Ferguson said. Ylen was subsequently arraigned on the charges in Sanilac County District Court, where District Judge Greg Ross set bond at \$10,000 (10 percent cash) and remanded Ylen to the custody of the Sanilac County Sheriff’s Department.

## Circuit court news

# Several charged with felonies

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


- Robert Wendell-Earl Hilyard, 28, Florida City, Fla., pleaded no contest to 2 counts of violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to notify local law enforcement of a change in address in July 2007 and between April 22 and Nov. 1, 2007, in Tuscola Township, and again Oct. 1-15, 2008, in Almer Township. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case, bond was continued at a combined \$8,000, and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff’s department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- Richard A. Campbell, 36, Vassar, pleaded guilty to charges of possession of an altered or forged registration decal, driving without insurance and operating an unregistered motor vehicle March 7 in Vassar. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$1,500. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- Jason M. Marygold, 35, Caro, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail and 12 months probation following his plea of guilty to polygamy between April 20 and Dec. 17 in Indianfields 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 court costs and fines totaling \$1,678.
- Calvin A. Murray, 24, Mayville, was ordered to pay \$525 in costs and fines following his plea of guilty to possession of marijuana Sept. 6 in Dayton Township.
- Michael J. Bauer, 45, Vassar, was sentenced to 24 months to 20 years in prison following his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Dec. 7 in Vassar. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions). In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,198 plus restitution of \$120.
- Erika N. Kekovich, 22, Caro, pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny in a building April 1 in Caro. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- Yvette M. Garcia, 35, Mayville, was sentenced to 330 days in jail, with worksite privileges, following her pleas of no contest to 2 counts of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Jan. 2 in Fremont Township and Jan. 8 in Vassar Township. She was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to complete 480 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$3,896 plus restitution of \$120.
- Justin J. Klein, 20, Fairgrove, was sentenced to 2 to 15 years in prison following his pleas of no contest to 2 counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Jan. 9 in Fairgrove. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions). In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$266.
- Kevin L. McPherson, 38, Millington, pleaded guilty to a charge of absconding or forfeiting bond Nov. 14, 2011, in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction). A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff’s department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
- Robert E. Hawthorne, 33, Vassar, was sentenced to 8 to 20 years in prison following his pleas of no contest to 2 counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim under the age of 13 years between February and December in Vassar Township. He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$266.
- Todd A. Geisenhaver, 37, Millington, was sentenced to 8 to 20 years in prison following his pleas of no contest to 2 counts of first degree

criminal sexual conduct involving a victim under the age of 13 years between Nov. 1, 2009, and Dec. 30, 2012, in Vassar/Vassar Township. He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$266.

- Paul A. Schember, 66, Cass City, was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$667 following his pleas of no contest to 2 counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Aug. 17 in Caro.
- William H. Bolin, 30, Mayville, was sentenced to 180 days in jail and 24 months probation following his plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, Oct. 7 in Millington Township. He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,158.
- Cliffton King Jr., 32, Lapeer, was sentenced to 3 to 10 years in prison following his plea of guilty to one count of first degree retail fraud June 14 in Caro. He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$198. Restitution is to be determined.
- Taylor A. Dragus, 19, Caro was sentenced to 365 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for pleas of no contest to 3 counts of larceny from a motor vehicle and one count each of larceny of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 and larceny of a motor vehicle with intent to steal property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 June 15-20 in Caro.

The defendant was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$4,870. Restitution is to be determined.

- Wanda L. Burnett, 45, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence following her plea of guilty to attempting to obtain telecommunications service with intent to avoid payment totaling \$1,000 to \$20,000 Sept. 5 in Wells Township. She was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$466.
- Samuel C. Rankin, 20, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation following his pleas of guilty to carrying a weapon with unlawful intent and assault with a dangerous weapon March 3 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction). In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,396.
- Robert J. Doud, 39, Bay City, was sentenced to 219 days in jail and 36 months probation following his pleas of guilty to charges of larceny from a person and larceny in a building June 2, 2011, in Reese. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction). In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$3,266 plus restitution of \$180.



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## A Community Message...

### Mental Illness and the Perception of Violence

Through education and awareness we can eliminate the stigma and the perception of mental health that individuals and society may have. People do not realize that a person’s mental health is just as important as their physical health. Based on a survey conducted from 2001 to 2003, that reflected the entire adult population of the United States, one in four adults have been diagnosed with a mental health disorder in any given year - equivalent to 57.7 million people in the United States.

The primary source of knowledge regarding mental illness is the mass media where people with mental health disorders are often portrayed as dangerous or potentially dangerous. Unfortunately, most media sources have the wrong perception of mental illness; therefore placing a stigma on mental health issues as a whole. Individuals with a mental health disorder are no more likely than a member of the general population to commit a crime or a violent act. Across the nation, violent acts committed by individuals with mental illness represent a small fraction of crimes, yet are frequently sensationalized by the media. Research also shows, people with a mental health disorder are far more likely to be victims of violence than perpetrators. Researchers at North Carolina State University and Duke University found that people diagnosed with schizophrenia, bipolar disorder or psychosis are actually 2 1/2 times more likely to be attacked, sexually assaulted or mugged than the general population. Research has also shows that the vast majority of people who commit violent acts/crimes do not suffer from a mental health disorder. Individuals with a disability or a mental illness are generally more at risk of violence geared directly toward them. Violence and abuse against anyone is not acceptable.

Public perceptions between mental illness and violence are central to the stigma and discrimination individuals may feel. Individuals that may be in crisis are skeptical of friends or relatives who offer assistance because of the stigma associated with mental illness which may delay treatment. Many individuals suffer in silence rather than risk the discrimination or ridicule from family, friends and the general public if they seek help. Stigma has varying degrees that affect all areas of life from housing to employment to establishing relationships. Worst of all stigma may result in the person internalizing negative attitudes about themselves.

**Increased Focus on Mental Health: How you can help!**

TBHS will be offering Mental Health First Aid (MHFA), free to community members May 14 and 21, 2013. MHFA is a curriculum that teaches a 5-step action plan to offer initial help to people with the signs and symptoms of mental illness or in a crisis. Call 989.673.6191 for details or visit [www.tbhsonline.com](http://www.tbhsonline.com).

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# Letter to the Editor

# Poppy drive benefits our brave servicemen

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servicemen.

Now, almost 90 years later, the buddy poppy still stands as a lasting tribute to servicemen and women of all wars as a remembrance of their self-sacrifice and love of country. All this to ensure our liberties and freedoms that we have been blessed with as Americans.

In the next few days, as you see a VFW member approach you for a donation, please feel free to thank them for all they have given you, and drop a donation in the can. It is sure to make you feel good, not to mention how it will make us feel.

All proceeds from our Buddy Poppy Drive go directly to our relief fund and is strictly allocated for the welfare of veterans, their dependents and orphans of veterans.

“To honor the dead by helping the living” is the motto we adhere to.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Merchant, commander  
VFW Post 3644, Cass City

Reporter’s notebook

# The moms in my life are amazing

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Life is full of disappointment — lost opportunities, broken relationships, poor decisions, plans that never pan out, even hard work that doesn’t pay off in the end. And people; people can be the biggest disappointment of all.

But not mothers.

I’m in my 50s, but I still marvel when I recall my own childhood. My mom’s willingness to sacrifice for her children seemed to know no bounds, and with all she had to do, somehow mom always found time for each of us. She also had this scary knack for always knowing when I had gotten into mischief. It was a gift matched only by an endless supply of forgiveness.

Her presence, alone, was enough to make me feel secure, regardless of the craziness this world can throw at a kid.

I’ve been married for more than 30 years now, but my wife, Deb, never ceases to amaze me as a mother.

When our kids were young, she was always on top of immunizations and doctor’s appointments, parent-teacher conferences, school fundraisers, band concerts (dates, times, places) and trips. Meals were prepared before and after she worked a full-time job, not to mention laundry, grocery shopping, clothes shopping, etc. Seemed like she was also always reminding me of my appointments, and on and on and on.

The kids grew up knowing that, if they had a need — anything from a last-minute sewing repair to a ride to a friend’s — mom would be there. What they probably didn’t know is how often Deb would do without so their needs would be met.

By always being there, Deb taught our daughters how to be good moms, too.

I’m reminded of that every time I watch our oldest, Jennifer, wrangle her 5 youngsters while carrying on a conversation and fixing a bottle. Or seeing how attentive our daughter, Christie, is with her own little ones.

I was thinking over the weekend, as folks everywhere celebrated Mother’s Day with cards and candy and flowers, just how inadequate it is to set aside just one day to recognize mothers. Of course, guys, we can all honor the moms in our lives in some small way just about every day. And we should, not because of all they do, but because of who they are.

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



**5 YEARS AGO (2008)**  
Officials in the Ubly Community School District have announced this year’s honors graduates. Topping the Ubly Class of 2008 are valedictorian Grant A. Pichla, son of Ken and Karen Pichla, and salutatorian Shelby A. Lemke, daughter of Alger and Kimberly Lemke.

Austin Babich’s groin injury apparently isn’t a problem. That’s good news for the Cass City Red Hawk boys’ track team as they attempt to defend their Division 3 regional championship Saturday in Bad Axe. After nursing his injury earlier in the week in a rare home quad meet, Babich returned to action Friday at the Akron-Fairgrove Division 1 Invitational where he set a new meet record in the 100-meter dash. The junior speedster also bettered his own Cass City mark (11.2 set in 2007) with a winning time of 10.99. “He’s just a natural,” Coach Scott Cuthrell said.

Schneeberger’s Athletes of the Week honor goes to the Cass City junior high track team. The future Red Hawks have had a banner season, capped by the winning of the Cass City Gavel Club’s 50th Jack and Jill 9-school Invitational held the first Saturday in May. Among the highlights was a record-setting performance by Stephanie Leeson in the pole vault with a height of 7’1”. Since the meet, Leeson has upped the junior high mark to 8’. She is the daughter of Jill and Joe Leeson.

**25 YEARS AGO (1988)**  
The Rotary Club of Cass City recently announced that Cass City High School juniors Amy Francis, Jeffrey Hrycko, Andrea Isard and Scott King will attend the 17th annual Rotary District 631 Youth Leadership Seminar Camp. The leadership camp is conducted for outstanding high school juniors and seniors and is aimed at developing the leadership skills of young people. The students are selected on the basis of applications and interviews conducted by all participating Rotary Clubs.

The year’s top men and women bowlers showed up at Charmont lanes Tuesday, May 10 to determine the best of the best. The top 5 qualifiers in the men’s division, who went head-to-head in a one game stepladder format to determine what was dubbed “Bowler of the Year,” and their scores were: Kim Anthony-571, Don Doerr-585, Robert Custard-608, Bob McLachlan-638 and Mark Lutz-686. The Bowler of the Year award went to Lutz who narrowly defeated McLachlan 248 to 237 in the championship game. The top 5 female qualifiers and their scores were: Dorothy Sweeney- 517, Pam Corcoran-520, Pat McIntosh-536, Catherine Davidson-547 and Sharon DeLong-612. DeLong copped top honors amongst the females by defeating Corcoran 191 to 121 in the deciding game.

**50 YEARS AGO (1963)**  
Forty-one individual badges were awarded to Girl Scouts of Troop 113 at a third court of awards held Wednesday, May 8, in the scout rooms. Scouts earning five badges were Sally Geiger, Barbara Ballard and Jean Doerr. Carla Calka earned four and earning three were Brenda Wagner, Lynn Haire and Mona Calka. Others were: two badges Diana Bryant, Yvonne Fillion and Karen Kerbyson, and one badge - Sharon O’Connor, Louann Root, Patty Sawicki, Kaye Spencer,

JoEllen McDonald, Jill Auten and Pam Dobbs.

Cass City finished first in all but one event (the shot-put) and swept all places in three events to crush Sandusky in a dual meet at Cass City Recreational Park Wednesday, May 8, 88-19. The meet was highlighted by Walt Hempton’s high jump of six feet, one inch for a new record. In a previous meet, Hempton had tied the old mark of six feet . . . Wednesday he cracked the old record and now will be in a position to go after further laurels in regional and state competition.

Cass City residents will have an opportunity to see the local Cub Pack 194 in action Monday when the 40 boys will present a circus in conjunction with their theme for May, “Cub Scout Circus.” Slated under the direction of Cubmaster Clyde Wells and Den Mothers Mrs. Andrew Kozan Sr., Mrs. Harry Crandell, Mrs. Vic Guernsey and Mrs. Robert Ryland, the event will open with a parade. Also presented will be several “side shows” designed to create interest in the Cub Scout program and booths where the boys will sell popcorn, fudge and a soft drink.

**100 YEARS AGO (1913)**  
The 47th Michigan Legislature devoted much time to game and fish legislation and passed a number of important bills. Much interest has been around among hunters and sportsmen generally by the new law which imposes a license fee of one dollar upon all resident persons who hunt game in the state outside of the counties in which they reside.

The Cass City Poultry and Corn Growers Asso. held a meeting Saturday night. Cash prizes are to be given this year as follows: \$10 for best corn, \$5 for second best, and \$3 for third.

Cedar Run School closes Friday, and the children are preparing for a picnic on Saturday in Jas. Walter’s woods. Come and bring your dinner. The boys will play ball in the afternoon.

“Golden Gulch,” a romance of the west, will be given at the Cass City Opera House on Friday evening, May 23, for the benefit of the High School Athletic Association.



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Self-Serve Lumber will be having a tent sale later in the summer, offering amazing deals you will find hard to beat. Keep an eye out for a flyer in your mailbox or look at the marquee sign located on the store's front lawn. Self-Serve Lumber is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 7:30 PM, Saturday from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM, & Sunday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. They can also be reached by telephone at (989) 872-5130.

Self-Serve Lumber - yet another business helping to make Cass City the great place it is to live, to work, & to play! Thank you, Self-Serve Lumber!



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[www.anchorcoveoutreachchurch.com](http://www.anchorcoveoutreachchurch.com)



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



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



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



**Cass City Missionary Church**  
4449 Koepfgen Rd., Cass City, MI 48726  
989-872-2729  
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](http://www.casscitymc.org)



**Cass City United Methodist Church**  
5100 N. Cemetery Rd.,  
P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726  
872-3422  
Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
(Summer 9:30 a.m.)  
Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m.  
Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon)  
Pastor: Rev. Jackie Roe



**Evangelical Free Church of Cass City**  
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872-5060  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
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Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.  
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**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



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# Obituaries

## Marilyn Barry

Marilyn Jean Barry, 80, of Cass City, died Monday, May 6, 2013 in Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

She was born Sept. 7, 1932 in Vassar, the daughter of Leland and Margaret (DeWeerd) Wellemeyer.

Marilyn was raised on the Wellemeyer Apple Orchard, which began and nurtured her love of nature and the outdoors. She graduated from Albion College in 1954 with a Bachelor of Art Degree. She then graduated from University of Michigan in 1956 with a Master's Degree in art history. Marilyn was an elementary school teacher in Detroit Public Schools for many years, where she shared her love of art with her students. She began her second career in advertising sales. Marilyn shared her love of horses through Tamarack Arabian Horse Farm where she used her

Rev. Carol Ball officiating.

Interment was in the Vassar Riverside Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society or American Heart Association.

Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at [www.kranzfuneral-home.com](http://www.kranzfuneral-home.com).

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Elsie Hicks

Elsie May Hicks, 87, of Deford, went home to be with the Lord following a short illness Thursday, May 9, 2013, in Timberline Lodge AFC with her loving family by her side.

She was born July 17, 1925 in Ellington Township, the daughter of Glen and Eva Mae (Vandemark) Tousley.

She married Gerald L. Hicks May 18, 1946 in her parent's home in Deford. He died Sept. 25, 2012.

Elsie graduated from Caro High School. She was Tuscola County Clerk for over 35 years, including her time as deputy clerk. Elsie served as a Tuscola County Commissioner for a term and a half. Elsie and Gerald were the Tuscola County Honor Couple of the Year. She was a member of Deford United Methodist Church for many years, then she attended Novesta Church of Christ. Elsie was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service. Elsie loved quilting, making quilts for her entire family. She enjoyed reading, sewing, china painting, and gardening. Elsie loved the Lord and her children. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren were the joy of her life.

Elsie is survived by her children: Eileen (Rick) Pourcho of Birmingham, Linda Gray of Cass City, and Fred (Carol) Hicks of Deford; grandchildren: Bradley (Alissa) Gray of Lake Orion, Jennifer (Joel) Brown of Montgomery, Ala., Brian (Melissa) Hicks of Deford, Andrew (Kimberly) Gray of Cass City,

Rebecca (Scott) Riggs of Berkley, and Kristy (Bradley) Speirs of Cass City; great-grandchildren: Emma, Julian, Spencer, Clara, Gabriel, Jonathan, Ethan, Eliana, Kendall, Madelyn, Kalee, Kacee, Lucas, Elise, Emily and Ethan; and a brother, Ken (Doris) Tousley.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a son-in-law, Phil Gray; and in-laws, Archie and Gladys Hicks.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 11, at the Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City, with Brad Speirs officiating.

Interment was in the Novesta Township Cemetery, Cass City.

Pallbearers for Mrs. Hicks were Brad Gray, Andy Gray, Brian Hicks, Scott Riggs, Fred Hicks and Brad Speirs.

Memorials may be made to Novesta Church of Christ.

Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at [www.kranzfuneral-home.com](http://www.kranzfuneral-home.com).

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## Marjorie Orban

Marjorie Orban 91, of Tucson, Ariz., passed away May 5, 2013.

She was born March 23, 1922, the daughter of Henry and Winifred Myerholtz.

Marge was raised in Michigan. She attended Morenci High School, and graduated from Michigan Agricultural College (now Michigan State University). Marge followed in her mother's and grandmother's footsteps and became a teacher. She taught in Manchester and Cass City, Michigan.

In 1947, she married Eugene Orban, and within a few years established a home in North Morenci. Married for 60 years, they raised 10 children and also sponsored refugee families through Catholic Social Services.

As the children grew older, she returned to teaching. She taught at Morenci Area High School until she retired, and remained in contact with many former students for more than 30 years.

Marge and Gene moved to Prescott, Ariz., where she taught at Yavapai Community College. She also earned a degree from New York University during 'retirement' as she was still passionate about education. They moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico and enjoyed flower gardening, reading, and extensive traveling. She spent her later years in Tucson.

Marge is survived by her children: James, Liz, Susan, Thomas, Deborah, Rebecca, Cecelia, John, and Paul Orban, and Margaret Walker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, and a grandson, James Clay Orban.

She will join her husband at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly.

## Sheree LaPeer-Sakudya

A memorial service will be held at 11:30 a.m., Saturday, May 18, at Mizpah Missionary Church, 4631 Van Dyke Rd., Cass City, for Sheree LaPeer-Sakudya.

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



creative talent to excel in costume class horse shows throughout the state. She enjoyed gardening and reading.

Marilyn is survived by 3 daughters: Michelle (John Lewis) Lamb of Freeland, Elizabeth Ann Depner of Cass City, and Katherine (Glen) Herman of Riley; grandchildren: James (fiancé Sarah Maday) Lamb, Chelsea Lena Depner, Holly Herman, Tiffany Herman, Nicole Herman.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Sally Albrecht.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, May 8, at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the



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TIM ADAMS (left), commander of the Alvin F. Miller American Legion Post in Richville, is pictured above with Senator Mike Green (R-Mayville) testifying before the Senate Finance Committee in support of Senate Bill 209. Introduced by Green, the legislation would establish a state sales tax exemption for fundraisers held by local veterans posts that benefit an activity duty member of the military or a veteran. Green introduced the bill after a fundraiser organized by the Richville post for Sgt. Travis Mills was subjected to the tax.

## Thumb kids still at risk

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tracked over time, generally from 2005 to 2011. Staying about the same were teen births (9.4 percent of all births), preterm births (10.6 percent of all births) and low-birth-weight babies weighing less than 5.5 pounds (8.4 percent of all births). The report calls on policymakers to:

- \*Accept federal funds to expand the eligibility of Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act, which will increase access to health services for the most economically disadvantaged women in Michigan, who are at higher risk on several Right Start factors.
- \*Decrease the pay equity gap in Michigan to help female-headed households. The increase in births to single women makes the issue more imperative to the well-being of children.
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**CASS CITY’S Jodi Engel (9) and Harbor Beach’s Ashley Guitar race to the ball in Friday’s GTC North Division soccer match.**

## Cass City remains winless in conference soccer play

Cass City played 2 tough games on back-to-back days against markedly better teams last week and suffered mercy defeats by identical 8-0 scores. On Friday, the Lady Red Hawks entertained Harbor Beach, while a day earlier Coach Chuck Reed’s squad traveled to Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port High School.

Playing the Lakers with a short bench and the Pirates with no bench, Cass City gave it their all but surrendered as a lack of offense and constant pressure on their defense ended both games just after half time.

Red Hawk Erin Moore started both games in net and played well, making several athletic saves, but the number of shots she faced plus a patched up defense pretty much decided the outcome, according to Reed.

The Red Hawks did manage to generate some offense against the Lakers with Liz Milligan, Erin Zdrojewski and Jocelynn Venema doing most of the damage, but every Red Hawk attack was countered by a more effective Laker rush that resulted in a good shot or a goal.

Defensively, Red Hawk Kennedy Brown had a strong game and Brianna Prill showed improvement, but the overall Laker pressure was too much for the visitors.

Mariah Cook had a career night for the Lakers registering 4 goals and an

assist, while Ashlyn Albrecht had 2 goals and 2 assists. The winners also had Paige Shivley and Melinda Sweeney with solo markers.

Against Harbor Beach, the Red Hawks were back to only 11 players and although they again played hard, the Pirate offense dictated the game keeping the hosts in their end of the field for the entire game.

“Erin (Zdrojewski) was away at a track meet, leaving our attack without much speed to counter the Pirate pressure, while Katie (Michalski) was nursing a bad knee on defense limiting her range on the field,” said Reed.

Adding, Jodi Engel got her first start and showed good hustle while Katherine Woodruff was solid at a defensive wing, but overall the Pirates were too much for the undermanned Red Hawks.

For the winners, Ashley Guitar, and Haleenah Aqel found the back of the net twice, while Katie Booth, Emily Pawlowski, Nicole Booms and Rachel Peterson accounted for the other Pirate tallies.

“The Hawks are going to be short handed for the rest of the year, but will continue to play hard and hustle. Hopefully the younger players will continue to develop so that the base will be strong for next year,” said Reed.



**COLLISION AT THE PLATE. Owen-Gage’s Eric Rievert and Buena Vista pitcher Tony Scott meet at home plate in the nightcap of Thursday’s double-header in Owendale. The Bulldogs recorded a pair of mercy victories.**

## Owen-Gage demolishes BV

Buena Vista doesn’t have the money to pay its teachers, but still managed to send the Knights’ baseball team on a bus to Owendale Thursday, where the cash-strapped school district suffered Summit League defeats of 11-0 and 20-0.

Game one saw the hosts strike for 6 runs in their first at bats. That would prove more than enough for Bulldog starting pitcher Jacob Wright to earn the decision. He worked 4 innings, striking out 9 and allowing one hit.

Dave Binder had a home run and double to lead the winners at the plate, while Ben Good chipped in 3 hits.

In game 2, Owen-Gage plated 9 runs in the first and ended the contest with 11 runs in the second.

Binder was the Bulldog pitcher of record, besting Buena Vista’s Demanio Thomas.

At the plate, Binder, Good, Wright and Jake Warack all had multi safeties. Owen-Gage stands at 6-2 overall, and 6-0 in league affairs.

## Lakers secure GTW golf championship with victory at CC

Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port secured the Greater Thumb West golf title Thursday at the Cass City jamboree, shooting a winning team score of 178 at Rolling Hills Golf Course.

The Lakers’ victory has them atop of the GTW standings with 24 points, followed by Cass City (18.5), Bad Axe (15), Vassar (11.5) and Bay City All Saints (9) with one GTW jamboree remaining at Bay City. The final jamboree was originally scheduled for Friday, but canceled due to inclement weather. As of press time, no make-up date has been scheduled for the Bay City jamboree.

Drew Lawrence paced the league champs at Cass City, recording medalist honors with a 3-over par score of 38. Also for the Lakers, Adam Hazard shot 43; Tyler Matteson, 45; and Connor Ewald, 50.

Cass City, which finished second at their own jamboree with a team score of 182, received a low score of 42 from Michael Mulligan. Next for the Red Hawks was Justin Kerkau who carded a 43, while Brandon Green shot 46 and Nick McCoy, 51.

Rounding out the team scores at Cass City were Bay City with 186; Bad Axe, 189; and Vassar, 207.

For the All Saints, Ben Grzegorzcyk, Tyler Neering and Ryan Gysin all scored in the 40s with totals of 43, 45 and 48 respectively, while Scott Campbell recorded a score of 56.

For Bad Axe, Will Schumacher was low for the Hatchets with a 42, while Adam Rothe shot 47; Colburn Hanson, 49; and Garrett Gentner, 51.

Jake McIntyre posted a team best

45 for Vassar. He was trailed by Chase Langenburg (50), Jared Amend (55), and Matthew Park (57) who completed the list of scorers for the Vulcans.

**BAD AXE**

Earlier in the week, on Monday at the Bad Axe jamboree, the Lakers rolled to the team victory with 182 points to easily hold off runner-up Bad Axe with 198. Cass City placed third on the day with 208, while Bay City with 210 and Vassar with 236 completed the standings.

The Lakers had Lawrence and Matteson with the day’s 2 lowest scores, shooting 41 and 42, respectively.

The complete order of finish in Bad Axe also had Ben Grzegorzcyk, Bay City, 46; Will Schumacher, Bad Axe, 46; Mike Milligan, Cass City, 48; Colburn Hanson, Bad Axe, 49; Brandon Green, Cass City, 49; Connor Ewald, Lakers, 49; Adam Rothe, Bad Axe, 49; Adam Hazard, Lakers, 50; Tyler Neering, Bay City, 51; Jake McIntyre, Vassar, 53; Brian Kula, Bay City, 54; Garrett Gentner, Bad Axe, 54; Nick McCoy, Cass City, 54; Blake Talaski, Bad Axe, 56; Aaron Talaski, Bad Axe, 57; Theron Bogart, Cass City, 57; Jared Amend, Vassar, 57; Isaac Elston, Lakers, 57; Ben Christe, Bay City, 59; Justin Kerkau, Cass City, 59; Gary Maes, Lakers, 59; Ryan Gysin, Bay City, 60; Andrew Oprea, Vassar, 63; Matthew Park, Vassar, 63; Nolen Gamet, Vassar, 63; Alex Granham, Cass City, 72.



**CASS CITY’S Brandon Green tends to the flag stick on the fourth hole during a home GTW Jamboree. The Red Hawk senior rimed a 25-foot putt on the long par 3 and shot 46.**



**RED HAWK Justin Kerkau chips a shot onto the ninth green Thursday during his final home match. The senior recorded a 9-hole score of 43.**



**MICHAEL MULLIGAN watches his tee shot fly at Rolling Hills Golf Course. The junior carded a score of 42 to pace Cass City on the day.**

## Regionals on tap for track stars Saturday

The Cass City thinclads’ final tune-up before this week’s GTW league meet and their Division 3 regional outing almost didn’t happen.

“The conditions were miserable Friday,” said Coach Jon Zdrojewski. “We were on our way to Bad Axe when Don (Markel – Cass City’s Athletic Director) called and said we could turn around. But, we didn’t.”

Zdrojewski’s decision to compete at the Hatchet Invite despite the conditions was rewarded with several fine performances.

Medaling for the Red Hawk boys’ team was the 3200-meter relay team and the 400-meter relay team. The 3200-meter relay team consisted of Bransen Stimpfel, Keith Lounsbury, Jake Quinn and Sam Bootz. They placed fifth with a time of 9:53.40. Cass City’s 400-meter team earned sixth place honors with a time of 51.92. Circling the track once for Coach Zdrojewski were Garret Ferguson, Alex Williams, Fred Leeson and Brennan Winter.

Red Hawk individual medalists included Ferguson, fourth in the 400-meter dash (56.93), and Brennan Winter, sixth in the 300-meter hurdles (48.08).

Turning to the Lady Red Hawks, their medal winners, like the boys, also included the 3200-meter relay team and 400-meter relay team. Running the distance relay were Erin Zdrojewski, Shelby Abell, Chelsi Schmotzer and Victoria Matthewson. They placed sixth with a time of 12:26.95. The 400-meter relay team of Katie Hacker, Miranda Spry, Victoria Matthewson and Erin Zdrojewski were clocked at 59.94, which resulted in fifth place.

Individual medalists for the Lady Red Hawks included Shelby Abell, fifth in the 100-meter hurdles (19.41), Katie Hacker, second in the 100-meter dash (13.87), Erin Zdrojewski, sixth in the 1600-meter run (5:58.32), Victoria Matthewson, second in the 400-meter dash (1:07.13) and Katie Hacker, sixth in the shot put (28’ 07”).

“I’m looking forward to good performances at the league meet on Tuesday in Vassar and finally regionals on Saturday in Bad Axe,” said Zdrojewski.

**LAKER INVITE**

Eight schools gathered for the Laker Rotary Invitational last week

dominated by Marlette High School. The Red Raiders captured both the men’s and women’s standings in convincing fashion.

In the men’s field, the champs tallied 188 points to turn back runner-up Brown City with 127 points, while USA (64), Cass City (43), Bad Axe (33), Ubly (32), EPBP (20) and North Huron (16) complete the order of finish on the day.

Garret Ferguson recorded Cass City’s lone win, capturing the 400-meter dash with a time of 55.70, while Brennan Winter continues to shine in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles, taking fourth with a time of 46.82. Also for the Red Hawks, Bransen Stimpfel took third in the high jump (5’ 6”) and fourth in the 3200-meter run (11:13).

In the relay events, Cass City placed third in the 1600 and 3200 meter races. Running legs in the 1600-meter relay (3:56) were Ferguson, Winter, Lounsbury and Jake Quinn. The 3200-meter relay (9:55) team consisted of Lounsbury, Stimpfel, Quinn and Deivin Vermeersch.

For the Ubly boys, Daniel Rutkowski’s time of 57.84 in the 400-meter dash was good for second place honors, while Tyler Grifka took thirds in the 100 (12.80) and 200 (25.42) meter dashes, as did Adam Grifka in the 3200-meter run (11:05).

In the girls’ field, Marlette scored 108 points and were trailed by Bad Axe (89), Brown City (87), USA (77), Ubly (60), EPBP (59), Cass City (29) and North Huron (3).

For the Lady Bearcats, Madison Glaza earned first place points in the 300-meter hurdles (53.39), while Brigitte Vogel was second in the 100-meter hurdles (19.01). Ubly also came in third in the 400-meter relay and 3200-meter relay. In the shorter relay Glaza, Samantha Pionk, Ashley Sweeney and Ellie Shaw were clocked in 58.57. In the distance relay, Sara Doyle, Ashley Osentoski, Kandace Crickon and Vanessa Ulfig recorded a time of 12:17.10.

Locally, Red Hawk Victoria Matthewson finished best in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:08.13, while Katie Hacker was second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 14.04.

The complete standings and individual results from both meets can be found on the Chronicle’s website at: [www.ccchronicle.net](http://www.ccchronicle.net).

## Red Hawks trade doubleheader sweeps

An exit from Greater Thumb West play seemed to be the answer last week for the Cass City baseball team. After suffering heartfelt losses of 7-5 and 11-10 on Monday to Greater Thumb West foe Bay City All Saints, Coach Nathan Haag's Red Hawks bounced back a day later, sweeping Tri-Valley Conference visitors Millington.

In Tuesday's home non-conference outing against the Cardinals, solid pitching led the hosts to victories of 5-1 and 12-0.

In game one, Jake Hacker tossed 6 1/3 innings to collect the win on the mound, while Cody Ross delivered a 2-run double at the plate.

"Hacker pitched an unbelievable game. He kept the hitters off balance all game and his pitches kept getting better, especially that nasty knuckleball," said Haag.

Millington's ace Colin Meachem suffered the loss.

Ross, meanwhile, got things started early for Cass city with a clutch 2-run double off the right field fence in the first inning. It missed being a home run by about 2 feet.

"A big part of the game was the fifth inning with one out and the bases loaded and a 3-1 score. (Cody) Orban was up to bat with 2 strikes. I asked him if he wanted to squeeze or swing the bat. He said "give me the squeeze." The bunt was perfect and everyone was safe, and it led to a bigger inning. At that stage of the game, one run feels like a touch-

down," said Haag.

In game two, Mason Erla went the distance on the rubber where he yielded just one hit to earn the mercy victory.

"Mason cruised all night. Anytime you can count on your pitcher to get you one out on his own each inning, it should be a good game. Millington didn't put up much of a fight. In my 6 years, we've never swept Millington. We've done quite well over the past few years against the Tri-Valley East conference," said Haag.

### BCAS

On Monday, Cass City slipped to 1-4 in the GTW as guests Bay City All Saints collected a pair of triumphs.

In the opener, Cass City took a 3-2 edge into the third, but couldn't hang on.

Dakota Hartel and Lukas Schenk handled the pitching chores for the

hosts and allowed a combined 13 hits. Once again the Red Hawks struggled in the field, where they committed 4 errors.

At the plate, Watson Moore belted a home run and double to pace Cass City, while Drew Field clubbed a triple and Orban, a double.

In the nightcap, Cass City grabbed a 7-0 margin after 2 frames, yet trailed 8-7 entering the fourth. The visitors added 3 runs in the bottom of the fifth, however, Cass City answered with 3 runs of their own in the top of the sixth.

"We battled back in the 6th inning, just ran out of daylight to complete the comeback. That would be the equivalent of ending a basketball or football game in the 4th quarter with 2 minutes still to play. Just something you have to deal with," said a disappointed Haag.

Moore and Ross each belted doubles to lead the Cass City offense.

## Cardinals, Tigers sweep Lady Red Hawks at home

Tri-Valley foes Caro and Millington proved too tough for the Cass City softball team.

On Thursday, the neighboring Tigers earned decisions of 7-2 and 9-2 over the hosts Lady Red Hawks.

In game one, Caro took a 2-0 margin into the fifth inning, when they removed most doubt from the game's outcome with 5 more markers.

Caro's Hayley Licavoli and Hayleigh Vinson combined for 5 RBIs in the win.

Lauren Bukoski was tagged with the loss for Cass City. She issued 4 free passes and whiffed 2.

Ellen Hulburt had 2 singles for Cass City, while Andrea Mikolon and Shania Chambers scored in vain.

In game 2, Caro's Chloe Weissenborn got the better of Cass City's Karley Peters on the mound. Weissenborn went the distance and fanned 5.

At the plate, Caro had Vinson with a pair of 2-baggers, while Melissa Cockerill, Micaylee Root and Kelsey Setla each crossed home plate twice.

### MILLINGTON

Earlier in the week, Millington invaded Cass City and recorded wins of 1-0 and 10-1.

Game one was a classic pitching duel between Cardinal Taylor Wright and Red Hawk Bukoski.

Lindsay Derscha scored the only run after reaching base on a walk to open the fourth frame.

Game 2 saw a dominating pitching performance from Cardinal freshman Mikayla Cunningham. She fanned 10 and surrendered just 3 hits.



CASS CITY'S Karley Peters handled the pitching chores against guest Caro in the nightcap of Thursday's non-conference twin bill.



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Fox/Herron	30	Richards/Bitzer D.	25
Wallace/Warner	30	Cotton/Israelson	25
Smithson/Kelly	27	Lowman/Tamlyn	23
Hendrick/Veggian	25	Osentoski/D.Wallace	22
Burns/Caister	23	Langenburg/Brad & Joe	20
Dillon/Irrer	19	Doerr/Haire	20
Hobbs/Meck	17	Hacker/Nika	19
Mastie/Robinson	16	Wallace/ Brent & Scott	18
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Bliss/Thompson	12	Weaver/Hartzell	15
Craig/Knight	10	Priestkorn/Repshinska	14
Berwick/Greenlee	4	deBeaubien/Brinkman	13
		Hartel/Brown	10
		Sommerville's	6*
		Spencer/Pearce	3*
Medalists			
Individual: Kelly, & Tate	38		
Team: Smithson/Kelly	81		
Division 2 - Late			
Ahleman/Halasaz	34		

## Schneeberger's

### ATHLETE of the WEEK

Mason Erla has been named the Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner.


The Cass City freshman was clutch on the bump in game 2 against Millington last Tuesday at home, which helped secure a sweep. Erla showed his dominance on the mound by securing an average of 1 strikeout per inning on his own.

The Hawks, along with Erla's help, clinched 2 big wins over Millington with boastful scores of 5-1 and 12-0, something that hasn't been done in the last 6 years.

Last Monday, the Hawks battled the All Saints which resulted in 2 hard losses. In his 6 at bats, Erla had one hit and scored one run. The All Saints claimed both wins with scores of 7-5 in game one and 11-10 in game two.

Although the Hawks were making a solid comeback in the sixth inning of the second game, the game was canceled due to lack of daylight.

Mason is the son of Chuck and Michelle Erla.



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Harbor Beach	6	0
Brown City	5	3
Ubly	5	3
Marlette	3	3
Memphis	2	5
Sandusky	0	8

GTC SOFTBALL

STANDINGS

WEST DIVISION

Reese	6	0
USA	6	0
EPBP	5	1
Cass City	3	2
Bad Axe	3	5
BCAS	1	8
Vassar	1	9

EAST DIVISION

Sandusky	7	1
Ubly	7	1
Brown City	6	2
Harbor Beach	1	5
Memphis	1	7
Marlette	0	6

GTC GIRLS' SOCCER

STANDINGS

NORTH DIVISION

USA	6	0
Harbor Beach	5	1
EPBP	5	4
Bad Axe	4	4
Cass City	0	7

SOUTH DIVISION

Memphis	5	0
Marlette	4	4
Brown City	1	4
Sandusky	0	6



CASS RIVER fishing authority Matt Lynch holds a pair of 9-inch rock bass taken Thursday on the local waterway.

Cass City Jr./Sr. High School

2013 Spring Sports Schedules

BOYS' BASEBALL

All games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
4/15 Ubly 6, Cass City 5  
4/20 Tusc. Co. Tourney @ Vassar TBA  
4/22 Memphis (7-6W, 7-0W)  
4/25 Reese (ppd)  
4/29 Bad Axe (1-4L, 11-7W)  
4/30 Harbor Beach (1-4L, 0-2L)  
5/2 Vassar (10-8W, 7-8L)  
5/6 BCAS  
5/7 Millington (12-5W, 0-1L)  
5/9 Caro (JV only)  
5/13 USA  
5/16 EPB Lakers  
5/18 Merrill Tournament 9 a.m.  
5/20 Marlette  
5/23 Caro (Varsity only) at SVSU 4:30 p.m.  
5/28, 31, 6/1 Districts

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

All games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
4/15 Ubly (7-8L, 3-8L)  
4/20 Tusc. Co. Tourney @ Vassar TBA  
4/22 Memphis  
4/25 Reese  
4/29 Bad Axe (0-14L, 0-14L)  
4/30 Harbor Beach (11-8W, 7-1W)  
5/2 Vassar (12-6W, 11-7W)  
5/6 BCAS (Varsity only)  
5/7 Millington (1-0W, 1-10L)  
5/9 Caro (2-21, 7-9L)  
5/13 USA  
5/16 EPB Lakers  
5/18 Imlay City Tournament 9 a.m.  
5/20 Marlette (Varsity only)  
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TRACK

All meets at 4 p.m.  
4/22 Ubly/Brown City/Reese  
4/26 Vassar Invite  
4/30 Ubly Invite  
5/3 Reese Invite  
5/7 Laker Invite  
5/10 Bad Axe Invite  
5/14 GTW League Meet at Vassar  
5/18 Regionals  
5/21 Tribune Meet of Champs at Bad Axe  
5/28 Thumb Meet of Champs at Caro  
6/1 State Finals

GOLF

All games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
4/23 Ubly Invite  
4/25 GTC Jamboree at USA  
4/29 Millington ?? at Timbers GC TBA  
5/3 GTC Jamboree at Lakers  
5/6 GTC Jamboree at Bad Axe  
5/9 GTC Jamboree at Cass City  
5/10 GTC Jamboree at BCAS  
5/17 Warner Memorial Invite TBA  
5/15 Brown City Invite TBA  
5/23 Ubly Invite 8 a.m.

GIRLS' SOCCER

All games at 5 p.m. unless noted  
4/15 EPB Lakers 4, Cass City 0  
4/22 USA 3, Cass City 0  
4/24 Harbor Beach (ppd)  
4/26 Sandusky  
4/29 Bad Axe 4, Cass City 0  
5/1 Memphis 6, Cass City 0  
5/3 Marlette 7, Cass City 0  
5/9 EPB Lakers 8, Cass City 0  
5/10 Harbor Beach 8, Cass City 0  
5/13 Bad Axe  
5/15 USA  
5/20 Brown City  
5/22 Harbor Beach 4:30 p.m.  
5-28/6-1 Districts

JR. HIGH TRACK

All games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
4/15 Reese 4:30 p.m.  
4/17 Mayville Invite  
4/24 USA/Vassar 4:30 p.m.  
4/29 Brown City Invite  
5/2 Reese Invite  
5/6 Ubly Invite  
5/9 Marlette Invite  
5/13 GTC League Meet at USA 3:30 p.m.  
5/17 Gavel Club Relays

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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 30th 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 Mayville, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

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

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Dated: May 1, 2013

By: Foreclosing Attorneys  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S  
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 6, 2013.

Said premises are situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A: Part of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 25, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning South 01 degrees 14 minutes 26 seconds West, 1312.77 feet along the East Section line and North 87 degrees 36 minutes 51 seconds West, 200.00 feet along the South line of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter from the East quarter corner of said Section 25; thence continuing North 87 degrees 36 minutes 51 seconds West, 240.86 feet; thence North 01 degrees 14 minutes 26 seconds East, 192.00 feet; thence South 87 degrees 36 minutes 51 seconds East, 240.86 feet thence South 01 degrees 14 minutes 26 seconds West, 192.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Also including that portion of easement to the West boundary line of Parcel A, said easement described as follows:

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Dated: May 8, 2013

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 6, 2013.

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

Unit 4, of the Beechwood Cove Condominium, according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 524, Page(s) 27 through 47, inclusive, modified by Replat No. 1, of Tuscola County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 1, and amended by Second Amendment to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 533, Pages 1407 through 1409, inclusive and as Amended by the Third Amendment to the Master Deed in Liber 538, Pages 933 through 941, modified by Replat No. 2, of Tuscola County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 1, inclusive and designated as Tuscola County Condominium Subdivision Plan Number 1, together with rights in common elements and limited common elements as set forth in the above Master Deed and described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as Amended.

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IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR ONE YEAR, OR IF YOU ARE A DEPENDANT OF AN ACTIVE SERVICE MEMBER, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1400 AS YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS OF THE SERVICEMEMBERS' CIVIL RELIEF ACT.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael L. Moorhouse, a married man and Lisa Moorhouse, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns., Mortgagee, dated October 23, 2002 and recorded November 6, 2002 in Liber 901, Page 530, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, NA by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-One and 1/100 Dollars (\$98,821.01) including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on 06/06/2013.

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

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 30, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, thence North on section line 817.42 feet to the point of beginning; running thence North on section line, 200.0 feet; thence East 435.60 feet; thence South 200 feet; thence West 435.60 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

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

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

Dated: May 8, 2013

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
File No. 326.9099

5-8-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE – Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by R. Mallets and Lauren D. Mallets, husband and wife of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for The Huntington National Bank dated the 16th day of July, 2004, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the day of, as evidenced in Affidavit of Lost or Destroyed Original Document dated January 30, 2006 and recorded February 24, 2006, in Liber 1072, Page 667 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to The Huntington National Bank, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$113,842.81 (one hundred thirteen thousand eight hundred forty-two

and 81/100) plus accrued interest at 3.375% (three point three seven five) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 6th day of June, 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 Fairgrove, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

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

Lot 6 of HILLCREST SUBDIVISION OF THE VILLAGE OF FAIRGROVE, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Pages 27-28. Commonly known as: 5180 Park Drive.

Tax Parcel No.: 036500200060000

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: May 8, 2013

By: Foreclosing Attorneys  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.  
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S  
Troy, MI 48084  
WWR# 10118159

5-8-4

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by THOMAS SABO II AND ANDREA SABO, HUSBAND AND WIFE, Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS) as nominee for MAC-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated the 25th day of June, 2010 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 1st day of July, 2010 in Liber 1201 of Tuscola County Records, page 210, said Mortgage having been assigned to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Fifty Six Thousand Five Hundred Eight and 15/100 (\$56,508.15), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of June, 2013 at 10:00 AM o'clock Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 5.000 per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

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

THE NORTH 180 FEET OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND: COMMENCING AT A POINT 806 1/2 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST, THENCE EAST 330 FEET, THENCE NORTH 180 FEET, THENCE WEST 330 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 180 FEET TO THE BEGINNING.

ALSO DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT A POINT 1057.5 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST, THENCE EAST 330 FEET, THENCE NORTH 180 FEET, THENCE WEST 330 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 180 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

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

Dated: 5/8/2013

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.  
Attorney for JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association  
888 W Big Beaver, Suite 800  
Troy, MI 48084  
248-362-2600  
Chase farm sabo

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by DAVID T. TAYLOR and DOROTHEA M. TAYLOR, husband and wife (collectively, "Mortgagor"), to GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA, a federally chartered corporation, having an office at 3515 West Road, East Lansing, Michigan 48823 (the "Mortgagee"), dated June 18, 2003, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on June 20, 2003, as Instrument No. 200300833492 or Liber 937, Page 1477 (the "Mortgage"). By reason

of such default, the Mortgagee elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of the Mortgage due and payable forthwith. Mortgagee is the owner of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage.

As of the date of this Notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on the Mortgage the sum of Ninety-Eight Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Four and 61/100 Dollars (\$98,124.61). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay the above amount, with interest, as provided in the Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public venue to the highest bidder at the Tuscola County Courthouse in Caro, Michigan on Thursday the 20th day of June, 2013, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

The premises covered by the Mortgage are situated in the Township of Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as follows:

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 13, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, being further described as commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section; thence South 88 degrees 47 minutes 29 seconds East 1115.61 feet along the North Section line to the point of beginning; thence continue South 88 degrees 47 minutes 29 seconds East 238.89 feet along the said Section line to the East line of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4; thence South 01 degrees 03 minutes 28 seconds East 955.56 feet along the East line of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4; thence North 88 degrees 47 minutes 29 seconds West 238.89 feet; thence North 01 degrees 03 minutes 28 seconds West 955.56 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with all fixtures, tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances belonging or in any way appertaining to the premises.

Commonly known as: 3131 Millington Road, Millington, Michigan 48746.  
P.P. #79-017-013-000-0200-05

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale, unless the premises are abandoned. If the premises are abandoned, the redemption period will be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or upon expiration of fifteen (15) days after the Mortgagor is given notice pursuant to MCLA §600.3241a(b) that the premises are considered abandoned and Mortgagor, Mortgagor's heirs, executor, or administrator, or a person lawfully claiming from or under one (1) of them has not given the written notice required by MCLA §600.3241a(c) stating that the premises are not abandoned.

If the premises are sold at a foreclosure sale, under MCLA §600.3278 the Mortgagor will be held responsible to the person who buys the premises at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the Mortgagee for damaging the premises during the redemption period.

Dated: May 15, 2013

GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA  
Mortgagee

Timothy Hillegonds  
WARNER NORCROSS & JUDD LLP  
900 Fifth Third Center  
111 Lyon Street, N.W.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2487  
(616) 752-2000  
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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 Arthur J. Vanadia, single person, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 22, 2005 and recorded on December 29, 2005 in Liber 1066 on Page 1324, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US Bank National Association as Trustee for JP ALT 2006-52 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 Eighty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Seven and 16/100 Dollars (\$184,797.16).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 13, 2013.

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

The Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, lying Easterly of the centerline of M-15 and part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 33, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of Section 33, Township 10 North, Range 8 East; thence South 11 degrees 38 minutes 23 seconds East, 1741.53 feet along an extension of the centerline of State Trunkline M-15 to the point of beginning; running thence East 1382.37 feet; thence North to the North line of Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said section 33; thence Westerly along the North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 and the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 to a point 560 feet Easterly of the centerline of 2-15; thence South 15 feet; thence Westerly to the centerline of M-15; thence along the centerline of M-15, South 11 degrees 38 minutes 23 seconds East to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: May 15, 2013

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
FC X (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422  
File #391561F05

5-15-4

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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 Mindy Near, a single woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Saide Inc., d/b/a Glacier Financial its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 11, 2007, and recorded on January 3, 2008 in Liber 1138 on Page 212, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine and 65/100 Dollars (\$113,479.65).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 13, 2013.

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

The Southeast 70 feet of Lots 7 and 8, Block 1 of Nettleton's Addition to the village of Caro, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, now being Page 12A, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: May 15, 2013

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
FC S (248) 593-1304  
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422  
File #399566F02

5-15-4

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF TUSCOLA

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 13-34362-DE

Estate of THOMAS OSANTOWSKI, JR., deceased  
Date of Birth: 05/02/1930

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Thomas Osantowski, Jr., died 04/29/2013. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Beverly A. Osantowski, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1581 Stirling Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan 48340, and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: 05/10/2013

Beverly A. Osantowski  
1581 Stirling Avenue  
Pontiac, MI 48340  
(248) 346-0108

Duane E. Burgess (P30248)  
121 W. Grant Street, Suite 2  
Caro, MI 48723  
(989) 673-1990

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STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF TUSCOLA

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 13-

# Legal Notices

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE SALE  
THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE IF YOU ARE A BORROWER ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTENTION PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the circuit court at the request of the Plaintiff. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, as determined by the court.

Tuscola County Circuit Court  
Case No. 12-27383-CH

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE JUDICIAL SALE IN PURSUANCE and by virtue of Judgment(s) and/or Order(s) of foreclosure in the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 22nd day of March, 2013, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein HSBC Mortgage Services, Inc. was the Plaintiff and John H. Amend and Cindy Amend were the Defendants. The aforementioned Judgment(s) and/or Order(s) established a debt owing to Plaintiff in the amount of \$236,151.82, plus post-judgment interest at an annual rate of 7.950% and other amounts recoverable pursuant to said Judgment(s) and/or Order(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in order to satisfy said Judgment(s) and/or Order(s), in whole or in part, the property described below shall be sold at public auction, by an authorized sheriff/deputy sheriff or county clerk/deputy county clerk, to the highest bidder, at the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, on the 13th of June, 2013 at 10:00 am, local time.

On said day at said time, the following described property shall be sold: property located in the City of Caro, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, particularly described as:

The East Half of Lots 1 and 2, Block 12 and the East Half of Lot 3, Block 12, except a Strip of Land 10 Feet 8 Inches wide off the East side thereof, According to the Plat of Centerville as Recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 59A, Tuscola County Records.

Tax Parcel ID: 034-500-112-0150-00  
More commonly known as: 419 Gibbs St.

REDEMPTION PERIOD IS SIX MONTHS.

For more information, please call (248) 642-2515  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
31440 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 200  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-5422  
T# 289913L03

4-24-6

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE SALE  
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ATTENTION PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the circuit court at the request of the Plaintiff. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, as determined by the court.

Tuscola County Circuit Court  
Case No. 12-27010-CH

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE JUDICIAL SALE IN PURSUANCE and by virtue of Judgment(s) and/or Order(s) of foreclosure in the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 15th day of November, 2012, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein Household Finance Corporation III was the Plaintiff and Lawrence M. Bills, Jr. and Sandra L. Bills were the Defendants. The aforementioned Judgment(s) and/or Order(s) established a debt owing to Plaintiff in the amount of \$147,495.34, plus post-judgment interest at an annual rate of 8.450% and other amounts recoverable pursuant to said Judgment(s) and/or Order(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in order to satisfy said Judgment(s) and/or Order(s), in whole or in part, the property described below shall be sold at public auction, by an authorized sheriff/deputy sheriff or county clerk/deputy county clerk, to the highest bidder, at the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, on the 13th of June, 2013 at 10:00 am, local time.

On said day at said time, the following described property shall be sold: property located in the City of Caro, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, particularly described as:

Lot 23 and 24 of Indian Hills Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 18.  
Tax Parcel ID: 050-500-400-2300-00  
More commonly known as: 1725 Parkway Dr.

REDEMPTION PERIOD IS SIX MONTHS.

For more information, please call (248) 642-2515  
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Attorneys for Plaintiff  
31440 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 200  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-5422  
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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 Deedee L. Childs and James E. Childs, Wife and Husband, original mortgagors, to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. successor in interest by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 18, 2003 and recorded on November 3, 2003 in Liber 962 on Page 423 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Three and 39/100 Dollars (\$75,663.39).

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 23, 2013.

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 31, Township 12 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 31, thence South along said West line 340.00 feet; thence East parallel to the North line of said Northwest 1/4, 384.35 feet; thence North parallel to West line of said Northwest 1/4, 340.00 feet; thence West along said North line, 384.35 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: April 24, 2013

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:  
FC D (248) 593-1309  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422  
File #420067F03

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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 Tricia M. Slavens, a married woman and Thomas Slavens, her husband, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Saide Inc., d/b/a Glacier Financial its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 15, 2009, and recorded on May 22, 2009 in Liber 1175 on Page 1038, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifteen and 89/100 Dollars (\$73,415.89).

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 23, 2013.

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

Part of Lot 1, Block 3 of the Assessor's Plat of the Village of Akron, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 78-79, now being pages 28B-30B, Tuscola County Records, described as: Beginning at a point on the East line of Main Street which is South 01 degrees 11 minutes East, 380.50 feet and North 88 degrees 56 minutes 12 seconds East 33.00 feet from the North 1/4 corner of Section 3, Town 13 North, Range 8 East; thence parallel to the North line of said Section 3, North 88 degrees 56 minutes 12 seconds East, 132.00 feet; thence South 01 degrees 10 minutes 58 seconds East, 120.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 56 minutes 12 seconds West, 132.00 feet to the East line of Main Street; thence North 01 degrees 11 minutes West 120.00 feet along said East line to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: April 24, 2013

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Shaun F. Barrett and Karissa A. Barrett, Husband and Wife, the Entirety, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 6, 2003, and recorded on November 13, 2003 in Liber 964 on Page 219, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverBank 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-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Three and 21/100 Dollars (\$88,733.21).

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 30, 2013.

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

Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence South 0 degrees 17 minutes West 440.20 feet along the East line of said Section 2 to the point of beginning; running thence South 0 degrees 17 minutes West 220.00 feet along the East line of said Section 2; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 31 seconds West , 668.14 feet; thence North 0 degrees 10 minutes 31 seconds East 220.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 31 seconds East 668.55 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part 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.

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

Dated: May 1, 2013

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel W Dulaney Jr., a married man, and Ruth Dulaney his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 9, 2005, and recorded on March 10, 2005 in Liber 1030 on Page 906, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on August 22, 2005 in Liber 1051 on Page 1, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand One Hundred Nineteen and 80/100 Dollars (\$140,119.80).

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 30, 2013.

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at a point on the East and West 1/4 Line of Section 12, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, 87 feet West of the Northeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12, thence due West along said 1/4 line 170 feet, thence South 00 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds East 300 feet, thence due East parallel with said 1/4 line 170 feet, thence North 00 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds West 300 feet to point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: May 1, 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 John LaRue and Sara LaRue, husband and wife, original mortgagors, to National City Mortgage Services Co, Mortgagee, dated September 19, 2002, and recorded on September 30, 2002 in Liber 896 on Page 97, and modified by agreement dated November 1, 2008, and recorded on February 20, 2009 in Liber 1167 on Page 1359, and assigned by said Mortgagee to PNC Bank, National Association, successor by merger to National City Bank, successor by merger to National City Mortgage Co. 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-Five Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Six and 26/100 Dollars (\$85,266.26).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 30, 2013.

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

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 4, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, described as Beginning at a point on the centerline of Ellis Road that is West 333.13 feet along the South line of Section 4 and North 32 degrees 19 minutes 10 seconds West, 700 feet from the South 1/4 corner of Section 4, North 32 degrees 19 minutes 10 seconds West, 150 feet along centerline of Ellis Road, thence West 589.61 feet; thence South 20 degrees 40 minutes 25 seconds East, 135.49 feet; thence East 621.98 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: May 1, 2013

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE  
TUSCOLA COUNTY

MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the

terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Tony M. Malicowski and Joslyn E. Malicowski, husband and wife, dated November 14, 2008 and recorded on November 17, 2008, in Liber 1162, Page 74, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said Mortgage is held by Frankenmuth Credit Union. The sum claimed to be due and owing on said Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$50,616.06, with interest accruing at \$8.78 per diem.

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 shall be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Tuscola County Circuit Court, 440 N. State St., Caro, MI 48723, at 10:00 am on Thursday, May 30, 2013. The Mortgagee will apply the sales proceeds to the debt secured by the Mortgage as stated above, plus interest on the amount due at a rate of interest equal to 6.500% per annum; all legal costs and expenses, including attorney's fees allowed by law; and also any amount paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interest in the property.

The properties to be sold at foreclosure are all that real estate situated in the Township of Denmark, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as follows:

A parcel of land in the Southeast quarter of Section 30, Township 12 North, Range 7 East, described as: Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 30 and extending South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along the East section line 1,026.26 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along said Section line, 97.42 feet; thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes 02 seconds West 190.56 feet; thence North 03 degrees 59 minutes 30 seconds East 97.60 feet; thence South 89 degrees 29 minutes 59 seconds East 183.77 feet to the point of beginning. Also known as Lot 5, except the South 12 feet of Luebker's Addition, an unrecorded plat.

Tax Parcel ID No. 006-500-100-3900-00  
Commonly known as: 3360 South Van Buren, Reese, MI 48757

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to M.C.L. §600.3240(7).

April 23, 2013

FRANKENMUTH CREDIT UNION

Kilpatrick & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Frankenmuth Credit Union  
903 N. Opdyke Rd., Suite C  
Auburn Hills, MI 48326  
(248) 377-0700

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Christina A. Dawe, A Single Woman, original mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 26, 2002, and recorded on November 13, 2002 in Liber 901 on Page 1444, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Four and 27/100 Dollars (\$97,824.27).

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 30, 2013.

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

Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 32, Township 12 North, Range 11 East, described as the East 1/2 of: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner, Section 32, Township 12 North, Range 11 East, running thence South 0 degrees 09 minutes 01 seconds East 1960.27 feet along existing North-South 1/4 line fence; thence South 89 degrees 43 minutes East 509.34 feet along an old existing fence; thence North 0 degrees 09 minutes 00 seconds West 1964.66 feet; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes 30 seconds West 509.34 feet along the North Section line to the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: May 1, 2013

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

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, Village of Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at a point 5 rods South of the South boundary line of Kinsbury Alley on the East line of Pine Street; thence South 3 rods; thence East to a point within 22.5 feet of the center of Alder Creek Drain; thence North parallel with said drain 3 rods; thence West to the place of beginning.

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

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Dated: May 1, 2013

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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422  
File #412501F03

5-1-4

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by James Henderson Jr., a married man, and Jodi Henderson, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 13, 2009 and recorded April 21, 2009 in Liber 1172 Page 1481, and re-recorded on April 11, 2013 in Liber 1276 Page 1288 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Flagstar Bank, FSB, by assignment dated March 6, 2013 and recorded March 12, 2013 in Liber 1274, Page 166, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand One Hundred Eight Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$122,108.60) including interest 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, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on May 30, 2013.

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

Part of the South one half of the Southeast one quarter of the Southeast one quarter of Section 35, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as: Beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 35; thence West 584.00 feet along the South line of Section 35, thence North 43 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 69.30 feet to an iron re-rod at the edge of pond; thence North 43 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 261.94 feet to a point in said pond; thence South 83 degrees 17 minutes 17 seconds East, 151.22 feet to a fence post at the edge of said pond; thence South 83 degrees 17 minutes 17 seconds East 209.00 feet to a point on the East line of said Section 35; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 06 seconds East 200.15 feet along the East line to the point of beginning. Commonly known as 3510 Swaffer Rd., Millington, MI 48746.

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

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

Dated: 5/01/2013

Flagstar Bank, FSB  
Assignee of Mortgagee  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph Arnz, a married man, and Bronnie E. Arnz, his wife, to Metro Finance, Mortgagee, dated May 31, 2005 and recorded June 22, 2005 in Liber 1043, Page 168, and , Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, NA by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date here-of the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Four and 73/100 Dollars (\$109,784.73) including interest at 6.5% 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 JUNE 13, 2013.

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

City of Vassar Lot 61 of Broad-Lea Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 28 and 29 of Plats, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

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

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

Dated: May 15, 2013

Orlans Associates, PC.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007  
File No. 13-004445

5-15-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the conditions of certain Mortgage made by LINDA L. WOOD, a single woman, of 6036 3rd Street, Mayville, MI 48744, to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture, with its Office being located at 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, the Mortgage, the Mortgage being dated March 3, 1997, and recorded March 4, 1997, in Liber 706, Pages 475-478 in Tuscola County Records, such Mortgage being given to secure Promissory Note payable to the Government, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of May 15, 2013, for principal, interest and other charges, the sum of FIFTY NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO AND 37/100 (\$59,752.37) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

Now, Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the County Courthouse at 440 N. State Street, in the City of Caro, County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the Mortgage together with 7.25% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale;

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

Lot 10, Block 4 of William Turner's Second Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 29, now being page 30A.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

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

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

Dated: May 15, 2013

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

Michael I. Conlon (P43954)  
Running, Wise, Ford, P.L.C.  
326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686  
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# Prescribed burns help to manage habitat

**by Ryan Walker  
Freelance Writer**

Motorists traveling on M-81 west of Cass City May 2 drove past a plume of smoke that, as darkness set in, gave way to an orange glow.

Normally, fire eating away at the contents of a field would send a wave of panic through the landowner, but this particular fire didn't raise the anxiety level of the owner. In fact, the owner, Tom Lounsbury, welcomed the blaze. Lounsbury had contacted Don Schank, owner of Michigan Fire Pros, LLC of Clifford, to perform a prescribed burn on a 40-acre mixed prairie grass field located on Lounsbury's property.

The purpose of the prescribed burn was to improve the wildlife habitat located within the field.

"It really revitalizes prairie grass and cleans out the thatch. It also puts nutrients back into the soil," explained Lounsbury. Schank added, "It's a cheap and natural way of maintaining habitat."

Lounsbury maintains 3 large fields of prairie grass on his family's farm. Each spring a different field is burned which creates a 3-year burning cycle. Lounsbury explained that fire cleans out dead grass and natural debris that hampers the growth of new grass. Schank said a prescribed burn also helps create a longer growing season for the prairie grass because it leaves the blackened remains which draw heat thus warming the ground up quicker.

When deciding to initiate a prescribed burn for wildlife habitat, Schank points out timing is a key element.

"Timing is crucial. It goes back to your objective," he said, noting woody material such as autumn olive and willow can withstand a burn if it's early enough in the spring that their buds are closed. If the buds are open it can set their growth back or even kill them.

Schank has plenty of experience when it comes to prescribed burns. This is the fourth fire season for his company. Prior to starting the business, he worked as a keyman fire fighter for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for 15 fire seasons.

During his time providing prescribed burns, Schank has worked with 3 main types of burns intended to enhance wildlife habitat. The burn that took place on Lounsbury's property was considered a prairie burn. Schank also conducts woodland understory burns and marsh burns; he once took part in a marsh burn that covered 313 acres in southern Michigan.

Typically the fire season for Schank falls during the summer months. "Basically it's once the snow leaves until fall," he said. During the fire season, he and his crew of usually 5 to 6 members remain busy handling the duties that accompany a burn.

Once the landowner contacts

Schank, the process begins. Prior to the burn, Schank assesses the property to create a safe and strategic plan, and then he provides a cost estimate. Next, he pulls all the necessary legal permits and documents. Just before the burn, he notifies local fire departments and, in some cases, the local sheriff's department.

The burn itself is a well-orchestrated event where Schank directs the crew and the use of the equipment. The equipment present at Lounsbury's burn consisted of a pair of four-wheelers equipped with water tanks, a 4-wheel drive truck with a water tank that holds 225 gallons of water and dip torches needed

to start the fire.

Schank estimated his crew only used 5 gallons of water during the few hours they were at Lounsbury's field. Those numbers vary according to the size of the field and conditions present at the time of the burn. "Every burn is its own burn," he said.



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**TWO EMPLOYEES OF Michigan Fire Pros, LLC, monitor the recent prescribed burn on Cass City area resident Tom Lounsbury's property. Prescribed burns are a tool used to improve wildlife habitat.**

## Kumar named Childhood Immunization Champion

Parikshit S. Kumar M.D. from Caro Family Physicians, in Caro, has been named a Childhood Immunization Champion in recognition of his outstanding efforts to promote childhood immunization.

Each year, in connection with National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW), the CDC Foundation and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) honor health professionals and community leaders from around the country with the CDC Childhood Immunization Champion awards. These awards acknowledge exemplary individuals who go above and beyond to promote or foster immunizations among children 0-2 years old in their communities.

"Immunization plays a key role in protecting the health of America's children," said Dr. Melinda Wharton, acting director of CDC's National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases. "Ensuring that all children are immunized requires a cadre of dedicated health professionals and community leaders nationwide. The Champion awards give us the opportunity to salute these individuals for their service to our children."

Dr. Kumar promotes immunizations within his practice and in the Caro community. He is a pediatrician that participates in the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program in Tuscola

County and collaborates with the Tuscola County Immunization Coalition to decrease barriers to vaccines.

"Immunizations are a top priority for me and my office, I am very honored to receive this award," said Dr. Kumar. "I believe that immunizations are important in preventing communicable diseases. It is my goal to immunize all children and to educate parents that refuse vaccines, getting them to change their minds."



The 2013 CDC Childhood Immunization Champions were selected from a pool of health care professionals, coalition members, community advocates and other immunization leaders. State and Territorial Immunization Programs coordinated the nomination process and notified CDC of their recommendations.

NIIW is an annual observance to highlight the importance of protecting infants from vaccine-preventable diseases and to celebrate the achievements of immunization programs in promoting healthy communities throughout the United States. Each year, during NIIW, communities across the U.S. celebrate the CDC Childhood Immunization Champions. These award recipients are being recognized for the important contributions they have made to public health through their work in childhood immunization.

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