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School, teachers still negotiating contract

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Teachers in the Cass City School District are more than a month into the 2013-14 school year, but still don't have a new contract. Representatives of both the school district and the Cass City Education Association have been meeting to negotiate a new labor agreement since early spring, and they've

agreed on much of what the new contract will include — with the key exception being teachers' salaries, according to school Supt. Jeff Hartel. Hartel along with Cass City Board of Education President Craig Bellew and Trustee Dave Osentoski serve as the district's negotiation team, while the union is being represented at the table by teachers Mary Keroson, Jane Reif and Josh Stern. Both sides were slated to meet again early this week in an effort to iron out the final details, Hartel said. The teachers' previous two-year contract expired in mid-August. "It's been rare that we've had to start the (school) year without a contract. It's never a good climate," commented Cass City Education Association President Kris Milligan, a veteran educator of 34 years. Although Milligan isn't directly

involved in negotiations, she said it's her understanding that the union's bargaining team has tentatively agreed on portions of the new contract. As for the question of settling on economic issues, Milligan pointed out that local teachers made concessions when school officials were struggling financially a couple years ago. Now the outlook has improved, she said, and union officials feel the district is in a position to resume "step" pay increases, which are incremental salary hikes based on years of service. "I would assume...that our (negotiations team) has asked for those steps back — that would be the bare minimum," Milligan said. "When the district was in tight times, we took that pay freeze. We didn't get any steps," she noted.

"Over the past 4 years, there has been no movement, so if you were at Step One 4 years ago, you're still there. And the steps have not been increased in 6 or 7 years. "Jeff has very much said the district is not in dire straits. The school has said that the fund balance is looking pretty good," Milligan said. "We've worked with the district. Now we want it (steps) back." Milligan said the teaching staff is well aware of the financial challenges school officials have faced in recent years, including a significant loss of funding due to shrinking enrollment numbers. At the same time, however, teachers have also sacrificed to help meet those challenges, and the district isn't dealing with the same staff size it was a decade ago. "In 2004 we had 90 teachers,"

Milligan said. "This year we have 56. I know student numbers have gone down, but so have ours." While school officials have frozen step increases, the teachers' most recent labor agreement provided them with what Hartel calls "off-salary adjustments" — one-time stipends of \$2,500 per instructor 2 years ago and another \$2,000 last year. "It was just a way to give them some money," Hartel said. "It was a way of saying the district's not in a position to increase the steps, but here's some money. You're doing a good job." Hartel agreed the district's bottom line has improved over the past several months, with school officials projecting a fund balance of roughly \$792,000, an amount equal to 8.7 percent of the 2013-14 general fund budget. In addition, the Cass City Schools received an additional \$60 per student in state funding this year. However, Hartel pointed out that rising costs and adjustments in other types of funding at the state level have erased that increase and then some.

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Hospital building own retail pharmacy

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Hills and Dales General Hospital officials have broken ground for a new retail and drive-through pharmacy in town. Expected to total 1,900 square feet, the new Hospital Drive Pharmacy will be connected to the MARC Building. The facility will be staffed with at least one full-time pharmacist as well as a part-time pharmacist and three pharmacy technicians, bringing five new jobs to Cass City, according to hospital spokeswoman Danielle Blaine, who said the pharmacy will carry prescription as well as over-



MOTHER NATURE SERVED up dreary skies for this year's Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival Grand Parade Sunday afternoon in Caro, but the weather didn't dampen the spirits of area residents who turned out to watch or participate in the event. Above, the Cass City High School Marching Band, under the direction of Laura Curtis, represented Cass City well during the 33rd annual festival parade.

Cass City up 11 kids over projections in spending plan

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

As guesswork goes in budgeting, Cass City School officials came out on the positive side in the area of enrollment this fall following last week's biannual statewide student count. "We budgeted for 1,052 (students), which currently means we are 11 students ahead from what we budgeted for," school Supt. Jeff Hartel reported Thursday, a day after the official count. The Cass City Public Schools' total enrollment added up to 1,063 students — 564 in the elementary grades and 499 at the junior-senior high school. In spite of the surplus of kids in the Cass City Schools — 11 students equals roughly \$77,286 in state funding — officials are no closer to estimating the district's total revenue for this fiscal year than they were when they adopted a 2013-14 budget at the end of June. The reason lies in Lansing, where state officials have revised the timing involved in the formula which schools depend on to calculate their annual revenues, making it more difficult for school administrators to estimate what their income will be. In past years, state officials "blended" enrollment counts taken by all public schools twice a year; once during the previous February and again in the fall — state officials place a heavy emphasis on the fall tally, which is worth 90 percent of

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Fighting the fight

Susie Dennis taking on breast cancer with courage, support

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Cancer has proven itself to be an indiscriminate enemy, striking terror into the hearts and minds of count-

less women and men. But the disease may just have met its match in Susie Dennis. Dennis, a longtime Cass City resident and familiar face at Gilligan's where she's worked as a server for

more than a dozen years, was diagnosed with breast cancer last spring. She's since undergone two surgeries and is a couple weeks away from completing radiation treatments. Dennis, whose diagnosis hasn't dimmed her bright smile or independent nature, is quick to say that facing her own mortality was a rude awakening. But she'll also tell you she has no intention of letting cancer get the best of her, now or ever. "It's not an option. I have 4 children and family in town. It's exhausting sometimes, but...it's just not a battle I'm ready to give up on," Dennis commented Monday. "I have amazing friends and family, and this community — just blew my mind over the weekend," Dennis added, referring to a fundraiser organized by her co-workers and attended by hundreds of area residents at Gilligan's Saturday afternoon. "I don't really have a word to describe it," she said. "I am surrounded by good people."

Dennis grew up in Detroit but has lived in Cass City since she was 14, graduating from Cass City High School in 1981. Her diagnosis of breast cancer came in April after scheduling a long-overdue check-up. "I just felt something different. I wasn't sure if it was a lump," she said. "I hadn't been to a doctor in 15 years." A lumpectomy revealed cancer in her left breast. "It's incredibly scary. It's very emotional," she said of hearing the word "cancer" for the first time. "I wasn't afraid so much. The waiting was absolutely the hardest part." Dennis, who immediately began doing her own research to learn more about her condition, later underwent two lymph node dissections, which enabled doctors to "stage" the disease to determine if the cancer had metastasized or spread. The news was good — the cancer had not spread to her lymph nodes. Dennis anticipated being declared cancer-free after completing radiation therapy. Please turn to page 8.



Susie Dennis

Chronicle honored with two 2013 MPA awards

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The Cass City Chronicle was honored with two awards in the 2013 Michigan Press Association (MPA) Better Newspaper Contest. The contest results were recently announced in conjunction with National Newspaper Week, Oct. 6-12. The observation annually emphasizes the importance of newspapers to communities large and small. This year's theme is: "Your Community, Your Newspaper, Your Life". Members of the Nebraska Press Association reviewed more than 3,100 entries submitted by 114 Michigan newspapers when they judged this year's MPA contest, which saw participation among the state's newspapers increase by 11 percent. In the category of Local Columnist, Chronicle Editor Tom Montgomery was awarded second place in the Class D Weekly Newspaper division (circulation of under 4,000) for his weekly "Reporter's Notebook" column. There were a total of 19 entries among Class D newspapers in the category. Montgomery also earned second-place honors among 52 entries submitted in the Feature Story category for his story entitled "No more cancer! — 6-year-old Wyatt Sutton wins fight against lymphoma". The story, published in the Chronicle's Jan. 23, 2013, edition, focused on the Cass City boy's battle with and victory over Burkitt's Lymphoma, an aggressive cancer of the lymph system. "What a heartwarming, wonderful story!" the judges commented. "This was such a tough category with lots of entries! This story was very, very good." In all, the Chronicle has received 18 MPA awards over the past several years in various categories ranging from news and features to columns and editorials. In 2011, the local paper earned first-place honors in the Class D Weekly Newspaper General Excellence category.


Curtis scheduled to host anti-bullying fundraiser

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Curtis Chrysler Dodge Jeep in Cass City is gearing up to participate in a nationwide project designed to increase awareness of bullying. The local effort, one of many planned in conjunction with National

Bullying Prevention Awareness Month, is slated for Wednesday, Oct. 16 from 3:45 to 6:45 p.m. during a Cass City Schools band concert. The local dealership will host a Chrysler "Drive for the Kids" fundraiser to benefit the school and educate parents on how to prevent

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Cass City Schools Enrollment History (actual fall count)		
School Year		Students
2013-14.....		1,063
2012-13.....		1,082
2011-12.....		1,122
2010-11.....		1,162
2009-10.....		1,210
2008-09.....		1,303
2007-08.....		1,358
2006-07.....		1,463
2005-06.....		1,496
2004-05.....		1,520
2003-04.....		1,531
2002-03.....		1,575
2001-02.....		1,602

Owen-Gage announces “students of month”

Four recognized as productive citizens

Officials in the Owendale-Gagetown School District recently honored their October “focus” students, who were rec-



Aubrey Hellebuyck

ognized for being productive citizens.

Students selected for the honor are actively involved in school and community organizations, conduct themselves appropriately in and out of class, and display open-mindedness when confronted with diversity. They



Luke Retford

are also aware of local and global issues and concerns.

The following students were chosen: Aubrey Hellebuyck, kindergarten (elementary level), daughter of Anthony Hellebuyck and Ashley Shepherd; Luke Retford, eighth grade (junior high level), son of John and Gina Retford; Andrea McCreedy, 11th grade (high school level), daughter of Keith and Bev McCreedy; and Alena Lotter, senior (“Senior Student of the Month”), daughter of Alan and Emily Lotter.



Andrea McCreedy

Lotter named top senior

Alena Lotter has been named Owendale-Gagetown School’s “Senior Student of the Month” for October.

School officials say Lotter is very dedicated to academics. She has been on the honor roll and a member of the district’s 3.0 Honors Club each year. During her sophomore year, she was inducted into Owen-Gage’s chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS). She currently serves as the chapter’s historian.

Lotter served as class treasurer during her sophomore year and is currently senior class treasurer. She has been a member of the yearbook staff for the past 2 years, and as a senior is a member of the cheerleading squad. A representative for homecoming as a junior, she was nominated as a homecoming queen candidate this year.

Lotter is in her second year of attending the Information Management Systems Program at the Huron Area Technical Center (HATC). She is also taking dual-

enrollment classes at the HATC through Mid Michigan Community College.

In her spare time, Lotter enjoys reading, writing, photography and playing music. The daughter of Alan and Emily Lotter, her future includes plans to attend college to study music production.



Alena Lotter

M. Biddinger appointed to the Academy’s Board of Governors

The American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys has recently announced that Michelle P. Biddinger, Attorney at Law has been appointed to the Academy’s Board of

Governors.

In her new capacity, Biddinger will serve as an advisor and help guide the direction of the national member organization. She joins eight other

attorneys from around the country on the prestigious Board, which is the most important advisory panel to the senior management team at the Academy. Board members participate in research and development and provide feedback on all new Academy products and services.

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Adamczyk junior member of American Angus Assoc.

Taylor Adamczyk, Kingston, is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports Bryce Schumann, CEO of the national organization with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Mo.

Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association, partic-

ipate in programs conducted by the National Junior Angus Association and take part in association-sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

The American Angus Association is the largest beef breed association in the world, with nearly 25,000 active adult and junior members.

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WHAT FORMER Cass City resident included this cupola on his 3-story Victorian home? Find out at the Elkland Township Cemetery Walk on Sunday, Oct. 27. Tickets are available at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City. For more information, call (989) 872-2856.

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In Our OPINION...

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Pinktober “party” in village welcomes all

Drive through Cass City these days and you’re bound see more than a handful of pink murals, ribbons — even bras adorning local businesses. Look closely and chances are good you’ll even spot a traveling pink toilet.

No, it isn’t Mardi Gras Cass City style; it’s Pinktober, and this is the third year community businesses and residents — both the young and young at heart — have joined forces and shared experiences in an effort to place the spotlight on breast cancer.

It’s a month-long observance filled with interesting activities throughout town, all with a bottom line of raising awareness and money for the American Cancer Society.

There’s no shortage of ways to participate. Throughout the month you can buy pink bows by contacting Joey Kreeger at (989) 912-0059, vote for the best business window decorations during the finale event Wednesday, Oct. 30, in Rotary Park, or buy a breast cancer shirt at Prographix, which is donating a portion of the proceeds to the “Love for Lexi” fund.

Pinktober will conclude with the finale celebration Oct. 30, including a Home & Hospice Community Quilt at 4 p.m. at Cherished Treasurers, a 5K “Glow” Run/Walk downtown at 6:30 p.m., a town wide “Pink or Treat in the Street” open house from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., a Pinktober pizza eating contest at Maria’s at 5 p.m., and the Pinktober Talent Show at 7 p.m. in Rotary Park.

You can check out the full Pinktober calendar of events at www.casscitychamber.com (click on “events” under the main menu, and then Pinktober). More information is also available by calling (989) 872-4618.

More and more patients are beating breast cancer by following recommendations regarding undergoing clinical breast exams (women ages 20 and older should have one every 3 years) and mammograms (recommended for women 40 years old and older every year).

Early detection is the key, according to health officials, who say the five-year survival rate among women whose breast cancer has not spread beyond the breast at the time of diagnosis is 98 percent.

In fact, breast cancer incidence rates decreased from 135.8 per 100,000 women in 2000 to 119.8 per 100,000 women in 2009. Likewise, there has been a decline in mortality rates among women in Michigan, falling from 26.1 deaths per 100,000 women in 2001 to 23.8 deaths per 100,000 in 2010.

Still, breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths among Michigan women and is the most frequently diagnosed cancer.

So if you live in Cass City or are just visiting this month, please get involved in Pinktober events — have some fun and be part of a something that touches literally millions of lives.



Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

The mower fix



My husband went out to mow the lawn last week. The good news: he came back. The bad news: he came back after cutting only half of the back yard. He entered the kitchen with an announcement.

“Mower’s broken,” he said.

“Not again,” I said, feeling like we were caught in a moment of déjà vu — which we were, sort of.

When it comes to lawn mowers, he and I have witnessed our fair share of failures. We buy them. Use them for a short time. They break. The cycle repeats. Because of our history of bad mower karma, I had no reason to doubt my husband’s latest declaration of death. Still, he perceived this breakdown as significant, somehow.

“You’ve got to see this,” he said.

No I don’t, I half whispered, half screamed inside my head, hoping he hadn’t suddenly become telepathic. I couldn’t imagine how a broken mower could in any way be of any interest to me.

“I believe you. The lawn mower’s broken,” I said, trying to keep disinterest from leaking into my inflection. I wanted to go back to peeling potatoes or collecting dust bunnies or doing whatever I had been doing before he broke the lawn mower (again).

“The engine came loose from the base,” he said, as though this impressive piece of information would entice me into the back yard.

“I believe you,” I said for the second time in as many minutes. “No need to prove anything to me.” (Trust is important in a marriage.)

“C’m on,” he said taking me by the arm and leading me to the back door. “Humor me.” (Humor is important in a marriage.)

And that is how I found myself in our back yard, staring nose to nose with a lawn mower, which was indeed broken — not that I’d had any doubt. The base, or whatever you call it, appeared cracked along the inside edges where it was supposed to attach to the engine. I figured we had ourselves another dead machine. I pictured the broken beast taking its place in a hidden part of the back yard, behind the garage, next to the two other inoperative mowers residing there.

My husband had a different idea. It seems the base was irreparable, but the motor was a quality one, still in working order and simply in need

Letters to the Editor

Pinktober organizers in town deserve our praise

Editor,

As we move into Pinktober I am amazed at the many window displays and at the number of events marking this significant effort to defeat breast cancer!

Congratulations to Joey Kreeger and her committee for all the work they have done to make the month a successful and meaningful time to make us all aware of the challenge before us.

Bert Althaver
Cass City

DFA plant “harvest” a rewarding experience

The late Steven Covey, the highly acclaimed author of “The Seven Habits of Highly Successful People,” wrote about the “Law of the Farm.”

He explained that for a farmer to find success, he or she must plan before planting in the spring. Nutrients are added when necessary. Somebody hoes or cultivates the field. The farmer looks to the sky and prays for good weather. Months later, if all the work has been done and God smiled on the field, there is a harvest.

We are soon to see an example of the Law of the Farm locally with the building of the new Dairy Farmers of America’s \$40 million ingredient processing facility in Cass City.

The project has been a long time coming. In fact, I first got involved not long after I was elected to my first term. Several sites in Michigan were competing with other places across the nation for the facility. I worked with several of our local communities as they prepared their proposals before the company decided on the Cass City location. And even then the outcome was far from assured.

I was told by several “experts” that the project would never take off, and for a while, it looked as if they were right. In fact, I joke that I knew that this would never be accomplished within a state representative’s 6-year term limit, so I took two years off to see it to its conclusion.

Last winter I was contacted by Jerry Peterson of Harbor Beach who is an influential National Board member of Dairy Farmers of America (DFA). He urged me to help with

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of an undamaged carriage on which to sit. We just happened to have two, resting (in peace) behind the garage.

“We’ll swap out one engine for another,” he said. “No problem.”

Sure, piece of cake, I thought. This is my lucky day. Despite my disinterest and lack of mechanical aptitude, I reconciled myself to the fact that I was in for an adventure. (Adventure is important in a marriage.)

And that is how I found myself squatting, in the least attractive of positions, on the driveway over a partially dismembered lawn mower, holding various pieces steady (or trying to) while my husband cajoled four bolts through holes in the base to secure the engine in place.


Four bolts. The premise was a simple one even I could understand — righty tighty and all that technical jargon. Trouble is, our bolts were troublesome little nuts. Apparently, they’d missed the memo explaining the task they were created to do, causing us to experience something of an attachment disorder. After 20 minutes into the task, my arms ached from exertion. Thirty minutes in and the circulation in my legs ceased to exist. I shifted positions and held tight to the engine. Black oil dripped down onto my fingers, threatening my ability to get a grip.

My husband and I wrestled and coerced (the bolts, not each other) and after much expulsion of effort, one by one the little doohickeys took their place and attached to the engine. Success! Score one for us. We high fived and I went inside to wash the motor oil off my hands.

Admittedly, I was happy we’d tackled the impossible. We’d fixed the broken mower. There’s nothing as satisfying as a completed task.

Now if I could only get him to finish mowing the lawn.

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, playwright and author of “The Do-It-Yourselfer’s Guide to Self-Syndication” You can read more columns at the Slices of Life page on Facebook.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Pinktober is on full display at the Chronicle. Leading the band wagon is sales rep. Krysta Boyce.

She created our front window display for the month-long affair devoted to raising awareness about breast cancer. Check out her handy work and let us know what you think. And as Krysta says, Stop the Press! Put cancer to rest!

Charles Beyette recently resigned from his duties on the local planning commission. In a letter to Peter Cristiano, Beyette wrote: I have been a member of the Planning Commission well past my “appointed time” and feel it is time for a younger person to replace me. It has been a pleasure to participate in the welfare of Cass City.

As a nearly life-long member of the village, thank you Mr. Beyette for your service.

In the spirit of Halloween, our local library is offering 2 special programs in October.

On Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 7:00 p.m. the Thumb of Michigan Paranormal Society (THUMPS) presents “A Look To The Other Side” featuring information about the inception of THUMPS and evidence that they have collected during their previous ghost hunting investigations.

On Monday, Oct. 28, from 6-8:30 p.m. Rawson Library has invited the Organization for Bat Conversation to show the public some of their animals.

You are invited to come see an owl, bat and flying squirrel and learn how they survive in their nighttime environment.



Contact Jesika at the library for more information about either program at 989-872-2856.

You have until Nov. 21 to sign up for The Friends of Rawson Memorial Library’s trip to Rochester, Michigan.

The event is planned for Dec. 5 and tickets cost \$50 and includes: transportation, tour of the historic city, wine tasting, shopping and more. Contact Gail Smith at 989-872-3121 for more information or to purchase tickets.

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

Social News

The Cass City Chronicle will gladly publish social news free of charge. Social news includes: engagements, weddings, anniversaries, college graduations, birth announcements and similar items. There is a \$4 fee to include a photo.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Wednesday, October 9

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.

Turkey dinner with all the trimmings, served family style promptly at noon at the Cass City United Methodist Church, located at 5100 Cemetery Rd. Cost is \$7.00. For takeouts, call 872-4604 and pick up between 11 a.m. and 12 noon or after 12:30 p.m. on the day of the dinner.

Thursday, October 10

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

Caregiver Connection, 3:30 p.m., Country Gardens, Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon. For more information, call Marie at (989) 453-5222.

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

Saturday, October 12

AA meeting, 10-11 a.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Ubly Rd., Argyle. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church).

Thumb Dance Club featuring “The Natural Tones (TNT)”, Sweetest Day Dance, Sandusky Maple Valley School, 138 Maple Valley St., Sandusky. Dancing from 7-11 p.m. Everyone welcome- bring finger foods (for 9 p.m.) and friends! Questions call Leola (810) 657-9349 or Dorothy (810) 404-4250. Admission: \$5 (members) & \$6 (non-members).

Monday, October 14

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

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

Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

VFW monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

Tuesday, October 15

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.

While lighting stove

Man seriously hurt in explosion

by **Tom Montgomery**
Editor

An apparent propane gas explosion left a Tuscola County man seriously injured last week.

Few details have been released following the accident, but Tuscola County Undersheriff Glen Skrent said deputies and Akron police were dispatched to a home at the

corner of Manke Drive and Owen Road in Wisner Township Tuesday afternoon to investigate a reported explosion. The Akron and Unionville fire departments along with ACW Ambulance personnel responded as well.

Preliminary reports indicated the victim, Doug Shippey, 69, was attempting to light his stove to cook when the explosion occurred,

according to Skrent. “Neighbors heard him yelling for help and went to pull him out of the collapsed house,” he said. “Neighbors did smell propane when they pulled him out.”

Shippey was flown from the scene by LifeNet Helicopter to a hospital for treatment. His condition was not available at press time.

Circuit court news

Several charged with felonies

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

*Randal S. Myers, 44, Fairgrove, entered pleas of no contest to one count of criminal sexual conduct, third degree, and 2 counts of criminal sexual conduct, fourth degree, involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years June 27 in Wells Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case, bond was continued at \$50,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff’s department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Robert C. Abfalter, 45, Gagetown, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Aug. 14 in Elkland Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$6,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Brandon S. Miles, 20, Vassar, pleaded no contest to charges of domestic violence, third offense, and domestic violence - aggravated assault Aug. 13 in Vassar Township.

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

*Brian K. Peterson, 38, Otisville, pleaded no contest to charges of attempted possession of a controlled

substance and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor May 4, 2012, in Millington.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$7,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Cory K. Estes, 23, Saginaw, pleaded no contest to a charge of possession of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (less than 25 grams) March 17 in Reese. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$3,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff’s department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Nathan D. Hurley, 37, Caro, pleaded guilty to 3 counts of stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without consent of the device-holder April 27-30 in the city of Caro/Indianfields Township.

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

*Keith A. Pelton, 55, Caro, pleaded guilty to one count of criminal sexual conduct, fourth degree, Aug. 5 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$8,000 and the defendant was remanded to the Michigan Department of Corrections. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Steven L. Waldrop Jr., 30, Millington, pleaded guilty to charges of possession of a firearm by a felon and possession of marijuana May 22 in Millington Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (2 prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$8,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the department of corrections.

Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Gregory A. Harmon, 23, Mayville, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 20 in Mayville.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Thomas G. Dolmage, 31, Vassar, pleaded no contest to distributing sexually explicit visual or verbal matter to children May 5 in Vassar.

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

*Alexandria P. Dolmage, 19, Vassar, pleaded no contest to distributing sexually explicit visual or verbal matter to children May 5 in Vassar.

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

*Mark E. Hess, 56, Caro, was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail, with work release and worksite privileges, following his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, May 26 in Caro.

He was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to complete 480 hours of community service and pay court costs and fines totaling \$2,398 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*Bryan L. Myre, 46, Coin, Iowa, pleaded no contest to charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor and assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer July 20 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (3 or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$40,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff’s department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

Cass City enrollment better than expected in fall count

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the total. However, this year’s fall tally will be blended with the count conducted next February.

Under the previous formula, schools could begin estimating their revenue for the fiscal year, which ends June 30, following the fall count. Now, however, school officials won’t have a handle on revenue until the fiscal year is nearly over.

“We anticipate knowing what our true revenues will be in late April, early May, which is ridiculous,” Hartel said. “They’re (state officials) putting us in a pretty tough spot.”

Hartel suggested that the change in timing was approved in order to save the state some money based on shrinking enrollments in schools across Michigan. However, in terms of the impact on K-12 public education, he said, “It’s just another ding in the armor.”

Cass City is among the schools hit hard by declining enrollment, but the district hasn’t been alone in the Thumb. In fact, the combined enrollment of all 9 public school systems within the Tuscola Intermediate School District fell from 10,759 students in 2007-08 to roughly 9,200 kids two years ago.

Michigan’s public schools depend on student numbers for the lion’s share of their revenue each year. The dollars are distributed to schools by the state in the form of a “foundation allowance”, a funding amount multiplied by the number of students in each district. The Cass City Schools, for example, receive about \$7,026 per pupil.

Coming up with an accurate estimate of state funding isn’t the only concern Michigan school officials are facing these days.

According to Hartel, the state Senate’s recent failure to adopt a resolution authorizing funding to implement the Common Core State Standards in Michigan has put at risk federal dollars schools depend on to fund a variety of programs. The res-

olution in question was required to be in place when the state’s fiscal year began Oct. 1.

In Cass City, the funding adds up to about \$700,000 and pays for, among other things, the salaries for 19 para-professionals.

Most states across the nation have adopted the Common Core State Standards, which are designed to provide a consistent, clear understanding of what students are expected to learn, so teachers and parents know what they need to do to help them.

School and union still negotiating

Continued from page one.

In the end, according to Hartel, school officials continue to face financial pressures in the form of increasing costs across the board, one unfunded mandate after another from Lansing, and the need to look at major purchases and upgrades involving areas such as transportation and technology. “Even though we have \$700,000 in fund balance, that could go quickly,” he added.


“The teachers just want a fair contract — they really feel it’s time to have the steps increased so it’s officially on the books,” the superintendent acknowledged.

“We really feel that we want to give the teachers a fair contract. They’re good at what they do. I respect the teachers,” he said. “But you give what you have.”

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Reporter’s notebook



Awards, typos, J.G. Wentworth

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



We may not want to admit it, but Michigan journalists tend to get a little giddy at the end of September.

Each year the Michigan Press Association (MPA) invites all of us to compete in the state’s Better Newspaper Contest, and the results are released just prior to National Newspaper Week, which falls on the first week of October.

Basically, papers are separated into classes by circulation, and staffers select their best work over the previous year and send it in to be judged by journalists in another state — this year the folks in Nebraska judged our contest.

Of course, it’s a really subjective process, not unlike a box of chocolates as far as never knowing what you’re going to get. A couple years ago the Chronicle was honored with first place in the General Excellence category. This year we received a pair of second place awards, but I thought the judges missed the mark with a couple of what I thought were really good entries.

Oh well. I look forward to having fellow journalists critique my work just the same. It’s a great opportunity to see what the “other guys” are doing and to pick up ideas that will (hopefully) enable us to do a better job of serving our readers in the months to come.

Although veteran Chronicle Columnist Melva Guinther still contributes to our pages each month (and I hope she will continue to do so for years to come), I really miss the periodic “typo” columns she used to pen while also serving as our full-time proofreader.

Believe me, Melva is one of the best when it comes to catching errors in copy, and the humorous twist she would blend into those columns always made me smile, even though my journalistic handiwork was on display for all to snicker at now and then.

Anyway, here’s a brief attempt to share a few of my own typos, caught before they made it to the press:

- * “John Doe had always been a good fiend of theirs” (guess you can never have too many good fiends). Friend.
- * “The statue also requires that adults involved in a youth athletic activity receive training on sports concussions...(my question is, how do you know what a statue requires?). Statute.
- * “Students also master rigorous college-predatory academics” (preparing for a life of crime?). Preparatory.

Sometimes it’s the order of words that trips you up, as in this snippet from a story former Chronicle intern Mason Doerr wrote about a high-tech dairy operation in the Thumb: “After the cow is securely in place, a robot moves in below the cow to search the udder for teats with lasers” (teats with lasers? Now that *is* high-tech!). We changed it to “After the cow is securely in place, a robot moves in below the cow and utilizes lasers to search the udder for teats.


Last, but probably least, I left the courthouse in Caro recently humming that annoying J.G. Wentworth commercial featuring bizarre opera singers belting out lyrics encouraging folks to trade in their structured payments for cash payouts (minus whatever fees they charge). I just couldn’t get that “Call 877 CASH NOW” tune out of my head.

It all started when I was looking through recently filed civil lawsuits at the courthouse and the name J.G. Wentworth caught my eye as one of the plaintiffs. I don’t know what the suit was about. I just grinned and thought, Well, apparently it’s *their* money and they want it now.

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We have to start by saying a heartfelt “**THANK YOU!**” It was during the hardest part of our entire lives that we realized how truly blessed we are to live in the Thumb area. Our hearts were broken the day our precious husband and father died. Our immediate family is very small, so we were over-whelmed by the care and concern we received during Larry’s illness and passing. Many area churches included him on their prayer lists. The pastoral support was immensely appreciated and will not be forgotten. **THANK YOU** to each and every one who kept him in their prayers, sent cards, brought food, all the phone calls and kind words, everyone who lent a helping hand, and to all who gave memorials and donations. We are a family of faith and we do know our beloved husband and father is with our Lord and Savior, but our hearts are still aching for our earthly loss. To each and every one who touched our lives during this difficult time, **NO WORDS-JUST LOVE.**

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Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2008)
Alecia Filipek and Jeremiah Morell were crowned this year’s Kingston High School Homecoming queen and king Friday night.

Bob Morley, a former resident of Cass City and a Cass City High School basketball player, previously; researched all the statistics concerning the team starting in the early 1950s. It was impressive and fans interested in Cass City basketball urged Morley to expand the research to include all of the years to-date. He did, and now is in the midst of finding a way to publish his findings in a book. All kinds of interesting facts are compiled and represent many hours of many days pouring through papers and the internet to compile the facts. Typical of the facts is that the new book now reveals an additional player (Tim Burton) who scored 1,000 or more career points, bringing the total to reach that elite status to 6 players.

Cass City broke in its new cross country course Saturday, capturing both the men’s and women’s championship of their own invitational. The Red Hawk team members are: Dewey Mabe, Jennica Richards, Lukas Varney, Jessa Prieskorn, Alex Varney, Alex Hoyt, Thomas LeValley, Mike Potrykus, Brittany Loomis, Ashley Potts and Tyler Burk.

10 YEARS AGO (2003)
Stephanie Dorsch and Shawn McClorey highlighted Owen-Gage’s Homecoming ceremony Friday as they were announced the Bulldogs’ king and queen for 2003.

Dandy First Deer. Cass City 16-year-old Jeff Tenbusch downed a 9-point buck Sunday night while hunting on private property near Gagetown. The deer had a drop time on its right side.

Paced by Ryan Biddinger, who took medallist honors in a Greater Thumb West league match Sept. 30 at Bad Axe, Hawk golfers rolled to an easy 171-207 win. Biddinger shot 39. He was closely followed by the rest of the team. Zach Bliss shot 40, Nick Swanson, 43, and Evan Laurie, 49. Other scores were Kurt Hanby, 54,

and Zac Toner, 55.

25 YEARS AGO (1988)
Vying for the 1988 Cass City High School homecoming queen title, to be decided during the Cass City-Imlay City game Friday night, are Cindy Powell, Andrea Isard, Stacey Capps and Caren Britt. The queen’s court is composed of freshman Diana Loomis, sophomore Jennifer Nye and junior Paula Merchant.

The Cass City Rotary Exchange Program has played a big role in the life of Toshiyuki (“Toshi”) Arai, A former exchange student, Arai spent the 1973-74 school year in Cass City soaking up the local culture while completing his senior year in high school. Now, 15 years later, the 31-year-old Japanese attorney has returned to Michigan with his wife, Kaori, and the couple’s children, Lisa, one, and Leina, 3. Interestingly, Arai’s return was sparked by another exchange program, but this time he’s here as the first Japanese attorney to join a law firm in the state.

Cass City Intermediate School officials recently named the school’s “motivated” students for September. They are sixth graders Lisa Deering, Brad McNeil, Lindi Parrott and Mandy Nizzola, and fifth graders Anthony Walther, Nathan LeValley and Chad Zawilinski.

50 YEARS AGO (1963)
Top Hunting this fall will be found in Tuscola County. Derek Romain of Cass City bagged a beautiful buck Wednesday morning, Oct. 2, hunting a mile east of M-46 and M.24. He shot his prize as it was standing some 30 feet away. I shot him three times in five tries, Romain reported, and he never ran a bit. The buck was one of two that came by together and is the first the young archer ever shot with a bow and arrow.

The Cass City Red Hawks staged a last half rally to tie favored Frankenmuth, 6-6, Friday in their first road game of the year. It was the squad’s second tie in three conference games and it is probable that Coach Oarie Lemanski would settle for another one Friday. The Hawks outgained the Eagles in total yards,

199 to 178. Leading rusher for Cass City was Walter Hempton who gained 95 yards in 24 carries for a 3.9 average per carry. Hempton also recovered three fumbles. Hempton also led the defense. He made 14 tackles, Jim Knoblet, who is developing into a fine tackle, was credited -with nine tackles.

William David Dobbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Dobbs, Cass City, is a new member of Michigan State University’s 165-man Marching Band. The MSU group, which annually performs before thousands of football fans, this year will play at all five Spartan home games, plus MSU contests at the University of Michigan and Purdue University. Dobbs, a graduate of Cass City High School, is a freshman in music.

100 YEARS AGO (1913)
J.A. Caldwell presented the Chronicle force Thursday with a generous sample of apple jelly, one of the several palatable products manufactured at Mr. Caldwell’s cider mill.

The Beulah Buck Co. opened the lecture course Monday evening with an entertainment number. The attendance was good and the program was heartily enjoyed. The members of the company are blessed with sweet, mellow voices and their selections in solos, duets and quartettes delighted the audience who encored them repeatedly. Mrs. Buck’s readings contributed richly to the evening’s enjoyment.

Robt. McKenzie returned to Cass City Wednesday after a six years’ absence. He has spent the past four years in the Marine Corps service and during recent months has been stationed at the Naval Recruiting Grounds near Washington, D.C. He spent 2 years and 8 months at Panama. While the thermometer registers as high as 140 degrees at times, he says the climate is quite “bearable” when there is a breeze blowing. The isthmus is 48 miles across and a breeze from either ocean cools off the atmosphere to some extent. Mr. McKenzie is visiting his brothers, William and James, and other relatives. He says he does not contemplate re-enlisting.

Cass City Area Church Directory

Anchor Cove Outreach Church 201 E. Sanilac Rd. Caro, MI 48723 989-672-2262 Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m. www.anchorcoveoutreachchurch.com		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		Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-2770 Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Steve Bagnall www.goodshepherdlutherancasscity.webs.com	
Community Baptist Church Independent Fundamental 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.		Evangelical Free Church of Cass City 6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5060 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Midweek Bible Studies Biblical Counseling Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould www.casscityefc.org		Novesta Church of Christ <i>"the friendly church that cares"</i> 2896 Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3658 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Minister: Brad Speirs Visit our website at: www.novestachurch.org	
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.		First Baptist Church (Independent, Fundamental) Barrier Free 6420 Houghton St., Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-3155 Sunday School All Ages 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday- Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 7:00 p.m. AWANA Clubs 6:45 p.m. During School Year Thursday Teen Club 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Pastor: David G. Hill Website: www.fbccc.us		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	
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		First Presbyterian Church Barrier Free State & National Historical Registry 6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5400 Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Dave Blackburn		St. Pancratius Catholic Church 4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726 872-3336 Summer Saturday Liturgy 5:30 p.m. DST Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Winter Saturday Liturgy 4:00 p.m. EDT Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Pastoral Administrator: Sr. Maria Dina Puddu MC	
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		Fraser Presbyterian Church 3006 Huron Line Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 872-5400 Sunday School - Sept.-May 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Pastor: Dave Blackburn		Mizpah Missionary Church 4631 N. Van Dyke, Cass City, MI 48726 Sunday School: 10 a.m. Sunday Service: 11 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Group 7-8 p.m. Wednesday Kids' Club 7-8 p.m. Pastor Dale Bullock 989-325-0736	
Living Word Worship Center Church of God 6536 Houghton Street, Cass City, MI 48726 989-872-4637 Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship Service: 11:00 a.m. Family Training Hour: Wednesday 7 p.m. (including youth and children's services) Pastor: Rev. Mark Karowski Website: www.lwccog.net					

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MEMBERS OF THE CASS City Class of 1963 who recently attended their 50th reunion at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Cass City are: (front row, from left) Sherry Law Dillon, Mary Lou Jones McGuire, Chesterine Kloc Blanut, Larry Hughes, Delbert Woodward, Suzanne Barnes Pierson, Joanne Miljure Herban, Joyce Bailey Justin, Ivernia Toner Schwartz, Linda Bigelow Sokol, (second row, from left) Duane Sangster, John Shagena, Ed Knight, Jean Leslie Behr, Veronica Rutkowski Priestly, Joanne Zawilinski Smithson, Ruth Ann Willis Mellendorf, Carol Dodge Fick, Linda Geister Woodward, Don Bullock, Ginny Gross Bullock, Jane MacLachan Geiger, Karen Pelton King, Sandy Retherford Kozan, Jane Lasko Cadman, (back row, from left) Carolyn Phillips Parker, Brewster Shaw, Carson O'Dell, Dean Reinstra, Dennis Reinstra, George Harman, John McIntosh, Marilyn Brown, Jerry Ross, Bernard Pine, Ron Rockwell, Jim Cybulski, Mike Holic, John Bohnsack, Clair Hosner, Kathy Van Vliet Nichols, Roger Bouck, Al Mozdzen and Bill Hutchinson.

Dr. Canfield joins Caro Medical Clinic

Dr. Edward “Ned” Canfield of Sebewaing, a well-known and respected family practice physician, has joined the staff of Caro Community Hospital’s Caro Medical Clinic (CMC).

Dr. Canfield, who grew up in Fowlerville, is an osteopathic physician and is board-certified in family practice. He will work part-time at the clinic, providing a much-needed physician presence during hours that are convenient for CMC patients.

Dr. Canfield received his education at Lake Superior State College and at Michigan State University’s College of Osteopathic Medicine. He further enhanced his learning through an internship at Lansing General Hospital and at the University of Tennessee/Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis.

Dr. Canfield practiced in Lansing and in Covington, Tenn., and then for 19 years in Sebewaing with his wife, Dr. Cheryl Canfield, who is also an osteopathic physician. He has served as president of the Michigan Osteopathic Association and is currently a member of its board of directors, a position he also holds with Michigan Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

Dr. Canfield serves as a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at Michigan State University, and as assistant professor of Family Practice at Des Moines University Osteopathic Medical Center in Iowa.

He has been an active member of the Sebewaing Rotary Club, serving as its president in 2003-2004, is a board member of the Great Lakes Lore Maritime Museum in Sebewaing, and a member of the “Second Time Around” charitable rock band. He and his wife are the parents of four children and grandparents of one.

Caro Medical Clinic, a service of Caro Community Hospital, is a family medical practice serving patients of all ages. Dr. Canfield joins board-certified Family Nurse Practitioner Tami Dutcher in welcoming new patients to the Clinic, which is located at 220 E. Frank St. in Caro, next to Thumb Meat Market. Interested persons may call the clinic at (989) 673-4126; the public is also reminded that the clinic currently has flu shots available for \$25.



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RETIRED CARO art teacher and award-winning artist Ken Kueffner will be the featured artist at Artistic Endeavors Gallery in Cass City during an opening reception planned for Friday, Oct. 11, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Artistic Endeavors scheduled to feature Caro artist’s work

Retired Caro art teacher and local award winning artist, Ken Kueffner, will be the featured artist at the Artistic Endeavors Gallery in Cass City Friday, Oct. 11, with an opening reception from 6 to 8 p.m.

Kueffner has a bachelor’s degree and master’s degree from Michigan State University, with an emphasis in painting in his graduate work. He taught art at Caro High School for 34 years, developing a curriculum that included photography and AP studio art. He has also studied metalsmithing, resulting in jewelry work, as well as workshops in watercolor and bookmaking. Kueffner’s work reflects his love for the outdoors and the natural world. Much of his time is spent outdoors. As a result, he is drawn to native American cultures and their respect and understanding of nature. These images are often incorporated into his paintings and designs. His work is mainly with collage using colored pencils and acrylic paint.

Kueffner says he is fascinated by color and the layers of it he can lay down with colored pencils, transitioning from transparent to opaque. He also does three dimensional crafting of wooden fish that may become incorporated into a wall hanging or are free standing as a sculptural piece. His work contains images of fish, Native Americans, eagles and wolves. Outdoorsmen are sure to find something that speaks to them when they look at his work.

The public is invited to view Kueffner’s work and enjoy music provided by the Eclectic Junction, a local folk and blues trio. Refreshments will be served.

Artistic Endeavors Gallery is a non-profit organization formed for promotion of fine visual art in the Thumb. Art classes are also offered and taught by many of its members. Gallery hours are Thursday noon to 5 p.m., Fridays noon to 7 p.m. (extended hours the second Friday of each month for featured artist receptions), Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and by private appointment. For information, call (989) 872-1596.

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2013 Homecoming

Friday, October 11, 2013

vs. Akron-Fairgrove



Photo courtesy of Julie Warack.

THE OWENDALE-GAGETOWN 2013 homecoming court members are: (front, l-r) Abigail Jeffery, Cara Morrish (freshmen reps.); Courtney Wightman, Ashlee Woodruff (sophomore reps.); Sidney Bencheck, Courtney Southgate (junior reps.); (back) Devin Bach, Jacob Warack (freshmen reps.); Andrew Muntz (sophomore rep.); Joseph Littlepage and Ryan Warack (junior reps). Missing was Jacob Wright (sophomore rep.).



Photo courtesy of Julie Warack.

CANDIDATES FOR the 2013 Owendale-Gagetown homecoming king and queen are: (front, l-r) Quinn Smith, Bryan Hopper, Brett Morrish, Ben Good; (back) Richelle Scharf, Alena Lotter, Mackenzie Gould and Amaris Janos.



THE 2013 Owen-Gage football team members are: (front, l-r) Ryan Warack, Joseph Littlepage, Devon Lorenz; (middle) Coach Jim Wencel, Quinn Smith, Dylan Fritz, Adam Retford, Bryan Hopper; (back) Dan Good, Jacob Wright, Ben Good, Coty Wilson, David Binder and Coach Steve Hollocker.

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Hospital breaks ground on new pharmacy

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the-counter medications. “Conveniently located by the hospital and clinics, community members can quickly get their prescriptions filled,” she said. “This is a really exciting time for the hospital,” commented Hills and

Dales General Hospital Pharmacy Director Craig Bellew. “To move forward with this project and know what sort of benefit it will give our community members is very gratifying.” TSSF Architects of Saginaw is the architectural firm leading the project. Through a competitive bidding

process, Wobig Construction, also of Saginaw, has been selected as the general contractor. Locally, Fox Excavating, Dave’s Glass, Thumb Heating and Cooling, and Ken Martin Electric will all provide services under the general contractor. The new pharmacy will include a public restroom, something the current building does not have. The expected completion date is February 2014. Mike Falatko, president and CEO of Hills and Dales, noted the addition of the pharmacy will enable the hospital to take advantage of a federal program (340-B) that is designed to help rural hospitals provide community pharmacy services.

“After doing months of research, we knew it was the right step for our hospital,” Falatko said. “The opportunity to provide our community with a retail pharmacy truly completes our continuum of care. The end result will be less running around for prescriptions as well as access to pharmacists for health and wellness questions. We are very excited to offer this service to community members.”



BREAKING GROUND recently on Hills and Dales General Hospital’s new retail pharmacy above are (from left) Ken Baranski, chief financial officer; Dale Fritz, director of facilities; Jean Anthony, chief operating officer; Craig Bellew, director of pharmacy; and Mike Falatko, president and CEO.

Dennis fighting the fight

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tion, but she now has lumps in her right breast and expects to have to undergo another biopsy. In the meantime, she’s become a spokesman of sorts for cancer prevention, urging those around her to be proactive when it comes to their health. “Early detection is key, key, key,” she said. “I’m bugging all my friends.” Dennis acknowledged her fight has taught her some things, including the value of allowing those around her to provide her with support. “I’m not quite as strong as I thought I was. I thought I was fearless, and I’m not. That was a surprise,” said Dennis, adding she’s learned that it’s okay to lean on friends and family, including her children, oldest son Jesse Rader, twins Ivy and Alex Hiatt – all grown – and her youngest, Michael Rader, 15. And in her case, those around her have made it abundantly clear they

want to be there for her, giving Dennis the strength to keep fighting. She’s also found that anyone diagnosed with cancer will find support systems available everywhere they turn. “I’m still independent, so this (accepting help) is tough for me. But there are days...and a lot of people do want to help,” said Dennis. She indicated she’s in good shape, considering the ordeal she’s faced both physically and emotionally. “I’m good. Tired and sore, but I expected that,” added Dennis, who is anxious to pursue a career working with youth through the juvenile criminal justice system for child protective services – she recently earned her bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and political science at Saginaw Valley State University. “I’m very optimistic, regardless of what comes,” she said. “I’m in a good place in every way but physically. I’m a really blessed woman.”

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Redskins tops at Cass City outing

Cool temperatures and light winds greeted runners Saturday in Cass City for the annual Red Hawk Invite. Making the most of nearly ideal running conditions was Sandusky. The Redskins ran to the gals' team championship with 25 points, while the Redskin boys' team wasn't to be outdone and following their female counterparts with a winning team score of 43.

In the opening race, USA's Leah DeSimpelare recorded medalist honors with a time of 20:31. She helped the Patriots (64) to a runner-up finish in the team standings, while the hosts placed third with 93. Rounding out the team standings were Ubyly (96),



CASS CITY'S top runners Saturday at their own invitational were Erin Zdrojewski and Bransen Stimpfel. Both finished fourth in the Red Hawks' lone home outing.



For Ubyly, Madison Brown was best with a time of 22:56, while Claire Hembrough (23:17), Olivia Lipskey (24:00), Shannon Particka (24:18) and Kandace Crickon (24:18) all contributed to the Bearcat effort.

Turning to the boys' field, following the champion Redskins in the team standings were Vassar (58), Ubyly (69), Mayville (72), and Imlay City (92).

Bransen Stimpfel's time of 17:33 resulted in fourth place individual honors to highlight the Red Hawk showings, which was otherwise limited to Joey Morrish's time of 22:23.

For the Bearcats, Adam Grifka finished fifth with a time of 17:33 and George Selleke was thirteenth with a time of 19:13. Other point winners for Ubyly were Nathan Gilbert, Jonathon Wright and Blake Schumacher with times of 19:47, 19:52, and 20:36, respectively.



CASS CITY senior Jacob Perry collects little yardage Friday against Reese. In the middle of the action is Red Hawk center Josh Daniels.

8-Man football round-up



KINGSTON'S Aaron VanHorn (5) and Riley Magiera team up to bring down Peck's Joey Pries in Saturday's 8-man football contest. Peck celebrated its homecoming contest with a 52-28 victory.

O-G wins big in New Haven

Owen-Gage traveled to New Haven Friday and recorded their sixth straight win at the expense of Merritt Academy. Quinn Smith rushed for 4 scores in the Bulldog's 66-14 victory. The senior handful rushed for 220 yards on just 13 carries. Smith got plenty of help on the night, namely from Ben Good who was credited with 10 ½ sacks and a blocked punt.

Homecoming postponed

Cass City surrenders Friday in GTW contest

It's pretty simple for the Cass City football team following their Greater Thumb West defeat Friday in Reese.

The Red Hawks must now win out to guarantee the team's return to the MHSAA post season – a goal many current players set back in 2011, when this year's senior class recorded a perfect junior varsity season.

With the 32-12 setback, Cass City stands at 3-3 overall with 3 games remaining in the regular season. All 6-win teams qualify for the state's post season race.

It's doubtful Cass City would have had any problems against Bay City All Saints in Week 7. The winless Cougars, however, due to injuries, are forced to cancel this week's contest, which was to have served as the Cass City Homecoming game. Instead, reports athletic director Don Markel, all homecoming activities will take place next week, October 18th, versus Vassar.

The extra time will give Cass City an opportunity to fix problems that surfaced against the Rockets. They need to be corrected for Cass City to become a legit playoff contender. Those troubles lie mainly with the Red Hawks' offense.

Despite 3 Reese turnovers in the early going, the Rockets held a 6-0 advantage at the break. The hosts took the opening kick and marched straight down the field. Quarterback Cody Peyok accounted for the first quarter marker on an 8-yard run.

Neither team was able to get on track for the remainder of the half. Peyok was picked off twice before the intermission and Reese fumbled away another scoring opportunity late. Red Hawks Shane Rasmussen and Sawyer Cuthrell recorded the interceptions, while Eric Churchill was credited with the fumble recovery.

Peyok helped atone for his errant passes with a pair of interceptions of his own to foil any serious threats by the visitors before the intermission.

"A hard fought game," said Coach Scott Cuthrell. "Just too many mistakes against a good team. I am proud of the fight that we got from our players."

Reese scored on their first 3 possessions following the break. The hosts struck first on a Tony Bentley run from 51 yards out.

Leading 12-0, the Rockets caught a big break when they recovered the ensuing kick on Cass City's 18-yard-line. Caleb Gorde bulled over the goal line from the one and halfway through the third quarter the hosts enjoyed an 18-0 edge.

To Cass City's credit, they fought

back using a pair of long kick returns by Drew Field to get on the score board. Field's first return put Cass City deep into the Red Zone, where quarterback Dakota Hartel hit Rasmussen on a 5-yard touchdown strike.

Reese answered Cass City's initial score with a 5-yard touchdown run from Gorde to make the score 25-6 entering the final 12 minutes.

There, another strong kick return by Field spotted the ball in Rocket territory. Braeden Perzanowski's 2-yard run moments later had the visitors trailing just 25-12 with 11:55 remaining on the clock.

It didn't take long for Cass City to get the ball back, as Curtis Dickinson's fumble recovery on the Rockets' next drive had the visitors poised for another score. But the Rocket defense rose to the occasion and took the ball back on downs.

After exchanging punts, Bentley found the end zone on a one-yard plunge for Reese to remove any doubt concerning the game's outcome.

Offensively, Cass City had Cuthrell with 86 rushing yards on 14 carries, while Perzanowski added 64 rushing yards on 11 totes. The Red Hawk passing attack saw Hartel complete 5-of-10 passes for 26 yards. His favorite target was Cuthrell with 3 catches for 20 yards.

As usual, Jacob Perry led the Red Hawk defense with a dozen tackles.

Football Standings

Greater Thumb West

Team	W	L	W	L
EPBP	4	0	5	1
Reese	4	0	5	1
USA	2	2	4	2
Cass City	2	2	3	3
Vassar	2	2	3	3
Bad Axe	1	4	1	5
BCAS	0	4	0	6

Greater Thumb East

Team	W	L	W	L
H. Beach	3	0	5	1
Marlette	3	0	6	0
Memphis	2	3	2	4
Sandusky	1	2	3	3
Brown City	1	3	2	4
Ubyly	0	3	1	5



LADY RED Hawks Kara Reif and Lauren Scott (7) converge on a reception in GTW play against Vassar. Official results from last week's Red Hawk volleyball contests were not supplied as requested.

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Vassar at USA	Vassar	Vassar	Vassar	Vassar
Memphis at Bad Axe	Memphis	Memphis	Bad Axe	Memphis
Caro at Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth
Ubyly at Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach
Akron-Fairgrove at O-G	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
Lawrence at Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Lawrence
Last Week's Results	8-0	6-2	7-1	8-0
Season's Results	41-7 (85%)	34-14 (71%)	32-16 (67%)	39-9 (81%)

Hawks bow to familiar opponent

Cass City faced the USA Patriots for the second time in 5 days last Monday, played a second double overtime game, and this time came away with a 3-3 tie for their efforts. Brendan Karwowski scored first for the host Red Hawks and Mark Shelton took care of the other 2 markers on breakaway shots. But the Patriots, who defeated Cass City 2-1 in their previous meeting, managed to sneak in a late goal to set up the overtime. This time, although the Red Hawks could not score, they did not make any defensive errors in the extra sessions and the game ended in a tie.

“It was a balanced performance by the Red Hawks, as both offense and defense played solid games,” said Coach Chuck Reed. Reed will be hoping for the same effort in the Red Hawks’ district opener slated for Monday against visiting Brown City. Both teams enter the Division 4 district looking for their maiden victory.

A day later, the Red Hawks traveled to play Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port with tired legs and suffered an 8-1 whipping. The Red Hawk defense never adapted to the Lakers’ speed and passing skill, spent most of the game chasing, and except for a late goal from Dustin Miller were totally outplayed.

After a day off to rest, the Hawks played a solid game against guest Bad Axe on Thursday, putting 22 shots on the Hatchet keeper. However, only another breakaway by Shelton found the back of the net and the result was a 4-1 loss.

Austin Turmell had another big game for Bad Axe and Reed admitted the Red Hawk defense could not shut him down. Still, the Hawks had excellent scoring chances throughout the game, but were still unable to finish when it really counts. “Despite nagging injuries and the intestinal flu that was bothering 2 players, the Hawks played well, but small mistakes still led to Hatchet goals,” Reed said.

Concert planned

Noah’s Ark Park, WCTP Christian Radio and the Farver Road Baptist Church will present The Gospelmen in concert Saturday, Oct. 19, at 7 p.m. at Noah’s Ark Park. The concert will be preceded by local singers at 6 p.m. and followed by finger foods after the concert. The park is located at 4330 Farver Rd. (two miles southwest of the intersection of Elkton and Sebewaing roads). More information is available by calling (989) 315-8043.

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Team: Hacker/Nika	78	no team	
Late Div. Flight #1		Medalists	
Hartzell/Weaver	72	Individual: B. deBeaubien	42
Brown/Ulfig	64	Team: Gaeth/Steely	91


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9/6	EPB Lakers 24, Cass City 14
9/13	Cass City 16, Sandusky 8
9/20	Cass City 42, Bad Axe 22
9/27	Cass City 14, USA 8
10/4	Reese 32, Cass City 12
10/11	BCAS - CANCELLED
10/18	Vassar (HC)
10/25	Caro

TENNIS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/21	Caro	4:00 p.m.
9/6	Midland Bullock Cr	8:00 a.m.
9/9	Saginaw Nouvel	4:00 p.m.
9/11	Sandusky	4:00 p.m.
9/14	Yale Tourn	TBA
9/17	Cros-Lex	4:00 p.m.
9/23	Sandusky	4:00 p.m.
9/25	Saginaw Nouvel	4:00 p.m.
10/3	Lapeer East	4:30 p.m.
10/8	Yale	4:30 p.m.

CROSS COUNTRY

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/29	Birch Run Invite	3:00 p.m.
9/7	Bad Axe Invite	8:30 a.m.
9/11	Ubyly Invite	3:00 p.m.
9/18	Bad Axe (JH)	4:30 p.m.
9/19	Frankenmuth	4:00 p.m.
9/21	Laker Invite	8:30 a.m.
9/26	Tuscola Co. @Mayv	4:00 p.m.
Oct 5	Cass City Invite	9:00 a.m.
Oct 12	Reese Invite	8:30 a.m.
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DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/23	Bad Axe (JV)	9:00 a.m.
8/24	Bad Axe (V)	9:00 a.m.
9/5	Caro	5:30 p.m.
9/7	Subway Slam (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/7	Caro Invite (JV)	8:30 a.m.
9/10	USA	6:00 p.m.
9/14	Mt. Morris (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/17	BCAS	6:00 p.m.
9/19	Lakers	6:00 p.m.
9/24	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
9/26	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
10/1	Reese	6:00 p.m.
10/3	USA	6:00 p.m.
10/10	BCAS	6:00 p.m.
10/15	Lakers	6:00 p.m.
10/17	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
10/19	Essex-Garber (V)	9:00 a.m.
10/22	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
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Oct. 15 vs. Bad Axe, 6 p.m.
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VARSITY FOOTBALL

Oct. 18 vs. Vassar, 5:00 p.m.

J.V. FOOTBALL

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DATE	OPPONENT
8/28	Cass City 22, Brown City 14
9/5	EPB Lakers 26, Cass City 14
9/12	Harbor Beach 52, Cass City 12
9/19	Cass City 28, Bad Axe 26
9/26	Cass City 26, USA 22
10/3	Cass City 58, Reese 28
10/10	BCAS
10/17	Vassar
10/24	Caro

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

All games begin at 5:30 p.m. unless noted

DATE	OPPONENT
9/9	Memphis
9/11	Vassar
9/16	Reese
9/18	Ubyly
9/23	USA
9/25	EPB Lakers
9/30	Harbor Beach
10/2	Brown City
10/7	Bad Axe
10/9	Memphis
10/12	Bad Axe Invite 9:00 am
10/14	Ubyly

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

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DATE	OPPONENT
9/17	USA
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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.
MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Janice Marie Moore, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to TCF National Bank, a National Banking Association, Mortgagee, dated October 3, 2006, and recorded on October 20, 2006 in Liber 1099 on Page 1262, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Nine and 55/100 Dollars (\$68,109.55).
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 November 7, 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.

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: October 9, 2013
For more information, please call:
FC C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #423179F02

10-9-4

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Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Ramona L. Czykyski and Rebecca A. Czykyski to the United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture. The Mortgage is dated March 18, 1999 and was recorded on March 18, 1999 In Liber 766 on pages 602 to 607 of the Tuscola County Records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now Seventy-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Eight and 41/100 (\$79,968.41) Dollars.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on November 14, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan which is the location of the Tuscola County Circuit Court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest at the rate of 6.25% per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale. The property to be sold is located in Indianfields Township, Tuscola County, Michigan and is more specifically described in the Mortgage as: LOT 12, BLOCK 3 OF WILMOT AND WALKER'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF CARO; Also a strip of land 2 rods wide North and South bordering on and extending along the entire South end of Lot 12, Block 3 of Wilmot and Walker's addition to the Village of Caro, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 9, now being page 10A.

The redemption period will expire six (6) months from the date of the sale unless the property is deemed to be abandon pursuant to MCL 600.3241a in which case the redemption period will expire thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 600.3241a (c) expires, whichever is later. Please be advised that under MCL 600.3278, if the property is actually sold at a foreclosure sale pursuant to the procedures provided in MCL 600.3200 et. seq., as is currently anticipated by this Notice of Mortgage Sale, then in such event, the borrower will be 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: October 9, 2013
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
ACTING THROUGH THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY,
F/K/A THE RURAL HOUSING SERVICE,
OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PREPARED BY: John R. Tucker, Esq. P-37348
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10-9-5

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Diana M. Bennett, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lenders successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2006 and recorded November 20, 2006 in Liber 1103, Page 91, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Federal National Mortgage Association ("FNMA") by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Four and 4/100 Dollars (\$116,894.04) including interest at 2% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County., Michigan at 10:00 AM on NOVEMBER 7, 2013.
Said premises are located in the Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:
Land situated in the Township of Almer, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan. described as:Commencing 125 feet North of the Southwest corner of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence East 215.5 feet; thence North 125 feet, thence West 215.5 feet, thence South 125 feet to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest quarter of Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 9 East.
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.
If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: October 9, 2013
Orlans Associates, P.C..
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 13-003742

10-9-4

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Kerry Anderson and Christine Anderson, Husband and Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 1, 2008 and recorded April 3, 2008 in Liber 1145 Page 661 and modified by agreement dated August 1, 2011 and recorded August 11, 2011 in Liber 1227 Page 910 Tuscola County Records, Michigan.

Said mortgage was assigned to: Flagstar Bank, FSB, by assignment dated December 21, 2010 and recorded January 13, 2011 in Liber 1214, Page 809, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars and Thirty-Six Cents (\$92,320.36) including interest 4.625% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on November 7, 2013 Said premises are situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northeast quarter of Section 15, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 15, which is North 801.48 feet from the East quarter corner of said Section 15; thence continuing along said East line, North 478.66 feet; thence at right angles to said East line, West 33 feet; thence along a traverse line along the Beldon Creek Drain, South 35 degrees 10 minutes 40 seconds West, 131.73 feet; thence South 16 degrees 39 minutes 40 seconds West, 387.25 feet to the terminus of said traverse line; thence East 219.92 feet to the point of beginning.

Said parcel also includes that land lying between the centerline of said Beldon Creek Drain and said traverse line. Commonly known as 2867 Cleaver Rd, Caro MI 48723 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.
Dated: 10/09/2013
Flagstar Bank, FSB,
Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 13-87992

10-9-4

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by

KELLY K. CLISH and PRISCILLA S. CLISH, HUSBAND AND WIFE, JOINT TENANCY WITH FULL RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 9, 2006, and recorded on February 23, 2006, in Liber 1072, on Page 542, and assigned by said mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc., as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Eleven Cents (\$61,365.11), including interest at 6.125% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on November 7, 2013 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

COMMENCING AT A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF STATE HIGHWAY M-81 THAT IS 2957.70 FEET NORTH 46 DEGREES 32 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE CENTER OF SAID HIGHWAY FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 13 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST; THENCE NORTH 43 DEGREES 28 MINUTES WEST, 200 FEET; THENCE NORTH 46 DEGREES 32 MINUTES EAST, 66 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 43 DEGREES 28 MINUTES EAST, 200 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 46 DEGREES 32 MINUTES WEST, 66 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 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.
CitiMortgage, Inc. Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
CIT.000275 FHA

10-9-4

In the matter of Victoria Marie Matthews. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS including those whose addresses are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following: Take Notice: A hearing will be held on Wednesday, October 23, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. at Tuscola County Probate/Family Court before Judge Nancy L. Thane (P38918) for the following purpose: TO COMPLETE A LEGAL NAME CHANGE FROM: VICTORIA MARIE MATTHEWS. TO: VICTORIA MARIE ANDERSON.

Dated: September 25, 2013
VICTORIA MARIE MATTHEWS
7300 GILFORD RD.
DEFORD, MI 48729

10-9-1

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 Tara L Dundas, married and Steven Dundas, her husband, wife and husband of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated the 20th day of March, 2007, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 18th day of April, 2007, in Liber 1116, Page 1164 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$68,144.19 (sixty-eight thousand one hundred forty-four and 19/100) plus accrued interest at 7.625% (seven point six two 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 31st day of October, 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 City of Vassar, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the City of Vassar, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan: A parcel of land being Lot 1 and a part of Lot 2 Block 5 Ebenezer Moses Addition to the City of Vassar according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 Page 359 and a part of Lot 15 Block 5 William Johnsons Addition to the City of Vassar according to the plat recorded in Plat Liber 29 Page 88 Tuscola County Records described as follows Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot 1 Plat of Ebenezer Moses Addition to the City of Vassar thence North 00 degrees 13 minutes 04 seconds East 163.32 feet along the West line of Jefferson Street thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 47 seconds West 73 feet along the line parallel with the North line of Oak Street thence South 01 degrees 49 minutes 37 seconds East 163.41 feet to the North line of Oak Street being also the South line of said lot thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 47 seconds East 67.17 feet along said South lot line to point of beginning as recorded in Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as: 504 W Oak St Tax Parcel No.: 051-500-425-0100-00 If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale the borrower, pursuant to MCLA 600.3278 will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. The redemption period shall be six months from the date of

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

Dated: October 2, 2013
By: Foreclosing Attorneys Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48084
WWR# 10124891

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Leanna Cichoracki, A Woman to The United States of America, acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee, dated August 19, 1996 and recorded August 20, 1996 in Liber 696 Page 83 Tuscola County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-One Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$131,421.39) including interest 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00 AM on October 31, 2013 Said premises are situated in Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing 695 feet East of the Southwest corner of the East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 31, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, thence North 200 feet; thence East 125 feet; thence South 200 feet; thence West 125 feet to the point of beginning.

Commonly known as 561 Brown Road, Mayville MI 48744 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: 10/2/2013
The United States of America, acting through the Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture
Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 13-87633

10-2-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David Todd and Erin Todd, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lenders successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 21, 2009 and recorded March 3, 2009 in Liber 1168, Page 1050, 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 One Hundred Thirty Thousand Thirty-Five and 30/100 Dollars (\$130,035.30) including interest at 5.5% per annum.
Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on OCTOBER 31, 2013.

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

This land is situated in the Township of Watertown, County or Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as follows:Part of the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 2, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as:Beginning at a point where the North line of above description intersects the centerline of FostoriaRoad: thence 44 rods South, thence 20 rods West: thence 44 rods North; thence 20 rods East to theplace of beginning, except the North 8 rods thereof and also excepting the South 14 rods thereof; alsoexcept beginning at a point South 491.0 feet from where the North line of the above descriptionintersects the centerline of Fostoria Road. thence South 4.0 feet, thence West 330.0 feet. thence North4.0 feet, thence East 330.0 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: October 2, 2013
Orlans Associates, P.C..
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 13-011186

10-2-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Samuel S. Tester, Pamela S. Tester, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lenders successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 16, 2003 and recorded October 27, 2003 in Liber 961, Page 441, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by EverBank, as successor by merger to EverHome Mortgage Company by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Four and 15/100 Dollars (\$52,494.15) including interest at 1.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County., Michigan at 10:00 AM on OCTOBER 31, 2013.

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

All that certain parcel of land situate in part of the North 30 acres of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 and part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 lying South of center line of Old State (Saginaw) Road of Section 16, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, in the Township of Vassar, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, being known and designated as follows:Commencing at the West 1/4 post of Section 16, Township 11 North, Range 8 East; thence North 0 degrees 34 minutes 37 seconds West, 1635.24 feet to the center line of Saginaw Road; thence South 76 degrees 02 minutes 57 seconds East, 949.56 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue South 76 degrees 02 minutes 57 seconds East 250.00 feet along the center line of Saginaw Road; thence South 0 degrees 34 minutes 27 seconds East, 1016.24 feet; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 10 seconds West 242.03 feet; thence North 0 degrees 34 minutes 27 seconds West 1076.04 feet parallel to the West 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. 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: October 2, 2013
Orlans Associates, P.C..
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
2485021600
File No. 13-010911

10-2-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tina M. Rowe, Trustee of the Tina M. Rowe Living Trust Dated August 31, 1998 and Tina M. Rowe and William B. Hauger, Wife and Husband, to U.S. Bank National Association as successor by merger of U.S. Bank National Association ND, Mortgagee, dated May 20, 2005, and recorded on October 24, 2005, in Liber 1058, Page 1277, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred Sixty One Dollars and Sixty Three Cents (\$117,661.63), including interest at 4.80% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within TUSCOLA County, Michigan at 10:00 AM o'clock, on Thursday, October 31, 2013. Said premises are located in TUSCOLA County, Michigan and are described as: Situated in the Township of Fremont, County of Tuscola and the State of Michigan, to-wit: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 11 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 33; N89° 50' 52"W, 1176.40 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 33; thence continuing along said South line N89° 50' 52"W, 150.00 feet to the West line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 33, thence along said West line N00° 29' 25"E 450.00 feet; thence S89° 50' 52"E, 150.00 feet; thence S00° 29' 25"W, 450.00 feet to the point of beginning.
Property Address: 1596 West Brown Road, Mayville, MI 48744 Tax ID No. 011-033-000-1700-00 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If this 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 sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

U.S. Bank National Association as successor by merger of U.S. Bank National Association ND Mortgagee/Assignee Gerner & Kearns, PLLC
526 Superior Avenue East, Suite 630
Cleveland, OH 44114

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Robert D. Gawrylowicz and Colleen Gawrylowicz, Husband and Wife to Household Finance Corporation III, Mortgagee, dated June 26, 2003 and recorded August 27, 2003 in Liber 950 Page 1225 Tuscola County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred One Thousand Eighty-Nine Dollars and Thirty-Three Cents (\$201,089.33) including interest 8.23% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on October 24, 2013 Said premises are situated in Township of Ellington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Section 10, Town 13 North, Range 10 East commencing at a point that is 440.76 feet East of Southwest corner of section, thence East 200 feet, thence North 285 feet, thence West 200 feet, thence South 285 feet, as recorded in Tuscola County Records. Commonly known as 3545 Dutcher Road, Cass City MI 48726 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: 9/25/2013
Household Finance Corporation III
Mortgagee Attorneys:
Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 13-86732

9-25-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David B. Habicht, a married man and Selma A. Habicht, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lenders successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 17, 2004 and recorded November 24, 2004 in Liber 1018, Page 1125, 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 One Hundred Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Three and 60/100 Dollars (\$130,653.60) 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 vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County., Michigan at 10:00 AM on OCTOBER 24, 2013.

Said premises are located in the Township of Novesta, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:
Situatd in Novesta Township, Tuscola County, Michigan described as follows:The Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 8, Town 13 North, Range 11 East, excepting the Southerly 330 feet thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. 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: September 25, 2013
Orlans Associates, P.C..
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 13-011908

9-25-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by

Cameron Graves, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated March 23, 2009, and recorded on March 30, 2009 in Liber 1170 on Page 1104, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand Five Hundred Nine and 53/100 Dollars (\$70,509.53).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on October 24, 2013.

Said premises are situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the West 60 acres of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4, of Section 12, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, described as: beginning at the North 1/4 of said Section 12; thence South 80 degrees 23 minutes 08 seconds East 180.00 feet, along the North line of said Section 12; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 26 seconds East, parallel with the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 12, 660.00 feet; thence North 80 degrees 23 minutes 08 seconds West, parallel with said North line of Section 12, 180.00 feet, to a point on the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 12; thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 26 second West, 660.00 feet along said North and South 1/4 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: September 25, 2013
For more information, please call:
FC D (248) 593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #427991F01

9-25-4

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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 Joey E. Giddings and Cathy P. Giddings, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to First Place Bank fka Franklin Bank a Division of First Place Bank, Mortgagee, dated November 16, 2007, and recorded on January 16, 2008 in Liber 1139 on Page 624, and modified by agreement dated June 25, 2008, and recorded on September 29, 2008 in Liber 1158 on Page 1269, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Four and 27/100 Dollars (\$114,244.27).

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 vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on October 17, 2013.

Said premises are situated in Township of Fremont, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 7, Town 11 North, Range 9 East; thence South 165 feet, more or less; thence East 330 feet; thence North to the North line of Section 7; thence West 330 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: September 18, 2013
For more information, please call:
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Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #307550F04

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Michelle Howell, A Single Woman and Lyn Berlin, A Married Woman, as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship and John Berlin, A Married Man, acknowledging home-

stead rights to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated September 6, 2005 and recorded October 19, 2005 in Liber 1058 Page 590 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to: Second Opportunity of America, LLC, by assignment dated July 16, 2013 and recorded July 29, 2013 in Liber 1287, Page 842, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eight Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Ten Cents (\$108,532.10) including interest 6.85% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on October 17, 2013 Said premises are situated in Township of Gilford, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 21, Town 13 North, Range 7 East, being further described as commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 525.08 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 307.00 feet along the South Section line; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 251.00 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 307.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 251.00 feet to the South Section line and the point of beginning. Commonly known as 8810 W Deckerville, Reese MI 48757 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: 9/18/2013
Second Opportunity of America, LLC,
Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys:
Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 13-86139

9-18-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Philomena R. Torma, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lenders successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 2, 2002 and recorded December 27, 2006 in Liber 1106, Page 962, and , Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Federal National Mortgage Association (“FNMA”) by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Eighty and 54/100 Dollars (\$69,480.54) including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front entrance of the Tuscola Circuit Courthouse in the Village of Caro, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on OCTOBER 17, 2013.

Said premises are located in the Village of Cass, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:
Land situated in the Village of Cass City, Township of Elkland, County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan:Unit Number 65, Northwood Lake Condominium, a Condominium, as recorded in Master Deed recorded in Liber 565, Pages 835-879; First Amendment to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 596, Pages 1203-1209; Second Amendment to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 604, Pages 1410-1416; Third Amendment to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 613, Pages 1013-1021; Consent to Submission of Real Property to Condominium Project recorded in Liber 659, Pages 209-211; Fourth Amendment to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 659, Pages 212-220; and Fifth Amendment to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 823, Pages 472-494 of Tuscola County Records and designated as Tuscola County Condominium Subdivision Plan Number 3, together with rights in general common elements and limited common elements as set forth in said Master Deed and pursuant to Act 59 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1978, as amended.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

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Dated: September 18, 2013
Orlans Associates, P.C..
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 13-010184

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Carl Michael Knepfler Jr. and Julie A. Knepfler, as husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Key Bank USA, National Association, Mortgagee, dated June 23, 2004, and recorded on July 13, 2004 in Liber 1000 on Page 434, and assigned by mesne assignments to PNMAC Mortgage Opportunity Fund Investors, LLC 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 Six Hundred Sixty-Two and 17/100 Dollars (\$85,662.17).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on October 17, 2013.

Said premises are situated in Township of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 25, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, thence West 200 feet, thence North 214.5 feet; thence East 200 feet; thence South 214.5 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the Right of Way for Gilford Road over Southerly side thereof.

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

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: September 18, 2013
For more information, please call:
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Attorneys For Servicer
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File #427182F01

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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 Ruth S. Way, an unmarried woman, dated August 31, 2012, and recorded on September 5, 2012, in Liber 1259, Page 220, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said Mortgage is held by Franknmuth Credit Union.

The sum claimed to be due and owing on said Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$61,262.99, with interest accruing at \$5.86 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, October 17, 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 3.500% 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 Village of Reese, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as follows: The West 60 feet of the South ½ of Lot 2, Block 7 of A.M. Roger's First Addition to the Village of Gates, now Village of Reese, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 25, now being Page 26A of Tuscola County Records.

Tax Parcel ID No. 042-500-607-0250-00 Commonly known as: 9936 Mill St., Reese, MI 48757 The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to M.C.L. §600.3240(7).

September 11, 2013
FRANKENMUTH CREDIT UNION
Kilpatrick & Associates, P.C. Attorneys
for Franknmuth Credit Union
903 N. Opdyke Rd., Suite C
Auburn Hills, MI 48326
(248) 377-0700

09-18-4

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. 13-27575-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 23rd day of May, 2013, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein CitiMortgage, Inc., successor by merger to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc. was the Plaintiff and Jeffrey T. Nichols and Carol M. Nichols were the Defendants.

The aforementioned Judgment(s) and/or Order(s) established a debt owing to Plaintiff in the amount of \$119,354.10, plus post-judgment interest at an annual rate of 5.750% 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 24th of October, 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 Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, particularly described as Lot 31, Canterbury Woods Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 5 of Plats, Pages 13-17, Tuscola County Records. Tax Parcel ID: 051-500-680-3100-00.

More commonly known as: 4877 Canterbury Ct, 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# 396458L02

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Letters to the Editor

Rewarding

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some coordination in the final days before the DFA Board was to make its final decisions.

We worked with great officials and workers from Cass City and Tuscola County, representatives from Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and the Michigan Departments of Agriculture and Transportation. While in Washington, Senators Stabenow and Levin helped pave the way with USDA support.

I worked with our House Chair of Agriculture Policy Kevin Daley (R-Lum), who also understood the importance of the project for our region. “It’s a pleasure working across the aisle with Terry, who knows how important agriculture and jobs are to the greater Thumb area,” Daley said.

The city, the county, and the state all committed the resources over time necessary to get to the “harvest.” Next fall the 33,000-square-foot plant will process up to 3 million pounds of fresh milk each day and we expect additional high-demand, value-added products in the near future, all produced in an environmentally friendly way, recovering and re-using water in its operations. Initially there will be at least 25 full-time people working in the plant along with many others in farms and other agriculture support industries locally. And we expect that number to grow considerably.

The community will have new infrastructure, including improvements in their water and wastewater treatment facilities at no cost to them.

I can’t tell you how rewarding it is to see this tremendous economic development for our region come to fruition, looking back at those days when “experts” told me we couldn’t do it. And wouldn’t you know it, when it came time for the groundbreaking it happened on a session day in Lansing.

Although I would have loved to be celebrating at home, I’m not crying over spilled milk. You elected me to represent you by voting at the Capitol, and that’s where I was debating and voting on things that will also provide a harvest down the road as we continue to work together.

State Rep. Terry Brown
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PUMPKINS GET most of the attention from youngsters this time of year, but a number of area residents also enjoy displaying colorful fall gourds like these, spotted on the front porch of a Cass City area home.

Anti-bullying fundraiser

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bullying before it starts. For every test drive taken during the hours of the event, the school will receive \$10 from the Chrysler brand to be earmarked for enrichment programs of school officials' choice.

The event will be held in the school parking lot at 4868 N. Seeger St. in Cass City, and all members of the community are invited to attend and show their support.

"Parents want to send their kids to a school that has great teachers, well rounded programs and a safe environment. The Chrysler brand understands the importance of giving our students the necessary tools for success and has teamed up with the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights to instill bullying prevention instincts in parents, teachers and students that are equal to that of putting on a seatbelt in a

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"The bullying prevention campaign coincides with the Chrysler brand's long standing Drive for the Kids program, which helps area schools raise additional funds," she noted.

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