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## Shining bright: Tuscola honors its “stars”

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

*This is the celebration of belonging, being part of something beyond our-*

*selves — family, friends, our neighborhood and the larger community. Shared values and faith bolster the feeling of belonging, and reinforce the solid relationships that define*

*our lives. Community makes us part of something that was there before us, and will outlast us.*

*Let us celebrate the blessing of community.*

It's been said that every great accomplishment starts with the decision to try.

Members of the Tuscola County community gathered Thursday morning at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro to honor several residents, groups and businesses whose accomplishments — often overlooked but nonetheless valuable — have made the county a better place to live.

Roughly 150 people attended the

12th annual Celebrating Tuscola's Stars Awards Breakfast, where nearly 40 nominees were recognized as candidates for this year's Tuscola Stars awards in the following categories: Individual, Group, Business and “Above and Beyond”.

The 2014 Individual Star Award went to Kathy Neuman of Caro, whose service includes a talent for organizing volunteers. She has helped with the Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival, serving as a board

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STATE SENATOR Mike Green (left) presents a proclamation signed by himself, state Rep. Terry Brown and Gov. Rick Snyder to the Rev. Debi Brown of the Kingston United Methodist Church — this year's Tuscola Star winner in the group category. Pictured in the background are (from left) Jim McLoskey and Gene Pierce, members of the Tuscola Stars Planning Team.

### Benefit on tap May 3

## Friends rallying around Guinther

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Friends and family are rallying around a Cass City woman whose life took an unexpected and frightening turn when she found herself facing brain surgery this spring.

A benefit dinner for Kerry Guinther is being planned for Saturday, May 3, starting at 1 p.m. with brats, hot dogs and salads for a \$6 donation at Cass City High School. There will also be a silent auction (until 4 p.m.), a live auction starting at 3 p.m., and a bake sale from one to 5 p.m., all at the high school.

Then it's on to Gilligan's in Cass

City at 6 p.m. for live music by Windfall and Trigger Happy, and DJ service by Tom Fulcher. There will be a \$5 cover charge.



Kerry Guinther

according to her boyfriend, Brent

Guinther began experiencing health issues, including some stroke-like symptoms, a few weeks ago,

Martin. He said she made a doctor's appointment and then underwent a CT scan, followed by an MRI the next day.

The results of those tests prompted doctors to refer Guinther to a specialist at the U-M Medical Center in

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## Sanilac boy pleads guilty in '13 accidental shooting

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A Marlette boy charged in the accidental shooting death of a friend during a sleepover last November has pleaded guilty to a charge of careless discharge of a firearm.

The 12-year-old, whose name has not been released due to his age, entered the plea in Sanilac County Circuit Court Juvenile Division. He could face up to two years incarceration if he is sentenced as an adult.

Sentencing in the case is scheduled for April 29.

The victim in the shooting was identified as Tyler Dunn, 12, a Marlette Elementary School student.

The accident occurred inside a residence in the 4000 block of Howard Street as the suspect was showing Dunn a lever-action rifle, which discharged, according to Sanilac County Sheriff's Department investigators, who said there were no adults home at the time of the shooting.

In addition to charging the juvenile, Sanilac County Prosecutor James V. Young has charged the boy's father with possession of a firearm by a felon, a felony punishable by up to five years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$5,000; and contributing to the delinquency of children, a misdemeanor that carries a maximum

penalty of up to 90 days in jail and/or a \$500 fine.

The father is scheduled to stand trial on the charges May 15 in Sanilac County Circuit Court.

“The boys had been left alone for a considerable period of time when the incident happened,” Young said. “The lack of adult supervision, the presence of guns, and the failure to take appropriate measures to ensure the guns present in the house were out of reach, contributed to this (death).”

## Man falls to his death from tower at cooperative

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A work-related accident at Cooperative Elevator Company in Ruth claimed the life of a Gratiot County man last Wednesday, Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson reported.

Deputies were dispatched to the business, located on Ruth Road in Huron County's Sherman Township, Please turn to page 7.

## Lotter, Janos top O-G grads

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Owen-Gage School officials recently announced the top graduates of



Alena J. Lotter



Amaris D. Janos

the Class of 2014.

They are Alena J. Lotter, valedictorian and the daughter of Alan and Emily Lotter, and Amaris D. Janos, salutatorian and the daughter of Stacy Janos and Kenneth O'Brien.

Lotter, who has earned a grade point average of 3.868, has been on the honor roll and a member of the Owen-Gage 3.0 Honors Club throughout her high school career. She was inducted into the National Honor Society (NHS) as a sophomore and currently serves as the local chapter's publicist/historian.

Lotter served as class treasurer as a sophomore and is currently senior class treasurer. She has been a member of the yearbook staff for the past two years and, as a senior, was a member of the cheerleading squad and currently plays softball for the Bulldogs. She was a homecoming representative as a junior and this school year was elected homecoming queen.

Lotter has also been active as a volunteer during NHS blood drives and has assisted with the school's fun fairs and fall clean-up projects.

Lotter is in her second year in the Information Management Systems program at the Huron Area Technical Center. She is also taking dual-enrollment classes at the tech center through Mid-Michigan Community College.

Her future plans include attending Delta College, where she will pursue Please turn to page 7.

## Cass City seniors Tabar, Mathewson qualify for BPA national competition

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A pair of Cass City Junior-Senior High School seniors recently put their information technology skills to the test against their peers from across the state and earned the right to compete nationally.

Seniors Alex Tabar and JeanLuc Mathewson, both students from the Computer Technology Management class at the Tuscola Technology Center, Caro, qualified during the Business Professionals of America (BPA) State Leadership Conference, held March 20-23 at the Amway Grand in Grand Rapids.

“At this conference, students participated in business-related events and competed for the top spots,” said Amy Schuette, Computer Technology Management instructor at the tech center and BPA advisor.

Tabar placed first in PC Servicing and Troubleshooting, while Mathewson placed third in IT (information technology) Concepts.

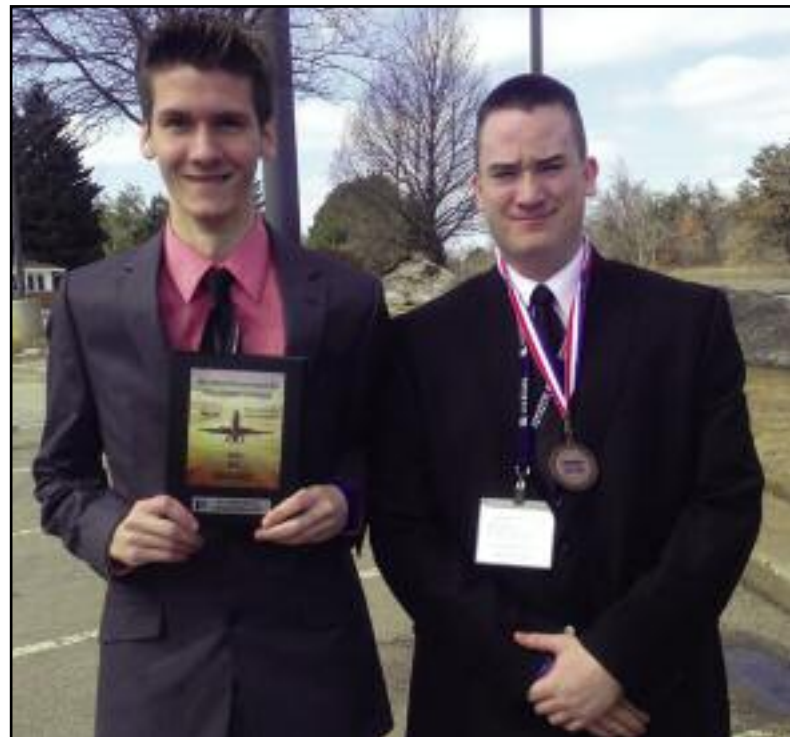
Both students earned the right to compete at the national competition April 30-May 4 in Indianapolis, Ind.

BPA is a dynamic youth organization that provides leadership and business opportunities for high school students to prepare them in their selection as they make decisions on their future careers, according to Schuette, who noted the skills students learn through participating in a variety of business experiences help prepare them for a career in the workforce.

“I'm very proud of Alex and JeanLuc's accomplishments this year,” Schuette said. “In addition to qualifying for national competition, they both are working for the Tuscola Technology Center as IT technicians through our co-op program and have grown in their skills a

great deal.

“Business Professionals of America is full of bright young people wishing to enter a business professional career,” Schuette added. “This beneficial organization is helping our youth have a brighter future.”



CASS CITY seniors Alex Tabar (left) and JeanLuc Mathewson recently competed at the Business Professionals of America State Leadership Conference in Grand Rapids, and both qualified to attend the national BPA competition slated for April 20-May 4 in Indianapolis, Ind.





MORE THAN 200 family members and friends recently gathered for Lorinda DeLong’s 90th birthday celebration.

## DeLong celebrates 90th birthday recently

Family and friends gathered March 29 to celebrate Lorinda DeLong’s 90th birthday.

More than 200 people were in attendance for the open house, with a wonderful showing from both the DeLong and Rocheleau families. Immediate family traveled from Canada, Florida, Georgia, Oklahoma and Tennessee to join in the open house and private dinner celebration.

During the event, Linda Herron shared a prepared summary highlighting the history of her mother, Lorinda. The family enjoyed a video documenting Lorinda’s life, and many family members shared stories of her life as well as her influence of strength and love in the family.

Lorinda, the last of her generation, is the fifth of 11 Rocheleau children and has a legacy to support her 90 years.

Born Lorinda Rocheleau, March 26, 1924, she married Leland “Bill” DeLong May 31, 1941. Together they had three daughters; Linda (Tom) Herron, Bonnie (Frank) Miller, and Joyce (Richard) Brown. The three daughters provided

Lorinda with 14 grandchildren — Linda: Brenda (Tim) Brinkman, Barbara (Patrick) Graham, Dawn (Mike) Karr, Paula (Richard) LeValley, Donny Herron and Angela Jordan; Bonnie: Chantel (Dean) Paavola, and Danielle (Bill) Paris; and Joyce: Tena (Dean) Rabideau, Theresa (Scott) Vatter, Jamie (Joe) Krol, Kelly LaRoche (deceased), Leann Philo (Tony) and Jodi (John) Dean.

All of the children and grandchildren were present for the celebration.

Lorinda also has 28 great-grandchildren, and all but three were in attendance. To-date her great-grandchildren have provided her with 11 great-great-grandchildren, and the family has three new babies on the way.

Lorinda has 59 direct descendants. After Bill’s death in 1983, she met and partnered with Maurice “Moe” Thibodeau from Sudbury, Canada. Together they shared 20 years until Moe’s death in 2009. Moe’s family is truly an extension of the DeLong family and is fondly referred to as the klan’s “Canadian” family.

Several members of Lorinda’s “Canadian” family were in attendance and made sure she was properly “roasted”.

## It’s a boy!



Brock Jesse Zimba

Ben and Allison Zimba announce the birth of their son Brock Jesse Zimba, born March 18, 2014. He weighed 9 pounds, 3 ounces and was 21.5 inches long.

Brock was welcomed home by his grandparents, Ken and Louise Walkiewicz and Jesse and Sally Zimba.

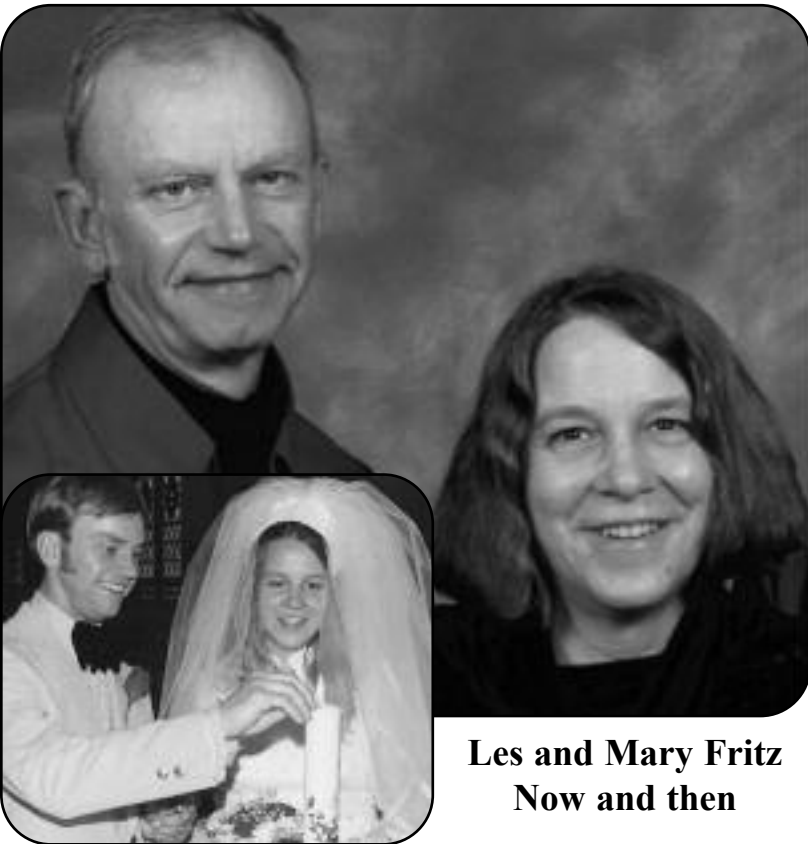
## Celebrating 40 years

Les and Mary (Zuraw) Fritz of Cass City will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary Sunday, April 27, 2014. They were married at St. Agatha Church in Gagetown on April 27, 1974.

Les grew up in Owendale and graduated with the class of 1967 from Laker High School. Mary grew up in

Gagetown and graduated with the class of 1971 from Owen-Gage High School.

Their children are Melanie (Chris) Collins of Cass City, Nathan (Jaime) Fritz of Cass City and Jeremiah Fritz, of South Bend, IN. They have 4 grandchildren: Rachel, Joel, Alysa and Lillyan.



Les and Mary Fritz  
Now and then

## Engaged



Aaron Hewitt and  
Amanda Lombardo

Amor West, of Cass City, announces the engagement of her son, Aaron Hewitt, to Amanda Lombardo, daughter of Dave and Joan Lombardo of Harrisonburg, VA.

Aaron graduated from Central Michigan University with a BS in Athletic Training. He worked with the Minnesota Vikings for 2 years and then returned to CMU to obtain his Masters in Physician Assistant Studies. He is employed by OrthoCarolina as a Sports Medicine Physician Assistant in Charlotte, NC.

Amanda graduated from Virginia Tech with a BS in Exercise Science. She is employed by OrthoCarolina as a Physical Therapist Assistant in Charlotte, NC.

A May 2014 wedding is planned in Charleston, SC. The couple will reside in Charlotte, NC.

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**Answers to April 16, 2014**

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## 73 attended blood drive

Seventy-three people recently donated blood during an American Red Cross blood drive sponsored by the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary and VFW Post 3644, Cass City.

Receiving two-gallon pins were Larry Thick and Cheryl Lester; three-gallon pin, Larry Chandler; and six-gallon pin, Kevin Wehner. First-time donors were Nevin Kempf, Amber Nelson, Bianca Smith, Emma Weaver, Mary Ellen Kurtz, Lester Miller and Lester J. Miller.

Organizers lauded local Boy Scouts who volunteered during the blood drive.

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In Our  
OPINION...

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# Wildfire risk is no joke in the spring

With all the precipitation Thumb area residents have been shoveling in recent months, following by milder temperatures and still more wet stuff — this time in the form of rain — accidentally igniting a wildfire may be the last thing on your mind.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officials, however, are reminding everyone that the risk of an outdoor fire getting away from you is no joke, especially in the spring.

In fact, fire fighters from numerous departments, including the Michigan DNR, have already been responding to multiple wildfires in the Lower Peninsula, prompting the DNR to urge the public to keep prevention



“The time frame between snow melting and green-up is dangerous”

and safety in mind as they begin tackling spring cleanup chores on their property.

“Fire season is underway in the Lower Peninsula and will be coming to the Upper Peninsula soon,” said Paul Kollmeyer, resource protection manager within the DNR’s Forest Resources Division. “Where outdoor burning is permitted, we are reminding residents to stay informed of current conditions before they head out to burn their yard debris.

“The time frame between snow melting and green-up is dangerous because brown grass, leaves and dead tree limbs from winter are dry, brittle and highly flammable,” Kollmeyer explained, noting the unsafe burning of leaves, brush and other debris is a main cause of wildfires in Michigan.

Residents are required to get a burn permit prior to burning brush and debris in Michigan. You can obtain a free burn permit by visiting [www.michigan.gov/burnpermit](http://www.michigan.gov/burnpermit) or by calling (866) 922-2876.

Residents in southern Michigan should contact their local fire department or township office to see if burning is permitted in their area.

The DNR reminds people to do the following prior to burning yard debris:

- \*Obtain a burn permit,
  - \*Choose a day that is cool and damp with little wind,
  - \*Burn in small mounds placed in areas that are clear of vegetation,
  - \*Keep water close by,
  - \*Supervise fires at all times, and
  - \*Always extinguish flames, coals and embers properly.
- Remember, embers can stay hot for days.

To help the public stay aware of current fire-danger levels this wildfire season, the DNR, in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service and the Michigan Department of Transportation, has constructed new, digitized Smokey the Bear signs in high-traffic areas.

If you’re not sure conditions are suitable for outdoor burning, put the task on hold for a few days. Taking a chance could result in fines, costly restitution and other penalties should a fire get away from you.

Slices of Life  
by Jill Pertler  
The biggest losers

I live in a family of losers, and admit somewhat reluctantly that I am one of the chief contributors to our misplacements. I am responsible for some sort of loss nearly every day; and it’s not in any way related to weight, unfortunately. My purse, sunglasses and car keys are all fair game. I am not alone. My oldest son occasionally loses money at the casino. My husband also loses cash but in a different way; it jumps from his wallet to the kids’ pockets. We lose hockey games and the TV remote. Our batteries lose their charge. We lose socks in the dryer all the time.

Our home is like a black hole for any number of losable items and we’re caught in the vortex. I thought we’d dislocated just about everything possible – until last Tuesday, when we entered new territory.

We found ourselves unable to locate a tennis racket. Not tennis balls. Not tennis tape. Not one of those absorbent tennis wristbands. A brand-new, never-used, regular-size, far-from-cheap tennis racket – in its entirety.

It might seem impossible to lose something as conspicuous and cumbersome as a tennis racket, but I’ll remind you, we are a bunch of losers and therefore somewhat talented that way. Even so, we’ve never lost anything as large as a tennis racket – unless you count losing a car in the parking lot or the occasional errant bicycle. We’ve done both. More than once, which doubles our deficit – or aptitude – depending on your viewpoint.

The owner of the racket, son number two, is a fairly accomplished loser, despite his young age. Up until last week, however, his loss talents were primarily limited to cell phones – the displacement of which he has proven himself to be a true aficionado. Let’s just say he loses them at the rate normal kids lose teeth.

But lost cell phones are so blasé. Practically anyone can lose a cell phone with hardly any effort. The small, slender gizmos slip easily between chair cushions, fall under the seats of a minivan or lay hidden in the folds of pants pockets or backpacks. Tennis rackets don’t fit in backpacks. Losing one was an achievement – even for us.

The inability to locate a tennis racket might not hold the importance of a match point, but the day we noticed it had gone missing was not a normal day. It was the day of the first high school tennis meet of the year. The timing couldn’t have been less perfect. Ad out.

I asked my son if he remembered where he’d last seen

the racket. Had he shown it to someone? Brought it to school? Put it somewhere for safekeeping? My attempts at triggering his memory served no purpose; he had no recollection of any such activities.

Where does one search for a lost tennis racket? Everywhere. I overturned chair cushions. Peered behind TVs. Looked under beds. Shuffled through closets. Perused the laundry. I found many dust bunnies and 11 dirty socks but no tennis racket. Tennis meet looming, we were close to break point. It was far from a love-love situation. As I found myself on my knees, rummaging through the garbage in search of the expensive racket I feared I might be losing my marbles, or at the very least my dignity.

The advantage was definitely with the lost racket. I didn’t know what we were going to do.

Just then my son let out a loud yelp, which I hoped was a good sign. I found him standing in the doorway of his bedroom, beaming, racket in hand. It doesn’t matter where he found it (wedged between the wall and radiator) but that he found it. Because the one thing better than a brand-new tennis racket on the first official day of the first official tennis meet of the season is a once-lost, now-found brand-new tennis racket on that very same day. It felt like a grand slam.

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Rabbit Tracks  
by Clarke Haire  
(And anyone else he can get to help)

If you’re like many folks, chances are good you have expired or unused prescription medicine just taking up space in your medicine cabinet. If so, The Tuscola County Sheriff’s Department and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will be more than happy to take them off your hands this weekend.

For the eighth time in 4 years, the agencies will be accepting old and unused prescriptions Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the sheriff’s department, located at 420 Court St., Caro.

The collection program is designed to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding homes of potentially dangerous expired and unwanted prescription drugs. Residents are encouraged to drop off pills (must be removed if stored in blister packs), capsules and powders. Liquids, ointments and salves cannot be accepted.

Unwanted drugs can also be dropped off at the Michigan State Police post in Caro, 1485 Cleaver Rd. (M-24).

This service is free and anonymous.

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The Department of Natural Resources today announced it is in the middle of its new fish-stocking season. This spring, DNR trucks will be spotted pulling up to hundreds of lakes and streams throughout the state to release prized, recreational cargo.

Over the course of the year, the DNR will stock roughly 26 million fish weighing nearly 370 tons, including eight species of trout and salmon and four cool water species such as walleye and muskellunge.

Stay tuned and I’ll let you know in next week’s issue if their efforts are paying dividends on the Muskegon River near Nawaygo after I hit the west Michigan stream Thursday afternoon in search of steelhead.

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Finally, winners of the Cass City Lion’s Club annual sunken car raffle were named as officials report the car came to rest on the bottom of the Huntsville Trailer Park pond on the afternoon of April 6.

The big winner was Duane Henn who pocketed \$4,000, while Al Patrick and Rich Perkins each collected \$750.

There were 7 second chance winners, each awarded \$100, and included Mindy Parks, Brent Hudson, Peter Cristiano, Ed Knight, Ken Tiseo, Dennis Powell and Tracey Moore.

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Cass City’s Rolling Hills Golf Course will host several fundraisers over the course of the summer. First up is the 11th Annual Fire Department Golf Outing slated for Saturday, May 17.

Local firefighter Nick Moyer says sponsorship levels range from a \$1,000+ Platinum Sponsor to a \$30 Cart Sponsor. Of course, golfers are always needed and a day of fun is guaranteed.

For more information, contact Moyer at 517-990-4966 or Jeremy Somerville at 989-737-2983.

## Letters to the Editor Right to Life crowd at benefit inspiring

Editor,

Recently, my wife and I had the pleasure of attending a benefit dinner in Bad Axe sponsored by Right to Life.

The benefit dinner was for their guest speaker, Shauna Prewitt, a beautiful young lady who was

the victim of a sexual assault nearly 10 years ago when she was 21 and just out of college. Because of her moral and religious convictions she opted to have her baby. She then went back to college to pursue and eventually gain a degree in law.

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## Gun control needed for U.S. government

Dear editor,

President Obama said President Putin of Russia can’t be doing to Ukraine what he is currently doing. President Putin said he’s protecting the 96 percent of Russians that live there.

Our government isn’t any better than what Putin

is doing. We send 200 federal armed troops, plus snipers, to Nevada to protect a turtle from a cattle rancher. There is no difference between what our government did in that example and what President Putin is doing to Ukraine.

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## Memorial Day time for honoring heroes

Editor,

Every Memorial Day, America pauses to think back on its wars, on what was won and what was lost. Perhaps for this generation, the losses come to mind.

Speakers across the country will search for the right words, but words are not enough. Memorial Day is a time set aside for all Americans to honor the hundreds of thousands of courageous men and

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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

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## Wednesday, April 23

- 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.
- Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.
- Ravenous Readers Book Club, Noon, Rawson Memorial Library

## Thursday, April 24

- AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.
- Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.
- Thumb TEA Party, 6:30 p.m., Evangelical Free Church, Cass City.
- Story Time, 10 a.m., Rawson Memorial Library

## Monday, April 28

- Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
- Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.
- Cass City Area Historical Society Meeting, 7 p.m., Rawson Memorial Library.
- AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.
- Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (no meetings July, August, December).
- Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.

## Tuesday, April 29

- Al-anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.
- AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church.)

### STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

#### First Sunday:

- Gagetown United Methodist Brunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., All you can eat. \$6 donation.

#### First Monday:

- Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Grief Support meetings, "Healing Together." Meadow Lane, 150 Meadow Lane, Bad Axe, 1-3 p.m. For questions or to register to attend please call the office at (989) 872-5852 or toll free (877) 872-5852. These sessions are open to anyone dealing with a grief or loss. Sponsored by Hospice Advantage, Cass City.

#### Second Monday:

- Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- VFW monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

#### Second Tuesday:

- Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.
- Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.
- Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.
- Huron County Family Caregiver Support Group, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Human Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

#### Second Wednesday:

- Dorcas meal at Cass City United Methodist Church at noon. 1 1/4 mile north of Cass City. (989) 872-4604 for take outs.

#### Second Thursday:

- Caregiver Connection, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Country Gardens, Scheurer Hospital, 203 N. Caseville Rd., Pigeon. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.

#### Third Tuesday:

- Living with Parkinson's Support Group, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, 55 Rapson Lane West, Bad Axe. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.
- Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121
- Ubyly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubyly Thumb Veterans Organization Hall, 2165 Bingham St., Ubyly MI 48475. A pot luck is served prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcomed.

#### Third Thursday:

- Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121 or Amanda at (810) 648-4497.
- Grief Support meetings, "Healing Together." Heritage Hill, 1430 Cleaver Rd., Caro, 7-8:30 p.m. For questions or to register to attend please call the office at (989) 872-5852 or toll free (877) 872-5852. These sessions are open to anyone dealing with a grief or loss. Sponsored by Hospice Advantage, Cass City.
- Caregiver Support Group, 11:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Bullard-Sanford Memorial Library, 520 W. Huron Ave., Vassar. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

#### Third Friday:

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

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## In Sanilac County

# Deputies jail woman after chase

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A Minden City woman recently found herself behind bars after allegedly attempting to outrun deputies in Sanilac County's Austin Township.

According to Sanilac County Sheriff's Department reports, Deputy Shelly Park apprehended Adrienne Christensen, 20, following a five-mile police chase during the

early morning hours of April 13. The pursuit began on Patterson Road after the suspect failed to stop for the officer on a traffic violation.

"Christensen was traveling at high speeds, passing motorists on the right," said Lt. Charlene Washkevich. "The pursuit continued west on Huron County Line Road for approximately five miles. Christensen pulled into a private driveway and jumped out of the vehicle and, after failing to comply

with Deputy Park's verbal commands, was...taken into police custody."

Christensen was booked into the Sanilac County Jail and arraigned on felony charges of fleeing and eluding a police officer, possession of a controlled substance, operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, and assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer.

She was later released from jail after posting a \$10,000 cash bond.

## Circuit court news

# Several appear on felony charges

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

\*Jonathan T. Emery, 32, Tuscola, was sentenced to 24 to 48 months in prison following his plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance Dec. 24 in Tuscola Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$398 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

\*Jerry O. Johnson, 53, Fairgrove, pleaded guilty to charges of interfering with electronic communications, possession of marijuana and assault or assault and battery Feb. 14 in Wisner Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

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

\*Amy D. Murgas, 30, Mount Morris, pleaded guilty to charges of attempted delivery/manufacture of marijuana and possession of marijuana Nov. 20 in Arbela Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Ryan D. Bohr, 37, Caro, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Feb. 19 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

\*Nancy L. Bone, 45, Clio, pleaded guilty to charges of possession of an altered, forged or counterfeit registration tab, and driving without insurance Oct. 25, 2011, in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was

ordered and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Jason D. Proper, 32, Fairgrove, pleaded guilty to charges of delivery/manufacture of marijuana and possession of a firearm by a felon Nov. 24 in Fairgrove Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$15,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Derrick S. Becker, 26, Caro, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny in a building, lying to a peace officer and possession of marijuana Feb. 16 in Indianfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$1,200. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

# Identity theft focus of May 9 seminar

Nationwide, as many as five million seniors become victims of financial abuse each year, crimes that often include identity theft and fraud.

To help area residents protect themselves, state Senator Mike Green (R-Mayville) and Attorney General Bill Schuette's Senior Brigade will host a senior citizen identity theft seminar in May.

The free event is slated for Friday, May 9, from 2 to 3 p.m. at Rawson Memorial District Library, located at 6495 Pine St.

"Identity theft is a constant threat to

everyone, especially senior citizens," said Green. "This seminar will provide them with information on preventative steps that can be taken to avoid becoming a victim and how to minimize the impact on your life when you've been targeted."

Green said identity theft occurs when someone uses another individual's name, Social Security number, credit card number or any other personal identifying information to commit fraud. The culprit could tamper with someone's finances, open credit accounts, get a driver's license or rent an apartment in the victim's name.

"The sky is the limit once someone steals your identity," Green added. "They can do something as simple as

opening up a line of credit or something as complicated as declaring bankruptcy, using someone else's name to launder money or commit other crimes - all in your name."

The upcoming seminar will include presentations by representatives of Attorney General Bill Schuette and Chanda Booms, senior vice president and Bank Secrecy Act officer at Signature Bank. Booms will be talking about how banks experience the growing problem involving their customers and what financial institutions do to help prevent identification theft.

More information is available by contacting Green's office at (866) 305-2131 or by visiting his website at [www.StateSenatorMikeGreen.com](http://www.StateSenatorMikeGreen.com).

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# Reporter’s notebook



## Puppies are cute for good reason

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor



I’ve come to the conclusion that the good Lord made babies and puppies adorable for some very good reasons.

I’m joking about the comparison, of course. But think about it; both can turn a quiet Sunday afternoon into an explosion of sound in a heart-beat, both poop and pee at will, and they demand our attention at all hours of the day and night. Our need for sleep, particularly, seems to set them off.

And those adorable little faces melt our hearts, prompting us to meet each need as best we can, in spite of the fact that we know some of that cuteness — maybe not physically, but certainly in other ways — is going to fade as the months turn into years.



That’s true even if you live in a house full of women, which I did when our girls — all three of them — were still living in our quaint little ranch with just one bathroom (you do the math).

But I digress. My thoughts turned to youngsters recently after one of my daughters brought over another puppy — she’s seemed intent on finding me a suitable canine companion following the death of our yellow lab, Jake, nearly a year ago. In truth, I’ve since had some fleeting thoughts about welcoming another dog, but I wasn’t really sold on the idea.

Anyway, this little guy, a beautiful black lab, just 7 weeks or so old, worked his magic on me and it was game over in short order.

We named him Charlie, and my wife, Deb, and I had become parents again.

We both had forgotten just how much work goes into raising and training a pup, starting with house training and trying to satisfy his youthful instinct to chew on anything that can’t run away from him by giving him plenty of alternatives to our rugs, furniture legs, fingers, etc.

He’s a smart dog. Labs are, and they’re also known for being great with kids, a must when you have eight grandchildren.

But while he’s already picked up on the game of fetch, he’s a clumsy puppy, looking more like a cartoon than a real dog when he goes flying through the livingroom, pursuing some imaginary rabbit or squirrel. And he has a bit of an attitude — he may not completely understand the word “no”, but he doesn’t care for it, mustering everything into a little bark of defiance when I correct him.

That’s okay, it’s all part of raising another “child” that will be with the family for many years to come.

It may be a little work, but he’s worth it. Besides, there’s no chance this one’s going to hog the bathroom.

# Down Memory Lane

by Melissa McCormick



## 5 YEARS AGO (2009)

Owen-Gage High School students recently named to the North Central Thumb League All-Academic Team were Katie Rhodes, Cole Mroz and Stacie Dorsch. The students were recognized during a luncheon in Sandusky.

Cass City native and MSU graduate Sam Moore recently returned home to take on the job of parks and recreation director for the village of Cass City.

Member of Club Scout Pack 3594 and Cass City Boy Scout Troop 594 completed their annual “Scouting for Food” campaign Saturday by picking up donated food items in the Cass City area. The scouts previously went door to door, hanging yellow bags on the door knobs of local residences. In all, the scouts collected 635 donated items that will be distributed by the Caro Church of Christ.

Fifty-nine people recently donated blood at a drive sponsored by the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary and VFW Post #3644, Cass City. Receiving one-gallon pins were Randall Wright, Dale Tabar and Robert Kurtz; 2-gallon pin: Dawn Deering; 3-gallon pins: Sharada Hurd-Seurynck, Kevin Wehner and Kimberly Summersett; 4-gallon pin: Jack Adams; 7-gallon pins: Ron Voss and Gary Barnes; and first-time donors were Ellen Bartels, Katherine Ouvry, Kevin Hoppe and David Cooper.

Members of the Cass City Lions Club, including club Treasurer Eric Brown, were out in force at the corner of Main and Seeger streets Friday and Saturday for their annual White Cane Drive, a fundraiser that helps to provide sight and hearing services to those unable to afford them. The assistance includes eye exams, eyeglasses and hearing devices.

## 10 YEARS AGO (2004)

After being closed to classes for 56 years, the one-room Huckins Schoolhouse will reopen its doors for actual classes. A Peck Elementary second grade class under teacher Dianne Mercaw will be the first since 1948 to learn their “readin’, writin’ and ‘rithmetic” in the 157-year old school. Several other area teachers this spring will also be bringing their students to the school. With help from a genuine turn-of-the-century curriculum, students and teachers will learn what classes were like 100 years ago — the clothes they wore, games they played, lessons they learned, songs they sung and even the lunches they carried from home in little pails.

The Michigan Milk Producers Association (MMPA) recently honored a group of dedicated members for their service to the Dairy Communicator Program. The Dairy Communicators work diligently on behalf of MMPA members to promote dairy products and dairy farming. In addition to promotion, the communicators keep informed of current dairy industry issues, often being called upon to contact their legislators in order to help shape public policy in a manner that is beneficial to dairy farmers. Those receiving service awards this year are: 10 years: Mary Dillon, Jerome; Anne Koebel, Three Oaks; Keith and Jane Wood, Kingston; 15 years: Ken Kirkman, Corunna; 20 years: Mary Nichol, Deckerville; and 25 years: Leona Daniels, Sterling; Clayton Rasmussen, Sheridan. Started in 1979, the Dairy Communicator Program celebrates its 25th anniversary in 2004. MMPA Dairy Communicators can be found working a promotional display at a shopping mall, with a group of students at the local school of on the farm explaining the workings of a modern dairy farm. They also spend time

learning issues important to the dairy industry, contacting legislators and government officials when needed. MMPA is a member owned and operated dairy cooperative serving over 2,500 dairy farmers in Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio and Indiana.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1989)

Off and on the last couple of years we’ve had occasion to confer over the phone with Jim McLoskey, head man of the Tuscola County Economic Development Association in Caro. Jim is a former media man with most of his career spent in radio. Every time I talk with him I’m impressed with the quality of his voice. He reminds me somewhat of Paul Carey, the color man on Tiger games. Both are blessed with voices that appear made for announcing. That’s not saying that Jim is miscast in his present job. He worked at the Chronicle briefly and we learned that he was a dedicated, hard worker. Those attributes go well in any job. (From Rabbit Tracks)

Local second and third grade “Young Authors” winners are Cyrus Healy, Matt Derfiny, David Hobbs, Roger Rockwell, Tommy Fulcher, Emily Hopper, Lori Brown, Cheryl Laming and Christopher Crutchfield.

Among the Cass City students named winners in the “Young Authors” program are fourth, fifth and sixth graders Gia Mellendorf, Amanda Deering, Ashlie Chappel, Josh Lounsbury, Andy Gray, Andrea Cooper, Jenny Rick, Todd Milligan, Amy Burns, Leanna Edwards, and Melanie Joles.

Owen-Gage High School freshman Angela R. Gruber has been named a United States National Award winner in mathematics. Gruber, who was nominated by Owen-Gage math teacher Les Packard, will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, published nationally. She is the daughter of William and Lori Gruber of Gagetown, and the granddaughter of Reva Dillon and the late Edward Dillon Jr., and John and Eula Gruber, all of Cass City. The United States Achievement Academy selects winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors or other school sponsors, as well as on academic performance, leadership, enthusiasm, citizenship and other qualities.

## 35 YEARS AGO (1979)

Dr. Jack Clara of Cass City has a conversation stopper. It’s a cane. At least, it’s a cane most of the time. But don’t turn your back or it turns into something else. What it becomes is a pool cue. By unscrewing a cap here and there and replacing them somewhere else the transformation is completed in a matter of minutes. And if Clara shoots pool to the standards of that well made pool stick take my advice: don’t play with him.

New Zonta Club officers are Donna Wernette, president; Lottie Konwalski, vice president; Marie Roch, treasurer; Betty Hurst, secretary, and Cindy McConkey and Janice Chippi, board members.

Harold Blehm of Center Street, Gagetown, has won \$5,000 in the Michigan Lottery instant game. He bought the winning ticket card at Don’s Party Store in Elkton. According to his wife, Martha, they may use the money to buy property outside of town and travel to visit their children living out of state. She said her husband usually only buys a lottery ticket once every few months. His only previous winning ticket earned him \$50. Blehm works at Active Industries in Elkton.

Helping Hand — Members of Karen Fischer’s 4th-6th grade Sunday school class at the Cass City First Presbyterian Church spent Monday and part of Tuesday raking leaves and washing windows for senior citizen members of the church as a practical example of their lesson on helping others.

Provincial House resident Louise Graves enjoyed a visit with Reva Russell, one of a group of volunteers from the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Owendale.

## 40 YEARS AGO (1974)

When it comes to promotion for civic projects the Harry Littles rank right up there. Everyone knows that Edith Little is near the top when it comes to pushing tickets for the Zonta Club. It’s bingo! when she starts selling bingo tickets. Bingo, that is, for the Zonta charities where the profits go. Harry Little showed his mettle when he corralled me on the street to make sure that I know and would enlighten everyone else about White Cane Week. It’s Michigan White Cane Week, says Harry, and Cass City Lions will be selling canes on Main Street this week end. It’s the project that helps keep the club’s sight conservation program rolling and when you spot Harry or other Lions on the main

stem tell ‘em you read it here.

Members of Hills and Dales Hospital Auxiliary held their annual tea Monday at the hospital. Present were Mrs. Roger Little, Mrs. George Roch, Mrs. Donald Wernette and Mrs. Clark Boylan.

Passing the gavel to the new Cass City Chamber of Commerce President, J.E. Courtney, is outgoing President Mrs. Dorothy Stahlbaum. Courtney pledged to make Chamber programs work, with the help of its members.

Melody Bacon receives the 1974 Junior Citizen of the Year award from Dick Wallace at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet at the high school cafeteria.

Looking over a collection of souvenirs brought back from a week in Germany and Austria are Miss Karen Krauss, Pam Gallagher and Karen Krug.

Cass City’s Science Quiz teams bowed out of competition in contests with two Midland schools. Midland Central and Midland Northeast were the winners. Members of the Cass City team are Ann Whittaker, Capt. Carl Palmateer, David Kitchen and Cindy Rosenberger. Members of the May 5 team are Tim Spry, Mark Stahlbaum, Capt. Tom Brinkman and Cathy Hobart.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1964)

Carnival time will come early for youngsters in the Cass City trading area this year. The Retail Division of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce has arranged for a week-long Fun Festival with nine different rides. The dates set are April 28 through May 2. The rides will be placed in the downtown business area and, through the cooperation of merchants, will be only 15 cents. Friday, May 1, the rides will be only 10 cents. The regular price for the rides is 25 cents each and this price will be charged to everyone who does not have a ticket from participating merchants. These tickets are free, authorities explained, and can be received by simply asking for them as you shop. Another feature of the event is a drawing Friday, May 1, for two free bikes. The time, location and other details about the drawing will be announced next week. April 30 and May 1-2 have been designated as “Shoppportunity Days” and retailers have arranged many specials to help make it a gala week in Cass City.

If the rail strike goes into effect, Cass City residents will probably be affected first by curtailment of postal service. Postmaster L.H. Bishop announced that all mailing other than first class, air mail and air parcel post, destined for points more than 150 miles from Cass City, will be unacceptable until the strike is over. Bishop emphasized that these instructions received from Washington would be followed only if emergency suspension of service is caused by a rail strike. Second class magazines and newspapers, third class matter and fourth class parcel post package for delivery beyond 150 miles will be among items discontinued.

## 100 YEARS AGO (1914)

Through the courtesy of the Gagetown Times, the Chronicle presents the illustration of the proposed new church edifice of the St. Agatha’s Catholic society at Gagetown. The excavating for the large basement was commenced. The proposed new building will cost approximately \$30,000. The dimensions of the church are 80 feet wide, 135 feet long and 150 feet high from side walk to top of towers. It will have seating capacity for over 700 people.

At the regular meeting of the State Board of Education held in Ypsilanti, the following recommendation was approved: Students enrolled in any of the rural courses of the four state normals, and residing in the county in which such state normal is located, shall be granted free tuition.

The painters say this will be a busy spring in their line. It ought to be, as nothing adds to the good looks of a town as nicely painted houses, and Cass City needs no pattern to work after along that line. Our home owners take special pride in keeping up their property so that it is always presentable. Let the good work go on.

Village President Hays made the following appointments which were confirmed by the council: Health officer, Dr. M. M. Wickware. Street commissioner and marshal, David M. Hutchinson. Village attorney, J. D. Brooker. Both Mr. Hutchinson and Mr. Brooker succeed themselves and Mr. Wickware fills the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. D. P. Deming, who served as health officer for many terms.

Riley & Turner are getting material on the ground and will soon begin the erection of their new hardware building. They will remove the present building and this removes one of the last business landmarks from Caro’s business street.

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# MABA officials honor Green as the “Legislator of the Year”

While agriculture continues to expand across Michigan, farmers and agribusinesses depend more than ever on a reliable, dependable transportation network for supplies and to ship products around the world.

Senate Agriculture Appropriations Chairman Mike Green and Michigan Agri-Business Association (MABA) President Jim Byrum recently convened a special meeting of area agriculture leaders, as well as state and federal government officials, to discuss rail and water transportation issues.

MABA officials also took the opportunity to present Green, a Republican senator from Mayville, with the organization’s Legislator of the Year Award.

“Michigan agriculture is leading our nation forward, and we absolutely need a transportation system we can count on,” Green said during the meeting. “Rail and water transporta-

tion are especially important for the Thumb and Saginaw Bay area. By expanding and improving these important transportation options, we can help agriculture continue to grow, boost our economy and create good jobs in the long term.”

More than 50 percent of corn, 80 percent of soybeans and 40 percent of wheat produced in the region reach their destinations by rail every year, and one rail hopper transports more than two truckloads of grain, reducing transportation costs by an estimated \$.50 per bushel.

Green and MABA also released a new fact sheet further detailing the benefits of reliable transportation for the region’s agriculture sector.

“Discussing these issues today is important for the future of Michigan agriculture,” Green said. “A modern, reliable rail infrastructure system is going to mean a better bottom line for farmers and rural businesses.”

Byrum noted that with an aging road system, the late thaw will hamper spring planting this year.

“Circumstances are unique every year, but producers and agribusinesses will always have a need to get products from Point A to Point B,” said Byrum. “Access to modern rail and water transportation networks will only be more important in the coming years as we continue expanding production. These tools aren’t just key for shipping grain and other products out of Michigan; agribusinesses count on rail and water to get inputs like fertilizer and feed ingredients to the state.”

Following his remarks, Green was awarded MABA’s Legislator of the Year honor.

Byrum highlighted Green’s interest and engagement on agriculture issues, and his efforts to listen to the agriculture community, as key in the decision to honor him as Legislator of the Year.



Steffin Bader



**STATE SENATOR Mike Green (second from right) stands with members of the Michigan Agri-Business Association after they presented him with the Legislator of the Year Award. Green (R-Mayville), was selected for the award due to interest and engagement on agriculture issues and his efforts to listen to the agriculture community.**

## Brown announces state grants for Thumb

State Rep. Terry Brown (D-Pigeon) recently highlighted a number of grants from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) that will benefit natural sites in the Thumb.

The DEQ awarded \$2,844 and

\$1,501 to the health departments in Huron and Sanilac counties, respectively, for monitoring Lake Huron beaches. Sanilac County also received a \$35,100 grant from the DNR for the Sanilac Conservation District.

“We in the Thumb are blessed with

an abundance of natural beauty, from Lake Huron to forests, fields and trails,” Brown said. “These grants will help local governments maintain safety and improve natural resources so that we can continue to enjoy the best of what Mother Nature has to offer.”

# Bader bags coveted internship prize with the Detroit Pistons

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Steffin Bader set his sights high when he took on the challenge of adding an internship with the Detroit Pistons to his resume.

The 2010 Cass City High School graduate and now senior at Central Michigan University (CMU) didn’t disappoint himself or anyone else. In fact, Bader turned some heads when he recently bagged the coveted assignment.

“As many people know, I have been competing for an internship with the Detroit Pistons through my Sports Management Class here at CMU,” Bader said. “We started the project towards the end of January and the objective was to see who could sell the most Pistons tickets before the end of the season, earning themselves an internship in corporate sales with the Pistons.

“After much determination, I reached my goal of achieving the top spot and winning the competition,” he added. “My final numbers were 150 tickets, and I brought in \$3,270 in sales revenue.

“Not only did I win, but I now hold the record for the highest numbers in the program’s history.”

Bader, who is majoring in sports management with a minor in professional sales at CMU, indicated the competition helped him to grow professionally.

“I’ve learned perseverance,” he explained. “I have been determined to make my dream become a reality by coming up with some new and creative sales and marketing strategies to get tickets sold.”

Bader can now look forward to the payoff for his hard work, but he isn’t resting on his laurels.

“I will be accepting the internship with the Pistons for the upcoming fall after returning home from North Carolina, where I am doing another internship, with the Kansas City Royals minor league baseball team,” noted Bader, who indicated he won’t forget how folks in his hometown rallied around him.

“I couldn’t have done this without the help and support from my community,” he said. “Words cannot describe the appreciation I have for the rallied support of everyone back home. It is very heart-warming to know that I have such a strong and supportive community to rely on to help out a local Thumb boy trying to achieve his dream.

Bader added, “I would just like to thank Tyler Perry for his article in the Chronicle, my family, and my Red Hawk family for giving me the final push I needed in locking this up.”

# Friends, family rally around local woman

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Ann Arbor, where surgeons removed a golf ball-sized glioma brain tumor March 27.

“As far as the surgery goes, it went very, very, very well,” said Martin, who noted Guinther’s surgeon was able to remove the entire tumor from the right frontal lobe of her brain, largely because of the location of the growth — in an area that would not affect her motor abilities.

“But they (doctors) said it’s invasive, so it’s going to come back,” he said, adding the good news is that the pathology report revealed the tumor was a lower-grade tumor, meaning it could take several years, even decades, before it returns.

“She’s doing pretty good,” Martin said. The next step for Guinther, a 1993 Cass City High School graduate, remains uncertain at this point, according to Martin. “They may do chemo(therapy), they may not. We just don’t know that part yet,” he

continued.


In the meantime, Guinther remains on medical leave from her job as a title examiner at Community First Title Agency in Caro. Martin, also a Cass City graduate, is continuing to work, but he indicated the couple’s medical bills and other expenses are piling up.

He said news of a benefit being planned was both welcome and surprising.

“It was quite an overwhelming response. It was wonderful,” he added. “To our surprise, once the word kind of got out...people just started coming out of the woodwork.

“It’s one nice thing about living in a small community,” Martin said. “People are nice and willing to help other people out.”

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# Shining bright: Tuscola County honors its “stars”

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member, parade chairperson and secretary. She has also served on the Caro Community Hospital Endowment Committee for many years and volunteered with the Exchange Club of Caro. Other nominees for the honor were: Al and Connie Bahr, Ken Curry, Mary Findley, Nancy Folk, Andrew Green, Jim Heiser, Marlene and

Robert Hunter, Mandy Knox, Terry Kostanko, Steve Ley, Terry Murlick, Donald and Vera Pashby, Judy Remar and Michael Urban. Named this year’s Group Star Award recipient is the Kingston United Methodist Church, which has served the Kingston community since 1873. “Hundreds of citizens depend on this group to assist with feeding their families,” said Tuscola Stars

Planning Team member Jim McLoskey. “At Christmas time the holidays are a little brighter because of their selfless efforts. This group of dedicated ‘stars’ stuffs backpacks for school supplies and treats for kids. “Kids get scholarships to summer camp from this group,” McLoskey added. “When it comes to serving their fellow man, this group reaches beyond the U.S. borders and helps with international projects, including a Haiti hot lunch program and international ‘living gifts.’” Also nominated in the group category were the Living Word Worship Center in Cass City, Revive Ministries of Cass City, the Caro Roadhouse Museum, and Woman’s Life Caro #879. POET Biorefining was honored as the 2014 Business Star Award winner. “This organization has a generous donation program and obtains employee input on how to best serve the community with the available funds,” said Gene Pierce, Tuscola Stars Planning Team co-chairman. “All levels of citizens benefit from their generosity, including Special Olympics, the Caro Snow Fest, Boy Scouts, AYSO Soccer, Christmas gifts for underprivileged kids, and Coats for Kids.” Other businesses nominated for the award were: Consumers Energy, Cook GM Superstore, Hopp’s Lumber, Millington Pizza, The Oven and Pizza Hut. This year’s Above and Beyond Star Award was presented to Louise Hodges of Caro. “For over 30 years, this star has vol-

unteered in Tuscola County in so many ways. When the community needs help on the fire department, she jumps in with both feet,” McLoskey said, adding Hodges is a member of the LEAD Tuscola leadership group, and she hires special needs youth in her business.

Also benefiting from her efforts have been the Tuscola County Fair, and area schools and veterans. The other nominees were: Lori Calery, Steve Erickson, Douglas Kramer, Lavern Rutkowski, Shirley Snyder, Lee Starling, Ronald Weippert and Charles Woods.



RETIRED CASS City educator Nancy Folk (left) receives a certificate and cup after being introduced as a nominee in the Tuscola Stars individual category.



VETERAN TUSCOLA County United Way board member and director of operations Jim Heiser was honored as a nominee in the Tuscola Stars individual category.



WALKER ALSO presented a certificate to Revive Ministries, Cass City, represented above by Bonnie Marker (left) following the ministry’s introduction as a nominee for the Tuscola Stars group honor.




SUSAN WALKER, Co-chairman of the Tuscola Stars Planning Team, presents the Rev. Mark Karwowski with a certificate honoring the Living Word Worship Center, Cass City, as a nominee for the 2014 Tuscola Stars Award in the group category.



WALKER presents a certificate to Cass City’s Lavern Rutkowski, who was nominated in the Above and Beyond category for his service to the Knights of Columbus, St. Pancratius Catholic Church, area school children and senior citizens in need.

## U-M church auction set

The Shabbona United Methodist Church will be hosting its annual Fish Supper and Auction Saturday, April 26. Supper will be served from 4 to 6:30 p.m., and there will be a free will offering. The live auction will begin at 6:30 p.m., featuring meals, soft goods, tools, appliances and many other items. There will also be a silent auction and bake sale, from 4 to 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. The church is located at 4455 Decker Rd. (corner of Decker and Severance Rds.). For more information, call (989) 872-3530.



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# Cass City struggles in opening games of double headers

The Cass City Red Hawks opened their 2014 baseball season with a pair of double headers on consecutive nights with similar results. On Wednesday, the Red Hawks traveled to Millington and suffered an 11-4 defeat in game one, before rebounding for a 4-2 lead in the nightcap, which was called due to darkness after 4 frames.

“The score (in game one) doesn’t indicate how well we actually played. We faced a tough pitcher on a cold night where hits didn’t come often. We scratched and clawed for 8 walks. Our pitching and defense is going to improve each night. The story of the night was timely hitting. We had runners in scoring position every inning, just couldn’t get the big hit. But we will,” said Coach Nathan Haag.

In the late tilt, Millington jumped out in front, 2-1, after three innings. But the advantage wouldn’t hold up as Cass City rallied for 3 markers in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Drew Field and Jacob Guinther both drew walks to start the Red Hawk comeback. Braeden Perzanowski reached then reached base on a bunt single to load the bases.

Another walk to Sawyer Cuthrell tied the game and Jacob Hacker’s bunted home Guinther to give Cass City their first lead on the night at 3-2.

Mason Erla drove in an insurance run next when he hit a ground ball to the shortstop, scoring Perzanowski to make the score 4-2.

Hacker handled the pitching chores for Cass City. He worked all 4 innings and allowed 5 hits and 2 earned runs, fanning 8 before the contest was called due to darkness.

“We are playing pretty well considering we’ve had more practices inside the gym than the basketball team. This is our sixth week of the season and we still haven’t had one practice on our own field, so we had a pretty good night considering the elements we’ve had to prepare with and against,” said Haag.

## HARBOR BEACH

On Thursday, Cass City invaded Harbor Beach and suffered a 9-0 setback in the non-conference opener. The Red Hawks then battled to a 3-3 tie in game two, which was, once again, called due to darkness.

Game one saw Erla start on the rubber for the visitors and he was tagged with the defeat. He worked 4 1/3 innings, allowing 4 hits and striking out 10.

Harbor Beach scored twice in the first and third innings and then exploded for 5 tallies in the fifth inning to earn the victory.

At the plate, Erla had 3 hits and Cuthrell one for Cass City.

Game two featured Dakota Hartel on the hill for the visitors. He tossed 4 innings, yielding 5 hits and fanning 6.

At the plate, Erla’s clutch 2-RBI single in the fifth inning highlighted Cass City’s attack.

“Our pitching in both games was good enough to get a win tonight; things just didn’t go our way. It’s amazing how difficult scoring can be when the opponent doesn’t give you free base runners. The day before at Millington we collected 17 walks in ten total innings of offense. Today, we didn’t earn a walk until game two,” said Haag. Adding, “We’ve definitely shown two days in a row after a bad first game our ability to bounce back mentally and win the second game.”

# Lady Red Hawks whip Harbor Beach

Cass City opened its softball season in splendid fashion Thursday, sweeping host Harbor Beach, where the visitors clubbed out lopsided victories of 17-1 and 10-2.

Lauren Bukoski collected the victory on the rubber in game one. The Lady Red Hawk senior ace walked 2, struck out 2, and allowed just one hit. Harbor Beach pitcher Jadrianna Wolschleger was slapped with the defeat. She struck out 6.

Cass City struck for 5 runs in their first at bats and removed all doubt from the game’s outcome with a dozen markers in their second trip to the plate.

Offensively for the winners, Audrey VanAuken slapped a pair of singles, while Erika Martin belted a triple.

Rebecca Graff earned her maiden varsity win on the hill in game two. She recorded 4 strike outs and walked one to get the better of Harbor Beach hurler Taylor Hanson. Hanson whiffed a pair and issued 4 free passes.

Alliah Riddle led the Cass City hit parade with a triple, while Bukoski and Martin each added doubles. Shania Chambers and Lauren Scott pitched in solo base hits.

“Harbor Beach pitchers had a hard time finding the plate. Things are going to get much tougher for us this week. On Tuesday we face Yale and they have a pretty good pitcher. Thursday will open Greater Thumb West play against Reese and we all know what they have,” said Hacker.

Both contests are slated for home.

# Hawks come up short against Saginaw Arts and Science Academy

The Cass City girls’ soccer team finally got on the field this spring, traveling to face Saginaw Arts & Science Academy (SASA) and returning home with a 2-1 loss. Considering that the Lady Red Hawks started 6 first year players, most with no experience, the result was both unexpected and encouraging.

Faith Windsor made her first start in net, making 13 saves while giving up 2 goals, both on good shots by the Dragons. The Red Hawk defense contributed another 5 saves in support, holding SASA to only 18 shots for the game, an excellent effort overall, according to Coach Chuck Reed. Kennedy Brown, Laura Cowdry, Katherine Woodruff and Liz Milligan have the experience on this year’s squad and their perform-

ance throughout the game showed that they will be tough to beat this year.

The Dragons scored at the 23 minute mark in the first half and again late in the game, but had to work for everything they got. Erin Zdrojewski had the lone Red Hawk goal along with 6 other shots to provide the offensive spark for the visitors.

However, Reed felt a lack of support due to inexperience cost the Red Hawks on several scoring chances. Still, Zdrojewski was able to keep constant pressure on the Dragon keeper and helped keep Cass City close. First year players Kendra Kerkau, Rachel Tanner, Amy Verhines, Morgan Anderson and

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# Thumb track stars gather for Marlette Invitational



**KINGSTON’S William Webster goes airborne in the long jump. He recorded a distance of 17’ to place sixth.**



**LADY BEARCAT Samantha Pionk finished ninth in the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 19.44.**



**LADY CARDINAL Alissa Oland finished 21st in the discus with a distance of 52’.**



**CASS CITY’S Katherine Woodruff hands the baton to Karsten Warford during the 400 meter relay.**

# Marlette boys, Sandusky girls win team titles

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Marlette and Sandusky came away with team titles Thursday at the eighth annual Red Raider invite, which featured 15 schools and several of the Thumb area’s best athletes. Medals were awarded to the top 6 finishers in each event.

Behind a dominant showing in the sprint events, the Marlette boys finished on top of the team standings with 148.6 points to easily turn back runner up Peck with 81. Brown City edged Almont, 63.5 to 63.1, for third place honors, while North Branch (52), Mayville (48.5), USA (43), Kingston (40.1), Ubly (35) and Harbor Beach (35) round out the top 10 spots.

Cass City tallied 24 points to place 11th in the team standings and received medal performances individually from Bransen Stimpfel and their 3200 meter relay team. Stimpfel placed second in the 1600 and 3200 meter runs with times of 4:44 and 10:00, both personal bests on the season. The Red Hawks’ 3200 meter relay team placed fifth with a time of 9:28. The team consisted of Stimpfel, Keith Lounsbury, Jose Torres and Austin Walter.

For Kingston, the Cardinals’ 800 and 400 meter relay teams each crossed the end line for third place medals. Travis Tucker, Newt DeLong, William Webster and Keagen Kolacz teamed up to post times of 1:41 and 47.83, respectively, while individually Kingston had Delong place fourth in the 200

meter dash (24.70); Eric Hartsell, fifth in the high jump (5’ 8”) and fourth in the long jump (17’ 7”); and Webster, sixth in the long jump (17’ 0”). Adian Esterline also had success in the field events finishing fourth in the shot put (40’ 9”) and sixth in the discus (102’ 3”).

For Ubly, Adam Grifka, Jonathon Brandel, Nathan Gilbert and Jacob Inbody were clocked in 9:21 in the 3200 meter relay that resulted in fourth place honors, while the Bearcats’ 1600 meter relay team of Grifka, Roger Franzel, Gilbert and Inbody placed sixth with a time of 4 minutes flat. Individual medals for the Bearcats went to Grifka in the 1600 and 3200 meter runs, Inbody in the 400 and 200 meter dashes and Gilbert in the 800 meter run. Grifka turned in times of 4:52 and 10:04, earning third and fourth place medals, respectively, in the distance runs, while Inbody finished fourth and fifth in the dashes with times of 55.41 and 25.06. Gilbert collected a fifth place medal with a time of 2:18.

## GIRLS’ RESULTS

Sandusky’s distance runners led the Lady Redskins to the team championship. The top 10 finishers had the winners with 124.5 points, North Branch with 92, Marlette 88, Bad Axe 56, EPBP 54, Almont 53, Mayville 44, USA 36, Ubly 32 and Brown City 25.5.

Locally, Cass City registered 22 points to place 11th in the team standings. The Lady Red Hawks’ 400 meter relay team of Katie Hacker, Miranda Spry, Katherine Woodruff and Karsten Warford took third with a time of 56.97 and the 800 meter relay team of Katie Hacker, Miranda Spry, Samantha Mathewson and Katherine Woodruff took fourth with a time of 2:01. Individually, Hacker and Spry both

won fifth place honors in the 100 and 200 meter races, respectively.

For Ubly, medal showings came in the 100 meter hurdles where Stephanie Young placed second with a time of 17.11 and Bridgette Vogel was fourth with a time of 18.47. Young also recorded third place honors in the 300 meter hurdles (55.17), while Olivia Lipskey finished sixth in the 800 meter run (2:58) to complete the individual medal winners for Ubly. In fifth place for Ubly was the 3200 meter relay team of Cassidy Swanson, Claire Hembrough, Madison Brown and Lipskey.

For Owen-Gage, Courtney Southgate placed fifth in the 300 meter hurdles and sixth in the 100 meter hurdles with times of 58:09 and 18:86.

The complete list of boys’ winners:

3200 Meter Relay, Peck - (9:07.17); 110 Meter Hurdles, Andrew Storm, Marlette -(15.41); 100 Meter Dash, Hunter McGinnis, Marlette - (11.70); 800 Meter Relay, Marlette - (1:37.37); 1600 Meter Run, Luke Anderson, Harbor Beach - (4:38.00); 400 Meter Relay, Marlette - (45.80); 400 Meter Dash, Cody Abrego, Peck - (53.31); 300 Meter Low Hurdles, Kyle Abrego, Peck - (43.61); 800 Meter Dash, Kyle Baxter, Mayville - (2:13.79); 200 Meter Dash, Cody Abrego, Peck - (23.53); 3200 Meter Run, Luke Anderson, Harbor Beach - (9:56.57); 1600 Meter Relay, North Branch A - (3:51.72); High Jump, Alex Bartle, Brown City - (6-00.20); Shot Put, Tyler Crenshaw, Brown City - (50-11.00); Discus, Ian Reagin, Marlette - (142-05); Long Jump, Michael Morrison, Marlette - (19-00.75); Pole Vault, Jacob Battani, Almont - (11-06.00).

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# Owen-Gage records first win

Jacob Wright tossed a complete game Thursday in Mayville to lead the Owen-Gage baseball team to its first win on the season.

The Bulldog sophomore fanned 10 and walked 3 to earn the 11-3 decision in game one of the non-conference double header.

The visitors scored 4 runs in the first inning and would take a 9-3 edge into the sixth.

Offensively, Adam Retford was perfect in 3 trips to the plate to pace the winners, who had Dan Good with 3 hits and Wright with 2.

In game two, Ryan Warack took the hill for the Bulldogs and suffered a 12-4 defeat. He walked one and struck out 4.

Trailing 3-1, Mayville plated 7 runs in the second inning that proved to be the difference.

Dan Good, Ben Good, Wright and Warack each had singles for Owen-Gage.

Owen-Gage holds a 1-3 record.



OWEN-GAGE pitcher Jacob Wright and catcher Devon Lorenz make sure they are on the same page during Thursday’s non-conference action in Mayville.

## Summit League announces boys’ all-conference basketball team

- Boys’ First Team**
- Ben Good, Owen-Gage  
Nick Maguire, Akron-Fairgrove  
Simeon McGee, Flint International  
Shala Woods, Flint International  
Tyree Keyes, Flint International  
Omar Muhammad, Flint International
- Boys’ Second Team**
- Kyle Aldrich, Akron-Fairgrove  
Nathan Crane, Akron-Fairgrove  
Drew Huizar, Akron-Fairgrove  
Jake Wright, Owen-Gage  
Justin Schram, SASA  
Marcus Herring, Flint International
- Boys’ Honorable Mention**
- Quinn Smith, Owen-Gage  
Jeremy Verhelle, Akron-Fairgrove  
Brett Morrish, Owen-Gage  
Alex Roberson- SASA  
Aaron Streng- SASA

## Helping hands needed for area lighting stuck victim

*Publishers Note: Longtime Thumb area basketball Coach Leon Westover sent me the link below, along with the accompanying correspondence from Richard Sullivan.*

*If you would like to help a former Marlette Red Raider athlete, please sign up on the website listed and know you have voted for something very worthy. You are able to vote one time per day and the voting ends on May 9.*

*John Sullivan, as many of you will recall, was hit by lightning on the golf course at Michigan State University while participating in a high school golf outing in 1985 when he was 17. John was a basketball player and baseball player as well as*

*a golfer at Marlette High School. His father, Richard, who was a classmate of Westover, has been John’s caregiver every day since John was able to return home.*

*The link is <http://www.mobilityawarenessmonth.com/entrant/richard-sullivan-marlette-mil>*

I am writing this letter about a profound need that I have for my son John. I have been his caregiver for the last 29 years. He was 17 years old in 1985 when he was struck by lightning on the golf course at Michigan State University. John was left unable to speak, eat or move

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## Hawks bow to SASA

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Savanna Doerr all played extremely well considering the lack of practice this spring and their collective lack of field time.

“Hopefully our rookies will continue to improve as they get more playing time. This figures to be a rebuilding year for the Hawks and with the lack of practice time due to the weather they are behind in preparation, but the first game was encouraging. The real test will be this week against the Lakers,” said Reed.

Cass City was scheduled to visit Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port on Tuesday.

## Marlette Invite winners aired

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The complete list of girls’ winners:

3200 Meter Relay, Sandusky A – (11:29.57); 100 Meter Hurdles, Katrina Tovar, Sandusky – (17.10); 100 Meter Dash, Keara Wilson, Marlette – (13.30); 800 Meter Relay, Marlette A – (1:57.79); 1600 Meter Run, Crystal Tovar, Sandusky – (5:57.00); 400 Meter Relay, Marlette A – (54.41); 400 Meter Dash, Lizzie

Rinke, Almont – (1:05.26); 300 Meter Low Hurdles, Katrina Tovar, Sandusky – (54.52); 800 Meter Run, Samantha Orchard, Sandusky – (2:48.26); 200 Meter Dash Lizzie Rinke, Almont – (28.70); 3200 Meter Run, Crystal Tovar, Sandusky – (12:51.40); 1600 Meter Relay, Marlette A – (4:51.60); High Jump, Sarah Rievert, USA – (5-01.00); Shot Put, Kayla Deering, Lakers – (38-04.75); Discus, Kayla Deering, Lakers – (347-09); Long Jump, Haley Cross, Marlette – (15-06.50); Pole Vault, Aubrey Battani, Almont – (7-09.00).

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# Obituaries

**Eva Balmer**

Eva L. Balmer, 81, of Cass City, formerly of Attica, passed away Wednesday, April 16, 2014 at Tendercare Cass City.

She was born April 29, 1932 in Attica, the daughter of the late Nathaniel W. and Velora B. (Churchill) Reed.

Eva married Emery Balmer in 1955, he passed away in 1980.

She enjoyed playing Bingo and walking in the woods.

Eva is survived by a brother, Francis (Marilyn) Reed of Millington and nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by 9 brothers and sisters.

Cremation has taken place and burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery in Clarkston. No services are planned at this time.

Please share condolences at [www.thabetfuneralhome.com](http://www.thabetfuneralhome.com). Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home of Cass City.

**Merrill Froney**

Merrill William Froney, 81, of Gagetown, formerly a resident of D. J. Jacobetti Veterans' Home, Marquette, passed away Wednesday, April 16, 2014 at home.

He was born June 10, 1932 in Ishpeming, the son of the late Merrill and Henrietta (Moyle) Froney.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing and boating and served in the U.S. Navy and Army, spanning from the end of WWII, through the Korean War and the beginning of the Vietnam War.

Bill is survived by his special friend, Toni Donovan of Gagetown, 9 children, 17 grandchildren, and many great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews, 3 sisters, Florence, Etta Jo and Patsy, and special cousin, Faye Holmi of Gwinn.

He was predeceased by a brother, Michael James Froney.

Honoring Bill's wishes, cremation has taken place. No services are scheduled at this time.

Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army. Please share condolences at [www.thabetfuneralhome.com](http://www.thabetfuneralhome.com). Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home of Cass City.

**Richard Mika**

Richard Joseph Mika, 73, of Luzerne, formerly of Cass City, died following a long illness Saturday, April 19, 2014 in United Hospice of Marlette Residence Center, Marlette.

He was born October 15, 1940 in Detroit, the oldest child of Frank "John" and Helen (Polheber) Mika. He married Kathleen Rita Kain May 21, 1966 in St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gagetown.

Richard graduated from Cass City High School in 1959. He was to celebrate 55 years with his classmates this summer. Richard served in the U.S. Navy as a Boiler Operator on the U.S.S. James E. Kyes. After his service in the military Richard continued to work as a Boiler Operator for Wickes Boiler Company in Saginaw, Albert Trostel & Sons in Milwaukee, WI, Dixie Boiler in Bridgeport and for General Cable as a Maintenance Supervisor before beginning a job with GM Powertrain in Bay City, MI; retiring in 1999 after 29 1/2 years of service. Richard is a member and usher at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Mio and a former member at St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City. He was a 4th Degree Knight with the Knights of Columbus Council #7329 in Mio and a former member of the Cass City Gagetown Knights of Columbus Council #8892. He is a

member of the Mio Moose Lodge #1035 as well as the American Legion Post #162 and Cass City Gun Club. Richard owned and operated Mika's Custom Molding, where he created many beautiful pieces of furniture and could fix anything.

Richard enjoyed hunting and fishing, especially with his grandchildren. He also enjoyed spending time crafting projects in his woodworking shop. He wouldn't miss having daily coffee with his friends in Luzerne or a trip to the Casino. Richard stayed close to his fellow retirees from GM, gathering monthly for lunch. He appreciated friends and family and was the great party organizer for the Knights of Columbus, organizing games and barbecues for all to enjoy.

Richard is survived by his wife, Kathleen "Kathie" Mika; children: Michele (Scott) Murphy of Cass City, Paul (Jessica Ferrigan) Mika of Cass City, Kurt (Diana) Mika of Unionville; grandchildren: Deric (Danielle) Murphy, Dylan (Samantha Swiderski) Murphy, Baylee Murphy, Keith Mika, Joel (Ashley) Hessler, Kurtis (Amy) Hessler, Brooke (Tyler Erla) Mika, Logan (Karley Peters) Mika, McKaela Mika; his first great grandchildren are due in July and October. He is also survived by his sisters: Lorraine (Charles) Kurtansky of Reese, Linda (Charles) Anklaam of Port St. Lucie, FL; brothers: John (Janice) Mika of Decker, George (Sharon) Mika of Caro, Robert (Romina) Mika of Port Orchard, WA; many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Kristi; sister and brother-in-law, Barbara and Richard Tetil; brother, James Mika and his parents.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, April 24 in St. Pancratius Catholic Church with the Rev. Paul Bala and Sr. Maria Dina Puddu MC, officiating.

Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Pallbearers for Mr. Mika: Deric Murphy, Dylan Murphy, Keith Mika, Joel Hessler, Logan Mika and Tyler Erla. Military honors under the direction of U.S. Navy and Cass City VFW Post#3644.

Memorials may be made to United Hospice of Marlette Residence Center or Our Lady of the Woods Shrine, Mio. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at [www.kranzfurneralhome.com](http://www.kranzfurneralhome.com). Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

**Larry Spencer**

Larry Spencer, 73, of Caro, passed away Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at Select Specialty Hospital in Saginaw.

He was born August 7, 1940 in Lapeer, the son of the late David Clyde and Julia Charlotte (Bentley) Spencer.

He enjoyed fishing and baseball with his nieces and nephews. Larry is survived by 3 daughters, Jacqueline Mareovich of FL, Carrie (Michael) Peduzzie of CO and Lisa of TX and many grandchildren, 3 sisters, Joann LeFave of Rochester Hills, Margaret Ross of Madison Heights and Julia Eckert of Cass City, a brother, David Spencer of MN and an aunt, Mary Bentley of Romeo and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by two brothers, his twin brother, Jerry B. Spencer and Howard Cochrane.

A memorial service was held February 26 at the Mizpah Church Fellowship Hall, Cass City. Pastor Dale Bullock officiated.

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	<b>Community Baptist Church (Independent Fundamental)</b> 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.
	<b>Cass City Church of Christ</b> 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.
	<b>Cass City Church of the Nazarene</b> 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
	<b>Cass City Missionary Church</b> 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 <a href="http://www.casscitymc.org">www.casscitymc.org</a>
	<b>Cass City United Methodist Church</b> 5100 N. Cemetery Rd., P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-3422 Worship: 11:00 a.m. (Summer 10:00 a.m.) • Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m. Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon) Pastor: Rev. Jackie Roe
	<b>Evangelical Free Church of Cass City</b> 6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-5060 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship 11:00 a.m. Midweek Bible Studies • Biblical Counseling Pastor: Rev. Todd R. Gould <a href="http://www.casscityefc.org">www.casscityefc.org</a>
	<b>First Baptist Church</b> <i>(Independent, Fundamental)</i> <i>Barrier Free</i> 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: <a href="http://www.fbccc.us">www.fbccc.us</a>
	<b>First Presbyterian Church</b> <i>Barrier Free</i> <i>State &amp; National Historical Registry</i> 6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-5400 Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Pastor: Michele Hile
	<b>Fraser Presbyterian Church</b> 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: Michele Hile
	<b>Good Shepherd Lutheran Church</b> 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: Steve Bagnall <a href="http://www.goodshepherdlutherancasscity.webs.com">www.goodshepherdlutherancasscity.webs.com</a>
	<b>Novesta Church of Christ</b> 2896 Cemetery Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-3658 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. • Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Minister: Brad Speirs <i>"the friendly church that cares"</i> Visit our website at: <a href="http://www.novestachurch.org">www.novestachurch.org</a>
	<b>Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church</b> 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
	<b>St. Pancratius Catholic Church</b> 4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-3336 Summer: Saturday Liturgy 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m. DST Winter: Saturday Liturgy 4:00 p.m.; Sunday Liturgy 9:00 a.m. EDT Pastoral Administrator: Sr. Maria Dina Puddu MC
	<b>Mizpah Missionary Church</b> 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
	<b>Living Word Worship Center Church of God</b> 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 Karwowski Website: <a href="http://www.lwccog.net">www.lwccog.net</a>

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas Meyer by Dawn A. Meyer, his Attorney in Fact and Dawn A. Meyer, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Icon Financial Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 8, 2002, and recorded on October 15, 2002 in Liber 898 on Page 158, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Three and 51/100 Dollars (\$84,523.51).

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 May 1, 2014.

Said premises are situated in Township of Indianfields, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Township 12 North, Range 9 East, described as commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 34; thence along the South line of said Section 34 West 175.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along said South line of Section 34 West 200.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 13 minutes 22 seconds West 405.00 feet; thence East 200.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 13 minutes 22 seconds East 405.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

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

Dated: April 2, 2014  
For more information, please call:  
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Attorneys For Servicer  
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422  
File #438643F01

4-2-14

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 Michael Barnard, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 16, 2003 and recorded July 16, 2003 in Liber 943, Page 1112, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Midfirst Bank by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty and 72/100 Dollars (\$75,850.72) 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 vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County., Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 15, 2014.

Said premises are located in the Township of Denmark, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:  
All that parcel of land in Township of Denmark, Tuscola County, State of Michigan, being known and designated as commencing 20.5 Rods North of the Southwest corner of the Subdivision line of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, thence North 6 Rods, thence East 11 Rods, thence South 6 Rods, thence West 11 Rods to point of beginning of Section 29, Town 12 North, Range 7 East in the Village of Richville.

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.

Dated: April 16, 2014  
Orlans Associates, P.C..  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007  
File No. 14-004661

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Elwin O. Kline and Dorothy K. Kline, husband and wife, to Bank of America, N.A., Mortgagee, dated March 28, 2001 and recorded April 9, 2001 in Liber 827, Page 1289, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Nationstar Mortgage LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Three and 4/100 Dollars (\$62,863.04) 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 MAY 15, 2014.

Said premises are located in the Township of Arbela, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:  
Commencing at a point 526.00 feet North of the Southeast corner of the South 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbela Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence West 270.00 feet, thence North 150.00 feet, thence East 270.00 feet, thence South 150.00 feet to 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.

Dated: April 16, 2014  
Orlans Associates, P.C..  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007  
File No. 13-017487

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by RONALD ALFRED POMEROY and APRIL ANN WELCH, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (“MERS”), solely as nominee for lender and lender’s successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 10, 2006, and recorded on June 19, 2007, in Liber 1122, on Page 1027, and assigned by said mortgagee to The Bank of New York Mellon, fka The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders, CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-8, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$185,259.80), including interest at 9.000% 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, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o’clock, on May 15, 2014  
Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST-WEST 1 / 4 LINE OF SECTION 17, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, 2023 FEET EAST OF WEST 1/ 4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION, THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 30 MINUTES WEST 266 FEET, THENCE EAST 183 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 1 DEGREE 30 MINUTES EAST 266 FEET TO EAST-WEST 1 / 4 LINE OF SAID SECTION, THENCE WEST 183 FEET ALONG EAST-WEST 1/ 4 LINE TO POINT OF BEGINNING.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 6000.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month from the date of such sale, or as to MCL 600.3241a only, 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later. 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.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tyler P. Malloy and Kelli J. Malloy, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 26, 2003, and recorded on March 31, 2003 in Liber 923 on Page 219, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-One and 18/100 Dollars (\$71,231.18).

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 May 15, 2014.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wells, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 19, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence East 208 feet, thence South 208 feet, thence West 208 feet, thence North 208 feet to the point of beginning.  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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

Dated: April 16, 2014  
For more information, please call:  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Melvin R. Colman and Linda Colman, a married man and his wife, Mortgagors, to Citizens Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated the 12th day of February, 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 24th day of March, 1999 in Liber 767 of Tuscola County Records, page 14, said Mortgage having been assigned to Green Tree Servicing LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Thirty-four Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-five and 10/100 (\$34,595.10), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of May, 2014 at 10:00 AM o’clock Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola Cty MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 7.000% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Village of Fairgrove, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: The South 39 feet and 4 inches of lot 2, block 1, Liken and Bach’s Plat to the Village of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, and: Lot commencing at the Southwest corner of lot 2, block 1, Liken and Bach’s addition, running thence North 39 feet 4 inches, west 13 feet, North 26 feet 8 inches, West 171 feet, Southwest 107 feet to a point 15 rods 3 1/2 feet West of the starting point, East 15 rods 3 1/2 feet to beginning, section 17, town 13 North, range 8 East, Village of Fairgrove During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney

Dated: 4/23/2014  
Green Tree Servicing LLC Mortgagee  
FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.  
Attorney for Green Tree Servicing LLC  
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 800 Troy, MI 48084  
248-362-2600  
GTSD FNMA ColmanMelvin

4-23-4

MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Thomas R. Darling and Sharon M. Darling, dated January 30, 2013, and recorded on February 13, 2013, in Liber 1271, Page 1381, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said Mortgage is held by Frankenmuth Credit Union.

The sum claimed to be due and owing on said Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$94,734.45, with interest accruing at \$9.00 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, Caro, MI 48723, at 10:00 am on Thursday, May 22, 2014. 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 Township of Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as follows: Lot(s) 2 & 3, Block 4 of DuBois Subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 5 of Tuscola County Records.

Tax Parcel ID No. 020-018-234-0200-00 Commonly known as: 5697 James Road, Vassar, MI 48768 The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to M.C.L. §600.3240(8). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, under M.C.L. §600.3278 the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

April 16, 2014  
FRANKENMUTH CREDIT UNION  
Kilpatrick & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Frankenmuth Credit Union  
903 N. Opdyke Rd., Suite C Auburn Hills, MI 48326  
(248) 377-0700

4-23-4

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

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.  
MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paulette M. Teno, original mortgagor(s), to U.S. Bank National Association ND, Mortgagee, dated July 13, 2006, and recorded on July 31, 2006 in Liber 1089 on Page 774, and modified by Affidavit or Order executed on April 11, 2012 and recorded on April 13, 2012 in Liber 1245 on Page 823, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Ten and 25/100 Dollars (\$156,710.25).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 22, 2014.

Said premises are situated in Township of Juniata, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the North half of the Northeast Fractional 1/4 of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 8 East, described as; beginning at a point on the North-South 1/4 line of Section 3 which is South 00 degrees 23 minutes 35 seconds West, 293.85 feet from the North 1/4 corner of said Section 3; thence continuing along said North-South 1/4 line, South 00 degrees 23 minutes 35 seconds West, 463.83 feet; thence along the South line of the North seven acres of the West ten acres of said North half of the Northeast Fractional 1/4, South 89 degrees 26 minutes 58 seconds East, 402.48 feet; thence along the East line of the West ten acres of said North half of the Northeast Fractional 1/4; North 00 degrees 23 minutes 34 seconds East 31.68 feet; thence, North 49 degrees 02 minutes 23 seconds East, 652.05 feet; thence, North 89 degrees 26 minutes 58 seconds West, 891.94 feet to the West line of Section 3 and the point of beginning.

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

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

Dated: April 23, 2014  
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 #426284F01

4-23-4



# Former Marlette athlete needs your help

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anything but his legs and head. He has been confined to a wheelchair and hospital bed since the injury. Mentally he is fine, totally aware and awake, but he has very limited motor movement and requires care 24 hours a day.

The need is for reliable transportation for John. We now have a 1993 Ford 150 raised roof van that was purchased for him by a businessman from Bridgeport, Michigan years ago when it was already 10 years old. It has a wheelchair lift which was transferred from our 1984 GMC van that was retired with

250,000 miles on it. I had no lift for the 1984 van until 1998. Before that, I lifted John in and out of his wheelchair and the van. John is 6' 4" and weighs 185 pounds and is difficult to move.

The 1993 Ford van is no longer reliable and is in constant repair besides rusting out. It has no working air conditioning and has limited heater functions. Air conditioning lines are rusted out and are too expensive to replace, the brake lines have been replaced and the heater core was replaced twice. I take many chances by transporting John in this van and pray that we get back home

safely from the many trips we take. John likes to go and needs to get out and go. Knowing that we could be left on the side of the road with someone in a wheelchair is very discomfoting.

I have had people looking for an upgraded van that would get John through the next 3 years with no avail. Anything better is too expensive. I'm going to be 70 this month and I pray that we can find a way to (get) a better van so we can feel safer when going somewhere.

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