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Investigators await autopsy results in local man's death

by Tom Montgomery Editor

The Cass City Police Department is continuing its investigation into the death of a local man who was discovered deceased in his Pine Street apartment over the weekend.

Cass City Police Chief Craig Haynes identified the man as Daryl Scott Douglas, 27, 6338 Pine Street. According to Haynes, a local officer was dispatched to Douglas' apartment Saturday at about 7:50 p.m. to investigate a reported unattended death.

"He (Douglas) failed to show up for work Saturday morning," Haynes said, adding co-workers went to Douglas' apartment after being unable to reach him by phone.

Police called in a medical examiner/special investigator to assist at the scene. An autopsy was scheduled for Monday to determine the cause of death, Haynes said.

Car accident claims lives of two teens

by Tom Montgomery Editor

The Sanilac County Sheriff's Department is continuing its investigation into a one-vehicle fatal traffic crash that claimed the lives of two county teens last week.

Sanilac County Sheriff Garry Biniecki identified the victims as Danielle N. Torrez, 17, of Croswell, and Dakota A. Moore, 18, of Applegate.

According to investigators, the crash occurred shortly after 11 p.m. Tuesday on Roach Road, west of Croswell Road in Lexington Township.

"Sanilac County Central Dispatch received a 911 call from a 20-yearold female from Lexington reporting

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Local woman among three hurt in crash

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Three people, including a Cass City woman, were injured in a two-vehicle traffic accident last Wednesday morning in Tuscola County's Fairgrove Township.

Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies along with an MMR Ambulance crew responded to the scene of the accident – Hinson and Gilford roads — at about 7:52, according to Undersheriff Glen Skrent.

"A vehicle that had been northbound on Hinson Road, driven by a Please turn to page 2.



CASS CITY'S Pinktober - A Community with a Cause finale drew hundreds of area residents to the downtown area for fun and free treats Thursday night. Above, "Fairway Fairy" Amanda Kester handed out goodies in front of Fairway. At right, Chewee, white Chihuahua, and Chile, a black Chihuahua mix, arrived dressed appropriately and seemed to be enjoying a stroll along Main Street with their owners, Lyle and Heather Severance, Cass



Community with a cause

Pinktober finale draws hundreds, October events raise thousands

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Cass City's fourth annual Pinktober – A Community with a Cause observance in support of the American Cancer Society (ACS) is now in the books, and organizers say they couldn't be happier with the participation and generosity the community again exhibited to help fight a disease that has impacted so many lives.

"I think just everyone came together," commented Joey Kreeger, who headed up a small army of volunteers in charge of organizing the month-long event held each October. "It was amazing, and I hope it keeps going forward."

Last year's combined Pinktober activities generated some \$10,000, and the 2014 effort is nearing that mark – more than \$8,300 to-date, with contributions and event proceeds still coming in.

Kreeger was quick to thank everyone – dozens of volunteers along with individuals, organizations and businesses — who made this year's month-long observance another success.

"Whether you were a sponsor, a volunteer, donated an item, drew a picture, decorated a window, attended an event or simply wore pink, this month would not happen without each of us coming together and doing all these things," she said. "Not only did we have a lot of fun in October, but we also raised a lot of money."

Pinktober 2014 kicked off in conjunction with a Cass City home varsity football contest. The half-time featured the lighting of sky lanterns purchased in honor of cancer victims and survivors, according to

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Survey says: Hills and Dales among "Top Places to Work in Healthcare"

to make the top 100 list.

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Hills and Dales General Hospital has boasted documented survey results in the past revealing patient satisfaction – and then some – with the care they received at the Cass City hospital. But they're not the only ones whose experience has been a positive one.

Employees say they, too, are more than satisfied with Hills and Dales as an employer.

In fact, Hills and Dales General Hospital was recently named one of the Top 100 Best Places to Work in Healthcare by Modern Healthcare Magazine, considered the health care industry's leading source of business, policy, news, research and information.

This is the first time ever that Hills and Dales made the top 100 list. The local hospital, ranked

81st in the latest survey out of some 2,000 health care organizations that participated in the project, is just one of four healthcare groups in Michigan

"Each year, employees of Hills and Dales complete an anonymous survey given by the Best Companies Group, who partner with Modern Healthcare. Based on the results they are ranked against other healthcare organizations who also take the survey," said Danielle Blaine, Hills and Dales' public relations director.

"The process is transparent; employees are given an in-depth survey with questions about leadership, culture, working environment, training and other factors," Blaine explained. "They are also asked to judge their overall satisfaction with their workplace." Each employee is given a secure link to complete their survey, a process that typically takes about 20-minutes and was

conducted over the course of a two-week period in June-July.

Employers, meanwhile, are asked about their company policies and practices, benefits and the demographics of their workforce. The end result is analyzed and extensively compared to other healthcare organizations who have taken the sur-

"This survey is something we have been doing for quite a few years," Hills and Dales President and CEO Jean Anthony said. "We use the results and anonymous comments to strategize about our employee satisfaction. It has helped identify the changing needs of our employees and has moved us forward as an organization.

The positive results aren't a coincidence, according to Anthony, who pointed out Hills and Dales has its own Employee Satisfaction

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TUSCOLA COUNTY Probate Court Judge Nancy Thane was recently presented with the Honorable Robert E. Weiss Award for Excellence in Judicial Leadership for her efforts to overcome barriers for children in need of adoption. Thane is pictured above (front row, far left) with the team she assembled to focus on how best to achieve permanent outcomes in the best interest of kids and in a timely manner.

Overcoming barriers

State court honors Tuscola County judge for innovative approach to streamlining permanent adoptions

by Tom Montgomery

A Tuscola County judge has been honored with a prestigious award for her efforts to overcome barriers to timely adoptions of youngsters.

Nancy L. Thane, Tuscola County's probate judge, was recently presented with the Honorable Robert E. Weiss Award for Excellence in Judicial Leadership. Thane accepted the honor during the State Court Administrative Office's Adoption and Permanency Forum Oct. 16.

"I am honored and humbled to be recognized for the work that we are doing here in Tuscola County," Thane said. "Our focus is always on doing what's best for these children who are in need of permanency in their lives. I am so pleased to see that our efforts are getting results."

Thane's core innovation recognized by the award is her initiative in identifying a core team of lawyers, Michigan Department of Human Services per-

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Owen-Gage honors students of the month



Dana Morrish

'Productive Citizen'. A student who is a productive citizen is actively involved in school and community organizations, conducts themself appropriately in and out of class, and displays open-mindedness when confronted with diversities. The student also is aware of local and global issues and concerns. The following students have been chosen: Dana Morrish, fifth grade (elementary level), daughter of Mark Morrish and



Keyan Gruehn

The focus for Owen-Gage's stu- of Nathan and Kamryn Gruehn: candidate. Andrea has been a yeardents of the month for October is Andrew Muntz, eleventh grade (high book staff member the past two school level), son of Terry Muntz and Karen Muntz; and Andrea McCreedy, twelfth grade (senior student), daughter of Keith and Bev McCreedy.

> Special recognition goes to the "Senior Student of the Month", Andrea McCreedy. Andrea has been very active in sports. She has participated in volleyball and basketball all throughout high school. She played softball her freshman and sophomore years and has been a cheerleader the past two years. Andrea has also been a member of the Owen-Gage Band all four years. Academically, Andrea has been on the honor roll and a member of the



Andrew Muntz

inducted into the Owen-Gage Chapter of the National Honor Society as a sophomore. She served as the N.H.S. secretary her junior year and currently is the chapter's

As a junior, Andrea served as her class representative to the Student Council and was on the prom committee. She was a homecoming rep-Janet Abfalter; Keyan Gruehn, resentative her sophomore year and eighth grade (junior high level), son this year was a homecoming queen



CARO AREA photographer Rick Sattler will be the featured artist at Artistic Endeavors Gallery in Cass City during November. His exhibit opens Friday, Nov. 7, at the gallery, and the public is invited to a reception slated for 6 to 8 p.m. The gallery is located at 6358 Main St. and is open on Thursdays from noon to 5 p.m., Fridays noon to 7 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Andrea McCreedy

She has also attended the Huron Area Technical Center the past two years where she is enrolled in the Professions in Education Program. As a senior, she has also become a member of the national organization called F.E.A. (Future Educators Association).

Andrea is the daughter of Keith and Bev McCreedy of Owendale. She plans on attending college in the fall to pursue a bachelor's degree in social work. In her spare time, Andrea enjoys reading, relaxing, watching movies, and spending time with friends.

Engaged



Andrew DeGraaf and **Megan Dorland**

Tim and Lorna Dorland of Deford and Tom and Deb DeGraaf of Hudsonville, announce the engagement of their children, Megan Kay Dorland to Andrew David DeGraaf. Megan is a 2008 graduate of Cass City High School and is employed as

Andrew is a 2004 graduate of Unity Christian High School and a 2010 graduate of Lake Superior State University and is employed as a registered nurse.

The couple is planning a May 30, 2015 wedding.

Three injured in recent crash

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22-year-old Cass City female, failed to stop for the stop sign at Gilford Road," Skrent reported. "It struck a vehicle that was traveling eastbound on Gilford Road...driven by a 35year-old Bay City female. Both drivers were injured along with a 14year-old that was in the eastbound vehicle "

Skrent said the victims were transported to Covenant Hospital in Saginaw for treatment of their Troopers from the iniuries. Michigan State Police post in Caro assisted deputies at the scene, he

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Tom Montgomery Editor

Too many laws tax our citizens, police

Guest Editorial Mackinac Center for Public Policy

Michigan's 918-section criminal code is more than twice the size of Ohio's and Wisconsin's and it's only growing larger.

In the past six years, Michigan has added an average of 45 new crimes to its criminal code each year, about half of which are felonies,

according to a recent Manhattan Institute and the Mackinac Center for Public Policy study titled "Overcriminalizing the Wolverine State: A Primer and Possible Reforms for Michigan."

"With thousands of laws and rules on the books, many people are at risk of being charged with a crime for something most people wouldn't consider inherently wrong," said Mike Reitz, executive vice president at the Mackinac Center and coauthor of the study.

"Being prosecuted for breaking one of these laws can have devastating consequences for individuals and families. It is encouraging to see lawmakers start to address the problem of overcriminalization, but the state needs to do more to prune archaic, unnecessary laws from books.'

The code includes several obscure crimes, many of which do not require criminal intent, meaning that individuals can be held criminally responsible for violating laws unknowingly. Rep. Mike Shirkey (R-Clarklake), recently introduced House Bill 5807 to address this problem by establishing a default criminal intent standard for newly enacted

Without a default criminal intent standard, many Michigan residents still face punishment for

unknowingly committing crimes, including: For example, Kenneth Schumacher, who disposed of his scrap tires at a facility that appeared to be legal, but was sentenced to 270 days in prison and a \$10,000 fine for unlawfully disposing of the tires because the facility didn't have a license.

And Lisa Snyder, who faced charges of operating pre-election coverage an illegal daycare because she helped her neighbor's children board the school bus each morning, free of charge.

As it stands, Michigan's criminal code puts residents in jeopardy of prosecution for unknowing violation of obscure laws and stretches scarce law enforcement resources that could be devoted to prevention and prosecution of serious violent and property crimes. Michigan currently spends one out of every five general fund dollars on correc-

James R. Copland, director of the Manhattan Institute's Center for Legal Policy, said, "Michigan has an overcriminalization problem. We knew that when we selected Michigan to survey first among states in the Midwest, but our research has uncovered just how much more complex Michigan's criminal code is in relation to its neigh-

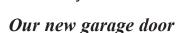
The study's authors make three recommendations for policymakers:

*Create a bipartisan legislative task force to further investigate overcriminalization and make recommendations to the Legislature.

*Create a commission to review current criminal law with the intent to consolidate and clarify these statutes.

*Enact a default "mens rea" provision, which would require all new criminal laws to meet a minimum standard for establishing intent before a person could be found guilty of a crime.

Slices of Life





Our garage door was on its last legs – or better put, its last hinges. However you say it, the large piece of lumber was dying a slow death and had been operating in a temperamental mode for the last century, or at least the better part of a year. We were well aware of the door's condition, but did what most people do when confronted with a similarly terminal situation.

We ignored the problem.

Then, last week, things became dire. Two of the door's rollers snapped off their track and the beast hung in an ominous and warped fashion, threatening to fall and crush something important like a vehicle or my head.

The inevitable was upon us. Our future included a new garage door and credit card bill.

I was less than thrilled. Large purchases for large items like this are the opposite of exciting, which makes them unexciting. Replacing an item doesn't get you anything more than what you started with in the first place. You are forced to spend a lot of money to remain status quo. Still, shopping is shopping and can't be all bad. I set out in search of a garage door - online. I figured the basic version would do us just fine. I picked out a plain-Jane model, sent the specs to my husband's high-IQ phone and figured we were good to go. How much could a person possibly want from a garage door?

I was about to find out.

Turns out there are numerous upgrades too numerous to mention here that one may include with one's garage door. It goes without saying, but I'll say it anyway: each upgrade equates to an upgraded price tag.

My husband and I decided to venture to the home improvement store to examine the product face to door and hopefully complete an order.

Once there, we discussed insulation. If you have an insulated door, your garage can be toasty warm during Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, cold snaps. My husband explained how important it is to avoid hypothermia during the time it takes to exit the house and enter the car. I estimated that to be about 10 seconds tops but didn't say so out loud – at least I tried not to. In the end, we gave a thumbs-up to insulation with an R-value so large it makes me shiver.

The next option involved windows. To see or not to see, that was the question. Since my house has windows, and I'm more of a house person than garage person, I didn't

perceive the need.

My husband's desire for windows was transparently obvious. "They let in natural light," he said.

The basic window package included small rectangular panes along the top of the door. My husband wanted different windows in a different location, which constituted use of the "C" word, and I'm not referring to "cheap."

"Do you want to get a price on custom windows?" the young salesman asked.

Yes," my husband said without hesitation.

I gave him a look, but he was too enamored with the window options to feel my pain.

The cost for simply moving the windows to a different location put us beyond our budget. I don't think my hus-

band noticed. I was nearing the breaking point (sort of like my garage door). Before the guy I married could utter a phrase akin to, "We'll take them," I glared at him and through clenched teeth said, "It's. A. Garage. Door."

Because we have been married for lots of years, he caught the inflection in my voice and innuendo in my words. We opted for the basic window package.

We'd yet to tackle torsion spring choices, door openers, headroom requirements, panel design, door color and myriad other upgrades that got my head spinning.

By dawn the next morning (or maybe the day after) we'd hashed out everything and placed an order. The poor sales guy dozed off a couple times in the process. As we left the store, my husband was grinning. I suppose because of all the options he'd optioned. I let out a long awaited sigh. In part because I was tired, and in part because I realized the inevitable truth: If you give a guy a garage door...

published playwright and author. You can read more and follow her column on the Slices of Life page on Facebook.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Letters to the Editor

Cass City becoming the "Little Detroit"?

the village of Cass City, I MOTION: "Approved profeel it is necessary to posal inform the community of Corporation, issues that need to be Franklin Rd., Suite 2000, addressed by the adminis- Southfield, for engineering tration of Cass City.

The motion in the October 2013 village council meet-As a longtime resident of ing reads as follows: 27777 Please turn to page 16.

Chronicle fell short on

munity if the Oct. 29 issue Chronicle. of the Cass City Chronicle had included profiles of the Brenda Battel candidates running for the Cass City Cass City Village Council and the Cass City Board of Education. I realize that the majority of these races are uncontested, but there are four people vying for three village trustee terms.

to be informed, and I can't It would have been a much think of a better means to

Editor's note: You're right, Brenda, we fell short on our advance coverage. I intend to do a better job next time around. Tom.

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On the field, the Red Hawks defeated the favored host Red Raiders 14-8 during absolutely horrid conditions to advance into this week's district final against Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port.

on and off the field Friday in Marlette.

Off the field, the Cass City players – including several

The Cass City football team looked like a playoff team

members called up from the Red Hawks' undefeated junior varsity team – wore capes to help conquer the elements. The capes were purchased a couple of years prior with the help of several Red Hawk boosters that never took any credit. Until now. Among the financial backers were: Thumb National

Bank, Independent Bank, Double D Gas and Diesel Repair, Nicks Restaurant, VIP, Kelly and Co. Realty, All Season Rent-All, ATB & D Accounting, and the Cass City Gavel and Athletic Booster clubs.

Several individuals also made cash donations includ-Cass City voters deserve ing the Varney, Robinson, Kritzman, Prieskorn, Brown, Osentoski, Leslie and Hartel families.

Another Red Hawk booster that should be recognized, better service to the cominform them than the according to Coach Scott Cuthrell, is Jeff Naegele. He helped spearhead a fundraiser at the White Creek Club that helped pay to recondition the Red Hawks' protective gear before the start of the season.

He would never want any recognition, says Cuthrell, but Jeff helped raise about three grand with a dinner and auction at the Dodge Road clubhouse.

Although the inclement weather may have led to fewer numbers of trick-or-treaters on Halloween night this year, it may have also contributed to a much larger number of trick-or-treaters the night before during Cass City's Pinktober finale.

Krysta Boyce reported her Seeger Street home had only 20 visitors Friday night, compared to more than 400 young people at the Chronicle the night before.

Included in the Chronicle guests was subscription winner Lauren Walther of Cass City.

The Tuscola County Sheriff's Department is looking for donations to help paint and decal its Humvee, acquired recently free of charge from military requisitioning and is valued at more than \$50,000.

Sheriff's officials say if a police agency does not utilize this equipment, it is scrapped and shredded, resulting in a terrible waste of taxpayer money. The vehicle is neither armored nor equipped with any weapons, but is simply a heavy duty 4-wheel drive vehicle capable of going through 30 inches of water or up a 60 degree

One use for the off road vehicle would be to assist ambulances during bad weather to help extricate any

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Wednesday, November 5

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

Thursday, November 6

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

Monday, November 10

•Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

•VFW monthly meeting, 7:00 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

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

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

Tuesday, November 11

•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.

•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.

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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

•Ubly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubly Thumb Veterans OrganizationHall, 2165 Binghan St., Ubly MI 48475. A pot luck is served prior to the meeting. Everyone is wel-

Third Wednesday

•Spaghetti Dinner at Cass City VFW Hall from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Take out available. For more information call (989) 872-4933.

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. • Fourth Monday:

•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.

Fourth Wednesday:

•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. Fourth Thursday:

•Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

•Thumb TEA Party, 6:30 p.m., Evangelical Free Church, Cass City.

•Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building. Every Monday:

•Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St.,

Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

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

Every Tuesday:

•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.)

Every Wednesday:

•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.

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

Huron County teen hurt in crash

by Tom Montgomery **Editor**

A Huron County teen was hurt when the vehicle she was driving struck a cement truck Thursday afternoon in Sanilac County's Washington Township.

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies said the accident occurred shortly before 3 p.m. on Ruth Road near

a 16-year-old Bad Axe girl was drivattempting to turn onto Ruth Road, leaving a private driveway in the 500 block of South Ruth Road," Lt. Charlene Washkevich reported. "The 16-year-old girl entered the Smith of Snover.

"The cement truck attempted to "The investigation determined that avoid the collision but the Chevrolet Cobalt still ended up striking the ing a 2008 Chevrolet Cobalt and was front passenger side tire of the cement truck" Washkevich said.

Both drivers were wearing seatbelts. The teen, Jenna Ney, was transported to McKenzie Memorial Hospital in Sandusky for treatment path of a southbound cement truck of her injuries, according to reports, being driven by 51-year-old Brian which noted the truck driver was not

Police rescue west Michigan duck hunters after their boat capsizes Saturday morning

by Tom Montgomery **Editor**

Huron County law enforcement officers rescued a pair of west Michigan hunters and their dog after their boat capsized over the week-

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said the successful rescue effort unfolded Saturday at about 7:45 a.m. after Huron Central Dispatch received a 911 call from a duck hunter reporting that he and a companion had just capsized their boat outside of the mouth of the Sebewaing River in Sebewaing Township.

Hanson identified the men as brothers Michael, 35, and Christopher Ursul, 28, of Grand Rapids.

"I and two other deputies respond-

ed along with the Sebewaing Village and later refused transportation to a Police (Department), as well as our hospital. Their dog, 'Bear', was origairboat was taken to the Sebewaing Harbor by the Caseville Fire carried into the harbor office by offi-Department," said Hanson, who cers. He slowly began to recover noted the U.S. Coast Guard also assisted in the rescue. "Within about 50 minutes, Deputies Koehler and Willenberg located the hunters clinging to their overturned 16-foot boat along with a large chocolate lab, about three quarters of a mile southwest of the harbor entrance, which was actually in Tuscola County.

from the rough water and were all in early stages of a hypothermic emergency," the sheriff reported. "They were transported back to the harbor awaiting Sebewaing Ambulance where they were treated

inally unable to move and had to be while warming up and being tended to by bystanders. Although very cold, he was finally up and walking within 15 minutes."

Hanson reminds all sportsmen to use due caution outdoors, especially with the unpredictable weather patterns in the Thumb this time of year.

'Hunters are urged to know their "All were pulled onto our airboat limitations, be properly equipped with floatation devices and to never underestimate what cold water can do," he said. "Fortunately this incident worked out for the better, although it certainly had the potential for tragedy."

Circuit court news

Several appear on felony charges

The following people appeared in continued at \$7,000. Sentencing was \$10,000 and the defendant was Tuscola County Circuit Court last week on various criminal charges:

Ronald H. Roseberry Jr., 48, Clio, pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of a firearm by a felon May 10 in Arbela Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was

scheduled for Jan. 20.

guilty to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to register a login name or other identity used to access an electronic email address or messaging system (Facebook) June 4 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was ordered, bond was continued at

remanded to the custody of the sher-*Brett G. Lackie, 33, Caro, pleaded iff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

> *Charles A. Laurie, 47, Caro, pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of marijuana subsequent offense, March 27 in Caro.

> A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$3,000. Sentencing was scheduled for Jan. 20.

Late-developing row crops cut window for planting of wheat

Chances are good a number of Michigan wheat fields southern Michigan, the deadline for insuring a crop at won't green up next spring as the window for planting full value has passed. the overwintering grain crop is closing fast.

that wheat into the ground is slipping away as 2013's late-developing row crops linger in the fields.

Almost all Michigan wheat is winter wheat: planted in the fall, it's the first thing to turn fields green in the springtime. After several months of maturity and ripening, the grain is usually harvested in mid- to late July.

Normally by late October, Michigan farmers have most soybeans and a good amount of corn already harvested. But the brutal winter, slow spring and cool summer have those earlier crops well behind schedule—shrinking the gap between fall harvest and falling snow. It's in that gap in which wheat is planted, sprouting briefly before winter hits the pause button.

"We're about half planted," said Adam Herford, who raises about 500 acres of wheat near Elkton in Huron County. "I think we'll be able to finish up this weekend,

Herford normally raises 400 to 500 acres of wheat annually, in addition to dry beans, sugar beets, soybeans, corn and beef cattle.

Winter wheat's yield potential degrades the later it's planted; its success the following year is largely contingent on getting a solid foothold before snow starts flying. According to Martin Nagelkirk, a wheat specialist with Michigan State University Extension in Sanilac County, wheat planted in mid-October should fare well thanks to forecasted warm temperatures in the near future.

insuring their 2015 wheat yield. In much of central and on next year's supply.

"A grower can still purchase insurance several days fol-

Normally planted as soon as the preceding crop of soy- lowing the cut-off date," Nagelkirk said, albeit with beans or corn is harvested, farmers' opportunity to get reduced coverage. "Growers should contact their crop insurance provider to make sure they receive accurate information pertinent to their farm." That's sound advice, said Jody Pollok-Newsom, exec-

> utive director of the Michigan Wheat Program, the grower-supported check-off funding wheat research, production, education, market development and promo-'We don't have specific numbers, but at our board

meeting earlier this month we heard from several growers who wished they were further along with planting and had more soybeans off," Newsome said. "On the other hand, seed salesmen are saying they're having a good year, so it's kind of hard to say at this point." Some producers are likely to keep their options open

well into November. Even if its grain yield can't be fully insured, wheat is an excellent cover crop for protecting otherwise bare ground from erosion. "Some growers might be looking at planting on margin-

al land or protecting ground with a cover crop," Newsome said. "We may see growers put more wheat in, even late, if corn and soybean prices continue to slide. One nice thing is that they still have options even into the spring."

Newsome said in January her group will meet with representatives from some of Michigan's key wheat processors—Chelsea Milling, Lowell-based King Milling and Star of the West in Frankenmuth—to get a better idea of Farmers also faced a very real deadline with respect to what effects, if any, this season's shortcomings may have

Tuscola County Judge Thane recognized

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sonnel, counseling agencies and other private sector partners who deal with cases involving the abuse or neglect of children.

to discuss how best to streamline court processes and to air concerns about how best to handle these cases to achieve a permanent outcome in the child's best interest.

communication leads to better outcomes," Thane said. "This award is truly shared by everyone on the team. Organizing a meeting wouldn't accomplish anything if the fine Weiss Awards celebrate the accom-

to work together. With everyone pulling in the same direction, we put everyone in the best position to reach a positive outcome in what can often times be difficult cases."

In 2008, then-Justice Maura The team meets on a quarterly basis Corrigan of the Michigan Supreme Court identified as a concern the number of children in Michigan who were waiting to be adopted and had been waiting more than a year for "I am a firm believer that better that adoption to be finalized. This Permanency Forums organized around the state.

people on our team were not willing plishments of these forums by recognizing excellence in three areas: Collaborative Leadership, Creative Solutions, and Judicial Leadership.

> Thane was first elected probate judge in Tuscola County in 2012 to a term that will expire in 2019.

In 1987, she became an assistant prosecutor in the county and a year later was appointed to serve as an identified adoptive parent, but had Tuscola County Friend of the Court (FOC), a position she held until 2011, when she was named staff prompted a series of Adoption and attorney and deputy friend of the court. Her current duties including serving as the Tuscola County Friend As a result, the Honorable Robert T. of the Court director and staff attor-

Crash claims lives of two Sanilac Co. teens

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being involved in an accident," Biniecki said. "The initial investigarevealed persons...were traveling westbound on Roach Road at a high rate of speed when (their vehicle) lost control, ran off the north side of Roach

(and overturned) several times." Biniecki said both of the victims were ejected from the vehicle and were pronounced dead at the scene. A third occupant, Laken Williams, 20, of Lexington, was transported to with non-life threatening injuries, he

"Speed is believed to be a factor in this crash, which remains under investigation by the sheriff's office Accident Investigation Team," the sheriff said.

Croswell police, the Croswell Fire McLaren Hospital in Port Huron Department and troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro all assisted deputies at the scene.

Reporter's notebook



Deford? Doesn't get much better...

> by Tom Montgomery **Editor**



I've lived in the Thumb now for 28 years and have probably traveled through just about every tiny town and crossroad in this region while reporting on various stories during that time. But I can honestly say I never knew Deford was such a beautiful area until I moved there.

Okay, yeah, I can hear the snickers already.

And, no, I haven't fallen off the wagon (hay or any other kind for that

At first I figured my appreciation had something to do with the time of year. Few states can measure up to Michigan's natural splendor when it comes to fall, and a trip down Cemetery or Deckerville roads (and many others in the area) offers motorists an impressive color tour blazing with vivid shades of red, orange and yellow. Oh, and brown, if you count those all-too-often startling moments when a deer suddenly appears in your path.

My life flashed before my eyes once on Cemetery Road several years ago while returning to the Chronicle after delivering pages for one of our editions to Sandusky, where we were being printed at the time. That was back before we entered the digital age and started emailing our pages to the printer. Anyway, it was pouring and a large doe stood on the road shoulder. At the last possible moment, she dashed out in front of me and I hit her, and she disappeared. A split second later, she landed on the windshield, then (thankfully) bounced off, leaving the glass intact.

But I digress.

After my wife, Deb, and I closed on our place east of Deford, I was frequently asked if we were moving out to the country. That question never failed to elicit a chuckle, because we're originally from Grand Rapids; everything out here in the Thumb is "in the country" from our point of view, you know?

I suspect I won't be laughing once the snow starts to pile up, but that's okay - from where I'm sitting these days, a little snow isn't going to dampen my enthusiasm much.

I can think of several things I really love about living out here, but I'll say the lack of "light pollution" tops the list, because there is nothing as amazing as a view of the night sky from my front porch on a clear

The frequent sound of cars coming and going is gone now, replaced by farm tractors and the clippity clop of my Amish neighbors' horses passing by. Most nights are filled with a quiet usually broken only by the occasional, distant barking of a dog or the idling engine of a com-

I enjoy my morning coffee watching frequent visitors to the yard – deer, turkeys, a fox now and then, and more rabbits than you could shake a stick at.

I could get used to these surroundings. In fact, I've already pretty much settled in, although there are still boxes to unpack and minor home improvement projects to tackle.

Those can wait. For now, I'm content to enjoy all this area has to offer a new neighbor.

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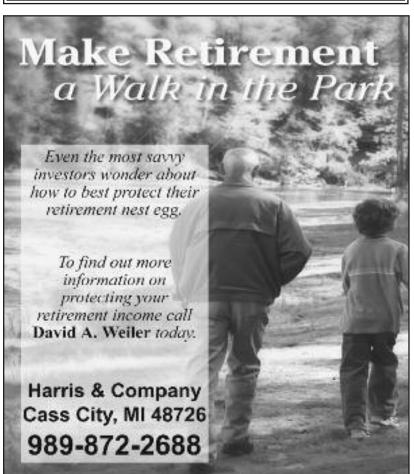
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Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas

5 YEARS AGO (2009)

You can bet Cass City's Ashley Potts gave it everything she had Saturday at the Michigan High Athletic Association's School Division 3 cross country state finals. So did over 250 of the fastest lady 3milers from all across Michigan at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn. Coach Dennis Meck praised his lone Red Hawk state qualifier for implementing a courageous race strategy in her bid to record all-state honors, bestowed on the top 30 individual finishers at the elite meet. "At this game, where all the runners are going for their best times," Meck said. Potts, only a sophomore, used a faster than normal start to complete the race in 21:25, the 111th runner to break the finish line on the warm and partly sunny afternoon.

When the Owen-Gage girls' basketball team opens their season next month there will be a new, albeit familiar face roaming the Bulldog sidelines. It will belong to rookie girls' varsity basketball coach Doug Hyatt, who replaces veteran skipper Dave Fritz, at the helm of the Bulldog basketball program.

Thumb National Bank, represented by Cass City Branch Manager Cindy Kruse, presented a check for \$500 Thursday to VFW Post 3644, Cass City, to help cover the cost of a planned remodeling project at the post hall.

10 YEARS AGO (2004)

Achievements ranging from a firstplace ranking in the county in MEAP scores to a flourishing fine arts program to making the state football playoffs for the first time ever have Cass City School District residents saying it's a great time to be a Red Hawk. Michigan Association of School Administrators (MASA) officials have just given the community another reason to feel that way. MASA officials recently named Cass City School Supt. Ken Micklash the MASA Region 5 Superintendent of

Harbor Springs captured the boys' MHSAA Division 3 cross country state championship with a score of 91 points at Brooklyn, while Goodrich bested the women's field Lautner finished 84th with a time of 17:18 and Kyle Reif's time of 18:22 crossed the finish line in the 185th

Cross Country - Several Red Hawks have been named to the Greater Thumb West all conference teams. Earning first team honors were Lautner and Reif, while Adam Wentworth and Carrie Hillaker received second team recognition. Cass City's honorable mention athletes included Ashleigh Rabideau, Jen Zmierski, Leah Whittaker, Tara Whittaker, Brett Babich and Jessup

25 YEARS AGO (1989)

For the second year in a row, the office of Doctors Green and Nahernak was named the group winner of Cass City's townwide employee costume contest. The office is composed of Becky Stec, Diane Wojtaszek, MaryJane VanVliet, Theresa Micklash, Kim Biter, Judy Matthews, Janel Sweeny, Ruth Strickland, Karen Currey, Dr. Nick Nahernak and Dr. Bob Green.

Two area men are among 13 United Parcel Service drivers recently inducted into the "Circle of Honor," an elite group of UPS employees who have driven 25 years or more without an accident. The local residents are Charles Wright and Raymond Martin both employees at the UPS facility in Cass City. A reception honoring Wright, Martin and 10 other drivers was held at the

sented with a camel hair blazer in Wright, a delivery driver who provides service in the Bad Axe area, resides in Gagetown with his wife, feeder driver, is a Deford area resident. He and his wife, Carol, have 8 children, Debbie, Randy, Carrie, Leann, Brenda, Dawn, James and

35 YEARS AGO (1979)

Four-year old Tracey Burns has level, it is like a high stakes poker won the 1979 leadline championship of the Blue Water Pleasure Horse Association. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burns of Decker. for two and a half years and reported She rode her registered quarterhorse, "Sissy Kingetta," which was led by her father.

Bruce King, Cass City, local agent for Farm Bureau Insurance Group (FBIG), has earned a special production award for his sales and service record during the firm's recent "Billion Dollar Year" promotion. The sales promotion was part of FBIG's celebration of reaching the billion dollar mark of life insurance tion goals and high service standards offense and heavier line held to qualify for the "Billion Dollar Celebration" production award.

Season Champions at Rolling Hills Golf Course this year were Jim Burleson, men's second flight; Dick Wallace, men's club champion; Gene Kloc, men's club first flight; Harriet Richards, women's club; Scott Krueger, junior club and Jon Zdrojewski, junior first fight.

40 YEARS AGO (1974)

Four Elkland Township election workers represent nearly 90 years of combined election experience. None has missed a vote since they began working on the election board. They are Mildred McConkey, Neva and cylinders. The same material is Zinnecker, Janet Bishop and Elwyn Helwig.

Debbie Smith, Decker, has been selected to represent Michigan at the annual 4-H Club Congress in Chicago in early December. She was the 4-H money management pro-

Recreational Park, most Hawk fans was a rebuilding year for Coach young Hawks showed steady improvement all year, capped by last week's victory over Marlette, 26-22. Diminutive Ed Stoutenburg used the final league game as a showcase for his running talents and his one-man offensive running show was the finest staged for Cass City in several seasons. All Stoutenburg did was to score all four Hawk touchdowns, gain 170 yards in 36 attempts and intercept a pass and run it back for one of his scores. In addition, he handled a punt return and caught a pass good for 20 yards.

50 YEARS AGO (1964)

Promising to be a heavy on Cass City's first string 1965 football team is junior Wayne Copeland, whom Coach Oarie Lemanski considers his third best offensive end this season. But that isn't why the coach named him player of the week. In a game in which Red Hawks' defense sagged, Copeland continued to do honor, as he has in past weeks, to his post as defensive half-back, taking down Vulcans as they came his way and bushwhacking a pass. Third he might be on offense, but number one he is one defense. "He did a good job," said Coach Lemanski. There is a rooster at the Ron Gracev

Amway Grand Hotel in Grand farm, eight miles northeast of Cass

Rapids. Each of the drivers was pre- City, who is married to a hen that lays green eggs. Normally, the averrecognition of their achievements. age rooster would suspect "fowl" play, but according to Mrs. Gracey, her rooster has taken the matter in stride, mainly because he and his hen Judy. The couple have 3 children, are Araucanas or "Easter Egg" Barbara, Karen and Scott. Martin, a chickens, the only domestic chicken to lay colored eggs.

75 YEARS AGO (1939)

Z. B. Chase, who has conducted a grocery and gasoline station on North Seeger Street, disposed of the property and stock to Earl Body and has taken in exchange Mr. Body's two gasoline service stations, one at Sandusky and one at Deckerville. Mr. Chase has been in business here a satisfactory and gradually increasing business. He anticipates that Mrs. Chase, who had been quite ill for several months, will benefit by the change of being away from business activities. While here, they occupied rooms in the same building in which their business was conducted, while now they occupy a private residence. They are living in Deckerville.

Cass City chalked up victory numin force. King met specific produc- ber four Friday when their superior Croswell scoreless until the last quarter. The day was perfect for the occasion and the local boys paralleled this by playing an almost perfect game. Strickland's and McIntyre's beautiful spinning and side stepping accounted for many of Cass City's gains.

Samuel Wheaton is exhibiting samples of cadmium and zinc sulphite which he says is found in large quantities west of Cass City "and not very far away from the village." He claims in drilling 100 feet, he found 45 feet of this substance which Sam

says is a heat resisting material used in manufacturing automobile pistons deposited in a vein 80 rods wide on

100 YEARS AGO (1914)

his farm in Greenleaf Township.

Hon. Sam Small of Georgia will give an address at the M.E. Church selected on the basis of her work in at Cass City Friday evening on the subject of the Hobson amendment to the federal constitution providing for Regardless of what happens in the national prohibition. No admission with 69 points. Cass City's Cameron final games of the season Friday price will be charged and a large when New Lothrop comes to town in audience is expected to greet this tala non-league encounter at Cass City ented speaker. Hon. Sam Small is one of the most gifted and versatile agree it's been a successful season. It orators on the American platform and few persons have received Roland Pakonen's charges and the greater honors that he. He was private secretary to Pres. Andrew Johnson; four years official reporter for the U.S. Senate; ten years solicitor general in Georgia; twice a member of the Legislature of that state; for many years an editorial writer on the Atlanta Constitution, and saw service in the Spanish-American war. He helped to organize a public school system of Cuba. He was seven years associated with Sam Jones in revival meetings.

Lewis Seeley of Caro and Meredith Auten attended the Michigan-Pennsylvania foot ball game at Ann Arbor Saturday.

The Cass City high school foot ball team went down to a glorious defeat Friday at the hands of the Yale high school team on the Yale field by a 20-14 score. The game was as hard fought and full of thrills as has probably been staged the Thumb this year and to say that it was a heart breaking game to lose is putting it mildly. The entire team deserves much credit for the game they played. Duncanson's forward passing was a thing of beauty and easily the feature of the game and had the receiving end been as well taken care of the score would have been different. The best of feeling existed between the players, very little arguing being





HIGH SCHOOL senior Cryssie Warren and sixth grade student Bryce Fernald are the first Cass City Red Hawk Award of Excellence recipients of the 2014-15 school year. Both students were recently honored by the Cass City Public Schools staff, administration and school board.

Warren, Fernald named first Red Hawk award winners for 2014-15

the first recipients of the coveted monthly board of education meeting last week.

They are high school senior Cryssie Warren, the daughter of Vicky Warren, and sixth grade student Bryce Fernald, the son of Aaron and Kate Fernald.

The Cass City Board of Education along with the district's teaching staff and administrators present the Red Hawk Award of Excellence to a student(s) from each building during the months of October, December, February and April.

Staff members nominate students based on leadership, service, outstanding behavior, excellent academperformance, being most improved or other accomplishments in or outside of school.

The nominees and their families are invited to attend a school board meeting, where school Supt. Jeff Hartel presents each recipient with a maroon ribbon and certificate, and the board members personally congratulate each winner.

social studies teacher Sean Zawilinski and math instructor Susanne Forster nominated Warren for the honor.

Cass City School officials honored have worked with Cryssie in teach- and spread its roots and branches." ing capacities and as a reading Red Hawk Award of Excellence for coach," they wrote in their nominayoung woman who seemed angry and unhappy most of the time. She Hawk award should be. seemed to delight in making others uncomfortable, disrupt class and the best from himself," Stern wrote play the 'race card'. She made poor choices that landed her into inschool suspension. It felt as though this was a nut too hard to crack.

"Last year we both noticed that the nut had begun to crack," they continued. Cryssie began to dress not only more appropriately, but also in a top of the class and, because he is manner that made her look nice. We saw more effort being put into her studies. The biggest changes were among the sixth graders at Cass City that she asked for help, spoke nicely and used manners, began to help others, and smile."

Warren also began to get involved in her church and started writing a journal to help organize her life, according to Zawilinski and Forster, who were pleased to also learn the local senior has set her sights on attending college.

At the high school this month, that Cryssie had renewed our faith in letics), so he stays very busy with our students, mankind and why we went into teaching.

"That nut that cracked last year has "Over the past four years, both of us sapling. We can't wait to see it grow and beyond."

Fernald, meanwhile, was nominated by sixth grade teacher Josh Stern, the 2014-15 school year during a tion letter. "We watched her as a who said Fernald exemplifies all aspects of what a winner of the Red

"First and foremost, Bryce expects in his nomination letter. "In the short time he has been in my classroom this year, I see the effort that he puts into learning on a daily basis and the high expectations that Bryce sets for himself

"Academically, Bryce is near the willing to work hard, he will stay on top," Stern said. "(He) is a leader Elementary. Other students look to Bryce for ideas, answers and how to behave. Bryce came up with some great ideas for the homecoming video that was made at the elementary school, and the class supported his ideas with enthusiasm.

"Bryce has a great sense of humor that allows him to be friendly with 'What an inspiration to other stu- and include all students," Stern dents," they said. "We both agree added. "Bryce participates in (athextra-curricular activities while still keeping his grades high. I look forward to watching him achieve sucsprouted a tall and strong oak cess through his year in sixth grade

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HIGH SCHOOL SWEETHEARTS REUNITE **AFTER 20 YEARS**

"THE BEST OF ME" (PG-13)

Committee that meets separately from the hospital's senior administration team, but also works closely with administration to examine and discuss possible changes that lead to an improved situation for both employees and patients.

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"Making the Top 100 list this year proves that we are achieving our goals and that feels really good," Anthony added. "We want our employees to love their job and enjoy coming to work every day. This survey is a testament to the hard work each person has done to bring us to where we are today."

Dr. Donald H. Robbins Jr., M.D., echoed Anthony's sentiments.

"As chief of staff, I know and see the importance of employee satisfaction every day; it impacts the experience our patients have," he said.

"Compared to when I came to Cass City three years ago, we have made numerous improvements, and I think we are in a very good position to maintain our hospital," Robbins added. "The medical environment is extremely competitive. Through the decisions made by our board of trustees as well as a very competent administration, our medical staff has been allowed to expand. They have encouraged and created an extremely comfortable environment in which to

"If we as medical providers can translate this positive philosophy to the community, then we will have accomplished our goal," he said. "This work experience has been the most rewarding career choice I could

have made." Dale Fritz, the hospital's director of facilities, also said he's also pleased with the survey results. "As the chairperson for the Employee Satisfaction Committee, it is very exciting to see our hospital make the top 100 list," he said. "We have been diligent in maintaining a culture of teamwork, positive attitudes and fun while providing top-notch patient care. It's rewarding to see a few of

the changes we've implemented over 850 U.S. health care organizations the overall satisfaction of employ-

Hills and Dales makes top 100 list

Fritz added, "This organization performance. cares about our employees and these results reiterate our commitment to diagnostic and other equipment, the

That commitment was recognized in 2013 by the Studer Group, a nationwide outcome-based health Hills and Dales has positioned itself care performance firm that awarded to be a leader in health care in the Hills and Dales with an "Excellence in Patient Care" award based on from patient surveys completed the

the past few years make an impact on that partner with the Studer Group to achieve, sustain and accelerate their clinical, operational and financial

Combined with state-of-the-art ability to access the latest in medicine-related consulting resources, and the recent launching of its new electronic medical records system, Thumb, according to Anthony.

"The happier the employees, the exemplary "patients always received better the patient care and he better help as soon as they wanted" results the patient outcome," she said. "We're doing the right things to put same year. The honor placed the the processes in place, and it's a prethospital in the top ranks of more than ty nice place to work, too."

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JOEY KREEGER, coordinator of Cass City's annual Pinktober - A Community with a Cause observance, hands out treats during Thursday night's finale celebration.



THE POPULAR Pinktober Talent Show returned again this year in conjunction with the Cass City Pinktober finale celebration. Pictured above, belting out her rendition of "Let it Go", is Ilana Blattner, 16, a junior at Cass City High School.





LIAM FIELDS, who is closing in on his second birthday, was dressed up as a Wizard of Oz Monkey and accompanied by his mom, Stacey Fields of Cass City.





CASS CITY Chronicle Advertising Sales Director Krysta Boyce (seated) was busy at the Chronicle booth, welcoming visitors and giving away more than 300 cupcakes, 200 bottles of water, 50 rubber ducks, dozens of pink necklaces and bracelets, and some 500 pieces of candy.

Pinktober raises thousands

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Kreeger, who reported lantern sales netted \$635 which, along with \$2,600 raised during the Pretty in Pink Girls' Night Out Auction will go to the Love for Lexi Paying it Forward project to benefit local youngsters diagnosed with cancer. The Girls' Night Out raised another \$1,340 in ticket sales.

Kreeger, who noted Cass City Oil and Gas won the 2014 window decorating contest, said the moving Pinktober pink toilet fundraiser generated \$316, with residents/businesses each paying a minimum \$20 to have the interesting decoration moved from their lawn or business to that of the next "victim".

In addition, Christine Anthony, owner of Captured By Christine Photography in Cass City, again organized her Pinktober Cutest Kids Contest. Cute kid photos were posted around downtown, and residents were invited to "vote" for their favorite by donating money in an accompanying canister. The results were not available at press time this week.

The popular "5K Glow Ta Ta Trot", meanwhile, generated nearly \$2,140 in contributions, and the AYSO auction brought in more than \$240.

Another Pinktober fundraiser – the second annual Elkland Township Cemetery Walk – was among the first Pinktober fundraisers this year, generating about \$1,050, all donated to the ACS on behalf of the community. Thursday's finale festivities, including Pink-or-Treat in the Street, again

drew participation from more than three dozen businesses and other vendors who were on hand to distribute free treats and information downtown. Hundreds of youngsters and parents took part, many arriving in costume. Later in the day, the annual Cass City's Got Talent show took the stage at

Later in the day, the annual Cass City's Got Talent show took the stage at Rotary Park, but attendance suffered as a result of cold, wet weather. Kevin Estrella claimed this year's talent crown, competing against acts featuring Ilana Blattner, Anna Burke, Victoria Cumper and Taylor Cumper.

Kreeger spearheaded as well as played a key role in organizing Cass City's first Pinktober celebration. She explained the idea grew, in part, out of a desire to launch some sort of community-wide activity in the fall. She was also familiar with American Cancer Society programs that tied in with her business at the time – VIP Salon – such as donating wigs for cancer patients and providing free breast cancer screenings for women who can't afford them.

From there, she said, "It just all came together."

"Obviously, this is about awareness – (for women) to get checked. That's the main thing," Kreeger point out, adding surviving cancer depends on early detection. "If you've got something, you've got to take care of yourself."

As for Pinktober, Kreeger indicated this year's observance met most expectations and served as another example of the Cass City community's dedication to doing more than just talking about cancer.

"This month I believe we did raise awareness and show support," she said.

"And we raised funds to find a cure."

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CASS CITY WINS IN MUD BOG



OWEN-GAGE'S David Binder uses a stiff arm against a Kingston defender in Friday's 8-man playoff action. In on the play is Bulldog Derik Harp (75).

Kingston advances to set stage for rematch; Bulldogs finish at 8-2

Behind a career game from Travis Tucker, Kingston prevailed in an 8man pre-regional contest in Owendale.

With the 44-8 win, Kingston advances into Friday's regional final in Deckerville, where they will meet the 8-2 Eagles. The Eagles chipped Kingston 14-8 in week 2 and there's no reason to think the regional final won't be a battle to the bitter end.

Owen-Gage, meanwhile, finishes with an 8-2 record. The Bulldogs have posted three straight 8-win seasons, including consecutive Mid Michigan League titles.

Tucker rushed for 380 yards on 16 carries and scored twice for the Cardinals during a constant rain that

hindered both teams' passing attacks. Bulldog David Binder provided the lone score for the hosts on a 75-yard kick off return and Adam Redford scored the extra point. Binder collected 111 yards rushing on a mud soaked field, while Retford rushed

for 35 yards on the night. "We were never really able to get our running game on track. Kingston did a great job of shutting down our ground game and putting pressure on Jake Wright who was without a completion on the night," said Owen-Gage Coach Steve Hollocker.

"Their ability to run the ball despite the weather conditions was the difference in the game. We were unable to stop Travis Tucker, who had a great game for Kingston.

Kingston also had Riley Magiera with 60 rushing yards, while quarterback Aaron Van Horn ran for 55 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

Defensively, Dylan Fritz was the Bulldogs' leading tackler with 11 tackles, while Dan Good added 9 tackles and a blocked punt; Retford, 8 tackles - including a sack; Wright, 7 tackles; and Binder, 6 tackles and a fumble recovery.

"I'm proud of how hard the guys played. They battled until the final whistle. Unfortunately it wasn't our night, but if you consider the fact that Owendale-Gagetown is the smallest school in the state playing football - I'd say we had a pretty good season," Hollocker commented Monday morning.

"Obviously our goal every year is to win the state title and that didn't happen. We did accomplish our goals of winning our league, making the playoffs and hosting a playoff game for the third straight year. The boys should take great pride in their season and their accomplish-

Hawks seek first gridiron district championship in school history

by Clarke Haire **Publisher**

It was just plain nasty outside for Friday's Division 7 playoff contest in Marlette.

There, a stiff north wind, accompanied by rain, turning to snow, before switching back to rain, turned a football game into an old-fashioned mud bog during Cass City's first post season action since 2008.

Game time temperatures hovered around the freezing mark and the rains were visible throughout the night high in the lights surrounding the mucky turf that included the sidelines where reconstruction to the Red Raider track had begun. Strong wind gusts helped to turn the players' hands beet red before the opening half ended.

And yet, the Halloween night storm was to the liking of underdog Cass City. It helped the Red Hawk defense keep the high-scoring Red Raider offense in check for most of the night on their way to a thrilling 14-8 victory. The Greater Thumb Conference crossover victory advances Coach Scott Cuthrell's troops into the Division 7 District championship game in Pigeon.

"Our players just keep fighting, (I am) so proud of them and their effort. I have never played or coached in weather conditions like that. Some giant individual performances," said Cuthrell.

Similar weather conditions for Friday's district championship against the undefeated hosts Lakers could lead to a similar result, as the Lakers and Red Raiders use nearly identical styles when they have the ball- hike it to the team's best running back and full speed ahead.

Class C district volleyball action on tap in Bad Axe

The path to the finals of the Class C volleyball tournament in Bad Axe couldn't be much better for the Cass City Lady Red Hawks.

Coach Bill Potter's squad drew an opening round bye and will face the winners of an Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port and Harbor Beach contest tonight (Wednesday) at 6 p.m.

If successful, the Red Hawks will meet the winners of Wednesday's other semifinal match between tournament favorites USA and Ubly on Thursday for championship honors. First serve is slated for 7 p.m.

During the regular season, Cass City, Ubly and USA traded decisions. Ubly handed the Patriots a pair of setbacks, while USA delivered Cass City its only Greater Thumb West losses. Confusing the matter of picking a clear cut district favorite even more, Cass City knocked off the Bearcats at the recent Laker Invitational.

for Marlette, and he supplied the game's first points in the opening round of the MHSAA playoff contest on a 70-yard sprint in front of the visitors' bench. Thomas added the points after run, and with 4:32 remaining in the first quarter Marlette had an 8-0 advantage.

Cass City would answer with a pair of second quarter markers that benefit from miscues made by the Marlette punt team.

After stopping Cass City deep in the Red Zone, Marlette was forced to punt after a Parker Haire tackle for a loss on third-down had the Red Raiders backed-up near their own end zone. The ensuing kick was shanked and netted just 2 yards, setting up Sawyer Cuthrell's 6-yard touchdown run early in the second quarter.

> "I have never played or coached in weather conditions like that."

> > Cass City Coach Scott Cuthrell

Cuthrell put together perhaps his best effort on the year, rushing for 107 yards on 17 carries. More importantly, he and running mate Nick Perry, who gained 106 yards on 16 carries, didn't caugh up the ball on the night in spite of the conditions. Cuthrell had a handful of timely long runs, and one long pass reception, that provided the winners with important field position throughout the pre-district outing.

Cass City would take a 14-8 advantage going into the intermission after a fake punt attempt by Marlette backfired and provided the visitors with a short field.

However, the Marlette defense appeared up to the test and forced a Cass City timeout with just over 3 minutes remaining till the break.

When play resumed, Cuthrell's 20yard halfback pass on fourth-down found its way into the hands of Haire

That player was Connor Thomas in the end zone for the game-winning tally. Quarterback Mason Erla then connected with Haire for the points after and entering the third quarter Cass City enjoyed a 14-8

Neither team would find pay dirt in the final half, where defense -and the weather, dominated the action. Cass City's interior defensive line led by seniors Josh Daniels and Ethan Montei – provided little running room for Marlette in the closing half. When space was found by the Red Raider runners, Cass City cornerbacks Drew Loomis and Erla, along with linebacker Haire, were quick to fill the space.

That combination, along with solid play from ends TJ Moore and Ethan Hulburt, came up with a late goal line stand that stalled inside the 5yard line, ending Marlette's hopes on rallying.

Loomis and Erla split 18 tackles to lead Cass City's defensive charge, while Haire finished with 7 stops and a pair of fumble recoveries. Cuthrell added an interception in the closing minutes to help seal the out-

Cass City put together 282 yards on offense, while Marlette was held to just 105 yards after Thomas' first quarter touchdown jaunt. Marlette committed 4 turnovers in defeat, while Cass City turned the ball over just once when Thomas intercepted an Erla pass after the intended receiver slipped to the ground.

Football Standings Greater Thumb West

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Greater Thumb East Team Harbor Beach 5 Sandusky Marlette Ubly Brown City

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Peck	6	0	10	0
Deckerville	5	1	8	2
Kingston	4	2	7	3
Dryden	3	3	5	4
Caseville	1	5	3	6
CPS	1	5	2	7
North Huron	1	5	2	7

Mid-Michigan 8-Man

<u>Team</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{W}}$	\mathbf{L}	\mathbf{W}	$\underline{\mathbf{L}}$
Owen-Gage	6	0	8	2
Merritt	4	2	5	2
A-Fairgrove	2	4	2	7
Flint MSD	0	6	0	8

Cass City runners battle bitter conditions at MHSAA State Finals

by Clarke Haire, Publisher

The Benzie Central boys and Ithaca girls captured cross country team titles Saturday at the MHSAA Division 3 state finals in Brooklyn. Closer to home, despite cold and windy conditions - temperature at race

time was 31 degrees with a wind chill of 18 - and snow on the ground, Cass City junior Bransen Stimpfel (15:56) finished fourth individually earning All-State honors in the process.

Red Hawk state qualifiers CarLee Stimpfel (17:20) finished 72nd, and Jose Torres (17:32) finished in 99th place out of a field of 248. For the Lady Red Hawks, senior Erin Zdrojewski (20:42) finished in

77th place in the field of 246 to cap an outstanding career.

DRESSED for Saturday's winter conditions at the a fabled career at Cass City. MHSAA Cross Country State Finals are Red Hawk qual- years and the Individual League Champion her senior year. She ifiers, from the left, CarLee Stimpfel, Jose Torres, attained all of her goals in her final season of cross country. Erin Bransen Stimpfel and Erin Zdrojewski.

"What a great season capped by the performances of these four incredible athletes that represented Cass City so well," said Cass City Coach Jon Zdrojewski, who noted his team received a boost from supporters as they headed for the premier meet. "Kudos to Mr. Chad Daniels and Mr. Nick Moyer as they arranged for a

tunnel of students to drive through as we left on Friday and a fire truck escort out of town. That got the runners pumped up as we were leaving

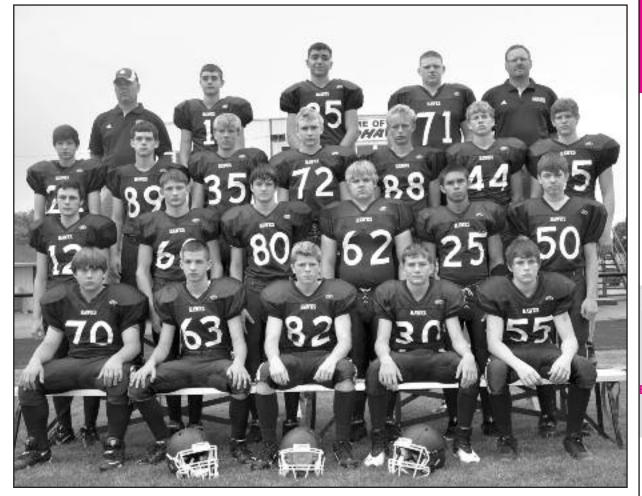
Although Cass City fell short in their pursuit of the Greater Thumb West league title in 2014, Zdrojewski knows the future looks bright for the Red

"All of the boys will be back next year and we will have something to prove, the Stimpfel boys are very hard working. Their work ethic is tough to beat, they will be running in the winter during the Michigan Indoor Track Season held at various universities. CarLee had a better freshman year than did his brother Bransen, so I am looking to him for a strong career. Zane Wright performed at levels consistent with Bransen as a freshman. Jose Torres stepped up his running this season despite participating in dual sports. Newcomer Joel Collins was a strong scorer as was Jamison Biskner-Kruse and Tyler Laster. The boys will be a very strong team next year. I am already looking forward to track and field in the spring as I will have all of my cross guys on the team as well as many more athletes will join a very strong track team." As for the Lady Red Hawks, Coach Zdrojewski will certainly miss his daughter going forward. Erin "Little E" Zdrojewski had

"Erin was on the First Team All-Conference listings all four has been contacted to run in college and is still weighing her options. Erin is third on the all-time cross country leader board."



CITY'S Bransen Stimpfel ran to fourth place honors at Saturday's Division 3 gathering.



THE 2014 CASS City junior varsity football team outscored their opponents 348-88 en route to an undefeated season. They are: (front, l-r) Connor Sines, Bryce Bukoski, Adam Michalski, Wyatt Dickson, Mike Ziegler (second row) Chase Denniston, Darren Dickson, Seth Osentoski, Alex Naegele, Shaede Perzanowski, Eric Peters (third row) Brendan Hamilton, Dustin Powell, Darren Miller, Austin Hull, Gene Hulburt, Brad Hacker, Garrett Deitering (back row) Coach Tavis Osentoski, Hunter Vaughan, Cole Chippi, Brady Warford and Coach Josh Stern. Not pictured is Lawson Alberts.

DNR offers bow hunting safety tips

Michigan's bow hunting season opened Oct. 1, and Department of Natural Resources (DNR) conservation officers are sharing tips for a safe bow hunting experience.

"Bow hunting is a popular pastime in Michigan and we want everyone to have a safe and enjoyable hunting season," said Sgt. Tom Wanless, supervisor of the DNR's hunter education program. "There are some common-sense safety tips every hunter should review before heading to the woods."

The top safety tips for bow hunting

*Before you go out, inspect equipment, including your tree stand. If anything is worn, frayed, cracked or peeling, replace it or get it fixed. If using a compound bow or crossbow, make sure the cables and nulleys are in good working order.

*When sharpening broadheads, be careful and take your time.

*Practice tree-stand safety. Nearly every year, a Michigan hunter is killed or seriously injured because he or she fell out of a tree stand. The DNR recommends using a full-body safety harness to get into and out of vour tree stand.

*If using a tree stand, always use a haul line to raise and lower your

*Keep arrows in the quiver until you are ready to use them. A common injury is to stab or injure yourself or a hunting companion while carrying arrows in your hand or nocked on your bow.

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*If you are successful, field dress

your deer and cool its meat immediately. Michigan's unpredictable weather means we sometimes have warm October days. Warm temperatures can cause the meat to spoil quickly.

*When heading out to the woods, make sure you tell someone reliable where you are going and what time to expect you back. This information is valuable in helping conservation officers or sheriff's deputies to find you if you are lost.

Also, think about carrying a cell phone, a compass, a flashlight and other small safety items when in the

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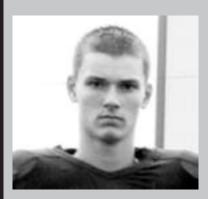
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Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

Congratulations to this week's Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner, Mason Erla.

The junior quarterback came up large in Friday's pre-district victory over Marlette and Cass City will need another outstanding performance from the 6' 5" signal caller this week against Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port to be successful as the Red Hawks seek the first gridiron district crown in school history. On



offense, Erla was flawless, handling each snap in brutal conditions that included a driving north wind with rain and snow all night long. On defense, Erla recorded a team-best 9 tackles.

Mason is the son of Michelle and Chuck Erla.



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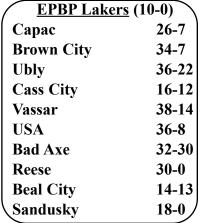
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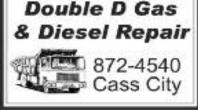






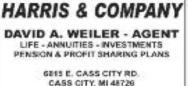














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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damthe return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Raymond E. Leach and Judith A. Leach, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to PNC Bank, National Association, successor by merger to National City Bank, successor by merger to National City Mortgage, a division of National City Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated January 19, 2005, and recorded on February 2, 2005 in county records, Michigan, on which at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Nine and 58/100 Dollars (\$55,529.58)

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 Case No. 14MI00937-1 of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on November 13, 2014.

Said premises are situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 20 Formento Subdivision according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 Page 105 now Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure being Page 55 B, Village of Tuscola Millington County Michigan.

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

sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to buys the property at the mortgage at sale, plus interest. foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: October 15, 2014 For more information, please call: FC H (248) 593-1300 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200

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certain cause therein pending, FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANwherein Deutsche Bank National DALL S. MILLER & ASSOCI-Trust Company, as Indenture ATES, P.C. MAY BE A DEBT COL-Trustee, for New Century Home LECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-Equity Loan Trust 2006-1 was the LECT A DEBT AND ANY INFOR-Plaintiff and Claude A Field, Sandra MATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERshall sell at public auction to the VICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE highest bidder, at public venue, at the DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR Tuscola County Courthouse (that NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CON-TACT OUR OFFICE. Mortgage Court for said County), on the 20th Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Laura L. Osborn, a single woman to JP Morgan Chase Bank, ing described property, viz: All cer- N.A., Mortgagee, dated May 10, tain piece or parcel of land situated 2007, and recorded on May 15, 2007, in Liber 1119, Page 783, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC by an Assignment of Mortgage dated March 08, 2014 and recorded March 17, 2014 in Liber 1303, Page 223, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-One and 54/100 (\$88,821.54) including interest at the rate of 6.37500% per annum.

> Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises **10-1-6** to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on November 20, 2014 Said premises are situated in the Township of Indianfields, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 29, Glenfield Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, page 41, Tuscola County Records.

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Commonly known as: 1075 VAL-LEY DR, CARO, MI 48723- If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the ANY redemption period will be 30 days OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If ages, if any, shall be limited solely to the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant MORTGAGE SALE - Default has to MCL 600.3240, the redemption may be rescinded by the foreclosing period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, 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. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, Liber 1025 on Page 997, in Tuscola if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus mortgage there is claimed to be due interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

> Dated: October 22, 2014 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC

43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248)

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If the property is sold at foreclosure ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your dam-MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be ages, if any, shall be limited solely to held responsible to the person who the return of the bid amount tendered

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jim D. Acker and Sally Kay Acker, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to PNC Bank, National Association, successor by merger to National City Mortgage, a Dated: October 22, 2014 division of National City Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 6, 2008, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334- and recorded on March 27, 2008 in Trott & Trott, P.C.

Liber 1144 on Page 1396, in Tuscola Attorneys For Servicer 31440 county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Nine File #402268F04 Hundred Eighty-Two and 97/100 Dollars (\$106,982.97).

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 November 20, 2014.

Township of Elkland, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 1/2 of Lot 1, Block E of James L. Hitchcock's First Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 3 now being Page 4A, Township 14 North, Range 11 East. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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

Dated: October 22, 2014 For more information, please call: FC H (248) 593-1300 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-File #442406F01

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INFORMATION WE THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CON-TACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale 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 Chadwick L. Atwell, a married man, original mortgagor(s), to Republic Bank, Mortgagee, dated April 27, 2001, and recorded on June 5, 2001 in Liber 834 on Page 473, and assigned by mesne assignments to Bank of America, N.A. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Nine and 08/100 Dollars (\$100,169.08). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on November 20, 2014. Said premises are situated in Village Mayville, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 4 and the East 1/2 of Lot 3, Block 6 of Willam Turner's Second Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 29, Tuscola County Records, now being Page 30A. 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

For more information, please call: FC X (248) 593-1302

during the redemption period.

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Dated: October 29, 2014 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Urban Financial of America, LLC, formerly known as Urban Financial Group,

43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180,

Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Case No. 14MI00636-1

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE RAN-DALL S. MILLER & ASSOCI-ATES, P.C. MAY BE A DEBT COL-LECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT AND ANY INFOR-Said premises are situated in MATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

> IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SER-VICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Leola Retherford, by Sandra Joyce Kozen as Attorney in Fact to One Reverse Mortgage, LLC, Mortgagee, dated October 5, 2011, and recorded on November 8, 2011, in Liber 1234, Page 521, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Urban Financial of America, LLC, formerly known as Urban Financial Group, Inc. by an Assignment of Mortgage dated June 26, 2014 and recorded July 10, 2014 in Liber 1310, Page 1470, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Seventy and 77/100 (\$57,570.77) including interest at the rate of 2.73900% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on December 4, 2014 Said premises are situated in the Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: A piece of land beginning at a point 16 rods South of the Southwest corner of Lot 4, Block 17 of Seeger Addition to the Village of Cass City, running thence East 8 rods, thence thence North 6 rods to the place of quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. Commonly known as: 4282 West St., Cass City, MI 48726 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes.

If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, 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. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the Dated: November 5, 2014 sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as File No. 14-013101 you may have certain rights.

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 Joseph J. Switalski, and Virginia Switalski, husband and wife, and Jonathon J. Switalski, a married man and Lisa Ann Nelson, also known as Lisa A. Nelson, a married woman as joint tenants with full right s of survivorship and not as tenants in common, to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated August 31, 2004 and recorded January 20, 2005 in Liber 1024, Page 1084, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Seven and 16/100 Dollars (\$117,127.16) including interest at 4.4% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County., Michigan at 10:00 AM on DECEMBER 4, 2014.

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

Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 6, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, thence Southerly on the West South 6 rods, thence West 8 rods, line of Section 6, 240 feet; thence Easterly perpendicular to said West beginning, part of the Southeast line 200 feet; thence Northerly on a line which is parallel to and 200 feet measured at right angles, from the West Section line to the East and West 1/4 line of said Section; thence Westerly on said East-West 1/4 line of said Section; thence Westerly on said East -West 1/4 line to the West 1/4 corner, being the point of beginning of this description.

> The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

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

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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 inter-

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Andrew Sloan and Wanda Sloan, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB its successor and assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 20, 2002, and recorded on September 30, 2002 in Liber 896 on Page 14, 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-Two Thousand Five and 07/100 19/100 Dollars (\$122,958.19). Dollars (\$72,005.07).

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 venat 10:00 AM, on December 4,

Township of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1, Block 15 of the plat of the Village of Fostoria, 45A to 46A, Tuscola County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 seconds West 880.60 feet to the months from the date of such sale, point of beginning of the descripunless determined abandoned in tion, thence continuing along thence East 20 rods; thence North accordance with redemption period shall be 30 days seconds West 208.00 feet, thence 40 rods; thence South 40 rods to Hadleigh, and Zach; brother, Arthur 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.

For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200 Farmington Hills, 48334-5422

Dated: November 5, 2014

File #421613F03

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

> been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robin Heit and Mary Heit, a married couple, original mortgagor(s), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 11, 2003, and recorded on March 20, 2003 in Liber 921 on Page 1231, and modified by agreement dated August 5, 2013, and recorded on September 6, 2013 in Liber 1291 on Page 750, and assigned by said Mortgagee to MidFirst Bank, a Federally Chartered Savings Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Eight and

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 cirdue, at the place of holding the cir- cuit court within Tuscola County, cuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on December 4,

Said premises are situated in Said premises are situated in Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the intersection of Loren Road and the at 10:00 AM, on December 4, East line of Section 28, Town 11 according to the Recorded plat North, Range 7 East, thence along thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, the centerline of Loren Road, Pages 44 and 45, Now being Pages South 64 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds West 821.60 feet and South 24 degrees 49 minutes 30 MCLA thence centerline of Loren Road 20 rods; thence East 20 rods; North 47 degrees 53 minutes 20 the point of beginning, except (Leona) Osentoski of Chelsea; sisseconds West 464 feet, more or commencing at a point 40 rods less, to the Cass River, thence North of the Southwest corner; Northeasterly along the Case River 78 feet, more or less, thence South 150 feet; thence West 200 feet; 65 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds thence North 150 feet to the point East 448 feet, more or less to the of beginning. point of beginning.

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

sure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961. Michigan 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: November 5, 2014 For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304 Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200 Michigan

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure

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> MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel B. Hippensteel and Ruth A. Hippensteel, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated January 8, 2003, and recorded on February 10, 2003 in Liber 914 on Page 958, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Bank of America, N.A. as assignee as documented by an assignment, Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy and 32/100 Dollars (\$258,970.32).

> 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,

> Said premises are situated in Township of Arbela, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 32, Town 10 North, Range 7 East; thence East 200 feet; thence South

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 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days

If the property is sold at foreclo-If the property is sold at foreclo-sure sale under Chapter 32 of the 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: November 5, 2014 For more information, please call: FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200 Michigan Farmington Hills, 48334-5422 File #433413F03

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Marshall Osentoski

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Marshall Osentoski, 92, of Ubly, died Monday, October 27, 2014 in Huron Medical Center, Bad Axe. He was born February 22, 1922 at home in Tyre to John and Martha (Kolar) Osentoski.

He married Therese Rose Langenburg September 13, 1952 in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Argyle. She died November 4, 2004.

Marshall worked for Ford Motor Company at the Wixom plant in Quality Control, retiring after more than 40 years. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II in Brazil, North Africa, Rome and Paris working as an in-flight engineer/mechanic. During his military service time, Marshall was awarded The American Theater Ribbon, The Good Conduct Medal, The EAM Theater Ribbon, and The Victory Medal World War II. In addition, he was in the active reserve during the Korean War.

Marshall grew large gardens. He could grow anything. As a young family they grew, canned, composted everything they could. They raised chickens, rabbits, ducks and the occasional pig and cow. They were self-sufficient. As a family they gathered after church for a large Sunday dinner and were together each evening at 5 for dinner. Marshall enjoyed big game hunting including trips West for elk, antelope and mule deer and to Canada to hunt moose. The children were brought along on the fishing trips in Canada to endure the cold, the bears and the mosquitoes but most importantly to make memories. Marshall was very well read and kept up-to-date on current affairs. He enjoyed a good practical joke. He was a VFW member and a Knights of Columbus member. The last few winters found Marshall enjoying the sun in Dunedin, Florida with his sister and family members.

Marshall is survived by his children: Paul (Marianne) Osentoski of Hilton Head Island, SC, Peter (Sheryl) Osentoski of Murray, NE, John (Lorrie) Osentoski of Livonia, George (Carol) Osentoski of Tucker, GA, Ann (Tom) Conley of Deford; grandchildren: Sarah (Andy Kosand) Osentoski, Joseph, Emma, Marshall, Toni (Josh) Heck, Lisa (John) Nielson, Kelli (Brandon) Kluba, Kyle, Olivia, Sally, Anthony Ó'Glaza) (David Osentoski, Marshall Conley, Grace Conley, Sharon Polman, Terri Pippin, Hannah Pippin; great grandchildren: Lauren, Heather, Jesseca, Travis, Liam. Vauhn. Ailea. Ivv. Harper ters: Isabelle Kritzman of Deerfield Beach, FL, Marie Stanley of Indianapolis, IN; sister-in-law, Josie Osentoski of Harbor Beach; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son, Donald; grandson, Gary Pippin; brothers: Isadore Osentoski, Benjamin Osentoski, Alfred Osentoski; sisters: Christine Swartz, Osentoski, Noella Lottie Langenburg, Katherine and Osentoski.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 1, in Good Shepherd Parish, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Argyle, with the Rev. Christian Tabares officiating. Interment will be in St. John Cemetery, Ubly.

Memorials may be made to United Hospice of Marlette Center. Family and friends may share memories. prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Clarence Schember

Clarence Henry Schember, 96, of Cass City, died Monday, October 27, 2014 in Northwood Meadows Medical Care Unit. He was born November 21, 1917 at home in Bay Port, the second of eleven children of

Lydia Alfred and (Staehli) Schember.

He married Kate Molosky September 7, 1975 in Imlay City. She died July 16, 2012.

Clarence worked as a dairy and crop farmer for 15 years before taking a job at the Lapeer State Home in Lapeer as an attendant. He worked there for more than 20 years until his retirement. Clarence enjoyed being outside working in his garden. He was a sports fanatic watching all kinds of sports on television. Clarence particularly liked all the Detroit teams, the Tigers, the Pistons and the Lions.

Clarence is survived by his children: Lyle Schember of Grand Rapids, Paul (Kaylene) Schember of Nicholasville, KY; daughter-in-law, Marcia Schember of Cass City; 14 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; 4 great-grandsons; step-sons: Mike Molosky of Lapeer, Harry (Lelah) Molosky of Lapeer; stepdaughter, Carolyn Rice of Lapeer, 9 step-grandchildren; several step great-grandchildren; brothers: Earl (Doris) Schember of Gagetown, Jerry (Jane) Schember of Goodells, Ed Schember of Elkton, Wayne Schember of Pigeon; sister, Elene McCrachen of Bad Axe; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by sons: Rinerd Schember, David Schember; granddaughter, DeGrandchamp; great-grandson, Jason Smith; four brothers; one sis-

Funeral services were made Saturday, November 1 in Kranz Funeral Home Cass City with Dr. Phil Burkett of Cass City Missionary Church officiating. Interment will be in Novesta Township Cemetery. Pallbearers for Mr. Schember are his grandsons.

Memorials may be made to Revive Ministries. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

Stella Zieba

Stella Zieba, 88, of Deford, died Monday, October 27, 2014 in St. Mary's Medical Center, Saginaw. She was born February 11, 1926 in Detroit to Ignatius and Magdalene (Miskowicz) Lis. She married Jan Zieba December

27, 1978 in St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Detroit.

Stella graduated from Cass City High School. She worked various jobs in the Detroit area, including assisting nurses in a nursing home, a cashier at Woolworth Department Store, a key punch operator for Philco and a Timekeeper for Hall Lamp Company until the plant closed. Stella's last job was as a key punch operator for Detroit Copper and Brass Company where she worked until her retirement in 1978. Stella was a former member of St. Andrew Catholic Church, St. Michael Catholic Church and St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Stella enjoyed bowling, flower gardening and collecting recipes.

Stella is survived by her husband, Jan; stepson: Edward Zieba of Detroit; sister, Jenny Semear of Warren; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by brothers: Henry Lis, Joe Lis, Ignatius Lis, Frank Lis, Tony Sokol; and sister, Bernice Kanapsky.

Funeral services were held Friday, October 31 in Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Michael Catholic Church with the Rev. Christian Tabares officiating. Interment will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit.

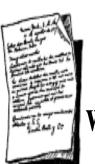
Memorials may be made to the Charity of the Donor's Choice. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family

www.kranzfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

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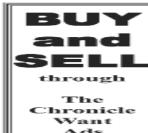
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Letters to the Editor

Will Cass City end up being the next Detroit?

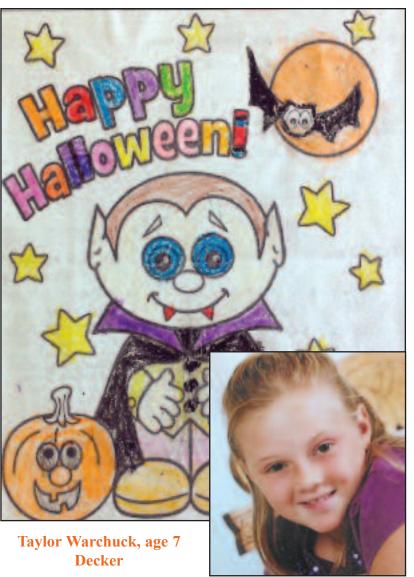
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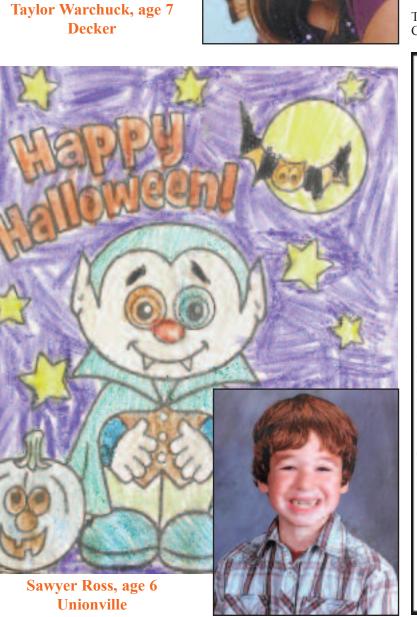
services for improvements at the wastewater treatment plant in the amount not to exceed \$977,000 and to authorize the village manager to execute the URS agree-

Justin Daniels, age 7

Cass City

This motion was unanimously passed. I would like to know why this liability approved in October 2013 has never shown up on any of the financial statements that are available to the public. Please reaped any benefit from spending explain how this made it through any audit. Isn't this at least misinforma-





Also, from other village council meetings, two law firms were hired to represent the village, so how much has this cost, and has the village what appears to be \$1 million? From an article in the Chronicle, it would appear the village seems happy they don't have to pay their bills, like the \$740,000 bill which is over a year old. Is this the face we want Cass City to have – someone that will run up high bills and then gloats about not paying them?

Concerning the village manager, I would like to know why he turned over more of his duties to the "special project manager".

First, what management experience does the "special project manager" have? Is he qualified to take the place of the village manager at the planning commission meetings or any of the other duties he has been given? How much are we paying the village manager to come into work after 10 a.m., have lunch around noon, and be doubtful if he will return before 2 or 3 in the afternoon? Now, it seems he has turned over a lot of his management duties to others who may not even be qualified!

From the last somewhat clear financials that were provided to the citizens at a village council meeting, it is shameful how much money is spent on poor management.

Most seniors have to face the financial reality of making a choice of flushing their toilets on a regular basis or buying much needed medicine because their taxes, water and sewer bills are too high.

This type of management has severely lowered the quality of life for all of us. Proof of this would be evident in the recent council vote for the purchase of a new boiler for the municipal building. While I agree that a new boiler may be necessary, I do not agree that a much more expensive company from Saginaw should have been chosen as the winning bidder. Per the council minutes reported in the Chronicle, three bids were reviewed – they were \$12,000, \$28,000 and \$40,000. It was reported that the council voted on the second bid for \$28,000. The reason was that it was the same BTU rating as the present boiler.

It is a fact that today's heating units are much more efficient and do not need as high of BTU ratings as the old furnaces. In this case the \$12,000 price would have been the proper one to accept. For that matter, since the old boiler seems to be working, why was a new expensive one needed? It appears we may owe over \$1 million for charges that the council has approved at the village manager's request already.

If all liabilities against the village were paid now, does the village have enough cash to meet all of its unpaid liabilities passed by the village over the past two years? Surely the village council would never agree to sell junk bonds to cover bad debt. Isn't this how Detroit solves its problems? Will we head down the same path as Detroit? Cass City becomes the Little Detroit?

After all, we can see what happened to Detroit, let's not start sliding down that slippery slope.

Tom Herron Cass City



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