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DEFORD AREA resident Lisa Deering, pictured above (left) with her youngest daughter, Vanessa, 12, is battling Stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Her church family at Deford Community Church has organized a benefit breakfast and silent auction for the family. The event is slated for Saturday, Jan. 31, in Deford.

Benefit for Lisa Deering scheduled this weekend

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

An illness sent Lisa Deering to a doctor last fall, but it's her unwavering faith that has brought her to a place where she can face one of the most frightening diagnoses she could have imagined with courage and peace.

Deering, a longtime Deford area resident, is battling Stage 4 pancreatic cancer.

Members of the Deford Community Church have organized a benefit to help Deering and her family with medical expenses. The event — a breakfast and silent auction — is slated for Saturday, Jan. 31, from 9 a.m. to noon at the church, located at 1392 N. Kingston Rd., Deford. Organizers are requesting donations, and the meal will feature pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee and juice.

Benefit organizer Cyndi Parrish said residents willing to donate items for the silent auction or make a cash contribution can do so by contacting the church at (989) 872-4055 or via email at defordcommunitychurch@gmail.com.

Deering, a member of the Deford Community Church whose youngest daughter, Vanessa, attends Deford Christian Academy, said she was diagnosed with cancer in October. She also learned the disease was advanced, having already spread to her liver.

"I was sick to my stomach. I was just sick, and I (wasn't) getting better, so I went to see my doctor," Deering recalled. The visit led to a series of tests that included an ultrasound and MRI. She was then referred to an oncologist at U-M Medical Center in Ann Arbor and is currently undergoing chemotherapy treatments.

While the chemotherapy leaves her feeling fatigued, weak and nauseous, Deering has managed to stay upbeat.

"It (diagnosis of cancer) is scary, especially when you're first going through it," she said. "I can take it the way I do because I am a Christian; no matter what, I'm going to be okay. I'm going to Heaven."

Deering, who became a grandmother for the first time just a few weeks ago, said her greatest concern is for her family, including her husband, Rod, and the couple's four children, who range in age from 12 to 24.

At the same time, she noted, the compassion demonstrated by her church family and the community has been overwhelming. "Just how loving and caring the community has been, and how thankful we are to have their (support)," she added.

Although the prospect of battling cancer left her feeling shell shocked initially, the diagnosis has also changed Deering's outlook when it comes to facing each new day.

"It changes your whole life, and hopefully, for most people it (diagnosis like this) changes their life for the better," said Deering, referring to how quickly a life-threatening disease puts everything into perspective and prompts a person to focus on what's most important and not worry about the rest.

"If most people would live their life like they're dying, I think the world would be a better place," she added. "It's about living every day the best you can. Every day."

Health officials report first case of measles in Michigan

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) has confirmed Michigan's first measles case of 2015.

Michigan is now one of seven states reporting the disease, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The case involves an adult in Oakland County, and may be associated with the recent Disneyland outbreak in California, but an exact connection has not yet been determined.

"As we are seeing with the recent outbreak in California, measles is a highly communicable disease that can affect both children and adults," said Dr. Matthew Davis, chief medical executive with the MDCH. "The best way to protect our families and communities against measles is to get vaccinated."

Measles is a vaccine-preventable respiratory infection that can result

in hospitalization, pneumonia, encephalitis, and death. The illness initially presents with a high fever, red eyes, cough, runny nose, photophobia, and is followed by a red, raised body rash starting on the head and face that then progresses to the rest of the body.

Because measles is highly communicable, vaccination is the best line of defense, and successful prevention and control requires high levels of immunity in all communities.

MDCH officials continue to coordinate with local health departments to monitor any potential secondary cases in individuals who may have been exposed to the initial case in Oakland County. Individuals may be contagious for a few days before they present with symptoms, which increases the potential of exposing others to the infection.

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Officers nab knife-wielding "zebra robber" after crime

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

An oddly dressed, knife-wielding suspect enjoyed freedom only a short time after robbing the Rite Aid store in Caro Friday night.

But the crime resulted in some concern among city residents, who were advised to lock their doors and stay inside following the armed robbery.

Investigators say the suspect, 18-year-old Devin Harris of Caro, committed the crime while out on bond after being charged in connection with the alleged attempted armed

robbery of Ziel's Wine Shop, also in Caro, earlier this month.

Following his latest arrest, Harris racked up additional felonies when he assaulted a deputy while attempting to escape from the Tuscola County Jail. No Rite Aid employees or others



Devin Harris

inside the store at the time of the robbery were injured Friday night, according to troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro.

Troopers reported Harris, armed with a knife and disguised in a zebra pattern outfit and nylon mask, entered the store at about 7:45 p.m. After leaving the business, he was last seen running northbound in the Gilford and Taylor roads area, and was subsequently apprehended after the investigation led to an apartment in the area.

Harris was taken into custody with-

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Man suffers apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound, discovered in ditch

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Huron County Sheriff's deputies are continuing their investigation into the discovery of an 18-year-old male in a ditch with severe facial injuries from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound Monday.

Deputies were dispatched to Parisville Road, north of Purdy Road — about seven miles northeast of Ubyly in Huron County's Paris Township — just before noon, according to Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson, who said the initial report indicated

the victim may have suffered dog bite wounds.

"Sgt. James Hunt, who was only minutes away, arrived to find an 18-year-old male with severe facial injuries, kneeling in the ditch across the road from his residence. He and a passerby administered limited first aid while EMS was en route," Hanson said.

"Through limited communication by way of the victim reacting to yes and no questions, Sgt. Hunt was able to glean some information as to what most likely occurred. As of press time, it appears the facial wounds

were caused by a self-inflicted gunshot blast, which occurred inside of his residence," he added.

"Bingham Ambulance Service arrived on scene and transported the victim to Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe, where he was flown to a Saginaw area hospital by helicopter. "Other deputies arrived at the scene as well as our detective. A search warrant was authorized for the residence and they are still investigating this incident," Hanson said.

The Ubyly Police Department and Sherman Township Fire Department assisted deputies at the scene.

Business moving into Campbell

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Cass City School officials are welcoming a second business poised to utilize a portion of the former Campbell Elementary School building.

School Supt. Jeff Hartel made the announcement during a regular monthly board of education Monday night, saying Hi-Performance Engineering, a Midwest aftermarket snowmobile and ATV/UTV parts distributor, is moving into the building's former library and teachers' lounge.

"It's going to be a call center for ordering catalogues. They're going to be hiring a number of Marshall employees," noted Hartel, referring to the scheduled closure of Marshall Distributing Inc., Cass City, this spring, following the longtime local business' sale to a Boise, Idaho company last year.

Hi-Performance officials have agreed to lease payments of \$500 per month for the first 90 days, followed by monthly payments of \$600. The former school is also currently housing Thumb Area Psychological Services, which uses a smaller amount of space and pays the district \$350 per month.

In a related matter, Hartel told the board he has been contacted by Osentoski Realty, Cass City, the listing agent for the building. The first year of listing the former school for sale is now done, and the company wants to know if the district would like to continue listing it, he said.

The question sparked a discussion over school officials' asking price of \$205,000 for the structure based on valuation estimates that suggested an acceptable price range of \$80,000 to

\$205,000.

Hartel told the board he has been contacted by a couple of people who have expressed interest in the structure. However, there have been no follow-up conversations with those individuals. And, Hartel indicated he isn't expecting any. "I think it (asking price) scares them off. Tavis (Osentoski) says we're not going to get an offer at \$205,000," he said.

Meanwhile, Hartel added, main-

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Village council tackles waste disposal changes

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

Village residents not connected to the Cass City sewer system can expect officials to regulate their waste disposal methods more closely in the near future, according to a new ordinance proposed Monday during the regular monthly meeting of the village council.

Additionally, planned changes to the local sewer system ordinance

allows for large volume wastewater producers — namely the Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) milk plant — which may burden the current wastewater treatment plant, to install their own system under strict guidelines and only upon approval of the village council and in accordance with state and federal regulations.

Village attorney Jason Bitzer, who penned the changes, says they are needed to make sure Cass City's

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TROOPERS from the Michigan State Police post in Caro emphasize community involvement as well as law enforcement throughout the year. Above, several troopers donned Duck Dynasty costumes before participating in last year's Special Olympics fundraiser in Caro. See story, page 12.



Obituaries

Germaine Dybilas

Germaine M. Dybilas (Puszykowski), 80, of Ubly, passed away Monday, January 19, 2015 at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe after a courageous battle with Lou Gehrig's disease. She was born May 11, 1934 in Saginaw, Michigan to the late Mitchel and Victoria (Walkowiak) Puszykowski.

She married Joseph Dybilas November 6, 1954 in St. Rita's Catholic Church in Saginaw. Together, they were blessed with 57 years of marriage until Joseph's passing on December 27, 2011.

Germaine and Joseph owned and operated a dairy farm in Ubly until 1983 and were long time members of Good Shepherd Parish-St. John the Ev. Catholic Church and Christian Mothers. Germaine was a lector at church and enjoyed cooking, gardening, playing cards, bingo, traveling, going on casino trips, walking through the woods, knitting, sewing and baking for her grandchildren. She also enjoyed feeding her orioles and hummingbirds, fishing, canning, collecting lighthouses, and antique toys. Germaine was a very self-sufficient lady and took great pride in her family, especially her grandchild-



dren. Surviving are three children: Stephen (Carol) Dybilas, Paul Dybilas and Kathy (Russ) Esther, nine grandchildren: Ashley (Garrett) McLean, Deric (Katie) Esther, Ashley Dybilas, Carissa Dybilas, Joseph Dybilas, Brianne Dybilas, Brock, Connor and Dakota Esther; two brothers, John "Jack" (Carol) Puszykowski and Dr. Robert (Nancy) Puszykowski; one sister-in-law, Josephine Wolschlager and special family friends: Ben Long, James Harnish, Carol Van Erp, the Miller and Yoder families, many nieces and nephews.

Germaine was predeceased by infant daughters: Delphine, Michele, Jane, Judith and Geanine, her father and mother-in-law, Jan (Maryanna) Dybilas and sisters and brothers-in-law: Irene (Ed) Sieradzki, Sabina (Daniel) Guigar, Nora (Joseph) Peters and Joseph Wolschlager.

The Funeral Mass will be celebrated Saturday, January 31, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd Parish-St. John the Ev. Catholic Church, Ubly. Fr. Charles Hammond will celebrate the Mass and private inurnment will take place at a later date at St. Columbkille Cemetery.

Friends may call at the church only on Friday, January 30, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday after 10:00 a.m. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorials to Courtney Manor in Bad Axe.

Arrangements were made by Ambrose Funeral Home of Bay City.

Robert Jackson

Robert Gerald Jackson, 76, of Ubly, passed away unexpectedly Wednesday morning, January 21, 2015 at Courtney Manor.

He was born May 7, 1938 in Cass City to the late Clifford and Thelma (Decker) Jackson.



He married Joan Rumpitz November 16, 1963 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Ubly.

Robert was a graduate of Ubly High School and the Detroit Electrical RET School. He was then employed in California for the military aerospace industry as an electronic aviation technician. He was also employed with Boeing Industries and retired in 1998. Robert enjoyed

fishing in his younger years, watching TV, playing pool and cards, reading and cryptograms.

Robert is survived by his wife of 51 years, Joan Jackson of Ubly; three children, Stephen F. Jackson of Sheridan Wyoming, Cindi L. Jackson of Orem, Utah, John R. Jackson and his wife, Donna of Apple Valley, Calif.; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; his mother-in-law, Vivian Rumpitz; six sisters-in-law; four brothers-in-law; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father-in-law, Clarence Rumpitz; one sister-in-law; three brothers-in-law.

A Memorial Mass for Robert will be planned in the spring.

Arrangements have been made by the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly.

Please visit www.smigielskifuneralhomes.com to express your sympathy and sign the guest book for Robert's family.

James Phillips

James Martin Phillips, 90, of Cass City, died Wednesday, January 21, 2015 in Tendecare Nursing Facility. He was born March 4, 1924 in Harriman, TN to Martin and Amanda (Morgan) Phillips.

He married Lavonia "Bonnie" Morris September 27, 1941 in Rome, GA. She died January 13, 2013.

James and Bonnie moved to Michigan after he returned from serving in the military during World War II. They found jobs and settled



in Rochester. Jim worked for Rochester Paper Company retiring after 38 years of service. He was a former Elks Club member. Jim enjoyed golfing and shuffleboard. He loved working in his gardens. Jim was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cass City. At one time, Jim and Bonnie enjoyed bowling and were members of bowling leagues in the Rochester area.

James is survived by his children: James Christopher Phillips of Troy, Lyn (Don) Moonen of Rochester Hills and Martin Stephen (Alixann) Phillips of Franklin, Ohio; grandchildren: Kenneth Scott (Donna) Richardson II, Jaime (John) Martin, Aimee (Vance) Reisig, Marty Phillips, Amanda Phillips, Jordan Phillips, Shelby Phillips, Kate Phillips, Jenna Phillips, Jocelyn Reardon and Ian Reardon; great-grandchildren: Lauren, Elizabeth and Ava; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by brothers: John Phillips, Albert Phillips and Glen Phillips; sister, Carrie Brown; daughter-in-law, Jeannine Phillips.

Funeral services were held January 23 in First Baptist Church of Cass City with the Rev. David Hill officiating.

Interment was in Mount Avon Cemetery, Rochester, January 26.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church of Cass City. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

Karen Spencer

Karen Debra Spencer, 62, of Cass City, died unexpectedly Thursday, January 22, 2015 in her home. She was born September 21, 1952 in Caro, the fourth child of five born to Glen and Betty (Force) Stewart.

She married Kenneth Daniel Spencer October 26, 1980 in Caro Church of Christ.

Karen graduated from Akron Fairgrove High School in 1970. She attended Michigan Christian College. Karen worked for Walbro Manufacturing where she met Ken and began their life together. She worked as a Census Taker and as a clerk for Cass City Shell gas station and party store. Karen was a school bus driver for Cass City Community Schools for many years. Most recently Karen worked as an Election Board Official in Tuscola County. The job that was her greatest joy was babysitting her grandchildren. Karen was a member of Caro Church of Christ for many years, the Vassar Red Hat Society and the Rawson Memorial Library Ravenous Readers Book Club. Last year alone she read more than 35 books. When the girls were younger, Karen served as their Girl Scout Troop Leader. Karen enjoyed knitting, crocheting and sewing. She made her own wedding dress and many outfits for her children. She also enjoyed working jigsaw and Sudoku puzzles. Karen, Ken and their family enjoyed traveling to many places across the United States and trips to Germany to visit Kari. She was a good homemaker and great cook, making many favorite recipes from scratch.

Karen is survived by her husband, Kenneth; children: William "Bill" (Janel Bitzer) Spencer of Caro, Tiffany (Jeffrey) Stephens of Caro, Kenneth "Kenny" (Jennifer) Spencer of Cass City and Kari (Justin) Dyke of Spangdahlem Air Force Base, Germany; grandchildren: Alexa, Kaleb, Bryce, Seth, Madalynn, Maggie and the seventh due soon; sister, Sharrie Spencer of Toledo, OH; mother-in-law, Elsie Spencer of Springfield, MO; sisters-in-law: Rosemary Spencer of Springfield, MO and Valerie Spencer of Springfield, MO; brother-in-law, David (Denise) Spencer of Bowling Green, KY; many nieces and nephews; foster parents, Don and Lois Wright of Lapeer. She is preceded in death by her parents, Glen and Betty Stewart; sisters: Barb Shagena and Kathy Sandmann; brother, Michael Stewart; half brother, Robert Force.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, January 27 in Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City with Don Wright of Romeo Church of Christ officiating.

Memorials may be made to Caro Church of Christ.

Interment will take place at a later date.

Pallbearers for Mrs. Spencer: William Spencer, Kenny Spencer, Justin Dyke, Jeffrey Stephens, Eric Hartwick and Carl Gyurko.

Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

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In Our OPINION..

Clarke Haire
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Editor

Too many residents not getting screened

January is Cervical Health Awareness Month, and we would like to report that an overwhelming number of Michigan women are doing all they can to avoid facing the frightening diagnosis of cervical cancer. But we can't.

Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) officials are reminding all women to stay current on their cervical cancer screening to improve their health in 2015, and to prevent cervical cancer in the future.

In 2011, 358 Michigan women were diagnosed with invasive cervical cancer, and in 2012, 114 Michigan women died from this disease.

About 70 percent of cervical cancer in the United States could be prevented through human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination, according to Dr. Matthew Davis, chief medical executive of the MDCH. He notes that three doses of HPV vaccine are recommended for girls and boys at 11 to 12 years of age, but the vaccine can be given up through age 26. Davis says the HPV vaccine is safe, effective, and produces better immunity when given at the recommended age of 11 to 12 years.

However, as of Dec. 2014, only 32.3 percent of females and 16.1 percent of males ages 13-17 had received the entire three-dose vaccine series, according to Michigan Care Improvement Registry data.

In addition, the simple, affordable, and easy-to-administer screening test to detect cervical cancer, the Pap test, has been widely available for 70 years. Still, more than half of cervical cancer deaths are seen in women who have either never had a Pap test, or have not had testing in more than five years.

Along with lack of screening, the most significant risk factor for cervical cancer is HPV infection; 99 percent of cervical cancers are caused by HPV.

Screening for cervical cancer is recommended to begin at age 21. Through the Healthy Michigan Plan, women's preventive health care, such as screenings for cervical cancer, mammograms, prenatal care, immunizations, and other services, is covered without co-pays. Pap tests are available at family planning clinics, and for women ages 40-64, Pap testing is accessible through the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program (BCCCP). For more information about the BCCCP, call 800-922-MAMM (6266).

Vaccines for Children (VFC), Medicaid, MI-Child, and most health insurances pay for the HPV vaccine. If your child does not have health insurance, or does not have insurance that covers these vaccines, ask your health care provider or local health department about the VFC program. VFC provides no-or-low cost vaccines to eligible children, 18 years of age and younger.



The bottom line is this: If cervical cancer can be prevented, and there are resources out there to help in obtaining the screening that could save your life, what's holding you back?

Take a few minutes and set up an appointment. Do it for yourself. Do it for all of those people whose lives wouldn't be complete without you.

Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

The life of a daredevil

With most things in life, I prefer the calm, safe (boring) approach. I am not a thrill-seeker. I do not endeavor to live on the wild side. Far from it. I drive within the speed limit; I wear sensible shoes; I brush after meals; I have first aid kits in each of the family vehicles. None of my hobbies involves parachutes, bungee cords, zip lines or poisonous snakes.

I don't need extreme measures to get my adrenaline pumping. Roller coaster? Hang glider? Nah, I find my excitement a little closer to home.

By most accounts, I am as bland as milk toast – except when I enter the kitchen. There, I become a daredevil – a spice wielding, tongs toting, garlic pressing, potato mashing, pepper milling, cheese grating, lemon zesting, pan brandishing ninja warrior of the room with the stew. (Whew!)

And I'm just getting started. Can someone hand me a spatula?

My kitchen is my playground. I swing with the sauces and slide with the spices and go 'round and 'round with a whisk, whipping up something fresh and unique and dare I say daring. My kitchen is a space where rules are like egg shells and made to be broken – or better yet shattered. Give me some eggs, flour, milk, cheese and herbs, let me toss 'em together and we'll see what we get. Soufflé!

There's one slight but pesky problem with my inspired and invigorating cooking behaviors: other people (aka my family). Not everyone is a culinary risk taker. Many people prefer a more calm, safe (boring) approach to food. They favor familiar flavors and find it difficult to embrace a combination of cayenne with chocolate for a

mole sauce, a last minute decision to add dried cranberries to the apple cobbler or an inspired substitution of quinoa for rice in Friday night's stir fry.

Other people prefer predictability in the kitchen. They expect their split pea soup to taste like split pea soup and white rice to be white. This consistency in cooking requires something outside the reaches, desires or imagination of my kitchen skills: the ability to follow a recipe.

I've tried following recipes. And failed. Recipes restrict my culinary creativity. They require one's pantry to be stocked with certain ingredients while limiting use of food items not on the official list. That's too many rules for me.

In addition, most of the recipes I've seen involve measuring and measuring involves numbers. I've always preferred letters over numbers, except in algebra, but that's a story of PTSD I've buried deep within my psyche. I think it's best not to resuscitate those demons here.

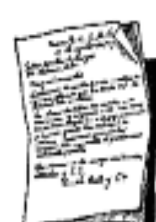
Let's just say I lack an aptitude for measuring and leave it at that.

I am a kitchen daredevil. There, I said it out loud. It feels good to come clean and admit I've been feeding my kids experimental concoctions since the 1990s. And, despite their complaints about ingredients, flavors, spices and texture (and there have been more than a few during any given month-week-day-meal) my offspring have managed to survive. I like to believe they're better for it. Regular, nice moms give their kids macaroni and cheese. I've given mine experience, variety, adventure and mystery.

That, and quinoa.

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright and author. She welcomes having readers follow her column on the Slices of Life page on Facebook


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Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire


(And anyone else he can get to help)

Construction in the village of Cass City was quite busy in 2014. There were 12 commercial building permits and 19 residential building permits issued. That's up from 2013's total of six commercial building permits and one residential building permit. An increase in construction is a sign of an improving economy in the community, says Village Manager Peter Cristiano.

Cass City's water tower is 51 years old but in great shape. It was last inspected in 2013 by Nelson Tank Engineering and the paint on the inside of the water tower wet interior is 99.99 percent intact.

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Michigan officials say gas prices aren't the only thing falling in the state these days.

Michigan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in December dropped over the month by four-tenths of a percentage point to 6.3 percent, according to data released by the Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget.

The state unemployment rate dropped 10 out of 12 months during 2014 and is at its lowest point since November 2002.

"The continuing drop in Michigan's unemployment rate is both an affirmation and a call to action. Finishing the year with the lowest unemployment rate in more than 12 years shows we are on the right path as our economy is growing stronger with an environment that is creating more and better jobs," said Gov. Rick Snyder.



Total employment rose in December by 21,000 as the number of unemployed dropped by 21,000. From December 2013 to December 2014, the number of unemployed in the state fell by 89,000 or 23 percent. This drop outpaced the nationwide reduction of 16.3 percent over the same period.

Art lovers in Cass City, take heart.

Marilyn Biefer, one of the founding members of the Artistic Endeavors Art Gallery, located at 6358 Main St., says the local gallery will remain closed for renovations until March 13. However, she noted, they will reopen in the spring with new business hours in the rear portion of the building.

"We hope to see our patrons back in full swing with us in March," she added. "Classes will start back up in the spring. We are excited to get back at our dream."

In the meantime, anyone needing to contact the gallery can contact Biefer at (989) 872-2224 or (989) 550-5129, or Judy Hoelzle at 872-2534.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Wednesday, January 28

- 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.
- 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, January 29

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

Sunday, February 1

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

Monday, February 2

- 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.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
- AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.

Tuesday, February 3

- 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

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Second Monday:

- Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- VFW monthly meeting, 7:00 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

Second Tuesday:

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

Second Wednesday:

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

Second Thursday:

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

Third Tuesday:

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

Third 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.

Last Monday:

- Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

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Traffic stop in Huron Co. ends in two arrests on drug charges

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A traffic stop early Friday morning in Huron County led to the arrests of both the driver and passenger on felony drug charges.

According to Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson, Deputy Warren Kuhl stopped a 2000 Mercury on M-53 near Popple Road, and while checking the status of the driver's license, he learned the driver's privileges were suspended.

"He then placed the driver under arrest for driving on a suspended driver's license and had the Bad Axe City police come to his location to

stand by for the impounding wrecker, as well as to transport the female passenger back into Bad Axe," Hanson said. "Before Officer Nate Flores could transport the female back to Bad Axe, he searched her purse and located a packet of heroin and a packet of cocaine along with syringes. She was then arrested for felony possession of narcotics and transported to our jail.

"This morning our deputies did further follow up into the incident," Hanson added. "More information and evidence was collected, which ended with the Huron County Prosecutor's Office authorizing felony drug delivery charges on the

driver. Forfeiture proceedings were also started on the suspect's 2000 Mercury."

Later in the day, deputies executed a search warrant at the female suspect's apartment in Bad Axe, where they confiscated more drug paraphernalia.

The female suspect, 20-year-old Taylor Reese, was subsequently arraigned in Huron County District Court. She remains lodged in the Huron County Jail on a \$15,000 bond. The name of the 23-year-old Saginaw driver/suspect was being withheld pending arraignment. He remains lodged in the jail on an \$11,500 bond.

Circuit court proceedings

Several defendants on felony charges

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

*Charles A. Lawrie, 48, Caro, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail following his plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, March 27 in Caro.

He was also placed on 24 months probation and ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$438 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*Ronald H. Roseberry Jr., 48, Clio, was sentenced to three months to 12 years in prison following his plea of guilty to a charge of being a felon in

possession of a firearm May 10 in Arbela Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$198 plus restitution of \$5,000.

*Brett G. Lackie, 33, Caro, was sentenced to two to 15 years in prison following his plea of guilty to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to register a log-in name or other identifying information used to access an electronic mail address or messaging system

(Facebook) June 4 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$198 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*David E. Wheaton, 47, Fostoria, pleaded no contest to a charge of aggravated stalking between January and March 25, 2014, in Watertown Township.

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

Motorists can now trade fees for volunteer work

About 168,000 Michigan residents could perform community service instead of paying hundreds of dollars for some Driver Responsibility Fees, a move that benefits both drivers and the agencies that serve Michigan communities around the state, according to Secretary of State Ruth Johnson.

"Traffic ticket fees, court costs and higher insurance premiums are difficult enough," Johnson added. "With this new program, motorists can meet their legal obligations while minimizing any added financial burden to their families and while also helping people in their community."

Johnson voted against the fees as a state representative and has supported eliminating them, calling them a burden. The new program gives motorists an opportunity to eliminate their Driver Responsibility Fees by

completing 10 hours of volunteer work for each qualifying assessment on their driving record.

The Michigan Department of Treasury mailed a letter with additional information to those who are eligible.

The Driver Responsibility Fee-Community Service Program began Jan. 1 and will end Dec. 31. Eligible candidates must submit an application to the treasury department specifying which qualifying assessments they would like waived and what type of community service they will perform. Once their applications are approved, they will have 45 days to complete their volunteer work.

Those with several qualifying assessments may request a deferral for some of them and, if approved, complete the remainder at a later

date during the year.

Eligible individuals must volunteer to work for someone other than a family member without receiving any compensation. Volunteer opportunities can include local nonprofits (organizations classified as a 501(c)(3)), places of worship, schools, or city and state agencies.

The Driver Responsibility Fees that can be erased by community service are for No Proof of Insurance, No Insurance, Driving Without Proper License/Endorsement/Vehicle Group Designator, Driving While License Expired, and Driving While Unlicensed or License Not Valid.

Residents with questions about the program and the qualifications needed to apply can also call the Department of Treasury at 800-950-6227.

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Director Kelly Richmond invites you to visit the senior living community where you can choose the service that matches your "distinctive living" needs. You can reach Northwood Meadows at (989) 872-8131 or (800) 532-8063. Check them out on the web at www.northwoodmeadows.org or like them on Facebook!


Be sure to check next week's paper for the next Cass City Spotlight Business of the Week.

Remember to Shop Local & Support Those Who Support Cass City!

Reporter's notebook

Of chainsaws and shootin' the breeze

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



Keith Mitchell is a welcome reminder to me on occasion of just how satisfying a simple conversation can be with someone in person, especially in this world of cell phones, iPhones, email and other forms of electronic communication.

I sometimes wonder how many people – you know, the ones whose faces are always glued to a screen of one kind or another — feel like a deer caught in the headlights when they suddenly find themselves actually talking to another human being face-to-face.

I'll admit I tend to get caught up in the convenience of a keyboard and the Internet, but there's still nothing like communicating the way folks were forced to back in the day.

I see Keith every now and again, usually when I've asked him to deliver a load of firewood. I look forward to visiting with the Cass City area resident, because I usually learn something new when I do. Even when I don't, he rarely disappoints when it comes to sharing an interesting story or bit of history.

His latest visit came some weeks after he asked if I'd like him to take down a dead elm along our long, winding driveway. In the meantime, my wife surprised me at Christmas with a chainsaw. I was thrilled but a bit intimidated by the gift. Okay, a lot intimidated. That's natural, considering my lack of experience with a chainsaw and the fact that one of these things could put an end to my typing days – or much worse — in short order if I'm not careful.

I recalled Keith telling me about an area man whose inexperience with a chainsaw may have been the reason the tip of the machine came in contact with a piece of wood, causing the saw to kick back and strike him in the upper body. His wounds proved fatal.

So, I admired my new chainsaw, but left it in the case until Keith arrived last week, as promised, to cut down my elm.

He delivered a lot more than some ready-to-split firewood.

First, I learned the proper technique for downing a tree in such a way that it falls in the general vicinity you're hoping for. He went on to trim some branches and reduce the trunk into manageable sections, demonstrating ways to cut through the trunk without getting the saw blade pinched in the process.

Now, I know Keith's been working in the woods since he was in high school, but I still marveled at his strength and sure hand with that chainsaw as he sliced through the wood like soft butter while alternately using either side of the saw above and below.

Then it was my turn, and with some helpful hints, I tried my hand at trimming limbs. I still have a great deal of respect for the equipment — not to mention a lot more to learn — but I walked away from that tree much more confident. Having all my fingers still attached was certainly a big boost.

Our visit lasted just a little over an hour, but it was memorable.

Thanks to Keith, I was reminded on this day that it's best to start slow and take your time when learning a new skill. And, equally important, that the only stupid questions are the ones you're too afraid to ask because, well, you don't want to look stupid.

Of course, I still appreciate the convenience and immediacy email affords me every day, but I'm convinced it will never replace the sort of interaction that can only be found by shootin' the breeze the old-fashioned way.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2010)

Area resident Thelma Graham marked her 100th birthday Thursday. She says an active lifestyle and remaining independent have been keys to her longevity.

Showing the consistency that Coach Don Markel strives towards in the team's 60-18 win over the Hatchets and Cass City's 40-29 upset of the state ranked Red Raiders were double winners Jon Crouch (119 pounds), Cody Crouch (125 pounds), Kevven Dorland (145 pounds), Kurt Reif (152 pounds), Mike Milligan (189/215 pounds) and Eric Reif (189/215 pounds).

The Elkland Township Fire Department officers for 2010 are: Dale Tabar, lieutenant; Jeremy Somerville, captain; Glenn Guilds, chief; Scott Wright, assistant chief; Mark Tomlinson, captain; and Paul Learman, lieutenant.

10 YEARS AGO (2005)

A weekend snowstorm that dumped several inches of snow in the Thumb caused headaches for motorists and translated into long hours for road crews, but law enforcement officials reported few serious traffic accidents. The blustery storm blew into the area early Saturday morning and increased in intensity, with wind gusts reaching nearly 40 miles per hour, causing whiteout conditions at times. According to weather data recorded at the Cass City Wastewater treatment plant, the total snowfall was 6.8 inches, although amounts varied from area to area, with some portions of the Thumb receiving nearly a foot of snow.

A community youth organization in Tuscola County has invested in the Novesta Church of Christ's popular "Fifth Quarter Parties". Future Youth Involvement (FYI), a branch of the Tuscola County Community Foundation, recently awarded \$5,000 to the church to help fund the youth parties, which are held after Cass City High School home football and basketball games.

Cass City High School students Laura McComas, Marcel Helland and Lysa Knight were recently selected to perform with the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association (MSBOA) District 111 Honors Band. The students were chosen based on the recommendation of Doug Burtch, director of bands.

25 YEARS AGO (1990)

Cass City's team qualified to advance to the state championship rounds when it placed among the top 4 teams at the Class C-D Debate Districts Jan. 13 at Central Michigan University, forensics director Jane Reif said. "Our affirmative team of Brent Sturtevant and Wendy Hercliff went 6-1 and received trophies for third place (for third and fourth year debaters) and fourth place (for second-year debaters), respectively," she said. Senior Chris Folk and sophomore Melanie Churchill, both first year debaters, round out Cass City's 1989-90 team. Junior Jody Joles is the squad's official time keeper.

Red Hawk Student of the Week, courtesy of Board Chrysler-Your Downtown Dealer, is junior Jennifer McNaughton. Jennifer, daughter of Connie and Dave McNaughton, is honored as student of the week for being elected to the Lions' All State Band.

We expect no change in staff now that Provincial House in Cass city has been taken over by Tendercare, Inc., from Beverly Enterprises, Connie Schwaderer, director, said this week. Tendercare authorities said that the sale included 42 facilities, 11 of which were sold. The company now has 31 facilities with 3,775 beds and approximately 3,000 employees and is the largest nursing home care company in the state. Provincial House was established in October 1973 and acquired by Beverly Enterprises Jan. 1, 1982.

35 YEARS AGO (1980)

Katherine C. Smith of Snover is one of 540 Michigan State University students to have received all A's during the fall term. A freshman, she is majoring

in accounting and financial administration. She is a graduate of Marlette High School.

The Hawks won 15-4 and 15-9 in the first match and 15-4 and 15-6 in the second match. Tammi Rabideau and Julie Carpenter were perfect from the service line and Padgett Randall helped with several good spikes to pace the team victory. Coach Michelle Anscorb said that the victories were the results of very fine team play in addition to the individual efforts of several girls.

Seldom has a game in the Thumb B Conference been as one-sided as the Cass City-Sandusky clash Tuesday night when the host Hawks rolled over the Redskins, 93-47. Cass City had five players in double figures headed by Steve Richards with 15 and Craig Tonti and Tim Fahrner with 12 each. Pat Soffredine led Sandusky with 12.

40 YEARS AGO (1975)

Judge Martin Clements, 36, newest Circuit Court Judge for the Tuscola-Lapeer Circuit was sworn in by Judge Norman Baguley Friday in Lapeer. A packed courtroom, including Clements' family, watched as the former Lapeer County Prosecutor took the oath.

Lloyd Brown, Cass City, celebrated his 90th birthday Monday with congratulations from President Gerald Ford and Governor William Milliken. Brown, who served as a Justice of the Peace in Greenleaf Township for 25 years and a school official in the Cumber and Holbrook districts for 35 years, said "good clean living" has helped him reach 90 years. Brown, who has 18 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, lives with his wife on Seeger Street. He still drives a car and is in good health.

Cass City's FFA land judging team was awarded second-place honors in county-wide competition at the Tuscola Soil Conservation District dinner Wednesday, Jan. 15, held in Caro. Team members are Don Koepfgen, John Broecker and Greg Moore, who had the three top scores of the group. Other members of the team include Tim Dorland, Bill Wills, Ken Meredith, Jim Watrous and Bill Hurt.

50 YEARS AGO (1965)

Five Cass City band students are expected to be among 85 students from 19 schools taking part in the Tri-county Honors Band concert at the Cass City High School. Open to the public, the concert will feature Dr. Harry Begian, Wayne State University director of bands, as guest director. Representing Cass City will be Jon Avery, Sharada Hurd, Don Joos, Mary Lou Spencer and Bob Spencer.

Two well-known local mechanics have purchased the Standard Oil gas station business in Cass City from Millard Ball and will assume control Feb. 1, the date the transaction becomes effective. The two new owners are Louis Salas and Floyd Luettker. Luettker has worked as a mechanic and bump and paint man for 18 years while Salas has compiled 17 years as a mechanic. The sale includes the inventory and equipment at the station. Ball said that he has accepted a post with Walbro Corporation where he worked prior to entering the gas business.

Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary members installed three officers at an anniversary meet at the hospital. Installed were: Mrs. H.T. Donahue, vice-president; Mrs. Neil Harry, president, and Mrs. Frederick Auten, president-

75 YEARS AGO (1940)

The Cass City Sand and Gravel Company will spend approximately \$6,000.00 in new machinery and buildings in order to enlarge the scope of their operations the coming season. They will manufacture concrete brick and concrete tile in addition to supplying sand and gravel for highway construction. The new manufacturing program will tend to provide a steadier demand for labor at their plant three miles southwest of Cass City.

Joe Diaz, who has been in the shoe repairing business in Cass City for the past 13 years, this week installed three new machines to bring his equipment right up to the last minute. A curved needle stitcher does the fine work on the better class of shoes, while a straight needle stitcher will be used on heavy work shoes and harness repair work. A long American finishing machine provides brushes, smoothing and polishing wheels and other fixtures for putting the finishing touches to all kinds of shoe repair work. These three new machines are electrically driven.

If you were asked the question, "Who is chief of the Cass City Fire Department," would you know? If you do not, you are among many, for after a Chronicle reporter asked a number of townspeople that question not one knew and one was surprised that the village had a fire department. At the annual meeting held recently, Mr. Kinnaird, feeling unable to continue as a member, resigned and Clarence Burt, who has been on the force for twenty years, was elected to fill the office of chief. John West succeeds himself as assistant chief, Morton Orr as secretary and Andrew N. Bigelow as treasurer.

100 YEARS AGO (1915)

The girls evened things up last Friday night by defeating the North Branch girls 27-11. They took the lead and only once did the Branch girls show any real basket ball. Near the close of the first half, they made three baskets in quick succession, changing from 16-2 to 16-8 which it was at the end of the half. The last half Cass City guards allowed the Branch girls to score but one field basket and one foul while our forwards were tallying up 11 more points.

Thos. Dalrymple, who purchased the New Sheridan hotel a year ago, this week, announces the sale of the property to Mrs. Bastedo of Detroit. Philip McQuade of Pt. Huron has leased the property and took possession this week. Mr. McQuade is reported an experienced hotel man, having spent 18 years in the business. Mr. Dalrymple is undecided as to his future activities. He intends to remain in Cass City for the present and has leased the C.G. Dickinson residence where he is moving this week.

The Sanilac county court house was destroyed by fire late Saturday night and swept through the entire building, leaving nothing standing but a few of the brick walls. The blaze started in the basement and defective wiring is reported as the cause. At first, while the ruins were still in such a condition as to prevent a thorough examination, it was feared that all the records in the various offices were destroyed except those in the register of deed's office which contained a fire proof vault. On Tuesday, the other vaults were forced open and the records were found safe and sound.

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Hirns to celebrate 51 years married

Robert J. Hirn from Redford Twp., Detroit met Mary Ann (Spiekerman) of Reese at Central Michigan University in 1962.

The couple were married August 22, 1964 at St. Pancratius Catholic Church by Fr. Arnold Messing and have resided in Cass City for the past 50 years.

Bob taught at Cass City High School for 5 years before becoming the owner/manager of Caro Building Center. He retired in 1995 and then became active in volunteering for many community groups. Much time was spent helping to restore the Thumb Octagon Barn in addition to serving on several Boards including Rawson Memorial Library, Pinney Foundation, Tuscola County Medical Care Facility and St. Pancratius Church.

Mary Ann retired from Caro Regional Mental Health Center after 30 years as an R.N. instructor in staff development. Following retirement, she became active with Hills & Dales Hospital Auxiliary, where she had served as president and is currently manager of the Hills & Dales Gift Shop. She has also been active in Friends of the Library, St. Pancratius Church and the Thumb Octagon Barn.

The couple had 3 children: Paul, deceased; Lisa, now serving as a Major in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Knox, KY specializing in Physical Therapy; and Mark who resides in New Baltimore, Mich. with his wife Diana and their 2 children, Katelyn and Tyler. He is the Product Manager at CDK Global.



Mary Ann and Bob Hirn in 1964



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Don't forget the groom

(MS)-Weddings are all about the bride, right? After all, "Here Comes the Bride" is played, she walks down the aisle with a special escort, while the groom hangs out to watch all of the festivities unfold. Actually, a wedding celebrates the union between two people who will be spending their lives together, therefore it is important to make the groom feel included.

Even though many of the magazines are geared toward the bride, the major wedding issues include tips for the groom as well, notably a listing of his responsibilities leading up to the big day. Here are some of those responsibilities, courtesy of YourWeddingPlan.com.

- Announce engagement to family and friends.
- Choose and pay for engagement and wedding rings with your fiancée
- Draw up a guest list with your family.

- With fiancée, meet the celebrant and discuss the ceremony, legal requirements and any pre-marital counseling that may be required.
- Choose your Best Man and ushers.
- Discuss honeymoon destinations - check passport validity, visas and

vaccinations required.

- Choose your wardrobe and arrange for the male members of the bridal party to provide sizes.
- Pre-book accommodations for out-of-town guests and attendants
- If you're having a bridal registry, help your fiancée choose your preferred styles.
- Arrange to pay for bride's bouquet, corsages and boutonnières.
- Confirm and reconfirm honeymoon arrangements, pick-up travel documents, travellers cheques and, if travelling overseas, exchange at least \$100 of foreign currency.
- Attend (and try to survive) bachelor party two weeks before the

- wedding.
- Consider your grooming - if a haircut is in order, try to make the appointment for at least a week before your wedding day.
- Pick up suits and arrange their return (usually via the Best Man).
- Plan and practice your speech.

- Place celebrants fee (and other on-the-day expenses) in an envelope and give to the Best Man.
- Make sure the Best Man has the rings - then make sure again!
- Be on time, and be understanding when your bride is not.
- The groom should be involved in all aspects of wedding planning.

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Jack and Iris Kappen in 1960



Iris and Jack Kappen now

Area couples now and then

Kappens to mark 55 years married

Jack and Iris (DuRussel) Kappen were married at 11:00 a.m. at the old Cass City St. Pancratius Catholic Church by Father Guido Gori, on February 27, 1960.

Maid of Honor was Isabel Grovom, sister of bride; Best Man was Robert

Rabideau, brother-in-law; bridesmaids were Maxine Smith and Connie Goslin; Groomsmen were Bob Dunn and Jerry Kappen; flower girls were nieces Denise DuRussel and Kim Smith.

The couple honeymooned at Mardi Gras and Florida.

Jack and Iris are retired farmers and have lived all of their married life together on or across the road from the original Kappen farm.

They have 8 children, 24 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, and one step great-grandchild.

Home Sweet Home: Easy Relocation Tips

(MS) - Congratulations - you and your spouse are moving into your first home together as newlyweds. Whether that means a house with a white picket fence or an urban condo on a tree-lined city street, the process of moving - even with help from professional movers - can be overwhelming.

By following a few helpful moving tips, you can make the load a little lighter and lessen the chances of letting your excitement about a new home get lost within the shuffle. Following are some tips to help you get started:

- Make a list of addresses and phone numbers of utility companies, newspapers, magazines and any other publications to which you

subscribe. You will need to inform them about your move. Then, familiarize yourself with the new area. Locate the nearest pharmacy and bank; check for branch stores or offices and make sure your new information is in their database.

- Get a free change-of-address kit from the post office. For extra flair when informing friends of your move, send specially designed change-of-address cards (available at card shops) or create your own and personalize them using rubber stamps or stickers.
- Make sure you have plenty of boxes on hand. First, pack the things you don't use or need right away, and move them in early. Anything you can take care of

ahead of time will make the moving day easier. Remember to label the outside of the boxes so you know



what is inside each one.

- Consolidate as much as you can. Wrap fragile items in towels, linen, tissue or thick layers of newspaper. Use smaller boxes for heavy items like books, and larger boxes for lighter items.

Mark the day with a creative memento

(MS)- Many couples remember their wedding day through photographs, videos and a guest book. The book is placed near the door and guests are encouraged to sign their names and write a little message. But, for the creative couple you can express your individuality with clever ideas that borrow tradition from the guest book. Here's a few ideas, courtesy of Easiest WeddingTM.

- Ask your friends and family to sign a mat board that you will later frame along with a photograph of yourself and your new husband. As an unconventional form of remembering your guests, the signatures can be mounted in your new home.
- In Asian cultures, wedding guests sign a piece of silk with a permanent marker. This, too, makes an unforgettable decoration to hang in your home.
- Have a special wedding quilt made that can be signed on one

side during the reception.

- If you or your husband-to-be are sports enthusiasts, consider having your guests sign a basketball, golf club bag, tennis skirt or shorts, or running wear. Let your imagination run wild.

- Have a special 12-month calendar made for the year of your wedding. Ask each family member and friend to sign on the date of their birthday. This not only is a memento of your wedding, but

you'll remember guests' birthdays, too.

- A white linen tablecloth and matching napkins can be signed with an indelible marker. On each occasion you set your table, you'll have your wedding guests dining with you. If you're ambitious, later you can embroider over the signatures, using thread colors matching those of either your dining room or wedding bouquet.

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Doris and Tom Stimpfel in 1964



Tom and Doris Stimpfel now

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Stimpfels to celebrate 51 years in Aug.

Tom and Doris Stimpfel were married August 3, 1964 in New Port, Rhode Island while serving in the U.S. Navy. They have lived in Cass City for more than 47 years. Tom has owned his own business,

Tom's Drywall for more than 40 years. Many young men have learned the trade from him and started their own business.

Doris worked at General Cable for more than 27 years. She retired after the plant left the community.

The couple have 4 children, Tammie of Bay City, Renae of Arizona, Tom C. of Deford and Jim of Cass City, and 8 grandchildren.

Trends in honeymoon planning

(MS) - For many couples, planning a honeymoon is just as important as planning the wedding itself. Regardless of where you plan to go on your honeymoon, there are some things you should do and some new ideas of which you need to be aware in order to make it the kind of experience you want it to be.

First, you must decide on a budget. If money is not an issue for you, bon voyage! However, if you're like most couples getting married, you're already paying for more than you anticipated. Establish a budget and use it as a guide. You may also want to consider using a honeymoon registry like the free one provided by TheHoneymoon.com.

Honeymoon registries allow wedding guests to contribute toward specific elements of your honeymoon. Things like shore excursions, parasailing, spa services and tours all make great wedding gifts. These are becoming more popular as couples getting married nowadays often have many of the basic household necessities that comprise a traditional gift registry.

After deciding on a budget, figure out where you would like to go. If you and your spouse-to-be want the same type of honeymoon experience, no problem. However, if one of you wants adventure and the other wants to relax in the sun, you need to compromise. There are destinations that can satisfy you both; you just need to do some research. Of course, it is also important that your destination fits your budget.

Once you have a destination in mind, decide whether you want an all-inclusive package or whether you would prefer to be on your own a little more. For those with tight budgets, an all-inclusive honeymoon has the advantage of one all-inclusive package price. This includes most activities at both all-inclusive resorts and on cruises. However, there are usually things that are not included for which you will need to pay. Again, these make great gift items for your honeymoon registry. If the idea of an all-inclusive honeymoon with multiple destinations excites you, then a

cruise may be the dream honeymoon for you.

If you wish to be on your own to take in more of the surrounding area and culture, then you have a lot of options at your disposal. Do you want a big hotel, or a small boutique hotel with history and character? If you like to experience the world through your taste buds, you'll want a variety of gastronomic adventures. In other words, if you don't want to be confined to a menu of activities and dining experiences, then you may be better off creating your own experience.

Of course, the honeymoon takes on a whole new meaning when you decide to do a "destination wedding." These are becoming very

popular as more couples decide to forego the average \$20,000 wedding price tag in addition to the honeymoon expense. These are especially popular with second marriages. It's easier to get married in some countries than others, so check with a reliable information source first.

Your final step is booking and paying for this trip. Many honeymoon suppliers offer specials for early booking, which may or may not include airfare. Many packages that include airfare can offer significant savings because these suppliers buy airline seats in bulk at a discount and then package hotel and sometimes car rental to give you significant value. Usually these packages need to be purchased from a travel agent or from businesses like TheHoneymoon.com, which combine travel agent services, the convenience of the Internet, honeymoon registry, personal wedding Web pages, and honeymoon information all at your fingertips - all from the convenience of your home or office.



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CASS CITY'S Mason Erla received plenty of attention around the basket Friday by Bay City All Saints defenders. The junior forward played sick, but still tossed in a dozen markers.



ON HER way to a basket is senior Cass City guard Alliah Riddle. She scored 11 points Thursday in the Red Hawks' 41-34 victory over Mayville.

Lady Red Hawks cruise to victory

A huge disadvantage at the free throw line wasn't enough to prevent Cass City from claiming victory Thursday against upset-minded Mayville.

Although the Lady Red Hawks earned a 41-34 non-conference win, the outcome wasn't decided until late in the final half, after the hosts had controlled the action early.

Senior Erin Zdrojewski took charge for Cass City in the initial quarter. The senior guard was all over the court and her 7 points helped the hosts take a 13-4 edge into the second quarter.

Mayville would trail just 18-14 at the intermission as the Lady Red Hawks put the Wildcats into the double bonus with over 4 minutes remaining on the clock. For the night, the Wildcats attempted 18 more free throws than their hosts.

"I had five girls with 2 fouls before the half," said Cass City Coach Clarke Haire. "When you only have 7 players, well, that's a concern. We ended up with three girls having 4 fouls and two other girls tagged with 3. I thought the refs should have swallowed their whistles a bit, it was hard for either team to build much momentum as the action was always at a standstill."

The advantage at the strip continued for the Wildcats over the final 2 frames. They used 5 freebees in the third quarter to help keep pace with their hosts and were able to even the contest at 21-21, despite Red Hawks Alliah Riddle and Sayge Cuthrell who were slowly taking charge.

Riddle scored 11 points, all but 2 in the final half, while Cuthrell posted game scoring honors with 17 tallies, including 10 in the final minutes. The pair also teamed up on a pretty in-bounds play, which delighted Haire.

"Alliah made a great no look lop pass to Sayge (on that play) under our basket and she knew exactly what to do with the ball when she got it. Those 2 were at their best when the game was in question," he said.

Zdrojewski chipped in 11 points for Cass City, while Jimi Harris scored 16 points for Mayville.

EBPB

EBPB held Cass City to just 3 second quarter points Tuesday en route to a 64-44 Greater Thumb West vic-

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Hawks earn GTW win

Cass City exploded for a season-high point total Friday to defeat guest Bay City All Saints, 57-38, in non-conference action.

After a sluggish start provided the Red Hawks with a slight 8-4 edge after one quarter of play, the hosts caught fire to take a 25-16 advantage into the half time break and were able to expand the gap to 43-29 entering the final eight minutes. From there, Cass City outscored the former Greater Thumb West foe 14-9 to the final whistle for their biggest margin of victory on the season.

Three double-digit scorers led the way for Coach Aaron Fernald's squad, which will return to battle visiting Vassar on Friday in a Greater Thumb West match-up.

Sawyer Cuthrell tossed in 16 points, Kyle Ross 14 and Mason Erla 12 for the winners, but it was the play of Parker Haire - on the defensive end - that caught the eye of the veteran mentor.

"(We) rebounded much better versus Bay City All Saints with 15 offensive rebounds. Also, Parker Haire played really good defense on Justine Bates, who was averaging over 20 points per game. He held him to just 11 points," Fernald said. Bates was held to just three field goals throughout the night and was scoreless in the final period.

Meanwhile, it was Cuthrell and Ross fueling the offense, especially in the opening half when the pair combined for 13 points. A Cuthrell trey, followed by an old-fashioned three-point play opportunity by Ross, had the hosts up 39-26 with just over three minutes remaining to the break.

A strong final half by Erla saw the junior big man tally 10 points to help hold off the Cougars.

For Cass City, Haire chipped in 8 markers, Jack Stern 4 and Keith Lounsbury, 3.

EBPB

Earlier in the week, the Red Hawks captured their maiden Greater

Thumb West victory Tuesday with a 47-42 decision over visiting Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port.

The contest was a slugfest in the paint. Both teams pounded the ball inside and Erla and Dakota Valentine provided most of the offense for their teams on the night.

Erla tallied 12 of his game-high 20 points in the initial frame and then made six-of-six free throws in the final half to deny any comeback thoughts the Lakers were entertaining.

Valentine led the Lakers with 16 points, but had just two at the break as his team trailed 24-16 at the halfway point.

For Cass City, Haire scored seven points, while Cuthrell and Ross each scored six.



OWEN-GAGE'S Jacob Wright lets one fly from the perimeter in Friday's contest against Akron-Fairgrove.

O-G trades decisions

In a battle of area Michigan Summit League foes Friday, Akron-Fairgrove got the better of host Owen-Gage.

Both schools featured a trio of high scorers in the 56-46 decision, but it was a strong second half that pro-

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Boys' Basketball Standings

Greater Thumb West			
	W	L	W L
Bad Axe	3	0	7 3
Reese	3	1	7 4
USA	2	1	6 1
Cass City	1	1	3 6
Vassar	1	2	7 3
EPBP	0	5	3 9
Greater Thumb East			
	W	L	W L
Harbor Beach	3	0	7 3
Sandusky	2	0	6 5
Brown City	2	1	6 4
Marlette	1	2	6 5
Ubyly	1	3	2 8
Memphis	1	3	1 9
NCTL			
	W	L	W L
Kingston	7	0	8 3
Peck	5	1	9 2
North Huron	3	3	4 6
Deckerville	3	3	4 5
Mayville	2	4	2 4
CPS	1	5	2 6
Caseville	0	5	0 7
Michigan Summit League			
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Wrestling on tap tonight in final home match

If you haven't watched the Cass City wrestling team in action this season, do yourself a favor and get to the Red Hawks' home finale tonight (Wednesday) when Vassar and Brown City visit for a Greater Thumb Conference outing.

Coach Don Markel's grapplers seem to like their own mats and will be looking to repeat Thursday's showing against guests Sandusky and Mayville, who fell in convincing fashion.

Double winners Alex Jeffrey, Seth Osentoski, Blake Lebioda, T.J. Moore and Daymon Tabako paced the hosts over league foe Sandusky, 60-21, and Mayville, 54-27, in a non-conference match up. With the victory over Sandusky the Red Hawks improved to 4-1 in the GTC.

Despite his team's success, Markel feels there is always room for improvement.

"We are struggling to put people away when we have them on their backs. In close dual meets this will cost us valuable bonus points that

you simply cannot afford to give away. Needless to say, this will be a point of focus as we go through our upcoming practices and meets," he said.

On Saturday, Cass City went 3-2 for the day to place 6th in the 16-team Mayville Team Tournament. The Red Hawks went 2-1 in pool action, defeating Frankenmuth, 54-26, and Jackson Lutheran Northwest, 45-35. Their only defeat in pool contest was delivered by Dansville, 45-36.

In the placement round, Cass City defeated Burton Bentley, 51-18, before losing to Farwell, 48-34.

Cros-Lex won the tournament, followed by Capac, Dansville and Traverse City West.

Cass City wrestlers who posted outstanding records over the weekend were Lebioda, Dominik Navara and Moore, all with perfect 5-0 marks, while Ethan Montei went 4-0 and Alex Jeffrey, 4-1.

Cass City's dual meet record stands at 29-10.



Kingston collects huge NCTL victory Monday

The Kingston Lady Cardinal basketball team took a huge step towards securing the North Central Thumb League championship Monday with a 44-30 decision over host Deckerville.

The visitors led 15-8 entering the second quarter before settling for a 24-19 margin at the intermission. The winners would use a 13-5 run in the deciding frame to hold off the Eagles.

A balanced offense for Coach Jay Green's squad featured Cassidy MacGuire, Jenna Boyl and Sarah Savage, each with 11 points.

"This was a hard fought game that was much closer than the score indicates. We did a good job of attacking the basket and dumping the ball inside," said Green.

The Cardinals shot 18 of 27 from the free throw line to improve to 8-0 in the league, while Deckerville fell to 6-2.

Gymnasts heading to regional competition

Victoria Mathewson, Mirada Spry and Alexis Bates all used Thursday's gymnastics meet in Vassar to qualify for the post season.

The Cass City trio each meet or exceed the regional standard in the vault at the Vulcan gathering; doing so for the fourth time this season which is required to advance into the elite competition.

Bates recorded a team-best score of 8.2 on the vault to place fourth at the 3-school outing, while Spry received a mark of 8.0 and Mathewson, a tally of 7.9.

"Victoria, Mirada and Alexis are all good on the vault and Kendra Kerkau is just one (qualifying score) shy on the bars," said Coach Kathy Bouverette, referring to her girls' regional status.

Regional marks for Cass City were also earned on the uneven bars. Mathewson had the team-high score and placed 6th with a 7.3. Next for the Lady Red Hawks was Bates with a score of 7.25 and Kerkau with a score of 6.875.

On the floor exercise, Mathewson, Spry and Bates were awarded scores of 8.2, 8.025, 7.85, respectively, while on the balance beam Bates, with a score of 7.825, was the team's lone performer to reach the regional standard.

The team scoring on the night had winner Fenton with 132.125 points, Vassar 123.365 and Cass City 118.25.

Cass City gals win

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tory. The Lakers used 4 double digit scorers to come up winners, spoiling an outstanding performance by Cuthrell who went off for 27 points in vain.

Coach Haire said Cuthrell put on a show for the ages, and former long-time Red Hawk varsity girls' basketball coach Lloyd Schinnerer agreed.

"WOW!! Quite a performance!

Back in '06-'07, my Emily scored in the low twenties a couple of times, but never 27. I even go back to Ashley Hendrick (John Maharg coached her) who was a year older than Emily. I'm not sure she ever got 27 either. I'll guarantee you'd have to look deep into the record books for a freshman scoring that many points at the varsity level."

Mariah Cook led the Lakers with 18 points.

Owen-Gage comes up short against Vikings

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pelled the Vikings to victory.

Owen-Gage led 14-9 after one quarter and 30-25 after two. Jacob Wright, who led the Bulldogs with 17 points, kept the hosts close in the opening half with 4 treys and 14 points. He had plenty of help from teammate David Binder, who collected a dozen markers before the break on his way to 16 points for the night.

Akron-Fairgrove's Adrian Vliet and Austin Carter both found their shooting eye in the closing quarters, where Vliet's 3 quick hoops in the third stanza produced a 38-37 edge for the Vikings entering the final 8

minutes. Carter registered 8 points in the deciding frame to help keep Owen-Gage on their heels.

Jeremy Verhelle tossed in a game-high 20 points to lead the winners, while Vliet and Carter split 22 markers.

Dan Good chipped in a dozen points in vain.

CASEVILLE

Earlier in the week, Owen-Gage's big 3 were enough to lift the Bulldogs past host Caseville on Wednesday.

Binder topped the Bulldog scorers with 21 points in the easy 51-34 victory, one more than Wright who tossed in a pair of triples, while Good added 10.

OWEN-GAGE senior Courtney Southgate is guarded closely by Akron-Fairgrove's Emily Wagner during Friday's Michigan Summit League affair. The Vikings had their way on the night, posting an easy 55-30 victory.

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Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK

Schneeberger's choice for this week's "Athlete of the Week" award winner is Kyle Ross.

The Cass City senior continues to shine on the hardwood floors for Coach Aaron Fernald, and Friday helped the Red Hawks to an easy victory over Bay City All Saints.

Ross was tough on the offensive glass and tossed in 14 points before being disqualified on fouls late in the non-conference victory.

The southpaw's big night included a pair of shots from behind the 3-point arc and a dozen points in the second and third quarters when the hosts built a double-digit margin that resulted in a 57-38 win against their Michigan Summit League opponent.

Ross, a two-year letter winner, is the son of Amanda and Steve Ross.

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BOYS' BASKETBALL WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28 Brown City at Bad Axe USA at Harbor Beach Capac at EPBP	Bad Axe USA Capac	Bad Axe USA Capac	Bad Axe Harbor Beach Capac	Bad Axe Harbor Beach Capac
FRIDAY, JAN. 30 USA at Bad Axe Vassar at Cass City Ubyly at Marlette Kingston at Deckerville BCAS at Owen-Gage Akron-Fairgrove at Flint Int.	Bad Axe Cass City Marlette Kingston BCAS Flint	USA Vassar Marlette Kingston BCAS Akron	Bad Axe Vassar Marlette Kingston Owen-Gage Flint	Bad Axe Vassar Marlette Kingston BCAS Flint
GIRLS' BASKETBALL TUESDAY, JAN. 27 O-G at SASA BCAS at Akron-Fairgrove Brown City at Bad Axe	SASA BCAS Brown City	SASA BCAS Brown City	SASA BCAS Brown City	SASA Akron Brown City
THURSDAY, JAN. 29 USA at Bad Axe Vassar at Cass City Kingston at Mayville Harbor Beach at EPBP	USA Cass City Kingston Harbor Beach	USA Vassar Kingston Harbor Beach	USA Vassar Kingston Harbor Beach	USA Vassar Kingston Harbor Beach
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BOYS' BASKETBALL

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12/10 Sandusky 44, Cass City 29
12/12 Caro 56, Cass City 51
12/17 Harbor Beach 59, Cass City 47
12/19 Cass City 49, Memphis 28
1/9 Bad Axe 50, Cass City 37
1/14 Marlette 40, Cass City 32
1/21 Cass City 47, Lakers 42
1/23 Cass City 57, BCAS 38
1/30 Vassar
2/4 Reese
2/6 USA
2/11 Bad Axe
2/13 Brown City
2/18 Mayville
2/20 Deckerville (Snowcoming)
2/25 Lakers
2/27 Reese
3/3 Vassar
3/5 USA
3/9-3/13 Districts @ Bad Axe

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

All games at 6 p.m.

12/2 Cass City 32, Harbor Beach 72
12/5 Cass City 47, Memphis 37
12/9 Cass City 13, Sandusky 57
12/10 Cass City 27, Caro 52
12/16 Cass City 34, Vassar 35
12/18 Cass City 16, USA 58
1/6 Ugly 51, Cass City 17
1/8 Bad Axe 51, Cass City 32
1/13 Marlette 54, Cass City 15
1/20 Lakers 64, Cass City 44
1/22 Cass City 41, Mayville 34
1/29 Vassar
2/3 Reese
2/5 USA
2/10 Bad Axe
2/12 Brown City
2/17 Akron-Fairgrove
2/19 Deckerville
2/24 Lakers
2/26 Reese
3/2-3/6 Districts @ Bad Axe

WRESTLING

12/10 Millington 6:00 p.m.
12/13 Marlette Team Tourny 8:00 a.m.
12/17 Caro 1:30 p.m.
12/20 Cros-Lex Team Tourny 9:00 a.m.
1/3 North Branch Team Tourny 9:00 a.m.
1/7 Memphis/EPB Lakers 6:00 p.m.
1/10 Saginaw Heritage 9:00 a.m.
1/14 Bad Axe/Marlette 1:30 p.m.
1/17 Marysville Team Tourny 8:00 a.m.
1/22 Sandusky/Mayville 6:00 p.m.
1/24 Mayville Team Tourny 9:00 a.m.
1/28 Vassar/Brown City 1:30 p.m.
1/31 Bullock Creek Team Tourny 8:30 a.m.
2/7 GTC League Meet @Bad Axe TBD
2/11 Team Districts TBD
2/14 Individual Districts TBD
2/18 Team Regionals TBD
2/21 Individual Regionals TBD
2/27-28 Team State Finals @ Battle Creek TBD
3/5-3/7 Team State Finals @Auburn Hills TBD

GYMNASTICS

12/10 Vassar 6:30 p.m.
1/10 Fraser Invitational 9:00 a.m.
1/13 Vassar 6:30 p.m.
1/17 Milford-Lakeland 8:30 a.m.
1/22 Vassar 6:30 p.m.
1/31 St. John Invitational 10:00 a.m.
2/7 Vassar Invite 12:00 p.m.
2/26 Vassar 6:30 p.m.



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Girls' Basketball

Jan. 29 ~ Vassar ~ 6 p.m.

Boys' Basketball

Jan. 30 ~ Vassar ~ 6 p.m.

Wrestling

Jan. 28 ~ Vassar/Brown City ~ 6 p.m.

JR. HIGH

JH Boys' Basketball

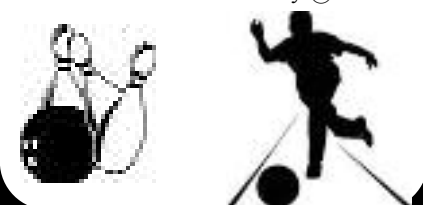
Jan. 28 ~ Reese ~ 5:30 p.m.



BOWLING

All meets at 4 p.m. unless noted

1/8 North Huron
1/13 Harbor Beach
1/15 Ugly
1/20 USA
1/27 Brown City
2/5 Reese
2/10 Bad Axe
2/12 Sandusky
2/14 Conf. Singles Tourny @ Sandusky
2/17 Girls Position RD @ Harbor Beach
2/19 Boys Position RD @ Capac 4:00 p.m.
2/21 Conf. Team Tourny @ Bad Axe



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1/14 USA
1/15 EPBP Lakers
1/20 Reese
1/21 Vassar
1/26 USA
1/28 Reese
2/2 Vassar
2/4 USA
2/9 Reese
2/11 Vassar
2/14 8th grade League Tourny



TBD

JH GIRLS' BASKETBALL

All games at 5:30 p.m.

11/3 Vassar
11/5 USA
11/7 EPBP Lakers
11/10 Reese
11/12 Vassar
11/17 USA
11/20 Reese
11/24 Vassar
12/1 USA
12/3 Reese
12/6 8th grade League Tourny



TBD

JH WRESTLING

11/8 Mayville 9:00 a.m.
11/12 Bad Axe/Brown City/Sandusky 5:30 p.m.
11/13 Mayville 5:30 p.m.
11/17 Brown City/Marlette/Lakers 5:30 p.m.
11/19 Mayville/Brown City 5:30 p.m.
11/24 Vassar/Memphis/Brown City 5:30 p.m.
12/3 Bad Axe/Lakers/Memphis 5:30 p.m.
12/5 GTC League Meet @ Lakers 5:30 p.m.



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RACHAEL KOEPF (right), family facilitator for Great Start Tuscola, presents the organization's 2014 Family Friendly Business Award to Hills and Dales General Hospital President and CEO Jean Anthony. The award recognizes the Cass City hospital's efforts to go above and beyond to make its work environment family friendly.

Great Start Tuscola, diabetes group honor Hills and Dales

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Officials at Hills and Dales General Hospital can add "family friendly healthcare provider" and "outstanding diabetes educator" to the list of accolades the Cass City hospital has earned over the years.

Great Start Tuscola recently presented its 2014 Family Friendly Business Award to Hills and Dales, while the American Diabetes Association honored the hospital with an Education Recognition Certificate.

The Great Start Tuscola award is presented annually to a business that has gone above and beyond to make its work environment family friendly, according to Rachael Koepf, the organization's family facilitator.

"Hills and Dales is awarded this honor for working hard to include services that make their building welcoming for people of all ages," Koepf said. "Lab, X-ray, ER and the family lounge all offer a designated play area with washable toys and age-appropriate books for children. The Hills and Dales clinics also have toys and books for children in the waiting rooms."

"Hills and Dales offers family restrooms, wide aisles for stroller

maneuvering, and has friendly, welcoming staff," stated the hospital's nomination letter.

Diabetes program

The prestigious American Diabetes Association (ADA) Education Recognition Certificate for a quality diabetes self-management education program was awarded to the hospital because, ADA officials said, the local program offers high-quality education that is an essential component of effective diabetes treatment.

The association's Education Recognition Certificate assures that educational programs meet the national standards for diabetes self-management education programs. These standards were developed and tested under the auspices of the National Diabetes Advisory Board in 1983 and have since been revised in 1994, 2000, 2007 and 2012.

Programs that achieve recognition status have demonstrated they have a staff of knowledgeable health professionals who can provide participants with comprehensive information about diabetes management.

"The process gives professionals a national standard by which to measure the quality of services they pro-

vide," commented Kathy Droseski, RN, Deduction Department manager at Hills and Dales. "And, of course, it assures the consumer that he or she will receive high-quality service."

Education recognition status is verified by an official certificate from the ADA and awarded for four years.

According to the ADA, there are 29.1 million people – 9.3 percent of the population of the United States – who have diabetes.

While an estimated 21 million have been diagnosed, unfortunately some 8 million people are not aware that they have the disease.

Each day, roughly 4,660 people are diagnosed with diabetes. Many first learn that they have diabetes when they are treated for one of its life-threatening complications, including heart disease and stroke, kidney disease, blindness, and nerve damage and amputation.

About 1.7 million new cases of diabetes were diagnosed in people ages 20 or older in 2012 in this country. Diabetes contributed to 234,051 deaths in 2010, making it the seventh leading cause of death in the United States. Overall, the risk for death among people with diabetes is about twice that of those of similar age but without diabetes.

Firm moving into Campbell

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taining the former school is "still costing us \$20,000 a year for utilities."

Alice Zaleski, who was elected board president during Monday's annual reorganization meeting, voiced support for continuing to list the building, but at a lower asking price, saying she believes \$205,000 is unrealistic. Zaleski indicated she would support a suggested price of \$140,000.

"We've had the building (vacant) for three years, so it's cost us \$60,000 (in utility expenses), she said, adding the district will have a combined \$120,000 invested in those costs in another three years. Even if it takes that long to sell the school, officials would still end up with \$20,000 and be eliminating a significant on-going expense, Zaleski continued.

She made a motion to reduce the asking price to \$140,000. The recommendation passed on a 4-2 vote, with board members Dave Osentoski and Dan Manwell casting the dissenting votes. Trustee Jamie Meeker was not in attendance Monday.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business Monday, the board:

*Discussed allocating/earmarking a portion of the district's sizable fund balance for building maintenance and capital improvement projects.

Cass City Schools Chief Financial Officer Mary Cunningham noted the school closed out its 2013-14 budget with \$283,000 in revenues over expenditures, boosting the fund balance to \$1.196 million, an amount equal to 12.67 percent of the general fund budget. In adopting a new spending plan last June, school officials projected adding another \$100,000 to the fund balance at the end of the current school year, she said.

Considering the amount of money available that could be set aside, Cunningham added, "Is it time to be proactive with respect to maintenance of the district's physical plant?"

"Your options are to leave it (money) where it is – keep a very healthy fund balance – or do you want to earmark (some of) it for some of the repairs we know we have" to complete, Hartel told the board.

School officials have discussed in recent months the need to repair heating system water pipes located above ceiling tiles in classrooms at

the high school, as well as the parking lot maintenance, the need for a new roof on the school bus garage, and technology upgrades.

Hartel agreed, at the request of board members, to obtain estimates for the various projects before school officials take any formal action.

*Learned enrollment numbers have dipped a bit since fall but remain higher than school officials originally projected.

Hartel reported the latest numbers at 565 in the elementary grades (down by two students since last fall) and 479 at the junior-senior high building (down by nine students). "We're now at (an enrollment of) 1,044. We did budget for the loss of 20 students, so we're still ahead of the game," he said. Hartel added the district is also benefiting in terms of Schools of Choice, with 114 students enrolled from other districts, compared to losing 65 students who have left to attend other schools.

*Approved a resolution continuing the Cass City Public Schools' status as a Schools of Choice District, accepting students from outside districts in all grades except 11th and 12th, although exceptions may be made under special circumstances.

*Held its annual reorganization meeting. The agenda included election of officers, and Craig Bellew started by stepping down as board president and nominating Zaleski as his replacement. The board then elected Bellew vice president and Dave Osentoski as treasurer, and named Meeker board secretary, a post previously held by former Trustee Sloane Stimpfel.

In addition, the board agreed to continue hosting monthly meetings on the fourth Monday at 7 p.m. in the junior-senior high school board room.

*Held from teacher Jon Zdrojewski, who pointed out a popular fundraiser for the annual eighth grade trip to Washington, D.C., is coming up in the form of a pancake supper slated for Wednesday, Feb. 11, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the McDonald's restaurant in Cass City. Tickets for the event must be purchased in advance from an eighth grade student or by calling the school at (989) 872-2158.

*Granted permission for a Sunday performance of the all-school play March 22, and gave permission for band students to participate with the Tri-County Honors Band at North Huron Schools Sunday, Feb. 1.

*Acknowledged Hartel's personal thanks to each board member for their service in conjunction with School Board Appreciation Month.

Village council tackles waste disposal changes

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wastewater treatment system isn't overtaxed. A public hearing to amend the Village of Cass City Code of Ordinances regarding the existing sewer ordinance is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 23.

"The proposed amendment to the existing sewer ordinance is to allow for private wastewater treatment systems in an industrial setting," said Village Manager Peter Cristiano.

He added, "The Dairy Farmers of America milk plant at 4105 North Division St. will start operations of processing milk on Feb. 8 or a few days later. Presently they are testing their systems with water. When in full operation, they will be handling three million pounds of milk per day. In the first few months the plant will be handling two million pounds per day. This equals 80 tankers per day. The milk plant will produce cream, whole condensed milk, and skim condensed milk. These products will be transported in 20 of the 80 tankers per day to plants in Indiana, Ohio and New York. They have hired 25 people to-date. As a side note, an estimated 40,000 cows will be producing the milk."

Also during the 30-minute gathering, the council approved the purchase of supplies totaling \$11,875 from Elhorn Engineering, Mason, Mich., for the total water treatment process in 2015.

"By ordering the total needs for the year, the water department may have chemicals delivered as needed. This

makes for a more efficient service," explained Trustee Jenny Zawilinski, who made the motion for the supplies, which will include 1,650 gallons of chlorine and 520 gallons of phosphate.

In a parks and recreation committee matter, the council approved repairs to the 30-year-old surge tank at the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool. The fix – installing a SpectraShield Liner System – will run \$11,500 according to Advanced Rehabilitation Technology of Bryan, Ohio. However, Trustee Nancy Barrios asked for an extra \$2,000 to provide for any contingencies that may surface. The measure was quickly and unanimously approved.

On other business, the council: *Noted Cass City will be celebrating 150 years as a village in 2015. It was 1965 that Cass City held the celebration to mark the 100th year of its existence. It was well organized, well attended, and then-Gov. Romney was present. Cristiano says his office will be contacting groups to develop interest in a 150-year gala.

*Learned that on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 1 to 4 p.m., the second annual Frostbite Festival will be held at the Cass City Elementary School and the adjacent sledding hill.

*Learned the chamber of commerce is gearing up for its annual dinner, slated for Saturday, Feb. 7, at the local VFW Hall. The cost of admission is \$26 in advance and \$31 at the door.

Year in Review

Thumb troopers report productive year in 2014

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Troopers from the Michigan State Police (MSP) post in Caro issued more than 4,000 citations and 978 verbal warnings to motorists in 2014 last year. Officers also arrested 1,035 individuals for misdemeanor violations and 144 others for felony crimes.

But those statistics represent only a portion of the area post's accomplishments in 2014.

The year marked the addition of four new troopers to the post, which serves Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties, and established the position of a community service trooper in order to focus on outreach efforts to help strengthen community relations, Caro Post Commander First Lt. Mitch Krugielki stated in a news release outlining highlights for the post in 2014.

"Troopers completed instruction and specialized training in areas such as drug recognition, Internet crime, salvage vehicle inspection and advanced roadside impaired driver enforcement, among other training," Krugielki said.

"Troopers also engaged in various events to help strengthen community relations by attending community meetings, participating in Special Olympics and local Polar Plunge events, supporting programs with the Child Advocacy Center and intermediate school district, and partnering with the 'Recognize a Hero' faith-based program," he added. "Additionally, the post provided tours for community members and students interested in law enforcement, and hosted car seat safety inspections to educate motorists on how to properly install a car seat."

As part of the Michigan State Police Strategic Plan, the post implemented three traffic safety initiatives to address traffic crashes during Memorial Day weekend, seat belt use and speeding in school zones.

"The traffic safety initiative implemented during the Memorial Day weekend reduced crashes by 64 percent in Sanilac County, from 14 crashes in 2013 to five crashes in 2014; by 56 percent in Tuscola County, from 16 crashes in 2013 to seven crashes in 2014; and by 50 percent in Huron County, from 16 crashes in 2013 to eight crashes in 2014," Krugielki said. "There were no serious injuries or fatal crashes reported during this initiative."

"The traffic safety initiative implemented Sept. 11-13, focused on seat belt use and other dangerous driver behavior, resulted in 145 traffic stops, 125 verbal warnings, 29 citations issued – including nine for seat belt violations – six fugitive arrests, five arrests for drug possession, one arrest for no insurance, one arrest for open intoxicants, and one license violation," he added.

The Caro post also implemented an initiative to enforce speed limits and other traffic controls in designated school areas. Prior to the enforcement operation, Krugielki noted, motorists were observed traveling as fast as 60 miles per hour in school zones. "After the effort, troopers found most motorists in compliance with school zone safety regulations," he said.

Krugielki pointed out that the MSP is continuing to demonstrate its commitment to provide "Service with a Purpose" in communities throughout the state.

"The MSP is continuing to hire new troopers, motor carrier officers and state property security officers," he said. "The department's recruiting campaign, 'Enforce, Investigate and Serve', is aimed at attracting candidates interested in a career with the MSP. The recruiting campaign highlights the training and qualities every recruit must possess in order to enforce, investigate and serve as an enforcement member of the MSP."

Area residents interested in connecting with the MSP can do so on Facebook and Twitter, or by visiting the department's website at www.Michigan.gov/MSP.

State reports first case of measles in 2015

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Last year, there were a total of five measles cases in Michigan.

From 2001 – 2012, the average number of measles cases reported

nationally per year was about 60. According to the CDC, last year there were 644 cases in the United States, and the vast majority of cases were among persons who had no history of vaccination against measles. There have been more than 50 cases

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Amy L. Childs, unmarried and Ryan Pomeroy, unmarried, original mortgagor(s), to PLB Lending LLC, Mortgagee, dated May 26, 2006, and recorded on May 31, 2006 in Liber 1083 on Page 410, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Seven and 40/100 Dollars (\$145,477.40). 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 February 5, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 1, Township 11 North, Range 8 East and the point of beginning; running thence South 0 degrees 39 minutes 26 seconds East 203.11 feet along the East line of said Section 1; thence North 84 degrees 03 minutes 39 seconds West, 1194.91 feet, thence North 0 degrees 41 minutes 55 seconds West 78.66 feet thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 40 seconds East 1187.13 feet along the North line of said Section 1 to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Northeast quarter of Section 1, Township 11 North, Range 8 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: January 7, 2015
For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311
Trott Law, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #431565F05

1-7-4

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

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. **MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Chad Deming and Richelle Deming, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 3, 2006, and recorded on March 21, 2006 in Liber 1074 on Page 1053, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006-OPT5, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-OPT5 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three and 63/100 Dollars (\$106,243.63).

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 February 12, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township of Arbel, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 200 feet of the North 759 feet of the West 333 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 7 East.

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

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: January 14, 2015
For more information, please call:
FC H (248) 593-1300
Trott Law, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #157753F02

1-14-4

IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR ONE YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 586-777-0770 NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE MORTGAGE SALE-Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by RHONDA PALMER, a single woman, 638 WILMOT STREET, VASSAR, MI 48768, Mortgagor(s) to FRANKENMUTH CREDIT UNION, 580 NORTH MAIN STREET, FRANKENMUTH, MI 48734, Mortgagee dated DECEMBER 6, 2007, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, and State of Michigan on DECEMBER 17, 2007, in LIBER 1137 on PAGE 258 of Tuscola County Records and Scrivener's Affidavit dated MAY 14, 2014, and recorded on MAY 16, 2014, in LIBER 1307 on PAGE 736 of Tuscola County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of FORTY TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY TWO AND 21/100THS (\$42,262.21) DOLLARS at 4% percent per annum and attorney fees as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof; NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on FEBRUARY 19, 2015, AT 10:00 A.M. local time, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder in the main lobby of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, aforesaid, on said mortgage with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

CITY OF VASSAR, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, to wit: LOT 8, BLOCK 5, HARRINGTON'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF VASSAR, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1, PAGE 23A OF PLATS, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS. MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 638 WILMOT STREET, VASSAR, MI 48768 During the SIX (6) MONTHS immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241 a, the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing Mortgage can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: 1-21-15
KENNETH C. BUTLER II (P 28477)
ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE
24525 Harper Avenue St. Clair Shores, MI 48080
(586) 777-0770

1-21-5

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by ARTHUR L. BARCLAY, a single man ("Mortgagor"), to CHEMICAL BANK, a Michigan banking corporation, having an office at 333 E. Main Street, Midland, Michigan 48640-6511 (the "Mortgagee"), dated February 4, 2014, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on February 24, 2014, in Liber 1301, Page 1424 (the "Mortgage"). By reason of such default, the Mortgagee elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of the Mortgage due and payable forthwith. Mortgagee is the owner of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage.

As of the date of this Notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on the Mortgage the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Four and 22/100 Dollars (\$62,924.22). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay the above amount, with interest, as provided in the Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder at the Tuscola County Courthouse in Caro, Michigan on Thursday the 26th day of February, 2015, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. The premises covered by the Mortgage are situated in the Township of Fremont, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 9 East; thence East 313 feet; thence South 209 feet; thence West 313 feet; thence North 209 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with all existing or subsequently erected or affixed buildings, improvements and fixtures; all easements, rights of way, and appurtenances; all rights to make divisions of the land that are exempt from the platting requirements of the Michigan Land Division Act, as it shall be amended; all water, water rights, watercourses and ditch rights (including stock in utilities with ditch or irrigation rights); and all other rights, royalties, and profits, relating to the premises, including without limitation all minerals, oil, gas geothermal and similar matters.

Commonly known as: 341 W. Snover Road, Mayville, Michigan 48744
P.P. #79-011-027-000-1300-00

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

If the premises are sold at a foreclosure sale, under

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

Dated: January 21, 2015
CHEMICAL BANK
Mortgagee
Timothy Hillegonds
WARNER NORCROSS & JUDD LLP
900 Fifth Third Center
111 Lyon Street, N.W.
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2487
(616) 752-2000
12078412-1

1-21-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made in the conditions of certain Mortgage made by DUANE E. WEBSTER, a single man, and CINDY E. WEBSTER n/k/a Cindy E. Cox, a single woman, (formerly husband and wife) of 5625 Arbelra Road, Millington, MI, to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture, with its Office being located at 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, the Mortgagee, the Mortgage being dated January 24, 1985, and recorded January 24, 1985, in Liber 547, Pages 1054-1057 in Tuscola County Records, and the Borrower having assumed a prior mortgage between BARRY HALLWOOD and EULETTA HALLWOOD, husband and wife and THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture, the Mortgage being dated May 27, 1975 and recorded in Liber 449, Pages 882-885, Tuscola County Records, and the debt of the prior Mortgage having been added to the debt of the January 24, 1985 Mortgage, pursuant to said Mortgage; which is being foreclosed hereby; and such Mortgage being given to secure Promissory Note payable to the Government, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of January 21, 2015, for principal, interest and other charges, the sum of SIXTY TWO THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED, SEVENTY-SEVEN AND 73/100 (\$62,777.73) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative; Now, Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises herein described, or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the County Courthouse at 440 N. State Street, in the City of Caro, County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the Mortgage together with 11.88% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises described in said Mortgage are situated in the State of Michigan, Tuscola County and are described as: Part of the Northeast one quarter of Section 31, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township. Described as beginning at a point on the North line of said Section 31, which is North 89 degrees 37 minutes 20 Seconds West, 1111.61 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 31, thence continuing along said North line North 89 degrees 37 minutes 20 seconds West, 230.00 feet; thence South, 335.14 feet; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes 20 seconds East, 230 feet; thence North 335.14 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1.77 acres and subject to the use of the Northerly 33.0 feet thereof as Arbelra Road. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption period shall expire thirty (30) days from the date of sale. According to MCL §600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure, contact USDA - Rural Development, Centralized Servicing Center, Foreclosure Centralization Initiative, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, telephone (800) 349-5097 ext. 4500. Dated: January 21, 2015 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now Rural Development).

United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee Michael I. Conlon (P43954) Running, Wise, Ford, P.L.C. 326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686 Traverse City, MI 49685-0686

1-21-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE – Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Tracy Lince, a married woman, and Jeffrey A. Lince, her husband of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for, Republic Bank dated the 15th day of April, 2004, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 28th day of April, 2004, in Liber 989, Page 1377 and modified in Loan Modification Agreement recorded December 17, 2009, in Liber 1189, Page 665 and further modified in Loan Modification Agreement recorded May 4, 2011, in Liber 1221, Page 984 and further evidenced by Affidavit of Scrivener's Error recorded May 16, 2014, in Liber 1307, Page 837 of Tuscola Records, which said mortgage was assigned to FirstMerit Bank, N.A., thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$150,214.60 (one hundred fifty thousand two hundred fourteen and 60/100) plus accrued interest at 3.00% (three point zero zero) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 19th day of February, 2015, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Wells, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the Township of Wells, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan: A parcel of land in the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 29, T12N, R10E, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at the NW corner of Section 29; thence N 90 deg 00 minutes 00 seconds E. along the N section line of said section, 658.24 feet to the point of beginning; thence N 90 deg 00 minutes 00 seconds East, along the N section line 330.50 feet; thence S 00 deg 11 minutes 20 seconds W, 1,321.93 feet to a point on the N 1/8 line of said section; thence N 89 deg 58 minutes 21 seconds W, along the N 1/8 line, 330.50 feet; thence N 00 deg 11 minutes 20 seconds E, 1,321.77 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as: 2580 Ross Rd. Tax Parcel No.: 022-029-000-0600-01 If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale the borrower, pursuant to MCLA 600.3278 will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mort-

gage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

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

Dated: January 21, 2015
By: Stuart A. Best
Attorney for Foreclosing Entity Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S
Troy, MI 48084
WWR# 10126566

1-21-4

IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR ONE YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-5052-1400.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Russell Hoard Jr., a single man, to Mayville State Bank, Mortgagee, dated February 11, 2008 and recorded February 19, 2008 in Liber 1141, Page 1055, and Loan Modification Agreement recorded on March 20, 2012, in liber 1243, page 634, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by The First State Bank, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifteen and 50/100 Dollars (\$106,615.25) including interest at 5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on FEBRUARY 19, 2015.

Said premises are located in the Township of Arbel, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 290 feet of the West 590 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; Except the East 150 feet of the North 350 feet thereof. Also, including the East 25 feet of the West 300 feet of the North 474 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 21, also including the East 35 feet of the West 275 feet of the North 249 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

Dated: January 21, 2015
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 15-000207

1-21-4

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose.

If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee for any reason. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney.

MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Edwin Blackmer and Diane Blackmer, Husband & Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First NLC Financial Services, LLC., its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 30, 2005 and recorded December 9, 2005 in Liber 1063 Page 1249 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee for MORGAN STANLEY HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2006-1, by assignment dated August 15, 2014 and recorded August 27, 2014 in Liber 1314, Page 43, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars and Three Cents (\$63,248.03) including interest 2% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00AM on February 19, 2015 Said premises are situated in City of Fostoria, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point 670.00 feet South of the Northwest Corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, thence running East 168 feet, thence South 130 feet, thence West 168 feet, thence North 130 feet to the place of beginning. Commonly known as 9319 Edward Road, Fostoria MI 48435 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(17) applies.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, 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: 1/21/2015
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee for MORGAN STANLEY HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2006-1, Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123
Our File No: 13-88286

1-21-4

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by MICHELLE R. ESSEX, A SINGLE WOMAN and EDWARD R. BOYLE, A SINGLE MAN, to INDEPENDENT MORTGAGE COMPANY, Mortgagee, dated March 17, 2008, and recorded on March 19, 2008, in Liber 1144, on Page 107, and assigned by said mortgagee to MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One

Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Twelve Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents (\$135,012.22), including interest at 5.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on March 5, 2015 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: PARCEL 1 - Part of the Southeast quarter of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point which is South 0 degrees 03 minutes 05 seconds West, 755.51 feet along the East line of Section 2 to the centerline of East Dayton Road and North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West 907.22 feet along said centerline and North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 228.85 feet from the East quarter corner of said Section 2, thence continuing North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East 203.01 feet to the East and West quarter line of Section 2, thence South 89 degrees 02 minutes 40 seconds East, 235.15 feet along said quarter line, thence South 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds West 89.25 feet, thence North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 50.00 feet, thence South 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds West, 206.75 feet thence North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 165.98 feet to the point of beginning, together with an easement of ingress and egress over and across the Westerly 20 feet of land described as part of the Southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 12 North, Range 9 East described as beginning at a point on the centerline of East Dayton Road, which is South 00 degrees 03 minutes 05 seconds West, 755.51 feet along the East line of Section 2 to the centerline of East Dayton Road and North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 741.24 feet along said centerline from the East quarter corner of said Section 2 thence continuing North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 165.98 feet, thence North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 228.85 feet, thence South 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds East, 165.98 feet, thence South 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds West, 228.85 feet to the centerline of East Dayton Road.

PARCEL 2 Part of the Southeast quarter of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point which is South 0 degrees 03 minutes 05 seconds West, 755.51 feet along the East line of Section 2 to the centerline of East Dayton Road, and North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 907.22 feet along said centerline and North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 228.85 feet from the East quarter corner of said Section 2; thence continuing North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 203.01 feet to the East and West quarter line of Section 2; thence South 89 degrees 02 minutes 40 seconds East, 235.15 feet along said quarter line to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 89 degrees 02 minutes 40 seconds East, 62.28 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes 05 seconds West, 102.48 feet; thence North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 105.0 feet; thence North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 89.25 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month from the date of such sale, or as to MCL 600.3241a only, 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
USBW.002929 FHA

NOTICE**Greenleaf Township Residents**

The Greenleaf Township Board Annual meeting will be held **March 21, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.** at the Greenleaf Township Hall.

Greenleaf Township Board of Trustees will meet at 7:00 p.m.:

**May 21, July 16,
September 17 and November 19**

Lori Mazure, Clerk
Greenleaf Township Hall
(1 1/2 miles north on Cass City Rd. to 7510 Gilbert Rd.)

NOTICE**Greenleaf Township Residents**

The Greenleaf Township Planning Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m.:

**February 19, April 16, June 18,
August 20, October 15 &
December 17**

Lori Mazure, Clerk
Greenleaf Township Hall
(1 1/2 miles north on Cass City Rd. to 7510 Gilbert Rd.)

Ellington Township Zoning Ordinance Amendments

A Zoning Ordinance amendment was adopted by the Township Board of Ellington Township, Tuscola County on January 13, 2015.

The amendment regulates the development of Wind Energy Conversion Systems. Wind Energy Conversion Systems were added as a special use in the AFR Agriculture-Forestry - Residential District (Article 5, Section 5.02) and removed from all other districts other than the AFR District. The Wind development regulations were then moved from the Special Provisions article and included in the Special Use portion in the AFR District.

The regulations in 5.02, M. Include provisions for:

- Site Plans Requirements
- Avian and Wildlife Impact Analysis
- Visual Impact
- Environmental Impact Analysis
- Complaint Resolution
- Compliance with FAA
- Lighting
- Decommissioning Plan and Escrow
- Safety
- Height
- Noise Level
- Electromagnetic Interference
- Setbacks
- Access Roads
- Shadow Flicker

As of February 1, 2015 a full copy of the zoning ordinance will be available at the Ellington Twp. Hall by calling (989) 670-0067 for appointments. You may also go online to view the ordinance at spicerplanning.wordpress.com

Ellington Twp. Clerk
Joddy Ehrenburg

Annual Dinner

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Country 2 story home outside of Bad Axe. Well maintained home, has 4 bedrooms, 1 is on the first floor. Exterior is updated, vinyl siding and newer roof. Beautiful lawn and 5 acres with large barn, useful if you would like to have animals. Has two options for heat to save money. NG is available if desired at the road. Call today to set up your appointment. BA-215

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Owendale Country - remodeled home with a few finishing touches, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, attached garage plus a hip roof barn and large 3 sided shed. CY2697

Pastor's Corner

Chaos and rebellion: What are we protesting today?

It appears governmental leaders have declared "open season" on American law enforcement, particularly New York City police officers. Though we have prided ourselves in being a nation of laws, it seems we are more and more becoming a nation of lawlessness. Certainly criminals don't like laws and hate those who enforce them. And we see this example from the top down. But this is typical of the heart of man and has been so from the beginning. It is called "rebellion."

God established the first laws designed to govern the behavior of fallen man and bring order and discipline to society. It is the Moral Law of the Ten Commandments in Exodus 20 from which American

law was derived. Unfortunately, we have tried to expunge those references from the courthouse to the classroom and are now suffering the cultural consequences. In Romans 13:1, Paul tells us that all authority comes from God and those which exist are established by God. Rebellion against authority then becomes rebellion against God Himself. Indeed, 1st Samuel 15:23 says: "...rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft..." a sin which was punishable by death in Israel.

The first authority in a person's life is experienced in the family. A father is called to be the head of his household and parents are called to be the governors of their children. This is where submission to proper authori-

ty is first learned. But with the breakup of that most basic unit of society, those lessons are lost and rebellion is born. Children who never learned to obey in the home will never learn to submit to the authority of government or its law enforcement representatives. Yet the Bible says: "...it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is the minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath upon the one who practices evil," Romans 13:4.

Sadly, the same rebellious heart that stands against man also stands against the Creator and Savior. And the spiritual rebellion that opposes both man and God will ultimately be

condemned, not only in the court of man, but also in the court of God in final judgment.

So, today, what are we protesting? The law and order and peace and protection good government brings? Or, are we protesting the authority of God Himself and the salvation that only He can bring? To rebel against either will only cause us harm now and eternal woe later.

Have a happy and prosperous 2015.

Rev. Todd R. Gould
Evangelical Free Church of Cass City

To see this article in its entirety, visit Pastor Gould's blog at goodas-gould.org



Rev. Todd Gould

State Rep. Canfield opens his new office

State Rep. Ned Canfield (R-Sebewaing) recently announced the opening of his Lansing office, along with contact information for residents to reach him.

Canfield represents the 84th House District, consisting of Huron and Tuscola counties, and can be reached at his Lansing office at (517) 373-0476, through email at EdCanfield@house.mi.gov and by mail at P.O. Box 30014, Lansing, MI 48909-7514.

"I encourage people with thoughts and concerns to reach out to my office so that my staff and I can address them to the best of our abilities," said Canfield. "I look forward to working closely with Thumb area residents to ensure their voices are heard on the important issues affecting Michigan families."

Legislative staffers David Jessup and Tim Holland will join Canfield in his Lansing office. Jessup earned his bachelor's degree from Hillsdale College and has previously been employed in various positions in the Legislature over the course of seven years. Holland is a graduate of Central Michigan University and a former resident of the 84th House District.

Canfield's office is located at 124 N. Capitol Ave., Room 1188, Lansing, MI 48933. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Armed robbery suspect in jail, assaults deputy

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out incident. However, while being booked at the county jail by a female deputy early Saturday morning, he attacked the officer and punched her three times, according to Tuscola County Undersheriff Glen Skrent.

"He ran out of the booking room and attempted to get out several exit doors," Skrent said. "He was subdued by the female deputy and others who arrived on scene. The deputy later sought treatment at a local hospital."

Troopers were assisted at the scene by officers from the Caro, Cass City, Unionville and Reese police departments, the Tuscola County Sheriff's department and a Michigan State Police K-9 unit.

In addition to armed robbery, Skrent noted Harris is being held on multiple charges, including assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, lying to a police officer, attempted escape from jail through violence, and possession of a weapon with unlawful intent.

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