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Garden is served...

TUSCOLA COUNTY FFA member and Kingston High School Valedictorian Clay Daily (right) helps distribute flats of vegetable plants to county senior citizens during a recent project sponsored by both the FFA and the Human Development Commission (HDC). (See story, page 16)



State officials moving quickly to address confirmed case of CWD

The Michigan departments of Natural Resources (DNR) and Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) are moving quickly to address the recent confirmation of the state's first case of chronic wasting disease (CWD) in a free-ranging whitetailed deer.

Officials with both agencies reported a free-ranging deer in Meridian Township (Ingham County) has tested positive for CWD, a fatal neurological disease that affects whitetails, mule deer, elk and moose.

This is the first time the disease has been found in Michigan's free-ranging deer population. In 2008 a white-tailed deer from a privately owned cervid (POC) facility in Kent County tested positive for CWD.

The infected free-ranging deer was observed last month wandering around a Meridian Township resi-

dence and showing signs of illness. The homeowner contacted the Meridian Township Police Department, which sent an officer to euthanize the animal. The deer was collected by a DNR wildlife biologist and delivered for initial testing to the DNR Wildlife Disease Laboratory at the Michigan State University Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health in Lansing.

After initial tests were positive, samples were forwarded to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames, Iowa, for final confirmation. The Michigan DNR has since received that positive confirmation.

To-date, there is no evidence that chronic wasting disease presents any risk to non-cervids, including

humans, either through contact with an infected animal or from handling contaminated venison. However, as a precaution, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization recommend that infected animals not be consumed as food by either humans or domestic animals.

"This is the first case of chronic wasting disease to be confirmed in a free-ranging Michigan white-tailed deer," said DNR Director Keith Creagh.

"While it is a disappointing day for Michigan, the good news is that we are armed with a thoughtfully crafted response plan," Creagh said. "We are working with other wildlife experts at the local, regional, state and federal level, using every available resource, to determine the extent of

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Foundation awards total \$109,308 in latest funding cycle

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Tuscola County Community Foundation (TCCF) officials presented more than \$100,000 in funding to various groups during the organization's annual spring grant award session Friday at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro.

"TCCF is truly rising to the occasion of fulfilling its mission of helping to make Tuscola County a better place to live," commented Ken Micklash, executive director of the TCCF.

The foundation, which started out with three funds when it was established in 1998, today oversees a whopping 90 funds – roughly half of them scholarships, according to Micklash.

Today, the TCCF boasts assets of more than \$10 million, with combined annual distributions of about \$450,000 via spring and fall grant cycles. "With this year's distribution of scholarships and grants," Micklash noted, "it (total distributions to-date) will probably hit \$3 million by the end of the year."

Last week's distribution totaled \$109,308.

Funds were awarded to the following recipients:

- *Janks (William and Ruth) Fund — \$12,882 to the Caro Area District Library (replace 15 public Internet and four circulation computers);
- \$2,500 to St. Paul Lutheran Church/Fixin' Up The Thumb Servant Event (purchase building materials to rehab elderly and dis-

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Freak accidents claim two lives in Huron Co.

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Investigators say freak accidents claimed the lives of a Davison man and a Huron County resident last Wednesday.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro reported that Huron County Central Dispatch received a call at about 7:30 p.m. from Bay Shore Marina near Bay Port, where a witness reported a male floating in the water and bleeding from the head.

Troopers along with the Caseville Police Department, Huron County Sheriff's deputies, Fairhaven Township Fire Department and Scheurer Ambulance responded to the scene, where emergency responders were able to get the 70-year-old victim out of the water and begin administering CPR.

The man, later identified as Anthony Marvin Kautz, was transported to Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon, where he later died.

"It was determined that the victim fell from his dock and struck his head before entering the water," Sgt. Brian McComb said. "The victim was in the water for approximately 15 minutes prior to emergency personnel arriving."

Troopers noted the Huron County Medical Examiner's Office and Fairhaven Township Police Department also assisted at the scene.

Drowning

Earlier in the day, Huron County Sheriff's deputies reported the death of 84-year-old Loren F. Stein in a lawn mowing accident at 8901 Geiger Rd. in Winsor Township.

"Stein was cutting grass near a steep ditch on a Simplicity zero-turn mower in front of his house when apparently he got too close to the edge and slid down the ditch bank, with it eventually rolling over," Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said. "When that occurred, Mr. Stein ended up underneath the mower, which came to rest in the bottom of the ditch, which was filled with water."

"The cause of death is appearing to be drowning," Hanson added.

The Winsor Township Fire Department, Scheurer Ambulance and Pigeon Police Department all assisted deputies at the scene.

Family Fun Day, 5K run

Child Advocacy Center of Tuscola County gearing up for fundraisers

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Amber R. Spencer is looking for a few good superheroes. You needn't possess super powers to apply – just a pair of running shoes and a willingness to participate in a fundraiser that will benefit Tuscola County's youngest victims of sexual and physical abuse.

Spencer is executive director of the Child Advocacy Center of Tuscola County (CACTC), which will be hosting its second annual Family Fun Day and 5K Superhero Run Friday, June 12, to raise funds in support of the CACTC.

The Family Fun Day will take place at McDonald's Restaurant in Caro from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The 5K Superhero Run will kick off at 6:30 p.m. at the Tuscola County Fairgrounds, also in Caro.

The Family Fun Day will offer a

full day of free activities, including a Ronald McDonald Magic Show at noon; Michigan State Police, K-9, sheriff's department vehicle and fire truck displays; child ID kits; a bounce house; face painting; arts and crafts, a dunk tank and a bake sale.

"'One Time, one Place, one Person: Superheroes Making a Difference' is the theme of our 5K event. This is everyone's chance to make a difference and be a superhero," Spencer said, adding the entry fee is \$25 through Thursday, June 11, and \$30 after that. Participants, who are invited to wear their favorite costumes, can register at <http://childadvocacycentersuperherorun.itsyourrace.com/register>.

The CACTC is this region's only organization designed to provide a coordinated response to child abuse allegations and conduct forensic interviews with alleged victims of child sexual and physical abuse.

"Our center officially opened its doors in March 2013, began operations in April 2013, and by December forensically interviewed 135 children alleging sexual and/or severe physical abuse," Spencer said. "In 2014, our center forensically interviewed 223 child victims of sexual and physical abuse. Thus far in 2015, our center has forensically interviewed 100 child victims. As you can see there is a critical need."

Spencer added the CACTC was established with the goal of serving as a place of hope for sexually and/or severely physically abused children from Tuscola County.

"The center provides a safe, child-friendly place for children to make difficult but truthful disclosures one time-one place, to one specially trained person," she explained. "Our center provides a coordinated response to child abuse allegations."

The coordinated response is in the form of a multi-disciplinary team consisting of prosecutors, law enforcement representatives, a victim advocate, Child Protective Service workers, a medical examiner and mental health service providers.

"Our center provides this specially designed process that spares the child the unnecessary pain and trauma of traveling to intimidating offices and retelling their story over and over again, which in the past has been up to 15 times," Spencer said. "Our MDT effectively investigates, prosecutes, and helps treat child sexual and/or severe physical abuse. The CACTC is changing the child abuse system."

At the same time, the center is a non-profit, tax-exempt agency that relies heavily on fundraising events to help pay the bills.

Last year, the combined Family Fun Day and 5K run brought in more than \$8,600.

"Family Fun Day raised \$1,425.77 and McDonald's donated \$2,000," Spencer noted. "The Superhero Run net income was \$5,195.58. Last year, the Superhero Run had 145

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Let's do Lunch!

Free summer meal program for youth begins next week

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Don't tell Shari Bock there's no such thing as a free lunch.

Bock, food service director for the Cass City Public Schools, has been coordinating the preparation of free meals for thousands of Thumb area youngsters during the summer months over the past several years. And she's gearing up to get started all over again this month.

It's no secret this time of year is exciting for area children waiting for the last bell of the school year. Summer vacation marks the beginning of activities such as play dates with friends, time on the ball field, a week at camp, or a family vacation. But for many children who receive free and reduced-price meals at school, summer can mean hunger.

"Just as learning does not end when school lets out, neither does a child's need for good nutrition," said Bock, who along with her staffers and a crew of volunteers provide free meals to kids during the summer as part of the USDA Summer Food Service Program. For the eighth year, local school officials are sponsoring the Let's Do Lunch! program.

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THE G'SHERIM INTERNS, including Cass City native Tyler Perry (back row, far left), are pictured above with the city of Las Vegas in the background. Perry recently completed a nine-month ministry internship organized by The Friends of Israel and has been approved to serve the organization as a G'sherim trainer. He will be moving to Las Vegas to train other young Evangelical Christians in the importance of reaching out to the Jewish community and supporting Israel. (See story, page 6)

In Our
OPINION...

Clarke Haire
Publisher

Tom Montgomery
Editor

Don't forget to fight the bite this summer

A mosquito or tick bite can lead to problems far more serious than a pesky itch, which is why the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is urging all residents, especially when spending time outdoors, to “fight the bite” this summer.

Tuscola County residents have been proactive in this fight by repeatedly approving millage funding for an effect mosquito abatement program. But as people spend more time outdoors and the weather continues to warm, it's still important to take precautions against mosquito and tick-borne diseases.

Seasonal activity varies from year to year, but mosquitoes in Michigan can carry illnesses such as West Nile Virus (WNV) and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE), and ticks can carry illnesses such as Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

Both mosquito and tick-borne diseases can cause mild symptoms, severe infections requiring hospitalization, and even death.

One bite from an infected mosquito can lead to a severe and possibly life-altering illness, according to Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive for MDHHS, who notes that preventing bites from mosquitoes is the key to protection.

Nationally in 2014, there were 2,122 WNV cases and 85 deaths reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). WNV cases have been seen every summer in Michigan since 2002. Those with the highest risk of illness caused by WNV are adults 50 and older.

In addition to presenting a greater risk for older people, EEE is more likely to cause illness in children 15 years of age or younger. People in outdoor occupations like construction and landscaping are at increased risk of getting bitten by an infected mosquito, but the mosquito that carries WNV also likes to get indoors.

Protection against mosquito-borne disease is as easy as remembering a few key steps:

**Avoid mosquito bites: Use insect repellent when outdoors especially from dusk to dawn. Look for EPA-labeled products containing active ingredients, such as DEET, Picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus.*

**Mosquito-proof homes: Fix or install window and door screens and cover or eliminate empty containers with standing water where mosquitoes can lay eggs.*

**Michigan is also home to a number of tick species that will bite people. Ticks are typically found in wooded or brushy areas with tall grass and leaf litter.*

**Lyme disease is considered to be an emerging disease due to the expansion of tick populations in Michigan's western Upper and Lower peninsulas and is the most common tick-borne disease reported in the state, with 128 human cases reported in 2014 — the second highest number ever seen in Michigan.*

The period from June to September is of concern because of the poppy-seed sized nymphal-stage tick, which is responsible for much of the Lyme disease in the U.S. While rare, human cases of Rocky Mountain spotted fever have also been documented in Michigan.


Many tick-borne diseases have similar symptoms, so see your healthcare provider if you develop signs of illness such as a fever, body aches and/or rash in the days after receiving a tick bite or recreating in tick habitat. Early recognition and treatment can decrease the chance of serious complications.



Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

Imperfect parenting of imperfect kids



This message goes out to the young mom with three boys who recently apologized about not being able to stifle her energetic brood – and to the parents of all kids who have ever acted out in public, but especially those with boys who are not always perfect. (Those of you with perfect kids need read no further. Wink.)

The rest of us know who we are. We're the ones in checkout line at the supermarket with a kid wailing so loudly the store manager comes over and offers to bag our groceries. We've had to leave a store – and a half-full cart – more than once because the behaviors of our children made further shopping impossible. We do not always look forward to parent teacher conferences. We are those parents.

We find ourselves sighing and apologizing a lot. Sometimes even when there's nothing to apologize for. It becomes second nature and comes with the territory – uncharted territory for most of us. Because whoever thinks they will be a parent to imperfect kids?

Certainly not me.

But it happens. Thank goodness.

It's probably politically incorrect to differentiate boys from girls. Each child comes with their own unique set of gifts and challenges. This is true. But I am here, deep in the trenches, telling you that mothers of boys (as in plural) belong to an elite club. It's a club filled with bruises, burping at breakfast, tadpoles in the sink, wrestling after dinner and broken things. Lots and lots of broken things – along with mistakes and misbehaviors they truly don't mean to commit, at least not most of the time.

As parents, we learn to anticipate their blunders and any number of scenarios can tug us in the gut with a sense of dread and déjà vu. It's a tug that hits unexpectedly, like a baseball through a window.

The phone rings and caller ID shows it's from the school. A letter arrives addressed “To the Parents of...” Someone starts a conversation with, “You'll never guess what I saw your kid doing at the (fill in the blank).” A neighbor rings your doorbell. While on a field trip, you lose sight of your son for a moment and the next thing you hear glass shattering.

You probably should be embarrassed. Heck, you are embarrassed. Because gosh darn it, if you were a better – stricter, more on the ball – parent they wouldn't do these things!

You are trying your best and still they spray paint the trees in the backyard. They mix Mentos and Coke. They take apples from the neighbor's tree without asking or throw rocks at each other – just because they can.

Those things.

On a good day, they lose the chain from their bicycle or take the book I'm reading to cover the tadpole bowl. A bad day often involves broken glass. Hopefully not the tadpole glass.

When I was a rookie parent every minor infraction seemed intense. Each boyish blunder hung heavy around my neck like a noose. Hot Wheels cars clogging the toilet? Picking the neighbor's peonies? Cringe worthy.

But you know how the saying goes: When life hands you a noose, make it into a necklace. It took me years, but I stopped cringing over the small stuff. Then I realized almost all of it is small stuff. That is cause for celebration – for imperfect parents with imperfect kids everywhere.


Rejoice! We can wear our “nooselaces” with a semi-sense of pride and learn to laugh at the bulk of it. What

else can we do? They are kids (or boys as the case may be) and they do dumb things – like bring a tree frog home in their pants pocket. Or have a contest to see who can eat the most pizza before throwing up. Or make yellow snow. They make mistakes. So do we. All of us. Perfect or not. When we stick together and love one another despite our imperfections, it changes our definition of the word and makes the term unnecessary, not unattainable.

When they mess up and break something again (and they will) often the best we can do is laugh and apologize – not necessarily in that order. And we can do so understanding that things are things and kids are kids.

The difference being one can be replaced; the other cannot.

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.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Michigan residents who contact their county treasurer's office to obtain property tax information will no longer have to pay exorbitant fees for those records, thanks to legislation signed last week by Gov. Rick Snyder.

House Bill 4075, sponsored by state Rep. Bruce Rendon, caps the amount county treasurers can charge for an electronic copy of a record at 25 cents per record, and caps the total at \$1,500. The legislation updates a state statute that hasn't been revised in 120 years and was the result of a workgroup that convened to bring fairness and uniformity to property tax dissemination in all 83 Michigan counties.

Plans are well underway for a village wide celebration July 10-11, 2015 in Owendale.

Owendale Heritage Festival committee member Mary Brinkman reports there will be plenty of family fun when our Huron County neighbors celebrate their 110th anniversary.

Among the activities planned include: Lion's Club pancake breakfast, grand parade, music in the park, ice cream social, community choir performance, firemen's helicopter landing, and, well, the list goes on.

For additional information contact Brinkman at 989-551-7811.

There was a Tim Muz sighting over the weekend. Folks around my age may remember the Cass City High School Class of 1976 grad for his eccentric sense of humor, while others will recall the Michigan State University alum for his time spent working with Thumb beet growers as a field agent for Michigan Sugar, before moving to North Dakota nearly a decade ago where he recently retired from the agricultural field.


Anyway, Muz and his wife, Joyce, also retired, were spotted at Rolling Hills Golf Course Friday night and the former Caro residents tell they have purchased a tow behind trailer and have decided to cruise and camp the states for the time being.

Living the dream, my friends...congrats!

Interested in making a difference in the lives of teens? Then consider providing a donation for the Youth For Christ annual auction slated for August 15 this year. The group's 2014 auction raised more than \$25,000 used to help Thumb teens struggling to find their way.

In you can help, or need more details, call Heather Jensen at 989-550-0343.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Deadline for submitting items in the calendar is the Friday noon before publication. Please send calendar items to:
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Wednesday, June 10

- 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.
- Adult Exercise, 8:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, open to the community.
- Children’s After School Adventure, 3:15 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, open to the community, all are welcome.
- Dorcas meal at Cass City United Methodist Church at noon. 1 1/4 mile north of Cass City. (989) 872-4604 for take outs.

Thursday, June 11

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

Friday, June 12

- Adult Exercise, 8:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, open to the community.

Monday, June 15

- Alcoholics Anonymous, “Monday at a Time,” 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
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Tuesday, June 16

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

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

First Sunday:

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

First Monday:

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

Second Monday:

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

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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.
- Sanilac County Alzheimer’s and Family Caregiver Support Group, Sanilac County Medical Care Facility. Noon to 2 p.m. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121

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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TUSCOLA TECHNOLOGY Center students (from left) Kylee Hagan of Caro, Shyanne Decker of Cass City and Abigail Santoviz of Vassar finished in the top three spots during a statewide animation competition at Saginaw Valley State University. (Photo courtesy of Caylin Steva)

At statewide animation competition

Area tech center students shine

Tuscola Technology Center (TTC) Graphics Program students Shyanne Decker of Cass City, Kylee Hagan of Caro and Abigail Santoviz of Vassar recently impressed the judges in a statewide animation contest.

The trio participated in the Michigan Industrial Technology Education Society’s (MITES) inaugural animation competition, accord-

ing to Bethany Phipps, graphic communications instructor and MITES advisor at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro.

“With four categories to choose from, our young animators chose character development animation,” Phipps explained. “The competitors had to create a character and animate it in a video clip lasting 10 seconds to one minute.”

Placing in the top three at regionals, the area students’ projects then advanced to state-level competition held May 13-16 at Saginaw Valley State University, where Decker placed first, Hagan finished in second and Santoviz came in third among their peers from throughout the state.

Phipps said Decker also received the Regional Division Winner Award for her animation clip.

Baker College now enrolling

Baker College of Cass City, a satellite of Baker College of Flint, is enrolling students for 2015 fall quarter, with classes set to begin Monday, Sept. 28.

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Baker College of Cass City students have access to financial assistance.

For more information, contact Aaron Faist at aaron.faist@baker.edu or by calling (989) 872-6000.

Memorial honors fallen Huron County officers

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

“Never forget” is a popular slogan when it comes to honoring the memories of heroes whose lives are cut short in the line of duty.

The saying is much more than lip service in Huron County, where Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson and his department are working to remember past officers who have served the county.

“Since our county was incorporated in 1860, two members of our sheriff’s office have lost their lives in the line of duty; Sheriff Joseph J. Murray drowned June 2, 1932, off shore of what is now known as the Port Crescent State Park Day Use in Hume Township,” Hanson said, adding, “Deputy Sheriff Kelly J. Vermeersch died in Caseville Township on June 11, 2000, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

“Besides existing plaques and memorials both inside and outside of our jail, starting this year — thanks to Bad Axe Marble and Granite Works — we will be honoring our fallen members on the date they lost their lives,” Hanson said. “A blue memorial candle will be illuminated on the west side grounds of our jail for a 24 hour period.

“Their untimely deaths impacted many family and friends,” the sheriff continued. “We feel it is important that they are continually remembered and never forgotten as the years pass by.”



THE HURON County Sheriff’s Department recently announced plans to annually honor its fallen members on the date they lost their lives. The plans include illuminating a blue memorial candle on the grounds west of the county jail for a 24-hour period.

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

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

*Tracy L. Clymer, 39, Millington, was sentenced to 18 months to 15 years in prison following his plea of guilty to domestic violence, third offense, March 6 in Millington Township and Dec. 12 in Arbela Township. The defendant was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, Clymer was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,596 plus combined restitution of \$5,046.40.

*Larry W. Bloodworth Jr., 32, Vassar, received a one-year delayed sentence following his pleas of guilty to charges of delivery/manufacture of marijuana and possession of marijuana July 21 in Arbela Township.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,198 plus restitution of \$165.35.

*David E. Lyons, 26, Vassar, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, Dec. 2 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$8,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Ronald J. Bedford, 27, Caseville, pleaded guilty to charges of breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny, and larceny of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 Oct. 2 in Wells Township.

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

*Shawn P. Jefferson, 53, Vassar, pleaded no contest to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by

failing to notify local law enforcement following a change in his employment status between Nov. 8, 2013, and Feb. 23, 2015, in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

*Janice L. Kagen, 54, Flint, plead-

ed guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, March 27 in Millington Township. She was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$8,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

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Reporter’s notebook



Gramma Litterbug

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



My wife, Deb, refuses to fish like a man, which is why she’s having a really tough time shedding an unattractive label given to her by our two-year-old granddaughter, Elizabeth.

Back in the day, Elizabeth affectionately referred to Deb as, simply, gramma, a name that – prior to “the incident” – had no doubt always conjured up visions of a gentle, sweet, generous, elderly woman who always has plenty of chocolate milk, fruit and candy on hand.

These days, Elizabeth refers to my better half as Gramma Litterbug. It all started when Deb began wearing rubber gloves while fishing for bluegills and the like in our pond. She told me the gloves keep her hands warm, but I wasn’t buying it. The truth is, she just doesn’t want to handle night crawlers with her bare hands. You know, like a real fisherman.

I was absolutely convinced my conclusion was right on the money when she admitted to dividing said night crawlers – which are then used as two separate pieces of bait — with a pair of scissors instead of a trusty fingernail. You know, like a real fisherman.

She was cutting the crawlers in half with a pair of scissors, for crying out loud! Who does that?

Anyway, after an evening of glove wearing while casting and catching and releasing, she neatly tucked her used gloves in a cardboard bait container and left it on the shore of the pond, where a stiff evening breeze later picked it up and scattered it across the water.

The next day, while fishing with Elizabeth and her dad, I spotted one of the discarded gloves on the other shore and went to retrieve it. As I returned, I muttered something under my breath about my litterbug wife, and I accidentally asked Elizabeth to agree with me. With practically no coaching whatsoever, the youngster promptly repeated, “Gramma a bitterbug.”

I decided to just drop the whole thing, but Elizabeth kept repeating the phrase until she had it down perfectly: “Gramma Litterbug!” Okay, so I may have prompted her ever so slightly. Twenty times.

To this day, Deb still carries the shame of her infamous littering sins just about every time Elizabeth visits — and I carry the weight of “the look” from Deb each time Elizabeth grins and calls her Gramma Litterbug.

Serves her right. If Deb had just followed my lead, left the gloves in the house and pinched her crawlers in half with her fingers, she wouldn’t have left those silly wads of latex at the pond.

I know I should just let the whole episode fade without ever mentioning it again, but I’ve never been all that good when it comes to enjoying a good laugh at my wife’s expense.

So, I’ve been toying with the idea of procuring a large crimson letter “L” for Elizabeth to give to her grandma for Christmas or her birthday, something suitable for sewing onto her favorite shirt or dress.

I’m just waiting for the perfect moment, like when Deb isn’t getting ready to divide a night crawler.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2010)

Willis and Jessie “June” Farnum of Owendale will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Thursday, June 17. Willis Farnum and Jessie “June” Winchester were married June 17, 1950, at the home of the bride’s parents near Gagetown, with the Rev. Fred Hart officiating. Their children are: Gloria (Jerry) Laughlin of Caseville, Darwin (Kimberly) Farnum of Gilbert, Ariz., and “foster daughter” Bonnie Perry of Bad Axe. They have 2 grandchildren, Jessica and Nicholas Farnum of Gilbert, Ariz.

The Cass City Lions Club held its 2010 installation dinner June 8 at Rolling Hills Golf Course, where Blaine deBeaubien was honored as “Lion of the Year”. In addition, Kelly W. Smith was named this year’s president; Earl Volmering, vice president; Eric Brown, treasurer; and Gary Jones, secretary. This annual dinner is held to install officers for the club for the upcoming year and to honor outgoing officers, to announce the “Lion of the Year” award recipient, and to present Lions Club scholarship award winners with their checks.

10 YEARS AGO (2005)

The Cass City Women’s Club gave their scholarships for the year 2005-06. All of the women are students at Baker College. The following were chosen: Betsy Miller of Cass City, working for a degree in massage therapy; Michelle Perez of Minden City, working for a degree in the medical field; and Rebecca Schrader of Marlette, working for a degree in teaching. The Cass City Women’s Club welcomes anyone that would like to join its club, which not only gives out yearly scholarships, but also tries to be involved in community projects.

The Greater Thumb Conference recently recognized students within its member schools who ranked at the top in their class academically as determined by grade point average and ACT test scores. Earning 2005 Academic All-Conference honors from Cass City High School were: Luann Laming, Carrie Hillaker, Stephanie Richards, Jesse Rader and Marcel Helland. Richards was also recognized as the top student in the Greater Thumb area.

25 YEARS AGO (1990)

Phyllis Linderman of Cass City and her sisters, Ethel Lavelly and Frances Sawyer, shared a special reunion Friday. Prior to the visit, Linderman had seen her sisters only once after being adopted as a baby.

The first Julie Dee Miller Memorial Scholarship has been awarded to Beth Powell of Cass City. A 1990 Cass City High School graduate, Powell is the daughter of Roy and Betty Powell, Cass City. She plans to study elementary education at Central Michigan University. The Miller Memorial Scholarship Fund, which provides a one-time \$300 award to a student going into elementary education, was established by Del and Margo Miller in honor of their daughter, Julie, a lifelong Owendale and Cass City area resident who died of cancer last February.

35 YEARS AGO (1980)

With the ceremonial ribbon-cutting ceremony, Hospital Board President James Bauer officially opens the ambulatory care unit of Hills and Dales General Hospital. Presiding with Bauer are Thomas Spence, general contractor; Janet Sticken, assistant administrator of medical services; Bauer; architect Dick Forsythe; Madelyn Skaggs, director of nursing, and administrator Ken Jensen.

Holding their certificates and ribbons of merit are the proud winners of the Campbell

Elementary School third grade spelling bee. Top spellers of 40 participants were Roger Root, fourth place; Mike Erickson, first; Adam Suzor, third; Melissa Knowlton, fifth; and Janet Koch, second.

It was the end of a long road and a very special night last Thursday for 19 graduates of the Cass City adult education program as they received their diplomas. Members of the Cass City Public Schools Class of 1980 adult education program who received their high school diplomas last Thursday were, Nellie Hawley, Jacqueline Heronemus, Gladys Robinson, Tammy Popour, Viretta Pena, Sally Morrish, Dorothy Bills, Leone Copeland, Dorothy Healy, Virginia Sutter, Marie Groombridge, Rhonda Rolston, Ken Guilds, June Kenward, Dan Ulfig, Glen Spencer, Ronda Posluszny, Marilyn Heater, and Sheila Sockow.

40 YEARS AGO (1975)

It is likely that the taxpayers in the Cass City School District will be called on to pay many thousands of dollars this summer for upkeep of the Evergreen and Campbell elementary buildings, and the Intermediate gym and the development of a playground area for Junior High students. Money is available from the general fund for these purposes and it is not expected to be necessary to seek added millage, according to Supt. Donald Crouse.

Gloria J. Bartnik, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Bartnik of Cass City, received an associate degree in executive secretarial science from Lake Superior State College at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Saturday during commencement exercises. She is a 1972 graduate of Cass City High School. While at LSSC she was active in Phi Beta Lambda, a business sorority, the Associated Women Students on campus, and was also an active volunteer at Provincial House. Following graduation she plans to seek a secretarial position.

Given the state of today’s world, it’s sometimes tough to be an optimist. Yet, in spite of the high cost of living, increasing crime rates, unemployment and the soothsayers of doom, it’s still possible to be optimistic. At least, that’s what Mrs. Hazel Seeley-of Cass City says. “I’m an optimist,” she says. “I like people. I like doing things for people. I’m always busy and I haven’t got time to sit around being a pessimist.” Mrs. Seeley says problems such as crime and unemployment are facts of life. “We can’t help what other people do, can we?” she says. “I believe that if you live your life properly and have a clear conscience, you can be happy with yourself and with life. Mrs. Seeley has lived in the Cass City area most of her life. She has three children and three grandchildren.

50 YEARS AGO (1965)

John Bifoss Sr., 38, has been signed to replace Oarie Lemanski on the coaching staff at Cass City High School, Supt. Donald Crouse announced this week. Bifoss will be moving here from western Michigan. A 13-year veteran in the teaching ranks; the new coach started at Williamsburg High. After two years he accepted a position at Honor High School, a class C school, and stayed there for 11 years. Honor High has been consolidated to form Benzie Central High.

Almost forgotten in the interest surrounding the vote for the proposed new high school is the race to elect two members to the school board for four-year terms. Three persons have filed for the two seats. Seeking re-election are Horace Bulen and Don Koepfgen. Challenging is Don DeLong.

It took Mrs. Gaylord Lapeer 28 years to move from the ninth to

the 10th grade and just two years to complete the last three grades of her high school education. Mrs. Lapeer went on an accelerated schedule this year to complete the 11th and 12th grades so she could be the first mother in the history of Cass City Schools to graduate with her daughter. The daughter, Charlene, moved through the high school curriculum in the normal four years. Possibly for this reason, the mother studied longer and harder than the daughter, the two agreed.

The reunion of former teachers of Evergreen township schools attracted some 150 persons to Evergreen Township Unit School Saturday. It was the second reunion for the township teachers. The event started as a reunion for Proctor School’s teachers and last year was expanded to include all of the town. The event was planned by Jason Kitchin and Miss Marie Meredith. Miss Meredith congratulates Miss Beulah Boughner of Seal Beach, Calif., for coming the farthest to attend the reunion. She taught in the township for three years, leaving in 1920. Other teachers attending were: Mrs. Maude (Phillips) Holcomb of Snover, Mrs. Avis (Sangster) Young of Cass City, Marguerite (McTavish) Kelly of Kingston, Mrs. Minnie (Munroe) Gough of Deckerville and Mrs. Ruth Smith of Marlette.

75 YEARS AGO (1940)

Mr. Dunn, mathematics teacher and junior high coach of the Cass City Public Schools, was elected president of the Thumb Round Table, an organization of school instructors of Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac Counties, who meet four times each year. Mr. Dunn is completing his fourth year as an instructor in the school here. Lauren Woodby of Caro was chosen vice president of the society and W. B. Briggs of Sandusky, secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wagner were given an unwelcomed thrill Friday afternoon when lightning struck their radio aerial and followed the wire into their Elkland Township farm home. Window shade and Curtain were burned and wall paper and the end of a bookcase were scorched. Mr. and Mrs Wagner were in their kitchen when the flash came. With pails of water they extinguished the fire preventing more damage to their house and its furnishings.

100 YEARS AGO (1915)

J.E. Seed raised the frame for a fine barn, 44 by 60 feet in size, on his 80-acre farm just outside the north village limits Wednesday afternoon. The basement is built of concrete and is well lighted by 20 windows. A 10-foot driveway divides it lengthwise. The sheep department is 17x22 feet in size and the horse department is 17x25. The remainder of the basement space is divided equally for cattle stalls and box stalls. The posts of the barn frame are 18 feet high. The King system of ventilation is being installed.

Clinton J. Bruce, son of Postmaster and Mrs. A. L. Bruce of Deford, will represent Tuscola county at the Boys’ State Fair School in connection with the Michigan State fair. His average standing including the regular eighth grade examination and state fair questions was 88 per cent. This was only one percent above the standing of Wm. Hoxey of Gilford township.

Miss Adah Caldwell entertained at her home Wednesday evening in honor of the senior class of the high school. The evening’s entertainment consisted of stunts which each guest was obliged to perform. Howard Hoadley was given a pair of hose to mend, a young lady and gentleman were given the kitchen and told to make candy for the company and so on. As a reward each young lady received an all day sucker and each young man a whistle. The hostess served ice cream and wafers.

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Keep It Local



MICHIGAN DNR and MDARD officials are moving quickly to address confirmation of the state’s first case of chronic wasting disease (CWD) in a free-ranging whitetailed deer. The DNR supplied the photos above depicting examples of both a healthy deer (right) and one suffering from CWD.

State moving quickly to address CWD case

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this disease, respond appropriately to limit further transmission, and ultimately eradicate the disease in Michigan if possible.”

The confirmed positive finding triggers several actions in the state’s surveillance and response plan for chronic wasting disease. The plan was developed in 2002 through cooperation between the DNR and MDARD, and was updated in 2012. Actions the DNR will take include:

- *Completing a population survey in the area where the CWD-positive deer was found.
- *Establishing a Core CWD Area consisting of Alaiedon, Delhi, Lansing, Meridian, Wheatfield and Williamstown townships in Ingham County; Bath and DeWitt townships in Clinton County; and Woodhull Township in Shiawassee County.
- Unlimited antlerless deer hunting licenses will be available. Mandatory checking of deer will be required in this area during hunting seasons and restrictions will apply to the movement of carcasses and parts of deer taken in this area.
- *Creating a CWD Management Zone, which will include Clinton, Ingham and Shiawassee counties.
- *Implementing a deer and elk feeding and baiting ban, which will include the Core CWD Area and the larger three-county CWD Management Zone.
- *Prohibiting the possession or salvage of deer killed by collision with a motor vehicle within the Core CWD Area. Also, residents are asked to call in the locations of road-killed deer within this area so DNR staff can pick them up for testing. Research shows CWD-infected deer are more likely to be hit by vehicles because of their illness.
- Creagh will issue an interim order approving immediate implementation of these actions.
- “MDARD is working with the

state’s privately owned cervid facilities within a 15-mile surveillance zone to ensure compliance with CWD testing requirements,” said MDARD State Veterinarian James Averill. “For POC facilities located outside of the surveillance zone, there will be no impact. We are, however, encouraging all POCs to continue to be our partners in the state’s CWD testing program.”

Chronic wasting disease first was identified in 1967 as a clinical disease in captive mule deer at the Colorado Division of Wildlife Foothills Wildlife Research Facility in Fort Collins, Colorado. Since then, most CWD cases have occurred in western states, but in the past 15 years it has spread to some Midwestern and eastern states.

The disease is caused by the transmission of infectious, self-multiplying proteins (prions) contained in saliva and other body fluids of infected animals. Susceptible animals can acquire CWD by direct exposure to these fluids or from environments contaminated with these fluids or the carcass of a diseased animal.

Once contaminated, research shows that soil can remain a source of infection for long periods of time, making CWD a particularly difficult disease to eradicate.

Some chronically CWD-infected animals will display abnormal behaviors, progressive weight loss and physical debilitation. There is no cure; once a deer is infected with CWD, it will die.

Although this is the first positive CWD finding in the state’s free-ranging deer population, officials say it’s important to note that from Jan. 1, 1998, through Dec. 31, 2014, tens of thousands of free-ranging Michigan deer were tested and no evidence was found of chronic wasting disease in this population. In fact, that testing included 34,207 deer, 1,607 elk and 70 moose – a

large sample of animals with no positive finding.

In privately owned deer populations, approximately 21,000 samples have to-date been tested for CWD. All of those have been negative as well, with the exception of the 2008 Kent County case. MDARD conducts ongoing surveillance of Michigan’s 365 registered, privately owned cervid facilities.

Public awareness, support

“Strong public awareness and cooperation from residents and hunters are critical for a rapid response to evaluate any deer suspected of having chronic wasting disease,” said Steve Schmitt, veterinarian-in-charge at the DNR Wildlife Disease Lab. “We’d like to thank the resident who called local authorities, as well as the Meridian Township Police Department for its swift response.”

The DNR asks for help from the public and hunters in reporting deer that are unusually thin and/or exhibit unusual behavior — for example, acting tame around humans and allowing someone to approach.

To report a suspicious-looking deer, call the DNR Wildlife Disease Lab at (517) 336-5030 or fill out and submit the online observation report found on the DNR website.

Schmitt said hunters will play a key role in helping the state manage this new wildlife challenge.

“Michigan has a long tradition of hunter support and conservation ethics. Now, with the CWD finding, that support is needed more than ever,” Schmitt said. “Historically, areas where chronic wasting disease has been found have experienced a decline in hunter numbers. Because hunters are often familiar with the deer herd locally, one of the best things they can do to help manage this disease is to continue hunting and bring their deer to check stations this season.”

Building bridges

Cass City’s Perry completes internship in Las Vegas, sets sights on serving as G’sherim trainer for Friends of Israel

by Tyler R. Perry
Special for the Chronicle

Editor’s note: Tyler Perry is a 24-year-old Cass City native whose passion for the Jewish people has led him across the country and around the globe. Locally, residents may recognize the 2010 Cass City High School graduate from his stints as a catalogue librarian at Rawson Memorial District Library, as a longtime member of the Cass City Historical and Genealogical Society, and as coordinator of the village’s annual Freedom Festival Parade for two years.

Cass City, Mich., and Las Vegas, Nev. Could there be more contrasting places? One has a lone stoplight, a single-screen theatre, and Amish buggies. The other is in the middle of the desert, filled with lights, casinos and high-rollers.

But nine months ago, my small town life collided with fast-paced Las Vegas, combining into a great experience.

As readers may recall, I traveled to Israel with The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry in 2012. That trip united my heart to the Jewish people, and planted within me a desire to show support and love to them, here in the United States.

In the fall of 2014, I boarded a plane bound for Las Vegas, where I served for nine months as part of a ministry internship of The Friends of Israel, called G’sherim, a Hebrew word meaning “bridges”.

It was the goal of our internship team to build bridges between the Evangelical Christian community and the Jewish community of Las Vegas. In the process of building those bridges, I have gained a tremendous respect for the Jewish people, a better understanding of the Jewish roots of my faith in Jesus the Messiah, and I’ve discovered what I hope will be my life’s work.

Las Vegas has a Jewish population of about 100,000. There is a saying that goes, “Nobody in Vegas is from Vegas”; and I think that’s true, especially considering those within the Jewish community. There are many from places like Brooklyn and Los Angeles, who have decided to trade the brutal winters of the Northeast or the soaring cost of living of California for the beautiful weather and relatively moderate cost of living in Nevada.

I have also met many young people who have come from Israel to work or study. All of them have been exceptional, unique individuals who I am proud to call my friends.

One of the ways our team showed our love and support for the Jewish people was by volunteering within the Jewish community. We helped out at the Jewish Family Services Agency, where we were able to assist patrons of the food pantry, prepare gift baskets for Hanukkah, and take food to Holocaust survivors.

We also spent a considerable amount of time volunteering at the local Holocaust Resource Center (HRC). The HRC is a unique place, where the community has access to a wide variety of Holocaust- and Israel-related media. Our team often assisted in preparing the center for teacher education seminars, in which the HRC directors would help educators learn how and when to teach the Holocaust to their students.

It is a haunting, yet breathtaking experience to walk into the Center. While it occupies a small facility, the photographs on the walls are impressive. They are not, as you might think, photos of the atrocities of the Nazi era; but rather, large black and white portraits of the 50 or so Holocaust survivors living in the Las Vegas area.

The eyes of these people tell the stories of the horrors they have seen, even 70 years after they first witnessed them. But, almost without exception, in each photo, the survivor has a smile on his or her face, proving that the Satanic ploy to rid the world of the Jewish people failed.

Of all the experiences I had during the internship, meeting and befriending these dear people was by far the greatest.

Growing up, the Holocaust and its survivors were distant facts and pictures in my history books. But now, the Holocaust has hit home. Those faces now have names, and the personal connection I now have with these survivors of the Holocaust serves as motivation to speak up as a Christian in defense of the Jewish people and the only Jewish state on earth, Israel.

In addition to meeting Holocaust survivors, one of the other highlights was getting to know the rabbis of the city. Between September and December, I attended a “Lunch and Learn” at the local university, where rabbis from local synagogues would talk about their particular brand of Judaism (Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, etc.) and a topic of their choice. It was fascinating to learn more about their beliefs, and to see how they compare and contrast to what I believe.

While much of what our team did during the internship revolved around supporting the local Jewish community, we did have opportunity to show our support for the greater Jewish community.

In February, our team traveled to Washington, D.C. for the annual AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) Conference. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu gave a rousing speech, in which he called for a “good deal” in relation to Iran, citing the one the Obama Administration is hoping for to be a “bad deal”.

The next day, I sat in Congresswoman Dina Titus’ office, watching the television as Prime Minister Netanyahu gave one of the most historic speeches of the 21st century to Congress. It was, as others have said, much like watching Winston Churchill trying to rouse the nation out of their slumber concerning the enemy. In the 1940s, it was Germany. Today, it is Iran. It was an experience I hope to be able to recount to my grandchildren one day.

In May, the internship came to a close, and I returned to Cass City for the summer. I have been approved to serve with The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry as a G’sherim trainer, meaning that I will be moving to Las Vegas to train other young Evangelical Christians in the importance of reaching out to the Jewish community and supporting Israel.

In the meantime, I will be co-leading a team of young adults to Israel for a three-week service trip. We will be working at an Israeli hospital, worshiping with Jewish Christians, and touring the beautiful country.

Editor’s note: Area residents interested in learning more about the ministry of The Friends of Israel, and/or who would like to assist Perry financially in serving the Jewish community, are encouraged to contact him at (989) 553-4957 or via email at tperry@foi.org.

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Championship Flight	points
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Tony Nika	38
Ray Fox	37
Don Ouvry	36
Scott Adams	36
Jason Bitzer	not played 29
Nick Bliss	27
Mike Lowe	not played 23
Medallist: T.Nika, S.Adams 40	

First Flight	points
Ryan Lowman	47
Jon Zdrojewski	45
Austin Babich	43
Virgil Peters	41
Brad Langenberg	38
Dan Caister	34
David Allen	33
Larry Robinson	32
Jim Smithson	31
Lukas Varney	16
Medallist: B.Langenberg 41	

2nd Flight	points
Harold MacAlpine	47
David Block	44
David House	37
Dan Mosher	35
Chris Queen	32
Daryl Iwankovitch	31
Paul Mika	31
Paul Regnerus	31
Medallist: D.Block 43	

Rolling Hills Golf Course Wednesday night 2-man golf league	pts.
Division 1 - Early	76
Hendrick/Bliss N.	76
Burns/Caister	75
Hobbs/Meck	74
Smithson/Iwankovitch	70
MacAlpine/Mosher	67
Berwick/Young	62
Craig/Knight	60
Fox/Herron	57
Mastie/Robinson	55
Lowman/Tate	52
Jones/Marshall	52
Babich/Varney	50
Biefer/Hoard	48
Wallace/Warner	48
Alexander/Spencer	47
Dillon/Irrer	43
Team 18 (match)	42
Bolton/Thompson	12
Medallists: (low net N.Bliss 29)	
Individual: N.Bliss 37	
Team: Alexander/Spencer 79	

Division 2 - Late	pts.
Lowman/Tamlyn	107
Langenberg/Brad & Joe	97
Davis/Lowe	96
Bitzer/Curtis	91
Richards/Bitzer D.	90
Hacker/Nika	83
Hillaker/Murphy	81
Martin/Stern	79
Hartel/Brown	78
de Beaubien/Brinkman	77
Krol/LeValley	76
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Prieskorn/Repshinska	66
Wallace/ Brent & Scott	65
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Medallists (low net B.de Beaubien 30)	
Indiv. J.Bitzer,E.Tamlyn 36	
Team:Lowman/Tamlyn 75	

DNR offers safety tips for off-road riding

As summer kicks off in Michigan, national ATV Safety Week — June 6-14 — is a good opportunity for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to remind riders of important safety tips that can help ensure a more enjoyable off-road experience.

“ATV riding continues to grow in popularity in our state, and it’s important that riders observe safety at all times while on the trail and in the woods,” said DNR Law Enforcement Division Chief Gary Hagler. “These common-sense safety reminders can save lives and reduce accidents and injuries.”

Here are the DNR’s top 10 safety tips for ATV riding:

*Always wear a U.S. Department of Transportation-approved helmet, goggles, long sleeves, long pants, over-the-ankle boots and gloves.

*Never ride under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.

*Never carry a passenger on a single-rider ATV, and no more than one passenger on an ATV specifically designed for two people.

*Supervise riders younger than 16; ATVs are not toys.

*Ride only on designated trails and at a safe speed.

*Take an off-road vehicle safety course or an online course. Visit the DNR website at michigan.gov/dnr and check for a course near you under the Education & Outreach menu.

*Do a pre-ride check of your vehicle to make sure it is in proper working order. Pay close attention to the tires, making sure they aren’t low and don’t have leaks. Low tire pressure can cause handling issues for your ORV.

*Know your trail — study the map for where you are riding before you head out and become familiar with where the sharp curves are located.

*Know where you’re riding — before heading out, make sure you know whether or not the county you’re riding in allows ORV use on county roads. Do not mistake state forest roads for county roads. Contact the county sheriff’s department, road commission or county clerk’s office for information about each county’s ORV ordinances. The DNR also keeps updated ORV maps on its website at <http://1.usa.gov/19tmpgi>.

ORVs primarily are designed for off-road use. Driving on paved surfaces is hazardous because of handling issues. Riding on paved roads is a common cause of ORV-related fatalities.

For a complete overview of ORV rules and regulations in Michigan, go to the Michigan ORV Handbook online at <http://www.offroad-ed.com/michigan/handbook/book.html>. If, while out riding, you encounter someone violating land-use rules for ORVs, please contact the DNR’s Report All Poaching law enforcement line at 800-292-7800.



Dog flu makes 2015 list

Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) Veterinarian Dr. James Averill recently added canine influenza to the 2015 Reportable Disease list in Michigan, meaning veterinarians and diagnostic labs across the state must notify the department if they suspect or have a positive test.

“Canine influenza poses a serious health risk to dogs, especially in animal shelter settings. MDARD is working with Michigan veterinarians to provide the most up-to-date information to pet owners and shelter operators,” said Averill. “By adding canine influenza to the state’s reportable disease list, it provides a much clearer and more accurate picture of where the virus is in Michigan aiding us in our prevention and response efforts.”

Canine influenza, or dog flu, is a highly contagious respiratory infection in dogs and has not been found to cause human illness. There are currently two types of canine influenza, H3N8 and H3N2, found in the United States, both of which have been added to the state’s reportable disease list.

“In Michigan, three dogs, (two from Kent County and one from Macomb County), tested positive for canine influenza. MDARD received courtesy notifications of the positive samples because it was not a reportable disease. This hamstrung our efforts to track the disease and the potential risk to Michigan’s canine population,” added Averill.

Signs of canine influenza can include fever, lethargy, coughing, and nasal and/or eye discharge. Most dogs are susceptible to canine influenza; however, most affected dogs recover from illness within two-three weeks.

There is a vaccine available to help provide immunity against H3N8 canine influenza, but there is no vaccine available to protect against H3N2 strain. Dog owners should consult their veterinarian about options for vaccination.

Suspected cases of canine influenza should be reported to MDARD at 1-800-292-3939, or for after-hours emergencies, (517) 373-0440. MDARD is prepared to assist animal shelters with initial testing and will be reaching out to shelters and veterinarians with more canine influenza information.

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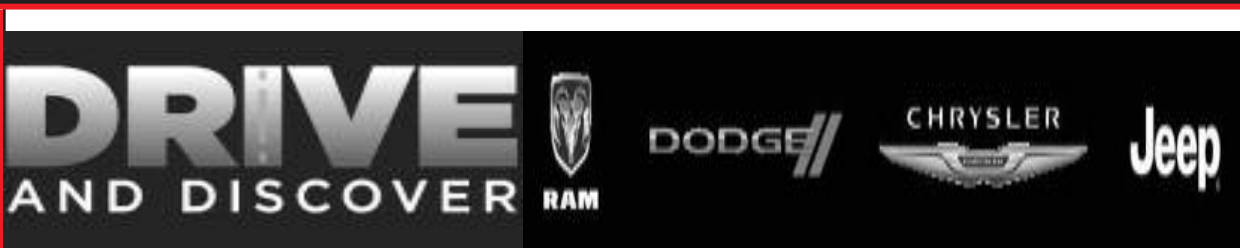


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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kathryn Middaugh, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 16, 2005, and recorded on September 29, 2005 in Liber 1055 on Page 1352, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on April 7, 2015 in Liber 1326 on Page 1099, and assigned by mesne assignments to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on April 14, 2015 in Liber 1327 on Page 743, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Seven and 40/100 Dollars (\$84,767.40). 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 June 25, 2015.

Said premises are situated in City of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing 12 rods West of the Southwest corner of Lot 7, Worthington's Addition to the Village of Caro; running thence West to a point 8 rods East of the corner of Lot 9, Block 2, of Worthington's Addition to the Village of Caro; thence North 13 rods; thence East to a point 13 rods North of the place of beginning; thence South 13 rods to the place of beginning; being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East. EXCEPT commencing 198 feet West of the Southwest corner of Lot 7, Original Plat of Worthington's addition; thence West 15 feet; thence North 214.5 feet; thence East 15 feet; thence South 214.5 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

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Case No. 14-28416-CH CIRCUIT COURT SALE In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 27 day of April, A.D., 2015 in a certain cause therein pending, wherein Jamie K Chambers, aka Jamie Chambers, A Single Woman(was) (were) the Plaintiff and Selene Finance LP, assignee of Bank of America, NA, successor by merger fo BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, fka Countrywide Home Loan Servicing, LP (was) (were) the Defendant(s).

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Court for said County), on the 23 day of July, A.D., 2015 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, viz: COMMENCING AT A POINT THAT IS 660 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 9, TOWN 10 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST; THENCE NORTH 136.89 FEET; THENCE EAST 412.50 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 136.89 FEET, THENCE WEST 412.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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Dated: 5/28/2015
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6-3-6

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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by ERIC HARTWICK, AN UNMARRIED MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (“MERS”), solely as nominee for lender and lender’s successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 15, 2008, and recorded on May 16, 2008, in Liber 1149, on Page 1129, and assigned by said mortgagee to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date here-of the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$56,322.39), including interest at 6.875% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on July 2, 2015

Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: LOT 7, BLOCK 5 OF GARDEN CENTER SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN LIBER 1, PAGE 42B. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238 If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Anthony Dickenson, a married man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 6, 2011, and recorded on December 8, 2011 in Liber 1236 on Page 1213, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Eight and 91/100 Dollars (\$115,528.91).

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 July 9, 2015.

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

A parcel of land in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as follows: To fix the point of beginning, commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 23; thence North 00 degrees 25 minutes 18 seconds East, on the East line of said Section 987.01 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 16 seconds West, on a line which is parallel with said 335.28 feet, measured at right angles, South of the North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section, 1313.36 feet to a point on the West line of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 52 seconds West on said West line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, 335.29 feet to the Northwest 1/4 of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 16 seconds East, on said North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, 1313.9 feet to the Northeast corner of said Southeast 1/4 of the

Southeast 1/4; thence South 00 degrees 25 minutes 18 seconds West, on said East Section line, 335.29 feet to the point of beginning.

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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: June 10, 2015
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THANK YOU – The family of Bill Repshinska would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the staff of Northwood Meadows, Dr. Raythatha, and the staff at Hills and Dales General Hospital for their compassionate care. We would also like to thank pastor Brad Speirs, the veterans, and Jim and Deb Kranz and staff for their kindness during our time of need. We appreciate all of the cards, food and prayers extended to us during this time, but especially feel grateful to all of the friends who visited with Bill during the past few years at Northwood Meadows. Your kindness and friendship meant the world to him and was a great comfort to his family. Thank you. 13-6-10-1

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IT MIGHT LOOK a bit creepy close up, but this Polyphemus moth, spotted in the driveway of a Deford area residence, is harmless. A North American member of the giant silk moth family, these moths have an average wing span of roughly 6 inches, with large, purplish eyespots on its hind wings to confuse predators. The moth is known to eat up to 86,000 times its weight at emergence in a little less than two months.



Bumper crop?

Michigan ag officials say state could be looking at record wheat yields this year

If the weather continues on its favorable path this summer, the state’s wheat growers could see a statewide yield approaching 40 million bushels. That would equal a record high, according to data from the USDA’s National Agriculture Statistics Service (NASS), Great Lakes Regional Office.

Wheat production in the state is expected to be 38.8 million bushels. The forecast yield of 76 bushels per acre would better last year’s output by two bushels and add up to 38.8 million bushels statewide.

A lot can change before the mid-summer harvest, but Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) Field Crop Specialist Kate Krepps said the crop appears to be in outstanding condition.

“As you drive across the state you’ll see more wheat fields than in previ-

ous years, likely in some part due to lower corn and soybean prices last fall,” she said.

Michigan farmers expect to harvest 510,000 acres, up 25,000 acres from last year.

Fast-maturing hybrids help growers work wheat into their rotations with increasing flexibility, according to Krepps.

“Shorter-day varieties allow for cover crops like wheat to be planted more frequently, providing additional opportunities for our farmers,” she explained. “If this favorable (weather) continues as predicted, we’re likely to see the positive results in the yield and production of wheat in Michigan this year.”

Wheat’s ability to prosper in dry conditions means moist, humid Michigan is not a major player in North American wheat production.

The grain is a far more dominant crop in the central and northern Great Plains, from Kansas and Oklahoma north to Alberta and Saskatchewan.

According to the Michigan Wheat Program, wheat sales from 2008 through 2010 averaged \$218 million annually with a total annual economic impact of \$388 million. The state’s top-five wheat-growing counties are Huron, Sanilac, Lenawee, Tuscola and Saginaw.

Most Michigan-grown wheat is destined for human consumption; different grades and varieties are suited to baked goods, pastries, tortillas and pasta. Michigan-based wheat processors include Star of the West Milling Company in Frankenmuth, King Milling in Lowell and Chelsea Milling Company, home of Jiffy Mixes.

Wheat meeting on tap June 17 at MSU

Area farmers should sign up now for the Michigan Wheat Program’s Summer Field Day.

The event is slated for Wednesday, June 17, from 8:15 a.m. through 1:30 p.m., at the MSU Plant Pathology Research Center, 3735 N. College Rd., Lansing, located just south of the main campus.

The field day program will include presentations on most every aspect of wheat production, according to Dave Milligan, chairman of the nine-member wheat board, and a wheat farmer from Cass City.

“The summer field day offers growers the chance to talk with researchers and see their plots firsthand,” Milligan explained. “MSU researchers who have projects funded by the Michigan Wheat Program will talk about their most recent findings, while growers have the chance to walk their plots.

Pollok-Newsom, executive director of the Michigan Wheat Program will talk about changes in crop insurance through the USDA’s Risk Management Agency; and Martin Nagelkirk, senior educator with MSU Extension, will look ahead to the 2015 harvest. Attendees have the option to drive to the MSU wheat variety trial sites at the Mason-area farm, which will be hosted by Dr. Eric Olson, MSU wheat breeder.

There is no cost to attend the Michigan Wheat Program’s Summer Field Day, thanks to the support of the check-off program, Michigan Crop Improvement Association and MSU Extension. However, to ensure an accurate count for lunch, wagon space and handout materials, please RSVP by 5 p.m. Thursday, June 11,

at www.miwheat.org under “What’s Hot.” Or register by calling 1-888-WHEAT01 (888-943-2801). Those needing special accommodations need to contact the Michigan Wheat Program prior to the event so arrangements can be made.

The Michigan Wheat Program is a check-off organization funded by nearly 8,000 wheat farmers who grow wheat in 50 of Michigan’s 83 counties. The Michigan Wheat Program promotes the state’s wheat industry by funding and supporting the strategic priorities of wheat farmers by working with input suppliers, seed producers, millers, end users and consumers. Research and grower education have been top priorities for the organization.



TUSCOLA, HURON and Sanilac counties are among Michigan’s top wheat growing counties, according to USDA officials, who say this year’s statewide crop could approach a yield of 40 million bushels – a record high.

Foundation distributes grants

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abled family homes); \$3,500 to Caro Community Hospital (purchase blood gas machine for patient tests related to respiratory difficulties); \$2,500 to the Good Samaritan Fund (help the county’s needy to avoid utility shut-offs and provide emergency food); \$1,000 to Caro Historical Commission (purchase materials to build a base and roof enclosure to hold timeline material); \$10,000 to Caro Community Schools (purchase high jump and pole vault equipment); \$6,600 to the city of Caro (support Music in the Park at Atwood Park and assist in construction of a community playscape at Beith Park); \$2,500 to Great Start Tuscola Imagination Library (provide books for preschool children in the county); \$5,000 to the Caro Chamber of Commerce (purchase equipment to support community chamber events and activities); and \$3,200 to Cass River Habitat for Humanity (purchase enclosed cargo trailer for building program).

*Andrews (Claude and Etta) Fund — \$1,800 to Caro Community Hospital (purchase four televisions to replace toys no longer used with children due to infection control); \$3,500 to the Good Samaritan Fund; \$5,000 to Caro Community Schools (purchase high jump and pole vault equipment); \$1,364 to Caro Chamber of Commerce (purchase equipment for chamber events and activities); \$2,000 to USA Schools (assist with purchase of 32 Chromebooks and mobile learning lab – challenge grant requiring school to complete the \$4,000 project); and \$1,000 to the Caro Historical Society (support tree timeline memorial display).

*Future Youth Involvement (FYI) Fund — \$2,025 to the Tuscola Intermediate School District (TISD)/Transitions Network (support 10th graders from nine county school districts in team building/personal challenge training); \$8,816 to Caro Community Schools (purchase high jump and pole vault equipment); \$5,000 to Vassar High School (support robotics program); \$1,000 to the Midland Explorers Booster Club (support softball program for teens in Tuscola County); \$1,168 to Akron-Fairgrove Elementary School (purchase Flocabulary online learning library for students, and purchase a memorial flowering tree); \$4,000 to Reese Public Schools (replace broken and outdated equipment and uniforms); and \$4,500 to Kingston Youth Athletic Program (purchase Little League equipment and improve fields).

*Founders Fund — \$2,600 to St. Paul Lutheran Church/Fixin’ Up The Thumb Servant Event (purchase building materials to rehab elderly and disabled family homes).

*Homelessness Fund — \$875 to the Tuscola Homeless Coalition (provide financial support for housing county’s needy); and \$875 to the Human Development Commission (HDC) (support nights of shelter for women who are temporarily homeless).

*List (Don) Fund for Special Needs Children — \$1,600 to the city of Caro (support Beith Park playscape).

*Millington Area Fund — \$1,810 to Charis New Testament Church-Helping Handz Ministry (purchase new underwear, socks, personal hygiene items and schools supplies for needy children and families); \$1,400 to Millington Junior-Senior High School (purchase 30 tablets and two portable containers); and \$1,790 to the Millington Community Center (support window replacement energy conservation program).

*Millington Community Center Fund — \$500 to Millington Community Center (support energy conservation program).

*Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund — \$1,000 to Hills and Dales General Hospital (provide teaching tools to increase tobacco prevention education and provide tobacco cessation counseling for county residents); and \$3,000 to Great Start Tuscola 211 (support 211 human service support system for county residents).

*Dr. Ed and Dorothy Scollon Family Foundation Fund — \$1,500 to the Cass City Public Schools (develop a raised garden for school and community); and \$1,500 to the village of Cass City (purchase a defibrillator for the community pool).

Garden is served to senior citizens

For a second year, members of the Tuscola County Future Farmers of America (FFA) and the Human Development Commission (HDC) surprised area senior citizens with healthy vegetable plants during May’s commodity food distribution.

The ready-for-planting vegetables included broccoli, cucumbers, peas, sweet peppers, tomatoes, yellow summer squash and zucchini.

Funded in part by the Tuscola County Community Foundation (Janks Fund), the 11-week project engaged 42 FFA students who learned how to plant from seed and nurture delicate seedlings. Students also designed garden plans, prepared care instructions, and printed tasty recipes.

The seniors received information on the care and transfer of plants to sunny garden spots. Some of the recipients received plant pots to place on their deck or patio as part of a promotion for container gardening, which offers greater accessibility and requires no heavy tools and little, if any, weeding.

The students distributed more than 90 flats of vegetable plants that should be ready for harvesting in late summer and early fall. Nearly 200 Tuscola County seniors benefited from the project.

Incorporated in 1965, the Human Development Commission is one of 29 Community Action Agencies in Michigan that are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other. Between Oct. 1, 2013, and Sept. 30, 2014, HDC provided more than 10,000 people with nourishing food, utility assistance, affordable housing and other needed services.

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