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VIOLENT THUNDERSTORMS moved into the Thumb Sunday night, spawning a tornado near the village of Owendale and downing many trees and power lines, including one blamed for sparking a costly house fire in the village of Cass City early Monday morning. Cass City area resident Cheryl Viney Osentoski shot this photo looking north from her Koepfgen Road residence as the storm approached.

Tornado!

Twister targets Owendale area as storm roars through the Thumb, electrical line blamed in Cass City house fire Monday morning

> By Tom Montgomery **Editor**

Violent thunderstorms roared through the Thumb Sunday night, spawning a confirmed tornado that ripped through Owendale, resulting in widespread damage in the Huron County community.

In Cass City, a surging downed electrical line is believed to have sparked a blaze inside a home in town that all but gutted the residence early Monday morning.

Law enforcement agencies throughout the Thumb reported strong winds knocked down trees and power lines, leaving thousands without power.

In Owendale, a tornado formed at about 7 p.m. from the west, traveling east and leaving plenty of destruction in its path. A camper was picked up and smashed near the Owen-Gage Schools building, according to officials, who reported a semi-trailer was lifted and deposited on the roof of a vacant factory building. The school sustained some roof damage, and numerous trees were knocked down.

Video footage of the twister - reportedly shot by Nathan Messing while he was standing at Stacks Market offered viewers a chilling view of the storm. The video was posted on the Thumb Area Public Safety page Please turn to page 8.

18-year-old leads trooper on chase ending in crash at Village Service Center

by Tom Montgomery

An 18-year-old Cass City woman was expected to be formally arraigned this week on charges stemming from a hit-and-run accident that escalated into a police chase and, ultimately, crashing her vehicle into a protective concrete fuel pump island at the Village Service Center in Cass City Friday

The incident unfolded at 9:18 p.m. when a trooper from the Michigan State Police post in Caro attempted to stop the suspect for a hit-and-run accident in Caro, according to Sgt. Mark Sosnoski of the Caro post.

"The trooper was patrolling westbound M-81 near Green Road. The suspect's vehicle, a white Jeep Liberty, was observed traveling eastbound on M-81. The traffic stop was initiated and the driver failed to stop," Sosnoski

"The pursuit continued into the village of Cass City, where the suspect's vehicle crashed into the Village Service Center," he added. "After resisting arrest, the driver was medically cleared (at) Hills and Dales (General)

The driver, whose name was not initially released, was scheduled to appear in Tuscola County District Court.

The Cass City Police Department, Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies. Elkland Township fire fighters and MMR Ambulance personnel all assisted troopers at the scene.



AN 18-YEAR-OLD Cass City woman allegedly involved in a hit-and-run accident in Caro Friday night led a state police trooper on a chase into Cass City, where she lost control of her vehicle and struck a concrete fuel pump island at the Village Service Center.



THE LATEST ADDITION to the Thumb Quilt Trail can be found just a few miles north of Cass City at the Andrea and Bill Shagene place along Cemetery Road, where the organization's largest quilt block to-date - measuring a whopping 16 feet – was installed last week.

Thumb Quilt Trail group rolling full steam ahead

by Tom Montgomery

Organizers of the Thumb Quilt Trail have rolled full steam ahead into their second year of existence, offering motorists picturesque views of a myriad of unique quilt patterns erected on barns throughout Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties.

That effort was highlighted last week with the installation of the group's largest quilt to-date – a 16-foot design placed on a barn at the

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Rite Aid robber faces lengthy prison term following sentencing last week

by Tom Montgomery **Editor**

An 18-year-old Caro man faces up to 60 years in prison in the armed robbery of a Rite Aid store in Tuscola County last January.

Tuscola County Circuit Court Judge Amy Grace Gierhart handed the sentence down to Devin J. Harris, 18, last week, ordering him to serve three concurrent terms of 20 to 60 years behind bars following his pleas of no contest to three counts of

Harris was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$894 plus restitution of \$356.

armed robbery.

Harris, who previously had no criminal record, initially faced three counts of armed robbery and one count each of carrying a weapon with unlawful intent; assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer – causing injury; and assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, all in connection with the Jan. 23 armed robbery of the Rite Aid store

in Caro. He was also arraigned on one count of attempted escape from jail through violence, and two counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, all stemming from his assault against a female corrections officer during an attempted escape from the Tuscola County Jail while he was being booked during the

early morning hours of Jan. 24.

in conjunction with a plea agree-

Police began searching for Harris after Rite Aid employees reported that a knife-wielding suspect had Harris robbed the business while wearing attempted some sort of zebra-pattern outfit. There were no injuries among store first strugemployees and customers inside the business at the time.

Investigators later said Harris was tions offiwearing a long coat with zebra cer stripes, with a nylon covering his then punching her in the face three head. Troopers from the Michigan times. The attack was recorded on State Police post in Caro took him surveillance video. into custody after their investigation

Those charges were later dismissed led them to an apartment in the area. During the booking process inside

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Devin Harris

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Sanilac man dies in crash

by Tom Montgomery **Editor**

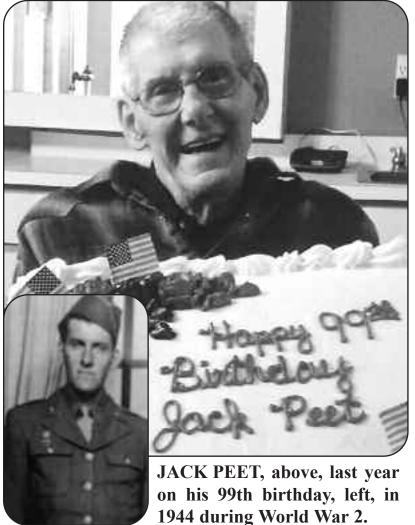
Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to two serious traffic crashes – one of them fatal – within a three-hour period last Wednesday night and Thursday morning.

The fatal accident involved one vehicle and occurred at about 12:10 a.m. Thursday on South Sandusky Road near Marlette Road in Sanilac County's Elk Township.

Undersheriff Brad Roff identified the victim as Robert Kirk Brown, 32, Croswell

'Sheriff's deputies and Sandusky police officers arrived on scene and found the silver Jeep Liberty that had ran off the roadway and crashed into some trees," said Undersheriff Brad Roff. "The initial investigation determined that a 32-year-old male from the Croswell area was the driver and sole occupant. The driver suffered severe injuries from the crash and was

Please turn to page 6.



Jack Peet celebrates 100 years

Jack Peet will be celebrating his 100th birthday. Jack was born August 13, 1915. He was born near Silverwood to Millie (Jacot) and Joseph Peet. He is the youngest of seven children. Jack's father was born while Abraham Lincoln was president.

Jack served in the army air force in World War 2. He married Mary Gammage in 1936. He has over 90 grand, great-grand, and great-great grandchildren.

He will celebrate his birthday on Thursday, August 13 at Carey's Young at Heart, 1341 S. Colling Rd., Caro, MI 48723, please send cards to

Jack will also celebrate on Saturday at a party given by his family at Don Anger's house on Phillips Rd. in Kingston starting at 1 p.m.



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Hanbys' receive Master's degrees

Husband and wife Eric and Susan Hanby both recently earn master's degrees.

Eric received his Master's of Business Administration Degree (MBA) at the University of North Carolina in Pembroke. He was honored with the top MBA of the year award and the Dean's Award for Impactful Scholarly Achievement.

Eric is the son of Jim and Rita Hanby and the grandson of Barb Hanby and Wayne and Evelyn Whittaker, all of Cass City.

Susan Hanby earned her second master's degree in education administration at the University of North Carolina. Her first master's was in math education.

She currently works as a full-time math professor at the University of North Carolina and is the daughter of Michael and Sun McKinney.

The couple resides in Laurinburg,

It's a girl!



Norah Grace Jurgess

Lauren and Jeremy Jurgess of Ubly announce the birth of their daughter, Norah Grace.

Norah Grace was born May 17, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. at Bay Regional Medical Center in Bay City. Norah weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19-3/4" long.

Maternal grandparents are Janice Sageman and Paul and Crystal Ruthko of Ubly. Paternal grandparents are Terry and Jeff Jurgess of Harbor Beach. Norah Grace was also welcomed home by big brother

30 attend annual Kretzschmer family reunion

The 75th Kretzschmer reunion was held Sunday, July 26 at the Owendale Park with about 30 family members in attendance.

There was an abundance of food for a buffet style lunch. Then a business meeting was called to order by President Marsha Kretzschmer. Many discussions took place with all officers staying in the same positions. Marsha Kretzschmer, president; Nancy Grady, vice president; and Pennie Rienas, secretary/treasur-

There was a fun filled auction and then time for visiting. Next year's reunion was planned.

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Clarke Haire **Publisher**

Tom Montgomery Editor

Tornodo safety is matter of common sense, knowledge

Following Sunday's tornado that ripped through neighboring Owendale - the second twister to touch down in the Thumb in just over a month's time – we felt that some inclement weather common sense reminders were justified.

Before a weather disaster strikes have a plan that makes sure everyone knows where to go in case a tornado threatens. Experts also say to prepare a supplies kit that includes first aid items, a battery-operated radio, flashlight, and written instructions on how to turn off your electricity, gas, and water.

During a weather threat, as we all know, get to a basement if possible. If you do not have a basement, go to an interior room without windows on the lowest floor such as a bathroom or closet.

Other safety precautions during strong storms call for, if you can, get under a sturdy piece of furniture, like a table and crouch down on your knees and protect your head with your arms.

If you live in a mobile home get out. They offer little protection against tornados. Also get out of automobiles. Do not try to outrun a tornado in your car, leave it immediately.

If you're outside, go to a ditch or low lying area and lie flat in it. It goes without saying returned to the house. Back to the everyday routine to stay away from fallen power lines.

After the weather threat passes folks should stay indoors until it is safe to come out. Be sure to check for injured or trapped people, without putting yourself in danger.

Finally, knowing the difference between a tornado watch and a tornado warning could save your life. A TORNADO WATCH means tornados are possible in your area, while a TORNADO WARNING means a tornado is either on the ground or has been detected by Doppler radar. Seek shelter immediately!

In an average year, 1000 tornados are reported nationwide. The most violent tornados are capable of tremendous destruction with wind speeds of up to 300 mph. They can destroy large buildings, kill livestock, uproot trees and hurl vehicles hundreds of yards.

Think a tornado could never strike locally? Well...you should talk to the folks at the deVor Dairy Farm in Decker.

Still, by using sound judgment, we can make certain that tornados don't take something we love and can't replace.

Slices of Life



by Jill Pertler

Tenderhearted tough guys --- and Chippy



I was all set to write this week's column about an incident that happened yesterday when I was cleaning lettuce from the garden and came across a lovely green caterpillar. The creature wriggled in the sink, stretching upward, trying to find a foothold for its escape. I called my son's attention to "Greenie," and he plucked the critter from the sink and headed toward the back door to put the little guy outside.

"Don't put him anywhere near the lettuce," I said. I was all set to write about a day earlier this summer when my husband and I found two baby squirrels dead in the middle of the road near our driveway and he got a shovel and dug a hole and we buried them in our backyard.

I was all set to write about caterpillars and squirrels and a few more of my family's critter-related habits when our cat let out a low, guttural meow in the dining room.

Instinctively, I got up and stood on my chair. When my son (in the family room) bolted from the couch toward the cat and exclaimed, "Oh my goodness!" I knew my initial analysis of the situation had been correct. We had a crisis on our

When my cat lets out a deep, raspy meow, it's because he is announcing, with pride, that he's brought home a trophy. After years of cat ownership (or more correctly, being owned by cats) I've learned a cat's trophy is often alive. Hence my perch on the chair.

"It's a chipmunk!" My son announced. "And it's shopping dollars. alive!" A chipmunk in the dining room. Things could have been worse. Once it was a snake.

A live chipmunk meant one thing. I jumped down from the chair knowing we were now in rescue

I grabbed the cat and ran upstairs to put him in the bedroom while my son stood guard over the chipmunk. With the cat safely out of the way, I returned to the scene of the crime. Chippy (we gave him a nickname) sat rigid under the table, undoubtedly scared out of his little chipmunk mind. Our plight was further complicated by the piano – an old and heavy upright – also in the dining room. If Chippy ran under it, we were in trouble. It was clear we needed reinforcements. I went to get a big brother.

The two boys and I surrounded the table, assessing our options. One son stood in front of the piano, blocking access. The other held a plastic cake cover. In one deft movement the cake cover became a chipmunk cover. We had the little guy secured. Next we slid a large book under the cake cover to create a floor for Chippy and we carried him out to the backyard.

"Run free, little Chippy. Run free."

After a moment's hesitation, he did. And we of normalcy that makes up our lives.

Letters to the Editor

Playground volunteers

deserve much applause

I am amazed how beautiful the Fun in The Thumb

I was one of the general coordinators that helped to

build the playground that had a completion date of Sept.

19, 1999. It was a wonderful community project build

My husband and I went to go help with the staining

project that occurred this past weekend. We found a

few great people helping with the project and daycare

workers providing guidance over their children in the

I easily can say that I couldn't keep up with their spir-

it and determination to stain throughout the evening and

the next day. Thank God the next generation is stepping

up to take care of our community. They put in count-

less hours of planning and work that goes unrecog-

go unrecognized, and this group deserves a "way to go" applause for all their hard work and their spirit for keep-

ing Cass City an amazing place to raise our children.

We have good young citizens in this community that

early childhood building next to the playground.

playground looks. What a wonderful job a small group

of young people can do.

that some people may remember.

We let the cat out of the bedroom and he is strutting around like a 14-year old declawed chipmunk stalker who still considers himself boss of the neighborhood. His tail is riding high. He is confined to the house for a while, to give Chippy a chance to recoup and recover, but the cat doesn't much care. He knows how awesomely great he is.

Some days I think I live with too many rough and rowdy guys – and I'm not referring to the cat. Today wasn't one of them. Today we saved a chipmunk's life. In the scheme of things that's something. At least around here it is.

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There have been a number of local businesses that have stepped up and helped sponsor free swim days at the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool this summer.

Among the contributions recognized during last month's regular meeting of the village council include Reggie Ignash Farm Bureau Insurance, Dunganstown Dairy, Thumb National Bank, Harris & Company, AAUW, Thabet Funeral Home, Revive Ministry, Novesta Church of Christ, Kranz Funeral Home, Pat Curtis Chevrolet, Curtis Chrysler, Kelly & Co. Realty and Hills & Dales

Let's thank these community-minded folks with our

***** The Department of Natural Resources reminds hunters that the application period for antlerless deer licenses is now open and runs through Aug. 15.

Hunters may apply for one license in any open Deer Management Unit (DMU) statewide; a nonrefundable \$5 fee is charged at the time of application. Hunters may choose to apply for either one private-land or one publicland license online at E-License or at any authorized license agent or DNR Customer Service Center. Young hunters, ages 9-16, can purchase one junior antlerless deer license over the counter July 15 - Aug. 15. No application is required. A 9-year-old must be 10 by Sept. 26 to purchase this license.

Any leftover antlerless deer licenses not issued in the drawing will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis beginning Sept. 9 at 10 a.m. EDT, until license quotas are

Once again you can spend your shopping dollars locally by visiting Cass City Hardware or Wild John's Party Store to get your license.

Under the direction of village trustee Nancy Barrios a time capsule is being put together by representatives of the community with artifacts that will be stored in the village vault and sealed for 50 years. Plans call for the black walnut box – that is being carved by Dan Weiss - to be opened in 2065 when Cass City celebrates its 200-year

If you have an idea or item that you think would be perfect to include in the time capsule contact Barrios at 872-

Did you know, people with one or more chronic health conditions are more likely to report having a work disability, serious emotional distress, and being limited in social activities outside their home, according to a new report by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The report indicated research shows that complications are more prevalent when the concurrent chronic health condition is arthritis.

More than one-third of Michigan residents have some form of arthritis – a rate higher than the national average. Nationwide, about two-thirds of people with arthritis have co-occurring chronic conditions.

The good news is that there are self-management techniques available that can help ease pain to lessen limitations in everyday life.

Physical activity is known to minimize arthritis pain, but it can be hard to find exercise options that feel both safe and effective. In Michigan, EnhanceFitness is a group exercise program offered throughout the state that helps adults at all levels of fitness be more active, energized, and able to maintain their independence.

In addition to physical activity, learning techniques to reduce pain and limitations can be beneficial to people with arthritis. Self-management education, such as the Personal Action Toward Health program, can help develop the skills and confidence needed to manage arthritis on a day-to-day basis.

Start feeling better today. Call your doctor or find an EnhanceFitness and PATH program near you today by visiting www.michigan.gov/arthritis.

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Wednesday, August 5

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

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

Thursday, August 6

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

Friday, August 7

•Adult Exercise, 8:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, open to the community. •Music in the Rotary Park, Cass City, from 6 - 8 p.m. bring your lawn chairs.

Monday, August 10

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

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

•Adult Exercise, 8:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, open to the community. •Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

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

Tuesday, August 11

•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.)

•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.

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

First Sunday:

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

•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.

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Second Wednesday:

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

Second Thursday:

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

•Living with Parkinson's Support Group, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, 55 Rapson Lane West, Bad Axe. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.

•Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121

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

Third Wednesday

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

Third Thursday:

•Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121 or Amanda at (810) 648-4497.

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•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.

Every Monday:

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

•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more informa-

tion, call (989) 553-5932. •Adult Exercise, 8:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, open to the community.

Every Tuesday:

•Al-anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon. •AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in

the hall next to the little stone church.) Every Wednesday:

•Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 4-6 p.m., LeeRoy Clark Building, 435 Green

St., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal. •Adult Exercise, 8:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, open to the community.

Every Thursday: •AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more informa-

tion, call (989) 553-5932.

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

Prosecutor: Sanilac Co. meth lab probe nets 3rd conviction

by Tom Montgomery Editor

A Sanilac County Drug Task Force investigation into methamphetamine production in the county led to a third conviction last week in Sanilac County Circuit Court.

A jury on Thursday convicted Brian Wheeler, 30, of Croswell, on charges of conspiracy to manufacture methamphetamine; manufacture of methamphetamine; operating/maintaining a laboratory involving methamphetamine.

All three felony offenses carry a maximum penalty of up to 20 years in prison. His sentencing is sched-

uled for next month.

The case stemmed from a twomonth Sanilac County Drug Task Force investigation that resulted in the execution of a search warrant at a residence in Worth Township, where Green and Kyle Brittich were found to be in possession of all the necessary ingredients to manufacture methamphetamine, along with a quantity of methamphetamine, according to Sanilac County Prosecutor James V. Young.

Green and Brittich previously pled guilty to manufacturing methamlast Wednesday to 30 months to 20

years in prison, and Brittich is schedsentencing uled for (Wednesday) before Sanilac County Circuit Judge Donald Teeple.

"All law enforcement and (my) Wheeler and his co-defendants, Ben office are working diligently to crack down on the manufacture and use of methamphetamine in Sanilac County. I am grateful to the jury's decision in this case," Young said.

"Meth is a terrible and life destroying drug that has a substantial negative impact on our communities," he added. "All citizens must be vigilant in preventing this drug from impactphetamine. Green was sentenced ing their families and their commu-

*Andrew D. Lalko, 25, Kingston,

was sentenced to 180 days in jail fol-

lowing his plea of guilty to posses-

sion of a controlled substance Jan. 9

He was also ordered to pay costs

*Caelin E. Hervert, 36, Vassar, was

sentenced to 18 months to 15 years

in prison following her plea of guilty

to delivery/manufacture of marijua-

na Nov. 21 in Vassar Township. She

was also convicted of being an habit-

ual offender (three or more prior

ordered to pay costs and fines total-

In addition to prison time, she was

*Joseph A. Nickens, 67, Kingston,

was sentenced to 40 months to 5

years in prison following his pleas of

no contest to three counts of criminal

sexual conduct, second degree,

involving personal injury to the vic-

tim between June 2005 and June

He was also ordered to pay costs

in Indianfields Township.

and fines totaling \$1,185.

felony convictions).

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

The following people appeared in Nov. 6, 2012, in Elkland Township. Tuscola County Circuit Court last week on various criminal charges:

*Elizabeth M. Bowen, 51, Cass City, received a one-year delayed sentence following her pleas of no Kingston, received a one-year contest to two counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Feb. 20 in Novesta Township and Jan. 29, also in Novesta Township.

She was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,883 plus attorneys fees of \$1,000.

*Joel A. Lakawskas, 29, Caro, pleaded no contest to charges of assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault), carrying a weapon with unlawful intent, and assault or assault and battery June 4 in Caro.

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

*Timothy P. Reynero, 33, Caro, was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail, with work release and worksite privileges, following his plea of no contest to delivery/manufacture of marijuana Dec. 8 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony convic-

In addition to jail time, he was placed on 24 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,258 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*Duane R. O'Brien Jr., 33, Vassar, was sentenced to 18 months to 10 years in prison following his plea of guilty to retail fraud, first degree, Jan. 20-23 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$858 plus restitution of \$941.55 and attorneys fees of \$500.

*David D. Taylor, 24, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation following his pleas of guilty to two counts of delivery/manufacture of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (50 to 224 grams) Nov. 17 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,326.

*Michael O. Davis II, 34, Silverwood, was sentenced to 90 days in jail, with worksite privileges, following his plea of no contest to charges of unlawfully driving away an automobile and larceny of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 March 23-24 in Dayton Township.

He was also placed on 24 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$926 plus restitution of \$1,463.20 and attorneys fees of \$500.

*Adam K. Easlick, 35, Ypsilanti, was placed on six months probation following his plea of guilty to offering or attempting to vote in a precinct in which he did not reside

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$458 plus attorneys fees of \$100.

*Shawn M. Heronemus, 31, delayed sentence following his pleas of guilty to two counts of breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny, conspiracy to commit breaking and entering with intent to commit larceny, larceny of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000, and receiving and concealing stolen property valued at more than \$1,000 Oct. 2 in Wells Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$862 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*Enrico Florio, 37, Caro, pleaded no contest to charges of possession of burglar's tools and breaking and entering a building – without breaking – with intent to commit larceny May 12 in Almer Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Larry W. Bloodworth Jr., 32. Vassar, received a one-year delayed sentence following his conviction on charges of delivery/manufacture of marijuana and possession of marijuana July 21 in Arbela Township. He was ordered to pay costs and

fines totaling \$1,408.

*George W. Willson Jr., 44, Vassar, pleaded guilty to two counts of Tobacco Products Tax Act viola-

2007 in Koylton Township.

and fines totaling \$1,894.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,500. Sentencing is to be sched-

*Terry E. Socia Jr., 17, Essexville, pleaded no contest to using a computer to commit a crime between March 1 and March 21 in Vassar.

Medilodge Cass City Celebrates "Resident of The Month"



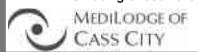
Our Celebrated Resident for the Month of July is

James Scott

James was born in Charlotte, Michigan, to Carol Scott. As a young child, James lived in Lansing with his family. Part of his young adult life he lived with his family in the Jacksonville, Florida area as well as Grand Ledge, Michigan. James has two sisters, Mary and Judy who currently reside in the

Jacksonville, Florida area. He has a niece Crystal and a nephew David. He also has a great niece Mary Jane who also resides in the Jacksonville, Florida area. James' hobbies include "surfing" on the internet, and listening to music. His favorite music is old rock and roll from the 70's & 80's as well as old country music from the 90's. James favorite activity to do at the Medilodge of Cass City is to play bingo and hang out at the front desk with the staff. James was chosen by the staff, residents and family because of his welcoming personality, caring for others and greeting staff daily with a friendly "Good Morning."

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Reporter's notebook



Diets aren't for wimps...

by Tom Montgomery



I've got to hand it to my wife, Deb, whose determination to shed a few pounds has prompted her to embrace some significant changes in the way she eats.

Her efforts have paid off with the loss of 15 pounds or so over the past few weeks. That's pretty impressive, because just about anyone who has tried to diet will tell you that changing eating habits isn't for

Deb tells me she's been following the Paleo diet. In a nutshell, she explained, this diet is all about eating the way folks did back in the day – waaaay back in the day – as in, if a caveman couldn't eat it, neither can you.

Of course, my first thought was, no wonder this diet is easy for her; she grew up in an era of gathering and hunting. But, in a brief moment of restraint, I didn't share the thought with her. At first.

Anyway, her diet allows her to indulge in lots of fruit, vegetables, lean meats, seafood, nuts and healthy fats. On the list of "no-nos" are dairy, grains, processed food and sugars, legumes, starches and alco-

Deb said she's feeling better and is never hungry.

As for me, I'm a dieting veteran.

Which is why I eat a ton of fresh, raw vegetables. I know what you're thinking, but you'd be surprised at how great a celery stick tastes if you coat enough thick, creamy veggie dip on it.

Chicken's healthy, too, and I tend to reach for the skinless, boneless, baked dishes. Thank goodness the colonel knows just how I like it. I also enjoy combining the food groups for a bit of variety. I recently enjoyed a recipe that combines vegetables, grains, meat and dairy. My unenlightened wife would probably refer to it as a pizza with the works and extra cheese. Hey, it had a whole grain crust (stuffed with

Balance is another key here, so I make an effort to include a healthy bowl of chili (cheese fries) or a few potatoes (the chip variety, which enables me to support local agriculture via Walther Farms while eating my way to good health).

In case you're wondering, I haven't ignored my body's need for fruit. Just last month I ate a banana.

Of course, Deb and I both embrace the whole "everything in moderation" concept. For example, if I had 4 slices of pizza for dinner, I only have two for breakfast the next morning. It's not easy to get used to this level of self-discipline – it takes willpower, folks — but I'm strong.

In fact, surprisingly, the whole lifestyle change hasn't been difficult

I just can't believe people pay Weight Watchers to help them figure it out.



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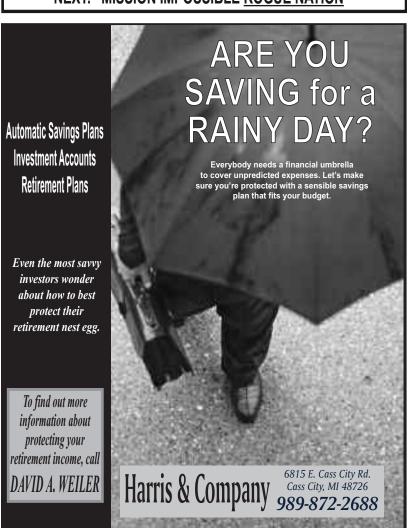
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Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2010)

Dean and Patricia Little of Cass City announce the marriage of their daughter, Alecia, to Jason Weippert, son of Lynn Adkins of Cass City. The wedding was held at Deford Community Church May 8, 2010 with Pastor David Cooper officiating. The reception followed at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bad

Army Pvt. James C. Cantlin has graduated from the Infantryman One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. The training consists of Basic Infantry Training and Advanced Individual Training. Cantlin is the son of Marc Cantlin of Snover. He is a 2004 graduate of Sandusky High School.

After spending more than 30 years with a goal of making kids excited about reading, a local librarian will keep that goal following her retirement. Donna Emerson was the media specialist at Campbell Elementary School in Cass City for 31 years. When she first started, Cass City had 3 elementary schools that she managed as a librarian. During her tenure, she even became the middle school librarian before the school district hired another media specialist. "I went into education because I wanted to make a difference," Emerson recalled. "I love kids and that doesn't stop." Adding to her 31 years at Cass City, she spent 2 years teaching in Port Huron and 3 years in Hillsdale. While at Campbell Elementary, Emerson started a Young Authors Program, which is the longest continuous running Young Authors Program in the Thumb area.

10 YEARS AGO (2005)

Ray Ellis says learning from his mistakes has been an important part of his ex-' perience over the years as a Boy Scout. Ellis, the son of Andrew and Natalie Ellis, Cass City, the Cass City High School junior has reached a goal that just 4 percent of Boy Scouts attain - earning scouting's highest honor, the coveted Eagle rank. A member of Boy Scout Troop 500, Cass City, Ellis will formally receive the rank during his Court of Honor, Saturday, Aug. 27, Cass City. The location is an approrequirement - his Eagle project - at Northwood, which offers assisted living housing along with a separate, specialized unit for dementia patients.

Maggie Guinther announces the birth of her baby sister, Josephine "Josie" Marie Guinther. Josie was born July 8. She weighed 9 pounds, 9 ounces. Her parents are Jennifer Fruendt and Randy Guinther of Florissant, Mo. Grandparents are Jim and Joann Guinther of Cass City, and Anne and Allen Fruendt of Florissant, Mo.

CASS CITY MASONIC LODGE, Tyler #317, awarded Eagle Scout Patrick Reed a \$500 scholarship he'll use this fall attending Lake Superior University. Present were Past Masters: Lyle Mezkerson, Ted Furness, Dougald Leitch, Robert Wood, Carl Palmateer, and Elmer Francis.

25 YEARS AGO (1990)

affection for his rabbit that won Best Grade rabbit at the Tuscola County Fair Cornell, a Kingston resident, also won an award for showmanship. It really isn't that uncomfortable,' Sharon Taylor, with her husband, Chuck, and Dr. Jeung, remarked Saturday morning, a day after becoming the first patient to undergo a laprascopic cholecystectomy (a new procedure involving removal of the gall bladder) in the Thumb area. Taylor was released Saturday and is expected to recover in about a week. "With this new technique, most patients are back to work in a week," Cass City surgeon Dr. Hoon K. Jeung, who performed the operation, said. Dr. Jeung pointed out that while a conventional cholecystectomy requires a hospital stay of up to 5 days and 4 to 6 weeks recovery at patient to leave the hospital after a day or 2, followed by a recovery period of about a week.

Ms. Frances Palmer Lovejoy and David Lovejoy announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy, to Randall Schuette, son of Clare and Donna Schuette, of Cass City. Miss Lovejoy graduated from Cass City High School and has attended Delta Community College and Great Lakes Junior College. She is

City High School and is employed at Dennis Francis, Paul Freiburger, Cole Carbide Industries.

35 YEARS AGO (1980)

Michigan Farm Bureau, has announced the appointment of 20 farmers to coordinate the process of developing policies which will guide the state's largest farm organization in its activities during the coming year. Jack Laurie, of Dodge Road, Cass City, farmer and vice-president of the Michigan Farm Bureau, will serve as chairman of the state policy development committee.

Eugene Otulakowski of Cass City was the winner of the side of beef offered by the Tuscola County held Saturday evening at the Tuscola County Fair. Drawing the winning number were Doreen Huizar, daughter of Chris and Nicky Huizar of Gagetown, and Roxanne Reynolds, daughter of Sandy Reynolds of

Deborah Ann Lenda is a 1980 graduate of Ferris State College, Big Rapids, with an associate degree in dental assisting. Deborah has just received the results of her national board examination. Having successfully completed the certification exam, she is recognized as a certified dental .assistant. She is now seeking employment in the Bay City-Saginaw area. The 1978 graduate of Owen-Gage High School is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Lenda of Cass City

Navy Aviation Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Ronald B. Van Allen, son of Douglas W. and Hilda M. Van Allen of Cass City, recently participated in exercise "Multiplex l-HO" in the Indian Ocean. He is a crewmember aboard the aircraft carhomeported in Norfolk, Va. The twoday multi-threat exercise placed emphasis on U.S. and British Royal Navy joint anti-air and anti-surface warfare tactics. The exercise was the first of a series conducted with the British force during the ship's multi-mission aircraft carrier is priate one. Ellis completed his final aircraft. A 1976 graduate of Cass City High School, Van Allen joined the Navy in October of that year.

40 YEARS AGO (1975)

Hills and Dales General Hospital births: Aug. 1, to Mr. and Mrs. James Copeland of Gagetown, a girl, Jodi Lynn. Aug. 1, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Creason of Cass City, a girl, Mary Margaret. Aug. 3, to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gross of Cass City, a boy. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Loomis cele-

brated their 23rd wedding anniver-Saginaw.

Deford residents can now "pitch in" to help keep their town clean, thanks Kullings, who own the Deford Grocery, put out three colorful litter barrels with the words "Keep Deford Clean" painted courtesy of Joe Stanko, Deford artist-sign painter in residence.

the Salem United Methodist church. There are 96 members in the McNaughton family and 80 were Stoutenburg and the youngest, Tracey Burns. Officers elected for the 1976 reunion were: president, Robert Bader; vice-president, Kenneth Bond; secretary, JoAnn Mrs. Harvey Fleming. McComb, and treasurer, David McNaughton.

50 YEARS AGO (1965)

ANOTHER PROJECT of the recreation program is the building of they were enjoying themselves are: Jan Glaspie, Craig Guernsey, Assistant Director Judy Quick, Tim Glaspie, Drew Guernsey and Director Barbara Tuckey.

WORKING WITH MODELING home, the new procedure allows the CLAY interests many of-the-children attending the daily recreation program at the Cass City Elementary School. They are: Rick Hendrick, Randy Wright, Assistant Director Linda Calka, Ricky Tuckey, Jerry Tuckey and Arden Lapp.

UNDEFEATED CHAMPIONS of the Cass City Little League are these Port Bank and the Bad Axe Grain members of the Giants. They are Co. Mr. Orr has purchased from Mr. Drew Guernsey, Mike Wood, Joe Zawilinski, Richard Bridges, Carl Blanchard, Vestaburg and Six Lakes. Zawilinski, Bat Boy Brian Helwig, The big deal was concluded employed by State Savings Bank in Scott Guernsey, Fred Klinkman, Saturday and the Caro. Schuette graduated from Cass Fred Harbec, Craig Guernsey, not made public.

Manager Robert Alexander, Duncan Wallace, Robbie Alexander, Coach Vic Guernsey and Coach Sam Wells.

Cass City Public Schools was ready Elton R. Smith, president of the to start the new school year thisfall with a full complement of teachers until the surprise resignation of Dale Sherman left a vacancy in social studies. Sherman's resignation has been received, but not yet acted upon by the board. A vacancy in the physical education for girls - has been solved, but contracts not yet signed, Donald Crouse, Superintendent, said. Apart from these two areas, the staff is ready for another school year. Returning students will find eight new teachers at Cass City they are Ronald E. Bass has signed to teach Democratic Party. The drawing was math and physical education. The CMU graduate moves from Flint Public Schools to Cass City. Another veteran in the teaching ranks coming to Cass City is John Bifoss Sr. He will be head football coach and teach physical education, geography and American history. He graduated from CMU. Linda Isbister is one of two teachers among the eight to enter the system that is not a graduate of CMU. Miss Isbister graduated from Alma College and will teach English. She previously taught in Alma High School. Margo L. Isard moves from part-time teaching to full time duty at Cass City. She will teach Junior High math. She previously taught at Blanchard Public School. Coming to Cass City from Laker High is William J. Lemcke. His major courses will be social studies. Mrs. Nancy Hutchinson will be a new fourth grade teacher. She started tier career at New Greenleaf School and comes to Cass City from Caseville Public School. Teaching part of the third grade will be Kay E. Morrison. She majored in English rier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower and speech at CMU: Barbara Lee Tuckey is a graduate of Michigan State who previously taught at Siersma School in Warren. She will teach in the sixth grade.

75 YEARS AGO (1940)

Memories of William McKinley, deployment to the Indian Ocean. The martyred president of the United States, when he was a resident of 1092-feet long and carries a crew of Caseville in Huron County, are in at 1 p.m. at Northwood Meadows in 3,300. The ship can accommodate evidence in that town today at 2,800 air wing personnel and 100 William Dormey's Blue Water Inn. A writing desk and chair, a part of the furniture in the home of William McKinley, Sr., now in possession of Mr. Dormey, may be added to the famous collection in Henry Ford's Greenwich Village, says the Huron News. Mr. Dormey has written Mr. Ford offering the furniture. Mr. Dormey also has a silver platter, once owned by the mother of the 24th president. The McKinley's lived in Caseville from 1873-1879 at that time the village was an industrial center with a population of nearly 2,000. Large mills were operated sary Saturday evening with dinner in there, with boat building, lumbering and salt mining the principal industries. William McKinley, Sr., purchased an interest in the Pigeon to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hulling. The River Iron and: Salt Company and moved from Ohio to Caseville with his family and cousins, James, John and Robert McKinley.

Evergreen Township's twelfth annual home-coming will be held at Shabbona August 17 with Arthur The second annual McNaughton Meredith in charge of arrangements. B J CORNELL HAS an obvious reunion was held Sunday, Aug. 3, at Committees appointed by Mr. Meredith to plan the event are: Sports, Roy Severance, John D. Jones and Josh Sharrard; grounds, present. The oldest member is Hazel Paul Auslander, Earl Phetteplace and D. B. McNaughton; baseball game, Earl Harris, Andrew Hoagg, and James McQueen; program, Mrs. Paul Auslander, Charles Hirsh and

100 YEARS AGO (1915) A township in this county with 200

qualified electors, of which number 130 signed a petition to submit statewide prohibition, is the first in" structures from sticks. Looking as if the state to send in a petition to the Michigan Anti-Saloon league in Lansing. Maj. Arthur P. Loomis, of Ionia, now associated with the Anti-Saloon league, predicts that the state will go "dry" by a substantial majority, following a tour of the state just completed.

Announcement has been made that Wm. H. Wallace of Saginaw has bought out the interests of W. J. Orr in Huron County. These include the Bay Port Fish Co., W. J. Orr Fish Co., Ballard Fish Co., Saginaw Bay Fish Co., Wallace & Orr Co., Bay Wallace the state banks at Remus, Saturday and the consideration was

Sanilac man dies in crash

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transported to McKenzie Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

"The Sanilac County Sheriff's Office Accident Investigation Team, which was investigating another serious accident in Argyle Township when this accident occurred, responded to the scene," Roff added. "Two additional deputies were (also) called in from home to the scene utilizing the Personally Assigned Vehicle (PAV) Program to assist with the investiga-

Roff said investigators believe alcohol was a contributing factor in the crash.

Elk Township fire fighters along with troopers from the Michigan State Police and Sanilac EMS all assisted deputies at the scene.

The accident remains under investigation.

Argyle crash

Deputies were called to investigate the other crash Wednesday at 9:37 p.m. on Sheldon Road near Shabbona Road.

"Dispatch was advised the (lone) vehicle had rolled over and three occupants were injured," Roff reported, adding deputies along with the Argyle Township Fire Department and two Sanilac EMS crews responded to the

"The 36-year-old female driver from the Sandusky area was taken to McKenzie Hospital for treatment of her injuries. A 23-year-old passenger from the Deckerville area was also taken to McKenzie for treatment. A 37year-old male passenger from the Sandusky area was taken to Deckerville, where a LifeNet Helicopter transported him to Covenant Hospital in Saginaw for treatment of his injuries," Roff said.

"The initial investigation indicates the vehicle was traveling southbound and the operator lost control on the dirt road," Roff said. "The vehicle ran off the roadway to the left, where it began overturning. The vehicle rolled end-over-end and side-over-side several times before coming to rest on its roof."

The accident is still under investigation, according to Roff, who noted alcohol and speed are both believed to have been factors in the crash.

ble criminal charges," Roff said.



SANILAC COUNTY Sheriff's deputies are continuing their investigation into "The names of the driver and occupants are being withheld pending possial a fatal traffic crash that claimed the life of a Croswell man last week.

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Obituaries

Georgene "Gene" Palmer

Georgene "Gene" Palmer, 98, of



Cass City, died Sunday, July 26, 2015 in Northwood Meadows Medical Care Unit, Cass City. She was born March 14, 1917 in Emily, Olivia, Allison, Alex, Steven,

VanWinkle. She married home in Cass City. He died January

Gene worked a few jobs in her younger years, including working for Detroit Edison, the phone company and as sound person at the Cass Theatre. Gene attended a year of business/secretarial school at Central Michigan University after her graduation from Cass City High School. She later worked at the Caro Drug Marlette that they worked together for more than 25 years. She was an alhome.com. avid bird watcher, able to identify most birds she saw. Gene enjoyed Funeral Home of Cass City.

knitting, crocheting, sewing and cooking. She volunteered as a 4-H leader, teaching cooking and sewing. Gene enjoyed deer and small game hunting in years past. She loved animals. Gene enjoyed playing golf in leagues in Cass City, Caro and Marlette. She was an avid Bridge player and played until she was 95 years old when she decided she was too old to play any longer. Gene had a quick wit right up to the end and always had a one liner to offer.

Gene is survived by her children: Linda Palmer of Ann Arbor, Fran Palmer Lovejoy of Cass City, Mary (Michael) Daniels of Township, Thomas (Carol) Palmer of Deford; grandchildren: Jonathan (Faouzie Alchahal) Kuehnle, Amy (Randy) Schuette, Sarah Lovejoy, Rebecca Bass, Michael Kasdorf. Leena Palmer, Grant Palmer, Jack (Mandy) Palmer, Blake (Trisha) Palmer, Alex (Josie) Palmer; greatgrandchildren: Erin (John) Tuckey, Caro to Grant and Yulu (Smith) Meghan, Jamison, Thomas; several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in Palmer July 6, 1938 at the family brother, Richard VanWinkle; sister, Sharlie Wilsie.

> A private family graveside service will be held at 12:00 p.m. Saturday, August 15, 2015 at her graveside in Indianfields Township Cemetery, Caro with Debra L. Kranz, Funeral Service Celebrant officiating.

Interment will be in Indianfields Cemetery, Township Memorials may be made to United Store and a local golf course. But Hospice of Marlette or Cass River Gene's life work was by her hus- Pet Friendz. Family and friends may band's side on their dairy farm in share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuner-

Arrangements were made by Kranz

Sanilac County sheriff promotes deputy DuBois

the position of uniform services ser-

"Sgt. DuBois is a 2003 graduate of

Sgt. Ronald DuBois Jr.

The Sanilac County Sheriff's Harbor Beach High School and a Department recently announced the U.S. Army veteran. He received his promotion of Ronald DuBois Jr. to associate's degree and police training from Delta College and police academy, graduating in 2009," said Sanilac County Undersheriff Brad

> DuBois began his career with the sheriff's department following his training and has held a number of positions at the department, including Special Response Team member, firearms instructor and A.L.I.C.E. Program instructor.

> DuBois resides in the Applegate area with his wife, Erica, and their two children.

"I am pleased to promote Sgt. DuBois, and I know his addition to the command team will only assist us in moving forward in our pledge to serve the public," Sheriff Garry

Rite Aid robber faces prison

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In addition to the charges related to the Rite Aid robbery, Harris was arraigned just days earlier after he allegedly attempted to rob Ziels Wine Shop, formerly the Caro Wine Shop, located at 895 S. State St., at knife-

Those charges, including carrying a concealed weapon and possession of a weapon with unlawful intent, were also dismissed when Harris agreed to plead no contest to the armed robbery charges in connection with his Jan. 23

Prior to entering his pleas, Harris' attorney requested a psychiatric examination for his client, who was subsequently found competent to face criminal charges.

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EMERGENCY CREWS thorughout the Thumb spent hours clearing roadways and other areas of downed trees and electrical wires following Sunday night's thunderstorms. This was the scene (above) at the intersection of Fourth and West streets in Cass City.

Thunderstorms spawn twister near Owendale

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on Facebook, and was aired by various news sources

House fire

Locally, Elkland Township Fire Chief Glenn Guild reported his crew handled eight runs — most involving electrical lines down – between 6:30 p.m. and midnight.

Fire fighters didn't get much of a rest after that, however, when a house fire was reported at 5:30 a.m. at 4325 Sherman Street.

The home belongs to Ron Rogers, who resides at the residence with his girlfriend and their daughters, ages 6, 10 and 12.

Rogers woke up to the smell of smoke, according to Guilds, who said the local resident and his family were very lucky, as the one smoke

in it. "It's just an act of God that he woke up at quarter after 5," Guilds include trees damaging residences added.

Sparks from an electrical line ignited a blaze where the line entered the two-story frame structure, resulting in extensive heat and smoke damage.

"The outside doesn't look bad, but the inside – it's just a total loss," said Guilds, who estimated the loss at \$35,000 for the house and another \$15,000 to \$18,000 in contents.

The family lost everything, according to the fire chief. He said anyone emergencies. Additional help was interested in donating clothing and/or other items can obtain more information by contacting him at (989) 670-0155.

Sanilac County

The Sanilac County Sheriff's Department also reported a busy night as the storm moved through the detector in the home had no batteries northwest corner of the county.

"Preliminary damage reports and vehicles. Several roadways were blocked by trees, such as M-19, Bay City-Forestville Road, M-46 in the city of Sandusky, and numerous secondary roads throughout the county were also temporarily closed," Sgt. Paul Rich said.

"Central dispatch reported 52 weather-related complaints within a three-hour time period," Rich added. 'This is in addition to fielding hundreds of calls due to weather-related called in to assist in handling the calls, and several sheriff's deputies were called in utilizing the Personally Assigned Vehicle (PAV) Program.

Among the agencies that assisted were the Sanilac County Road Commission and more than a dozen fire departments, including crews from Elkland and Bingham townships, Rich said.

Thumb Quilt Trail group rolling full steam ahead

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Andrea and Bill Shagene place just a few miles north of Cass City along Cemetery Road.

"The Shagene block was designed by Andrea Shagene. It is named 'Roll-Away, Fly Away'," said Pam Stillwell-Binder, chairman of the Thumb Quilt Trail Committee. "It is a combination of three classic quilt blocks: 'rolling stone' for the family's stone business, 'flying geese' for the plethora of geese on their property; and 'propeller' because it is always windy there. The colors were chosen by Mrs. Shagene in autumn colors to represent the beauti-

Stillwell-Binder, who also serves as business development director for the Thumb Area Tourism Council, describes the Thumb Quilt Trail, established in the fall of 2014, as an organized effort to celebrate community through history, barn preservation and the legacy of quilt-making in the region.

The Thumb Quilt Trail project is sponsored by the Friends of the Octagon Barn and funded by donations and grants, including grants from both the Huron and Tuscola county community foundations.

"The Thumb Quilt Trail is a carefully selected trail winding through the Thumb region, including Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties," said Stillwell-Binder, who noted the barn quilts installed at various locations along the route are generally eight feet by eight feet quilt blocks attached to frames and mounted onto exterior barn walls. Quilt blocks have also been installed on historically significant buildings, such as the Big Burning School House and the Smith Alpaca Acres, both in Huron County.

"We officially opened October 2014 with 21 barn quilts - Phase I," Stillwell-Binder explained. "We are adding 24 more this year. We spent the past two weeks of June and part of July building and painting the new barn quilts for Phase II."

Aside from the Shagene quilt block, this year's additions to the quilt trail include one in Ubly featuring a quilt block patterned after a quilt that was soaked in a creek to cover and save children in the Great Fire of 1881, according to Stillwell-Binder. "We are also adding blocks to a centennial farm by Bay Port and the Dairy Barn in Sebewaing," she said.

"The quilt blocks are usually carefully chosen by the property owners for a meaning to their family or to the history of the area," she added. "The blocks are built, drawn, painted and delivered by a group of volunteers made up of the committee and their families, property owners, civic minded individuals and, this year, we had four high school students work with us for community service hours.'

Stillwell-Binder indicated she and her fellow committee members hope the combined efforts of the volunteers will not only enrich the lives of those who call the Thumb "home", but also serve as a wonderful example of what the region has to offer visitors.

"The objective...is to increase a sense of community; showcase, preserve and celebrate the Thumb region's rural and agricultural heritage and traditions, as well as attract tourism to our region," she said.

Editor's note: Area residents interested in learning more about the Thumb Quilt Trail are encouraged to visit the website thumbquilttrail.com, which includes information as well as a map of the trail. The group also has a Facebook page.





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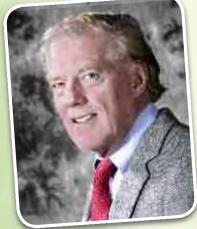


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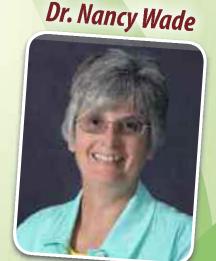
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Champions crowned at Rolling Hills Golf Course Sunday in Cass City

by Clarke Haire **Publisher**

Thirty-six holes weren't enough to decide bragging rights in Cass City over the weekend at Rolling Hills Golf Course

Jason Bitzer and Brad Goslin each posted 2-day, 36-hole, totals of 155 to finish on top of the championship flight standings, but would need a few extra holes to determine the winner of what many feel is Rolling Hills Golf Course's most coveted award.

"We had 25 golfers in 4 flights. They played 18 holes on Saturday and 18 holes on Sunday," reported Amy Lowman, course co-owner.

"Jason Bitzer and Brad Goslin tied for first in the championship flight. (And) we had a 3-hole playoff. They played holes 1, 4 and 9. Bitzer won the playoff and is the 2015 Rolling Hills Club Champion."

Bitzer's journey to club champion started on a sour note as he shot an uncharacteristic score of 42 on the front nine Saturday, followed by a round of 38 coming in, despite a double bogey on the 10th hole.

On Sunday, Bitzer posted two 9hole scores in the 30s including a one-over par 36 that was highlighted by a pair of birdies in his final 3 holes.

Meanwhile, Goslin was steady over the 2-day tourney. He carded 9-hole scores of 40, 39, 38 and 38 to force the playoff.

Other totals in the championship flight were registered by Tony Nika (157), Erik Tamlyn (160), Don Ouvry (161) and Mike Lowe (167). Also earning the title of club cham-

pion on Sunday were 1st flight winner Brad Langenburg, second flight winner Paul Brown, and James Kuntz, 3rd flight champ.

Langenburg recorded a 2-day total of 157 to easily turn back runner-up Daryl Iwankovitsch who posted 164. Langenburg, like Bitzer, was hoping of 43 to open play.

From there, however, Langenburg was at his best and completed the event with 9-hole scores of 39, 36 and 39.

Other 36-hole totals in the first flight had Austin Babich with 165, Rvan Lowman with 169, Virgil Peters at 173 and Larry Robinson at

Paul Brown outlasted Dan Caister



THE 2015 Club Champions at Cass City's Rolling Hills Golf Course are, from the left, Jason Bitzer, Brad Langenburg, Paul Brown and James Kuntz.

the championship with a 4 stroke margin over Caister, who completed stroke better than Kevin Roemer who placed third.

James Kuntz won the 3rd flight with a total of 181. He shot 4 rounds under 50 to hold off runner-up Jim

Smithson, who also tallied 181. "We had great weather both days.

for more on his opening 9 holes to win club championship honors in On Sunday the last team made it in Saturday, but finished with a round the second flight. Brown fired 9-hole right before the storm hit and then scores of 42, 41, 43 and 44 to earn we got over 3" of rain at the course," noted Lowman.

Recent past winners of Club 36 holes with a total of 174, one Champion at Rolling Hills Golf Course include Tamlyn (2014, 2012) and Nika (2013).

Others who have earned club champion status at the par 35 course include Ed Pasant, Jerry Toner, Dale McIntosh, Paul Chappel, Dave Lovejoy and Bill Kritzman.

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DNR releases fish-stocking efforts

The Michigan Department of hybrid. Natural Resources (DNR) recently announced the final totals from its spring fish-stocking efforts.

more than 325 tons and consisted of

To complete this task, staff took more than 370 stocking trips to 732 stocking sites, traveling more than DNR fisheries staff stocked a total 100,000 miles over the course of of 20,099,988 fish that weighed 2,556 hours using 17 specialized stocking trucks.

"It was another outstanding spring

stocking season that will bring significant benefits and fishing opportunities to Michigan," said Ed Eisch, DNR fish production manager. "Thanks to the hard work and dedication of our staff, fish were reared and delivered to stocking sites in

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THE 2015 WESTERN Women's Softball Tournament champions are Nicol and Sons Excavating of Cass City. They are: (front row, l-r) Kristen Stahl, Sara Barteld, Katie Kemp, Dana Woodward, Megan VanVliet, Jaime Nicol (middle row) Kylie Braun, Erika Martin, Lauren Bukowski, Kathy Bouverette (back row) manager Nathan Hutchinson, Jessica Hahn, Holly Roth-Guza, Jennifer Kilbourn, assistant coach Stephanie Hutchinson and assistant coach Shirley Woodward. Missing from the photo are head coach Doug Hyatt and Taylor Braun.

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Racers showboat skills at Thumb RC track



PICTURED are grand champion racers Stephen Martek, left, and Patrick DeGuise.

The Thumb RC Championship Point Series held their second race of the season recently at the Thumb RC track near Gagetown. The series features 1/8 to 1/18 scale electric classes for all skill

A record 80 entries were seeded when qualifying began, according to Tom Claerhout, spokesman for the Thumb race facility.

"The track layout is changed for every race at Thumb RC and this layout did not disappoint. The old school dirt soil features a curving whoop section, several double jumps, a wall corner and a hill in the back of the track that offers step ups and step downs," he said.

Among the race highlights featured the presentation of the Thumb RC 4WD and 2WD Grand Championship awards. These awards were given to the best overall drivers in each division for the day. Patrick DeGuise won the 4WD award after racing in three different classes on the day. Stephen Martek was the 2WD grand champ after winning the 2wd buggy and stadium truck classes.

The next event at Thumb RC is scheduled for August 21st and 22nd. August 21st will be a benefit night race starting at 7 p.m. The third race of the Thumb RC Championship Point Series will take place on the 22nd.

Visit www.thumbrc.com for current point standings and track details.

DNR: another outstanding spring fish-stocking season

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excellent condition. The numbers produced and stocked were right on target for almost all areas."

The number and type of fish stocked vary by hatchery, as each location's ability to rear fish varies because of water supplies and temperature. In Michigan there are six state and two cooperative hatcheries that work together to produce the species, strain and size of fish needed by fisheries managers. These fish must then be delivered at a specific time and location for stocking to ensure their success.

Each hatchery stocked the follow-

ing fish this spring: *Marquette State Fish Hatchery

(near Marquette) stocked 610,194 yearling lake trout, brook trout and splake (a cross of lake trout and brook trout) that in total weighed 61,257 pounds. This hatchery stocked a total of 119 inland and Great Lakes sites using 56 trips that required driving 16,409 miles over

*Thompson State Fish Hatchery (near Manistique) stocked 8,003,760 fish that included walleye fry, yearling steelhead and brown trout, and spring fingerling Chinook salmon. These fish weighed 127,801 pounds in total. This hatchery stocked 103 sites (the majority located on the Great Lakes) using 75 trips that transferred from the hatcheries to required driving 19,472 miles over 508 hours.

*Oden State Fish Hatchery (near Petoskey) stocked 671,604 yearling brown trout and rainbow trout that in total weighed 93,423 pounds. This hatchery stocked 143 inland and Great Lakes sites using 69 trips that required driving 19,472 miles over 533 hours.

*Harrietta State Fish Hatchery (in Harrietta) stocked 1,213,899 yearling brown trout and rainbow trout that in total weighed 114,540 pounds. This hatchery stocked 267 sites (the majority located inland) using 84 trips that required driving 23,261 miles over 588 hours.

*Platte River State Fish Hatchery (near Honor) stocked 2,556,540 fish that included yearling Atlantic salmon and coho salmon, spring fingerling Chinook salmon and walleye fry that in total weighed 131,472 pounds. This hatchery stocked 39 sites (the majority located on the Great Lakes) using 39 trips that required driving 8,012 miles over

*Wolf Lake State Fish Hatchery gan.gov/hatcheries.

(near Kalamazoo) stocked 7,004,084 fish that included walleye fry, yearling steelhead and spring fingerling Chinook salmon that in total weighed 118,648 pounds. This hatchery stocked 60 sites (the majority located on the Great Lakes) using 49 trips that required driving 13,451 miles over 317 hours.

*The cooperative teaching hatchery at Lake Superior State University (in Sault Ste. Marie) stocked 39,907 Atlantic salmon weighing 3,868 pounds into the St. Marys River.

*In addition, Wolf Lake, Platte River and Thompson state fish hatcheries transferred millions of walleye fry to management unit rearing ponds for grow-out and eventual stocking this summer and fall. Several management units also stocked and transferred many species of cool- and warm-water fish within their units.

Fish stocking is a critical DNR activity. These efforts help pump between \$2.4 billion and \$4.2 billion into the state's economy through the sportfishing industry and associated businesses. As a frame of reference, spring 2014 stocking efforts totaled 19.3 million fish.

Fish are reared in Michigan's state fish hatcheries anywhere from one month to one and a half years before they are stocked. Some of the Chinook salmon and steelhead are imprinting net pens for the final few weeks before they are released. This acclimation period helps the fish imprint on the receiving waters which increases the likelihood they will return to the stocking site when they reach sexual maturity.

"Our imprinting net pens are run cooperatively by several different groups around the state," Eisch said. "This is an excellent example of how the resource benefits from strategic partnerships that have been built over time.

Some hatcheries will provide fish for a few additional stockings (consisting of brook trout, Atlantic salmon, lake sturgeon and muskellunge) to be made this fall. The lake sturgeon will come from the DNR's cooperative hatchery in Tower that is operated with Michigan State University.

The DNR welcomes visitors to its state fish hatcheries and interpretative centers to witness first-hand the fish-rearing process and to learn about Michigan's remarkable waters. For more information, visit michi-

SHOTS at Rolling Hills Golf Course





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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 August 13, 2015.

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Also the South 14 feet of the East 1/2 of To Jeffrey Burpee at 7440 E. Deckerville

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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 August 27, 2015.

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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.

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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 Cheryl Loeffler, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Michigan Mutual, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 26, 2010, and recorded on August 3, 2010 in Liber 1203 on Page 17, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty and 74/100 Dollars (\$115,440.74).

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 August 27, 2015

Said premises are situated in Township of Indianfields, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northwest fractional quarter of Section 1, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as: beginning North 88 degrees 47 minutes 56 seconds East (true bearing) 1445.00 feet along the North Section line from the Northwest corner of said Section 1; thence continuing along said Section line, North 88 degrees 47 minutes 56 seconds East 262.52 feet; thence South 01 degrees 57 minutes 57 seconds East 999.00 feet to the South line of the North fractional half of said Northwest fractional quarter; thence, along said South line, South 88 degrees 52 minutes 09 seconds West 262.53 feet; thence North 01 degrees 57 minutes 57 seconds West 998.60 feet to the place 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 peri-

Dated: July 29, 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 #453814F01 7-29-4

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by STEVEN J. WEISS and MELINDA C. WEISS, Husband and Wife, Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc, ("MERS") as nominee for Amerifirst Financial Corporation,

October, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 14th day of November, 2002 in Liber 902 of Tuscola County Records, page 317, said Mortgage having been assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New York as successor in interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. f/k/a JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee for WAMU Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-RP1 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Two Thousand Three Hundred Ninety One & 05/100 (\$82,391.05), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of August, 2015 at 10:00 AM o'clock Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola Cty MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 5.375 5.375 5.375 per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Village of Cass City, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: The East half of Lots 3 and 4, Block , Pinney's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the recorded plat in Liber 1 of plats, Page 60 now being 6B During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale. Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid.

The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney

Dated: 7/29/2015 The Bank of New York Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New York as successor in interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. f/k/a JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee for WAMU Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-RP1 Mortgagee FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C. Attorney for The Bank of New York Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New York as successor in interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. f/k/a JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee for WAMU Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-RP1 700 Tower Drive, Ste. 510 Troy, MI 48098 (248) 362-2600 WFHM FHA Weiss

Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC 5955 West Main Street, Suite 18 Kalamazoo MI, 49009 THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND 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 certain mortgage made BY Randy G. Clink II, a single man, whose address is 750 S. Murry Rd., Caro, Michigan 48723, as original Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., being a mortgage dated January 22, 2008, and recorded on March 17, 2008 in Liber 1143 Page 1142, Tuscola County Records, State of Michigan and assigned by said mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated June 20, 2011 and recorded on July 8, 2011 in Liber 1225 Page 964, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to Bank of America NA, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated October 3, 2013 and recorded on October 18, 2013 in Liber 1294 Page 552, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and then assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated July 14, 2015 and recorded on July 23, 2015 in Liber 1333 Page 1431, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is

Mortgagee, dated the 25th day of claimed to be due at the date hereof the October, 2002 and recorded in the office sum of ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN AND 34/100 (\$149,167.34) plus interest on the mortgage at 6.25% per annum.

> Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, at public sale to the highest bidder at the AT THE PLACE OF HOLDING THE CIRCUIT COURT WITHIN TUS-COLA COUNTY, at 10:00 a.m. on September 3, 2015. Said premises are situated in the Township of Wells, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, described as beginning at a point on the East line of said Section which is South 721.15 feet from the East one-quarter corner of said Section; thence continuing along said East section line South 600 feet to the South East and West oneeighth line; thence along said one-eighth line North 89 degrees 03'41" West 660 feet: thence North 600 feet: thence South 89 degrees 03' 41" east 660 feet to the place of beginning; Subject to highway easement on East 33 feet. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA § 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale.

> A statement that if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under this chapter, under section 3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period

> For more information, please call: (312) 541-9710, Kenneth J. Johnson, Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC, 5955 West Main Street, Suite 18, Kalamazoo, MI 49009. File No.: MI 15 2974

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLO-SURE SALE (TUSCOLA COUNTY) ¬ MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Robert Riley a/k/a Robert J. Riley and Jeanne Riley a/k/a Jeanne M. Riley, husband and wife, dated August 24, 2009, and recorded on September 2, 2009, in Liber 1183, Page 112, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said Mortgage is held by Frankenmuth Credit Union.

The sum claimed to be due and owing on said Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$101,748.19, with interest accruing at \$16.14 per diem. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage shall be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 am on Thursday, September 3, 2015.

The Mortgagee will apply the sales proceeds to the debt secured by the Mortgage as stated above, plus interest on the amount due at a rate of interest equal to 5.875% per annum; all legal costs and expenses, including attorney's fees allowed by law; and also any amount paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interest in the property. The properties to be sold at foreclosure are all that real estate situated in the Township of Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at a point 1080.85 feet North of the Southwest corner of Section 18, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, thence continuing North 250.02 feet; thence East 467.32 feet: thence South 250.02 feet; thence West 467.32 feet to the point of beginning. Tax Parcel ID No. 020-018-000-3200-01 Commonly known as: 5877 S. Vassar Road, Vassar, Michigan 48768 The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to M.C.L. §600.3240(8).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, under M.C.L. §600.3278 the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

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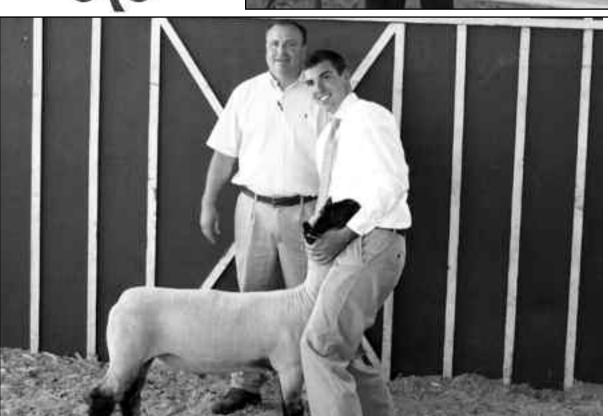
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Local 4-Hers shine at the Tuscola Co. Fair

RESERVE CHAMPION Pen honors went to Nathan Karpovich, (pictured right) son of David and Tonya Karpovich and a member of the Cass City Kids 4-H Club. He sold the pen of rabbits to state Senator Mike Green for \$240.



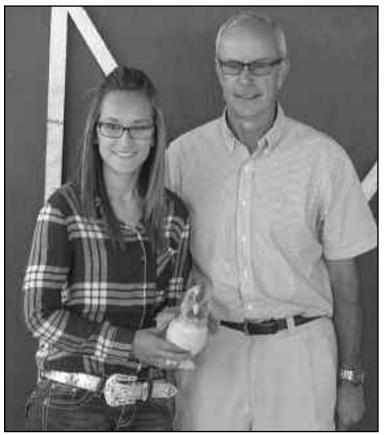




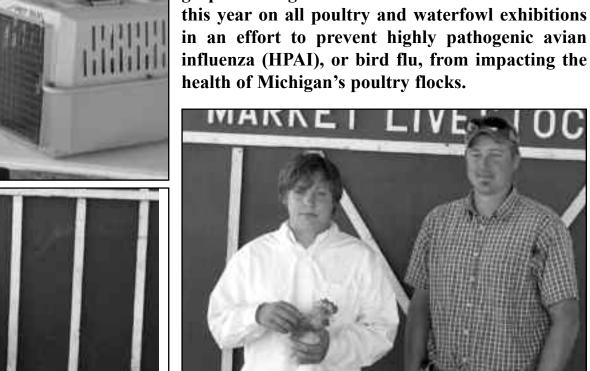
UNITED PRODUCERS Inc. purchased Clay Daily's (pictured above) Grand Champion Market Lamb for \$6 a pound. Daily, the son of Greg Daily and Linette Daily and a member of the 5 Star Livestock 4-H Club, also captured Champion Overall Showman and Senior Showman honors.



NORTH STARS 4-H Club member Alec Will, (pictured above) son of James and Lisa Will, sold his market roaster chicken pen to Will's Greenhouse, Vassar, for \$280.



DANIELLE WOOD-Seddon, (pictured above) daughter of Daniel Seddon and Wendy Bodeis and a member of the 5 Star Livestock 4-H Club, sold her market roaster chicken pen to the Cook GM Super Store, Vassar, for \$150.



JESSE STARK, son of Lonnie and Carrie Stark (pictured below) and a member of the North Stars 4-H Club, Deford, sold his market roaster chicken pen to Bruce Farms Inc., Deford, for \$160.

KALEB STARK, (pictured below) the son of

Lonnie and Carrie Stark and a member of the

North Stars 4-H Club, sold his market roaster

chicken pen to Bruce Farms Inc., Deford, for \$200.

Fair officials were forced to use props for photo-

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TAYLOR ADAMCZYK'S (picture left) Reserve Champion Beef Steer, weighing in at 1,420 pounds, was sold to Thumb Cellular for \$3,000. Adamczyk, who also won Intermediate Showman honors, is the son of Ronald and Jeanie Adamzcyk and is a member of the 5-Star Livestock 4-H Club, Kingston.



KYLE RUGGLES, (pictured left) the son of Tim and Julie Ruggles and a member of the 5 Star Livestock 4-H Club, sold his 270-pound hog to Greenstone Farm Credit for \$5 a pound.



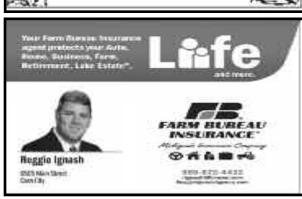
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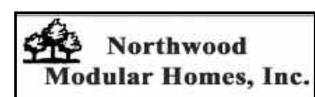
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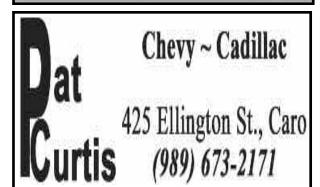








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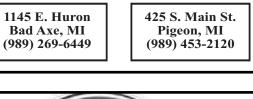




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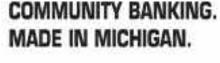




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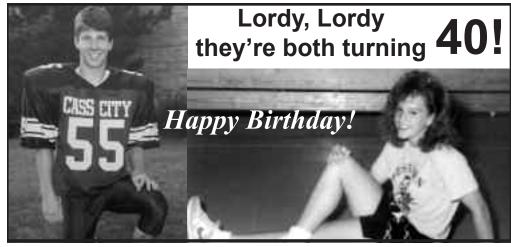
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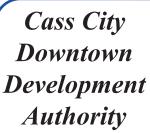














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