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## MEATING THE NEED

### Local FFA project helps to feed dozens in area

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A handful of Cass City area teens spent much of 2015 turning a \$2,500 grant, plenty of elbow grease and ample determination into an effort that would help to feed dozens of needy families in their own community.

And they're not done yet.

It's an on-going effort, one that members of the Cass City Junior-Senior High Future Farmers of America (FFA) chapter say they hope to continue into 2016 with another grant application in the works and a membership that has grown significantly over the past several months.

The local FFA chapter was awarded \$2,500 early this year as part of the FFA: Food For All program, which provides grant money to local FFA chapters to support year-long serv-

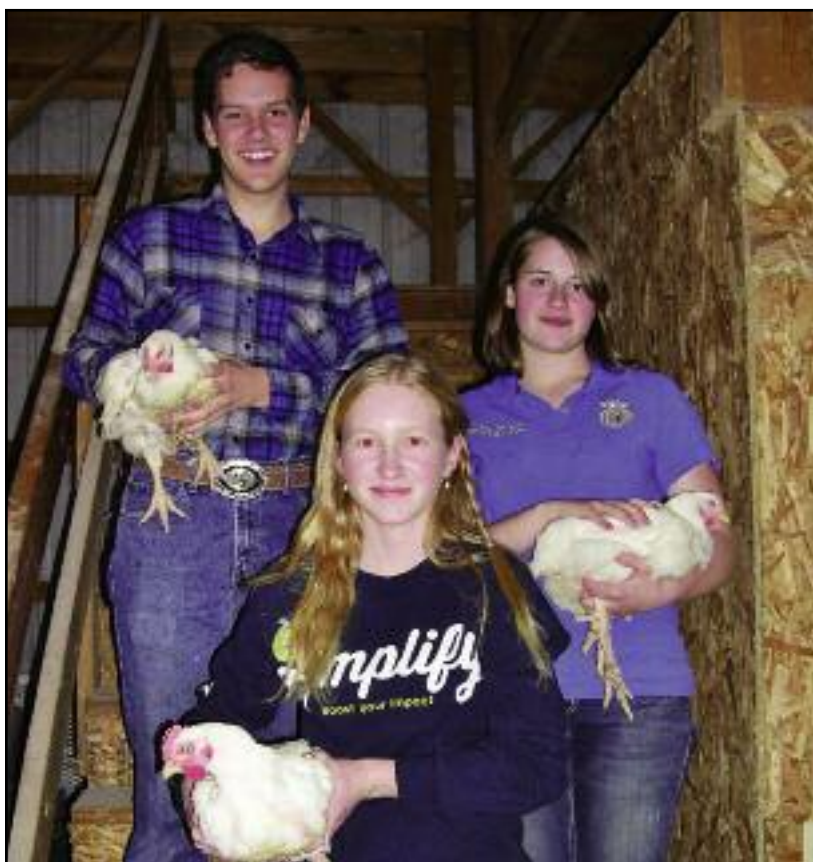
ice-learning projects that address hunger needs in their communities.

Cass City FFA members decided to fight hunger by raising pigs and chickens, then donating the processed meat to area low-income families who visit the Revive Ministries Food Pantry in Cass City. The effort was dubbed the "Meating the Need for Our Village Hunger Project".

"We had a new (FFA) chapter then and we wanted a project to do," chapter member Addy Battel recalled of the idea behind the project.

At the time, the chapter – now 13 members strong -- was composed of Battel, an eighth grade student and the daughter of Bob and Sue Battel; Pearl Daskam, also in the eighth grade and the daughter of Michael and Tami Daskam; Shane Auten, a high school freshman and the son of

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**CASS CITY FFA members (from left) Shane Auten, 14, Pearl Daskam, 13, and Addy Battel, 13, hold chickens that are part of the final batch of poultry set to be donated to Revive Ministries, Cass City, this year as part of the local FFA's "Meating the Need for Our Village Hunger Project".**

## Oh, deer!

### Thumb a danger zone for motorists in November with deer on the move

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

You would be hard pressed to find a Michigan motorist who hasn't had at least one close call with a car-deer collision.

That's especially true in the rural Thumb, where drivers in Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties annually hit hundreds of whitetails, and many of those accidents occur in the fall.

In fact, November is one of the two most dangerous months (October is the other) in the state for deer-vehicle crashes, according to the Michigan Deer Crash Coalition, a broad affiliation of groups representing law enforcement, traffic safety, insurance, natural resources, higher education and strategic regional planning in the public and private sectors.

"Many injuries and deaths occur when motorists veer to avoid deer, so when a (collision) is unavoidable, it is important to have your hands on the steering wheel, slow down and stay in your own lane," said Lori Conarton, chair of the Michigan Deer Crash Coalition, which was formed to promote awareness of the cost – in terms of injuries and deaths as well as property damage – as a result of car-deer accidents each year on the state's roadways.

"Vehicle-deer crashes in Michigan are expensive, causing at least \$130 million in damage annually," added Conarton, who represents the Insurance Institute of Michigan on the coalition.

In 2014, there were 45,690 deer-vehicle collisions, down from 49,205 the year before.

Oakland County posted the most such accidents – 1,750 – while Kent and Jackson counties weren't far behind with 1,338 and 1,279 car-deer accidents.

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"I LIKE TO get off the beaten path because it's a slower pace. You can observe your surroundings and see so much more," Cheryl Viney Osentoski said of her approach to photography. The long-time Cass City resident describes time with her camera as a hobby, but images she's captured of wildlife and scenery (above) are drawing rave reviews from those familiar with her Facebook page.

## Picture Perfect

### Osentoski finds extraordinary images in out-of-the-way places

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

If you're looking for photography buff Cheryl Viney Osentoski, you probably won't find her in the usual places photographers go to practice their craft.

And Osentoski wouldn't have it any other way.

Oh, sure, Osentoski enjoys her fair share of portrait duties for family members and friends, but her passion for capturing real life images up close – everything from

a Bald Eagle in flight to a surreal sunset over a farm field — has earned her a reputation for taking photos in out-of-the-way places. And it's a reputation that has a growing number of viewers stopping and taking notice.

"I like to get off the beaten path because it's a slower pace. You can observe your surroundings and see so much more than if you are at a faster pace," said Osentoski, a Pontiac native who moved to Cass City with her parents – Patricia

Viney and the late Albert Viney — at

the age of nine.

"I have always loved taking pictures. As a matter of fact, when my oldest brother died five years ago, my sister-in-law asked me for some pictures of him because I was always the one taking pictures," said Osentoski, whose interest in capturing images on film was sparked at a young age.

"I would have to say shortly after we moved here in 1969 is when I started using a camera," she recalled. "I remember taking pic-

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## Volunteers always welcome at community Thanksgiving meal

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Thanksgiving is still another week away, but you can bet all of the work that goes into feeding small army has been on Scott Mills' mind for some time already.

That's not to say Mills is panicking. In fact, the area resident is a veteran when it comes to organizing a large Thanksgiving dinner, having served as coordinator of Cass City's Community Thanksgiving Dinner for the past 25 years or so.

A big part of that responsibility is lining up an adequate crew to cook, set up, clean up and put away, and Mills is quick to say he isn't in the habit of turning down volunteers, especially when he typically anticipates preparing and serving enough food for roughly 250 people.

"As always, I'm open to volunteers, both the day before the meal – cooking – and the day of – serving and clean-up," said Mills, who noted much of the food preparation takes place the day before the dinner. And, of course,

there's also plenty to do on the day of the meal, including setting up.

Anyone interested in lending a hand can learn more by contacting Mills at (989) 912-0753.

As is tradition, this year's dinner will be held Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 26, at the Cass City United Methodist Church, located just north of the village on Cemetery Road. The meal is served at noon, and everyone is welcome.

The dinner is free, but make no mistake about it; this is no charity event, and it's not a soup kitchen for the needy. This project is all about sharing and bringing members of the community together for food and fellowship.

The first Cass City Community Thanksgiving Dinner was organized back in 1986 at the former St. Pancratius Catholic Church (now Our Lady Consolata Parish) in town. Earlier that year, former area resident Alan Klco came up with the idea and, sharing his thoughts with Bob

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## Owen-Gage Schools announce honor roll

First marking period Owen-Gage honor roll students are:

3rd Grade: JoAnn Baker, Maddison Culhane, Danielle Hunt\*, Lucas McKnight\*, Lucio Torrez, Lily Willerton.

4th Grade: Addison Bach\*, Shelby Bowers, Mackenzie Cope, Karsyn Gruehn\*, Isaac Miller\*, Conner Snear, Hannah Wood\*.

5th Grade: Casey Baker, Allison Haldane\*, Amber Haldane\*, Dagon LaCroix\*, Kevin Lopez, Erin

Morrish, Emily Schultz, Gage Witzke.

6th Grade: Madelyn Haldane\*.

7th Grade: Boyd Evans, Clay Evans\*, Carla Lopez-Izaguirre, Jameson McKnight\*, Libby Ondrajka, Alivia Roehrig\*.

8th Grade: Carley Haldane\*, Chentel Hill, Kaitlyn LaCroix, Andrew Roemer.

9th Grade: Jade Androl\*, Cordell Clarkson, Matthew Fritz, Megan Fritz\*, Keyan Gruehn, Nohelia Lopez-Izaguirre\*, Carlee Rievert\*, Mikayla Ross.

10th Grade: Emalee Bach, Natasha

Dubs\*, Aaron Fahrner\*, Morgan Ondrajka\*, Luke Retford\*, Kaitlynn Ross\*, Zane Schember, Derek Vincent, Alyson Witzke.

11th Grade: Abby Jeffery, Marco Lopez, Alondra Lopez-Izaguirre, Dylan McFadden, Cara Morrish\*, Myah Mulrath\*, Jacob Warack\*.

12th Grade: Austin Bieri, Justice Blackburn, Kevin Brinkman, Kristen Cummins, Dylan Fritz, Daniel Good\*, Devon Lorenz, Andrew Muntz\*, Tyler Roemer\*, Courtney Wightman\*, Jacob Wright.

\* Denotes all A's

## MSPC is offering MSU Crop and Soil science scholarships

Soybean dollars are available to help college students in the 2016-2017 school year.

The Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee (MSPC) is offering scholarships to students enrolled in Michigan State University's (MSU) Crop and Soil Science (CSS) program and MSU's Food Science and Human Nutrition (FSHN) program.

Scholarship applicants must be undergraduate full-time students (12 credit hours or more) in their junior or senior year and possess a mini-

mum 3.0 cumulative grade point average based on a 4.0 scale. Those interested students can apply for the MSPC scholarships through MSU's scholarship and grant department.

The application deadline is February 1.

MSPC is also offering a statewide scholarship for students attending other colleges or MSU students in a different program besides CSS and FSHN, using the same criteria as the MSU scholarships.

For the statewide scholarship application, visit <http://www.michigan-soybean.org/market-development/domestic/soybean-scholarships>.

"The MSPC board of directors looks at this scholarship program as a way to give back to Michigan's soybean farmers while promoting higher education and leadership opportunities for our future leaders," said former MSPC President Andy Welden.

## State Rep. Canfield releases November office hours

State Rep. Edward 'Ned' Canfield invites residents of the 84th House District to take advantage of his November office hours.

The office hours will be Tuesday, Nov. 24, from 11 a.m. to noon at the Sebewaing Township Library, locat-

ed at 41 N. Center St. in Sebewaing.

"These office hours are vital in ensuring that I am on the same page as my constituents," said Canfield (R-Sebewaing), who represents citizens in Tuscola and Huron counties. "Each and every comment, suggestion, and question that I receive helps

me represent the 84th District to the best of my ability."

No appointment is necessary. Residents who are unable to attend are encouraged to contact Canfield by phone at (517) 373-0476, or by email at [EdwardCanfield@house.mi.gov](mailto:EdwardCanfield@house.mi.gov).

## Baker College enrolling for 2016 winter quarter

Baker College of Cass City is enrolling students for the 2016 winter quarter, with on-ground classes beginning Monday, Jan. 11, and online courses starting Thursday, Jan. 7.

Registration is ongoing through the start of classes.

Prospective students are encouraged to meet with Baker College

admissions officers, who are trained to develop academic options based on the individual student's interests and goals.

Career programs offered at the Cass City campus include welding, human services, business management, business administration, medical assistant, pharmacy technician, early childhood education, computer

networking technology and information technology support specialist.

Baker College of Cass City students have access to financial assistance, including scholarships, grants, low-interest loans and work-study programs.

For more information, contact Aaron Faist in the admissions office at [aaron.faist@baker.edu](mailto:aaron.faist@baker.edu) or phone at (989) 872-6000. Students may schedule an appointment via the Baker College website, [www.baker.edu](http://www.baker.edu).

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**Answers to November 25**

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# In Our OPINION..

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## No need to tackle diabetes all alone

*An estimated 10.4 percent of Michigan adults 18 years and older have been diagnosed with diabetes, a fact highlighted by Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) officials during a Michigan Diabetes Awareness Month event Thursday in Lansing.*

*Maybe you already knew that. If you have Type 1 Diabetes, you're probably also aware that maintaining a healthy lifestyle through regular physical activity, healthy nutrition, and using medications wisely can also help you to manage the disease effectively, and even prevent or delay Type 2 Diabetes.*

*But did you know help in managing your diabetes is as close as the diabetes education team at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City?*

*"Diabetes is a very personal disease. It's not uncommon to be afraid of how diabetes will affect your health and how your lifestyle may change," said Kathy Dropeski, a registered nurse and member of the Hills and Dales diabetes education team along with Koree Muska, a registered dietitian.*

*"A diabetes educator is a key member of the diabetes education team and can help you learn how to take care of yourself, guide you through your treatment plan, and help you deal with any fears, issues and problems you may encounter along the way," Dropeski explained. "(We) help people with diabetes learn how to take care of their health, prevent complications and manage lifestyle changes."*

*Diabetes can strike anyone, from any walk of life. And it does – in numbers that are dramatically increasing. In the last decade, the cases of people living with diabetes jumped almost 50 percent – to more than 29 million Americans.*

*Today, diabetes takes more lives than AIDS and breast cancer combined — claiming the life of one American every three minutes. It is a leading cause of blindness, kidney failure, amputations, heart failure and stroke.*

*Just what is diabetes? It's a condition in which the body does not properly process food for use as energy. Most of the food we eat is turned into glucose, or sugar, for our bodies to use as energy. The pancreas, an organ that lies near the stomach, makes a hormone called insulin to help glucose get into the cells. When you have diabetes, the body either doesn't make enough insulin or can't use its own insulin as well as it should, causing sugars to build up to dangerous levels in the blood.*

*Insulin is a key component of diabetes management, as is diet, which prompted health officials to give this year's Diabetes Awareness Month the theme, "Eat Well, America!"*

*"It's never too late or too complicated to eat well," said Nick Lyon, director of the MDHHS. "With a little planning, prepping, and cooking, you can take charge of your diabetes and help prevent its deadly complications. For those at risk for Type 2 Diabetes, healthy habits go a long way in preventing or delaying diabetes."*


*Bottom line? Diabetes requires patients to pay close attention to their bodies and lifestyles. But they don't have to do it alone.*

*And cost shouldn't be a deciding factor in whether you seek help managing the disease. In fact, Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurances cover the cost of diabetes education, according to Dropeski, who invites area residents to learn more by calling (989) 912-6365.*

# Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

Writing a column




On occasion, I receive emails from readers requesting information about what it takes to write a column. Just how does one go about being a columnist?

Magic wand aside, there are numerous answers to the question, depending on the day. But I thought it might be convenient to put them all in one place. Or mostly one place, I may have left some of my notes on the piano.

Column writing is serious business meant mostly for non-serious people especially if you are attempting to write humor. The ability to laugh at your own foibles, errors and general imperfection is practically essential. If you can't laugh at yourself, how are you going to get others to laugh at you?

That is why, when you do something stupid, you want to make sure you take notes so you can relay your foolishness to the rest of the world. I'm pretty good at getting myself involved in adventures that don't always turn out as planned. When this happens I can hardly wait to do what any inept person (aka columnist) would do: transcribe them for all of posterity. Perhaps some day even my great grandkids will know how laughable I was. One can only hope.

Columnists – and writers in general – feed off of ideas, or in technical terms, writing material. Without material, you have a blank page, and nobody wants to read a blank page. It's not even possible. Certain life situations enhance column-writing material, namely kids, pets and spouses. Who are the wackiest people and fuzzies you know? I'm guessing your family. Mine, too. They give me some of the best family fodder around – for free.

Accessing information about your pets and next of kin is easy. Sharing it is not. You have to gauge where to start and more importantly where to stop or you'll become an information overloader. They don't call it TMI for nothing. You must navigate the tightrope between making an anecdote giggle-worthy for readers while not infuriating the people living at your house. This is especially true if you have teenagers, who are easily infuriated by their most embarrassing parents.

Writing about pets, on the other hand, is a no-brainer. To the best of my knowledge, mine can't read, so they have no way of determining when I share their hairball moments with the world. Members of my family, unfortunately, are not only literate but they read the newspaper. Luckily, they are forgiving and understand that I have an irreplaceable need to document the zaniness that makes up our life. Plus I cook food for them on a daily basis and most of them really like to eat.

Being married to an understanding, yet comically inclined, significant other helps tremendously. It is also helpful if this other has a great sense of humor, is able to put up with slight bending of the truth and possesses medium or preferably thick skin. Mine has all these traits, plus he's a whiz with grammar and serves as my editor and proofreader so he's a boost to this column on many levels.

Speaking of grammar, it helps to be friends with the grammar police who will shoot you down and lock you

up for the least of offenses. Again, it's helpful to have a spouse who understands that the effect of being apprehended for a grammar gaffe could affect my week in a negative way. I'm not going to lie (or is it lay?) my husband is (and has) a tremendous asset.

Grammar leads me to language usage. I love playing with words – to throw out terms like transcribe and posterity in a sentence and let them work their magic. Once I snuck the phrase "fish aficionado" into a sentence. That one was golden.

Finally, I guess one of the most important qualities of a columnist is to just be yourself. Don't hide. Don't fake it. I've never been good at hiding and I'm not sure I could fake it, even if I tried.

If I wasn't me, who then would I be? (Certainly not my cat, but don't tell him I said so.)

Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright and author. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.

### Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



Last week I made my annual journey to the Muskegon River – home of the chrome - to pursue steelhead. While I've made this trip yearly for about a decade, this year's Veterans Day excursion offered a few new wrinkles.

First off, we didn't fish the Mighty Mo anywhere near the Pine Street Launch in Newaygo, our usual put-in location. Instead, we accessed the blue river trout stream closer to Bridgetown at the Maple Bay Boat Launch. There, we used a technique that was novel to me known as back bouncing to land a few steelies and a rare brook trout.

It was the brook trout that gathered the most praise from guide Kyle Bush. He said in a dozen years of guiding on the west side river, my 23" trout had to be the "catch of the season," noting that particular trout species isn't known to thrive around the area we were fishing spawn bags from the back of a 19' jet boat.

Of course, Kyle works for tips.

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In an 8-day span, I attended college football games at Michigan, Central Michigan, and Michigan State universities. Of the trio, last Tuesday's game in Mt. Pleasant provided the best college atmosphere.

Yes, I enjoyed watching the action on the field more at the Big 10 games. And the food in Ann Arbor and East Lansing is hard to beat. But if you're looking for a genuine collegiate experience – at a reasonable price – try the Chips.

While the big boys – MSU and U of M – boast bigger crowds, the student section at Perry Shorts Stadium made up about 80 percent of the total crowd. And that's always makes for a fun time.

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With bow season going strong and the firearm deer season now underway, Michigan State University (MSU) Extension officials are reminding hunters to be safe both during their hunt and – when it comes to handling their venison – after the hunt.

Venison is a great tasting, tender meat, but it is often made less tasty or even gamey by the following poor food safety practices. MSU's Michigan fresh fact sheet, "Michigan Fresh Venison", is now available to answer all your questions about safely using, storing and preserving venison.

Food safety is important to keep in mind when field dressing wild game. Recommendations for a "tool kit" to assist in field dressing game include gloves, a sharp knife, paper towels, plastic bags, hand sanitizer or hand wipes (although hand washing is strongly recommended as soon as possible with hot water and soap) and equipment necessary for getting your deer back home or to a vehicle without contaminating the meat.

Remember to be aware of the temperature at which you are hanging or storing your deer or venison meat. Temperatures above 40 degrees can encourage bacterial growth and compromise the safety of your meat.

Freezing is the easiest way to preserve venison, but canning venison is also a popular method. When canning venison, you must use a pressure canner to process because venison and other meats are low acid foods. Low acid foods must be processed in a pressure canner to assure their safety. The pressure canner reaches temperatures high enough to kill bacteria.

Using safe techniques to clean, store and preserve your venison will allow you to enjoy the meat all year long.

## Letters to the Editor

### Memories of village very real and strong

This Saturday we will say goodbye to our mother, Elaine Proctor. We miss her already and know she is in a better place with our father, Tom.

In many ways, we will also be saying goodbye to Cass City. Maybe some find that a little odd, but the feelings are very real and very strong.

Our parents' deep involvement with the village instilled great pride for Cass City in us. Childhood memories and lifelong friendships were all made in this single square mile. Our little family pharmacy business on the corner of Main and Seeger streets prospered thanks to the many citizens who shopped there.

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### Strangers' kindness is very appreciated

I would like to take the opportunity to say how much I appreciated the kindness of the people who stopped and assisted me on Friday night when my son's dog, Petey, was hit on M-81 in front of our home.

I had let the dogs out after I fed them. Shortly after, I called them back in. While the one dog came, Petey did not. Unbeknownst to me, Petey had gone across the road.

When I called, he came. Unfortunately he ran in front of a car and the car struck him. A young woman who happened to be driving by witnessed this. Although the person who hit Petey did not stop, she did. She positioned her car in front of him on the road so no one else

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- Bible Study, 7 p.m., Fraser Presbyterian Church. For more information call 989-872-5400.

## Thursday, December 3

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

## Friday, December 4

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

## Sunday, December 6

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

## Monday, December 7

- 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.
- 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.

## Tuesday, December 8

- 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.)
- First Presbyterian Church Bible Study at 11 a.m. For more information call 989-872-5400.
- 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.

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- 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.

#### Third Tuesday:

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

#### Third Wednesday

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

#### Third Thursday:

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

#### Fourth Monday:

- Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (no meetings July, August, December).
- Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.

#### Fourth Wednesday:

- Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.
- 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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# Gov. Snyder signs legislative package to fix state's roads

Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder last week signed a seven-bill package implementing the state's legislative solution to infrastructure funding, saying the bills will provide motorists with safer roads and stronger bridges in the years to come.

The governor signed the bills in a public ceremony at the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association, where he was joined by Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, Senate Majority Leader Arlan Meekhof, House Speaker Kevin Cotter, lawmakers, and officials representing community, labor and business organizations.

"This package provides the single largest investment in transportation funding over the last half century. It will go a long way to improve Michigan's roads and ensure a safe and efficient system of transportation essential to a stronger future," Snyder said.

"Residents and visitors alike deserve much better than what we drive on today," he added. "This targeted, ongoing investment will help preserve and fix our infrastructure now and in the future, which is fundamental to continuing and accelerating our economic comeback."

Snyder said the phased-in plan and approach can help ensure the state maintains its now trademark fiscal responsibility and smart budgeting that continues to invest in core priorities and needs like education, local communities, health and wellness, and public safety.

Meekhof said, "State government has a responsibility to maintain safe roads and bridges and the people of Michigan expect the legislature to meet basic infrastructure needs. The road plan redirects existing resources to reflect roads as a priority in the state budget, generates new revenue for a long-term solution and returns taxpayer dollars to our hardworking families. We neglected our roads for too long. Now we have a common-sense plan of action to improve our

roads and make government more efficient and accountable."

"This plan will allow our road and bridge repairs to ramp up and continue for years to come," Cotter added. "Everyone in Michigan knows our roads are a mess and that they have been that way for far too long. Now that our economy is growing, we need a real solution that fixes our roads and keeps them in good condition for the foreseeable future. This is that plan."

Snyder said the comprehensive plan raises 20 percent more revenue than the last road plan in 1997 and adds the important component of adjusting for inflation to ensure sustainability and maintain buying power.

The majority of funding — 61 percent — will go to local road agencies in communities across the state, while 39 percent will be dedicated to state highways. Local agencies will be permitted to use up to 10 percent of funding for mass transit, with the exception of Detroit, which may use up to 20 percent.

Snyder said general fund dollars allocated for roads will be phased in over a five-year period to allow for fiscally responsible adjustments over time, beginning with \$150 million in fiscal year 2019, followed by \$325 million in 2020 and \$600 million in 2021.

"When all the components of the phased-in funding plan are added together, it results in the significant, much-needed investment of the \$1.2 billion required to fix Michigan's roads and bridges," he added.

The funding bills signed by the governor are:

\*House Bill 4736, which updates vehicle and motorcycle registration fees beginning Jan. 1, 2017. Registration and truck weight fees will increase by 20 percent, with a plug-in hybrid vehicle surcharge of \$30 annually and an electric vehicle surcharge of \$100 annually.

\*HB 4737 restricts state trunkline fund administrative expenses at the

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to eight percent of expenditures, down from 10 percent, and requires warranties on all local road projects over \$2 million. The bill also creates a task force to study materials and methods for longer-lasting roads.

\*HB 4738 updates taxes on fuel by 7.3 cents to 26.3 cents per gallon for all motor fuels, including diesel and natural gas, starting Jan. 1, 2017. Beginning Jan. 1, 2022, the tax rate will be indexed to inflation, a move designed to help to ensure the legislative solution remains a solution well into the future.

\*HP 4614 applies the truck fuel tax to natural gas and gasoline used by interstate trucks, starting Jan. 1, 2017.

\*HB 4616 ties the tax rate on diesel fuel to the same level as the tax on gasoline, making the per-gallon rate equal for all fuels.

Two other bills in the package implement targeted tax relief to offset the burden to Michiganders.

HB 4370 increases the homestead property tax credit from \$1,200 to \$1,500 and expands the range of eligibility for the credit to households earning \$61,000 per year or less, up from \$51,000 or less. It also extends part of that credit to renters, at the rate of 23 percent of rent paid, up from 20 percent. Both changes will go into effect with the 2018 tax year.

In addition, Senate Bill 414 will roll back the individual income tax rate in any year that state general fund revenue exceeds 1.425 times the rate of inflation, beginning in 2023.

Snyder also signed HB 4610, which allows townships to require county road commissions to competitively bid for contracts if the township contributed 50 percent or more to the cost of the road project, and HB 4611, sponsored by state Rep. Dr. Edward "Ned" Canfield (R-Sebewaing), requires competitive bidding for local road projects that cost more than \$100,000.

# Tuscola CAN Council bags funding

The Tuscola County Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Council recently had its Children's Trust Fund grant renewed in the amount of \$5,000 annually for the next three years.

"This grant will support our efforts in the fight against child abuse and neglect in Tuscola County. Not one cent of these funds is spent on salaries, or administrative costs," said Ann Hepfer, nursing administrator at the Tuscola County Health

Department.

Hepfer noted the CAN council has a three-year plan in place to reduce abuse and neglect among the county's youngsters.

"The plan includes continuing to provide funds to the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department for support of their child safety seat program, 2-1-1 to assist residence in finding local resources, educational campaign focusing on safe sleep and providing 'sleep sacks' and education, Love

and Logic classes, and other educational opportunities throughout the next three years," she explained.

Meetings are held quarterly from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at the Tuscola County Health Department. The next meeting will be held Jan. 21.

Anyone interested in joining the coalition or receiving information on coalition events and activities is encouraged to contact Kerri Rupe at (989) 545-8202 or Hepfer at (989) 683-8117.

## Circuit court proceedings

# Several recently appear on felony charges

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

\*Joseph A. Babcock, 20, Mayville, pleaded guilty to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to notify local law enforcement that he intended to temporarily reside at a location other than his residence for more than seven days July 22 in Mayville.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case, bond was continued at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Amy L. McKenny, 45, Vassar, pleaded no contest to a charge of

domestic violence, third offense, Sept. 17 in Vassar. She was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$3,500. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Robert C. McIntyre, 58, Mayville, was sentenced to 150 days in the county jail, with work release, following his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, June 13 in Vassar.

He was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,258.

\*Brenda F. Emmons, 56, Mayville, pleaded no contest to a charge of

assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer July 6 in Fremont Township.

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

\*Daniel H. Marshall, 28, Clio, pleaded guilty to interfering with electronic communications Sept. 1 in Mayville. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$15,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

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## Reporter's notebook

Desire a juicy turkey? Brine it

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor



I'm no Ben Crocker (Betty's cousin), but I've managed to earn a pretty decent reputation in the kitchen since my wife left me to fend for myself when she returned to school to earn her nursing credentials several years ago.

My specialties? Nothing fancy, really, but marinated pork loin grilled to perfection and served with mashed potatoes and pork gravy, along with sautéed asparagus is among my wife's favorites.

Another is my Thanksgiving turkey, which I always really look forward to preparing.

Now, I couldn't say how many other guys out there are the chief cooks and bottle washers in their households, although I've heard stories about some husbands whose culinary skills put me to shame, with their homemade this and made-from-scratch that.

I didn't spend much time in the kitchen until Deb went back to school, and I might have avoided it altogether if I had known then what I know now (once you take on a job, it's yours, pal), because I also took a crash course in laundry and dishes right around the same time.

But you know what? I quickly found that I love to cook, in spite of all the mistakes I learned the hard way, along the way. I'm not just talking about throwing a couple steaks or some chicken on the grill (although I still enjoy cooking both that way. What guy doesn't?). I Google recipes with the best amateur cooks around. Okay, so I don't always follow every instruction; I enjoy experimenting, even though I pay a little more attention to the details as my spice cupboard has filled to capacity and then some over the years.

A number of my experiments haven't exactly been met with a warm reception. One that has, however, is the way I prepare our Thanksgiving turkey.

Just a note: I wrote about this in a previous column, but decided to bring it back this year due to popular demand of my readers (in fact, they both asked me if I'd share this recipe again).

Anyway, I was wandering around the Internet for some crock pot lasagna dish ideas some years ago when I happened upon an Alton Brown recipe for brining a turkey that I really love, in part because it's difficult to mess this one up. And, again, I don't use each and every suggested ingredient or follow the instructions by the letter. But the result has been the juiciest turkey ever, and without basting, which is a waste of time anyway, in my opinion.

According to the experts, brining works because the salt in the brining solution changes the structure of the muscle tissues in the meat, allow it to swell and absorb water and flavorings. It also breaks down the proteins, resulting in a more tender turkey. Which means that, in spite of the moisture loss during roasting and the long cooking time, the end result is a juicier bird.

I prepare the brine the day before cooking, mixing one cup of kosher salt, a half-cup of light brown sugar and a gallon of vegetable or chicken stock in a large pot. I bring the mixture to a boil. Then cool to room temperature and refrigerate.

Later, I pour the solution into a five-gallon bucket along with some ice, and I place the bird into the bucket breast side down. I soak the bird for eight to 16 hours, but another hour (or three or five) won't hurt anything.

After that, it's just a matter of roasting your turkey the way you normally do, following the per-pound temperature and time instructions. If you don't have a meat thermometer, get one - it's perhaps the best investment I've ever made in the kitchen, and it pays off huge dividends with just about any dish you prepare.

Oh, and don't forget to let your turkey set for 15 minutes or so before you carve it (that allows the meat to absorb some of the juices in the roasting pan).

Give it a try and, perhaps, you might find cooking doesn't have to be a chore.

Now, if I could just drum up the same sort of enthusiasm when it comes to laundry and dishes.

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



## 5 YEARS AGO (2010)

Cass City native Ed Hartwick was recently honored with the Michigan Department of Community Health's Director's Choice Award for an Innovative Solution. The award was for Hartwick's work in designing the department's Communicable Disease Information and Resources website.

Ken and Marsha Grady of Cass City celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary Nov. 21, 2010. They were married Nov. 21, 1980 in Cass City, by the Rev. P. Thomas Wachterhauser. Ken and Marsha have 4 children: Melissa (Michael) Loghry of Portage, Scott (Lisa Gangler) Knowlton of Sandusky, Darrel Grady of Cass City and Kenneth Grady of Cass City. They also have 12 grandchildren. Ken and Marsha are the owners of Ken's Custom Framing, and are managers for Teegray Enterprises, LLC Apartment and Home Rentals.

Students at Campbell Elementary School in Cass City recently participated in a 2-week "Coins 4 Kids Program", which provides backpacks filled with activities and Christmas gifts for children being treated at the cancer centers in Ann Arbor and Detroit. In Cass City, students in grades one through 5 collected a combined \$1,649. The first graders collected the most money — \$560.37 - and were rewarded with an ice cream party.

Jacob Wright, a seventh grade student at Owen-Gage, has taken the first step to becoming an internationally recognized artist by winning a local competition sponsored by the Owendale Lions Club. Wright's poster was among more than 375,000 entries submitted worldwide in the 23rd annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Lions Clubs International is sponsoring the contest to emphasize the importance of world peace to young people everywhere. "My vision of this peace poster stands for world peace with no wars, and culture awareness," the 12-year-old from Cass City said. The poster was selected by the Owendale Lions Club for its originality, artistic merit and portrayal of the contest theme, "Vision of Peace."

CASS MIDDLE School recently held its seventh-eighth grade spelling bee, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 8892, Cass City. The winners, who received tickets to the Cass Theatre and coupons for McDonald's, were Aaron McClorey, eighth grade (first place); Ilana Blattner, seventh grade (second place); Luke Koepf, eighth grade (third place); Chandler Cryderman, seventh grade (fourth place); and Lindsey Monte, eighth grade (fifth place).

## 10 YEARS AGO (2005)

CHAMPIONS-Cass City's GTW league and district tournament winners celebrate the first district hoop title won in 26 years. Team members are: Sara Meecker, Courtney Rabideau, Ashley Hendrick, Jenni Brinkman and Kalen Trischler. Back row, from left: Caitlin Sorenson, Gllie Richards, Ashleigh Rabideau, Terra Czekai, Brittany Karavas, Maddie Dooley, Renee Czekai, Emily Schinnerer and coach John Maharg.

James and Barbara Gilliam will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 26 at the Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, with their children. They were married Nov. 26, 1955 in Flint, by the Rev. Lester Grey. The couple lived in Deford for 35 years and now resides in Mulberry, Fla. Jim retired from General Motors, Flint, after 28 years. Barbara retired from the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department after 15' years. They have 6 children: James (deceased), Michael (Debbie) Gilliam of Cass City, Charyl (Charles) Sanford of Hillsdale, Patty Martin of Glendale, Ariz., Randy (Honey Sue) of Ortonville, and Dan (Linda) Gilliam of Peoria, Ariz.; 11 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

Bryan Hill, a recent graduate of Cass City High School, has been selected as the recipient of the first-ever Thumb Area Quiz Bowl League Scholarship for 2005. Hill was selected after his outstanding performance at the league's Tournament of Champions this past spring. He won trophies in the areas of language arts and the senior category. Jim Green, the coach of the CCHS Quiz Bowl Team, stated Hill always provided the necessary spark for his teammates at competitions. Winning the scholarship was a feather in his cap. Hill is now enrolled at Central Michigan University and studying education with hopes of becoming an art and English teacher.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1990)

Linda and Fred Leeson were Thanksgiving Day guest of Carol and Jack Connell in Frankenmuth. Joining them were Helen and Jack Hulien of Caseville, Gail and Terry Wernette and children, Melissa, Abigail and Adam, and Elaine and Jeff Connell and Bob, all of Frankenmuth.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold LaPeer, Patti Timmons and Ruth Timmons were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Daylord LaPeer. Supper guests were Debbie Timmons, Wayne Curry and Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood LaPeer. Mrs. Bill Markham and

Shelley LaPeer were evening guests. Harold Gornowicz of Snover was a Thursday visitor.

Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Joos were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Joos of Independence, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Donald Joos of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McComb and daughter Megan of Clover, S.C., and Mrs. Helen Jezewski. Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Peters of Vassar had as guests Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Threlloff of Fenton. Afternoon callers were Phil Profit of Clarkston and Mrs. Doreen Anderson of Lapeer. Judy Threlloff and Doreen were school friends in Pontiac when the Peters lived there and had not seen each other in 22 years.

FERRIS STATE University dental technology students Karen Peyerck of Cass City and Kimberly Bacon of Luther recently received \$300 scholarships from the Michigan Association of Commercial Dental Laboratories. The awards, presented by Dale Harrison, Ferris dental technology program director, are given to second year Michigan dental technology students who have maintained a 2.5 grade point average in related studies.

SET TO REPRESENT the Sally Doerr Dance Studio in competition are Michelle Guzman, Pam Broyles, Becky Baranski, Melissa Micklash, Janelle Jones, Jackie List, Shannon Turner, Jenny Jones, Gia Mellendorf, Whitney Osentoski, Christen Lynch, Andrea Cooper, Megan Holik, Nicole Doerr, Courtney Turner and Anne Obertein.

## 35 YEARS AGO (1980)

READING AND EATING -- About 200 youngsters in grades 2-6 from Campbell Elementary School and Cass City Intermediate participated in the read-in after school Monday in the intermediate gym, held in conjunction with national Children's Book Week. Many of the children, it appears, had a bigger appetite for the snacks provided by parents than they did for reading.

FIRST SUCCESSFUL HUNTER to stop by the Chronicle Saturday morning was Bob Coryell. He shot a seven-pointer at 7:45 a.m., a mile east of Cass City. It was his third buck in 14 years of hunting.

Mrs. Paul Craig and Mrs. Arthur Little were among 27 relatives who attended a cooperative dinner Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Storm Jr. The McNeil families were celebrating the birthdays of Mrs. Robert McNeil of Colwood and Mrs. John Homakie Jr. of Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Carmack Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Garrison Stine were Sunday evening visitors at the Harrison Stine home, helping Harry and Roberta celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Smith of Decker, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday when they were guests of honor for dinner at Zehnder's in Frankenmuth, given by their children. Their children and spouses are Mr. and Mrs. Randy Smith, Ray and Debbie Buerkle, Jeff and Sally Moore, all of Snover, and Julie and Donnie Smith, at home. Donald Smith and Janice Dunlap were married Nov. 12, 1955, in Deford.

## 40 YEARS AGO (1975)

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jaus and Mrs. Helen Little were dinner guests Saturday of Mrs. Grey Lenzen at Bad Axe and while there also called on Mrs. Alice Beecher.

Frederick McClorey, Mrs. Glenn McClorey and Larry McClorey were Sunday dinner guests at the George Frank home when the sixth birthday of Sandra Frank was celebrated.

Fourteen attended the meeting of the Hobby Club held Nov. 10 at the home of Miss Katie Crane. Co-hostesses for the dessert meeting were Mrs. C. W. Price, Miss Caroline Garety and Miss Laura Bigelow. Mrs. Marie Murray read an article on the First Thanksgiving and games were played.

Mrs. James McMahon and Mrs. Wellington McDonald were honored at a coffee Sunday following the morning worship service in the First Presbyterian church. Both women are marking their 90th birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wentworth of Decker announce the engagement of their daughter, Darlene, to Jeffery E. Parsell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Parsell of Pigeon. The bride-elect is a 1974 graduate of Cass City High School. The prospective bridegroom is a 1974 graduate of Laker High School. A May 8, 1976, wedding is being planned.

To the editor and general public: I would like to commend Dale McIntosh and Brenda Breidinger, as well as their freshman civics students. As one of several parents who accompanied these classes on their trip to the state capital Thursday, I was sincerely impressed by the behavior of the students. The respect they displayed for their teachers was also refreshing. There were four busloads of kids, which in itself could be a bit unnerving. But from my vantage point and that of other parents on the outing, they were extremely orderly and well-behaved. Even employees at the capitol building commented on the fact.

The teachers deserve credit not only for undertaking the trip, but for having their classes disciplined so that it was enjoyable. They earned my respect have Mrs. Stan Guinther.

CASS CITY FFA members Don Koepfgen and Jeff Moore returned last week end after spending most of four days at the National FFA Convention held in Kansas City, Mo. Here, they display a commemorative gold-plated coin they received at the meeting that brought FFA members from across the country together.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1965)

FARMER STUDENT—John Laurie, Cass City, is one of 30 young Michigan farmers slated to take part in a University of Michigan program designed to create a hard core of new agricultural leaders. The three-year program, which starts in December, is to be financed through a \$432,225 grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation. John Laurie and his wife, Betty have two children, Dana, two, and Douglas, four.

Mr and Mrs. John Guinther received word Monday from their son James in Fairbanks, Alaska, where he is stationed with the Army. When he wrote, he stated the weather was nice with only a foot of snow. He also said the sun rose at 9:30 a.m. and set at 3:30 pm.

Baptized during Sunday morning services at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church by Rev. R. Eyer were Patrick Allen Walsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Walsh of Pontiac, and Karen Marie Boeh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Boch of Cass City. Sponsors for the Walsh infant, who is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Weippert of Cass City, were Mrs. Richard Lapeer of Deford and Fred Yanke of Caro. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Boch of Owendale were sponsors for the Boch baby.

## 75 YEARS AGO (1940)

Mrs. Ella Vance, local merchant, composes poetry as a hobby and receives many calls to appear before societies whose members delight in hearing her read her original verse. Tuesday, she appeared at the Rotary Club luncheon and club members enjoyed her renditions of "The Timber Wolf" and the "Cass City Fair." These poems combine humor, rhyme and rhythm and the productions are made the more enjoyable by the manner in which the author presents them. In the "Cass City Fair," Mrs. Vance mentions several hundred names—from A to Z--of persons who attended the fair, viewed its attractions, and enjoyed the visits with the community's citizens. G. A. Tindale was program chairman and Vice President F. A. Bigelow presided. The following is a telegram received by the county roll call chairman Saturday morning, November 16: St. Louis, Missouri, American National Red Cross, Midwestern Branch. Mrs. Grover H. Burke, Cass City, Michigan. The Central Committee today received the greatly increased work and responsibility of the Red Cross incident to the National Defense Program. Civilian and military programs, national and in chapters, necessitate a very large membership increase. I am confident you and your associates will patriotically make an extra effort to reach every man and woman in your jurisdiction with an invitation to join. Time is short. The next two weeks are vital in determining the strength of the Red Cross for the crucial months ahead. (Signed) Norman H. Davis, Nat'l Red Cross Chairman.

## 100 YEARS AGO (1915)

There remains but 1~ miles of poor road between Cass City and Caro. All the remainder of the way is either good gravel or stone road. And it is quite certain that that short stretch will be improved in the near future. Last fall Cass City citizens and Elmwood farmers loaded and spread 592 loads of gravel on a stretch of highway on the Cass City-Caro road. This season Caro citizens and Ellington farmers loaded and spread 480 loads on this thoroughfare. At a bee last Thursday and Friday, three-fourths of a mile of gravel road in Ellington township southwest of the Hargrave store was completed. Caro furnished most of the shovellers and Ellington and Elmwood farmers did the team work. A. T. Hiser, a good roads enthusiast of Elmwood township, contributed 100'loads of gravel to start this year's work and the remainder of the gravel was purchased from his pit. Ladies from both townships provided for the hungry workers. The Elmwood ladies served a big dinner at the home of Thos. Leach, sr., and the Ellington ladies prepared a similar spread at the home of James Wilson. Another road bee has been planned by Ellington officials to work in graveling the 1 1/4 miles near Ellington Corners and it is said that the good roads district commissioners have agreed to complete any part of this distance which cannot be completed by the workers at the road bee, thus assuring a complete system of good road between Cass City and the county seat. It was intended to hold this road bee next week, but the exact day or days have not been learned.

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# Get Involved: Cass City Lions Club

*Editor's note: This is the third in a four-part series the Chronicle is publishing on local service clubs. A final story focusing on the Knights of Columbus will be featured in a future edition of the paper.*

With a mission statement to empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs, the Cass City Lions Club was chartered Feb. 15, 1954.

Harry Little was elected as the first president of the local Lions Club that year.

The Cass City Lions Club is part of the world's largest service club, which boasts 1.35 million members in 46,000 clubs chartered around the world.

In 1925, Helen Keller challenged the Lions International Convention in Chicago to become "Knight of the Blind". The organization accepted Keller's challenge and have since worked tirelessly to assist those who are blind or have a visual impairment

in any way.

The Cass City Lions Club participates in the "Sight First" initiative by funding eye exams and glasses for local applicants, as well as supporting other sight-related causes, donating approximately \$6,200 a year.

Recently the Cass City Lions Club was honored as being one of 37 clubs out of the 5,000 nationwide to contribute a minimum of \$2,000 a year for the last 10 years to Leader Dog for the Blind.

The Leader Dog programs are crafted to address individual situations

and adapt to clients' changing needs at any point in their lives. From youth camp to orientation and mobility cane training through guide dog training and GPS technology integration, Leader Dog programs give clients the confidence and skills they need to live independent lives.

For many years the local Lions Club has been a major contributor to the Cass City 4th of July Freedom Festival.

The Lions have also distributed multiple scholarships to Cass City High School graduates.

Betterment of the Cass City community is a priority for the Cass City Lions Club, and members have been involved in building and improvements to the community's playscape, basketball courts and several other park improvements. The club has fully sponsored projects such as the gazebo, North Pavilion, South Pavilion, lion's head drinking fountain, and the Harry Little Memorial Flagpole near the Helen Stevens Memorial swimming pool.

To finance these activities and projects, the Lions organize a host of annual fundraisers, including the White Cane Sale. The Cass City Lions are also the state of Michigan

## The 2015 Cass City Lions Club



THE 2015 LIONS CLUB MEMBERS ARE: (front, l-r) Scott Mills, Dennis Meck, Earl Volmering, Bob Tuckey, Ed Knight, Gary Jones, Eric Brown, Don Warner; (middle) Wanyne Dillon, Paul Cheng, Richard Sattelberg, Ken Blue, Tom Craig, Steve Delong; (back) Richard Witherspoon, Dave Weiler, Craig Retherford, Blaine deBeaubien, Ken Martin, Terry Hendrick, Tony Nika, Jerry Mathie. Missing members are: Dave Keller, Kelly Smith, Nicholas Smith, Curtis Strickland and Al Witherspoon

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authorized distributor for Lions Chocolate Easter Bunnies sale. This fundraiser, in addition to Da Yoopers concerts and the club's annual Sunken Car Raffle, have generated significant dollar amounts from surrounding communities, in essence largely funding Cass City projects from non-Cass City clubs and individuals.

The Cass City Lions Club has always embraced – and will continue to embrace – the motto, "We Serve."

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Pastor's Corner

# Rat race? Or road trip of a lifetime

Road Trip or Rat Race? One is a thrilling journey leading to a great destination. The other is a constant struggle of friction, drama and frustration. Most of us want the road trip, many of us are living the rat race. So how do we get out of the rat race and onto the road trip? We start with Jesus and the Bible. We place Jesus at the wheel of our lives and we look to His word for the wisdom needed

for the journey.

In the Bible, the Book of Proverbs is an incredible source of that wisdom. Many have said that to read and understand Proverbs is to acquire a Master's degree across multiple disciplines. There are 31 chapters in the book of Proverbs and most months have 30 to 31 days. So whatever the day of the month, read that chapter of Proverbs, and consid-

er it your daily dose of wisdom; a spiritual vitamin, if you will.

Speaking of great destinations, did you know that the Bible actually provides us with a path to reach great destinations in this life and beyond? It's true, Proverbs shows us how to have really great relationships, sustained success, a lasting legacy, and an enduring eternity as well. Aren't those destinations that all of us want

to arrive at? Wouldn't it be worth an investment of our time to find the wisdom in discovering how to get there? I invite you to join me in taking the road trip of a lifetime with Jesus at the wheel, the Bible as our guide, and the rat race in the rear view mirror!

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**OSENTOSKI SAYS** this photo shot in Maybell, Colo., is among her favorites because of the colors and mix of images, including horses, a river and hills.

## Volunteers always welcome at holiday meal

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Gengler, the two men went to work. Volunteers from other area churches were contacted to put together a village-wide and ecumenical project.

Over the years, the dinner has been located at the local VFW hall and, more recently, at the Cass City United Methodist Church, where full kitchen facilities have enabled organizers to dispense with having to utilize three different kitchens to prepare all of the dishes.

Although the location of the dinner has changed over the years, the sense of community has not.

For many years, the Knights of Columbus provided the turkeys. In recent years, as the dinner has grown, volunteers have purchased the birds themselves using donations — diners typically consumer 14 turkeys over the course of the annual feast. Past community dinners also saw the former Sutter's Bakery roasting the turkeys, and various churches signed up to provide side dishes, salads and pies.

Today, area churches still contribute to the meal, as do local service clubs and Hills and Dales General Hospital, and other organizations. In addition, Cass City students have

become a driving force in helping to prepare and clean up after the dinner.

The philosophy, from the start, was to imitate the historical image of the original Thanksgiving. All were welcome and sat down together to enjoy the feast — just one large extended Cass City family pitching in, serving and joining in the celebration.

"It's a full meal and the intention is to sit as a family — a community," Mills said. "It's family-style. It's not a restaurant. That was the original intent and I think we've pretty much kept that tenet."

## Thumb a danger zone for drivers this month

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dents, respectively. Other counties on the top 10 list were Lapeer (1,153 crashes), Eaton (1,077), Sanilac

down from 967 in 2013, and Tuscola County had 763 car-deer accidents last year, down from 874 in 2013.

Deer travel in groups, if you see one



(1,053), Clinton (1,015), Montcalm (968), Genesee (964) and Washtenaw (952).

In the Thumb, the number of car-deer crashes in Sanilac County last year was down by 18 accidents compared to 2013. Huron County officials reported 909 collisions in 2014,

deer cross a road chances are good there are others nearby, said Brent Rudolph, DNR Deer Program Leader.

"Deer are often seen calmly feeding near highways, but when they panic, they may appear in front of our windshield in no time at all,"

Rudolph said. "Drivers must be prepared — look for other deer following the first in a line, and keep an eye out for deer doubling back once they have moved out of a traffic lane."

Last year, six people — all on motorcycles — were killed in vehicle-deer crashes. Another 1,072 motorists were injured.

Coalition officials remind drivers to stay awake, alert and sober; always wear a seatbelt; be especially alert at dawn and dusk; slow down if you see a deer and be ready to brake; and, if a collision is unavoidable, don't swerve — brake firmly, hold onto the steering wheel, stay in your lane and bring your vehicle to a controlled stop.

Motorcyclists are also urged to be aware and slow down in the fall, cover the brakes to reduce reaction time, use high beam headlights and additional riding lights if possible, and wear protective gear at all times.

## Osentoski capturing extraordinary images

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tures of my nephew when he was a baby sleeping in my doll crib, so I would have been nine or 10."

Osentoski's interest in photography hasn't waned in the years since, although raising a family with husband, Steve, has kept her busy.

"Christina, our youngest, lives in Colorado and is attending college to be a registered nurse. She has a son, Brenton, who is four years old," she said. "Our son, Nick, is married to Autumn and has two children, Avalon and Hunter. Nick just recently purchased the old Collins Service Station in Kingston, now called Kingston Auto Works.

"I would have to say once I had Nick is when I really started taking photos," Osentoski said. "I took photos before that, but no more than anyone else would. Maybe at family outings, special occasions or on vacation.

"We even bought a movie camera, which used VCR tapes — I'm really feeling old all of a sudden," she joked. "That was in 1984.

"Raising a family, there wasn't extra money to buy a nice camera, so I always just had the average (equipment)," Osentoski continued. With the kids grown now, however, she decided it was time to invest in a better camera.

"(I) bought myself a Canon t5i. I took a couple of classes at Delta Lifelong Learning last year to learn the settings on the camera," she said. "I've been self-teaching myself editing software.

"I'm not big into taking pictures of popular places. I like the places that no one knows about or has heard of or just random interesting things alongside the road that people usually don't pay attention to," said Osentoski, who counts wildlife and scenery among her favorite subjects, and who frequently posts her best shots on Facebook.

"I would have to say wildlife photos are the most challenging. They won't let you get that close and they are usually quick. You definitely need a zoom lens 99 percent of the time for wildlife — that's the lens I keep on my camera for the just-in-case shot so I'm ready when I see it," she added. "For scenery, I use another lens which usually isn't a rush-rush situation, unless it's the sun going down or a cloud that catches my eye.

"I almost always have my camera with me," she noted. "I spend a lot of time with my mom, taking her for drives, which she loves to do and I get to take pictures. Makes both of us happy.

"To me, photography is relaxing," Osentoski said. "The smallest, silliest, simplest, ugliest thing that you never paid any attention to is all of a sudden beautifully amazing, all because you slowed down enough to really look at it.

"I also enjoy the feeling when people compliment me on a picture — not for



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## Haire, LeValley top Cass City's Greater Thumb West star picks

### Eight Red Hawks honored for work on the gridiron

Eight Cass City football team members were honored as Greater Thumb West all-conference choices in 2015, highlighted by senior Parker Haire, the Red Hawks' lone player to land on both the offensive and defensive first teams.

With the ball, the 6' 1", 185-pound, end caught 21 passes for 313 yards over a 2-year varsity career. Haire also was a threat to score at kick returner and proof came on homecoming night with his memorable 90-yard touchdown jaunt.

"Outstanding blocker with good hands. A lot of success came in the off season for Parker, he will out hustle you and out work you, his hard work paid off," said Cass City Coach Scott Cuthrell.

Joining Haire on the Greater Thumb West all-conference first team offense were Red Hawk seniors Sawyer Cuthrell, Jake Lawrence and Ryan Schmidt.

Cuthrell and Lawrence are repeat first team performers. The third year letter winners have helped Cass City to a 20-11 record during their tenure, including back-to-back district final appearances.

Running back Cuthrell ran for 1,249 yards and 17 touchdowns in 2015, despite sitting out the Reese game due to concussion safety rules. During his career Cuthrell ran for 3,024 yards.

"Outstanding back with great vision and the will to win. Only one of two players who have reached the 3,000 mark in the past 16 years," Cuthrell said.

First team guards Lawrence and Schmidt had much to do with Cass City's success on the year, which tied

the school mark for most wins in a season at 8-3.

"Jake is a solid blocker and has good knowledge of the game. These guards are the main reason we are so successful in our running attack. Ryan is a great leader on the field with outstanding work ethic. (He) overcame a lot of obstacles during this season - proud of his effort," said Cuthrell.

Rounding out the first team picks were Vassar senior quarterback Tyler Humpert, Vassar senior running back Alex Hertel, USA senior running back Aaron Saenz, Vassar senior end Robbie Atwood, EPBP junior end Brandon Wolschleger, Vassar junior lineman Josh Waldie, Bad Axe senior lineman Nick Walsh, Reese senior lineman Chis Ratajczak and Vassar senior kicker Jona Keller.

The Greater Thumb West all-conference second team offense had one sophomore - Red Hawk running back Nick Perry - 5 seniors and 6 juniors. From the Class of 2016 are Tommy Morneau - Bad Axe quarterback, Chandler Peplinski - Vassar end, Michael Bittner - Reese end, Logan Breismeister - EPBP lineman and John Lutz - USA lineman.

Named from the Class of 2017 were Hunter Seley - EPBP running back, Jacob Hartman - Reese running back, Martin Messing - Bad Axe end, Cody Finkbeiner - USA lineman, Ryan Heleski - Bad Axe lineman and Jacob Galesterer - Reese kicker.

Honorable mention praises on offense went to Cass City senior quarterback Mason Erla, EPBP sophomore quarterback Brennan Wissner, USA junior quarterback Tanner Foley and EPBP senior end Trent Cunningham.

Turning to the Greater Thumb West all-conference defensive selections, linebacker Haire - the team's leading tackler in both 2014 and 2015 - and lineman Brady Warford were first team honorees.

"In my eyes one of the best since I

have been coaching at Cass City because his motor is always running. He plays with great effort and a level above other players," said Coach Cuthrell. Adding, "Brady is a big strong athletic defensive tackle and finished the season with 27 tackles. If Brady could dedicate his senior season to football, a good chance he could continue to play at the college level."

Completing the first team defense were Vassar senior Zach Shepherd - lineman, Bad Axe senior Nick Walsh - lineman, Reese senior Isaac Hahn - lineman, Vassar junior Kane Millikin - linebacker, EPBP junior Brandon Wolschleger - linebacker, USA senior Cole Finkbeiner - linebacker, Vassar senior Lamont Morrison - back, USA senior Aaron Saenz - back, Bad Axe senior Tommy Morneau - back, Reese senior Andrew Jasman - punter and Vassar senior Colton Fabbro - specialist.

The Greater Thumb West all-conference second team included Cass City seniors Cuthrell and Erla at defensive back, along with Vassar's Juan Cerda (senior lineman), EPBP's Jim Stork (senior lineman), USA's Cody Finkbeiner (junior lineman), EPBP's Keegan Valentine (junior linebacker), Reese's Tyler Kosik (junior linebacker), EPBP's Brennan Wissner (sophomore back), Reese's Jacob Galesterer (junior back), and Bad Axe's Jon Messing (senior specialist). The Red Hawks' Erla was voted the second team punter.

Receiving honorable mention accolades were Cass City senior Branden Horne, Reese junior Mitchell Bender, USA junior Taner Foley and Vassar senior Logan Amend.

Horne was a 3-year letter winner for Coach Cuthrell. He suffered what could have been a career-ending injury during his sophomore campaign, but hard work and a never quit attitude allowed the defensive lineman to succeed.

### Hawk spikers among GTW volleyball best

Maegan LeValley ended her Cass City volleyball career as a 2-time Greater Thumb West dream team selection. The senior outside hitter was one of six Lady Red Hawks honored in the 2015 all-conference selections.

LeValley led Cass City to a 7-2 record in Greater Thumb West play and to the Class C district final, collecting 473 kills and 144 digs along the way. A 4-year letter winner, LeValley's career numbers include an impressive 1,364 kills and 109 aces.

Joining her on the Greater Thumb West all-conference first team were seniors Nicole Bauer and Kayla Gremel from league champion Unionville-Sebewaing Area (USA), seniors Natalie Breault, Kaitlyn Kociba and sophomore Maddy Jimkoski from league runner-up Bad Axe and senior Jaylee Burnham of Vassar.

Bauer, who has signed a letter of intent to play softball with Stanford University, made the fantasy team at middle hitter, Gremel and Breault at setter, Jimkoski and Burnham at outside hitter.

Highlighting the Greater Thumb West all-conference second team choices were Cass City seniors Taylor Rasmussen and Lauren Potter, USA junior outside hitter Olivia Williamson, USA senior Libero Brooke Harris, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port (EPBP) senior outside hitter Alexis Schuette, Reese senior middle hitter Maddie Coulter and Vassar senior Libero Macy Zwerk.

Like LeValley, Red Hawks

Rasmussen and Potter spent 4 years on the varsity. Rasmussen was a powerful outside hitter for Cass City and accumulated 269 kills, 74 aces and 115 digs during the 2015 season, while her career totals feature 725 kills and 177 aces. Most of LeValley's and Rasmussen kills were set up by Potter, who posted 1,011 assists, 106 aces and 188 digs in the setter's final season. Her lofty career totals include 3,021 assists, 300 aces and 585 digs.

Earning all-conference honorable mention praises from Cass City were Macy Dickinson, Tara Nicholas and Lauren Dickinson.

Senior outside hitter Macy Dickinson - also a 4-year varsity performer - was credited with 235 kills, 34 aces and 46 digs during the season, while senior Libero Tara Nicholas gathered 284 digs and 42 aces and sophomore middle hitter Lauren Dickinson posted 173 digs and 32 aces during her rookie varsity season.

Completing the honorable mention choices were USA freshman Rylee Zimmer, USA senior Raychel Prime, USA sophomore Megan Gremel, Bad Axe sophomore Emma Cubitt, Bad Axe junior Cynthia Labor, EPBP senior Jenna Smith, EPBP junior Kari Bushey, EPBP junior Monica Jobs, Reese junior Lauren Hecht, Reese sophomore Sophee Robinson, Reese freshman Madison Thompson, Reese senior Kaylee Cypher and Vassar senior Chase Walker.

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**MSU BOUND.** Cass City senior Mason Erla, front, signed his letter of intent to play baseball for Michigan State University last week in the school library. Joining him, from the left, are former coaches Matt Prieskorn and Jim Baker, parents Michelle and Chuck Erla, athletic director Don Markel, Coach Josh Stern and Supt. Jeff Hartel.



**CMU BOUND.** Cass City senior Bransen Stimpfel, front, signed his letter of intent to run track and cross country for Michigan State University last week in the school library. Joining him, from the left, are athletic director Don Markel, parents Tom Stimpfel and Sloane Stimpfel, brother CarLee Stimpfel, Coach Jon Zdrojewski and Supt. Jeff Hartel.

## Red Hawk pair make it official

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Two time all-state first team performers Mason Erla and Bransen Stimpfel signed national letters of intent last week committing to take their talents to a pair of in-state Division I schools in the fall.

The Cass City seniors celebrated signing day Wednesday with Erla pledging to play baseball for Michigan State University and Stimpfel to run track and cross country for Central Michigan University.

From an early age, Erla's antics on the ball diamonds have been impressive. He was a standout for the local little league programs and for the Saginaw Bay Riverdaws - one of the elite traveling programs in the state - before entering high school. There, as a sophomore, he was chosen as an all-state dream team infielder and as a junior he made the all-state roster as a pitcher. Throughout Erla's career he's always carried a big bat.

"Mason is an unbelievably talented hitter who has worked extremely hard at his craft. The training, coaching, and lessons he has taken over the years have really paid off. His hand-eye coordination is amazing. Every year I think I've seen and/or coached a great hitter, but Mason has to be the best all-around hitter I've seen. The things he does at practice are YouTube worthy. He puts on a highlight show every day and we all just buy our ticket to watch," said former Coach Nathan Haag following his sophomore campaign.

Last year, with a fast ball clocked at over 90 MPH, Erla's prowess on top of the hill blossomed. He was nearly untouchable while on the mound and his early season showing against Millington saw the 6' 5" flame thrower strike out every batter sent to the plate during a 5-inning gem. Fifteen up, fifteen down, on only 58 pitches, with 49 being strikes.

"A game for the history books in

my opinion," said former Coach Matt Prieskorn after the no hitter, "Mason had only 3 backward Ks on the night. They were swinging, but just couldn't hit it."

Stimpfel, meanwhile, has enjoyed similar success as one of the state's premiere distance runners. In addition to being pegged for all-state honors in cross county by identical fourth place finishes at the State Final meets over the past 2 years, Stimpfel earned the Thumb Meet of Champion Male Athlete of the Meet as a sophomore and became a regional champion in the 1,600 meter run as a junior.

"Bransen has set the tone for the team as the captain this year. He leads by example, working hard and that has extended to everyone else on the team. He works very hard to be the best he can be and that makes the other athletes want to be as successful as they can as well. He is a very smart and positive young man and demonstrates school spirit at every meet and at every practice as well. He is someone that the younger (Jr. High) runners look up to and he doesn't look down on them and treats them with the greatest respect. I expect his influence to continue as his hard work has proven to the rest of the team that success follows that hard work and dedication," said Cass City cross country Coach Jon Zdrojewski after collecting the GTW crown.

Adding, "I love how much Bransen respects all of the athletes we compete with throughout the season; he has made lifelong friends with competitors from other schools. He'll run at Central Michigan University so he can join his friends Eli Poth from Marlette, Adam Grifka from Uby and Luke Anderson from Harbor Beach as they all currently compete for CMU. These four ran the indoor season together last winter and are the best of friends."



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For exceptions to these time restrictions, see the 2015 Hunting and Trapping Digest, which is also available at [mi.gov/dnrdigests](http://mi.gov/dnrdigests), or the Handbook of Michigan Off-Road Vehicle Laws. Images of the ORV confidence markers are found on page 51 of the handbook.

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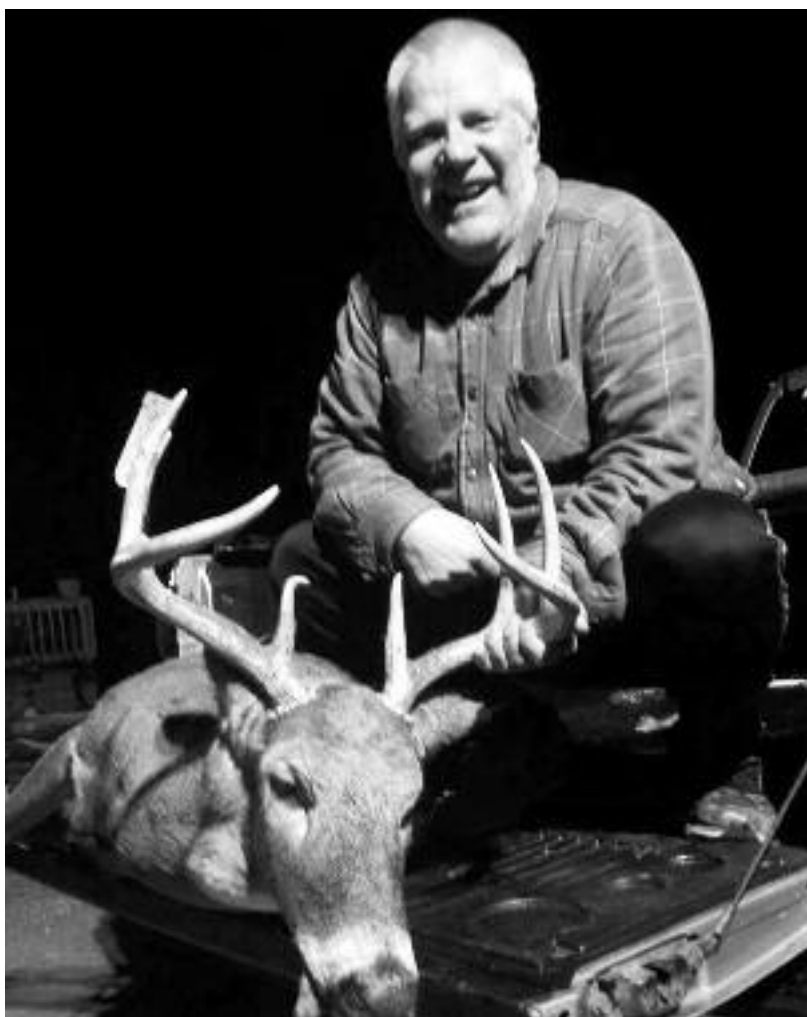
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CASS CITY teenager Brittany Stilson, 16, took down this trophy 9-point buck on opening night of the 2015 firearm season near dusk. The Red Hawk sophomore was hunting with her dad, Tom Stilson, on their Gagetown area property. Stilson had a perfect shot right to the heart using a 20-gauge shotgun. Her mom is Shelley Stilson.



CAREER BUCK. Cass City resident Clarke Haire, 56, took this huge Huron County 8-pointer Sunday afternoon. My biggest in 30 years of hunting, said Haire, who was hunting on QDM property managed by local outdoorsman Tom Howard.

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# Obituaries

## Anne Homrocky

Anne Mary Homrocky, 63, of Grayling, MI., passed away on November 12, 2015. Anne was born in Detroit, on April 19, 1952, a daughter of the late Valeria and Joseph Skurski. She enjoyed traveling, going to the casino, and cooking. Anne had a strong faith and was a very caring person. Anne married Lawrence Homrocky on June 26, 1987 in Ferndale, Michigan. She is survived by husband Larry of 28 years. Children: Becca Fajt of Deckerville; Joe (Ashley) Homrocky of Sebawaing; Bernadette Homrocky of Grayling; Bridgette (Noah) Homrocky of Grayling. Grandchildren: Seth, Aden and Jared. Anne is preceded in death by her parents, and sisters Dorothy and Cecelia. A memorial service will be held at St. Pancratius Church on Friday, November 20, at 10:30 a.m. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.sorensonlockwood.com Memorial contributions may be made in Anne's memory to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, Development Office 1820 Mount Elliott St., Detroit, MI 48207. Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, Grayling, Michigan.

## Larry Puterbaugh

Larry James Puterbaugh, 66, of Snover died unexpectedly Tuesday, November 10, 2015 in Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City. He was born October 21, 1949 in Cass City to Ryerson and Dorothy (Pallas) Puterbaugh. Larry graduated from Cass City High School in 1967. He attended Michigan State University, graduating with a degree in Agriculture. Larry worked on the family farm all his life. He enjoyed tractor pulling and recently served as the co-secretary at area tractor pulls. Larry enjoyed traveling including trips to Australia, Hawaii and Mexico when the children were young. He has visited nearly every state in the United States, some as part of his driving local Amish families. Larry enjoyed deer hunting, attending auctions and playing cards, especially Euchre. He earned many Euchre trophies. Larry worked for Great Lakes Seed and was a substitute bus driver for Cass City Community Schools. He served as Evergreen Township Supervisor and went to real estate school. Larry is survived by his children: Kurt (Cari) Puterbaugh of Snover, Renee (Jeremy) Bolsby of Snover, Ashley (Antoin) Akl of Snover; grandchildren: Cole, Nathan and Caden; sister, June (Jerry) Samons of Snover; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son, Brian Puterbaugh; sister, Lana Puterbaugh; half-brothers: Chester (Mildred) Puterbaugh, Bruce Puterbaugh and Harold Peters. A funeral service was held Saturday, November 14 in Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City with Elder Judy Doerr of Community of Christ Church officiating. Interment will take place in Evergreen Township Cemetery. Pallbearers for Mr. Puterbaugh: Tim Peuterbaugh, Jason Samons, Andy Cherniawski, Ryan Ross, Jerold Bechtel, D.J. Muska, Brian Doran, and John Fowler. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City.

## Joyce Walpole

Joyce Ann (Agar) Walpole, 75, formerly of Cass City and Caro, passed peacefully in her sleep on August 28, 2015. Joyce was the beloved daughter of Willard and Helen Agar. She grew up in Cass City and then eventually settled in Caro to raise her two daughters, Lisa and Sara. She then travelled to Falls Church, VA for several years and then settled in Godfrey, Ill. to be close to her daughter, Lisa, son-in-law, Brian, and granddaughters, Amanda and Allie. She continued to make regular trips back to the Thumb of Michigan and was a huge part of the lives of all her family in Cass City and Caro. Joyce is survived by her two daughters, Lisa (Brian) Roberts and Sara Walpole, her granddaughters Gabby, Meleah and Sophia Green, and Amanda and Allie Roberts, her sister Mary Ann Opanasenko of Cass City, her nieces Lori Simpson of Cass City, Suzy (Scott) Rockwell of Caro, Cindy Opanasenko of Cass City, and her nephew Danny Opanasenko of Cass City, grand-nephew Jeff Hartsell of Caro, grand-niece Cassandra Simpson of Cass City, grand-nephews Brandon and Garrett Rockwell of Caro, grand-nephews Robert and Nathan Simpson both of Deford, great-grand-nephew Hunter Simpson, great-grand-niece Avery Simpson and great-grand-nephew Brantley Simpson. A celebration of life service will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Cass City, 6505 Church St. at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 21. All are welcome. Donations in Joyce's honor can be sent to Chesapeake Bay Foundation (www.cbf.org) or any charity of one's choice. Remembrances can be sent to joyceannwalpole@gmail.com or Lisa Roberts, 1711 Summerfield Lane, Godfrey, Ill. 62035.

# Letters to the Editor

## Memories of village very real and strong

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Cass City provided us with a good education, great recreational facilities and opportunities, a peaceful and supportive environment in which to grow up, and most importantly friends and neighbors we could count on to be there when we needed them. Our minds race with memory after memory. From sledding on "the hill" to a hole-in-one at Rolling Hills. From lemonade stands in front of our house on Seeger Street to a hot dog stand by the drug store when President Nixon came to town. From Red Hawks sports, swimming in the village pool and little league championships, to movies at The Cass, holiday parades and the fourth of July. Thanks to our parents, we leave our own kids' names on the pickets in the playground where our intermediate school used to be. They, too, have grown to appreciate the many virtues of Cass City. We treasure our years here and the many visits and vacations back home that came after we moved away. We wouldn't trade those days for anything. With deep heartfelt appreciation, we say goodbye.

Kurt Proctor and Kris (Proctor) Lukacs

## Strangers' kindness is very appreciated

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could hit him and came to the house to get me. In the meantime, a young couple had stopped as well. By the time we got out to the road, Petey was gone. As I was home alone, I had no way to get Petey off the road. The young man picked him up and carried him up to the house for me. It is so wonderful to know that in this world in which we live now, there are still people out there who are willing to go that extra mile and help a stranger in need. I wish I would have gotten their names, but in all the chaos, I failed to do so. I sincerely hope that these kind, wonderful people read this and realize the full extent of my and Patrick's appreciation. You should be proud of yourselves. Those acts of kindness made an unbearable situation a little easier to bear. We appreciate your kindness and God bless.

Marilyn Peters  
Cass City

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**MORTGAGE SALE** – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by TRAVIS JOHN GERALD KAATZ, A SINGLE MAN and AMANDA LOUISE TORRES, A SINGLE WOMAN, to INDEPENDENT MORTGAGE CO. CENTRAL MI, Mortgagee, dated August 16, 2007, and recorded on August 20, 2007, in Document No. 200700899326, Liber 1127, on Page 1295, and re-recorded on April 18, 2008 in Liber 1147, on Page 564, and assigned by said mortgage to MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Eighty-Nine Cents (\$87,728.89), including interest at 5.500% 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 December 10, 2015 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

COMMENCING 58 RODS (957 FEET) NORTH OF THE SOUTH QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 34, TOWN 13 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, THENCE NORTH 146 FEET, THENCE EAST 236 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 146 FEET, THENCE WEST 236 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING BEING PART OF SECTION 34, TOWN 13 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 125.1449K, in which case the redemption period shall be 3 months, or under MCL 125.1449v, 30 days from the date of such sale.

MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 S20130924029313 CONV

**10-28-4**

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE (TUSCOLA COUNTY) – MORTGAGE SALE** – Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Deborah Jameson, a single woman & Tina Cipriani, a single woman, to Team One Credit Union, dated August 25, 2010, and recorded on September 1, 2010, in Liber 1204, Page 1066, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said Mortgage was lastly assigned to and is now held by Team One Credit Union, by Assignment of Mortgage recorded on February 1, 2013, in Liber 1271, Page 3, Tuscola County Records.

The sum claimed to be due and owing on said Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$36,801.95, with interest accruing at \$3.97 per diem. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage shall be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Tuscola County Circuit Court, 440 N. State St. Caro, MI 48723, at 10:00 am on Thursday, December 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 4.50% 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 Fremont, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, described as follows: Part of the NW quarter of the NE fractional quarter of Sec 6, T11N, R9E, described as beginning at a point on the N-S quarter line of Sec 6 that is S 1 degree 00 minutes E, 439.85 feet from the N quarter corner of Sec 6;

thence continuing S 1 degree 00 minutes E 330.00 feet along said N-S quarter line; thence N 89 degrees 00 minutes E, 264.00 feet; thence N 1 degree 00 minutes W 330.00 feet; thence S 89 degrees 00 minutes W 264.00 feet to the POB.

Tax Parcel ID No. 011-006-000-1600-00 Commonly known as: 3545 Apache Rd., Vassar, MI 48768 The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale pursuant to M.C.L. §600.3240(8). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, under M.C.L. §600.3278 the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.  
October 27, 2015  
TEAM ONE CREDIT UNION  
Kilpatrick & Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Team One Credit Union  
903 N. Opydke Rd., Suite C  
Auburn Hills, MI 48326  
(248) 377-0700

**11-4-4**

#### Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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

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

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jerry R. Atkinson and Theresa V. Atkinson, husband and wife, as T/E, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Fidelity Mortgage of Michigan Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 12, 2004, and recorded on November 18, 2004 in Liber 1018 on Page 29, and assigned by said Mortgagee to HSBC Bank USA, N.A. as Trustee for the registered holders of the Renaissance Home Equity Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-4 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 Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fourteen and 13/100 Dollars (\$138,214.13).

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 December 3, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 52, Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 9 East Lot 52 of the Plat of Northwood Heights Subdivision No. 2, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 22 of Tuscola.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: November 4, 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 #456480F01

**11-4-4**

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED

FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by SCOT JACOBS and BOBBI JO JACOBS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 28, 2009, and recorded on February 12, 2009, in Liber 1167, on Page 364, and assigned by said mortgagee to Nationstar Mortgage LLC, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Thirty Dollars and Seventy-Four Cents (\$160,030.74), including interest at 4.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on December 3, 2015 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Part of the Southeast 1 / 4 of Section 18, Town 14 North, Range 9 East, Columbia Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning in the South line of said Section 18 distant East 986 feet along said South Section line from the South 1 / 4 corner of said Section, thence North 416 feet, thence East 208 feet, thence South 416 feet to said South Section line, thence West 208.00 feet along said South Section line to the place of beginning. 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.

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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Nationstar Mortgage LLC  
Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.  
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300  
Farmington Hills, MI 48335  
S20140206027584 FHLMC

**11-4-4**

#### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Judy A. Bishop, a single woman, on December 7, 2013, to Tri-County Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation of 4222 Main Street, Brown City, Michigan 48416 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on December 11, 2013 in Liber 1297, page 932, and upon which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Five and 57/100 (\$83,005.57) Dollars and said default having continued for more than thirty (30) days and no suit or proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That on Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Local Time, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public venue to the highest bidder at the front entrance of the Courthouse, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said County, of the premises described in said mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage as aforesaid with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses including the attorney fee provided by law and any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes, assessments and insurance

premiums on said premises, which said premises are situated in the Township of Fremont, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as follows:

Commencing 1670 feet West of the Southeast corner of Section 5, Town 11 North, Range 9 East; thence West 333 feet to the traverse line of Bader Drain; thence North 00 degrees 10 minutes 45 seconds West 1310.08 feet; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 45 seconds East 337.10 feet; thence South 1310.07 feet to the point of beginning.

The structure residing on the described premises, consisting of a 1998 Redman, Serial No. SN137B9480 is considered real estate and is and collateral for this Loan.

Tax ID# 011-005-000-6100-00

The length of the period of redemption from such sale will be six (6) months immediately following said sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, 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.

Dated at Caro, Michigan, this 4th day of November, 2015.

Touma, Watson, Whaling,  
Coury & Stremers, P.C.  
Attorneys for Tri County Bank

By: Douglas S. Touma  
316 McMorran Boulevard  
Port Huron, MI 48060

**11-4-5**

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND 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 Chester David Chin and Nancy Jane Chin, Husband and Wife, Mortgagors, to ABN AMRO MORTGAGE GROUP, INC., Mortgagee, dated the 16th day of February, 2005 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 2nd day of March, 2005 in Liber 1029 of Tuscola County Records, page 437-446, said Mortgage having been assigned to Ditech Financial LLC FKA Green Tree Servicing LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Three & 93/100 (\$111,353.93), 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 10th day of December, 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 4.250% 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 Township of Dayton, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Part of the North 60 acres of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, described as: Beginning at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 34; thence along the North section line, East 443.50 feet; thence South 0 degrees 1 minute 52 seconds West 986.72 feet; thence West 443.50 feet; thence along the North and South 1/4 line, North 0 degrees 1 minute 52 seconds East 986.72 feet to the point of

beginning 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: 11/11/2015  
Ditech Financial LLC  
FKA Green Tree Servicing LLC Mortgagee  
FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.  
Attorney for Ditech Financial LLC  
FKA Green Tree Servicing LLC  
700 Tower Drive, Ste. 510  
Troy, MI 48098  
(248) 362-2600  
GTAZ FHLMC ChinChest

**11-11-4**

#### Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure 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 Charles A. Frank, II and Arlene E. Frank, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Golden Rule Mortgages, Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 20, 2004, and recorded on September 1, 2004 in Liber 1006 on Page 1285, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverBank 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 Thirty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Three and 84/100 Dollars (\$32,343.84).

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 December 10, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Village of Mayville, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot 7, Block 1 of Leonard Fox's Third Addition to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 32 now being 33A; thence West 72.50 feet; thence North 83.00 feet; thence East 72.50 feet; thence South to the point of beginning. Also a parcel of land 23 feet wide off the West end of Lot 6, Block 5 of the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 15 of Deeds, Page 564, now being Liber 3 of Plats, Pages 35-36.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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

Dated: November 11, 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 #451255F02

**11-11-4**



# Legal Notices

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure 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 Lawrence T. Kenny, an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for its successors and assigns Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated February 17, 2009, and recorded on March 3, 2009 in Liber 1168 on Page 1021, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverBank as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Thirteen and 53/100 Dollars (\$56,613.53).

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 December 10, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 132 feet of the North 330 feet of the South 660 feet of the West 623 feet, all dimensions measured at right angles of North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 35, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan

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

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: November 11, 2015  
For more information, please call:  
FC J (248) 593-1311  
Trott Law, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422  
File #453980F01

11-11-4

## ORDER REGARDING ALTERNATE SERVICE

State of Michigan – 54th Judicial District, Judicial Circuit, County Probate Courts. 440 N. State St., Caro, Michigan 48723.  
Case No. 15-29019-CH

Flagstar Bank, FSB  
John P. Kapitan (P61901)  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Ste. 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334  
(248) 723-5067

## Verses

Any and All Unknown Claimants, Owners, Heirs, Devisees, Assignees of Unknown Claimants or Owners of the Mobile Home located at 5074 Washburn Rd., Vassar, Michigan 48768.

THE COURT FINDS: 1. Service of process upon the defendant. Any and All Unknown Claimants to the Mobile Home cannot reasonably be made as provided in MCR 2. 105 and service of process may be made in a manner that is reasonably calculated to give the defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard.

IT IS ORDERED: 2. Service of the Summons and Complaint Via publication pursuant o MCR 2. 106 (D).

Dated: 10-26-2015  
Judge Amy Grace Gierhart  
Case No. 15-29019-CH

11-11-3

IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR ONE YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 586-777-0770

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE MORTGAGE SALE-Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by AMANDA L. PETERS, a single woman aka AMANDA KRAMER, 8595 WEST SAGINAW ROAD, VASSAR, MI 48768, Mortgagor(s) to FRANKENMUTH CREDIT UNION, 580 NORTH MAIN STREET, FRANKENMUTH, MI 48734, Mortgagee dated SEPTEMBER 2, 2003, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, and State of Michigan on NOVEMBER 6, 2003, in LIBER 963 on PAGE 343 of Tuscola County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of EIGHTY EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY TWO AND 65/100THS (\$88,342.65) DOLLARS at 4% percent per annum and attorney fees as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on DECEMBER 10, 2015, AT 10:00 A.M. local time, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder in the main lobby of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, aforesaid, on said mortgage with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: TOWNSHIP OF DENMARK, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, to wit: A parcel of land in that part of the South 1 / 2 of the Southeast 1 / 4 of Section 33, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, lying Southwesterly of Highway M-15, described as follows: To fix the point of beginning, commence at the Southeast corner of said Section 33; thence North 01 degrees 57 minutes 20 seconds East, on the East line of said Section, 23.96 feet to the constructed centerline of Highway M-15; thence North 56 degrees 39 minutes 00 seconds West on said centerline, 1,138.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 33 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds West, perpendicular to said centerline, 225.00 feet; thence North 56 degrees 39 minutes 00 seconds West parallel to said centerline, 150.00 feet; thence North 33 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds East, perpendicular to said centerline, 225.00 feet to said centerline; thence South 56 degrees 39 minutes 00 seconds East, on the centerline of Highway M-15, 150.00 feet to the point of beginning, Township of Denmark, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan PROPERTY ADDRESS: 8595 WEST SAGINAW ROAD, VASSAR, MI 48768 During the SIX (6) MONTHS immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241 a, the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing Mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

KENNETH C. BUTLER II (P 28477)  
ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE  
24525 Harper Avenue  
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080  
(586) 777-0770  
Dated: 11-11-15

11-11-5

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jody Haynes, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 3, 2006, and recorded on April 24, 2006 in Liber 1078 on Page 791, and assigned by mesne assignments to Flagstar Bank, FSB as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Eight Thousand Twenty-Seven and 33/100 Dollars (\$38,027.33).

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 December 17, 2015.

Said premises are situated in City of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The Southeastly 78 feet of Lot 6, Block 4, of William E. Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, Page 491.

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

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

Dated: November 18, 2015  
For more information, please call:  
FC J (248) 593-1311  
Trott Law, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422  
File #434143F02

11-18-4

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure 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 Sandra A Henning, f/k/a Sandra Neighbors and William Henning, her husband, original mortgagor(s), to MidFirst Bank, A Federally Chartered Savings Assoc., Mortgagee, dated December 6, 2003, and recorded on December 23, 2003 in Liber 970 on Page 232, and modified by agreement recorded on July 8, 2008 in Liber 1153 on Page 676, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Six and 15/100 Dollars (\$54,786.15).

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 December 17, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township

of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Town 10 North, Range 9 East:

Parcel 1: Lot 8, Block 38 and the North 18 feet of Lot 7, Block 38 of the plat of the Village of Fostoria, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 44-45, Now being Pages 45A-46A.  
Parcel 2: Lot 9, Block 38 of the plat of the Village of Fostoria, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Pages 44-45, Now being Pages 45A-46A.

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

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

Dated: November 18, 2015  
For more information, please call:  
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Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200  
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MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by JAMES M. BINDSCHATEL and TERESA K. BINDSCHATEL, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION AS RECEIVER OF WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK FKA WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A., Mortgagee, dated December 22, 2004, and recorded on January 4, 2005, in Liber 1022, on Page 1436, and assigned by said mortgage to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Wamu Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-PR1 Trust, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$101,933.58), including interest at 3.131% 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 December 17, 2015 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 12, Town 10 North, Range 7 East; thence South 88 degrees 54 minutes East 789.0 feet along the North line of Section 12 to the place of beginning; running thence South 88 degrees 54 minutes East, 100 feet; thence South 0 degrees 25 minutes East 643.50 feet; thence North 88 degrees 54 minutes West 100.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 25 minutes West 643.50 feet to the place of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 10 North, Range 7 East. 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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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 December 17, 2015 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

LOT 3 AND THE NORTH 12 FEET OF LOT 4, BLOCK 2, PLAT OF CENTERVILLE (NOW CARO) AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 56 (NOW BEING PAGE 59A). 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. 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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCE FOR ELKLAND TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN, BY AMENDING ARTICLE 3, GENERAL REGULATIONS, OF SECTION 322 OF THE 2012 CODIFIED ORDINANCE OF ELKLAND TOWNSHIP, ENTITLED "PONDS - SPECIAL LAND USE" THERE OF.**

Elkland Township ordains...

**SECTION 1:** In accordance with Article 3 of the 2012 Codified Ordinance of Elkland Township, all of Section 322 - Ponds of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Section 322 - Ponds - Special Land Use**

The regulations set forth in this section are designed to outline the parameters under which ponds may be developed. The regulations are intended to protect the health, safety, and welfare of township resident, as well as preserve ecological import features, and to prohibit development which, unregulated, may have an adverse impact on the existing character of the township.

**1. General Provisions**

- a. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or other organization or entity to construct a pond within the township without first securing a site plan from the township Zoning Administrator.
- b. The pond shall be located on a parcel at least two (2) acres in total size.
- c. All ponds shall be considered accessory to the principal use.
- d. Ponds shall not exceed ten (10) percent of the total lot area on which they are situated or five (5) acres, whichever is less.
- e. The property owner will be required to excavate a test hole to determine the water table and appropriate depth of the pond. The property owner will contact the Zoning Administrator to inspect the test hole within 48 hours of the excavation to document the water table of the site.

**2. Design requirements**

- a. The submerged slopes of the body of water shall not exceed one (1) foot vertical drop to each four (4) feet horizontal to a depth of six (6) feet and shall not exceed a maximum depth of fifteen (15) feet.
- b. Ponds shall be a minimum of thirty (30) feet from property lines as measured from the property line to the beginning of the excavation.
- c. There shall be a distance of not less than twenty-five (25) feet between the outside edge of the excavation and any structure on the site.
- d. All areas disturbed during construction shall be seeded with grass and maintained in good condition to prevent erosion.

**3. Application and Review Procedures**

- a. Applications shall be made to the Zoning Administrator. Applications shall contain the name and address of the application and property owner, legal description of the property upon which the pond is to be located and a site plan.
- b. The proposed site plan shall be designed and sealed by a surveyor and to scale showing existing topography extending fifty (50) feet past the site boundaries, including all existing and proposed improvements. Elevation contours shall be at a minimum of two-foot intervals. A sealed design drawing may not be required and is subject to administration review.**
- c. Soil erosion control and tree protection measures shall be shown on the proposed site plan.**
- d. Review fee shall be paid by the applicant. The cost will be based on the amount of time invested to review the project. A refundable construction bond will be required for all pond projects and will be calculated at the cost to restore and/or to obtain a minimal grade standard that complies with the Townships ordinance.**
- e. All required permits shall be obtained prior to the approval by the Township, including , but not limited to the following:
  - i. Tuscola County Drain Commission regarding proximity to a ditch, stream, river, or floodplain.
  - ii. Tuscola County Health Department regarding proximity to site waste water systems.
  - iii. Tuscola County Road Commission regarding designated travel routes.
  - iv. Michigan Department of Environmental Quality regarding natural features such as wetlands.
  - v. Soil erosion permit must be obtained by Tuscola County.

**4. Limitations**

- a. The construction of the pond is to be complete within a twelve (12) month period. Extensions may be granted by the Planning Commission under extenuating circumstances. **When extensions are requested they shall be in written form and a review fee shall be paid by the applicant. The cost will be based on the amount of time invested to review the extension request. An administration review of the construction bond shall be re-reviewed and evaluated. The amount of the bond may require to be adjusted and will be based on the value of cost to restore and/or to obtain a minimal grade standard that complies with the Townships ordinance.**
- b. The property, as situated at the time of the application for a pond permit is made, shall not subsequently be split, divided and/or partitioned in a manner which would result in nonconformance with the required contained herein.
- c. No pond shall be located upon, across, or extended beyond an existing property line.
- d. Pond construction shall not commence earlier than 7:00 a.m., and shall not continue after dusk.
- e. The requirements contained herein shall not relieve the applicant from complying with other land development or environmental standards established by the Township or by other public agencies with jurisdiction.

**5. Soil Removal Provisions**

- a. Excavated soil intended for removal from the property shall be removed within one hundred-twenty (120) days after the excavation is complete.
- b. Soil erosion control and tree protection measures shall be maintained and comply with the approved site plan.**
- c. The ingress egress for the project shall be maintained and the street cleaned on a daily bases and/or as needed and is subject to administration inspection.**
- d. Proof of liability insurance.

**SECTION 2:** If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph, or part of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity, or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not effect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons, firms, corporations, legal entities, or circumstances by such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, section, paragraph, or part of this Ordinance thereof directly involved in the case or controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and to the person, firm, corporation, legal entity, or circumstances then and there involved. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provisions not have been included in this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3:** If any provision of this Chapter differs from a provisions of any other applicable law, ordinance, rule or regulation, both the provision of this Chapter and the differing provision shall apply if possible. If the two (2) provisions are in conflict, then the provision establishing the higher or stricter standard shall apply.

Authorizing signature:



Daniel J. Earla, Supervisor, Elkland Township

Attested by:



Edward LaBelle, Clerk, Elkland Township

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by TRUSTEE E. LaBelle and supported by TRUSTEE T. Muntz.

Ayes: 5      Nays: 0

Adopted: November 9, 2015

Effective Date: November 25, 2015

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## Hospital's Kingston clinic has new home

Hills and Dales General Hospital's Kingston Family Practice clinic has moved to a new location to offer patients a more efficient and private patient care experience.

"What was previously Independent Bank in Kingston is now the new practice for Dr. Melanie Kramer and Erica Knoerr, nurse practitioner," said Danielle Blaine, public relations spokeswoman for Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City.

"Since the original practice opened in May 2013, it has grown substantially, prompting the need for a larger, more accommodating office space," Blaine explained. "Patients can continue to use Kingston Family Practice for all of their family's health care needs, all while enjoying a more comfortable office area."

The new location, at 5854 State St., offers a private registration and check-out process, and the increased space provides the opportunity for more patients to be treated on a daily basis, according to Blaine.

More than 50 people attended an open house to showcase the new clinic last week.

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## Thumb Ag Day set next month at Ubyly Heights

This year's Thumb Ag Day is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 9, at the Ubyly Heights Country Club in Ubyly.

The program will feature educational programming and a chance to visit with more than 75 agribusiness exhibitors.

Doors open at 8:30 a.m. and remain open until 4 p.m. for participants to view exhibits and attend educational programs slated to get underway at 9:15 a.m. This year's programs include: "Commodity Price and Land Value Interactions" with Dennis Stein, MSU Extension farm management educator; "Commodity Market Update and Analysis" with Eric Farsen, Market360 Grain Team - Stewart-Peterson; "Effectively Managing Market Volatility" by Chad Goodwill, business development consultant - Stewart-Peterson; and "Ag Review: Results of 2015 Field Trials" by Extension Thumb field crops educators.

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## Local FFA project helps feed dozens

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Paul and Deb Auten; and Ethan Healy, an eighth grade student and the son of Cathy and Jeff Healy.

The students, under the guidance of their parents and Cass City Junior-Senior High School agriscience teacher Russ Weyer, went to work. Battel and Daskam, for example, spent eight weeks raising 80 broiler chickens - 25 at the Battel place and 55 at the Daskam's - and they filled the freezers at Revive with roughly 400 pounds of meat, which Revive officials began distributing in mid-July along with roasting pans to cook the chickens in, bought with money donated by individuals in the community, and thermometers donated by the Michigan Pork Producers Association.

In addition, the FFA members created a video with advice from local Michigan State University Extension food and nutrition professionals

Laurie Messing and Kris Swartzendruber about meat safety and proper handling to show during the distribution.

The project continued to expand, with Battel raising a pair of pigs, and two other pigs being donated Keith Czekai. A cow was also donated towards the effort, which is concluding this month with the processing of yet another batch of chickens.

Along the way, the students took their cause to organizations in the area, presenting informational programs on the "meating the need" project in an effort to garner additional support, according to Addy Battel.

"A lot of our money did come from local service groups. I think we actually doubled our (grant) money," she said. "We have \$1,000 left from the community, and I think we'll carry at least \$500 over into next year" after covering costs such as feed, electricity and processing.

While adults involved in the project were instrumental in writing the grant for the project, it's the students who were charged with putting in the effort necessary to turn their goal of helping others in the community into reality, explained Sue Battel, who wrote the grant.

"We talked with the kids (early on) about the fact that people right here in Cass City struggle with food insecurity, that it gets even more difficult for low-income families to get food with Erla's closed, and the fact that one of the greatest needs is healthy protein," she said. "Rather than reinvent the wheel, they talked with Brooke Mallory from Revive Ministries, which already does a good job reaching out to Cass City families in need.

The local FFAers took it from there and, according to Battel, have had a hand in raising and delivering rough-

ly 600 pounds of beef, another 500 pounds of pork, and roughly 1,600 pounds of chicken.

"It was much bigger than I would have thought," Battel said of the end result, which she said has been estimated to have had a \$10,000 impact on the community, including meat, volunteer hours and donations.

The teens all agreed the project proved to be winner, not only because they met their goals, but because they also watched a community help them exceed their expectations.

The project truly met a need, according to Addy Battel. "It was a lot bigger than I expected, and I felt it helped to build our (FFA) chapter," she said. "I didn't know just how many people needed what we had, and as soon as we approached the community, they were willing to help. They just needed for us to approach them."

"When we first started, it got so much bigger - the community helped so much," Daskam agreed. "I enjoyed raising the birds - just the experience -- and to be able to help the community."

"I guess I didn't know how many people are food insecure before we started. When you hand out the different meats, it's a good feeling," Auten said. "It's just the community helping community."

"It has really been kind of cool to watch them come along with Revive," commented Gail Tuckey of Revive Ministries, who noted the FFA members have gone above and beyond by lending a hand during the ministry's monthly food distributions, which typically draw about 70 families.

"It been a huge impact on Revive, too. They want to get more involved with Revive, which is neat," Tuckey added. "It just shows our community is really pulling together."

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