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## State paves way for spring MSUE tax vote in county

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Legislative action has paved the way to secure the financial future of MSU Extension (MSUE) services in Tuscola, including administration of a myriad of 4-H programs, provided voters are willing to support a special millage in the spring.

Gov. Rick Snyder last week signed a measure enabling local governments to include candidates for local office and other questions on ballots for the March 2016 presidential primary election.

House Bill 4904, sponsored by state Rep. Ed McBroom, clarifies the filing deadlines for local candidates and ballot questions and classifies the Michigan presidential primary election as a regular election instead of a special election.

The measure was approved with bipartisan support in both chambers and is now Public Act 197 of 2015.

In Tuscola County, the new law means county commissioners can proceed with plans to ask voters to pay for Extension programs via a special tax request of .1 of a mill during the Tuesday, March 8, presidential primary election.

Commissioners, faced with a projected general fund budget deficit of several hundred thousands of dollars over the next few years, approved the vote last summer. They also passed a motion to continue financially supporting local Extension

programs until the election and – presuming voters support the millage – until tax revenue from the millage is collected.

However, county Clerk Jodi Fetting subsequently informed the board that only school election questions – not local government measures – could be placed on the March 8 ballot due to a provision included in state law when the Michigan Legislature moved the regular election date to the second Tuesday in March in presidential election years.

Which left commissioners with the options of placing the special millage request on the ballot next at a cost of \$30,000 to \$35,000, or avoid paying for a special election by postponing a vote until next August.

Thanks to the new law signed by the governor last week, voters will decide Please turn to page 16.



**EVEN WITHOUT SNOW, Michigan's frigid landscape offers residents countless glimpses into Old Man Winter's artistry if you look closely enough. Saturday night's bone chilling cold contributed to the formation of ice crystals on just about every outdoor surface, including the head of this old nail sticking out of a porch railing.**

## Christmas in the Village fest kicks into high gear Saturday

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

The Christmas season will kick into high gear this weekend in Cass City as the Cass City Chamber of Commerce once again hosts its annual Christmas in the Village celebration.

A full day of holiday activities are planned for Saturday, Dec. 5, starting with the annual Christmas in the Village Craft Show, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Cass City High School. There is no admission fee, but visitors are asked to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Revive Ministries Food Pantry in Cass City.

The community's always hotly contested chili cook-off will get underway at 11 a.m. at local businesses. Area residents are encouraged to purchase a judging ballot at any of the participating business, and then taste and judge as many chili samples as they like through 3 p.m., when the ballots will be collected and counted, and this year's chili champion(s) crowned.

Also returning Saturday will be the first of three free matinees at the Cass Theatre, which will be showing "Nut Job". The doors open at 1:30 p.m. and the movie is slated to begin at 2 p.m.

The second free matinee is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 12, when "Dolphin Tale 2" will be shown, and the third free matinee will be

Saturday, Dec. 19, featuring "Turbo". Both matinees will also begin at 2 p.m.

Among the highlights of this weekend's festivities will be the Lighted Christmas Parade, which annually marks Santa's first appearance of the season in Cass City. The parade will begin at the football field at 6 p.m. and end at the Cass City VFW Hall Saturday. Anyone with questions about the parade is encouraged to contact Jamie Bulla at (989) 325-2600.

Afterwards, a community gathering will take place at the VFW Hall, where everyone is invited to enjoy free hot bean soup, hot cocoa and snacks. There will also be free carriage rides and free photos with Santa and free children's crafts, and kids ages 11 and under will receive a small gift and be entered into a toy drawing.

Also planned this month is the Christmas Community Hymn Sing, Sunday, Dec. 6, starting at 6 p.m. at the Novesta Church of Christ.

The popular Breakfast with Santa gathering is slated for Saturday, Dec. 12, at 9 a.m., with children up to age 11 admitted free (\$2 adults and children ages 12 and older). An eighth grade Washington, D.C., trip fundraiser – Santa's Workshop – will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Cass City Elementary School cafeteria.

Also Dec. 12, the Tom Thumb Singers will present a Christmas

concert at 7 p.m. at the Cass City United Methodist Church. A repeat performance is set for Sunday, Dec. 13, starting at 3 p.m., also at the Cass City United Methodist Church.

## Campbell offers on special meet agenda Thursday

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

The Cass City Board of Education will meet in special session Thursday night to consider two offers to purchase the former Campbell Elementary School building.

The meeting is slated to begin at 7 p.m. in the board room at the junior-senior high school.

The board learned of the purchase proposals during a regular meeting last week, when school Supt. Jeff Hartel announced he had received offer from Sean Astley, Silverwood, representing an adult foster home facility, and another from Thumb Psychological Services, Cass City, which has been renting the southern end of the Campbell building for the past two years.

Astley submitted a bid of \$50,000, while Thumb Psychological Services submitted an offer of \$45,000 for the property.

School officials initially listed the building with a price tag of about \$120,000, but earlier this year agreed to reduce the asking price to \$79,000.

Board members last week passed a motion to sell the structure at a reduced price, but took no further action pending a revision of the offers showing that the building comes with a grassy area and parking lot, a move designed to reduce the school district's liability and maintenance costs once the building is sold.

School officials voted to list the structure for sale in April 2014 after several months of debate and discussion over its future. At the time, it had been more than two years since school officials closed Campbell in a consolidation effort designed to cut expenses following a multi-year trend of declining enrollment that has cost the Cass City Public Schools hundreds of students.

## Council introduces 2016 spending plan

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Trustee Mark Karwowski introduced the Village of Cass City 2016 proposed operating budget Monday night during a regular session of the village council.

Village residents will have the opportunity to offer comments on next year's spending plan, which totals \$3,812,188 during a public hearing set for Monday, Dec. 14, at 7:00 p.m., prior to the council's vote on the new budget. The detailed budget may be examined on weekdays at the Municipal Building during regular business hours.

Village Manager Peter Cristiano says what taxpayers can expect is a financial plan that is conservative and realistic in its estimates, while Village

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## 200 attend local community Thanksgiving meal this year

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Another successful Cass City Community Thanksgiving Dinner Thursday at the Cass City United Methodist Church left Scott Mills and his faithful crew of volunteers as thankful as ever.

"We did very well. We ended up setting up three extra tables," commented Mills, who has served as coordinator of the annual community meal for the past 25 years or so, and who had expected an attendance of, perhaps, 180 people last week.

"We had 200 (people) seated," Mills said. "We also had about 60 take-outs, and then the workers were also able to sit down and partake of the meal. I'm going to say there were a good 40 (volunteers)."

Putting together the big meal includes organizing food donations along with lining up an adequate crew to cook, set up, clean up and put away. Mills, who isn't in the habit of turning down volunteers, reported he wound up with enough workers to handle all aspects of the dinner this year.

"We had plenty of food and plenty of help," he added. "I had a good response (for students to volunteer) from the high school. I had plenty of help Wednesday and Thursday.

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

At one time, turkeys for the meal were donated, but in recent years, as attendance at the dinner has grown,

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## Hey kids! It's time to write letters to Santa

Hey kids, get busy writing those letters to Santa.

Everybody knows Santa has a subscription to the Cass City Chronicle, and he checks each issue closely this time of year in search of Christmas lists from children in the Thumb area.

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All of the letters will be published in December - most of them in our annual Christmas edition, Wednesday, Dec. 23. But get started now because the deadline is Tuesday, Dec. 15.





# Ubly announces honor roll students

The following students were recently named to Ubly Jr./Sr. High Schools honor roll for the first marking period, they are:

### GRADE 12

Bailey Bischer, Evan Block\*, Kaylee Block, Emily Booms\*, Joshua Bowman, Macanna Briolat, Alexandria Camp\*, Austin Chernow\*, Makayla Clink\*, Abigail Deering, Trevor Dropiewski\*, Jennifer Gentner\*, Jacqueline Gilbert, Lindsey Glaza\*, Madison Glaza, Miranda Glaza, Andrew Gosdzinski, Katlyn Groth, Grant Hagen\*, Aaron Hund\*, Ethan Hund, Amanda Johnson, Aliyah Kaczor, Jessi Kincaid, Courtney Klee\*, Nolan Lemke, Nicholes Maikrzek\*, James McBride, Justin Messing, Jaylynn Monzo, Nicole Osantowski, Ashley Osentoski\*, Kasey Palmer, Arianna Partaka\*, Michaela Partaka\*, Shannon Particka\*, Melanie Puwalowski, Alexander Rich, Elena Rodriguez\*, Lucas Rothe, Daniel Rutkowski\*, Daniel Sadro, Blake Schumacher, Rebecca Speciale, Ashley Sweeney\*, Brigitte Vogel, Jesse Vogel\*, Roman Weltin\*, Jeffrey Wright\* and Jonathan Wright\*.

### GRADE 11

Morgan Block, David Bowman, Jonathan Brandel, Derek Brown, Jessi Clink\*, Devin Dutcher, Kaitlynn Foster\*, Adam Grifka, Grace Grifka, Chelsea Holdwick\*, Michelle Inbody, Nathan Keller, Aaron Klama, Lauren Kranz\*, Noah Krueger, Rachel Lemanski, Megan Leppke, MacKenzie Lesoski, Olivia Lipskey\*, Autumn Loss, Emma Melnik, Riley Murray, Lindsey Nast, Steven Niemiec, Jillian Osentoski, Kirah Osentoski\*, Tyler Osentoski, Gavyn Pallas, Brianna Pionk\*, Allison Romzek, Jared Sabins, Richard Schmidt, Keenan Siens, Sarah Stephens, Travis Terback, Cade Walsh, Ariel Waterbeck\*, Eric Wolschleger\* and Abby Wright\*.

### GRADE 10

Olivia Bender, Tayler Berger, Levi Block, Dnaielle Briolat\*, Justin Briolat\*, Chantelle Burk, Rachel Cook\*, Evan Franzel, Andrew Gilbert, Lauren Gillig, Alex Grifka, Jacob Halifax\*, Emma Hembrough, Erin Inbody, Macy Knoblock\*, Ashton Lemke\*, Matthew Maikrzek, Peyton McLellan, Brent Osentoski\*, Mary-Christine Osentoski, Katelyn Palmer, Kara Peruski, Emelia Rodriguez, Izabel Rodriguez, Kacie Roggenbuck, Nicholas Schultz\*, Rafaela Schumacher\*, Madelyn Smalley\*, David Sorenson, Katrina Stevenson, Nicholas Swanson\*, Brett Sweeney, Ryan Sweeney\*, Samantha Sweeney, Jacob Uhl\*, Madeline Ulfig, Savannah Walker\*, Janelle White\*, Steffan Wolfe, Lea Wyss, and Yuxin Xue\*.

### GRADE 9

Isaac Booms\*, Joshua Brandel\*, Jaelynn Burton, Eli Emming, Amber Essenmacher, Danika Focken, Rebekka Foster\*, Bethany Gornowicz\*, Anna Greyerbiehl\*, Haili Gusa\*, Dylan Hagen, Payten Heleski, Kelsey Knoblock\*, Ethan Lemke\*, Parker Lipskey, Anna Messing, Nolan Murray, Kylie Ogryski, Arisa Osentoski\*, Natalie Pallas, Nathan Particka, Rebecca

Particka, Madelyn Peplinski\*, Alexis Pionk, Cheyenne Porzondek\*, Ashley Puwalowski, Ryche Roggenbuck\*, Brittney Schmidt, Sabrina Schumacher\*, Jason Smalley, Sadie Souva\*, McKenzie Stomack\*, Mackenzie Uhl, Mikaela Van Erp\*, Amanda Weaver, Adam Weber, and Nicholas Wright.

### GRADE 8

Olivia Brown, Austin Cregeur\*, Kali Dutcher, Grant Geiger\*, Andrea Grifka, Amanda Halifax, Alyessa Krzyzaniak, Rachel Leppke, Leevy Matthews, Cailyn Maurer, Hannah Melnik, Ellie Peruski, Lacey Pionk, Isle Roggenbuck, Ethan Sabins, Hannah Schroeder, Jaiden Schulte, Christopher Schultz, Abigail Sorenson, Katelyn Sweeney, Danielle Tschirhart, Danielle

Umbreit, Alexia Vogel, Sierra Walker, and Jazmyn Warchuck.

### GRADE 7

Andrew Becker\*, Alivia Bischer\*, Jeffrey Blakely, Kylee Brandt, Austin Burk, Ethan Foster, Kendra Glaza, Josephine Gusa\*, Cole Hagen, Katie Heilig\*, Carson Heleski\*, Amanda Hill, Haley Klama\*, Coryne Klemmer, Haley Krueger\*, Shelby Kuntze\*, Allison Lautner\*, Dajnae Leipprandt, Erin McCarty\*, Reese McLellan\*, Cole Messing, Shelby Messing\*, Madison Michalski, Taylor Pedrotte, Sarah Peplinski\*, Levi Peruski, Jada Schultz, Dawson Schumacher, Seth Schumacher, Samantha Souva\*, Gabriel Sweeney\*, Nolan Van Erp\*, Elizabeth Weber\*, and Hally Ziehm.

\*Denotes all A's.

# Cass City Elementary announces honor roll

The following students were recently named to Cass City Elementary Schools honor roll for the first marking period, they are:

### 4th Grade

Kelsey Badger, Taylor Beckrow\*, Lance Britt, Zackary Burnette, Diana Cortes, Tyler Cumper, Heather Czekai, Hailey Dubs\*, Trysten Gruber, Cortland Hartwick, MacKenzie Healy, Natalie Holdburg, Erica Horning, Jamie Holodnick\*, Marissa Izydorek, Gabe Kappen\*, Brady Kolacz, Robert Krueger II\*, Paul Learman\*, Kellan Leavine, Brendan LeValley, Connor Lowman, Justin MacAlpine, Amanda Marshall, Nolan Medere, Ryan Mellendorf, Claire Merchant\*, Hailey Morrish, Braden Murdoch\*, Cameron Owen, Carter Patrick\*, Ellie Perkins\*, Paige Roth\*, Sage Sanders, Sydney Schefka\*, Landyn Schott, Ethan Schrader, Cohen Sherman\*, Chase Skinner, Landon Smith, Josie Spencer, Abby Stapleton, Wyatt Sutton\*, Colin Thabet, Lucas Tschirhart, Kennedy VanWormer and Aubree Venema.

### 5th Grade

Kendall Blanchard\*, Anthony Bazan, Brianna Bergman, Anna Burke\*, Saylor Cuthrell, Colton Darbee, Joshlyne Davies, Montanna Engelhardt\*, Alicia Farmer, Madilyn Gniewek\*, Cameron Gottschalk, Reese Grady\*, Jacob Graves, Emma Hennessey\*, Chloee Jaworski\*, Logan Kaake\*, Cora Karr, Bryce Koch, Olivia Krueger\*, Jady Laster\*, Elizabeth McCormick\*, Kylie McGrath\*, Shanell Mester, Thomas Muter\*, Kayley Salcido, Lukas Sheridan, Riley Swiderski\*, Hunter Turnbull\*, Amelia Weiler\*, Nathan Woodruff II

### 6th Grade

Kendall Belka, Abigail Essex\*, Logan Doerr, Allison Fritz\*, Olivia Graff, Kalee Gray\*, Abbey Halabis\*, Kendall Hicks, Alex Hopper, Carly Kappen\*, Erin Laurie\*, Rhett Meeker\*, Bradley Pohlod, Rees Romain, Vaughn Severance, Autumn

Sutton\*, Lance Swiderski, Parker VanWormer, Madison Ware\*, Breanna Wolschlagler\*  
\* Denotes all As.

# MSU and MWP partnering to develop new wheat program

Already in its fourth year, the Michigan Wheat Program board has realized the industry needs more "boots on the ground" when it comes to wheat research and education.

As a result, the Michigan Wheat Program (MWP) and Michigan State University (MSU) partnered together to develop an agreement to cost-share a new specialist dedicated to helping wheat growers maximize their investments.

MSU Extension Senior Educator Dennis Pennington has been hired as the new wheat specialist in the Department of Plant, Soil and Microbial Sciences at the University. His selection and position represent additional collaboration between MSU and the Michigan Wheat Program. In addition, the MWP will continue funding the work of Martin Nagelkirk, an Extension educator who works with the state's wheat growers.

"Martin's work has been vital to the Michigan wheat industry," said David Milligan, the Cass City-area farmer who chairs the nine-member wheat board. "He will remain focused on wheat production research and education, while Dennis will focus research projects across the state and Great Lakes region."

To-date the Michigan Wheat Program board has funded more than 50 projects and invested more than \$1.1 million in wheat research.

The MWP has stretched existing resources to their fullest capacity, according to Milligan, who noted that in order to move ahead with additional projects and plans as outlined in a strategic plan, it was necessary to add more "boots on the ground" for Extension programming, as well as research.

"It only made sense for us to partner with the Michigan Wheat Program to increase our wheat resources and to support the industry through this collaboration," said Doug Buhler, director of MSU AgBioResearch. "Dennis will be a great addition to the team."

Pennington was previously a bioenergy educator at Michigan State University Extension, and an agriculture and natural resources educator in Barry and Kent counties. He holds both B.S and M.S. degrees in Crop and Soil Science from MSU. He has a six-year track record of obtaining research grants in bioenergy including corn stover, switchgrass and biodiesel.

Pennington, a Hastings resident, has already worked to ensure that wheat is in the ground this fall to full-fill research plans next spring.

The Michigan Wheat Program is funded by nearly 8,000 farmers who grow wheat in 50 of Michigan's 83 counties. MWP's board seeks to promote the state's wheat industry by funding and supporting the strategic priorities of wheat farmers working with input suppliers, seed producers, millers, end users and consumers.

The program was established by a vote of the state's wheat farmers in 2011.

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# In Our OPINION...

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## Here's your chance to play Santa Claus

Members of the Cass City Rotary Club work to ensure dozens of area youngster aren't disappointed on Christmas morning each year by collecting donations of cash and toys, which they use to create wonderful holiday memories for those families struggling to make ends meet.

The local club's efforts – including shopping, wrapping, organizing and packing gifts and clothing for all ages – largely go unnoticed.

But you can bet there isn't enough room on this planet to hold the gratitude their time and work yields come Christmas morning as youngsters find those packages with their names on them under the tree.

It's the sort of project that has defined Cass City as a caring community. Not just because the work has its own reward in an undeniable feeling that only comes when giving from the heart, but also because everyone can share in that feeling by simply offering to do what they can to lend a hand.

And you don't have to have \$50 or \$100 to spare to do that. Rotary Club members would gladly accept the extra \$5 you have in your wallet or at the bottom of your purse, and no one's going to reject that extra pair of warm gloves or boots you snatched up at a bargain price while shopping for your own family. Don't have anything to give? Call the folks at Curtis Chrysler in town – headquarters for the Christmas for Kids project – and ask if there's something you could do to help out.

Donations, of course, are at the heart of Christmas for Kids, but the tradition also offers families a great opportunity to start a Christmas tradition of their own, by picking out something together to donate towards the effort.

In case you're wondering, Christmas for Kids targets families residing in the Cass City School District, with referrals for families coming from the Tuscola County Family Independence Agency and local school officials.

You're welcome to drop off your donations at Curtis Chrysler anytime during regular business hours; Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cash donations should also be taken to the local dealership. More information is available by calling (989) 872-2184.

Now in its 17th year, Christmas for Kids in recent years has typically served 100 or more families – that's 200 to 300 youths – annually.


"You're helping the families, but really you're helping kids during the holidays," Emily Phillips, who took on the role as coordinator of the Cass City Rotary Club's toys campaign last year, has said of the effort. "Everybody wants to spread some cheer, and this is one way."

Well said.

And as we noted, area residents can be a part of this project by getting involved, but you'll need to get that donation in soon, because distribution day – like Christmas itself – will be here before you know it.

You can be sure your contribution will be put to good use and be appreciated, probably by someone you've never even met, but who will never forget the thought and generosity behind the gesture.


Taking part in this year's toy campaign will also make your Christmas special, too. After all, is there any better way to celebrate this season of giving?



# Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

## The really big sugar crystal project



Every parent has experienced the phenomenon. Your child is given an assignment on the first day of class. It is no normal assignment, but one that requires ongoing work throughout the coming weeks or months. It is the Really Big School Project.

Really big projects might involve science, geography, math or English literature, but they all start out the same: with a worksheet detailing the details of the assignment. This includes research requirements, data collection, final format and due date, the latter of which seems very far off until unexpectedly your child finds him or herself with three days to meet said due date and it is crunch time.

Responsible parents (which obviously includes all of us) wouldn't ignore the due date save for one thing. The assignment worksheet never makes it to the kitchen table. This precious and important paper that your child was tasked to diligently carry home on the first day of school sits in a crumpled state at the bottom of a backpack or on the floorboards of the backseat of the minivan until it inexplicably makes its way into the laundry pile. Whether you find it before or after the wash cycle is entirely up to luck.

In addition to procrastination, really big projects often require poster board and parental participation, which comes after the procrastination threatens a C-minus and parents can no longer ignore the obvious. The work must somehow get done and the assignment becomes a really big family project requiring parental prodding and supervision.

This leads to the thing I like best about really big projects: the amount of learning that takes place. Sometimes the knowledge even rubs off on the student.

We've muddled through our fair share of big projects. My kids have mapped out the entire planet, created a timeline of the history of the world, grown tadpoles, mold and Monarchs (butterflies, not royalty). Our experience with big projects is vaster than the projects themselves. Right now, we are growing sugar crystals. Or, I guess I should say we are attempting the task. We haven't yet had so much as a sprout. I doubt we will.

I should have seen this coming. This isn't my first sugar crystal dog and pony show. I've been through eighth grade science a time or two (or five, but who's counting?) and I've witnessed more than a couple crystal flops. I was tempted to tell my son this a couple of weekends ago as he stirred his sugar water concoction on the stove and chattered about the assignment.

"My teacher said it's easy to grow crystals," he said. "Only one or two in our whole class won't

get them."


"Prepare to be part of the minority," I wanted to say out loud. "Failure is most likely in your future." I mouthed the words silently because a good mom never discourages enthusiasm about school projects.

Still, if the glass is half empty you might as well call it like you see it. Over the years I've spent months peering into sugar-water-filled jars looking for any hint of crystals and I've yet to see a single grain. Our formations have been as scarce as an A-plus on a failed science experiment and our inadequacies are crystal clear – to me, at least.

My son, however, remains optimistic. His glass is half-full, albeit not with crystals. And, although his progress may be lacking, he knows it's important to complete the really big project with due diligence – crystals or not. He is photographing his water a few times a week to document the lack of any activity or formations. He is writing notes about his crystal deficiencies. He is holding out – with a hope reserved for 13-year-olds – that his crystals will grow.

And who knows? Maybe they will. I hope they do. I sure do.

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)

Tuscola County Community Foundation Executive Director Ken Micklash informed the Village of Cass City that their proposal for improvements at the local playscape was unable to be funded.

In a recent letter to Village Manager Peter Cristiano, Micklash wrote the 'action is not a reflection on the value of your program. It only indicates that the Foundation's funds are limited. Funding request totaled over \$250,000.00 while grant funds available for distribution were approximately \$95,000.00.'

This leads to difficult decisions in establishing priorities, wrote Micklash, an area the former Cass City Schools Supt. faced throughout his career as a leader in Tuscola County.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Board should consider impact in building sale

Dear Editor,

We read in last week's Chronicle that Cass City Public Schools is considering two offers for the sale of the former Campbell Elementary building. As parents whose children rely heavily on the professionals at Thumb Area Psychological Services, we want to share with fellow taxpayers of our town that a sale to this organization will positively impact the entire Cass City community.

We adopted two children through foster care in the Thumb who are severely affected by autism and other special needs. The Turning Point program at Thumb Area Psychological Services is literally turning their lives around. Our sons attend this program in the former Campbell Elementary building five days a week for a specialized type of autism therapy. For families with private insurance, the next closest autism center is in Bay City.

We fear that if Thumb Area Psychological Services is unable to purchase this building, families and children in Cass City will no longer have access to autism therapy, behavioral treatment, marriage and family counseling, grief counseling, tutoring and other critical services.

Their unique programs require the kind of space that only a building like Campbell can offer. In addition, our sons and other children benefit when the Campbell daycare, elementary and high schools, and after-school programs are in close proximity.

Cass City needs young families to thrive. We have two different friends from college who had to move either across the state or out of Michigan to access autism Please turn to page 16.

So, most Cass City folks know Alice Zaleski is president of the Cass City school board, but can you tell me who heads up the local Downtown Development Authority or our Economic Development Corporation?

Well, if you knew that Jim Kranz and Orvil Beecher are co-chairmen of the entities charged with the development of businesses in the Village, you're probability a "shaker and baker" of the community yourself.

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In December, Mayville Area Museum of History will introduce its new book, Remembering Mayville's Boys In Blue, a 278-page book about the men from Mayville, Dayton, Fremont, Rich and Watertown townships who fought in the Civil War.

A book signing with authors Loraine Anderson and Lynn Freeland is scheduled for Saturday, December 5 at the Mayville Elementary School from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost of the book is \$25.00.

Both Loraine and Lynn grew up in Mayville and are Mayville High School graduates - Loraine in 1967 and Lynn in 1969. They have been a godsend to the museum in the completion of this endeavor, secretary-treasurer Fran Campbell said. The research/writing project started in 2010 and was almost derailed when coordinator Marilyn Patterson lost most of her eyesight to macular degeneration. Loraine and Lynn volunteered in 2014 to help finish researching and writing the book.

Reserve a copy by contacting Campbell at (989)843-0011. The book will be available after December 6 at the Mayville Library, The Robins Nest or Mayville Mercantile.

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Hats off to village council trustee Nancy Barrios and village clerk/treasurer Nanette Walsh. They secured a grant of \$4,500 that will be used at the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool next summer. Their hard work will enhance the swimming pool deck with tables.

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- Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 4-6 p.m., LeeRoy Clark Building, 435 Green St., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal.
- Adult Exercise, 8:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, Cass City, open to the community.
- After School Adventure, First Presbyterian Church, until 4:15 p.m. For more information call 989-872-5400.
- 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., Ubyly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
- AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.
- 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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#### Second Monday:

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

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#### Second Wednesday:

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

#### Second Thursday:

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

#### Third Tuesday:

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

#### Third Wednesday

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

#### Third Thursday:

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

#### Fourth Monday:

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

#### Fourth Wednesday:

- Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.
- 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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# Walbro: ethanol-proof technology to improve carburetor performance

Walbro, the world's largest carburetor manufacturer and leading supplier of fuel injection, ignition and fuel systems components recently announced the release of a new ethanol-proof metering diaphragm technology designed to greatly improve carburetor life and performance consistency.

Walbro's new Spiral Diaphragm technology incorporates advanced, ethanol-resistant materials to ensure consistent performance from the factory to the field in both year-round and seasonal use equipment, according to Tim Grifka, Walbro's vice president of quality.

"Traditional rubber-based diaphragm materials become brittle and deteriorate with age," Grifka said. "In time, this affects starting and running performance of gasoline powered handheld equipment. As the ethanol content in fuel increases, this process is accelerated, and is especially noticeable in seasonal use equipment where the diaphragm

dries out during long periods of storage."

"Walbro's new Spiral diaphragm eliminates these problems by incorporating materials that are unaffected by ethanol and other chemicals commonly used in commercially available fuels," Grifka explained.

Mike Pattullo, Walbro's senior principle engineer in charge of the project, added, "This technology has undergone years of rigorous testing in both laboratory and field evaluations to validate performance and durability in both cubic and rotary valve diaphragm carburetors. Throughout our testing, the Spiral Diaphragm greatly reduced variations in fuel metering performance, which is especially important in advanced emission control carburetors and many of the new electronic carburetor applications."

"This is the first major change in metering diaphragm technology in over 60 years," said Matthew Riddle, Walbro president and CEO. "We are delighted to offer this innovative

solution to our OEM partners and aftermarket customers, and to help bring greater value to the products they provide to industry professionals and consumers around the world."

Celebrating 65 years of innovation, Walbro is a global market leader in engine management and control systems for the lawn and garden, recreational and marine, construction, agriculture and outdoor power equipment markets, and a leading supplier of flow control products for medical and industrial equipment markets.

Walbro manufactures carburetors, ignition systems, fuel injection, air/fuel management systems, pumps, valves and fuel storage and delivery systems.

The company is a global organization with manufacturing and engineering facilities in China, Japan, Mexico, Thailand and the United States, and corporate headquarters in Tucson, Ariz.

# Obituaries

## Nancy Adams

Nancy L. Adams, 70, of Cass City passed away Sat., Nov. 28, 2015 at St. Mary's of Michigan, Saginaw. She was born June 30, 1945 in Detroit, to the late Ambrose and Marie Therese (Sorlin) Leonard. Nancy married Edward Adams, Oct. 27, 1973 in Bad Axe. She worked as a nurse's aide at Provincial House, Cass City and at Delphi in Saginaw. She also enjoyed crafting, bingo, canning, gardening and rock collecting. Nancy also worked for Pacific International Exchange, where she enjoyed her exchange students, both placing them and having them in her home. Most of all, she enjoyed time with her family and friends who also were "family", but the twinkle in her eye was for her grandson, Nathan. She had a zest for life and a great sense of humor. Nancy is survived by her loving husband of 42 years, Edward, her daughter, Debra (Robert) Edwards of Escanaba, her grandson, Nathan Daniel Edwards. She was predeceased by her sisters, Denise (the late Joseph) Papcun and Georgette Comeau. Visitation will be Thurs., Dec. 3 from 2 until 4 p.m. and 6 until 8 p.m., Fri. Dec. 4 from 12 noon until 4 p.m. and 6 until 8 p.m. with a Rosary at 7 p.m. at Thabet Funeral Home, 6255 Main St., Cass City. She will lay in state on Sat. Dec. 5 from 10 until an 11 a.m. Mass at Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Michael Church, 1951 S. Kingston Rd., Wilmot, with Rev. Fr. Christian Tabares as celebrant. Burial will be in St. Michael Cemetery. Please share condolences at [www.thabetfuneralhome.com](http://www.thabetfuneralhome.com). Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home of Cass City.

## David Dorland

David Dorland, 49, passed away at home with his family after a 13 month battle with glioblastoma multiforme, an aggressive brain cancer. He was born June 28, 1966 in Cass City, to Otis and Donna (Mitchell) Dorland. He is survived by his mother. David was a graduate of Cass City High School. He married his high school sweetheart, Kimberly Parrish on June 25 1986 in Ronake, Virginia. David was employed by Dow Corning as a Chemical Process Operator and was a hard worker. He enjoyed traveling, watching hockey and being a Michigan Patriot Guard. David is survived by his wife Kimberly, sons Zach and Sarah Dorland of Loomis and Cody and Kendra Dorland of Coleman, and daughter Brittany and Ryan Chreck of Saginaw. Grandchildren Gideon, Isaiah, and Elsie Dorland of Loomis, Collin Chreck of Saginaw, and his canine companion Mia. He is also survived by siblings Cheryl Kilbourn of Cass City, Kathy (Toby) Guinn of Decker, Jim Dorland of Deford, Barb (Dave) Macomb of Cass City, Tim (Lorna) Dorland of Deford, Tom (Kathy) Dorland of Cass City, Deb (Dave) Heacock of Charlotte, mother-in-law Linda (Don) Noble of Frankenmuth, brother-in-law Kevin Parrish of Cass City, and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He was proceeded in death by his father and grandparents. Per David's wishes cremation has taken place and no service is scheduled. David's family would like to thank David's doctors and Cancer Services of Midland. Memorials can be sent to the family's discretionary fund. To sign an online guestbook, visit [www.cremationsocietymidmi.com](http://www.cremationsocietymidmi.com). Arrangements were made by Cremation Society of Mid-Michigan.



## Wallace Kappen

Wallace "Wally" Charles Kappen, 87, of Cass City died unexpectedly Wednesday, November 25, 2015 in his home. He was born July 29, 1928 in Ashmore, the fifth of seven children born to Robert and Mildred (Patnaude) Kappen. He married Shirley Ann Koehler November 10, 1949 in Caro. Wally raised dairy cattle for many years. He owned and operated Wally Kappen Saw Mill since 1954. He liked to buy and sell things and was always looking for a good deal. Wally enjoyed taking rides throughout the countryside. He was a member of Caro Moose Lodge #1049 and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. He enjoyed being surrounded by great-grandchildren and loved family gatherings. Wally is survived by his wife, Shirley; children: Ronald (Sue) Kappen of Cass City, Victoria (Ken) Proctor of Akron, Robert (Crystal) Kappen of Cass City, Bonnie Kappen of Caro, John "Jack" (Susan) Kappen of Cass City; grandchildren: Shelly (Richard) Cantu, Angela (John) Zagorski, Erica (Lonnie) Nowland, Robert Kappen, Erin (Eric) Jenecki, Jacob (Leslie) Kappen, Tyson Kappen, Nicholas (Jessica) Kappen, Dawn (Daniel) Deschetsky and Troy (Brooke) Roller; great-grandchildren: Taylor, Jocelyn, Kara, Seth, Drake, Autumn, Alana, Allyse, Aubree, Parker, Kennedy, Chase, Madelyn, Cohen, William and Alice; sister, Vivian Rabideau of Cass City, Jack (Iris) Kappen of Cass City, Maxine (Jay) Smith of Caseville; many nieces and nephews. Wally was preceded in death by his son, Charles Wallace Kappen; granddaughter, Alexandra Kappen; brothers: Warren Kappen and Lester Kappen; sister, Margie McGill; brother-in-law, Robert Rabideau. A funeral service was held Saturday, November 28 in Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with the Rev. Steve Bagnall of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church officiating. Interment will take place in Hillside Cemetery, Cass City. Pallbearers for Mr. Kappen will be his grandchildren. Memorials may be made to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church or the Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at [www.kranzfuneralhome.com](http://www.kranzfuneralhome.com). Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

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## Reporter's notebook



**Quality hunt?  
Who's to say?**

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor



I shot a deer while hunting in the small patch of woods behind my place last month. At 60 yards, with my eyesight such as it is, I was reasonably sure it was a mature doe that would make for some nice roasts, steaks, etc., before I pulled the trigger.

Turned out it was a young buck with two small spikes protruding from its skull, which tempered my excitement a bit.

My reaction had nothing to do with my success — I've bagged very few deer, and this was the first time I've ever had a little land of my own on which to hunt, so I was thrilled. At the same time, I've heard from a handful of sportsmen over the years who would probably tell me I should be ashamed for not passing on the young buck, even though I thought I was bagging a doe in the first place.

For a moment or two, I actually felt like I had committed a hunting sin.

But then I got over it.

I attribute that feeling of guilt to a small segment of quality deer management (QDM) enthusiasts I've encountered over the past couple of decades. "Let 'em go, let 'em grow" is the anthem of these folks, some of them promoting voluntary adherence to their hunting practices; others determined to decide what qualifies as a "quality hunt" for their fellow sportsmen as well.

Now, I agree it's an approach to deer herd management that makes sense; you take only mature bucks and a certain number of does, allowing the younger bucks to reach maturity and, presumably, the stage where they're boasting impressive racks.

Unfortunately, some QDM groups over the years have decided ALL hunters should embrace their approach to deer hunting, which has led to efforts — some of them successful in Michigan — to implement mandatory antler point restrictions. One such effort in the Thumb failed a few years ago.

As I see it, one of the problems here is, it's easy to preach the QDM sermon when you have a nice chunk of private land at your disposal — property you have control over and can manage and hunt, hopefully without the intrusion of trespassers.

But when your only option is hunting on public land, and you really never know if the area you're familiar with and hunted today will be occupied by someone else tomorrow? Not so much. Don't get me wrong, I believe making the availability of public land for hunting is a priority, but many hunters will also tell you it's a crapshoot because there are some nuts out there, plain and simple.

So, to some degree, I wonder if it boils down to the haves and have-nots.

Of course, everyone has their own opinion, and I think it's worth listening to others' viewpoints. Until those viewpoints start to sound like mandates, or they simply don't make sense — say, for example, the few old school hunters out there who are still convinced that shooting a doe is tantamount to a hanging offense.

Oh, well. In the future, I'll probably pass on smaller bucks because I'd like have more opportunities to come face to face with a trophy at some point. I'll admit the idea of having a nice pair of antlers to show off is appealing.

On the other hand, you can't eat antlers any more than you can manage a deer herd without taking does.

The bottom line is, I intend to continue hunting and bag the deer I see fit. Don't tell me how I should enjoy my hunting experience (because, frankly, it's none of your business), and I won't try to tell you how to enjoy yours.

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



### 5 YEARS AGO (2010)

Don't ask members of the Elkland Township Fire Department about their secret chili recipe. Why? Well, it's not because they're stingy; they just don't know. A group of Cass City fire fighters — Chief Glenn Guilds along with firemen Jeremy Somerville, Dale Tabar, Paul Learman, Nick Moyer, Chuck Kaake and his son, Andrew — concocted this year's championship recipe in the annual Christmas in the Village Chili Cook-Off competition in Cass City. Guilds said he and his crew decided to take a shot at Cass City's chili crown after winning softball and golf tournaments earlier this year, not to mention their first-place finish in the recent donkey basketball tournament sponsored by the Cass City PTO.

Taylor Wells was among 15 Tuscola County youth who competed in the 2010 Michigan State Horse Show. Wells, a Caro area resident, was named Grand Champion in Gymkhana Showmanship.

The 2010-11 Cass City Red Hawk boys' varsity basketball team members are Rob Wolschleger, Justin Ketterer, Drew King, Alex Varney, Nick Brown, Cody Orban, Kyle Middaugh, Alex Zaleski, Corey Haney, Cameron Dunnuck, Morgan Erla and Ethan Nicol.

Autumn Turnbull, 8, was among the more than 200 children who enjoyed sharing their Christmas lists with Santa and Mrs. Claus at the VFW hall Saturday night. She is the daughter of Deb and Larry Turnbull of Cass City.

### 10 YEARS AGO (2005)

Members of the second-place Cass City A Quiz Bowl Team are Channing Langenburg, Molly Wynn, Kelsey Ruby, Zac Deering and Michael Milligan.

The Cass City B Team, which finished third in the December Thumb Area Quiz Bowl League Tournament, is composed of Dallas Woodward, Joanna Macgown, Ronnie Wolschleger, Abby Ellis, Jacob Ballard and Rochelle Rushlow.

Cass City area sportsmen and long-time friends Skip Speirs and Jerry Langmaid combined their memories and talents to produce their book, "Short Tales Made Taller by a Good Campfire", which can be purchased locally at Coach Light Pharmacy. Pictured above is the cover of the book, which features a caricature of Speirs in the center and was illustrated by Langmaid.

### 25 YEARS AGO (1990)

Mrs. Laura Ball was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Don Hazzard in Bad Axe. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hazzard and family, Michael Hazzard and Brenda Elliott.

Tracey Lin Cavanaugh and Lany Scott McKee, of Cass City, announce their engagement. She is a graduate of Owen Gage High School and is employed at Sommers' Bakery. McKee is employed at Cass City IGA Foodliner and is a Cass City High School graduate. The couple is planning a Sept. 28, 1991, wedding.

Mrs. Marion McClorey was honored on her birthday Friday, Dec. 7, when 27 members of her family met at her home. Mrs. McClorey received a birthday card from

President and Mrs. Bush and a letter from Gov. Blanchard. Ice cream, cake, coffee and punch were served.

Cass City Intermediate School students who won medals at a district band and orchestra festival Saturday are Tara Charboneau, Jocelyn Volz, Tracy Boerner, Ed Hartwick, Lindi Parrott and John Rea.

### 35 YEARS AGO (1980)

Lucky bucks winners in the drawing Saturday were Charles Nemeth of Cass City, and Helen Aldrich of Caro. Each won \$100 in lucky bucks. Winners this Saturday in the drawing sponsored by the Cass City Retail Committee will each receive \$150 in lucky bucks to be spent in local stores.

Mr. and Mrs. Gil Schwaderer entertained relatives at dinner Sunday following the baptism in Salem UM Church of their grandson, Adam Joseph Lalko. Guests, besides Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lalko and baby, were Mr. and Mrs. John Lalko, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lalko, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Bang and son of Kingston, Chris and Craig Langmaid of Birch Run, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Bartle, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tuckey and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Wright and Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson and Randy.

Mrs. Glenn McClorey accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Norman Crawford of Deford to the Lewis Crawford home in Caro Sunday to attend an early Christmas dinner. Others attending were Arthur, Clare and Miss Lessel Crawford of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Crawford of Bay City.

Mark Zmierski, with the U.S. Navy, was a lunch guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Patch Thursday. He is scheduled to leave Dec. 16 for Spain.

The top salesmen in the Cass City Intermediate School popcorn and salt and pepper shaker sale were, from left, Barry Brown, \$157; Mark Gracey, \$119, and Deb McIntosh, \$115. A total of \$2,300-2,500 was raised, with proceeds being used by the student council for various projects, including a new gym scoreboard, already installed. Top salesmen received cash prizes.

### 40 YEARS AGO (1975)

Miss JoAnn Farr and Robert Langmaid, formerly of Cass City, were wed at Birch Run United Methodist Church, Nov. 15. The bride was given in marriage by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Farr of Clio. After a trip through northern Michigan, the couple will reside in Birch Run.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Damm and family Thanksgiving Day were Mrs. Glenn McClorey, Larry McClorey, Mark McClorey, Patti Doerr, Fred McClorey and Mr. and Mrs. George Frank, Kevin, Shelly and Sandra.

John M. Spencer and Sally A. Geiger announce their engagement. Miss Geiger, a teacher in the Grand Ledge Public Schools, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald V. Geiger of Cass City. Mr. Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Spencer of Millington, is presently employed in Lansing. An April 10 wedding is being planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Benkelman of Cass City were honored with a surprise 50th wedding anniversary celebration at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stirrett of Elkton, Anna Steinman and Ward Benkelman were married Dec. 8, 1925. They have lived in Cass City all their married life. The couple were pinned with a golden corsage and boutonniere. A turkey dinner and a tiered wedding cake were served and many gifts were received. Guests attended from Monroe, Lakeview, Utica, Roseville, Cass City and Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Russell of Gagetown arrived home Nov. 28 from a trip they began Nov. 4 which took them to Germany to visit their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Elsesser (Janet Russell). While in Europe, they visited several other countries briefly. During their absence, Mrs. Russell's mother, Mrs. Ed Golding Sr., stayed in the Russell home with their daughters, Lisa, Diane and Susan.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence G. Rogers of Haxton, Colo., wish to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their eldest daughter, Colleen, to Henry C. Doerr Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Doerr Sr., of Mayville. A Jan. 11 wedding is planned to take place in Pasadena, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Tuckey and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lee D'Arcy of Kingston, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Freed and family at Elkhart, Ind. They also visited the D'Arcy's son, Richard, at Mishawaka, Ind., where he is a student at Bethel College and called on Rev. and Mrs.

David D'Arcy in Eaton Rapids, where he is pastor of the Congregational church.

### 50 YEARS AGO (1965)

The only other thing I ever won was some sausage from Erla Food Market, Mrs. Kasimier Andrysiak said Monday as she looked at the new portable television won in the first drawing sponsored by the Retail Division of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce. The Andrysiaks live in a spick and span retirement home on the River Road, a mile south and a mile west of Cass City, and are using the new TV as a second set in their kitchen. The couple moved to Cass City from Detroit 11 years ago when Mr. Andrysiak retired after 32 years at the Dodge plant in the Motor City. Although the couple has been well satisfied with their home here, they are trying to move. "We have two children that live in the Detroit area and we would like to get a little closer to them if we can sell our house," they explained.

The monthly meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary and Christmas party will be held Monday evening, Dec. 13. Mrs. Jake Wise is chairman of the committee on arrangements. The meeting will be held at the Legion hall.

A bridal shower for Helen Ann Koepf, given by Patricia and Linda Koepf, was attended by 28 friends and relatives with the bride-elect receiving many gifts. Mrs. Phyllis King was in charge of games. The door prize went to Mrs. Helen Hudson of Caro and the boobie prize went to Mrs. Mary DuRussell of Cass City. Refreshments were served.

### 75 YEARS AGO (1940)

All arrangements have been made except the signing of the necessary papers for the transfer of a business block on East Main Street from the E. H. Pinney Estate to John Libka. The block is occupied by D. A. Krug and the Ovalt Bakery Co. on the first floor and by Dr. B. H. Starman's offices in the second story. Mr. Libka has purchased the business block as an investment and no change in occupants is contemplated.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Stewart and son, Leslie, went to Detroit on November 27 and spent the "old time" Thanksgiving with their daughters and sisters and their families. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart also celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with their relatives in Detroit. They returned home Thursday evening of last week.

A quiet wedding occurred November 27, Miss Bertha Carnell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Carnell, of Bad Axe, became the bride of Marwood McBride, son of Mrs. Jennie McBride, of Argyle, the service taking place in the Presbyterian manse at Bad Axe and read by Roy. Lester E. Williams. Miss Carnell wore a street length dress of soldier blue with wine accessories and a corsage of yellow roses. She was attended by Miss Mary Nugent of Bad Axe, who wore a gold colored dress with black accessories and a corsage of roses. Harold Walker of Argyle assisted Mr. McBride as best man. Following the wedding, a dinner was served at noon in the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. McBride left on a trip through the South after which they will make their home in Argyle. Mrs. McBride was graduated from Bad Axe High School in '35 while Mr. McBride was a member of the Class of '31 to graduate from Cass City High School.

### 100 YEARS AGO (1915)

Geo. S. Farrar, who has had charge of the Hotel Heasty at Pigeon for a number of years turned over the management of the house to William Schultz and his son, J. W., of Saginaw who purchased his interest. The senior member of the firm for years managed the Bancroft House at Saginaw and his son ably last few years has ably assisted him.

William S.C. Pellowe, of Peck, a junior, won out Friday night in the annual oratorical contest at Albion college, to pick Albion's representative in the state oratorical competition. The title of his oration was "The call of the carpenter" and he drew down a \$30 prize for taking the honor.

From the opening of the season until December first, the hunters of Tuscola county have enriched the state game warden's department by about \$2,000 paid for hunters' licenses. County Clerk Brown and deputy game wardens have received this amount for small game and deer hunting permits. The county clerk has issued 62 less deer licenses than last year, the number for this season being 116.

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**1:30 pm:** Doors open for FREE matinee of "DOLPHIN TALE 2" at the Cass Theatre. (Movie starts at 2 pm).  
**7 pm:** Tom Thumb Singers Christmas Concert  
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**December 13th**  
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# Council introduces 2016 budget

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Treasurer Nanette Walsh added village taxpayers can expect the 2016 millage rate to remain unchanged to support the proposed budget.

Still, revenues for the new budget are expected to decrease 4.8 percent next year and Cass City village residents once again will see a two percent increase in their water and sewer bills starting in January due to the number of vacant houses in the community that are purchasing only the minimum water and sewer services.

Turning to wages for village employees, Cristiano reported that two percent wage increase is included for workers in the 2016 budget and their current health insurance coverage will remain in place with the deductibles introduced in 2011. However, the 2016 costs for health insurance are 1.8 percent higher than this past year.

The new spending plan also outlines revenues and expenditures in the eight operating funds that comprise the village's total budget – General Fund, Major Street Fund, Local Streets Fund, Economic Development Corporation Fund, Downtown Development Authority Fund, Water Enterprise Fund, Wastewater Enterprise Fund, and Motor Vehicle and Equipment Fund.

Among the expenditures scheduled for 2016, according to Cristiano, the police department will replace a vehicle, while at the Waste Water Treatment Plant electrical improvements are slated.

Also included in next year's budget are hydrant replacements, completion of the GIS system, and SCADA upgrades. Additionally, the village plans to purchase a new street sweeper, paint buggy and hydraulics for the grader.

As always, Cristiano says, the theme that runs through the proposed

budget is one of maximizing available resources, both physical and human, to continue an exceptional quality of life for residents of Cass City.

"The programs and capital improvements scheduled for 2016 are a continuation of a program of excellence that is ingrained in Cass City history," he said. "The new budget is balanced and meets the goals of village staff, council and residents."

## MODE CONVERSION

The United States Postal Service has begun their mode conversion process in Cass City according to Representative Kasee Garske who attended Monday's gathering to explain the course of action planned for better mail service, a procedure happening all over the country.

Garske said she will be working closely with both residential and business consumers to make modifications to how their mail is being delivered. The changes may include

moving mailboxes to the curblin, adjusting mailboxes on porches so workers can reach it from the ground level and installing centralized boxes.

"The Postal Service will be paying for the centralized mailboxes and also for curblin mailboxes, post and installation, with minimal impact to residents," said Garske noting the process will be completed in April of 2017.

Garske vowed that communication will be ongoing throughout the process and that hardship consumers will be cared for as they are now.

"Hardship consumers include those with disabilities. We know there are times when people don't adjust to change," said Garske who encourages folks with concerns to contact her at 989-883-3550. Adding, "the biggest concern from consumers is curblin boxes will be vandalized or knocked down."

"Those boxes are not knocked down as often as you think – less than 3 percent."



*Deployed deputy back home...*

THE TUSCOLA County Sheriff's Department recently congratulated Deputy Jonathon Ramirez (above) for his deployment overseas and his successful return as a deputy with the sheriff's department. He was deployed to Kuwait in direct support of Operation Inherent Resolve as a munitions craftsman. His rank is TSgt. (E6) and has been with the Michigan Air National Guard for five years, with a total of 13 years in the service.

## 200 attend community dinner

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volunteers have purchased the birds – 22 in all this year — using donations. Today, all of the local service clubs and most area churches contribute to the meal with cash donations and/or volunteers. Hills and Dales General Hospital and other businesses and organizations have also supported the effort.

"They've all been a great support all these years and we really appreciate it," Mills said. "It wouldn't happen without them."

Mills also lauded VG's Food and Pharmacy in Caro, which has filled a void in the area of offering bargain prices for the community dinner since Erla's Foods in Cass City closed its doors.

"They've (VG's) been real good to work with," he said. "My hats off to them because they stepped right up."

The philosophy of the local Thanksgiving dinner, 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 family pitching in, serving and joining in the celebration.

Mills figures everyone involved with the event has continued to embrace that tenet.

"It was a lot of fun," he said, noting those in attendance last week included some families who came to share in the meal and fellowship, as well as individuals and couples who make the annual community gathering what it is today.

"That really makes it the family event we were looking for," Mills said.

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## Cass City returns eight for new coach

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Height will not be an issue for the 2015-16 Cass City Red Hawk boys basketball team.

First year Coach Tyler Erla has eight returning letter winners – five over 6' tall - from last year's squad that finished with a 2-8 record in Greater Thumb West play and 5-15 overall.

Sure to be missed from Coach Aaron Fernald's final season in charge are graduates Kyle Ross, Jack Stern and Drew Loomis. Ross was a consistent scorer from the wing during his final go-around, while Stern gave the Red Hawks a dependable rebounder in the low post. Loomis, after starting the season on the sideline because of concussion safety rules, worked his way into the starting line-up in the last half of the season at guard.

Still, topping the list of returnees are seniors Sawyer Cuthrell and Mason Erla. The pair has started every game during their 3-year varsity career and Coach Erla will count heavily on their experience to improve on last year's win totals during his rookie campaign in charge.

Cuthrell was voted to the Greater Thumb West all-conference second team as a junior when he averaged 8 points and 3 assists as the Red Hawk floor general. Erla, also a Greater Thumb West all-confer-

ence second team performer in 2015, used his 6' 5" frame to average a team-best 12 points and 7 rebounds in his second varsity season.

Also returning with a year of varsity exposure under their belts are sen-

iors Parker Haire and Keith Lounsbury and juniors Chase Winter and Logan Schenk.

Haire, 6' 1", will be called on to help Cuthrell with the ball handling chores, while Lounsbury 6' 3", Winter 6' 4" and Schenk 6' 4" will be expected to help Cass City win the battle under the boards.

Rounding out the returning letter winners for Cass City are seniors D e v i n Klueger and B r a n d e n Horne. Both should see

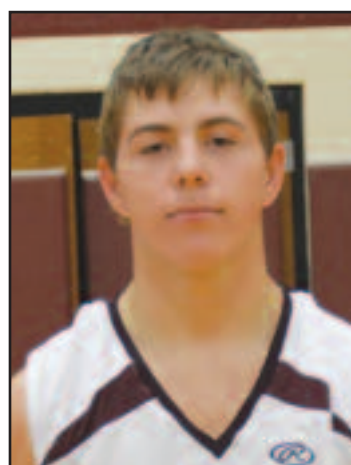
plenty of playing time in the early season and will be battling for playing time at the guard position along with junior rookie Brad Hacker.

Expected to add depth to the Cass City roster is first year junior players Cole Chippi and Darren Miller. Chippi is the team's tallest player at 6' 6", while Miller – the Greater Thumb West pole vault champion – is a versatile athlete with plenty of talent.

Look for Bad Axe and Vassar to compete for the Greater Thumb West title in 2016. The reigning champion Hatchets are led by lightning-quick high scorer Tommy Morneau, while the Vulcans have returning big man Tyler Humpert. In a league strong top to bottom, USA – led by southpaw Aaron Saenz – is a Greater Thumb West dark horse to grab the crown.



Mason Erla



Sawyer Cuthrell



THE OWEN-GAGE 2015-16 varsity boys' basketball team members are: (front, l-r) David Binder, Aaron Fahrner, Luke Retford, Austin Bieri and Derik Harp (back) Dan Good, Dylan Fritz, Kevin Brinkman, Jacob Wright and Coach Brian Wright.

## Bulldog basketball teams look to improve in 2016

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Coaches Brian Wright and Mike Sutherland return for a second season at the helm of the Owen-Gage Bulldog basketball programs with plenty of optimism and high hopes.

Coach Wright returns eight letter winners and 6 seniors from his rookie campaign that saw the Bulldog boys enter a record of 4-17 overall into the history books, while going winless in the highly competitive Michigan Summit League Conference.

Among the Bulldog marquee names returning are seniors Jacob Wright, Dan Good and junior David Binder.

Wright was the team's leading scorer and rebounder as a junior. He's best known for a golden touch from behind the 3-part arc, while Good has great jumping ability and has mastered several old school moves, according to Wright, who says

Binder is the team's top defender.

Also back for a final season with a year's growth at the varsity level to their credit are seniors Dyland Fritz, Derik Harp and Austin Bieri, while senior Kevin Brinkman is the lone newcomer on the 2015-16 roster.

Sophomore letter winners Aaron Fahrner and Luke Retford complete the team listings at Owen-Gage and have looked impressive during early season workouts.

Although Wright feels the Bulldogs are lacking a true point guard, he's confident the Bulldogs can make some noise in conference play.

"We have a chance to have a great season. Our goal is to win as many league games as possible, including (games) against Bay City All Saints and Flint International. The league will be a toss up this year," he said.

Turning to the Lady Bulldogs, Sutherland has a dozen players on

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THE OWEN-GAGE 2015-16 varsity girls' basketball team members are: (front, l-r) Megan Fritz, Adrianna Woodward, Courtney Wightman and Ashlee Woodruff (back) Kaitlynn Ross, Carley Haldane, Morgan Ondrajka, Natasha Dubs, Alyson Witzke, Carlee Rievert, Hanah Cole, Kaitlyn LaCroix and Coach Mike Sutherland.

## Kingston gals set to defend NCTL crown

For 5th year Coach Jay Green, the question looming is reload or rebuild?

While the graduation losses are significant for the Kingston Lady Cardinal skipper, so are the returnees from last year's magical season that included a perfect 12-0 North Central Thumb League record, plus district and regional crowns in 2015.

Among those Green will need to replace are graduates Jenna Boyl and Cassidy MacGuire. Guard Boyl was All-Thumb First Team, honorable mention All-State (AP), and First Team North Central Thumb League as a senior, while her classmate, guard MacGuire earned honorable mention All-State praises and was voted to the North Central Thumb League all-conference first team.

However, back to help defend their North Central Thumb League banner are four returnees including seniors Sarah Savage and Madison Cofer. Savage is a 4-year varsity player.

She led the Cardinals in scoring last year and has a well-rounded game, landing on the North Central Thumb League all-conference dream team as a junior. Cofer will be counted on to provide an inside presence offensively and defensively. She was a North Central Thumb League all-conference second team selection as a junior.

"Depth and experience will be a concern with only four returning players. Cassidy and Jenna ran the show for the last few years, so we need our seniors to step up and take over that leadership role," said Green. Adding, this year's team has a good blend of quickness and size and they work hard and are hungry to succeed.

Another key performer back for the Cardinals is senior Guard Kali Powell. Green says Kali learned the game from Cassidy and Jenna and is ready to take over at guard.

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# Wright, Binder return for O-G

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this year's team ready to improve on a 7 win regular season from a year ago. While 2015 grad and team leader

Rachel Mroz will be hard to replace, Sutherland can turn to returnees Adrianna Woodward, Courtney Wightman, Ashlee Woodruff, Morgan Ondrajka, Alyson Witzke and Hannah Cole to ease the transition.

## Owendale-Gagetown Schools Winter Sports Schedules

### Boys' Varsity Basketball

- 12/11/15 Landmark Academy HS
- 12/14/15 Faithway Christian School (Vs Faith )
- 12/16/15 Michigan School for the Deaf & Blind
- 12/21/15 Mackinac Island School
- 12/22/15 Northport High School (@ Kalkaska High School)
- 01/05/16 \*Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy
- 01/12/16 \*International Academy of Flint
- 01/15/16 Merritt Academy
- 01/19/16 \*All Saints Central HS
- 01/22/16 \*Akron-Fairgrove Jr/Sr HS
- 01/25/16 Caseville High School
- 01/28/16 Michigan School for the Deaf & Blind
- 01/29/16 \*Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy
- 02/02/16 \*International Academy of Flint
- 02/12/16 \*Akron-Fairgrove Jr/Sr HS
- 02/16/16 Caseville High School
- 02/19/16 \*All Saints Central HS
- 02/22/16 Mayville Community School
- 02/26/16 Landmark Academy HS
- 03/01/16 Faithway Christian School

### Girls' Varsity Basketball

- 12/04/15 Mayville Community School
- 12/08/15 Madison Academy
- 12/11/15 Landmark Academy HS
- 12/21/15 Mackinac Island School
- 12/22/15 Northport High School (@ Kalkaska High School)
- 01/05/16 \*Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy
- 01/08/16 Madison Academy
- 01/12/16 \*International Academy of Flint
- 01/15/16 Merritt Academy
- 01/19/16 \*All Saints Central HS
- 01/22/16 \*Akron-Fairgrove Jr/Sr HS
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- 01/29/16 \*Saginaw Arts and Sciences Academy
- 02/02/16 \*International Academy of Flint
- 02/12/16 \*Akron-Fairgrove Jr/Sr HS
- 02/18/16 \*All Saints Central HS
- 02/22/16 Mayville Community School
- 02/26/16 Landmark Academy HS

\*\*\*Home Games in bold\*\*\*



**SURPRISE! Thumb teenager Erin Hartsell, 17, bagged her first buck opening morning with one shot on private property in the Cass City area. What she thought was a spike turned out to be an 8-point beauty.**

## Morley's book is perfect holiday present for Cass City hoop fans

Here's a Christmas gift idea for your local high school basketball fan. When Bob Morley released Cass City Red Hawks Boys Basketball 1950 - 2001 in 2009, it was embraced by Red Hawks of all ages, and newer generations wanted more. In response, Morley is releasing Cass City Red Hawks Boys Basketball 1950 - 2014. Much more than an update, this second edition is a virtually new book. Exhaustively researched, the new book revisits the old material with many more individual and team records as well as extra season highlights of games and scoring performances. As a special bonus, 13 more years of comprehensive team coverage has been added. All teams that won conference, district and regional titles are highlighted with pictures. And there are special features honoring the two outstanding teams from 1935 and 1944. Written with the perspective that only someone who has lived and loved Red Hawks basketball for over 50 years could provide, Cass City Red Hawks Boys Basketball 1950 - 2014 is a labor of love and a gift to a special hometown. Relive the memories and tradition that is Red Hawk basketball. Copies of Cass City Red Hawks Boys Basketball 1950 - 2014 are available at the Rawson Memorial Library. Cost is \$25 per book. To order a book, send your name, address and a check or money order for \$30 (\$25 cost of book plus \$5 shipping) made payable to Bob Morley, PO Box #370, Williamston, MI 48895.

## Cardinals hungry to succeed

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Filling out the Cardinal roster is first year senior center Kristina Henderson, junior guards Jade DeLong, Cira Skinner and McKenna Corlis, freshmen forwards Jillyan Dinsmore and Carley Smith and freshman Guard Camryn MacGuire. "The NCTL will be more balanced this year. Deckerville and Peck return a lot of experience and may be the favorite. Caseville, North Huron and Mayville should be much improved. Newcomer Dryden had a winning record in a strong league. If we develop the necessary depth and team leadership, we hope to compete for the league championship as well," Green said.

## Kingston Varsity Girls' Basketball

Date	Opponent
Dec 04	Akron-Fairgrove High School
Dec 08	Marlette High School
Dec 11	Caseville High School
Dec 15	Mayville High School
Dec 22	Deckerville High School
Dec 29	Harry Moore Classic-Capac
Dec 30	Harry Moore Classic-Capac
Jan 04	Sandusky High School
Jan 08	Dryden High School
Jan 12	Peck Community High School
Jan 15	North Huron High School - Kinde
Jan 19	Imlay City High School
Jan 28	Peck Community High School
Feb 01	Mayville High School
Feb 04	Caseville High School
Feb 08	Deckerville High School
Feb 11	Dryden High School
Feb 16	Almont High School
Feb 18	North Huron High School - Kinde

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# Cass City Jr./Sr. High School 2015-16 Winter Sports Schedules

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## Varsity Boys' Basketball

DATE	OPPONENT
12/9	Mayville
12/11	Sandusky @ SVSU
12/14	Capac
12/16	Memphis
12/18	Marlette
1/6	BCAS
1/8	Lakers
1/13	Harbor Beach
1/15	Reese
1/18	Caro
1/22	USA
1/27	Brown City
1/29	Vassar (snowcoming)
2/3	Bad Axe
2/5	Lakers
2/12	Reese
2/17	Ubyly
2/19	USA
2/26	Vassar
3/3	Bad Axe
3/7-11	District @ Harbor Beach - TBD

Games begin at 7:30 p.m.

## Follow our Hawks at Home

**JV & Varsity Boys' Basketball**  
December 16 vs. Memphis  
JV starts at 6:00 p.m.

**JV & Varsity Girls' Basketball**  
December 4 vs. Marlette  
JV starts at 6:00 p.m.

**Wrestling**  
Ubyly/Vassar  
January 13 at 6:00 p.m.

## Varsity Girls' Basketball

DATE	OPPONENT
12/1	Mayville
12/4	Marlette
12/10	Sandusky
12/15	Memphis
12/17	Bad Axe
12/22	BCAS
1/7	Lakers
1/12	Harbor Beach
1/14	Reese
1/19	Caro
1/21	USA
1/26	Brown City
1/28	Vassar
2/2	Bad Axe
2/4	Lakers
2/9	Akron-Fairgrove
2/11	Reese
2/16	Ubyly
2/18	USA
2/25	Vassar
2/29-3/5	Districts @ USA TBD

Games begin at 7:30 p.m.

## Junior Varsity Boys' Basketball

DATE	OPPONENT
12/9	Mayville
12/11	Sandusky @ SVSU
12/14	Capac @ 5:30 P.M.
12/16	Memphis
12/18	Marlette
1/6	BCAS
1/8	Lakers
1/13	Harbor Beach
1/15	Reese
1/18	Caro
1/22	USA
1/27	Brown City
1/29	Vassar (snowcoming)
2/3	Bad Axe
2/5	Lakers
2/12	Reese
2/17	Ubyly
2/19	USA
2/26	Vassar
3/3	Bad Axe
3/7-11	District @ Harbor Beach - TBD

Games begin at 6 p.m.

## Wrestling

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12/9	Bad Axe/Brown City	6:00 p.m.
12/12	Marlette Team Tourny	8:00 a.m.
12/16	Mayville/Ubyly	6:00 p.m.
12/19	Cros-Lex Team Tourny	9:00 a.m.
12/29	Mayville Ind. Tourny	TBD
1/6	Sandusky/Brown City	6:00 p.m.
1/9	N. Branch Team Tourny	9:00 a.m.
1/13	Ubyly/Vassar	6:00 p.m.
1/16	Flushing Team Tourny	8:00 a.m.
1/20	Marlette/Memphis	6:00 p.m.
1/23	Mayville Team Tourny	9:00 a.m.
1/27	Caro/Frankenmuth	6:00 p.m.
1/30	Bullock Creek Team Tourny	8:30 a.m.
2/6	GTC Lean Meet @ Brown City	TBD
2/10	Team Districts	TBD
2/13	Individual Districts@Mayville	TBD
2/17	Team Regionals@N. Lothrop	TBD
2/20	Individual Regionals@N. Lothrop	TBD
2/26-27	Team State Finals @ Mt. Pleasant	TBD
3/3-5	Indiv. State Finals @ Auburn Hills	TBD

## Junior Varsity Girls' Basketball

DATE	OPPONENT
12/1	Mayville
12/4	Marlette
12/10	Sandusky
12/15	Memphis
12/17	Bad Axe
12/22	BCAS
1/7	Lakers
1/12	Harbor Beach
1/14	Reese
1/19	Caro
1/21	USA
1/26	Brown City
1/28	Vassar
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2/9	Akron-Fairgrove
2/11	Reese
2/16	Ubyly
2/18	USA
2/25	Vassar
2/29-3/5	Districts @ USA TBD

Games begin at 6 p.m.

## Gymnastics

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
1/9	Fraser	9:00 a.m.
1/12	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
1/16	Milford-Lakeland	8:30 a.m.
2/4	Fenton	6:30 p.m.
2/13	Vassar Invite	10:00 a.m.
2/25	Vassar	6:30 p.m.

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# Legal Notices

## 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,  
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Attorneys for Tri County Bank

By: Douglas S. Touma  
316 McMorran Boulevard  
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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  
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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 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 mort-

gaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on 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:  
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11-11-4

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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 venue, 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:  
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Attorneys For Servicer  
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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  
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**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:  
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**11-18-4**

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**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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**11-18-4**

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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 mortgagee 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 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.

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Wamu Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-PR1 Trust Mortgage/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 S20151016115459 CONV

**11-18-4**

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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 GINGER M. SCOTT, A SINGLE WOMAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for CHEMICAL BANK, A MICHIGAN BANKING CORPORATION, Mortgagee, dated October 14, 2008, and recorded on October 29, 2008, in Liber 1160, on Page 1341, and assigned by said mortgagee to U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$63,128.39), including interest at 6.250% 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:

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.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Mortgage/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 S20151009132812 FHLMC

**11-18-4**

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph A Higginson Sr aka Joseph A Higginson, a married person, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA,

Mortgagee, dated July 21, 2011, and recorded on July 29, 2011 in Liber 1226 on Page 1268, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Eight and 47/100 Dollars (\$58,668.47).

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 January 7, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Village of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 38, Hillcrest Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 27, of Tuscola County Records

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 25, 2015  
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Trott Law, P.C.  
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422  
File #457695F01

**11-25-4**

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 LAWRENCE THRALL and BILLIE MAY THRALL, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 16, 2013, and recorded on August 23, 2013, in Liber 1290, on Page 918, 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 Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars and Three Cents (\$112,478.03), including interest at 4.625% 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 January 7, 2016 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PREMISES SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF KINGSTON, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA, STATE OF MICHIGAN, TO WIT: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH 1/4 POST OF SECTION 33, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST; RUNNING THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 15 MINUTES EAST, 264 FEET ON THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 33; THENCE EAST 0 DEGREES, 165 FEET ON A LINE PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 33; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 15 MINUTES WEST, 264 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 33; THENCE WEST 0 DEGREES, 165 FEET ALONG SAID SOUTH SECTION LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; EXCEPT 60 FEET OF ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY. 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 Mortgage/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 S20150731161309 FHLMC

**11-25-4**

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michelle R. Burch, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated July 10, 1998, and recorded on July 16, 1998 in Liber 744 on Page 1452, and assigned by mesne assignments to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six and 89/100 Dollars (\$29,896.89).

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 January 7, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Akron, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 21 rods North of the Southeast corner of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, thence West 11 rods, thence South 6 1/2 rods, thence East 11 rods, thence North 6 1/2 rods to the point of beginning.

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

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: December 2, 2015  
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## Tuscola Co. MSUE vote on March 8 ballot

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the issue in March after all. Commissioners, anticipating legislative action on the election rules, passed a motion early last week to proceed with the millage election.

If approved, the tax would be levied in each of the next six years, generating an estimated \$173,000 in the first year. The levy would cost the owner of a \$100,000 home about \$5 more a year in taxes, and the revenue would be used to pay for not only 4-H programs, but also a host of professional agriculture services and nutrition programs provided through the Extension office in Caro.

“(This millage) is so very important to the agricultural community we live in,” commented Jackie Garner, who serves as Tuscola County 4-H Council president as well as treasurer of the county fair board.

“MSUE has a value that many don’t realize, and I encourage everyone to educate themselves on the impact that their programming, administered through that office, has. They may not see it in their everyday lives, but it is there in the background,” added Garner, who is also a member of the “Friends of MSUE”, a group headed up by Caro area resident Mike Joslyn that is promoting passage of the millage.

“As a 4-H leader and fair board member, I think the public needs to understand that even though the Tuscola County Fair and the 4-H program are two very separate entities, one would not succeed without the other,” Garner said. “The general public that goes to enjoy the carnival and the grandstand shows and the vendors, like Gibby’s Fries, probably don’t realize that our 4-H families are our strongest volunteer base.

“I just can’t imagine living in Tuscola County without the 4-H program, and I’m not sure I would want to. The over 500 4-H kids who use the Tuscola County Fair to showcase their prize steer or baked apple pie or Thanksgiving turkey are depending on us to vote ‘yes’ on March 8,” she added.

According to Tuscola County Controller/Administrator Mike Hoagland, commissioners’ decision to cut funding for the local Extension office in the near future is the result of multi-year financial planning designed to ward off serious revenue shortfalls.

“There’s reason for concern, and if I had to point out a major one, it’s the wind (farm tax) revenue,” Hoagland said during an interview earlier this year. He explained the county fully depends on the income generated by the relatively new source of income. However, he added, “What (tax revenue) you get in year one, by year 10, it’s 30 percent” of that amount.

“We’re in our peak right now – our general fund is picking up \$950,000” this year in wind farm tax revenue,” Hoagland said. “But by the year 2019, we’re projecting the gap – if nothing is done – will be somewhere around \$900,000 between general fund revenues and general fund expenditures. Other than wind, our tax base is not growing; it’s flat. You see it in the (shrinking) population, the school enrollments.”

As a result, Hoagland said commissioners are being forced to look at cutting services that are not mandated – the county’s MSU Extension

office included — no matter how valuable they may be.

“No question – 4-H is a tremendous program,” he said, “but we have to manage the county effectively, and it isn’t easy these days.”

Towards that end, county officials sought and received voter support to fund veterans services in an election early this year. Officials are also focusing on cutting labor costs through attrition, and looking at ways to consolidate services with neighboring counties.

“We’ve done a lot of that, but it’s called survival now,” Hoagland said. “We’re trying to be fair, logical, reasonable, and make it all work.”

Garner told commissioners in July that their investment in 4-H adds up to about 33 cents per 4-Her when taking into account the investment involved (\$140,000 annually) and the estimated 8,500 volunteer hours provided to the kids involved the program.

“It (4-H) serves 500 kids and it

could serve a lot more,” Garner said. “It costs 33 cents a child to keep kids on the straight and narrow. It’s a pretty good deal.”

And it’s a good investment, according to Garner, who pointed out local 4-H programs create and nurture leadership, self-confidence and community involvement among youth, helps to keep them busy with positive activities, and encourages them to give back locally.

“The county’s biggest problem is, everybody’s packing up and going somewhere else,” she said, adding should the county’s extension office close, kids will pursue their interest in 4-H in other counties.

“We lost Big Brothers Big Sisters in Tuscola County,” Garner said. You get rid of 4-H, and that’s the only mentoring program we’ve got left.”

Area residents can learn more about the Friends of MSUE by logging onto the group’s Facebook page at “Friends of MSU Extension and 4 H”.

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## Letters to the Editor

### School board should consider full impact in sale of Campbell

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therapies for their children. Having access to Thumb Area Psychological Services right here in Cass City is not only a boon to existing families, but families looking to relocate. While our children have intense needs, the organization also offers services for typical children and families.

Cass City benefits when its talented professionals can find work in our community.

Several behavior technicians work with our sons on a day-to-day basis. The organization also employs social workers, counselors, a psychologist, support staff and many others — nearly all of whom had to leave Cass City for work before Thumb Area Psychological Services opened its doors.

It serves as an important training ground for graduate students going into related fields. Already our sons have been part of studies for master’s students at Vanderbilt University and Ball State, and interns from colleges such as Saginaw Valley State University have had the opportunity to work with them as they learn.

Cass City Public Schools benefits, too, when its students can access private tutoring, counseling, and autism and behavioral therapy nearby.

When our older son was diagnosed with autism three years ago, our doctor told us we could drive him to Garden City near Detroit every day as that was the closest place to get good autism treatment at that time. Of course that was impossible, so we did the best we could piecing together therapy.

In January of this year, we were excited when he became the second child to start in the Turning Point program at Thumb Area Psychological Services here in Cass City. He has only been attending since January, yet he has already gained more skills in the past 11 months than in previous years combined. Our younger son is growing by leaps and bounds since he started in June and we are 100% confident this is due to the high-quality therapy he’s received in Cass City.

We have always been aggressive about seeking out the best quality care for our boys. It’s amazing we have found it in our own town. As the program grows, even more families from outside Cass City will be traveling here to use it, and of course filling their cars with gas, shopping and eating while they’re here.

Thumb Area Psychological Services is a new and growing agency started by local people so we assume they are unable to pay more than they’re offering for the building at this time. We read in last week’s paper that their offer is \$5,000 less than the other viable offer.

We urge the school board and community leaders to consider that keeping Thumb Area Psychological Services in Cass City is worth far more in economic impact than a few thousand dollars to the Cass City community.

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