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Curtis, Martin honored at Annual Dinner

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

Pat Curtis and Erika Martin high-

lighted the Cass City Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner gala Saturday, when the pair was announced as the 2015 Citizen of the

Year and Junior Citizen of the Year selections.

For over half a century, the local

Chamber of Commerce has presented the highly coveted awards to individuals who have gone above and beyond in their service to the community. These people have invested their time, their talents and their energy to ensuring Cass City remains a haven for small-town living.

This year's choices certainly exceed those benchmarks.

In typical fashion, Connie Iwankovitsch, Cass City's 2014 Citizen of the Year choice, gradually revealed this year's winner in front of a packed crowd at the VFW Hall. "This year's Citizen of the Year was born in Detroit and was the second eldest of 7 children," Iwankovitsch began to tell the gathering of Cass City former and current leaders.

Continuing to unmask the 2015 Citizen of the Year choice, Iwankovitsch informed the crowd that this year's Citizen of the Year used to deliver newspapers for the Detroit News and played high school basketball, track and football before attending Schoolcraft College.

"His community involvement includes support for all Rotary Projects, both financially and physically, including the St. Patrick's Day auction and the Pumpkin Project. He has served as co-chairs on the Rotary's Christmas for Kids (campaign) and 3-on-3 basketball tournament. He is a Paul Harris Fellow, a past club president and is the current club treasurer," she said.

Iwankovitsch added, as a member of the Cass City Promotional Committee, he has donated billboard advertising, provided vehicles for community activities, and has supported the Playscape project, Summer Mania Car Show, Christmas in the Village home tours, chamber events, hospital events, and has improved and invested in downtown development by remodeling and demolition of less than useful buildings.

"He has owned Pat Curtis Chevrolet/Cadillac in Caro since 1983 and owns Curtis Chrysler in Cass City with sons Dan and Mark. It is my privilege to introduce Pat Curtis as this year's Citizen of the Year."

JUNIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Martin, Cass City's 2015 Junior Citizen of the Year honoree, also has a long record of service to the community.

Her service record to the Thumb area includes spending time volunteering at the Freedom Festival, Cardboard City, Bay Shore Camp, Summer Mania, Adopt-A-Highway, Alzheimer's Disease Awareness, Senior Health Fair, and Community Thanksgiving Day dinners.

During her high school tenure, Martin has participated on the Red Hawks volleyball, basketball and softball teams, while working at the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool, Thumb Insurance Agency and Varsity Monthly Magazine.

Martin, the daughter of Ken and Rose Martin, has also earned several academic pins over the years including awards in American History and World History. She was voted Cass City's 2015 Homecoming queen and has been active with Academic Games and student council duties over the past 4 years.

Her future plans include attending the University of Michigan to study athletic training/humanities in pursuit of becoming an athletic trainer.

Martin was chosen from a group of senior students that also included Rachel Collins, Katie House, Laken London, Ethan Monte, Chandler Pawloski, Barbara Steely and Erin Zdrojewski.

"I know I speak for all the nominees when I say that it's a great honor to be nominated for this award. I am

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ADDRESSING the crowd Saturday night during the Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner gathering is Senator Mike Green, left, who lauded Cass City's 2015 Citizen of the Year honoree Pat Curtis. Erika Martin, right, was named the Junior Citizen of the Year winner.



Tuscola County man pleads guilty in embezzlement case

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A Tuscola County man charged with embezzling hundreds of thousands of dollars from his employer — the Blue Diamond Steel plant in Huron County's Windsor Township — faces sentencing next month in Huron County Circuit Court after entering a plea of guilty last week.

The defendant, Chad M. Letson, 34, of Akron, was charged with embezzlement involving more than \$100,000 worth of money and/or property, a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$50,000 or three times the amount embezzled, whichever is greater.

Letson was also convicted of using a computer to commit a crime, a 10-year felony.

Huron County Circuit Court Judge Gerald Prill continued Letson's bond at \$50,000 cash. He remains lodged in the Huron County Jail. Sentencing in the case has been scheduled for Monday, March 16.

Huron County Sheriff's deputies arrested Letson in November after company officials reported an estimated \$800,000-plus worth of computer hardware missing.

"The circumstances which led to the arrest (were) that the (suspect) has been an employee of the company since the late 1990s and had been in a supervisory role since 2011,"

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson explained. "Apparently, sometime after his supervisory promotion, he began ordering expensive computer hardware, which was claimed to be for existing plant manufacturing machines. He would then sell the hardware through the Internet at a discounted price.

"Because supervisors are allowed to purchase items without further management approval, as long as it's below a certain dollar limit, these purchases went undetected" for some time.

Blue Diamond Steel is a subsidiary of Huron Castings. The company employs more than 200 people and, when combined with the Huron Castings family of companies, boasts a total employment of nearly 800 people.



Chad Letson

Information session on tap

Tuscola County Community Foundation officials gearing up for next grant cycle

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The weather outside may still be frightful, but the Tuscola County Community Foundation is gearing up to offer area organizations something delightful in the form of cash.

"The Tuscola County Foundation is offering grants to fund projects with-

in Tuscola County," foundation Executive Director Ken Micklash said in announcing the next grant cycle.

Micklash will be hosting an informational meeting Thursday to answer prospective recipients' questions. The session will begin at 3 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center, 1401 Cleaver Rd., Caro.

"Approximately \$109,000 will be available to apply for during this upcoming spring grant cycle for eligible Tuscola County organizations," Micklash noted. "The meeting will acquaint participants with the community foundation's grant guidelines, its grant application forms and additional details concerning the

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Absentee ballots are available for Feb. 24 special county vote

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Tuscola County residents unable to get to the polls for a fast-approaching special election later this month are encouraged to obtain absentee ballots.

The special election is slated for Tuesday, Feb. 24. County officials are asking voters to approve a pair of special tax levies to fund veteran services and local economic development efforts.

The deadline to secure an absentee ballot via mail is 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21. Citizens can also obtain a ballot in person until 4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23.

According to the Michigan Department of State, residents are eligible to vote by absentee ballot if they are a registered voter, at least 60 years old or older, unable to vote without assistance at the polls, expecting to be out of town on election day, in jail awaiting arraignment or trial, unable to attend the polls due to religious reasons, or have been appointed to work as an election inspector in a precinct outside of their precinct of residence.

A person who registers to vote by mail must vote in person in the first election in which he or she participates. The restriction does not apply to overseas voters, voters who are disabled or voters who are 60 years of age or older.

The request for an absentee ballot must be in writing and can be submitted

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New Farm Bureau chief makes rounds in nation's capitol

New Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) president Carl Bednarski got a whirlwind tour of legislative contacts in the nation's capitol last week, flanked by a pair of his chief Lansing-based policy staffers.

Elected as the organization's 16th president at MFB's 2014 annual meeting last December, the Tuscola County crop farmer met with legislators, staff and agricultural labor advocates.

Bednarski's packed schedule included meetings with Congress members Dan Kildee, Fred Upton, Dan Benishek, Mike Bishop, Tim Walberg, John Moolenaar, Dave Trott, Bill Huizenga, Brenda Lawrence and Candice Miller. He also met with Senators Debbie Stabenow and Gary Peters, and staff members representing Congressmen Sander Levin, Justin Amash and Debbie Dingell.

Discussion topics focused on Farm Bureau's national-level priorities. Please turn to page 16.



CASS CITY'S Cheryl Viney Osentoski captured this magnificent image of a hawk in flight near one of her neighbor's homes along Koepfgen Road, just north of M-81. Osentoski, a photography enthusiast whose hobby ranges from outdoor scenes to family portraits, snapped this photo along with several others early Friday afternoon after spotting the hawk in a tree. (Related photos, page 16)

Healthy Home Series on tap at Hills and Dales

Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City will be hosting its "Healthy Home Series" starting next week.

The series is open to the public and is scheduled to begin Friday, Feb. 20. The series will run for eight weeks, every Friday (except Good Friday). There are two program times available; noon to 1 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30

p.m. Central Michigan University dietetic student Sarah Zmierski will be leading the series with Diana Achatz, dietician at Hills and Dales.

Topics will include reading and understanding food labels, food safety and preparation, grocery shopping, food preservation and physical activity. Participants will learn how to implement simple strategies in

their households to improve overall health and wellness for their entire family.

The series is free of charge and participants are not required to attend all sessions, but are encouraged to do so. Space is limited. Residents can register by contacting Zmierski via email at zmierlsb@cmich.edu or by calling (989) 912-6369.

Baker College to host financial aid workshop

Baker College of Cass City, a satellite of Baker College of Flint, will hold its 2015 Senior Open House and Financial Aid Workshop Saturday, Feb. 28, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the local Baker College campus, 6667 Main St.

The event is designed to help potential college-bound high school seniors and their parents learn about the Baker College career programs and complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the 2015-2016 academic year. The FAFSA determines the eligibility of college students for annual student financial aid, including Pell Grants, federal student loans and the Federal Work-Study program, among many other programs.

The workshop is free of charge and open to all high school seniors, whether or not they have identified their colleges of choice. Reservations must be received no later than Wednesday, Feb. 25, and early reservations are encouraged because seating is limited.

There will be a drawing for an attendee to win a scholarship for a four-credit-hour course at Baker College of Cass City.

Advisors and financial aid officers will be available to provide one-on-one assistance about financial aid and information about Baker College of Cass City and its programs. Baker College students have access to financial assistance, including scholarships, grants, low-interest loans

and work-study programs. The schedule for the open house/workshop is:

*9:30-9:45 a.m. - Registration and continental breakfast.

*9:45-10:30 a.m. - Financial aid presentation, detailed instruction.

*10:30-11:30 a.m. - Individual advising and campus tours.

Parents and students are encouraged to bring the following informa-

tion, if available: 2014 U.S. federal tax forms 1040 and W-2, and 2014 untaxed income amounts (e.g., Aid to Dependent Children, Social Security, child support, etc.).

To make a reservation, complete an online reservation form at www.baker.edu: click on Admissions, then on Financial Aid Workshop. Or, contact the admissions office at (989) 872-6000.

Area blood drives scheduled

The American Red Cross encourages eligible donors to help ensure a sufficient and diverse blood supply by giving blood this February.

Since the beginning of the year, widespread flu and inclement winter weather in some parts of the country have prevented many regular donors from making or keeping their blood donation appointments. Healthy and diverse blood donors are needed to help maintain a sufficient blood supply.

Diversity among blood donors is important because red blood cells carry markers that determine one's blood type, and certain blood types are unique to specific racial and ethnic groups. Blood must be matched very closely for those patients with rare blood types or for those who need repeated transfusions. Patients are less likely to have complications from blood donated by someone with a similar ethnicity.

All blood types are needed, espe-

cially types O negative, A negative and B negative. To learn more about donating blood and to schedule an appointment, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Upcoming blood donation opportunities:

Huron County

Pigeon
2/27/2015: 9:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m., Laker High School, 6136 Pigeon Road

Sanilac County

Deckerville
2/23/2015: 2 p.m. - 7:45 p.m., Deckerville High School, 2633 Black River Street
Lexington
2/24/2015: 12:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m., St. Denis Parish Center, 7200 Denissen Street
Minden City
2/24/2015: 1 p.m. - 6:45 p.m., Minden City Village Hall, 1585 1st Street

Sandusky
2/19/2015: 1 p.m. - 6:45 p.m., Countryside Family Center, 912 W. Sanilac Road

Tuscola County

Mayville
2/23/2015: 1 p.m. - 6:45 p.m., St. Joseph Catholic Church, 315 W. Ohmer Road
Vassar
2/26/2015: 12 p.m. - 5:45 p.m., Vassar Eagles, 651 S. State Road

How to donate blood
Simply call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

About the American Red Cross
The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or visit Twitter at @RedCross.

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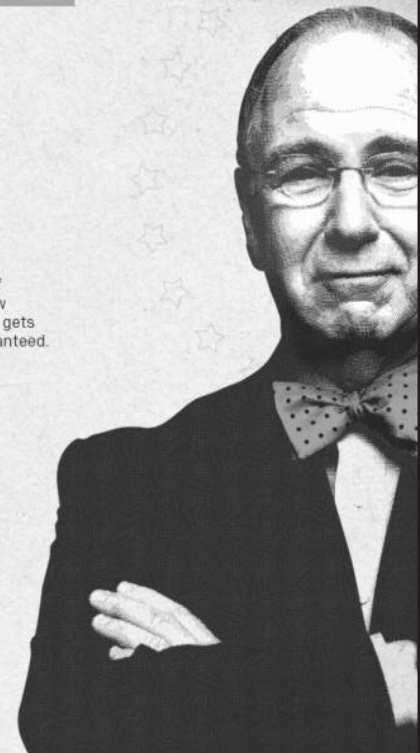
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	5					3	7	
			2	7	6			
7					1			
2	3		1					
		7				6		
				3		4		5
			1					9
			5	9	4			
6	2						1	

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

Answers to February 4, 2015

2	6	5	1	9	7	8	4	3
4	8	7	6	5	3	9	1	2
9	1	3	8	4	2	5	6	7
8	5	2	4	3	6	7	9	1
3	9	6	7	1	5	2	8	4
7	4	1	2	8	9	3	5	6
5	2	8	3	6	1	4	7	9
6	3	9	5	7	4	1	2	8
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Andrea Bartz and Brenden Frederick

Andrea Bartz and Brenden Frederick announce their engagement.

Andrea graduated from Western Michigan University and is an elementary teacher at Pennfield Schools. Brenden graduated from Cass City High School and is a line leader at Musashi Auto Parts in Battle Creek.

A July wedding is planned.

In Our OPINION..

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Prevention the key in sudden cardiac death

The face of youth probably isn't the first image that comes to mind when you hear about someone suffering a fatal heart attack.

But it happens. In fact, every year sudden cardiac death of the young (SCDY) claims the lives of more than 300 children and young adults under the age of 40 in Michigan.

Between 1999 and 2009 in the state, there were 3,134 young individuals between the ages of one and 39 years who died of sudden cardiac death. Of those, 246 were between five and 19 years of age.

That's why we're taking a few moments to recognize Gov. Rick Snyder and the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) for their joint campaign to celebrate American Heart Month in February and promote ways to prevent death at a younger age due to cardiac conditions.

We would also like to offer a pat on the back to local school officials, whose efforts in the area of being prepared for a cardiac emergency have earned them special recognition at the state level.

"Cardiac arrest is often an unexpected event and is especially frightening when a young person is involved," said Dr. Matthew Davis, chief medical executive with the MDCH. "Early recognition and immediate intervention is critical for survival, and our hope is that all Michigan residents will know how to respond when someone has a cardiac arrest."

SCDY is when a young, apparently healthy person dies suddenly from a cardiac arrest. SCDY, sometimes caused by inherited conditions that affect the heart's structure or how it beats, is a tragic event for families and communities, and prevention is the key. Often, a sudden cardiac event is the first apparent sign in a young person, making it vitally important to be prepared for cardiac emergencies.

By raising awareness and with appropriate screening and care, young people at risk can be identified and have longer, healthier lives. Evaluating heart health and knowing one's personal and family heart history are keys to identifying those at risk and preventing SCDY.

Implementation of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and an automated external defibrillator (AED) within 3-5 minutes is crucial for increasing the chance of survival for cardiac arrest victims.

The American Heart Association (AHA) recommends the "Chain of Survival", which includes five important steps: early recognition of a cardiac arrest and calling 9-1-1; rapid bystander response with hands-only CPR; use of an AED; advanced life support; and post-cardiac care.

Since July 1, 2014, Michigan schools have been required by state law to have a written cardiac emergency response plan. Michigan schools can also receive an honorary designation as a MI HEARTSafe School by taking additional steps to prepare for a cardiac event.

In May 2014, 40 Michigan schools – including Cass City Elementary and Cass City Junior-Senior High School – were awarded three-year designations as a MI HEARTSafe School by MDCH, AHA, Michigan Department of Education, and Michigan Alliance for Prevention of Sudden Cardiac Death.

In order for a school to receive a MI HEARTSafe School designation, it must perform at least one cardiac emergency response drill per year; have a written emergency response plan and team; have current CPR/AED certification of at least 10 percent of its staff; have accessible, properly maintained and inspected AEDs with signs identifying their location; and ensure pre-participation sports screening of all student athletes using the current physical and history form endorsed by the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA).

Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

Well, I never




People have their bucket lists – things they want to do before they, you know, kick the bucket. And, people have lists of goals – also things they want to do. But how about a list of "I nevers?" You know, things you've never done, and probably never will – but you never know.

I started this list a while ago, and then happened to see it played as a game on a TV talk show where the guests answered honestly whether they'd never been to a nude beach, never been arrested or never seen one another naked. My nevers are decidedly less movie-star and more G-rated. Although I never have been to a nude beach.

Here goes:
I've never milked a cow.
I've never found Nemo.
I've never eaten yellow snow.
I've never swam with sharks. (That I know of. I did swim with a barracuda once.)
I've never danced with wolves.
I've never taken a Caribbean, Alaskan or any type of cruise. (Although I do use cruise control on occasion.)
I've never plucked a chicken.
I've never eaten green eggs and ham.

I've never been a millionaire. (But I'm open to the possibility.)
I've never fired a gun (unless you count the BB variety).
I've never eaten the worm – or any worm for that matter.

I've never purchased margarine.
I've never been a ghost buster.
I've never gone with the wind.
I've never had a close encounter of the first, second or third kind.

I've never been to Fantasy Island.
I've never gotten a tattoo.
I've never given my regards to Broadway.
I've never had a brand new car.
I've never watched Dirty Dancing. (Hard to believe, I know.)

I've never lost a glass slipper.
I've never worn blue suede shoes.
I've never had a pedicure.
I've never put lipstick on a pig. (Not even sure they have lips.)

I've never watched The Big Bang Theory.
I've never raided the lost ark.
I've never played Candy Crush Saga.
I've never had a little lamb.

I've never killed a mockingbird.
I've never followed the yellow brick road.
I've never changed the cat litter.
I've never ridden in a New York taxi or a streetcar named Desire.

I've never flown first class.
I've never lived in Hawaii. (Or visited. Sigh.)
I've never been a rebel without a cause.
I've never been to the Grand Canyon (even though I lived in Arizona for two years).
I've never Vined.

I've never written a novel.
I've never run in a marathon (or 5K for that matter).
I've never had one of those fancy K-cups of coffee.
I've never watched Frozen. (An admission that is going to catch me some serious scrutiny.)
I've never flown over the cuckoo's nest.
I've never owned an artificial Christmas tree.
I've never used power tools (but want to).
I've never returned to a school for homecoming.
I've never tasted the grapes of wrath.
I've never had an apple tree.
I've never chopped down a tree.
I've never eaten chopped liver.


A person could go on forever with their nevers. I hope I've encouraged you to think about it yourself. What have you never done? This process has helped me realize there are some things on the list that I hope I get to, eventually. Especially the trips to Hawaii and the Grand Canyon – but probably not the tattoo or lipstick on the pig. Then again, I've learned to never say never.

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

Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



The Cass City Area Historical and Genealogy Society are gathering at Rawson Memorial Library on Monday, February 16 at 2 p.m. in the afternoon. The program for the afternoon will be presented by Jerry Cleland on the History of the Holbrook Area. This was one of the first settlements in the Thumb of Michigan.

Secretary of State Ruth Johnson reminds residents that all branch offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed in observance of Presidents Day on Monday, Feb. 16.

The Department of State mails notices to motorists 45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates that expire on a day when state offices are closed, such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Most people renewing license plates, driver's licenses and ID cards can do business online at www.ExpressSOS.com or by mail. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. Additional services can be done online as well.

License plate tabs can also be renewed at Self-Service Stations, many of which are available around the clock. Visit the Branch Office Locator at www.michigan.gov/SOS to find a Self-Service Station near you.

With the exception of holidays, branch offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Smaller branch offices may close for the lunch hour. On Wednesdays most offices are open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

On Saturday, Feb. 14, and Sunday, Feb. 15, everyone in Michigan – including residents and non-residents – can fish without a license, though all other fishing regulations still apply.

These two days make up the Winter Free Fishing Weekend – an annual effort to promote Michigan's world-class fishing opportunities. While many individuals and families will bundle up and head out to fish for free on their own, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources points out there are many organized events scheduled throughout the state to celebrate the weekend as well.

Tight lines friends.

MSU Extension will be offering the Cooking for Crowds food safety program soon.

Cooking for Crowds is a program designed to educate non-profit groups that prepare food for their members or the general public as part of food fundraisers and events. It is designed to teach food safety concepts as it relates to preparing food for the public so that the prepared food is both safe and delicious.

The Cooking for Crowds class will be held:
*Thursday, March 5, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Sandusky District Library, 55 E Sanilac Rd, Sandusky.
*Monday, March 9, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the MSU Extension-Huron County Office, 1142 S Van Dyke, Suite 200, Bad Axe; and
*Friday, March 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at MSU Extension-Tuscola County Office, 362 Green St., Caro.
Cost for the class is \$10 per person. Contact MSU Extension at (989) 269-9949 (ext. 602).



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Wednesday, February 11

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

Thursday, February 12

- AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.
- Caregiver Connection, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Country Gardens, Scheurer Hospital, 203 N. Caseville Rd., Pigeon. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.

Monday, February 16

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

Tuesday, February 17

- Al-anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.
- AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church.)
- Living with Parkinson's Support Group, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, 55 Rapson Lane West, Bad Axe. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.
- Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121
- Ubyly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubyly Thumb Veterans OrganizationHall, 2165 Bingham St., Ubyly MI 48475. A pot luck is served prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcomed.

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

First Sunday:

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

First Monday:

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

Second Monday:

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

Second Tuesday:

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

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Third Wednesday

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

Third Thursday:

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

Fourth Monday:

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

Fourth Wednesday:

- Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.

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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POET chief takes message to capitol

David Gloer, general manager of POET Biorefining – Caro, traveled to Washington, D.C. last week to meet with Congressional officials and highlight the important role ethanol plays in reducing the United States' dependence on foreign oil and revitalizing the American economy.

Gloer joined Growth Energy members, including CEO Tom Buis, for a series of bipartisan meetings on Capitol Hill. Discussion focused on the current state of the industry and stressed the importance of protecting the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) and increasing market access for E15.

"It's crucial our representatives in Washington understand the benefits of ethanol – that it creates jobs in Michigan, keeps gas prices down and contributes to our local economies," said Gloer. "It's essential we work with our lawmakers to take the steps necessary to maintain the RFS and to get E15 and other ethanol blends into the marketplace to allow for additional consumer choice."

During the trip, Gloer met with officials from the offices of Senators David Perdue (R-Georgia) and Joni Ernst (R-Iowa), as well as Reps. Dave Loebsack (Iowa-2), Mark DeSaulnier (California- 11), John Ratcliffe (Texas-4), Chris Collins (New York-27), David Young (Iowa-3), Richard Hudson (North Carolina-8), Rick W. Allen (Georgia-12), Mimi Walters (California-45), David

Rouzer (North Carolina-7) and Rod Blum (Iowa-1).

POET, one of the world's largest ethanol producers, is a leader in biorefining through its efficient, vertically integrated approach to production. The 25-year-old company has a production capacity in excess

of 1.6 billion gallons of ethanol and 9 billion pounds of high-protein animal feed annually from its network of 27 production facilities.

POET, through its joint venture with DSM, also operates a commercial-scale cellulosic ethanol plant in Emmetsburg, Iowa.



DAVID GLOER (right), POET Biorefining (Caro) general manager, visits with U.S. Rep. John Moolenaar (MI-4) during his trip to Washington, D.C., where Gloer met with Congressional officials to emphasize the role ethanol plays in reducing America's dependence on foreign oil.

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

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

*Christopher M. Gerds, 33, Burton, pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny of \$1,000 to \$20,000 by conversion June 2 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

The plea was taken under advisement by the court, which ordered a pre-sentence investigation in the case and continued bond at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Michael R. Snyder, 59, Caro, pleaded no contest to charges of fourth degree criminal sexual conduct and assault or assault and battery between Feb. 1, 2013, and March 14, 2014, in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Michael A. Nichols, 22, Attica, pleaded guilty to two counts of third degree criminal sexual conduct involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years between April 12 and Aug. 26, 2014, in Cass City.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$25,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Jason M. Fraley, 28, Millington, pleaded no contest to charges of larceny in a building and larceny of property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 between Aug. 15 and Oct. 7, 2014, in Vassar Township.

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

*Michael J. Gwyn, 41, Mayville, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, Aug. 1 in Mayville.

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

*Shawn M. Gwyn, 21, Mayville, pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance Aug. 1 in Mayville.

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

I am fine.

I'm a daughter hiding my depression.

I'm your sister making a good impression.

I'm your best friend.

I'm the girl sitting next to you.

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Reporter's notebook

Digging out can be an adventure

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



After last week's snow storm, I have a renewed respect for local and county road crews and especially for the folks who run those giant pieces of equipment with ease.

Sure, it might look as simple as blading snow, scooping snow and hauling snow (repeat, etc.), but I can tell you that it isn't that easy, at least it wasn't for me on a much smaller scale.

I awoke after the storm to find nine or 10 inches piled up and drifted everywhere. Now, when we lived along Koepfgen Road, just an eighth of a mile or so off M-81, getting to work under these circumstances was basically a matter of getting up enough speed to slide backwards out of my driveway and onto the road.

Not so out here in Deford, where open fields and the right wind direction can make quick work of ensuring you're going to be plowing for a while. No problem, I thought; I'm fortunate enough to have found a nice used Kubota tractor with a bucket that should get me out of here in a reasonable amount of time.

In all fairness, the equipment is more than enough to get someone out and on their way if they really know what they're doing. But I'm not him. Not yet, anyway.

I've put in enough time on this tractor to be familiar with the controls, but this was my first attempt to clear away a significant amount of snow.

I quickly realized I have a really loooooong driveway. I also learned a few things in the process, starting with the realization of something I already knew - using a bucket to move snow is a matter of ensuring the angle of the bucket is just right. If you don't, you either end up plowing a distance of several feet and coming up with a bucket holding only a handful of snow, or you find yourself trying to grade a frozen driveway.

Unfortunately, knowing doesn't necessarily translate into doing, although in time my skills improved and I gained some confidence.

Of course, that's about the time I reached the end of the driveway and was lifting a bucketful of snow when one of my neighbors waved to me. Not wanting to look like a rookie, I waved nonchalantly, forgetting that my hand was still on the control of the bucket, which continued rising until its contents began to spill over onto my head and lap.

Good thing I wasn't scooping boulders, you know?

In the end, the whole process took much longer than it should have due to my lack of experience, but I felt reasonably accomplished, having succeeded at something other than writing, editing or taking photos. I mean, I'm not really the sort anyone would consider mechanically inclined.

Truth is, the only thing I've ever been able to build with any consistent success is a bonfire.

Oh well, I guess it's all in how you measure success. Sometimes it's all about the adventure - jumping right in with both feet; taking the risk and embracing the moment. No fear, no regrets.

And, sometimes it's about ending the day without having injured anyone or causing any major property damage.

Mission accomplished.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2010)

Madison Ware, 6, recently donated 12 inches of her hair to Locks of Love, a non-profit organization that provides free hairpieces to disadvantaged children suffering from medical-related hair loss.

Cass City grappler Kevven Dorland was presented the Rich Reed Memorial Trophy, given to the Greater Thumb Conference most valuable wrestler.

Bulldog seniors Christy Schmidt and Nick Zaleski were announced Owen-Gage's Snowball queen and king.

10 YEARS AGO (2005)

Cass City High School sophomore Kyle Swanson has been appointed to a 3-year term on the Michigan Community Foundations' Youth Project Committee. Swanson currently is the president of the Future Youth Involvement Board, which is comprised of young people representing all of the counties' schools.

Kerry Shagene was named to the Albion College dean's list for the fall semester. Shagene is a junior majoring in speech education and elementary education program. She is the daughter of William and Andrea Shagene of Cass City.

Cass City Tiger Cub Den 6-9798 recently toured the Chronicle office. They are Lillian Woodhull, Zachary Clapper, Aaron Vincent, Sam Kolacz, Ian Wheeler, Jesse Nye and Bryan Pinkowski.

The estimated number of farms in Michigan is 53,200 according to the USDA-NASS-Michigan Statistical Office. Land in farms was estimated at 10.1 million acres.

25 YEARS AGO (1990)

Let me pass on an addiction from the Gen-Tel booklet, "2001 Imagine the possibilities". This one says: "Most school subjects requiring rote learning of facts will be taught by computer terminal. The traditional 'teacher' will become more of a mentor and manager of instruction." I can agree if "manager of instructions" means watching the kids and keeping order while the terminal spews forth its information. And that's one of the principal jobs they have today. One way or another, you have to get and keep their attention and who else but a teacher can do it? (From Rabbit Tracks)

The Euchre Club met Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jackson. High prizes were won by Mrs. Leonard Beulla

and Jerry Decker. Low prizes were won by Mrs. Ronnie Gracey and Leonard Beulla. Mrs. Jerry Decker won the traveling prize.

When asked about what traits he would like to see in a person Glenn Guilds of Cass City didn't hesitate. He wants to see all the traditional ones. High on his list are honesty, friendliness and a good sense of humor. Guilds graduated from Cass City High School in 1978. Guilds works for Bauer Candy Co.

35 YEARS AGO (1980)

Little eggs. Ernest Periso's 2-year-old Leghorn hen had been laying regular size eggs, but then laid eight tiny ones. It hasn't laid any since.

A milestone was passed last July and it slipped by and we didn't even notice it. It was in July that Thelma Jackson marked 25 years writing the Holbrook news for the Chronicle. During that period I can recall her missing an issue because of vacation. There may have been others, but you could count them on one hand. And in all those years each week's news has been complete from the area she covers. She has had much to do with the excellent circulation that the Chronicle has achieved in that area. (From Rabbit Tracks)

40 YEARS AGO (1975)

Harry Little took over as the new President of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce from Jim Courtney who is leaving Cass City. Little is no stranger to the Chamber affairs, having been involved with the organization for most of its 25 years.

Mrs. Donald Wildman, local teacher and 4-H knitting instructor, has enrolled a group of young knitters. They call themselves the "Knit-Wits", they number 36 and meet each Tuesday after school.

Walley (Ted) Lubaczewski Jr. of Gagetown plays the drums in the nationally known "Marv Herzog Polka Band" of Frankenmuth.

Members of Cass City's FFA Chapter won Big Acre jackets in the crop judging contest. The winners are Bill Wills, Raymond Koch, Fred Milligan, and John Broecker. Broecker took first place in field beans, wheat and oats, while Wills took a second place award in field beans and wheat. Koch took a first place award in corn. Milligan took a third place award in corn.

Public Speaking awards were presented to three Cass City FFA members. John Broecker and Jeff Moore, who each won gold awards and Debbie Broecker, who took a silver award.

50 YEARS AGO (1965)

In an effort to meet competition, Cass City Board of Education members okayed an improved salary schedule that is expected to cost the district an additional \$18,000 next year.

Members of the Michigan Education Association are plugging for a professional negotiation contract with the Cass City School District.

Plans for Cass City's proposed

new high school are slated to be ready for Board of Education scrutiny within two weeks, supt. Donald Crouse said.

Five candidates are seeking the three open posts for trustee seats on village council. The candidate include Glen McCullough, Mrs. Gladys Albee, Warren Wood, Bernard Freiburger and Lee Rabideau. Barring anything unforeseen, Lambert Althaver will be nominated as village president.

The Tuscola County Sheriff's Department is on the lookout for the petty thieves who are breaking into pay phones in the county and stealing money.

75 YEARS AGO (1940)

Tuscola County growers produced sugar beets which when manufactured represented 370,003 bags of sugar, each weighing 100 pounds. For this they will receive a federal bonus of 60 cents a hundredweight of sugar which totals \$224,417.52 for the crop. Growers are signing applications for this bonus this week. Signatures of the growers are being taken at the office of the Tuscola County Agricultural Conservation Association in the county court house. Government payments to growers are approximately \$1.82 per ton of sugar beets raised and delivered to factories.

Damages estimated around \$50,000 were caused when fire destroyed the Lincoln Theatre and its equipment at Sebewaing and spread to two neighboring business places, the Arnold Layher jewelry store and the Edward Zimmer barber shop. The Jewelry store and barber shop were damaged by water and smoke. The interior of the two-story theatre was destroyed. Only the walls are left standing. J.L. Chapman, owner of the theatre, estimated his loss in theatre equipment is at least \$10,000.

Conservation Officer Arthur Webb was in Cass City and took away with him Jim, the pet coon J. S. Parrott has harbored for 10 years. Mr. Parrott has presented this animal to the Swan Creek Wild Life Experiment Station at Allegan. Jim Coon paid a visit to the down town section of Cass City Saturday and attracted a great deal of attention.

100 YEARS AGO (1915)

The annual meeting of the Thumb Creamery Co. at Caro announced that at the Cass City plant, 119,000 pounds of butter were manufactured and at the Caro plant, 102,000 pounds. The Cass City plant has showed better financial returns to the stockholders. During the meeting J.R. Hooper was elected president of the company; J.D. Brooker, vice president; W.A. Mudge, secretary and manager; J.H. Beckton, treasurer. Edward Pinney and J.D. Brooker were chosen as Cass City's plant directors.

Twenty-one farmers got together at the home of Wells Spencer to organize the Deford Farmers' Club, electing the following officers: pres., Wells Spencer; vice-pres., Wm. Parks; sec'y, Mrs. F. Hegler; treas., Ben Hicks; chaplain, Rev. V.J. Hufton. Mrs. Fred Ball takes care of the question box.

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Cass City kids "in STEP"

The Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (MSP/EMHSD) recently announced that teachers have enrolled nearly 6,000 Michigan fifth graders in the Student Tools for Emergency Planning (STEP) program.

The participants include fifth grade students at Cass City Elementary School.

To-date, 92 schools statewide, including Cass City Elementary School, are enrolled in the STEP program, reaching 5,968 students. Last year, 5,494 fifth grade students were enrolled at 88 schools.

Known as STEP, this classroom curriculum enables teachers to prepare students for various emergencies, including tornadoes, flooding and storms.

"We are excited to have another record-breaking year for STEP program enrollment," said Capt. Chris A. Kelenske, deputy state director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and commander of the MSP/EMHSD. "Our fifth graders will be learning important and potentially life-saving lessons about emergency preparedness, making their families and communities better prepared for emergencies and disasters."

The STEP program provides teachers with emergency preparedness materials at no cost to the school, including instructor guides, copies of student handouts and starter emergency supply kits for each student. The basic lesson includes one hour of instruction, but teachers have the option of expanding the lessons to include eight hours of material.

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STEP is sponsored by the MSP/EMHSD and Federal Emergency Management Agency, and funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Obituaries

Albert Anthes

Albert James Anthes, 94, of Cass City, died Friday, February 6, 2015 in Tendercare Nursing Facility Cass City following a brief illness.

He was born January 24, 1921 at home in Cass City, the youngest of three children born to Amasa and Elizabeth (Ott) Anthes.

He married Laura Marie Tesho on his 21st birthday, January 24, 1942 in the Trinity United Methodist Church parsonage. She died March 5, 1988. He married Gladys Robinson September 4, 1988 in Cass City. She died February 28, 2012.

When he was a young boy, his family moved to the farm where he worked and spent his life. Albert and his brother were cash crop farmers and they owned and operated Anthes Brothers Building Movers for many years. Albert enjoyed fishing and spent many winters with his son-in-law, other relatives, and friends spear fishing through the ice. But Albert loved Florida and wintered there for more than 30 years. Albert was a talented builder and wood worker. He made toy boxes, many pieces of miniature furniture for grandchildren, and many birdhouses that he gave to people from all over the United States, Canada and even Germany. In November, when his health kept him from going to his beloved winter residence in Arcadia, Florida, he moved into the home of his daughter until a few days before he died. Al was very matter-of-fact about life and death and he wouldn't hesitate to give you his opinion. He enjoyed his many neighborhood friends and those he shared coffee with on Thursday mornings.

Albert is survived by his children: Linda and Dailey Parrish of Cass City, Aaron and Sharon Anthes of Gageton; grandchildren: Lisa and Martin Venema and Denise and Doug Hindenlang; great grandchildren: Libby, Andrew, Jenna and Todd; many nieces and nephews; special friends, Glen and Jean Gavriloff of Arcadia, FL, who kept a watchful eye over Al allowing him to continue to winter in Florida.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Mabel (John) Ondrajka; brother, Amasa (Virginia) Anthes.

A memorial service will take place in the spring of 2015 with the Rev. Jackie Roe of Cass City United Methodist Church officiating.

Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Cass City United Methodist Church or Revive C.C. Ministries. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, Michigan.

Dolores Bednarczyk

Dolores Ann Bednarczyk, 80, of Cass City, died unexpectedly Monday, February 2, 2015 in William Beaumont Hospital Troy. She was born October 25, 1934 in Detroit to Joseph Edward and Violet (Ribscow) Forster.

She married Edward Andrew Bednarczyk May 16, 1953 in St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church, Hazel Park.

Dolores graduated from St. Rita High School Detroit. She was a loving mother and homemaker. After her children were grown and moved away Dolores took a job with ITT as an Administrative Assistant for ten years. Dolores and Ed moved to the Cass City area 23 years ago. They are members of Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Catholic Church and former members of St. Irenaeus Catholic Church in Rochester Hills. Dolores enjoyed reading, sewing, needlework, and making delicious candy for family and friends. Dolores and Ed traveled extensively throughout the U.S.

Dolores is survived by her husband, Edward; children: Marie Bednarczyk of Lapeer, Edward Bednar of Charlotte, NC, Robert (Lynn) Black of Charlotte, NC and Matthew (Donna) Bednarczyk of Berkeley; grandchildren: Daniel (Kanko) Bednar, Andrew Bednar, Kenneth Bednar, Luke Bednarczyk, Meredith Black and Philip Bednarczyk; and great-grandson, Joseph. Dolores will also be missed by sisters: Phyllis Hackenbruch of Port Huron and Barbara (George) Knoppe of Hazel Park; brother, Lawrence (Nancy) Forster of Alpena; sister-in-law: Shirley (Robert) Harper of Clarkston; brother-in-law, Frank (Irene) Bednarczyk of Brighton; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by brothers: Joseph Forster and Thomas Forster; and sister-in-law, Wanda Green.

Funeral services were held Friday, February 6 in Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Catholic Church Cass City with the Rev. Christian Tabares officiating.

Interment will be in Elkland

Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to The National Shrine of the Cross In The Woods, Indian River. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

Olivemarie Glasco

Olivemarie "Marie" Glasco, 80, of Cass City, died following a short illness Friday, February 6, 2015 in Wellspring Lutheran Home in Frankenmuth.

She was born November 21, 1934 in Detroit, the third child of four born to George Arnold and Phyllis Marie (Larges) Knop.

She married Clyde J. Glasco October 30, 1954 in Shabbona. He died June 26, 1998.

Marie graduated in 1953 from Capac High School. She was a loving mother and homemaker. She loved to sing and crochet. Marie baked delicious homemade bread.

Marie is survived by her children: Rose Marie Glasco of Millington, Frederick (Lisa) Glasco of Flint; grandchildren: Alesha (Todd) Olejnik, David Field, Kimberly (Dan Hartwell) Glasco, Mike (Dea' Lana) Glasco and Gena (Steven) Ford; great-grandchildren: Justin, Jazlyn, Terrance, Aeva, Gavyn, Kamryn, Kataleia, James, Savannah and Trinity. Marie will also be missed by her special friend, Joe Cusenza of Lapeer and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by brothers: William Arthur Knop, Russell Arnold Knop; sister, Joanne Rose Drinkhorn.

Visitations will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, February 11 and from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday, February 12 in Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, February 12 in Kranz Funeral Home Cass City with Pastor Jayme Palaszkeski of Shabbona United Methodist Church officiating.

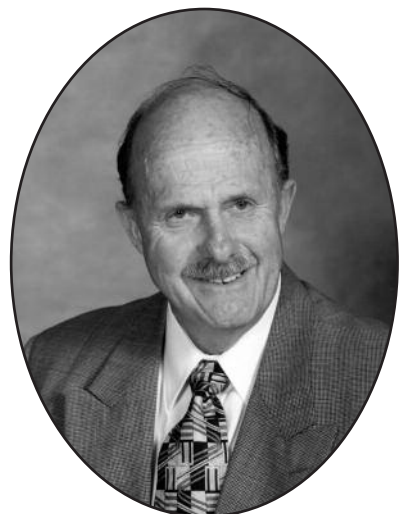
Interment will take place in the spring in Evergreen Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

Leland Hartel

Leland J. Hartel, 81, of Cass City, passed away Monday, February 2, 2015 at the Tuscola County Medical Care Community in Caro. Lee was born June 23, 1933 in Argyle, the son of the late Charles A. & Genevieve (Kramp) Hartel.

He grew up on a farm outside of Argyle and graduated from Cass City High School with the Class of 1951, where he was a four sport athlete and was awarded as the top athlete in his class. His love for Cass City would remain throughout his life as one of its most avid sports fans and former Little League coach. Lee was employed as a quality control manager for the Walbro Corporation in Cass City for more than twenty years. He also worked for several years in maintenance at the Tuscola County Medical Care Facility before joining his son, Scott, at Testing Services Group in Lapeer as a driver. He was an active member and leader at the Novesta Church of Christ for many years. Lee enjoyed the outdoors and would often be found in his flower garden, hunting or fishing. He was also a talented



woodworker and loved traveling, proud of the fact he never took the same road twice. His favorite times were spent with grandchildren, and he loved attending any event in which they were involved.

Lee is survived by six children and their spouses, Sharon Reid of Richland, Scott & Molli Helz of Lapeer, Sandy & Jim Schurz of Unionville, Jeff & Ann Hartel of Cass City, Libby & Paul Treiber of Unionville, Brad & Val Hartel of Caro; seventeen grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren. The Hartel family would like to extend a

special thanks to the Tuscola County Medical Care Community for their love and care over the past few years. Their profession is truly a calling.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 7 at the Ransford Collon Funeral Home in Caro with the Rev. Cameron Steele officiating.

Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorial contributions to the Cass City Athletic Boosters.

The family was assisted with these arrangements by the Ransford Collon Funeral Home of Caro. Friends may share memories, thoughts and prayers online at www.RansfordCollon.com.

Glen Peters

Glen A. "Sonny" Peters, 90, of Ubyly, passed away unexpectedly February 2, 2015 at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe.

He was born September 3, 1924 in Argyle to the late Benjamin and Ellen (Boag) Peters. He married Lorraine Michalski on October 1, 1949 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Frieberg.

Glen was a graduate of the Sand Fly Country School and attended the Marlette High School. He was employed at the Argyle Creamery before enlisting in the U.S. Navy during WWII, where he served in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. After returning home he was employed at the Mueller Brass & Ford Motor Rouge Plant. After marrying Lorraine, they operated the Austin Center family grocery store. After moving to the farm he also worked at Travco in Brown City for several years. At this time he expanded the dairy and crop farming operation until his retirement in



1989. Glen was a parishioner at St. Ignatius Catholic Church all of his married life, where he was an usher and Eucharistic Minister. He enjoyed horses, hunting, flowers, bird watching and farming. Glen also cherished time spent visiting with family and friends.

Glen will be missed by his wife of 65 years, Lorraine, of Ubyly; 7 children, Jerry Peters of Cass City, Lesa Mills and her husband, Joseph, of Arlington, TX, Kathy Baxter and her husband, Mike, of Davisville, MO, Benjamin Peters and his special friend, Lynn Yates, of Bad Axe, John Peters and his wife, Patty, of Bedford, TX, Richard "Rick" Peters and his wife, Karen, of Cass City and Anthony "Tony" Peters of Bad Axe; 11 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Marion Boyer of Perryville, MO.; his extended family and many good friends.

He was preceded in death by three children, Debra, Rene and Steven Peters; daughter-in-law Laura Peters; two brothers, Wade Peters and his wife, Iola and Wencil Peters and his wife, Dorena; three sisters, Erma Peters, Joy Niece and her husband, Perry and Opal Hund and her husband, Francis; one brother-in-law, William Boyer.

A memorial Mass was held for Glen on Saturday, February 7 at St. Ignatius Catholic Church of Good Shepherd Parish in Frieberg. The Rev. Todd Arnberg, pastor of St. Isidore Parish in Parisville officiated. Cremation has taken place and burial will be in St. Ignatius Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials have been requested to the Family Discretionary Fund.

Care has been entrusted to the Zinger-Smigielki Funeral Home in Ubyly. Please visit www.smigielkifuneralhomes.com to express your sympathy and sign the guest book for Glen's family.

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Township of Novesta Fire Protection Ordinance: Ordinance No. 2014-02

An ordinance to protect the public health, safety and welfare by providing for the control of fires which may threaten life and property; to charge a fee to persons who allow fires to burn out of control; to prohibit the turning in of false fire alarms; to charge a fee to persons turning in a false fire alarm; to authorize the setting fees for fire protection services; to authorize the collection of fire run fees from the owners of property protected by the fire run; to assess the amount of delinquent fire run fees to the property tax roll; and to repeal the prior fire protection ordinance.

The Township of Novesta Ordains:

Article I

Liability for setting fires

Section 1.01. No fire shall be set outside of an enclosed burner unless the person setting the fire has taken sufficient precautionary measures to prevent the fire from burning out of control.

Section 1.02. Any person who sets a fire which burns out of control shall be liable for the fees and costs established pursuant to Article IV for any fire run made to the fire.

Article II

Liability for false alarms

Section 2.01. No person shall cause a fire alarm to be turned in unless he has good cause to believe a fire actually exists or unless he has notified the Elkland Township Fire Department that a fire alarm will be turned in pursuant to testing, repairing, or otherwise working on a fire alarm system.

Section 2.02. Any person who has a fire alarm system on his premises shall maintain such alarm system so that no false alarms are inadvertently transmitted to the fire department from such fire alarm system.

Section 2.03. Any person who in violation of Section 2.01 turns in a false fire alarm or who in violation of Section 2.02 fails to maintain a fire alarm system so as to prevent false alarms, shall be liable for the fees established pursuant to Article IV for any fire run made pursuant to the false alarm.

Article III

Liability for property protection

Section 3.01. The owners of real or personal property, including motor vehicles, which the Elkland Township Fire Department, or any other fire department, attempts to protect on a fire protection run shall be liable for any applicable fees and costs established pursuant to Article IV for the fire protection run.

Section 3.02. Public utility companies which own utility lines or other facilities which the Elkland Township Fire Department, or any other fire department, attempts to protect on a fire protection run shall be liable for the applicable fees and costs established pursuant to Article IV for any fire protection run.

Article IV

Fees and Cost Recovery

Section 4.01. The fees to be charged for fire protection shall be set by resolution of the Township Board. The fees may be revised at any time by further resolution of the Township Board.

Section 4.02. In the event that a fire or hazardous situation necessitates that the fire department expend time, equipment, or materials in excess of the standard fire run fee, the responsible party shall also be liable for the actual costs in excess of the fire run fee amount.

Article V

Assessment of delinquent fire run fees to the tax roll

Section 5.01. Any fire run fee which remains unpaid for ninety (90) days after being mailed to the responsible party may be assessed on the property tax bill for the property which the fire run attempted to protect.

Article VI

Enforcement

Section 6.01. Any person, entity or corporation who violates any of the provisions of the Ordinance is responsible for a municipal civil infraction, subject to payments of a civil fine of not less than Fifty and 00/100 (\$50.00) Dollars, plus costs and other sanctions, for each infraction. Repeat offenses under this Ordinance shall be subject to increased fines as provided for in the Novesta Township Civil Infraction Ordinance.

Section 6.02. Any person, entity or corporation who fails to pay the full amount of any fees and cost recovery charges pursuant to the Ordinance shall be subject to collection action through the District or Circuit Courts.

Article VII

Repeal of prior ordinance

Section 7.01. The former Novesta Township Fire Run Charges Ordinance No. 2001-01, adopted on September 13, 2001, and the Amendment to Novesta Township Fire Run 2014-01, adopted on September 2, 2014, are hereby repealed.

Article VIII

Enactment and Effective Date

Section 8.01. This Ordinance was adopted by the Novesta Township Board at a meeting duly held on the 6th day of October, 2014 and was published in the Cass City Chronicle on the 11th day of February, 2015. This Ordinance became effective thirty (30) days after said date of publication.

Joann M. Tauber, Clerk



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- Audley Rawson 1970
- Curtis Hunt 1971
- W.E. Walpole 1972
- H.M. Bulen 1973
- Harry Little 1974
- Cliff Croft 1975
- Evelyn MacRae 1976
- Helen Baker 1977
- Lambert Althaver 1978
- William Kritzman 1979
- Dr. D.E. Rawson 1980
- Esther McCullough 1980
- James Ware 1981
- Holly Althaver 1982
- Arthur Holmberg 1983
- Thomas Herron 1984
- Geraldine Prieskorn 1984
- Thomas Proctor 1985
- Jack Esau 1986
- Lou LaPonsie 1987
- Michael Weaver 1988
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- Janet Severance 2004
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- Curt Strickland 2007
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- Dave Osentoski 2008
- Kate VanAuken 2009
- Richard Little 2010
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- Jim Brown 2012
- Judy Brown 2012
- Dave Milligan 2013
- Connie Iwankovitsch 2014

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- Suzy Scollon 1984
- Julie Smith 1985
- Tammy Iseler 1986
- Clayton Hobart 1987
- David Burnette 1988
- Jane Dickinson 1988
- Amy Francis 1989
- Jeff Bader 1990
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- Steve Tuckey 1991
- Jodi Erla 1992
- Melissa Micklash 1993
- Amy Osentoski 1993
- Ryan King 1994
- Stacey Klinkman 1994
- Michelle Brown 1995
- Mandy Nizzola 1995
- Andrea Cooper 1996
- Whitney Osentoski 1996
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- Lori Brown 1998
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- Sarah Reed 2009
- Emily Martin 2010
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- Alexandra Smith 2012
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- Shannon Bardwell 2013
- Madison Brinkman 2014

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- Sally Geiger 1970
- Cindy Strickland 1971
- Anne Bulen 1971
- Ron Crandell 1972
- Kim Glaspie 1973
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- David Heins 1979
- Frances Kozan 1979
- Ken Martin Jr. 1980
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- *Order and review your credit report annually to check for unauthorized activity. You are entitled to one free credit disclosure in a 12-month period. To request a free credit report, visit Central Source at www.annualcreditreport.com or call

toll-free (877-322-8228).

*Review financial and credit card statements monthly for unauthorized charges.

*Cross shred documents (i.e. receipts, insurance forms, bank and credit card statements, cash advance checks, etc.) containing personal identifiers before discarding.

*Remove mail from your mailbox as soon as possible. Place your mail delivery on hold at the post office while out of town.

*Be aware of where your personal identification is kept at work and at home, and know who has access to it.

*Protect your wallet and/or purse – never leave them unattended. Limit the number of credit cards you carry and don't carry your PIN (personal identification number) or Social Security card in your wallet and/or purse.

*Treat checkbooks, ATM cards, credit cards and credit card offers as cash. Cancel unneeded credit cards.

*Don't put your Social Security number, phone number or date of birth on your checks.

*When using the Internet to make purchases, look for the "s" in the address (https) to ensure it is a secure site.

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Cass City wrestlers return to glory



CASS CITY'S Seth Osentoski, left, defeated Ubyly's Roger Franzel – by Fall in 3 minutes and 11 seconds - during his opening match Saturday at the Greater Thumb Conference League Meet in Bad Axe. The Red Hawk sophomore won gold in the 130-weight class.



FRESHMAN ERIC Peters got the better of Ubyly's Derek Brown at the Greater Thumb Conference League Meet. The rookie Cass City grappler pinned his 140-weight class foe in less than 2 minutes.

Tough couple of games for Cass City hoop team

It was a week to forget for the Cass City girls' basketball team.

Coach Clarke Haire's Lady Red Hawks took on Greater Thumb West bullies Reese and USA last week with similar results. First the Rockets disposed of their guests 61-19 on Tuesday, followed by a 55-19 decision Thursday at USA.

"That's a pretty tough couple of games. Both teams play great defense, but USA's in-your-face style is especially hard to score against for a rebuilding team," said Haire.

The Patriots scored the game's opening 20 points before settling for a 30-4 gap at the break.

Cass City committed 18 turnovers in the opening half.

Sam Ewald recorded 10 - of her game-high 12 - points before the half to lead USA. The Patriots had 7 players enter the scorebook before the end of the opening quarter.

Nicole Bauer, Breanna Dinsmoore, Marisa Mortan and Morgan Thomas all scored a pair of field goals after the intermission to help extend the Patriots cushion to 49-13 with 8 minutes remaining.

Alliah Riddle and Erin Zdrojewski

started to get on track late and combined for a dozen of the Red Hawks' 15 points in the closing half.

Riddle recorded 8 points, including 2 second half treys on assists from Sayge Cuthrell, while Zdrojewski finished with 6 markers. Erika Martin chipped in 3 points and Kelly Delong had one point in vain.

"Erika ran the floor pretty well against USA. If her ACL surgery recovery keeps improving, well, that's good for Cass City," Haire said, noting the 3-year letter winner was missing in action until recent weeks.

REESE

Reyna Frost scored early and often while leading Reese to victory over Cass City. The Central Michigan University recruit poured in 13 first quarter points as a huge initial quarter helped produce the expected result.

Frost scored a game-high 21 points, with all but 2 coming in the first half that ended 38-13 in the Rockets' favor.

Once again, Riddle and Zdrojewski topped the Cass City score sheet with 9 and 6 points, respectively.

Kingston to face GTE leaders

Just like a lazy winding river the Kingston girls' basketball team continues to roll.

Coach Jay Green's Cardinals made quick work of visiting Akron-Fairgrove Monday and registered an easy 51-18 non-conference win.

The hosts led just 10-6 after one quarter, but extended their advantage to 22-9 after two. Kingston then went on a 19-3 run after the break en route to victory.

"An 18-0 run in the third quarter was the difference," said Green.

Sarah Savage led all scorers with a game-high 19 points, while Cassidy MacGuire added a dozen markers for Kingston.

Earlier in the week, the Lady

Cardinals traveled to face Imlay City and returned home with a 48-31 victory.

The winners took a 42-24 edge into the final 8 minutes Wednesday and held on for the victory.

"We had a strong defensive effort in the middle 2 quarters," said Green as his girls surrendered just 12 points during the span.

Jenna Boyl led Kingston with 21 tallies.

Freshman Abby Schefka had 10 points to pace Imlay City.

Up next for the North Central Thumb leaders is Friday's match-up against Greater Thumb East front runner Sandusky.



RED HAWK Daymon Tabako proved to be the best in the Greater Thumb Conference 215-weight class. He pinned William Hartz, Sandusky, in 3 minutes and 50 seconds to earn the title of league champion.



SENIOR FRED LEESON, top, battles with Memphis' Logan Van Buren Saturday in Bad Axe. Leeson was pinned 4 minutes and 46 seconds into the 152-weight class match.

Six league champs pace Red Hawks at GTC League Meet

Cass City roared to the Greater Thumb Conference wrestling championship Saturday in Bad Axe behind a solid team effort that included 6 individual weight class winners.

The Red Hawks entered the Greater Thumb Conference (GTC) League Meet as the second seed and needed to finish ahead of Marlette, who went undefeated in GTC dual meet matches during the regular season, to grab at least a share of league honors. Marlette delivered Cass City their only GTC dual meet setback in 2015.

Still, it was Coach Don Markel's grapplers that left little doubt they were deserving of the GTC crown over the weekend with an impressive 195.5 point total to easily turn back runner-up Bad Axe with 117. The complete team standings at the league meet also had Memphis with 108 points, Marlette 107, Sandusky 98, Vassar 60, Brown City 58, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port 56 and Ubyly 16.

"Our seniors have come full circle," said Markel. "Our last league title (2012) was recorded when they were freshman. They came in as champions and they will go out as champions."

Red Hawk champions Wyatt Dickson (125), Seth Osentoski (130), Blake Lebioda (135), T. J Moore (189), Daymon Tabako (215) and Ethan Monte (285) paced the winners at the 9-school event, while Darren Dickson (145) and Josh Daniels (189) each finished as runners-up and Alex Jeffrey (112), Dominik Navara (171) and Jose Nazario (285) all placed third.

On their way to individual glory:

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Hawk grapplers look to add Team District title

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Dickson defeated Jacob Lemanski (Memphis/T-Fall 15-0), Jacob Walsh (Memphis/Fall 5:25); Osentoski defeated Roger Franzel (Ubyl/Fall 3:11), Dillon Mitchell (Memphis/Decision 7-3), Dylan Smith (Bad Axe/Decision 4-3); Lebioda defeated Cody Christy (Memphis/Fall 1:40), Tate Larson (Sandusky/Decision 10-9); Moore downed Zachary Bignell (Sandusky/Fall 1:13), Joshua Daniels (Cass City/T-Fall 20-5); Tabako had wins over Zack Walker (Ubyl/Fall .59), William Hartz (Sandusky/Fall 3:50), and Monte wins over Jose Nazario (Cass City/Fall 1:59), Brad Gierman (Brown City/Fall 1:40). The final

GTC dual meet standings entering the League Meet had Marlette at 7-0, Cass City 6-1, Bad Axe 5-2, Memphis 4-3, Sandusky 3-4, Vassar 1-6, Brown City 1-6, EPBP 1-6 and Ubyl 0-4.

"When the dual meet records and final league meet placements were combined, Cass City was crowned as the overall 2014-15 GTC champion," Markel said, as the Red Hawks now look at adding a team district title Thursday in Mayville, before individual district action Saturday at the same location.

"We face Mayville in our first Team District match. The winners will meet the Vassar/Akron-Fairgrove winner for the Team District title," Markel said, noting 15-schools will be in action during the Individual District.

USA defense smothers Cass City in GTW win

Down 20-16 at the half Friday, Cass City fans had visions of an upset brewing in Greater Thumb West play against host USA.

After all, the Red Hawks trailed by just a single possession to open the third quarter, despite a sloppy start filled with turnovers and shots that clanged off the rim.

The Patriots didn't play their best ball early, either. High scoring Aaron Saenz was held to a solo field goal in the opening 8 minutes by the Red Hawk defense and the result led to a slim 7-4 margin enjoyed by the visitors.

Saenz wasn't held in check for long, however. The junior southpaw tossed in 10 of his 24 points in the period before the intermission and then added 8 points to his game-high total during a 20-1 run to kick off the final half that sent several Cass City fans toward the exits.

A terrible offensive showing saw Cass City limited to a pair of treys in the closing quarters from the floor. The points came on shots that bounced off the glass from behind

the 3-point arc.

If the Red Hawks have any hope of returning to the win column tonight (Wednesday) when GTW leader Bad Axe, featuring player of the year candidate Tommy Morneau, comes to town, Cass City will need to play with passion, heart and desire for the entire 4 quarters - something that seemed to be missing in their war against rival USA.

For Cass City, Kyle Ross and Mason Erla were the lone players to score more than one field goal on the night and finished with 8 and 5 points, respectively.

REESE

Reese outscored Cass City in each quarter Wednesday en route to a 72-50 victory.

The 2 teams actually traded baskets to a 12-11 first quarter score, but the visitors were outscored 41-27 during the 2 middle quarters.

Erla tossed in a team-high 14 points to lead Cass City, while Cuthrell chipped in a dozen and Logan Schenk, 9.

Regional action on the horizon for Lady Red Hawk gymnasts

Cass City gymnast Savannah Walker needs just one more qualifying score on the vault to compete in this year's fast approaching regional competition.

The Red Hawk freshman recorded a pair of regional marks on the apparatus during the team's most recent outings at Fenton and Vassar, leaving her needing one more regional qualifying score to advance into the elite affair in the vault.

Saturday at the Vulcan 4-school invite, Red Hawk Alexis Bates posted a winning score of 8.625 on the vault, while teammates Kendra Kerkau and Walker added scores of 8.15 and 8.0, respectively.

On the bars, Bates and Kerkau placed third and fourth overall with tallies of 7.434 and 7.3. On the beam, Bates had a score of 7.525, while on the floor exercise Miranda Spry turned in an 8.6 performance and Bates, an 8.575.

On Thursday, Cass City traveled to Fenton and posted several outstanding scores. They included team-high scores: on the vault - Spry (8.650); on the bars - Kerkau (7.5); on the beam - Bates (7.8); and on the floor - Spry (8.050).

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BOYS' BASKETBALL

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11

Bad Axe at Cass City
Vassar at EPBP
Brown City at Ubyl

Valley Lutheran at USA

THURSDAY, FEB. 12

Owen-Gage at Mayville

FRIDAY, FEB. 13

Cass City at Brown City

Memphis at Ubyl

Kingston at Sandusky

Owen-Gage at A. Fairgrove

Krysta Boyce

Bad Axe
Vassar
Brown City
USA

Owen-Gage

Brown City
Memphis
Kingston
A. Fairgrove

Bad Axe
Brown City
Deckerville
A. Fairgrove

North Huron

Sandusky
A. Fairgrove

Tom Montgomery

Bad Axe
Vassar
Brown City
USA

Mayville

Brown City
Brown City
Kingston
A. Fairgrove

Bad Axe
Brown City
Deckerville
A. Fairgrove

Owen-Gage

Kingston
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Geoff Morgan

Bad Axe
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LAST WEEK SEASON RESULTS

12-4
97-31 (75%)

9-7
84-44 (66%)

12-4
94-34 (73%)

12-4
99-29 (77%)

Schneeberger's ATHLETES of the WEEK



THE Cass City Red Hawk 2014-15 wrestling team members include: (front l-r) Alex Jeffrey, Joseph Sieradzki, Wyatt Dickson, Hunter McGrath, Tyler Hool, Chris Dooley, Seth Osentoski, Errienne Hoyt (middle) Blake Lebioda, Eric Peters, Fred Leeson, Darren Dickson, Lawson Alberts, Shatlyk Nurmyradov, Brent Baker (back) Joseph Kampe, Dominik Navara, Daymon Tabako, TJ Moore, Ethan Monte, Josh Daniels, Brad Baker and Jose Nazario.

Schneeberger's choice for this week's "Athletes of the Week" award winners is the entire Cass City wrestling team.

Coach Don Markel's Red Hawk grapplers secured the Greater Thumb Conference crown Saturday with a first

place finish at the League Meet held in Bad Axe. There, Cass City won 6 weight classes, and finished as the runner-up or third place winner in 5 other weight classes to grab the 2015 conference title.

A proud wrestling heritage at Cass City High School has led to

league champions in 1981, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2005, 2010 and 2012.

Additionally, the Red Hawks have recorded Team District championships in 1988, 1997 and 2007. Cass City will look to add another Team District championship to their resume Thursday in Mayville.

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BOYS' BASKETBALL

All games at 6 p.m. unless noted

12/10 Sandusky 44, Cass City 29
12/12 Caro 56, Cass City 51
12/17 Harbor Beach 59, Cass City 47
12/19 Cass City 49, Memphis 28
1/9 Bad Axe 50, Cass City 37
1/14 Marlette 40, Cass City 32
1/21 Cass City 47, Lakers 42
1/23 Cass City 57, BCAS 38
1/30 Vassar 39, Cass City 26
2/4 Reese 72, Cass City 50
2/6 USA 46, Cass City 23
2/11 Bad Axe
2/13 Brown City
2/18 Mayville
2/20 Deckerville (Snowcoming)
2/25 Lakers
2/27 Reese
3/3 Vassar
3/5 USA
3/9-3/13 Districts @ Bad Axe

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

All games at 6 p.m.

12/2 Cass City 32, Harbor Beach 72
12/5 Cass City 47, Memphis 37
12/9 Cass City 13, Sandusky 57
12/10 Cass City 27, Caro 52
12/16 Cass City 34, Vassar 35
12/18 Cass City 16, USA 58
1/6 Ubyly 51, Cass City 17
1/8 Bad Axe 51, Cass City 32
1/13 Marlette 54, Cass City 15
1/20 Lakers 64, Cass City 44
1/22 Cass City 41, Mayville 34
1/29 Vassar 40, Cass City 27
2/3 Reese 61, Cass City 19
2/5 USA 55, Cass City 19
2/10 Bad Axe
2/12 Brown City
2/17 Akron-Fairgrove
2/19 Deckerville
2/24 Lakers
2/26 Reese
3/2-3/6 Districts @ Bad Axe

WRESTLING

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

GYMNASTICS

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



Area Standings

Boys' Basketball				Girls' Basketball					
Greater Thumb West				Greater Thumb West					
	W	L	T		W	L	T		
Bad Axe	5	0	10	3	Reese	6	0	12	3
Reese	4	1	9	4	USA	6	1	10	3
USA	3	2	8	4	Vassar	3	3	5	8
Vassar	2	3	8	4	EPBP	2	4	5	9
Cass City	1	4	3	9	Bad Axe	2	4	5	9
EPBP	0	5	3	11	Cass City	0	7	2	12
Greater Thumb East				Greater Thumb East					
	W	L	T		W	L	T		
Harbor Beach	5	0	10	4	Sandusky	7	0	14	0
Sandusky	4	1	8	6	Marlette	6	1	12	3
Brown City	3	2	9	5	Brown City	3	3	9	5
Marlette	2	3	6	7	Harbor Beach	2	4	9	5
Ubyly	1	4	3	9	Ubyly	1	5	5	10
Memphis	0	5	1	13	Memphis	0	6	1	12
NCTL				NCTL					
	W	L	T		W	L	T		
Kingston	10	0	11	3	Kingston	9	0	13	2
Peck	7	1	10	3	Deckerville	8	2	11	3
North Huron	6	3	7	7	North Huron	6	3	6	9
Deckerville	4	5	5	8	CPS	6	4	10	4
Mayville	2	7	3	8	Peck	3	6	6	10
CPS	2	7	4	9	Mayville	1	9	1	12
Caseville	0	8	0	10	Caseville	0	9	1	12
Michigan Summit League				Michigan Summit League					
	W	L	T		W	L	T		
Flint Int.	6	0	6	8	BCAS	7	1	11	4
BCAS	6	2	9	6	SASA	6	1	13	1
SASA	4	3	4	7	Akron-Fair.	2	4	4	8
Akron-Fair.	1	5	8	5	Owen-Gage	2	5	7	8
Owen-Gage	0	7	2	12	Flint Int.	0	6	1	9

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Boys' Basketball
Feb. 11 ~ Bad Axe ~ 6 p.m.

JH Boys' Basketball
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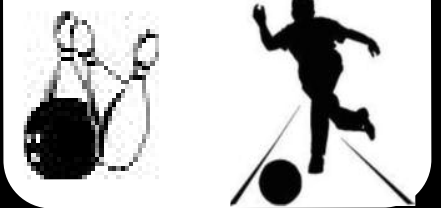
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BOWLING

All meets at 4 p.m. unless noted

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



JH BOYS' BASKETBALL

All games at 5:30 p.m.

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



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Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by ARTHUR L. BARCLAY, a single man ("Mortgagor"), to CHEMICAL BANK, a Michigan banking corporation, having an office at 333 E. Main Street, Midland, Michigan 48640-6511 (the "Mortgagee"), dated February 4, 2014, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on February 24, 2014, in Liber 1301, Page 1424 (the "Mortgage"). By reason of such default, the Mortgagee elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of the Mortgage due and payable forthwith. Mortgagee is the owner of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage. As of the date of this Notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on the Mortgage the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Four and 22/100 Dollars (\$62,924.22). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay the above amount, with interest, as provided in the Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public venue to the highest bidder at the Tuscola County Courthouse in Caro, Michigan on Thursday the 26th day of

February, 2015, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. The premises covered by the Mortgage are situated in the Township of Fremont, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 27, Town 11 North, Range 9 East; thence East 313 feet; thence South 209 feet; thence West 313 feet; thence North 209 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

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

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

Dated: January 21, 2015
CHEMICAL BANK
Mortgagee

Timothy Hillegonds
WARNER NORCROSS & JUDD LLP
900 Fifth Third Center
111 Lyon Street, N.W.
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2487
(616) 752-2000
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made in the conditions of certain Mortgage made by DUANE E. WEBSTER, a single man, and CINDY E. WEBSTER n/k/a Cindy E. Cox, a single woman, (formerly husband and wife) of 5625 Arbella Road, Millington, MI, to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture, with its Office being located at 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, the Mortgage being dated January 24, 1985, and recorded January 24, 1985, in Liber 547, Pages 1054-1057 in Tuscola County Records, and the Borrower having assumed a prior mortgage between BARRY HALLWOOD and EULETTA HALLWOOD, husband and wife and THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through Rural Development, United States Department of Agriculture, the Mortgage being dated May 27, 1975 and recorded in Liber 449, Pages 882-885, Tuscola County Records, and the debt of the prior Mortgage having been added to the debt of the January 24, 1985 Mortgage, pursuant to said Mortgage; which is being foreclosed hereby; and such Mortgage being given to secure Promissory Note payable to the Government, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of January 21, 2015, for principal, interest and other charges, the sum of SIXTY TWO THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED, SEVENTY-SEVEN AND 73/100 (\$62,777.73) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative; Now, Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the County Courthouse at 440 N. State Street, in the City of Caro, County of Tuscola, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the Mortgage together with 11.88% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises described in said Mortgage are situated in the State of Michigan, Tuscola County and are

described as: Part of the Northeast one quarter of Section 31, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township. Described as beginning at a point on the North line of said Section 31, which is North 89 degrees 37 minutes 20 Seconds West, 1111.61 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 31, thence continuing along said North line North 89 degrees 37 minutes 20 seconds West, 230.00 feet; thence South, 335.14 feet; thence South 89 degrees 37minutes 20 seconds East, 230 feet; thence North 335.14 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1.77 acres and subject to the use of the Northerly 33.0 feet thereof as Arbela Road. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption period shall expire thirty (30) days from the date of sale. According to MCL §600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure, contact USDA - Rural Development, Centralized Servicing Center, Foreclosure Centralization Initiative, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, MO, 63120, telephone (800) 349-5097 ext. 4500. Dated: January 21, 2015 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee Michael I. Conlon (P43954) Running, Wise, Ford, P.L.C. 326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686 Traverse City, MI 49685-0686

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR ONE YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1400.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Russell Hoard Jr., a single man, to Mayville State Bank, Mortgagee, dated February 11, 2008 and recorded February 19, 2008 in Liber 1141, Page 1055, and Loan Modification Agreement recorded on March 20, 2012, in liber 1243, page 634, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by The First State Bank, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifteen and 25/100 Dollars (\$106,615.25) including interest at 5% per annum.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1-21-4

USDA Rural Housing Service Foreclosure Sale



**5625 Arbella Road
Millington, MI 48746
Minimum Bid: \$18,725.00
(or best offer above minimum bid)
OFFER MUST BE IN FORM
OF CERTIFIED CHECK
THE DAY OF THE SALE**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.
2 BR, 1.1 BA, Ranch
This description is believed to be correct to our best understanding.

DATE & TIME OF SALE:
February 19, 2015 at 10:00am

PLACE OF SALE:
Tuscola County Circuit Court
440 N. State Street
Caro, MI

FOR INFO CONTACT:
800-349-5097x4500
Or
USDA Rural Development
1075 Cleaver road
Caro, MI

For future foreclosure sales and inventory properties access our website:
www.resales.usda.gov



Legal Notices

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by MICHELLE R. ESSEX, A SINGLE WOMAN and EDWARD R. BOYLE, A SINGLE MAN, to INDEPENDENT MORTGAGE COMPANY, Mortgagee, dated March 17, 2008, and recorded on March 19, 2008, in Liber 1144, on Page 107, and assigned by said mortgagee to MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Twelve Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents (\$135,012.22), including interest at 5.000% per annum.

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

PARCEL 2 Part of the Southeast quarter of Section 2, Town 12 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point which is South 0 degrees 03 minutes 05 seconds West, 755.51 feet along the East line of Section 2 to the centerline of East Dayton Road, and North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 907.22 feet along said centerline and North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 228.85 feet from the East quarter corner of said Section 2; thence continuing North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 203.01 feet to the East and West quarter line of Section 2; thence South 89 degrees 02 minutes 40 seconds East, 235.15 feet along said quarter line to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 89 degrees 02 minutes 04 seconds East, 62.28 feet; thence South 0 degrees 03 minutes 05 seconds West, 102.48 feet; thence North 65 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West, 105.0 feet; thence North 24 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 89.25 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month from the date of such sale, or as to MCL 600.3241a only, 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

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

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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 Donna C Putnam, a single woman, Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. (MERS) as nominee for Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated the 11th day of December, 2008 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 18th day of December, 2008 in Liber 1163 of Tuscola County Records, page 1120, said Mortgage having been assigned to CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Ninety-nine Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-seven and 85/100 (\$99767.85), 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 26th day of February, 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 4.750 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 Koylton, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: THE SOUTH 5 ACRES OF THE WEST 8 ACRES OF THE EAST 26 ACRES OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 33, TOWN 11, RANGE 11 EAST, SUBJECT TO EASEMENT AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD. EXCEPTING AND RESERVING THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PREMISES SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF KOYLTON, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA, AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, TO WIT: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 33, T11N-R11E, KOYLTON TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN; THENCE S 89° 27' 28" W 592.24 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 33; THENCE N 0° 45' 27" W 735.67 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; RUNNING THENCE N 71° 17' 45" W 279.09 FEET; THENCE N 89° 27' 28" E 263.15 FEET; THENCE S 0° 45' 27" E 92.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING APART OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 33, T11N-R11E, KOYLTON TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale. Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney
 Dated: 01/28/2015
 CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC
 Mortgagee FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C. Attorney for CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC
 700 Tower Drive, Ste. 510 Troy, MI 48098 (248) 362-2600
 CMS FHA PUTNAMDON

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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 Jason L. Hulburt, a married man and Shari L. Hulburt, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 13, 2006, and recorded on March 21, 2006 in Liber 1074 on Page 1245, and modified by agreement dated October 10, 2012, and recorded on November 20, 2012 in Liber 1265 on Page 749, and modified by Affidavit or Order executed on May 19, 2008 and recorded on May 22, 2008 in Liber 1150 on Page 108, and assigned by mesne assignments to MidFirst Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the

sum of One Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Eight and 13/100 Dollars (\$195,278.13).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on March 5, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township of Elkland, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 30 acres of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 Section 13, Town 14 North, Range 11 East.

Affidavit of Affixture recorded in Liber 1079, Page 421 and further evidenced by Affidavit of Scrivener's Error recorded in Liber 1298, Page 835

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: February 4, 2015
 For more information, please call:
 FC S (248) 593-1304
 Trott Law, P.C.
 Attorneys For Servicer
 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
 File #136701F06

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dan Butler and Lori Butler, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 7, 2007, and recorded on August 15, 2007 in Liber 1127 on Page 795, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Selene Finance LP 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 Fifty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Six and 98/100 Dollars (\$58,826.98).

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 March 5, 2015.

Said premises are situated in City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing on Butler Street, 8 Rods East from the Southwest corner of Block 20 in North's Addition to the City of Vassar, Running thence North 6 Rods, thence East 4 Rods and 3 feet; thence South 6 Rods to Butler Street; thence West on North line of Butler Street to the place of beginning. Part of Lots 3 and 4 Block 20 North's Addition to the City of Vassar Also: The South Part of Lot 4 in Block 20 of North's Addition to the City of Vassar, being 4 Rods wide on Butler Street and 6 Rods in Depth North and South, all in the City of Vassar; EXCEPT commencing at Southwest corner of Lot 4, Block 20, North Addition to City of Vassar; thence North on East line of said Lot 6 rods; thence West 58 feet; thence South 6 Rods; thence East 58 feet to the place of beginning. Property located in Township 11 North, Range 8 East,

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

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dennis R. Geitman II, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 24, 2004, and recorded on September 10, 2004 in Liber 1007 on Page 1256, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Nationstar Mortgage LLC 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 Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred Eight and 64/100 Dollars (\$90,908.64).

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 March 5, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 35, which is East, 465.00 feet, from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 35; thence continuing along said South line East 186.02 feet; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 50 seconds West 350.0 feet; thence West 186.02 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 50 seconds East 350.00 feet to the South line of said Section 35 and the point of beginning. Except an undivided 1/2 interest in and to all oil, gas and other minerals.

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

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Raymond Ronteltap and Windy Ronteltap, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 9, 2007, and recorded on February 20, 2007 in Liber 1111 on Page 514, and assigned by mesne assignments to PennyMac Corp. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Three and 47/100 Dollars (\$129,583.47).

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 venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on March 5, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, except a parcel of land described as follows: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 23; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on the South

line of said Section, 968.39 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on said South Section line, 320.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds East on the West line of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section, 680.25 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East parallel with said South Section line, 320.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds West parallel with said West line of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4, 680.25 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kenneth Ewald and Vicki Ewald, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 5, 2012, and recorded on November 19, 2012 in Liber 1265 on Page 507, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Owen Loan Servicing, LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Seven and 48/100 Dollars (\$100,447.48).

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 March 12, 2015.

Said premises are situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1 - Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 23, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence South 01 Degrees 30 Minutes West 560.50 feet along the East line of Section 23 to the point of beginning, running thence North 88 Degrees 30 Minutes West 250.0 feet; thence South 01 Degrees 30 Minutes West 99.5 feet; thence South 88 Degrees 30 Minutes East 118.0 feet; thence South 01 Degrees 30 Minutes West 33.0 feet; thence South 88 Degrees 30 Minutes East 132.0 feet; thence North 01 Degrees 30 Minutes East 132.5 feet along the East line of Section 23 to the point of beginning. Being part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Town 13 North, Range 9 East.

Parcel 2 - Part of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 23 which is South 01 Degrees 30 Minutes 00 Seconds West, 520.50 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 23; thence continuing along said feet line South 01 Degrees 30 Minutes 00 Seconds West 40.00 feet, at right angles to the East line of said Section 23, North 88 Degrees 30 Minutes 00 Seconds West 250.00 feet; thence South 01 Degrees 30 Minutes 00 Seconds West 99.50 feet; thence North 88 Degrees 30 Minutes 00 Seconds East 320.00 feet to the East line of said Section 23 and the point of Beginning.

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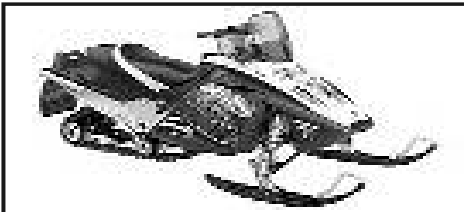
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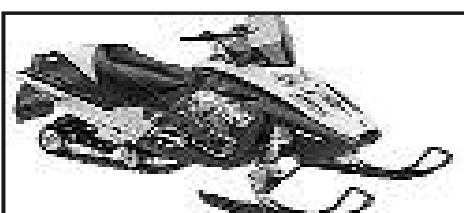
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SOLD!!!
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MFB chief Bednarski makes the rounds

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including energy, business tax reform, the Clean Water Act, biotechnology, trade, farm bill implementation and comprehensive immigration reform.

"The agriculture industry has a number of issues on our plate, and this was a great opportunity to highlight those and begin some dialogue," said Sarah Black, director of MFB's public policy division. "This is a new Congress, with many new faces and new staff, and our goal was to make sure we made our presence known and start forging the relations we'll need to accomplish our goals this year."

Other appointments included a dinner with Jamie Clover Adams, director of the Michigan Department of

Agriculture and Rural Development, and a breakfast meeting with a pair of leaders representing the National Council of Agricultural Employers (NCAE).

"NCAE is doing important work in D.C.—important work with serious repercussions back in Michigan," said John Kran, MFB's associate national legislative counsel. "We got an update on the progress their group is making on agricultural labor issues at the national level."

The group met with NCAE's new president, Fred Leitz, a fruit and vegetable grower from southwestern Michigan, and Frank Gasperini, the group's executive vice president and CEO.

"If anyone understands the impact of our broken farm labor system, it's Fred Leitz," Bednarski said. "Fred's

challenges securing an adequate, skilled, legal workforce on his own farm have resulted in him having to abandon unpicked crops—leaving them to rot in the field. So he's got a passion for this cause that really motivates and inspires his leadership of the NCAE."

MFB this year is also changing up how its members operate inside the Beltway. The organization's annual Washington Legislative Seminar, a member-driven lobbying visit traditionally held every March, this year gets revamped as a three-day Capitol Summit for all of Michigan's 67 county Farm Bureau presidents.

"Just as we have new blood in Congress, we've got a lot of new faces among the ranks of our Farm Bureau leadership across Michigan," Black said, adding that the Presidents' Capitol Summit this June is aimed primarily at offering additional opportunity for the organization's county presidents with their roles as advocates for the state's farm and food sector.



CHERYL OSENTOSKI was able to get several good shots of a hawk last week near her Cass City home.



MICHIGAN FARM Bureau Carl Bednarski is pictured above (left) with **District 5 Congressman Dan Kildee** during Bednarski's whirlwind tour of legislative contacts in the nation's capitol last week.

STEM fair on tap Feb. 19 at high school

Cass City Junior-Senior High School will be hosting a STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) fair from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, in the gymnasium.

More than 50 student projects from various grade levels have been submitted and will be on display accompanied by student presentations. There will also be hands-on activities and demonstrations for the whole family to learn and enjoy.

Everyone is invited to attend and support local students.

Absentee ballots available for upcoming special vote

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to your city or township clerk (for assistance in obtaining the address of your city or township clerk, log onto the website www.Michigan.gov/vote). Your request must include one of the six statutory reasons listed above, and the request must include your signature. Request forms are available from your local clerk's office and, in order to have them mailed to you, must be received by your clerk no later than 2 p.m. the Saturday before the election.

After receiving your ballot, you have until 8 p.m. on election day to complete the ballot and return it to your clerk's office. Your ballot will not be counted unless your signature is on the return envelope and matches your signature on file.

The upcoming millage proposals, both of which would generate dollars that must be used for a specific purpose, would establish a special veteran services millage of .17 of a mill along with a tax of .2 of a mill to fund business and job development through the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation (EDC).

If approved, both millages would be levied for six years.

The proposed EDC tax would generate \$322,000 in the first year and cost the owner of a home with a market value of \$100,000 about \$10 more in taxes annually. The veteran services millage would generate roughly \$276,000 in the first year and cost the owner of a \$100,000 home \$8.50 more in taxes.

The veteran services millage would be used to more adequately staff the local veteran's affairs office and provide funding for transportation. Currently, the department director is also the department's only employee, leaving the office empty when he is on the road. The millage would pay for a second employee, enabling officials to have someone on hand in the office five days a week.

The additional tax revenue would also enable the office to purchase a second van to transport more veterans to VA-approved medical facilities in locations such as Bad Axe and Saginaw as well as Detroit, Ann Arbor and Battle Creek.

As for the EDC millage, officials say funding generated by the millage would pay for an expansion of staffing — from 1 ½ to 3 ½ positions — and augment the EDC's revolving and other loan programs. The revenue would enable the EDC to provide more job opportunities in the county and, at the same time, free up \$50,000 the county annually provides to the EDC — making up roughly half of the agency's annual budget — for other purposes.

Tuscola County EDC director Steve Erickson said the special levy would enable his office to better serve residents while providing a dependable funding source. "If approved it would fully fund the Tuscola County EDC as well as provide a grant matching fund of \$150,000 for local municipalities," he said.

"(We're) seeking a millage to combine all of our funding from one source. Currently, changes within the tax structure coupled with decreases in property values and lost revenue from the personnel property tax have caused most municipalities to struggle financially," Erickson explained. "If approved, this millage would relieve them of their financial support to the Tuscola County EDC. It would also provide them with an opportunity to receive grant matching dollars for federal and state grants."

Village of Cass City Proposed Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE VILLAGE OF CASS CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 40, UTILITIES, ARTICLE III, SEWERS, DIVISION 2, SEWER USE REGULATIONS, SECTION 40-102 USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS REQUIRED, SUBSECTION (d), IN THE CASS CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS FOLLOWS.

The Village of Cass City ordains the approval to amend the Village of Cass City Code of Ordinances: Chapter 40, Utilities, Article III, Sewers, Division 2, Sewer Use Regulations, Section 40-102 Use of Public Sewers Required, Subsection (d)

REVISES : Ordinance No. 118, 2.2.2., "Use of Sewerage System Required"

(d) "The owner of any houses, buildings, or properties used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes situated within the Village of Cass City and abutting on any street, alley or right-of-way in which there is now located or may in the future be located a public sanitary or combined sewer in the Village of Cass City is hereby required at his own expense to connect the sanitary sewer service directly to the public sewer, except as provided in subsection (1), in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, within 90 days after the date of official notice to do so has been issued by the Village of Cass City, provided that said public sewer is within 100 feet of the nearest property line of said premises.

Subsection (1) Exception to Required Use of Sewerage System.

The owner of any houses, buildings, or properties used for human occupancy, employment, recreation, or other purposes, situated within the Village of Cass City is not required to connect the sanitary sewer service directly to the public sewer if all of the following are true:

- 1) The property is located in an Industrial Zone;
- 2) The property's sewer discharge averages 250,000 gallons or more per day;
- 3) The property is of sufficient size for a private sewage disposal system while still meeting all applicable zoning codes;
- 4) The property has a private sewage disposal system that will only discharge directly to the "Center B Drain" or the Cass River;
- 5) The property has all of the necessary permits and approvals from local, state, and federal government for the private sewage disposal;
- 6) The property owner submits an application for an exception to required use of Sewerage System, and the Village, or its designated agent, approves of the request.

Even if approved, this private sewage disposal system is used only for the benefit of that particular piece of property and may not accept waste from an outside source or separate piece of property even if owned, leased, or rented by the same owner. "

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

First Reading: January 26, 2015

Second Reading: February 12, 2015

Public Hearing and Request for Adoption: February 23, 2015

Cass City Village Council PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cass City Village Council will be holding a
Public Hearing
at the **Municipal Building,**
6506 Main Street, Cass City, Michigan,

Monday, February 23, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.

To receive comments on a proposed amendment to the Cass City Code of Ordinances.

The Public is invited to attend.

Nanette S. Walsh
Clerk/Treasurer

Foundation to present grants

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available funding."

Interested parties are asked to RSVP as soon as possible by calling the foundation at (989) 673-8223 or by sending an email to tcctf534@century-tel.net.

Attendance at the information session is not required in order to apply for grant funding. However, applications to the foundation must be postmarked by Monday, March 2.

Money will be distributed from the following funds:

***Janks Fund** — \$50,000 for unrestricted projects.

***Andrews Fund** — \$15,000 for children's activities.

***Future Youth Involvement (FYI) Fund** — \$30,000 for youth programs.

***Homelessness Fund** — \$1,750 to aid the homeless in Tuscola County.

***Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund** — \$4,000 for tobacco cessation programs.

***Founders Fund** — \$2,600 for unrestricted projects.

***Greater Millington Area Fund** — \$5,000 to be used for the betterment of the Millington community.

***Anne S. Laethem Fund** — \$500 for preservation of historic buildings in Tuscola County.

***Don List Fund for Special Needs Children** — \$800 to provide for special needs of children.