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## Extension millage "friends" gearing up for vote

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

The new year is just a few days old, but supporters of MSU Extension services and programs in Tuscola County are already looking ahead to spring – Tuesday, March 8, to be specific.

The date is an important one, not only because it marks the presidential primary election, but also because county residents will be asked to approve a special millage that would secure the financial future of local Extension programs, including 4-H.

With roughly 60 days to make their case to communities throughout the county, members of the Friends of MSU Extension are slated to gather Thursday, Jan. 7, at 5:30 p.m. at the MSU Extension Office on Green Street, to further organize their campaign to get out the "yes" vote.

The meeting is open to anyone interested and willing to lend a hand;

4-H alumni, past leaders and current volunteers are all encouraged to attend, as is anyone who benefits from the myriad of other programs provided by Extension, according to committee member Jackie Garner.

The Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, faced with a projected general fund deficit of several hundred thousand dollars over the next few years, voted last summer to cut off funding for Extension programs.

However, commissioners also approved placing a special millage request of .1 of a mill on the March 8 ballot to replace that funding. And, they passed a motion to continue financially supporting local Extension programs until the election and – presuming voters support the millage – until tax revenue from the millage is collected.

If approved, the tax would be levied in each of the next six years, generating an estimated \$173,000 in the first year. The levy would cost the owner

of a \$100,000 home about \$5 more a year in taxes, and the revenue would be used to pay for not only 4-H programs, but also a host of professional agriculture services and nutrition programs provided through the Extension office in Caro.

"(This millage) is so very important to the agricultural community we

live in," commented Garner, who was recently reelected president of the Tuscola County 4-H Council and also serves as treasurer of the county fair board.

"MSUE has a value that many don't realize, and I encourage everyone to educate themselves on the impact that their programming, adminis-

tered through that office, has. They may not see it in their everyday lives, but it is there in the background," Garner added.

Those programs include:  
\*Agriculture and natural resources – educational programs and on-farm research (production practices, vari-

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## Keller's vision for chamber: boosting aid to businesses

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Judy Keller barely had time to settle in to her new position as administrator of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce in early September before she was forced to dive into organization of the town's annual Christmas in the Village celebration.

Keller hasn't slowed down much since December, especially with the annual chamber dinner coming up in February.

However, the longtime Cass City resident has also put considerable thought into her new role. She's determined to spruce up the local chamber's image and to have a greater impact on making it easier to do business in the village – a job she says will require business owners in the community to take an active role in by offering her their input.

"Usually when I do something, I jump in with both feet," said Keller, who previously served the Cass City Chamber of Commerce as a board member. "I want to see the chamber grow and do more to help businesses, but I need the businesses' help to help me do that. Our goal now is to rebuild the chamber. I want to see more businesses join so that we can help them out more," she added.

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## Michigan Sugar Co. eyes \$125 million in upgrades

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Michigan Sugar Company officials hope to garner enough support from its grower/owners to proceed with plans to invest \$125 million on infrastructure improvements at its four production facilities over the next four years.

According to Ray VanDriessche, director of community relations for Michigan Sugar Company, the lion's share of upgrades — \$57 million worth — would take place at the company's Crosswell plant and would be completed over a period of four to five years.

"It has to be done in stages so it doesn't interrupt our ability to start processing," said VanDriessche, who noted the work will include a new fluming system (\$4 million), beet slicers (\$4 million), lime kiln (\$3.5 million) and beet juice tanks (\$6.5 million).

Upgrades are also planned at the company's processing plants in Caro, Sebewaing and Bay City.

VanDriessche said the project will depend, in part, on a \$20 million investment from growers, who have been offered preferred stock to generate the money. Ballots were sent out to growers, and a number of them have already been returned to the company.

"What we're seeing coming in, is the ballots seem to be positive. It looks like it's going to be a go," VanDriessche said, adding the

results are expected to be reported during Michigan Sugar's annual shareholders meeting, slated for Thursday, Jan. 14, at Saginaw Valley State University.

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AN ESTIMATED 350 to 400 people attended the 50th annual – and final – New Year's Eve Gospel Sing hosted by the Cass City Laymen's Club Thursday night at Cass City High School.



Jan. 17 at the courthouse in Caro

## Tuscola County Right to Life chapter plans annual service

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

"We believe that God orchestrates the precious gift of life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death. We will defend the right of life for all mankind, especially the helpless unborn, the elderly, and those considered handicapped."

Members and supporters of the Tuscola County Right to Life chapter annually share that message during an annual Sanctity of Life memorial service each January on the steps of the Tuscola County Courthouse, and

this year will be no different. Dozens of area residents are expected to take part in the brief service, slated for Sunday, Jan. 17, starting at 3 p.m. This year's keynote speaker will be former Tuscola County Register of Deeds Dan Grimshaw.

"The memorial service will include a short message from Mr. Grimshaw, prayer, the singing of God Bless America and the taking of a group photograph," said Jim McLoskey, a member of the Tuscola County Right to Life chapter. "The event is open to the general public and is one of numerous, similar events being held in Michigan and across the entire country."

Nearly 43 years have passed since the landmark Supreme Court rulings that changed our nation's response to pregnancy. Forty-three years and the words Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton still darken the hearts of all who defend the right to life, said Right to Life of Michigan President Barbara Listing.

"Because of Roe and Doe, abortion is legal through all nine months of pregnancy," Listing said. "Because of Roe and Doe, hundreds of thousands of people will peacefully march in January in Washington, D.C., to be a pro-life witness, protesting the so-called right to an

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STATE REP. EDWARD "Ned" Canfield, whose district is comprised of Tuscola and Huron counties, addresses those in attendance at the 2015 Sanctity of Life ceremony. This year's event, again sponsored by the Tuscola County Right to Life chapter, is slated for Sunday, Jan. 17, at 3 p.m. on the steps of the Tuscola County Courthouse in Caro.

## Cha-ching!

## State's minimum wage up to \$8.50 per hour in 2016

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Michigan workers earning minimum wage will start the new year off with a little more jingle in their pockets – 35 cents more per hour's worth before taxes — thanks to a phased-in increase in the state's minimum wage.

As of Jan. 1, the lowest basic pay rate for most employees increased from \$8.15 to \$8.50. The minimum wage was set at \$7.40 in the state before Michigan legislators passed a bill in 2014 upping the minimum to \$8.15, with the goal of increasing the rate by 25 percent over a period of four years.

Two more raises are scheduled over the next three years, with the minimum wage reaching \$12.00 by 2018. Please turn to page 8.



**THE GRIMSHAW'S (above) perform during Cass City Laymen's Club's final New Year's Eve Gospel Sing in Cass City. They were joined by The Thurstons and the Calvarymen Quartet, which appeared at the first-ever local New Year's Eve Gospel concert and returned every year.**

# Obituaries

**Charles Beyette**  
 Charles E. Beyette, 91, of Cass City, passed away on Tuesday, December 29, 2015 at Northwood Meadows in Cass City.  
 He was born October 6, 1924 in Caro, the son of the late Norman and Gertrude (Martin) Beyette.  
 Chuck was a 1942 graduate of Caro High School, and attended Bay City Junior College before joining the Air Force during World War II, spending two and a half years in Italy.

Chuck was united in marriage on July 30, 1948 with the former Mary Riddering at the old First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn.  
 He received his BA, Masters and Specialist Degree in education from Michigan State University. During his career in education, he taught school in Okemos, Pontiac and ended his career in Birmingham as a Junior High School Principal. Following their retirement in 1981, he and Mary worked at making stained glass lamps and sold glass

items at craft shows for the next fifteen years. Chuck has been a member of the Cass City Presbyterian Church, serving as elder and deacon on several occasions, a member of Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals, the Caro Masonic Lodge, and secretary/treasurer of the Pontiac Teachers bowling league for many years. He enjoyed traveling and camping his entire life and he and Mary would often take trips to Michigan casinos.

Charles is survived by his loving wife of sixty-eight years, Mary; a daughter, Rene'e Lacombe and her children, Todd, Brett, Rianne and Rachelle; a son, Garth (Joyce) Beyette and their daughter, Brogan; and many nieces and nephews.  
 A memorial service will be held in the spring at the Ransford Collon Funeral Home in Caro with the Rev. Michele Hile officiating and burial following in the Indianfields Township Cemetery in Caro.  
 Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorial contributions to Northwood Meadows in Cass City or the First Presbyterian Church of Cass City.

Friends may share memories, thoughts and prayers online at [www.RansfordCollon.com](http://www.RansfordCollon.com).  
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# In Our OPINION...

Guest Author  
Kim Salerno

## Top 5 New Year's Pet Resolutions

*The New Year is upon us. It's time to take a look back on the past year and determine what we might want to change, do better or accomplish in 2016. For pet parents, much of this reflection applies to the lives they share with their pets.*

*Accordingly, TripsWithPets.com surveyed pet parents and asked them what resolutions they've made for 2016 relating to their pets.*

*Here are the top five 2016 Pet New Year's Resolutions.*

**1 - Healthier Diet:** *Feeding their pets better quality food is at the top of pet parents list this year! They've been doing their research and are wanting to do all they can to ensure their little ones live a long, happy and healthy life. Whether it's gluten-free, grain-free, dairy-free, soy-free, corn-free, raw food, unprocessed food, or probiotics - pet parents are coming for you in 2016!*

**2 - Daily Walks:** *Whether it's a walk through the park, a stroll around the neighborhood or a jog along hiking trails, 26% of pet parents surveyed plan to get outside each day and move with their pets this year. They sited exercise, maintaining their pack leader status, and bonding as their motivation for walking their pooch more often.*

**3 - More Outings:** *More car rides, doggie bakery visits, beach outings, and family vacations, are among the activities that respondents said they are resolved to doing more of with their four-legged family members. Getting out and spending some quality time with their pets to make that bond even stronger is at the top of many pet parents minds this year!*

**4 - Socialization:** *As more pet parents opt to take their pets on more outings, there comes the need to better social them. Fifteen percent of pet parents polled are committed to helping their shy, skittish, or fearful pet become more comfortable around people, other pets, and in public places.*

**5 - Training:** *A close cousin of socialization, training, comes in as the fifth most popular pet resolution of 2016. We all can't have the perfectly mannered pet but a good number of pet parents plan to devote the time to curb some not-so-favorable behavior. From teaching Rover not to bark at house guests and drag you while on walks to practicing better recall (getting your dog to come when called) and training your cat to stay off kitchen counters...pet parents are ready to put on their pet whisperer hat!*



**About the Author**

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# Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

## Marriage is a really long race

Hollywood actress Jamie Lee Curtis has been married for 31 years – consecutive – to the same man. Exclamation point. In Hollywood, this is a big deal. Heck, it's a big deal anywhere.

Putting up with someone – and more importantly them putting up with you – for a really long time requires patience, endurance, courage, a case of recurring temporary amnesia and the ability to put up with cold toes in bed.

Because, let's face it, other people (and their cold toes) can be annoying. When you are married, you are often one of those other people. The ability to ignore and forget about the annoyances helps your spouse (and you) to not bring bodily harm upon one another (or do something nasty like use their toothbrush to clean the toilet). I am grateful almost daily for my husband's recurring temporary amnesia because I am not easy to live with. None of us is.

As far as marriage and longevity goes, thankfully my husband is stubborn beyond words. He's stuck with me for a really long time. We've been together for more years than a marathon has miles. And marriage is a marathon – in the best-case scenario.

When you run a marathon (which I've never done, to be fully disclosed here) I imagine you start out strong. Those first miles click off with ease. Our first weeks of marriage were practically like a honeymoon. Easy and breezy with no kids or mortgage payments involved.

We even took a couple trips to Vegas during our fledgling years. And you know what they say about what happens there.

Then real life hit. Bills. Births. Business. Busyness. The middle miles (or years) contain their fair share of challenges, because you can't catch your breath to think, much less love on a person like they deserve. Despite the leg cramps, dehydration and exhaustion we forged through it together – or mostly together. Somewhere between burping babies and balancing the checkbook – right around mile marker 14 – we developed a rhythm and we just kept going.

Now, more than a few years later, we've been married a really long time. With that accomplishment comes a few perks.

The annoying habits that used to bug you don't so much anymore. You've probably adopted some of those habits yourself.

You appreciate the little things your spouse does to make your day easier. Like making the coffee or making the bed. You try to think of more little things you can do in return.

You've learned he dislikes emptying the clean silverware from the dishwasher so when you are emptying the dishwasher together you do that part first so he doesn't have to.

He keeps tabs on your car's gas gauge and fills it up for you when you get down to about a quarter of a tank. Ditto that for oil changes.

Household chores were long ago divided and decided. You let him empty the garbage. He lets you sweep the kitchen floor. You can't imagine trading, but would and could in a pinch.

## Letters to the Editor

### Perhaps time for part-time board?

Spending an additional \$120,000 dollars for Huron County commissioners' health care offers nothing in return to the taxpayer. For the same cost, the county can hire a controller/accountant to work full time leaving the commissioners as part time. Net cost to the taxpayers is the same.

Does it take seven full time people to run the county? Our commissioners are asked to attend three meetings per month to retain their seat. I know personally that the requirements to serve our districts go beyond this minimum. Perhaps it is time to relieve them of some of the duties and hire a full-time representative for the county. The anticipated cost of insuring our seven commissioners will cover the cost of this position.

Giving additional benefits to the current part-time commissioners will not enhance our local government. Hiring a full time person to oversee the day to day operations for the county will enhance our county.

I am not advocating that we add another person to the county rolls during this period of declining population. What I am suggesting is that there are alternative ways to solve county problems.

According to news reports, the best internal advice is to increase our county budget by giving seven additional people full paid health care. If operating a county is a full time job, then use the \$120,000 to hire a full-time person and leave our commissioners part-time.

David Jaroch  
Ubly


When you've been together a long time, you share memories that can't ever be shared with anyone else ever again. Things like human beings (that you created) entering this world. Deaths – of family, friends and even beloved pets. Experiencing things like that together changes your relationship. It deepens it. Time works that way as well. In a good way.

My husband and I have been married a really long time. There have certainly been bumps in the road, but we've always managed to continue moving forward. Step by step, mile by mile, we're in this race together. I know I'm glad to have someone running beside me. And after all these years and all these miles he still takes my breath away. A good race will do that to you.

## Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



A quick note from Gagetown resident Bill Ehrlich set the record straight. He dropped me an email stating it was Christmas Day 1982 that the mercury hit 65 degrees not 1983 as stated in Rabbit Tracks a couple of weeks earlier.

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The Michigan Department of Natural Resources reminds hunters that the spring turkey hunting application period is now open. "If you are looking to hunt one of the limited-license turkey hunts, make sure to apply now," said DNR upland game bird specialist Al Stewart. "If you're looking for broader statewide options in your hunt, you may want to wait and purchase Hunt 234."

The 2016 spring turkey season runs April 18 through May 31, with several different hunt periods to choose from. The Spring Turkey Digest explains regulations, season dates and hunt units. Hunt 234 licenses go on sale over the counter, with no application required, March 15. Hunt 234 offers the most days to hunt, as it is valid from May 2-31 and is open statewide except on public land in southern Michigan.

"In Michigan, spring turkey season is a big deal," said Stewart. "We're ranked seventh in the nation for turkey harvest, harvesting over 30,000 turkeys while providing a variety of quality hunting options."

Through Feb. 1, a \$5 spring turkey application may be purchased anywhere hunting licenses are sold or online at [www.mdnr-elicense.com](http://www.mdnr-elicense.com). Hunters may purchase only one spring turkey hunting license.

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Excessive alcohol use is the third leading preventable cause of death in the United States. In Michigan, it costs the state \$8.2 billion and is responsible for 84,215 years of potential life lost each year.

To help promote a safe and healthy summer throughout the state, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is reminding all residents to avoid excessive alcohol consumption.

"Excessive alcohol use is associated with numerous health problems, including motor vehicle crashes, assaults, fetal alcohol spectrum disorders, alcohol dependence, cirrhosis, and cancer," said Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive of the MDHHS. "It's important that all residents understand the health consequences of excessive alcohol consumption."

Findings related to excessive alcohol use among adults in Michigan were recently released by the American Journal of Public Health article, "Drinking Patterns in US Counties from 2002 to 2012" and the associated interactive health map. This new research from the Institute for Health Metrics and Education provides county-level estimates of excessive drinking, which MDHHS can use as part of its surveillance efforts and to help plan for interventions to reduce excessive alcohol use in Michigan communities.

The research from the Institute for Health Metrics and Education shows that women are increasingly at risk for complications and dangers associated with alcohol consumption. Additionally, women are especially vulnerable to the effects of alcohol because of their bodies' size and how they process alcohol.

Women also have more health risks from excessive alcohol use, including sexual assault, breast cancer, and harming a baby if drinking while pregnant.

In Michigan, as well as across the country, women's excessive drinking behaviors are increasing at a higher rate than men's.

While 2012 prevalence of binge drinking was almost twice as high in men (27.5 percent) compared to women (14.8 percent), the increase in binge drinking from 2005 to 2012 was 21.3 percent for women, compared to 3.8 percent for men. Heavy drinking among women in the same time period rose 31.6 percent, compared to 3.9 percent for men.

The results of this study show that where you live can impact your health. Alcohol use is affected by the price and availability of alcohol in a community. Such factors may be key starting points in efforts to reduce excessive alcohol consumption on a local level.

To access the American Journal of Public Health article, visit <http://ajph.aphapublications.org>. Additionally, for more information about excessive alcohol use surveillance and prevention in Michigan, visit [www.michigan.gov/substanceabuseepi](http://www.michigan.gov/substanceabuseepi).

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# Get Involved: Central Thumb Knights of Columbus

*Editor's note: This is the last in a four-part series the Chronicle is publishing on local service clubs.*

Throughout the years, the members of the Knights of Columbus Council #8892 - The Central Thumb Council - have built a foundation on giving back to the community through hosting several events with proceeds being donated back into the Cass City community and surrounding area. The local council has been successful raising funds with 2 major events held - the annual Tootsie Roll Drive and the 5K Race & Walk.

### Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus Council #8892 - The Central Thumb Council - has been actively involved in the State-endorsed MI drive for 30 years, this event is better known as the "Tootsie Roll Drive." Every year the local council, whether rain or shine, collects donations at the inter-

section of Main and Seeger streets in Cass City two weeks before Easter. The council on average has 60 members who participate in the drive.

At the start of the club, Cass Bartnik took great pride in leading the club by working both days, all day long. The club still uses Bartnik's motivation through the years to keep up the good work he accomplished. For many years Council member Daryl Iwankovitsch, chairman of the Tootsie Roll Drive, has been in charge of creating a work schedule for the members and ordering the tootsie rolls. After the event is over Iwankovitsch reports our proceeds to send into the State K of C organization. The state council uses 20% of the tootsie roll drive's proceeds to donate throughout the state. 80% of the proceeds are distributed to local qualifying organizations.

In the last 6 years the club has been averaging donations of around \$2,500 a year. The club generally donates \$500 a year to the Cass City Schools, \$100 a year to the Owen-Gage Schools, \$100 a year to Highland Pines School. Each school

uses the money to support or reward their special education students. The club has also supported the Tuscola County Special Olympics by donating \$700-\$900 per year. Finally, the Sacred Heart Church in Caro has a program for a group of special needs individuals called the SPRED Program, to which the club donates \$150-\$300 a year. In past years several other local organizations have received donations from the Tootsie Roll Drive funds.

Over the past 30 years the Tootsie Roll Drive has collected a generous \$75,000 from the Cass City community to donate back into our local community's special education programs.

### 5K Race

The Knights of Columbus Council #8892 - The Central Thumb Council's first 5K Race & Walk took place on September 15, 2014 at the K of C Hall on Beechwood Dr. in Cass City. The race was organized as a fundraiser for St. Agatha Food Pantry in Gageton. The goal was to

help fund the pantry during Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays when there is a heavy need of supplies for local families. The event raised \$1,500 to donate to the pantry from the proceeds of the event. After a great turnout, the club has also reached out to include Cass City's Revive Ministries along with St. Agatha's to receive the donations from the event to continue to provide for area families in need. Since January 1, 2014 more than 6,134 individuals have received food donations because of the council's efforts, as well as several other organizations. This adds up to an estimated \$21,500 all spent on food.

### Scholarship Program

The Knights of Columbus Council #8892 - The Central Thumb Council - recently began a scholarship program kick started with donations from council member Tom Walther and family. The council has awarded scholarships to 5 local high school seniors who have met the requirements.

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## New year brings higher minimum wage in state

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minimum slated to increase to \$8.90 in January 2017 and to \$9.25 in January 2018.

The minimum wage law, enforced by the Wage and Hour Program under the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA), applies to any company that employs two or more workers over the age of 16 years.

While the minimum wage is now \$8.50, the law implementing the increase provides for exceptions in the cases of tipped employees and some students.

The minimum wage for tipped employees is \$3.23, up from \$3.10 last year. Workers who earn a certain amount of tips every month may be paid a special cash minimum wage, but must earn at least \$8.50, including tips, every hour.

Federal law, meanwhile, allows employers in Michigan to pay a new employee who is under 20 years of age a "training wage" of \$4.25 per hour for the first 90 days of employment. Michigan's student minimum wage — \$7.23 — applies to full-time high school or college students who work part-time. They can be paid 85 percent of the state's minimum wage.

According to estimates, a full-time minimum wage worker in Michigan — putting in 40 hours a week, 52 weeks a year — will earn roughly \$68 per day, \$340 a week and \$17,680 annually, not taking into account the Michigan income tax, federal income tax or local/municipal taxes. The national poverty line for a family consisting of two people is \$14,570 annually.

With the increase implemented this month, Michigan now has the 14th highest minimum wage in the country. Thirteen other states are also raising their minimum wage levels in 2016.



**MORE THAN 60 people of all ages braved cold temperatures to participate in last year's Sanctity of Life ceremony, held in front of the Tuscola County Courthouse.**

## Right to Life chapter planning service

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abortion.

"After 43 years we are still here," she added, "still ready to march and defend the lives of babies preparing to be born. Positive changes are being made in Michigan, the pro-life movement is thriving, and our life-saving work continues because there is a need to value human life."

According to the Michigan Department of Community Health, a total of 27,629 induced abortions were reported in 2014 throughout Michigan — an increase of about six percent from 2013, but a 44-percent decrease since 1987, the year when the largest number of induced abortions were reported. There were 46 reported abortions involving Tuscola County women in 2014.

"We celebrate the decrease in abortions performed in Michigan, and mourn the lives lost," Listing said. "Abortions represent a void in our

communities. This reality leaves many heartbroken. Abortion hurts women, babies and families.

"To think that an abortion only impacts a mother and her child preparing to be born removes the genuine pain family members experience when abortion touches their

lives," Listing added. "That is why Right to Life of Michigan is made up of local pro-life groups in the cause of protecting life. As communities pulling together, pro-life people join to offer real options to women facing untimely pregnancies."

## Keller discusses plans for the chamber of commerce

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Keller has already implemented changes such as making the chamber more accessible. Aside from manning the office in the Cass City Municipal Building from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday through Friday, she's willing to meet with business owners by appointment, and she's available throughout the week by phone at (989) 670-1401 now that the chamber's landline has been switched to cellular service.

"One of the biggest questions people always ask is, 'What can the chamber do for me?'" Keller said, adding she's focusing on providing assistance in the areas of advertising — including exposure on the chamber's website — and providing welcome packets for employers to distribute to new employees in the community. The chamber also has a bulk mailing program that can benefit local businesses.

"We want to do as much as we can to promote them," said Keller, who came up with the "Santa's Helpers" program during the Christmas in the Village celebration in which families whose children won prizes were invited to pick them up personally at the specific businesses that donated them. The idea, she continued, "was to get people back into the downtown businesses — putting people downtown to see what's there."

For the same reason, Keller isn't looking to repeat an experiment last summer in which the Cass City Summer Mania celebration, normally held in early August, was combined with the village's Freedom Festival over the July 4 holiday weekend. This year she plans to return to hosting separate celebrations, providing for a second opportunity to lure shoppers downtown.

Keller is hoping to expand Summer Mania activities beyond the limits of Rotary Park. "Personally, I would like to see things spread out along Main Street more, so people walk down Main Street," she said.

While Keller is brainstorming to improve the chamber's impact on the community as well as its image, she'll rely heavily on what business owners are willing to offer in the way of input. "I need for them to feel free to call us at the chamber," she said. "I need for them to help me by letting me know what they want — it's different for every business. I want them to tell me what they expect of the chamber."

Towards that end, Keller is considering organizing "after-hours" get-togethers this year — possibly a coffee hour — to provide an opportunity for business owners to meet on a regular basis both with their peers and with chamber officials.

Caro has a similar program and it's been very successful, with business owners on a months-long waiting list to host one of the gatherings, she noted.

Another goal is to attract more area residents to the annual chamber dinner, where officials honor the year's citizen and junior citizens of the year.

This year's banquet is slated for Saturday, Feb. 6, starting with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Cass City VFW Hall. Tickets are available at all the local banks, Rawson Memorial District Library and at the municipal building. Keller noted \$1 of each dinner ticket and proceeds from an annual silent auction go to the junior citizen scholarship fund.

The dinner is among the major events sponsored annually by the chamber, which frequently seeks donations and business sponsorships for various activities over the course of the year in order to cover what can be some expensive undertakings. Summer Mania, for example, typically costs about \$5,000.

Keller is quick to credit the success of those festivals to several faithful business owners whose generosity is often overlooked.

"There are a number of them that rise to the occasion for every event," she said. "There's a core group of them that give a lot, and they do it year after year without asking for anything in return."

The chamber, which was incorporated in the early 1950s and today is overseen by an 11-member board and its administrator, operates on a budget funded largely by member dues, which vary from \$25 for an individual to anywhere from \$125 to \$325 for businesses, depending on the type of business and number of employees.

The current membership includes about 100 businesses, and there are 60 individual members.

Keller said the chamber also generates some revenue through sponsorship of flower arrangements downtown, trash receptacles in the park, and free swims at the local pool.

"People really enjoy the (chamber-sponsored) festivals, and I myself would hate to ever see them come to an end because they draw people in. But, yet, the chamber is a business, so we still have to have money to (operate) and run these festivals," Keller added. She said some people have voiced criticism aimed at the chamber for spending too much time serving as an activities director for the community, and not enough time on supporting businesses.

"It's a balancing act," acknowledged Keller, whose own background includes small business ownership. She and her husband, Dave, an Uby area native, owned and operated a local ice cream shop for nine years before purchasing the Radio Shack in town, operating that business from 2003 through 2011.

"I love Cass City. It's a nice town. It really is," Keller said. She indicated she's ready for the challenge of playing a key role in rebuilding a local chamber of commerce that will do a solid job of serving the village's business community as well as play a vital role in organizing activities/festivals that will draw people to town.

"One of the biggest (goals) is to promote businesses and to help new businesses come into town," she added. "It's our goal now to try to regain numbers and regain their trust that we're going to help them."

*Editor's note: Anyone is welcome to attend chamber board meetings, which are held on the last Tuesday of the month starting at 8 a.m. at Thumb National Bank. Prospective chamber members are especially welcome along with residents interested in serving on any of a number of activity committees.*

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**KINGSTON** Camryn MacGuire uses her dribble to avoid pressure by Sandusky's Ally Blank during Monday's non-conference outing.

## Sandusky sophomores power win over Cards

Sandusky's super sophomores proved too much for host Kingston Monday as the Lady Redskins raced to a 49-31 non-conference victory to launch play in the New Year.

The Greater Thumb East (GTE) visitors led 13-5 after one quarter and 28-16 after two en route to the double digit decision, while improving to 6-1. Up next for Coach Al DeMott's gals is Thursday's road tilt against GTE cellar-dweller Memphis. Kingston, meanwhile, slips to 5-3 and will return to North Central Thumb League action Friday when winless Dryden pays a visit to Tuscola County.

Kali Powell hit an early jump shot in the lane to hand Kingston its only advantage in the meeting between perennial powers, before Sandusky would close out the initial frame on a 12-3 run to take control.

Haley Nelson and Madysen Jansen paced the Sandusky spurt combining for ten markers, before Kingston's Lily Lyons halted a string of six straight points from the sophomore pair with a jump shot from the corner in front of the Kingston bench. Nelson was effective throughout the night in the paint, while Jansen was able to use her dribble to get to the basket against the hosts' man-to-man defense.

Nelson and Jansen would continue their assault on the hosts in the second frame. An old fashioned 3-point play by Nelson stretched the margin to 20-6 with 5:29 remaining on the clock, but moments later the Sandusky center would be whistled for her second foul and forced to the bench.

With the Redskins' leading scorer on the pine, Jansen took over the scoring duties for the winners. Using her opposite hand as well as most college players, the sophomore guard connected on back-to-back, left-handed, drives that helped produce a 24-10 gap for the visitors.

To their credit, Kingston would end the period on a 6-2 run as freshman Carley Smith found some operating room in the paint with Nelson sidelined and trimmed the deficit to 28-16 at the intermission.

In the final half, Jansen went from scorer to passer and was able to get Ally Blank some open looks against the Cardinals who switched to a 1-3-1 zone defense. Blank scored four quick points for the Redskins to put them in front 32-18, only to see

Kingston respond with hoops from Maddie Cofer, Jillyan Dinsmore, Camryn MacGuire and Smith that reduced the margin to 32-25. However, another old-fashioned 3-point play by Nelson to end the scoring in the period would have the visitors up double digits entering the final eight minutes of regulation.

Sandusky would start the final period holding the ball that forced Kingston to abandon its zone defense. And once they did, Nelson was unstoppable pouring in eight of her game-high 21 points to prevent any comeback hopes the Cardinals were entertaining.

Jansen joined Nelson in double figures with 12 points, while Ceirra Phillips - another talented sophomore - chipped in six points, Blank 4, and Madison Armstrong, Lacey Nielson and Gabrielle Gough all added two tallies for the visitors.

Kingston, who was without the services of leading scorer Sarah Savage, had Smith with 12 points, while MacGuire added 6 points, Cofer 5, Dinsmore 3, Powell 3 and Lyons 2.

### Girls' Basketball Standings

Greater Thumb West			
	W	L	
Bad Axe	1	0	4
EPBP	1	0	3
Reese	1	0	3
USA	0	1	4
Cass City	0	1	2
Vassar	0	1	1

Greater Thumb East			
	W	L	
Brown City	1	0	6
Harbor Beach	1	0	6
Marlette	1	0	5
Sandusky	0	1	5
Ubyly	0	1	3
Memphis	0	1	2

NCTL			
	W	L	
Kingston	3	0	5
Peck	2	0	4
Deckerville	2	1	3
Dryden	0	1	0
Mayville	0	1	1
North Huron	0	2	0
Caseville	0	2	1

Summit League			
	W	L	
BCAS	0	0	5
SASA	0	0	4
Flint Int.	0	0	3
Owen-Gage	0	0	2
Akron-Fair.	0	0	2

## Hawk grapplers short-handed at memorial tourney in Mayville

Seven medal winners led the Cass City wrestling team Friday at the Ryan Mercer Memorial Tournament, where the Red Hawk grapplers placed 7th to wrap up action in 2015.

The 12-team field saw champion Perry finish on top with 221.5 points, followed by host Mayville with 158 points and Imlay City with 155 to round out the top three spots. The complete standings, and their point totals, included Bad Axe (150), Sandusky (149), Flint Beecher (148.5), Cass City (108.5), Lapeer (98), Sterling Heights (87), North Branch (75), Akron-Fairgrove (20) and Michigan Lutheran Seminary (19).

Sophomore Wyatt Dickson was the lone individual champion for Cass City and paced a depleted roster for Coach Don Markel.

"Due to Christmas vacations, we were without four of our starters for the Mayville Tournament on Dec. 29th. Those who did compete performed very well. Wednesday (Jan. 6th) we have a double dual at Sandusky where we will take on Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Lakers and Sandusky. Sandusky has improved a

great deal over the past two seasons and will prove to be a formidable foe. Since Wednesday last week we have focused on defending a couple of the Redskins' primary moves...hopefully it will pay dividends on Wednesday," he said.

Dickson advanced to the championship match with a pair of byes and by pinning Jon Biazza, Imlay City, in only 34 seconds. In his final match, Wyatt pinned Mayville's Luke Middleton 5 minutes and 10 seconds into the 140-weight class bout.

Junior Seth Osentoski collected runner-up honors in the 135-weight class, while junior Alex Jeffrey placed third in the 112-weight class as Cass City's next top scorers.

Osentoski's day included quick pins over Sterling Height's Austin Bitterman and Imlay City's Steven Kline - they suffered falls in just 43 seconds and 57 seconds, respectively, before Tate Larson, Sandusky, recorded an 11-4 decision to grab top honors in the middle weight division battle.

Jeffrey recorded a 2-1 record on the day, advancing with a bye in his opening match, then defeating

Sandusky's Austin Western 4-0, but coming up short in the semis against eventual champ Anthony Gallagher of Perry.

Placing 4th for Cass City was Darren Dickson, while Hayden Larkin and Brad Baker both placed 5th and Eric Peters placed 6th as the final medal winners for the visiting Red Hawks.

Dickson, 160-weight class, posted an quarterfinal win over Jonathon Dennings, Michigan Lutheran Seminary, who suffered a fall in one minute and 23 seconds, to highlight his day, while Larkin defeated Selena Nellenbach, North Branch, Paris Houghten, Imlay City, and Aaron Pyne, Bad Axe, during his medal performance. Baker posted 285-weight class wins over Randy Johnson, North Branch, Kayes Rob and Joseph Ashworth, both of Sterling Heights, and Imlay City's Austin Plouse.

Peters captured 6th place honors as the sophomore 145-weight class member defeated Nafa Alsaegh, Sterling Heights, Garret Shevnock, Imlay City and Nick Phillips of Mayville.



**SOPHOMORE** Eric Peters has been a consistent point winner for the Cass City wrestling team. He was a medal winner at the Ryan Mercer Memorial Tournament in the 145-weight class.

## Interesting outings will launch boys' basketball 2016 campaign in Thumb

Several area high school boys' basketball teams are eagerly awaiting the start of league play later this week. First, however, there are some interesting non-conference outings to kick start the 2016 campaign.

Locally, first year Coach Tyler Erla and his Cass City Red Hawks take the road tonight (Wednesday) to face Summit League foe Bay City All Saints, before hosting Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Friday in both

teams' Greater Thumb West opener.

The Red Hawks begin play in the New Year with a 3-2 overall record and a favorable schedule should produce a pair of victories during the

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## Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast

### 2016 Basketball Picks Jan. 5-8



#### BOYS' BASKETBALL

TUESDAY, JAN. 5

SASA at Owen-Gage

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6

Harbor Beach at Bad Axe

Cass City at BCAS

Ubyly at Memphis

FRIDAY, JAN. 8

Bad Axe at Vassar

EPBP at Cass City

USA at Reese

Marlette at Ubyly

#### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

TUESDAY, JAN 5

Harbor Beach at Bad Axe

SASA at Owen-Gage

THURSDAY, JAN. 7

Bad Axe at Vassar

EPBP at Cass City

Marlette at Ubyly

FRIDAY, JAN. 8

Dryden at Kingston

	Krysta Boyce	Clarke Haire	Geoff Morgan	Doug Hyatt
<b>BOYS' BASKETBALL</b>				
TUESDAY, JAN. 5				
SASA at Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	SASA
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6				
Harbor Beach at Bad Axe	Harbor Beach	Bad Axe	Bad Axe	Bad Axe
Cass City at BCAS	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City
Ubyly at Memphis	Ubyly	Ubyly	Ubyly	Ubyly
FRIDAY, JAN. 8				
Bad Axe at Vassar	Bad Axe	Bad Axe	Bad Axe	Vassar
EPBP at Cass City	EPBP	Cass City	Cass City	EPBP
USA at Reese	USA	USA	USA	USA
Marlette at Ubyly	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette	Ubyly
<b>GIRLS' BASKETBALL</b>				
TUESDAY, JAN 5				
Harbor Beach at Bad Axe	Harbor Beach	Bad Axe	Harbor Beach	Harbor Beach
SASA at Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	SASA	SASA	SASA
THURSDAY, JAN. 7				
Bad Axe at Vassar	Vassar	Bad Axe	Vassar	Vassar
EPBP at Cass City	EPBP	EPBP	EPBP	Cass City
Marlette at Ubyly	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette	Marlette
FRIDAY, JAN. 8				
Dryden at Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
Season Results	18-7 72%	15-10 60%	15-10 60%	20-5 80%

# Schneeberger's ATHLETE of the WEEK



Schneeberger's first Athlete of the Week honor in 2016 goes to Cass City wrestler Wyatt Dickson.

The Red Hawk sophomore grappler turned in a championship effort at Mayville's Ryan Mercer Memorial Tournament recently, earning the 140-weight class title with a perfect showing.

Dickson advanced to the championship match by pinning Jon Biazza, Imlay City, in a semifinal match that lasted just 34 seconds.

In the deciding match, Dickson recorded a fall over Mayville's Luke Middleton in 5 minutes and 10 seconds to bring home the gold medal.

Wyatt is the son of Robert and Melissa Dickson.

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## League play starts this week for area boys

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first week of play following the holiday break. The Cougars have just one win on the season and the Lakers – despite a 3-1 mark – will be using a reduced roster in 2016, the result of team rules violations.

Look for juniors Chase Winter and Brad Hacker to step their play up for Cass City going forward. Winter, a 2-year letter winner, will need to knock down his mid-range jumpers and varsity rookie Hacker will need to cash in from behind the 3-point arc for the Red Hawks to be at their full potential.

Another non-conference clash – Vassar at Sandusky – was to have featured two teams expected to be in the race for Greater Thumb Conference honors on Tuesday, while on Wednesday, Harbor Beach travels to Bad Axe in another battle between Greater Thumb Conference powers. On Friday, Bad Axe is at Vassar for an early season show-

down in the Greater Thumb West.

For Bad Axe, Thumb Player of the Year candidate Tommy Morneau is rounding into shape following multiple injuries sustained during the gridiron season and is determined to do his part to help the Hatchets defend their crown. Vassar, meanwhile, would like nothing better than to add a basketball banner to the school's football banner as several players – including Tyler Humpert, Colton Fabbro and LaMotte Morrison – are key players on both the gridiron fields and hardwood courts.

In Owendale, the Bulldogs' perfect 5-0 record will be on the line when Saginaw Arts and Science Academy invades Owendale for their Summit League opener on Tuesday.

If they are to remain unbeaten, high-scoring Jacob Wright will have to continue his red hot shooting of late and Bulldogs David Binder and Dan Good will need to be double-digit performers.

### Boys' Basketball Standings

Greater Thumb West				
	W	L	W	L
Bad Axe	0	0	5	0
USA	0	0	4	0
EPBP	0	0	3	1
Reese	0	0	3	1
Cass City	0	0	3	2
Vassar	0	0	3	2

Greater Thumb East				
	W	L	W	L
Sandusky	0	0	4	0
Harbor Beach	0	0	2	1
Marlette	0	0	2	2
Brown City	0	0	2	4
Ubly	0	0	1	3
Memphis	0	0	1	4

NCTL Stars				
	W	L	W	L
Dryden	1	0	3	1
Deckerville	2	1	2	3
Mayville	2	1	2	3
Kingston	2	1	2	4

NCTL Stripes				
	W	L	W	L
Peck	2	0	2	2
North Huron	1	3	1	4
CPS	0	2	1	2
Caseville	0	2	0	4

Summit League				
	W	L	W	L
Owen-Gage	0	0	5	0
SASA	0	0	2	1
Akron-Fair.	0	0	1	2
BCAS	0	0	1	3
Flint Int.	0	0	0	3

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE MORTGAGE SALE-Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a mortgage made by ALAN K. COLOSKY, a single man, 122 S. EAST STREET, VASSAR, MI 48768, Mortgagor(s) to FRANKENMUTH CREDIT UNION, 580 NORTH MAIN STREET, FRANKENMUTH, MI 48734, Mortgagee dated JANUARY 24, 2003, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, and State of Michigan on MARCH 17, 2003, in LIBER 921 on PAGE 223 and loan modification dated FEBRUARY 28, 2013, and recorded on MARCH 11, 2013, in LIBER 1274 on PAGE 48 of Tuscola County Records with ALAN COLOSKY aka ALAN K. COLOSKY, a married man and JENNIFER COLOSKY, his wife, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of FORTY SIX THOUSAND TWENTY THREE AND 18/100THS (\$46,023.18) DOLLARS at 7% percent per annum and attorney fees as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on JANUARY 14, 2016, AT 10:00 A.M. local time, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder in the main lobby of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, aforesaid, on said mortgage with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: VILLAGE NOW CITY OF VASSAR, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, to wit: ALL THAT PART OF LOTS 15 AND 16, BLOCK 22 OF THE PLAT OF THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF VASSAR, NOW BEING T. NORTH'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF VASSAR, DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 16; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG EAST STREET, 8 RODS; THENCE WEST ALONG THE LINE OF LOT 15, 8 RODS; THENCE NORTH PARALLEL WITH EAST STREET, 8 RODS; THENCE EAST TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, EXCEPT THE EAST 8 RODS OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF LOT 15, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 21A OF TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 122 S. EAST STREET, VASSAR, MI 48768 During the SIX (6) MONTHS immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241 a, the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing Mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

KENNETH C. BUTLER II (P 28477)  
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12-16-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Amy L. Lugo aka Amy Lugo, a single woman and Bobbi A. Lugo aka Bobbi Ann Lugo, a single woman, to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 21, 2005 and recorded November 8, 2005 in Liber 1060, Page 1019, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-WFHE1, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-WFHE1, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Four and 34/100 Dollars (\$63,324.34), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on JANUARY 14, 2016.

Said premises are located in the City of Caro, Tuscola County Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9, Block 43 of the Plat of Centerville (now Caro), according to the Plat recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, Pages 362-363, now being Liber 1 of Plats, Page 56, now being Page 59A.

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: December 16, 2015  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007  
File No. 15-010200

12-16-4

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 14, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Dayton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 21, Township 11 North, Range 10

East, described as: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Southeast 1/4 which is North 00 degrees 01 minutes 39 seconds West along said East line 984.39 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 21; thence continuing North 00 degrees 01 minutes 39 seconds West along said East line 337.70 feet to the North line of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence South 89 degrees 39 minutes 18 seconds West along said North line 1291.21 feet to the East line of the West 33 feet of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence South 00 degrees 01 minutes 56 seconds East along said East line; 337.70 feet; thence North 89 degrees 39 minutes 13 seconds East parallel with said North line 1291.18 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 16, 2015  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Zverican and Sabrina Zverican, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 9, 2006, and recorded on November 29, 2006 in Liber 1103 on Page 1122, and assigned by mesne assignments to FNBN I, 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 Two Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Eighty-Three and 08/100 Dollars (\$224,083.08).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mort-

gaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 14, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel J:  
A Parcel of land in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 21, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows: To fix the point of beginning commence at the Northeast corner of Section 21; thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes 22 seconds West. On the East line of said Section, 867.17 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with the North line of said Section 450.57 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes 22 seconds West, parallel with said East Section Line, 208.43 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with said North Section line, 803.70 feet; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 41 seconds East, 208.43 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, parallel with said North Section Line, 803.08 feet to the point of beginning.

Subject to and together with a private easement for ingress, egress and utilities on, over, under and across the following described parcel of land: A strip of line 66.00 feet in width across a portion of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 21, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, being 33.00 feet measured either at right angles or radially, each side of the following described centerline: To fix the point of beginning commence at the Northeast corner of Section 21, thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, on the North line of said Section 714.09 feet to the point of beginning of said centerline; thence South 00 degrees 34 minutes 5 seconds East, 308.97 feet to the point of curvature of a 178.50 foot radius curve left (delta angle of 78 degrees 53 minutes 16 seconds) 245.77 feet to a point of reverse curve, said are being subtended by a chord bearing South 40 degrees 00 minutes 43 seconds East, 226.81 feet to said point of reverse curve; thence Southeasterly, on the arc of a 178.50 foot radius curve to right (delta angle of 79 degrees 36 minutes 43 seconds) 248.02 feet to the point of tangency of said curve, said curve being subtended by a chord bearing South 39 degrees 39 minutes 00 seconds East, 228.55 feet to said point of tangency; thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes 22 seconds West, parallel with the East line of said Section, 625.28 feet to the point of ending of said centerline.

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MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made BY Larry Gehrke and Nancy Gehrke, husband and wife, whose address is 1488 E. Dutcher Rd., Caro, Michigan 48723, as original Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., being a mortgage dated March 18, 2015, and recorded on April 8, 2015 in Liber 1326 Page 1160, Tuscola County Records, State of Michigan and then assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated December 4, 2015 and recorded on December 10, 2015 in Liber 1342 Page 1149, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-SIX AND 24/100 (\$119,846.24).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, at public sale to the highest bidder at the AT THE PLACE OF HOLDING THE CIRCUIT COURT WITHIN TUSCOLA COUNTY, at 10:00 a.m. on January 21, 2016. Said premises are situated in the Township of Almer, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northeast quarter corner of Section 14, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence South 208.7 feet and thence West 208.7 feet, thence East 208.7 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: December 23, 2015 For more information, please call: (312) 541-9710, Kenneth J. Johnson, Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC, 5955 West Main Street, Suite 18, Kalamazoo, MI 49009. File No.: MI 15 3104

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 28, 2016.

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

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

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 James E Kilburn and Beth A Kilburn, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Icon Financial Group Inc, Mortgagee, dated August 18, 2005, and recorded on September 2, 2005 in Liber 1052 on Page 1339, and assigned by mesne assignments to PNC Bank, National Association, successor by merger to National City Bank, successor by merger to National

City Mortgage Co. 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 Sixty Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen and 81/100 Dollars (\$60,714.81).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on January 28, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Columbia, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1:  
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Parcel 2:  
Commencing at a point 120 feet West of the Southeast corner of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4, Section 36, Town 15 North, Range 8 East (sometimes referred to as Akron Township), thence West 60 feet, thence North 220 feet, thence East 180 feet, thence South 60 feet, thence West 120 feet, thence South 160 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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Dated: December 30, 2015  
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on January 28, 2016 Said

premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Lot 6, Block 4, of MERRITT'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF VASSAR, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 21 now being page 22A of Tuscola County Records, EXCEPTING land described as beginning at the Northwest corner of said lot 6; thence running along the North line of said lot 6, South 88 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds East, 49.98 feet; thence South 15 degrees 24 minutes 56 seconds East 201.96 feet to the South line of said lot 6; thence along said Lot line, South 64 degrees 11 minutes 00 seconds west 15.00 feet to the West line of said Lot; thence along said Lot line, North 23 degrees 58 minutes 08 seconds West 221.88 feet to said Northwest corner of lot 6 and the place of beginning.

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Nationstar Mortgage LLC  
Mortgagee/  
Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.  
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300  
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If the above referenced property is

sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 600 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.  
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(\$158,483.73).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 4, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: North 235 feet of South 415 feet of East 350 feet of Northeast 1/4 of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, but excepting therefrom the portion thereof which lies within the parcel of land described as: Commencing at a point on East and West 1/4 line 93 feet West of East 1/4 corner of said Section 23, thence West 489 feet along said East and West 1/4 line, North 251 feet, South 73 Degrees 40 Minutes East 70 feet, South 49 Degrees 50 Minutes East 120 feet, South 65 Degrees East 364.36 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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Dated: January 6, 2016  
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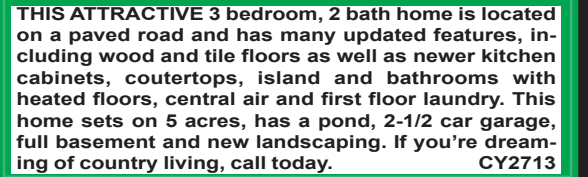
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# Perch proposition

**DNR hoping fish management experiment with commercial fisherman will revitalize perch population in Saginaw Bay**



**CREWMAN TOM Burluson shovels ice into a bin full of whitefish. (Photo courtesy of the Michigan DNR.)**



**COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN sort fish from a trap net, sending whitefish down a chute into a bin. (Photo courtesy of the Michigan DNR)**

An experimental commercial whitefish venture — operating out of Harbor Beach in Huron County and farther south than similar Lake Huron commercial enterprises — is not only paying dividends for the fishermen involved, it's designed to benefit Michigan's sport fishing anglers as well.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources worked out an agreement with longtime commercial fisherman Dana Serafin, who has fished for perch commercially off Oscoda and in Saginaw Bay for more than two decades.

"This is a three-year evaluation and 2015 was the first year," said fisheries biologist Tom Goniea, who oversees commercial fishing licensing and regulation for the DNR. "The evaluation will continue in 2016 and 2017, at which point the DNR and the commercial fisher decide together whether this is a viable fishing option going forward."

Yellow perch are considered one of the most important and most sought-after species in Lake Huron, especially in Saginaw Bay.

However, the bay's yellow perch population has fallen in recent years as walleye have boomed. With the crash of the Lake Huron alewife population in the mid-2000s, walleye have turned to yellow perch as their main food source.

Todd Grischke, the DNR's Lake Huron Basin coordinator, said angler hours on Lake Huron over the past 20 years mirror the decline in the abundance of yellow perch.

"While the walleye population explosion is viewed by fisheries managers as a success story, one of the undesirable results is an imbalance in the predator-prey ratio in Saginaw Bay," Grischke said.

The DNR's most recent surveys show simultaneously the highest walleye population and the lowest recorded forage base biomass (abundance of food supply) in the past 25 years.

"As a result, yellow perch are now considered the primary forage of most predators in the system including cormorants, northern pike and especially, walleye," Grischke said.

Perch are reproducing well in Saginaw Bay. However, estimates indicate that more than 99 percent of each year's production of fish is not surviving past the first year.

In an effort to revitalize these perch populations, the Michigan Natural Resources Commission responded by increasing the walleye creel limit from five fish to eight per day and decreasing the minimum walleye size limit from 15 inches to 13.

At the same time, the commission decreased the daily possession limit for yellow perch from 50 to 25 fish for Saginaw Bay.

In addition, the DNR struck its deal with Serafin.

"This is a piece of an overall management strategy that's serving two goals," Grischke said. "One is to reduce commercial fishing effort out of an already over-capitalized fishery in Saginaw Bay. The second goal is to investigate the status of the lake whitefish population in southern Lake Huron."

Grischke said the DNR's previous fish-sampling efforts have not included Lake Huron whitefish. That's why Serafin's new commercial fishing operation is considered experimental, because until he began netting there this year no one knew what the whitefish population out of Harbor Beach was like.

"This is an opportunity for us to gather information on that population — ages and growth, population size, fish condition — and whether or not it can support a viable fishery," Grischke said.

Under the pact with the DNR, Serafin agreed to explore the whitefish population in southern Lake Huron, relieving pressure on the Saginaw Bay perch fishery.

He was rewarded with a catch of almost 100,000 pounds of whitefish this season, despite getting started

two months later than he would have liked and fishing half the nets he might ordinarily set.

In exchange for the ability to fish out of Harbor Beach, Serafin would permanently give up his multiple Saginaw Bay licenses, and future harvest potential, something the DNR said is significant for Saginaw Bay.

"We're doing a lot of things in Saginaw Bay to address commercial fishing, walleye and yellow perch," Grischke said. "Our management objective for Saginaw Bay is multifaceted. We're dealing with recreational fishing regulations, cormorant control and, now, an experiment to remove commercial fishery effort from the bay."

The DNR also plans to stock lake herring.

"We want to try an experimental reintroduction of lake herring to provide both forage and fishing opportunity. We're doing all of these things collectively with the ultimate goal of improving yellow perch populations and the fishery, Grischke said. "When perch populations are good, people go fishing."

When Serafin's whitefish venture was first proposed, the idea immediately drew some negative reaction from sport anglers who were concerned about potential conflicts with the netting operation.

Grischke said he understood the concern, but said the potential for conflict had changed significantly over the years.

"The salmon fishery has collapsed in southern Lake Huron," Grischke said. "The potential for user conflict has waned."

Grischke said the DNR and the Lake Huron Citizen Advisory Committee talked extensively about what this evaluation project is and what this isn't.

"It's an opportunity for a new commercial venture outside the area that is frequented by recreational anglers," Grischke said. "We believe both recreational fishing and commercial fishing can co-exist here, just as they do throughout the Great Lakes."

Goniea spent a lot of time this summer and fall accompanying Serafin and his crew aboard their 58-foot vessel, observing and recording data.

"We're taking a look at potential impacts on non-target species. We're watching it pretty closely," Goniea said. "Whitefish make up 90 to 95 percent of the fish in the nets by number, but you see some drum, walleye and lake trout."

According to Goniea, Serafin's operation so far is not having a negative impact on lake trout or walleye in Lake Huron. He was most recently aboard Serafin's boat for a day in late October.

"They had 206 lake trout in three nets — 202 alive and four dead," Goniea said. "With a release rate this high of what appear to be very healthy lake trout, that is negligible impact."

In contrast, most of the walleye captured incidentally in the nets are dead. This is because walleye are not able to regulate their air bladders quickly enough when surfacing from a water depth of 100 feet. However, walleye numbers in the nets have been very low.

"Walleyes are not going to survive coming up from that depth. But for all our monitoring this year, there was never more than eight walleye per net lift," Goniea said. "This is a very low incidental catch rate when compared to the incidental catch rates of hundreds of walleye per lift on Saginaw Bay."

Goniea said shifting the fishing pressure from Saginaw Bay perch to Lake Huron whitefish could be a win-win situation for both commercial fishermen and recreational anglers.

"If this experiment is successful, there will be a lot of commercial gear retired from an area that has a lot of it and transferring some of it to an area without any, while simultaneously shifting the commercial harvest from yellow perch to whitefish," Goniea said. "If this is successful, we're looking to remove 20 percent of the licenses in Saginaw Bay and 30 percent of the trap nets. That's huge."

At this point, no additional commercial fisheries beyond Serafin's are being considered for transfer out of Saginaw Bay.

Although the DNR or Serafin can back out of the three-year evaluation agreement, Goniea said he sees no reason why that should happen.

Though only one year into the study, the southern Lake Huron whitefish fishery seems robust enough to sustain the commercial activity, kill of non-target species has been very low, and the DNR hasn't recorded conflict with sport fishing anglers off Harbor Beach.



**DANA SERAFIN (foreground) and his crew unload lake whitefish from a trap net near Harbor Beach. Michigan DNR officials have struck a partnership with Serafin that allows the commercial fisherman to take whitefish from Lake Huron and at the same time eases commercial fishing pressure on the perch fishery in Saginaw Bay. (Photo courtesy of the Michigan DNR)**



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