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Benefit on tap for Cass City High grad battling leukemia

by Conner Emery
Staff Writer

Acute promyelocytic leukemia, also commonly known as APL, is a cancer of the white blood cells. It is a

very rare type of cancer responsible for just 1.2 percent of cancer related deaths, and while it is curable, it has a high relapse rate.

And it recently became a frightening part of Shawn Rienas' life.

Rienas, 38, was diagnosed with the disease in April. He was getting some standard blood work done in Cass City when he was told to get to the nearest ICU as soon as possible. Once he arrived at the nearest one, in Caro, Rienas received very bad news.

"They told us that there was nothing they could do there," said Rienas' mother, Pennie Rienas.

"We were told if we hadn't gotten him in when we did, that his health was so bad a small car wreck would have killed him," added Jen Rienas, his wife.

After being diagnosed and transferred to Covenant Medical Center Harrison in Saginaw, Rienas underwent his first chemotherapy treatment, April 11. He then stayed at Harrison for about two and a half weeks, and received chemo for thirty days straight during his time there, followed by additional treatments.

Even after he left the hospital, Rienas was going back to Covenant for blood work three times a week, which has since been reduced to once a week.

But the road ahead remains uncertain for the Cass City High School graduate.

"His health is at a standstill right now," said Jen.

Currently, Rienas stays at home with his family, but he has little energy. Something as simple as walking

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A BENEFIT dinner and auction are being planned for Saturday, July 9, at the Cass City VFW hall to help with medical costs stemming from area native Shawn Rienas' diagnosis of a rare type of leukemia in April. Pictured above are (from left) Rienas' wife, Jen, Shawn, and the couple's son, Julian.

Foundation to distribute \$132,000

Tuscola County Community Foundation (TCCF) officials are scheduled to distribute more than \$100,000 in grants during the organization's annual spring award session Thursday starting at 12:30 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro.

"To-date, more than \$3.5 million in grants and scholarships have been awarded from the funds since TCCF's beginning," said foundation

Executive Director Ken Micklash. "TCCF continues its mission of helping to make Tuscola County a better place to live."

The grants, foundation funds and projects approved during this round of funding are:

*Janks (William and Ruth) Fund — \$7,500 to the Caro Community Schools (purchase assistance with community electronic sign.

Challenge grant); \$5,000 to the city of Caro (challenge grant to assist with Chippewa Landing Trail); \$2,600 to the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department (purchase an ID maker machine for emergency responder ID cards); \$2,000 to the Tuscola Homeless Coalition (provide financial assistance for housing); \$5,000 to the Good Samaritan Fund of Caro Area Churches (provide support for food, utilities and housing for the needy); \$5,000 to Caro Community Hospital (purchase a defibrillator for the ER. Challenge grant); \$1,500 to the Tuscola County Office of Emergency Management (establish a hazard naloxone rescue kit for Tuscola County law enforcement agencies); \$1,500 to Highland Pines School/Tuscola Intermediate School District (ISD) (purchase equipment to support mobility program for physically impaired); \$23,000 for the Tuscola ISD (purchase convection oven for culinary arts program); \$875 to Connections Human Services (purchase software to support guardianship services); \$4,000 to Great Start Tuscola Imagination Library (support county program to distribute free books to kids); \$5,000 to Caro Community Schools (purchase 32 Chromebooks, graphic calculators and answer clickers for eighth grade students); and \$1,000 to Caro Operation Graduation 2016 (support celebration for graduating seniors in drug- and alcohol-free environment).

*Andres (Claude and Etta) Fund — \$1,800 to Columbia Township Library (create an early literacy collection of educational toys, books and electronic resources for children); \$900 to Early On/Highland Pines School (support awareness program for preschool children); \$1,500 to Highland Pines School/Tuscola ISD (purchase equipment to support mobility program for physically impaired); \$3,000 to Tuscola Technology Center (purchase convection oven for culinary arts program); \$1,000 to Great Start Tuscola Imagination Library (support county program to distribute free books to kids); \$3,000 to Caro Community Schools (purchase 32 Chromebooks, graphic calculators and answer clickers for eighth graders); \$2,500 to Tiger Fit Inc. (support strength, conditioning and leadership for Caro High School football program); and \$970 to

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DFA announces plans to expand Cass City plant

By Tom Montgomery
Editor

Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) officials broke ground for their \$40 million plant in Cass City in the fall of 2013 and have since followed through with plans to process up to three million pounds of milk per day.

Now, representatives of the county's largest milk marketing cooperative are gearing up to expand at the local plant, although officials released few details while making the announcement Friday.

"When we made the initial investment in the Cass City plant, we were already considering its expansion," said Greg Wickham, DFA's chief financial officer. "The time is right for this continued investment as Michigan's milk supply continues to grow, but the processing capacity within the region has not kept pace. The plant's location makes it ideal to provide both domestic and global customers with safe, high-quality dairy ingredients."

Cooperative leaders are continuing to finalize details of the expansion and are working closely with local and state agencies on incentives.

DFA's Cass City plant currently processes milk into cream, condensed whole milk and condensed skim milk.

Cooperative officials say the expansion of the 33,000-square-foot plant is consistent with DFA's strategic plan to create supply chain efficiencies and increase commercial investments to bring increased value to the cooperative's farmer-owners.

In addition, they noted, the plant reflects DFA's focus on sustainability and is designed to recover and re-use water in plant clean-up operations.

Earlier this week, DFA also announced that it, along with Foremost Farms USA and Michigan Milk Producers Association, is exploring joint ownership and operation of a major cheese processing plant in the state of Michigan. Officials did not elaborate.

Several agencies contributed support towards construction of DFA's Cass City plant. The Michigan Strategic Fund (MSF) approved a \$500,000 Michigan Business Development Program grant and a \$1 million Community Development Block Grant, while the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) contributed \$300,000 in corporate funds. MSF also awarded Tuscola County and Cass City a new, 15-year Agriculture Processing Renaissance Zone designation for the project.

The DFA is a national dairy marketing cooperative that serves and is owned by nearly 14,000 members on nearly 8,500 farms in 48 states. DFA also is one of the country's most diversified manufacturers of dairy products, food components and ingredients, and is a leader in formulating and packaging shelf-stable dairy products.



DAIRY FARMERS of America officials announced Friday that they're planning to expand their facility in Cass City (above), which currently processes up to three million pounds of milk a day into cream, condensed whole milk and condensed skim milk.

Police identify victims in double fatal accident

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson Friday released the names of the victims in a traffic crash involving a pickup truck and a cement mixer that claimed two lives Thursday morning.

Hanson said Christopher C. Whisenant, 24, of Deford, and Audrie A. Dorsch, 19, of Elkton, died as a result of injuries they suffered in the collision. Both were passengers in a pickup driven by Andrew J. Trinity, 23, of Walled Lake, who remains hospitalized in Saginaw.

Hanson initially reported deputies were dispatched to the scene — Pinnebog and Richardson roads in Colfax Township — at 10:51 a.m.

Investigators said the Ford Ranger driven by Whisenant failed to yield as it pulled into the path of a loaded northbound cement mixer.

Hanson noted Whisenant was transported to Huron Medical Center by Central Huron Ambulance and stabilized, then flown to a Saginaw area hospital in serious condition. Bad Axe fire fighters used their Jaws of Life to extricate all three occupants in the pickup truck, he said.

The 45-year-old male cement truck driver was not injured.

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Local lifesavers

Hospital earns AHA "gold" for emergency cardiac care

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Seconds and vital medical care can make all the difference between life and death when someone suffers a heart attack, which is why having the proper emergency facility and skilled staff close by is so important.

Fortunately for Cass City area resi-

dents, that high level of care is available in their own backyard.

Officials at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City recently announced the local hospital has earned a Gold Achievement Award for its record of emergency cardiac care from the American Hospital Association (AHA).

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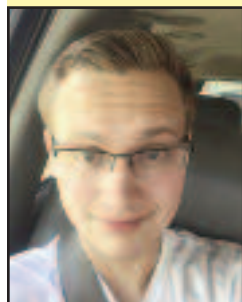
Emery joins Chronicle staff

The Chronicle staff recently welcomed an addition to the newspaper's staff. Conner Emery, a senior at Central Michigan University, recently started his duties as the Chronicle's summer news/editorial intern. Over the next few weeks, Emery will be serving as a reporter and photographer, producing news and feature stories as well as the editorial content for the Chronicle's annual Freedom Festival special section.

Originally from North Branch, Emery, 20, is majoring in journalism at CMU with a minor in cinema studies. He hopes to eventually pursue a career as a film critic.

"I chose journalism as my career after being told several times how good I am at writing — it all comes very natural to me," Emery said. "This time last year I had heard about an open position at the Chronicle. However, I already had made plans for the summer and could not apply for the job. It was really unfortunate. But now I am here and looking forward to learning all about this town and the people in it."

"We're really glad to have Conner join our staff this summer and look forward to watching him grow as a journalist in a small town setting," Chronicle Editor Tom Montgomery commented. "Like many of our past interns, Conner brings an enthusiasm and passion for the job that we believe will serve him well as he dives into a variety of stories and photo assignments over the next couple months."



Conner Emery

Peters, Terbush recently received Cadet Teacher of the Year award

Two Tuscola County high school students received the Tuscola Technology Center's Cadet Teacher of the Year Award.

They are Savannah Terbush and Kelsey Peters, both students are in the Careers in Education class and teach preschool students at the Rainbow Center. They both are honor students at the Tech Center. They received the award for outstanding lessons, their willingness to always help out their teacher and classmates, as well as having a positive attitude.

Terbush is pursuing a career in the medical field, her goal is to become a midwife. She attends Vassar High School and is a junior. She also attends the Tuscola Technology Center and is in the Careers in Education morning class.

Peters has her goals set to become a teacher, she attends Cass City High School and is a junior. She also attends the Tuscola Technology Center and is in the Careers in Education afternoon class.



Kelsey Peters



Savannah Terbush

3 area homeschoolers graduate

Three area seniors were honored Friday, May 20 at a graduation ceremony held at the Novesta Church of Christ. They are Meredith E. Fisher, daughter of David and

Tracy Fisher; Caitlyn E. Healy, daughter of Jeff and Cathy Healy; and Marissa A. Linzner, daughter of Mark and Melissa Linzner.



Meredith Fisher, Caitlyn Healy and Marissa Linzner

Rawson to host senior movies

Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City will be hosting its next Senior Citizen Movies Friday, June 17, starting at 1:30 p.m.

Films slated to be shown are:

*"The Mardell Starr Ware Story" - Sarah Ramp interviews her great grandmother, Mardell Starr Ware, in this Living History of Cass City Area DVD.

Teacher, business woman, poet, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great grandmother, Mardell's impact on Cass City is far reaching (60 minutes).

**Great Drives Wyoming: Grand Tetons" - It's time to buckle up for a great drive through the beautiful Grand Tetons. Discover where Butch Cassidy got his start, visit ancient Indian petroglyphs, and watch wild horses as we drive through the awe inspiring Grand Tetons (25 minutes).

Refreshments will be served. This older adult program is offered free of charge.

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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!

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Never leave children alone in your vehicle

Summer heat is a welcome relief after a long Michigan winter, but it can also be a killer and continues to contribute to preventable deaths in spite of public campaigns reminding parents and caregivers to be diligent and never leave children alone in vehicles.

Babies and young kids can sometimes sleep so peacefully that we forget they are even there. It can also be tempting to leave a baby alone in a car while we quickly run into the store. The problem is that leaving a child alone in a car can lead to serious injury or death from heatstroke.

Heatstroke is the leading cause of non-crash, vehicle-related deaths for children.

As of May 17 of this year, the lives of six children have already been claimed in the United States from heatstroke in a car. On average, there are 37 deaths a year in America due to similar circumstances – all preventable.

“We know from past experience that fatalities can happen anytime, anywhere, including in moderate temperatures,” said Nick Lyon, director of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS). “We don’t want to see this happen to any family. That’s why we are asking everyone to help protect kids from this very preventable tragedy by never leaving your child alone in a car, not even for a minute.”

It doesn’t have to be the middle of the summer for a child to get overheated.

Even with seemingly mild weather outside, the temperatures inside a car can rise 20 degrees in as little as 10 minutes. A child’s body heats up three to five times faster than an adult’s, making them more susceptible to heatstroke. Temperatures inside a car can easily be double the temperature outside.

Too many children have lost their lives to this preventable, heartbreaking tragedy. But health officials say the number of deaths and near misses could be avoided if adults would remember to ACT:

***A — Avoid heatstroke-related injury and death by never leaving your child alone in a car, not even for a minute. And make sure to keep your car locked when you’re not in it so kids don’t get in on their own.**


***C — Create reminders by putting something in the back of your car next to your child such as a briefcase, a purse or a cell phone that is needed at your final destination. This is especially important if you’re not following your normal routine.**

***T — Take action. If you see or hear a child alone in a car, call 911. Emergency personnel want you to call. They are trained to respond to these situations. One call could save a life.**

Several agencies have come together to keep this message in front of people throughout the warm weather season.

Michigan State Police are reinforcing this message through the outreach efforts of their community service troopers, and Secretary of State Ruth Johnson has joined the effort to remind families and care givers of this very preventable danger. “There’s no reason a child should ever be left alone in a car and that’s the message we’re committed to sharing,” Johnson said.


It’s a message we must all take seriously, because even just a few minutes can cost a youngster his or her life, and even one more senseless death simply isn’t acceptable.



Slices of Life

by Jill Pertler

Defining Character



I’ve been contemplating character lately. Not as it pertains to Mickey or Donald. I’m referring to character – as in what you stand for as a human being. To a large extent, your character defines who you truly are. And whether it is good or bad, strong or weak, your character is built over time through the actions and decisions you make.

As a mom, I think about the character of my kids. It’s important to most of us moms and dads. And, although our kids may not ponder it as deeply as we do, it’s important to them as well. Especially as they go out into the real world and forge a way for themselves. You can be smart and athletic and charismatic and good looking, but if you don’t have (good, strong) character then none of the other stuff is going to get you anywhere. At least not for long. And at least not anywhere worth going.

I like to hand out advice to my kids like it is candy (while they ignore me like I am an empty Kit Kat wrapper in the middle of the kitchen floor), and have come up with some unsolicited thoughts about character. I put this ever-useful mom information in an acrostic, because I enjoy playing with words almost as much as I enjoy giving my kids advice. Character:

C – Caring. A person of character cares about others in the truest sense. She has the ability to empathize and understand the emotions of others. She is kind not just to people, but animals and Mother Earth. She cares about the world around her.

H – Humble, honest and heartfelt. I couldn’t narrow this one down to just one “H” because they are all key. A person with character approaches life wholeheartedly; he is 100-percent behind the tasks set before him. He is honest in his abilities, humble when faced with difficulties and, more importantly, with successes.

A – Attitude. It makes all the difference in how we see things. A person with a positive attitude can move mountains; someone with a negative attitude gives up before even trying. When a person of great character is faced with a difficult task, her first thought is not, “I can’t,” but “How?”

R – Responsibility. I fear this trait is lacking in our it’s-not-my-fault culture. When we fail a test, it’s most likely because we didn’t study, not because the teacher is out to get us. We will all make mistakes. Owning up to them is part of learning not to make those same mistakes in the future. A person of character takes his responsibilities seriously. He admits when he messes up and then he moves forward.

A – Ambitious actions. Again, I couldn’t pick just one because action and ambition so often go hand in hand. A person of character is not only ambitious, she puts those ambitions into action – most often for the betterment of others, and in the best case scenario tries her best to be anonymous. (There’s another one.)

C – Contributions. A person of character contributes – to the community, family, charities and wherever he is needed. He seeks out opportunities to give to others because time, energy and talent should be shared.


T – Trustworthy. Making good on obligations and commitments is important to a person with great character. She can be trusted to keep a promise. She is loyal to friends and family and is known as a person of her word.

E – Ethical. The dictionary defines this as humane,

moral, respectable, decent, honest and noble. I couldn’t have summed it up better myself. A person of character is true to himself while being true to others. He follows the rules. He has a honed moral compass and has it pointed straight in the direction of decency.

R – Respect. A person of character respects others as well as herself. This often involves putting the needs of others before her own. She admires and is grateful for the abilities, talents and achievements of others and demonstrates acceptance of people with differing opinions and beliefs.

Our character determines how we respond to the circumstances in our life. It is the core of what makes us who we are as individuals. As spring blossoms into summer and we see our kids graduate – whether from college, high school or kindergarten – I hope they (and we as parents) are spending as much time and energy building their character as we are with sports teams, summer reading and the multiplication tables. And even more importantly, I hope we all realize we are still building ours.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

The Sanilac Area Violence Elimination Council is sponsoring a ladies self defense class next Wednesday, June 15, at the First United Methodist Church in Sandusky.

Cost for the class is \$25 and will include self-defense moves, simple escape techniques and effective hitting, punching and slapping skills to be used if attacked.

To pre-register call 810.648.5463 or you may register at the door with check, cash or credit card.

The Tuscola County Senior Advisory Committee invites you to attend the 2016 Tuscola County Senior Health Fair. This year’s event will be held Friday, June 17th in the Cass City High School gym from 10 am to 2 pm.

There will be many free health screenings at the health fair including blood pressures and blood sugar tests, skin, head, mouth, neck and foot assessments, hearing and vision screening, bone density, and grip strength to name a few.

For more information contact Kelly Richmond at 989.872.8131.

The Michigan Department of Transportation is scheduled to start sealing and resurfacing work on 15 miles of M-46 this week in Tuscola and Sanilac counties, between M-24 and M-53. The \$847,000 project is estimated to take two to three months to complete.

During the road work, which will be completed in 2-mile strips, traffic on M-46 will be maintained with flag control. Please plan your travel needs accordingly.

The Kingston Elementary School Library will hold a summer reading program from June 21-30 from 9 am to 11 am at the elementary school.

The program is available for the young and old alike and will offer free breakfasts and lunches for all participants.

To register call 989.683.2500 or visit www.OppermanMemorialLibrary.com.


There’s a new twist for this year’s Hills & Dales Foundation Annual Golf Outing planned for Wednesday, July 13.

While officials affirm that Ubyly Heights County Club will host our main event, they are excited to announce an additional golf opportunity in 2016. The foundation is partnering with Cass City’s Rolling Hills Golf course to host a 9-hole option for golfers, rather than the 18-hole tournament in Ubyly.

Either way, all golfers will enjoy a wonderful dinner and presentation following play at our local golf course.

Contact Danielle Blaine with any questions or to become an event sponsor. She can be reached at 989.912.6401 or at dblaine@hillsanddales.com.

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Wednesday, June 8

- 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, June 9

- 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, June 13

- Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyl. 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.
- Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- VFW monthly meeting, 7:00 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

Tuesday, June 14

- Al-anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.
- AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church.)
- Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.
- Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.
- Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.
- Huron County Family Caregiver Support Group, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Human Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

First Sunday:

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

First Monday:

- Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

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.

Second Wednesday:

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

Second Thursday:

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

Third Tuesday:

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

Third Wednesday

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

Third Thursday:

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

Third Saturday:

- Revive Food Pantry, from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Must live in the Cass City School District and meet the financial guidelines. For more information, call (989)551-7803.

Fourth Monday:

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

Fourth Wednesday:

- Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
- Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.
- Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Sanilac County Medical Care Facility. Noon to 2 p.m. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

Fourth Thursday:

- Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.
- Thumb TEA Party, 6:30 p.m., Evangelical Free Church, Cass City.

Last Monday:

- Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building.

Every Monday:

- Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyl. 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.

Every Tuesday:

- Al-anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.
- AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church.)

Every Wednesday:

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

Every Thursday:

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

Troopers name drivers in traffic crash east of Cass City last week

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro have released the names of the occupants injured in a two-vehicle collision three miles east of Cass City last week.

According to reports, Randall P. Adamczyk, 57, of Cass City, suffered broken ribs and three broken vertebrae and was listed in stable condition at Covenant-Cooper, Saginaw, and Ali L. Kelly, 18, of

Marlette, suffered minor injuries and was listed in good condition at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City.

Troopers reported Adamczyk was traveling eastbound in a 1997 Chevrolet pickup and was attempting to turn north onto Greenland Road when his vehicle was struck in the rear by Kelly's eastbound 2004 Chevrolet pickup.

Upon impact, Adamczyk's truck was sent into the northeast ditch, colliding with the ditch. Kelly's pickup

came to a stop in the westbound lane, facing northeast.

Adamczyk, whom troopers reported was not wearing a seat belt, was airlifted by helicopter to Covenant-Cooper. Kelly, who was wearing a seatbelt, was transported by MMR Ambulance to Hills and Dales for treatment.

Elkland Township fire fighters, the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department and Bartnik's Towing all assisted troopers at the scene.

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

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

*Jared G. Kress, 21, Otter Lake, received a one-year delayed sentence following his plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, Oct. 22 in Fremont Township.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,008 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*Martha A. Scott, 56, Kingston, was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$608 plus attorneys fees of \$250 following her plea of guilty to possession of marijuana, second offense, July 24 in Koylton Township. She was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

*Matthew R. Mitchell, 21, Mayville, was sentenced to 13 months to four years in prison following his plea of guilty to violating

the Sex Offender Registration Act by failing to notify local law enforcement of a change in address between Oct. 2013 and Jan. 28, 2014, in Dayton Township.

*Joshua J. Trudeau, 28, Vassar, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail (180 days deferred), with work-site privileges, following his pleas of no contest to charges of carrying a weapon with unlawful intent and possession of a controlled substance, subsequent offense, Jan. 19 in Vassar. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$826 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*Tracy Lee-Elizabeth Coleman, 52, Akron, pleaded no contest to a charge of delivery/manufacture of marijuana Sept. 22 in Tuscola County.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Nathan D. Bedell, 24, Millington, pleaded no contest to charges of carrying a weapon with unlawful intent, assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault), domestic violence, and assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer March 12 in Millington Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$100,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Timothy W. Zehnder, 67, Frankenmuth, pleaded no contest to fraudulent use of building contractor funds between Feb. 2 and Sept. 26, 2015, in Wells Township.

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

Foundation gearing up to distribute grants

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Camp Pine Acres - Boy Scouts (camp upkeep and maintenance).

*Future Youth Involvement (FYI) — \$198 to A-F Junior-Senior High School (purchase 20 headphones); \$250 to Kingston Community Schools (purchase board games); \$250 to Millington High School (support holocaust museum visit); \$250 to Cass City Junior-Senior High School (purchase yearbook camera); \$3,000 to Cass City Junior-Senior High School (purchase ultrasound machine to allow students to better understand pregnancy in animals); \$2,025 to Tuscola ISD/Transitions Network (support 60 10th grade students from county high schools in team building and personal challenge training); \$2,070 to Muscular Dystrophy Association (support for three local children to attend MDA summer camp); \$8,000 to Caro Community Hospital (purchase two children's stretcher beds); \$2,500 to A-F High Elementary (purchase 30 Chromebooks for students); \$1,500 to Tuscola County Community Mental Health and TBHS (support youth suicide prevention and awareness program); \$2,218 to Tuscola Technology Center (purchase convection oven for culinary arts program); \$1,482 to Tuscola Technology Center (purchase updated computer cash register system for marketing program); \$4,755 to Caro Community Schools (purchase 32 Chromebooks, graphing calculators and answer clickers for students); \$1,450 to Vassar

Middle School (support summer outdoor camping club); and \$1,000 to FYI to support 5K homeless support initiative).

*Founders Fund — \$200 to Tuscola Homeless Coalition; \$800 to The Fowler Center (purchase 16 nylon hammocks for campers); and \$1,700 to Bullard Sanford Library (purchase four new computers).

*Carl Fritz Cancer Transportation Fund — \$900 in transportation support to Thumb area residents to receive cancer treatment.

*Connections Human Services — \$1,256 to support area guardianship program.

*Great Start Tuscola Imagination Library (pass-through fund) — \$20,449 to provide thousands of books to preschool children through-

out the county).

*Greater Millington Fund — \$5,000 (provide supplies to support Science, Technology, Engineering and Math — STEM — program).

*Homelessness Fund — \$1,800 to Tuscola Homeless Coalition (provide financial assistance for housing).

*Healthy Youth/Healthy Seniors Fund — \$4,000 to Great Start Tuscola 211 (support 211 human services support system for county residents).

*William and Jonne Kaiser Fund — \$1,000 to Great Start Tuscola Imagination Library (support book purchases for children in Millington area); and \$4,900 to the Millington Community Center (provide support for center's generator project).

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Sheriff identifies victims in crash

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Sheriff's department accident investigators processed the scene, and the road was reopened about three hours later.

The Huron County Medical Examiner's Office ordered autopsies on the victims, according to the sheriff, who said the crash remains under investigation.

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Reporter's notebook

Dear EPA, leave my grill alone...

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



You know, I've seen a number of things unfold under the Obama administration that I thought were pretty ridiculous, but this one is just downright silly.

If I'm understanding the news reports correctly, the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has backed a study that could lead to regulations on personal grills and barbecues.

Not in my backyard, Barack.

I was alerted to this outdoor culinary travesty of justice by a news release issued by Thumb area legislator Senator Phil Pavlov, who announced a resolution he sponsored opposing the study had been passed by the Michigan House of Representatives.

It's no wonder our state Legislature can't find time to introduce a little common sense into the state budget, funding for public schools, etc., when they're having to waste time on trying to make sure my barbecue brethren and I can continue to sizzle steaks and burgers on our 12-burner mega grills without fear of reprisal from Big Brother.

But I digress.

As I understand it, the EPA has funded a University of California-Riverside student project to develop preventive technology to reduce emissions from residential barbecues.

"The EPA has a history of establishing burdensome and ridiculous regulations. This appears to be their latest attempt," Pavlov (R-St. Clair Township) commented. "We do not need unnecessary regulations on backyard grilling. The agency has more important things to do."

Ummmm, I'm not so sure about that, Phil. After all, aren't these the geniuses that not too many years ago decided that milk - yes, the white stuff Thumb dairy herds produce lots of - should be classified as a potential environmental hazard, because everybody knows milk should be labeled as oil due to the fact that it contains a percentage of animal fat.

That's the sort of logic that can make you want to slap your own forehead until you slip into a coma.

The upshot of the proposed rule was that farmers who store a certain amount of milk would be required to develop and implement spill prevention plans for milk storage tanks.

Fortunately, state dairy organizations and supporters in Congress secured the EPA's attention with a storm of protests questioning the true risk of a milk spill versus the cost of requiring dairy operations to adhere to yet another set of federal regulations.

"This is an example of where we have overreach by the department that defies common sense," Matt Smego, legislative counsel for Michigan Farm Bureau, said at the time.

Anyway, back to the grilling issue. Pavlov's resolution states that cooking outdoors on a grill during the summer saves electricity, and that funding the UC-Riverside study is a poor use of taxpayer dollars.

Yeah, well I'll buy that. I can also go along with Pavlov's assertion that "reasonable" measures to protect the environment are welcomed.

"Concerns for air quality should always be measured against the larger context of the economy and real-world achievability, along with effects on the American people," Pavlov said. "It's time to rein in Washington's bureaucratic overreach and institute some common sense in rulemaking and regulations."

Tackling real potential dangers to the American public would also be a step in the right direction.

Towards that end, maybe the EPA could start by taking a closer look at what's in the air and water in Washington, D.C., to determine if there's a chemical explanation for why our leaders there seem to be so out of touch with the rest of us most of the time.

Ask your neighbor

by Conner Emery
Staff Writer

Village Grill and Chill serving up quality food

It's the most wonderful time of the year. No, not Christmas; summer time!

The temperature is rising, the shorts and T-shirts are coming out, every kid is counting down the days until that last bell rings for the school year, and local seasonal shops are opening up for business. One such business is the Village Grill and Chill.

The grill re-opened for the season in mid-April, and the owners plan to keep it open until mid-September, barring any weather issues. It is owned and operated by husband and wife Giuseppe "Joe" and Sharie Boscaglia, with the occasional help from their 12-year-old son and other family. Sharie was born and raised in Cass City and graduated from Cass City High School in 1991.

The Boscaglias have owned the Grill and Chill for the past six years, and since then have made a promise to themselves and their customers.

"We have made a commitment to deliver premium food, with cheap prices and friendly service to all customers," said Joe, "We don't sell cheap products."

And they have seemed to consistently fulfill that promise. They have the premium products without a doubt; Ashby's ice cream straight from Ludington is a top tier Michigan product, as well as Koegel brand hot dogs. The products are unique and various, and the venue also has weekly specials Monday through Friday.

"We have ice cream, nachos, burgers, those things always sell well," said Joe, "but we also have things like fried pickles, mac and cheese bites, things that are unique to Cass City."

Joe's favorite item on the menu is the Philly Mushroom and Steak Sandwich, while Sharie's favorite is the always classic Bacon Cheeseburger.



Sharie and Joe Boscaglia

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2011)

Alexis Leigh Hull, 9, of Cass City, daughter of Susan Spencer and Tony Hull, has been chosen as a state finalist in the National American Miss Michigan Pageant to be held July 21-23 at the Marriott in Troy. The National American Miss pageants are for girls ages 4 to 18, and have 5 different age divisions. Hull will be participating in the junior pre-teen age division, along with other outstanding young ladies from across Michigan.

Kristi Howard of Cass City has been awarded a Doctorate of Physical Therapy Departmental award from Grand Valley State University. Howard is a graduate of Cass City High School. At the graduate level, the faculty reviews the academic records of master's degree candidates to choose the one award recipient for each graduate degree program.

The Cass City Red Hawks have recently been named district baseball champions for the 2011 season. The team consists of the following members: Nick Kappen, Watson Moore, Jake Hacker, Rob VanAuken, Derek Mozden, Alex Varney, Alex Zaleski, Jordan Hendrian, Jeff Leslie, Morgan Erla, Kyle Hanby, Cody Orban, Ethan Nicol, Coach Nathan Haag and Coach Nathan Fritz.

10 YEARS AGO (2006)

Ashley Hendrick is moving on to the next stage of her basketball career, ready to play for Saginaw Valley State University starting next fall. Hendrick was a 4-year varsity basketball player at Cass City High School, who graduated this year. She won the high school's Women's Athletic Award and for 3 years was voted Most Valuable Player. "She helped Cass City to remain a basketball power in the Thumb for 4 years," coach John Maharg said. "She will be hard to replace, but will do very well at Saginaw Valley."

Jordan Bitzer, who has been a thorn in the side of the Cass City Red Hawk football and basketball teams, added baseball to the list Friday. USA used 2 big innings to walk away with the division 3 district crown at Cass City, 8-1. Bitzer cracked a double to drive in a pair and later scored himself. USA all but clinched the district crown with a 5-run spurge in the second inning. Derryl Schenk relieved Brad Langenburg and was effective, allowing just 2 hits, one walk and no runs in the last 5 innings. Bitzer was equally effective for the Patriots. He yielded a hit and a walk to Stoutenburg. The Hawk leadoff hitter did his best to generate some offense, as he ended with 2 hits and a walk in 4 trips.

Marilyn Mastie became a teacher so she could help kids learn, especially United States history, which is one of her favorite subjects. The fifth grade teacher retires this year after teaching in Cass City for 34 years.

25 YEARS AGO (1991)

Police Chief Gene Wilson emptied and removed one of the remaining Main Street parking meters Friday afternoon. The Cass City Retail Chamber requested the meter heads be removed and stored for a one-year test period.

Mr. and Mrs. Earney Seeley entertained a few family members for dinner at noon, June 7, to help Mrs. Seeley celebrate her birthday. Included were their daughter, Mrs. William Ehrlich, and son Bill from Gagetown, and her 5 sisters-in-law, Mrs. Aileen Price of Caro, whose birthday was April 18, Mrs. Nellie Anthes of Deford, whose birthday was June 10, Mrs. Isabel Seeley and Mrs. Hazel Seeley, whose birthdays are both June 11. Mrs. Donna Seeley stopped by in the afternoon to say "Happy Birthday." The afternoon was spent visiting and reminiscing.

Marine Pfc. Bradley J. Susalla, son of Ronald T. and Marie V. Susalla of 3529 Fifth St., Owendale, recently completed the basic helicopter course and was promoted to his present rank. During the course, conducted at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Naval Air Station Memphis, Millington, Tenn., Susalla received instruction on the operations of helicopters and the theory of rotary winged flight, and power plant principles. He also underwent 5 days of practical application on transmission systems, flight control and general helicopter maintenance. A 1990 graduate of Owendale-Gagetown High School, he joined the Marine Corps in May 1990.

35 YEARS AGO (1981)

Born to Guy and Beth Howard, a

daughter, Amy Jo, Wednesday, June 4, in Hills and Dales Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Withey held a graduation open house for their son, Michael Saturday at White Creek Club. He will leave July 22 for duty in the Navy at Orlando, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright and Jim of Davisburg visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright, Saturday.

Deford Elementary School graduated 12 fifth graders May 29. They were Pamela Broyles, Corine Churchill, Jeanie Clor, Jeffrey Mathewson, Amy Osantowski, Jodie Peasley, Robin Pringle, Tabatha Pyonk, Robert Roach, Jennifer Romstad, Robin Voss and Tammy Zeplin.

Joseph Gruber Jr. attended the fourth annual CCC reunion and campout at North Higgins Lake State Park last weekend, June 6-8, hoping to run into some old buddies of his. He admitted chances were slim he'd be reunited with someone who had been shipped to Skokie, Ill., Co. 634 of the old Civilian Conservation Corps back in 1933.

40 YEARS AGO (1976)

Dr. Hoon K. Jeung, M.D., will begin his general surgery practice in Cass City July 1. Dr. Jeung, a native of Seoul, S. Korea, says he prefers civilian life to the year he spent in South Vietnam in a MASH unit. He was decorated by three governments for his service. With him are his wife, Yunhee, and sons Jeffrey, 2, and Andrew, 7.

Steve Eskilsen will leave Friday for Boston, Mass., to participate in a 500-mile bicycle trip from Boston to Washington, D.C., which will include side trips. The trip, from June 11-22, is sponsored by Campus Life as a part of the bicentennial celebration.

Miss Mary Beth Esau, who received her Bachelor of Science degree in Public Health education from Central Michigan University at Mt. Pleasant in May, will be working as a field counselor with the Human Development Commission and began her work Monday in Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Loomis and children were week-end guests at the A.J. Murray home at Williamston when they went to attend the graduation from high school of Kathy Murray. Mr. and Mrs. Don DeLong went Sunday to attend the open house and returned home Monday.

50 YEARS AGO (1966)

Dick Palm, administrator at Hills and Dales General Hospital, has been awarded a full membership in the American College of Hospital Administrators and will receive his degree Aug. 20, it was announced this week by College authorities. Palm recently passed written and oral examinations to be awarded full privileges of membership. His degree will be presented at a meeting slated in Chicago. The College is the professional organization of administrators.

A graduation party was held at the Stan Guinther home Saturday night honoring Peggy McConnell, Ron Speirs and Larry Kolb. Forty-five guests attended, coming from Detroit, Drayton Plains, Mt. Clemens, Berkley, Birmingham, Livonia and the Cass City area.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Landon quietly observed their 60th wedding anniversary Monday, June 6, in their home on West Street, they were married June 6, 1906, and have a son, Delbert, of Grand Rapids and a daughter, Margaret (Mrs. Thomas Drake) of Minneapolis, Minn. They also have five grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Since retiring as rural letter carrier at Cass City in 1956, the Landons have spent the winter months in Lakeland, Fla., from where they recently returned.

Robert A. Milligan, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Milligan of Cass City, has been selected for membership in Green Helmet, a sophomore men's service and scholastic honorary at Michigan State University. Green Helmet selected 38 sophomore men who have shown leadership ability as well as outstanding scholarship. Members of the honorary help at each term's registration for classes and provide a tutoring service for students. To be eligible for membership, a student must have a 3.4 (B plus) academic average for his freshman year. Milligan, a 1965 graduate of Cass City High School, is majoring in dairy production at MSU.

75 YEARS AGO (1941)

Special recognition was paid the family of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth MacRae, Greenleaf Township farmers, at the commencement exercises

of the Cass City High School Tuesday evening when an honorary diploma was presented to each of the 14 members of the family by M. B. Auten, treasurer of the board of education. All of the 12 children were graduated from the high school here in the period from 1923 to 1941.

In a ceremony to be read tomorrow (Saturday) at noon, Miss Millicent Jean Graham of Flint, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester L. Graham, of Cass City, will become the bride of Mr. Alfred P. Hall Jr., of Detroit, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred P. Hall Sr., of Caro. The marriage will take place at the home of the bride's parents, corner of Houghton and Ale, Streets.

Dr. F. L. Morris, as a member of the board of education, was happy, of course, in the completion of the high school courses of the 67 graduates of the Cass City High School Tuesday night. However, the doctor was particularly interested in the Commencement of Life of 25 members of the class some 16 to 18 years ago, for Mr. Morris, as he stood looking at the photos of the Class of 1941 in a window of the Mac & Scotty Drug Store a few days ago, counted the noses of 25 whose arrival in the world he superintended.

Friday, the thirteenth, carries no fears for Mr. and Mrs. John Smith of Saginaw, and not being the least superstitious, they have chosen that date for the opening of their new restaurant and soda bar here, next to the Fred Morris Sinclair Station on West Main Street. Bobtail fountain fixtures and a California style kitchen were installed in the new building the past week. Working equipment and fixtures are designed and placed to permit efficient and prompt service.

Don Krug, Russell Quick, Eugene Comment, Horace Pinney and Eli Martin, who are among the draftees of this community who left Tuscola County Thursday for induction at Detroit, were guests at the Rotary Club luncheon on Tuesday. Frederick Pinney and Willis Campbell conducted an "answer or dig down" contest as an entertainment feature for the luncheon program. It was fashioned after the Eversharp radio program and provided much fun.

100 YEARS AGO (1916)

Everett Higgins and Ernest Wood represented the Cass City high school, the first time that institution has participated in the interscholastic meet at Ann Arbor, and won 15 points, placing Cass City in second place in Class B competition, the division designated for high schools having an attendance under 200. Higgins won first in the 440-yard dash in the finals Saturday in 53 2-5 seconds. He secured third place in the 100-yard dash and had the 220-yard dash practically won when he sprained his ankle, which put him out of the running. In the broad jump event which was held after the 220 dash, he won second, his record of 19 feet 3 inches in the preliminaries on Friday securing him this place. Wood was successful in winning second in the mile run and third place in the half mile. Both young men were met at the train when they returned home Monday by a large number of their fellow students who greeted them with shouts of approval and unmistakably showed the appreciation for the athletes who were so successful in the school's first effort in an interscholastic competition.

The Cass City Grain Co. is in need of women and girls in their bean picking department and seem unable to secure the help at their plant at Cass City to care for the amount of work they have to do in this line. Joseph Frutchey, the secretary of the company, told the Chronicle yesterday that there were 36 picking machines on their floor and only 25 of them had operators. The company could use 100 women to pick beans and would gladly increase their equipment to give employment to that number if there was a possibility of securing that many operators. Bean pickers, after acquiring experience, earn as high as \$10 and \$12 weekly.

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Obituaries

Ralph Perry

Ralph Francis Perry, 88, of Cass City died following a short illness Saturday, June 4, 2016 in United Hospice of Marlette Residence Center, Marlette.

He was born July 5, 1927 at home in Detroit, the fourth of six children born to Stanley and Catherine (D'Arga) Perry.

He married Caroline Marion Phillips June 24, 1949 in Holy Name Catholic Church in Detroit.

As a young person, Ralph worked selling flags on Six Mile and Van Dyke to earn money for the family. He later worked as a soda jerk in a local dairy bar, serving ice cream cones and milk shakes. A maintenance man at Forest Lawn Cemetery was his next job before a co-op job with Chrysler. At 17 he joined the Merchant Marines and served during World War II. Ralph worked as a Police Officer for the Detroit Police Department, retiring after many years of service. He was a former member of the Toastmasters Club. After moving to Cass City, Ralph was a member of Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Catholic Church. He enjoyed watching sports on television, especially Detroit Lions football, Detroit Tigers baseball and golf.

Ralph is survived by his wife, Carrie; children: Ralph F. (Lynn) Perry, Jr. of Sterling Heights, Carol (Mark) Pirie of Charlevoix, Janet (Dan Gilt) Perry of Port Huron, Brion (Renee) Perry of Dearborn, Jason (Andrea) R. Perry of Oxford; grandchildren: Diana, Ralph F. III (Anita), Jimmy, Cheryl, Steve (Sarah), Donald (Sarah), Nicholas, Shane, Jeff, Nathaniel, Madelyne; great-grandchildren: Alexander, Lilianna, Marco, A.J., Mason, Mila, Tyler, Riley, Donald III, Chase, Alex; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his siblings: Arthur Perry, Dorothea Gogola, Robert Perry, Stanley Perry and Clarence Perry.

A private funeral service was held Tuesday, June 7, in Kranz Funeral Home Cass City with the Rev. Christian Tabares of Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Catholic Church officiating.

Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. 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.

Betty Stilson

Betty Jeane Stilson, 88, of Cass City.

Memorial service will be Friday, June 10, 2016 at 11 a.m. at Novesta Church of Christ, 2896 Cemetery Rd., Cass City. Family and friends may start gathering at 10:30 a.m.

Christopher Whisenant

Christopher Charles Whisenant, 24, of Elkton died following an automobile accident Thursday, June 2, 2016 in Huron County.

He was born May 24, 1992 in Tawas City to David George Whisenant and Michelle Marie Lansdowne Whisenant.

Chris was part of the track team at Oscoda High School. He worked for Dugginstown Dairy as a milker and scraper. Chris enjoyed spending time with his friends. He loved going to the beach and enjoyed fishing. Camping and bonfires were highlights in his life. Chris was a very fun loving, caring and funny young man.

Chris is survived by his mother, Michelle (Jim) Kosinski of Cass City; father, David (Judy) Whisenant of Oscoda; daughter, Amberlin; siblings: Sarah (Zach) Lee of Pontiac, Meagan Whisenant of Cass City, Lucas Lester of West Branch, Austin Whisenant of Oscoda; nephew, Aden; step-brothers: Dustin (Angel) Clare of Oscoda, Tyler Kosinski of Sebawaing, James Kosinski, Jr. of Elkton, Steve Kosinski of Mt. Pleasant; step-sisters: Kristen (Juan) Kuyok of Wyoming, Erin Clare of Utica, Christi Redman of Elkton; grandmother: Nita Lansdowne of Cass City; many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. His fiancé, Audrie Dorsch and their unborn baby, Willow Marie also died in the accident.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Edgar (Wilma) Whisenant; Larry Lansdowne and uncle, David Lansdowne.

A funeral service was held Sunday, June 5, in Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City with Brad Speirs, of Novesta Church of Christ, officiating.

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.

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HILLS AND DALES General Hospital recently earned the Gold Achievement Award for its record of outstanding emergency cardiac care. Pictured above are members of the hospital's ER staff: (from left) Pamela Chambers, RN; Janelle Gorkowski, RN; Beth O'Parka, ER registration; Meagan Fritz, ER registration; Diane Howey, director of nursing; Michele McKenney, RN; and Dr. Christopher Kreiner, emergency medicine.

Hospital earns AHA "gold"

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System of Excellence. A STEMI — shorthand medical term for ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction — is a full-blown heart attack caused by the complete blockage of a heart artery," explained Danielle Blaine, Hills and Dales Marketing and Foundation director.

"A STEMI heart attack is taken very seriously and is a medical emergency that needs immediate attention," Blaine said. "Hills and Dales has a system in place in their emergency room that puts them at the gold level of excellence for STEMI patient care."

According to Blaine, Hills and Dales earned the recognition for being compliant for 24 months for each of the "target metrics" set.

"One of these targets, called the D2D2B – Door-to-Door to Balloon — measures having a patient stabilized, transferred, and into the cardiac cath lab within 90 minutes of arriving at Hills and Dales," Blaine explained. "Hills and Dales achieved the 90 minute mark 75 percent of the time," she added. "Additionally, this means Hills and Dales has exceeded the national benchmark of 120 minutes consistently."

"A second target is acquisition of a 12-lead EKG of the heart for patients that are more than 35 years old that present with chest discomfort," she continued. "This allows for a more accurate diagnosis of any heart rhythm that may need immediate treatment."

Hills and Dales officials noted they earned the gold standard award with their partners, Medical Mobile Response (MMR) Ambulance and LifeNet Helicopter.

"Working in conjunction with these entities allows Hills and Dales to get their patients transferred quickly, saving heart muscle and saving lives. Meeting these national benchmarks takes extensive training, dedicated staff, and teamwork by everyone," Blaine said. "Hills and Dales is very proud of their ER staff and their partnership with MMR and LifeNet."

Hills and Dales President and CEO Jean Anthony added, "We had achieved the silver level of recognition last year, so to reach gold this year is really exciting for us."

"Our ER staff continues to take training so that we can achieve such benchmarks," she said. "This award is another example of the care we are able to provide, especially for those in a life threatening situation. Working closely with our partners allows us to save lives. And that is what it's all about."

Benefit slated for Shawn Rienas

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around the house is a challenge — a frustrating situation for a man who has always been active, according to his wife.

Rienas' roots run deep in Cass City, stretching back to his great-grandparents, Nick and Alice Alexander, who were farmers just north of town and attended Cass City schools. While born and raised in Deford, he earned his high school diploma at Cass City High School in 1995.

Rienas has been able to rely on a great deal of love and support from his parents; his wife, whom he married in 2008; and their 16-year-old son, Julian; along with many friends and members of the community.

"The community has been absolutely wonderful with their support," Jen pointed out. "It has been remarkable."

The Rienas family has yet to secure assistance from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. And that's a big reason why the family is having an upcoming benefit for him. All proceeds will be going to help the family with medical bills and expenses.

The benefit will be held at the Cass City VFW Hall Saturday, July 9, from 2 to 8 p.m. There will be a taco bar from 2 to 5 p.m. and a pasta dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. Take outs will be available. The cost will be \$10 per adult and \$5 for child under eight years of age.

Besides the food, there will be two live bands, a bake sale, a swimming pool outside and a 50/50 raffle (with half of the proceeds going to the family). There will also be a silent auction with various gift baskets, blankets and afghans, and even Detroit Tigers tickets, with more items being added in the future.

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*There will be NO Open Swim from 5 to 8 p.m., Monday-Friday, from June 6 - Aug. 12, due to night swimming lessons. Open Swim will resume from 7 to 9 p.m. during those dates.

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COSTS:

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Any questions, please call the Village Offices Monday through Friday at (989) 872-2911. All applications are available online at www.casscity.org.

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SESSION 4 (1 week/accelerated swim) - July 18-July 22..Registration Deadline: July 8

SESSION 5 (2 weeks) - July 25 - August 5.....Registration Deadline: July 22

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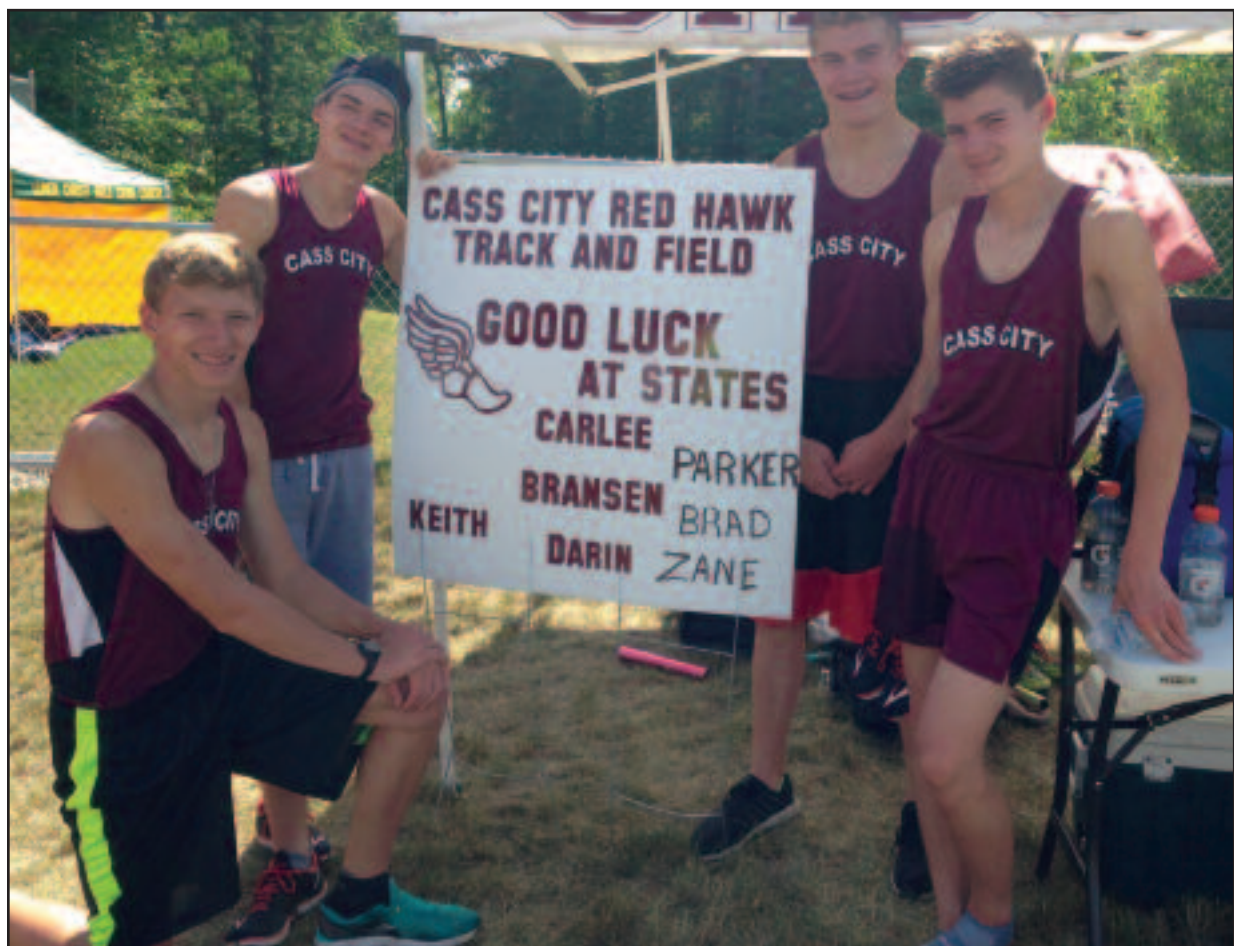
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Magical season ends for Cass City track stars at Comstock Park stadium



RECORD SETTERS. The Cass City 3,200 meter relay team earned all-state honors Saturday in Comstock Park, site of the Division 3 State Finals. Team members, clockwise from the left, Keith Lounsbury, Bransen Stimpfel, Zane Wright and CarLee Stimpfel lowered their own school mark with an impressive third place effort.



CASS CITY'S top two individual finishes Saturday at the Division 3 State Championships were recorded by sophomore CarLee Stimpfel, above, and senior Parker Haire, below. Stimpfel was 5th in the 3,200 meter run, while Haire placed 9th in the 300 meter hurdles.



Coach Jon Zdrojewski called it a great finish to an excellent season for his men's track and field team.

Cass City sent seven thinclads to the Michigan High School Athletic Association Division 3 State Championships Saturday and the group didn't disappoint their skipper at the Comstock Park stadium.

One of the elite meet's highlights came early in the day for the Red Hawks when the 3,200 meter relay team of Zane Wright, CarLee Stimpfel, Keith Lounsbury and Bransen Stimpfel finished third in the first running event to earn all-state honors. More importantly, they improved their own school record in the season's final meet in front of thousands of cheering fans that watched from above the sunken track.

"They took nearly 11 seconds off of their previous record-breaking run, finishing the race in a time of 8:07.87. All four runners ran personal best times as they smashed their previous record of 8:18.61 set at the regional meet. They ran an incredible race," Zdrojewski said, noting the first eight places at the meet receive all-state medals and certificates.

CarLee Stimpfel also collected all-state honors in the 3,200 meter run. The sophomore distance runner finished in 5th place with a time of 9:41.79, the second best time of his young career.

Bransen Stimpfel, senior, was one of the few athletes at the meet who competed in more than one event. He placed 11th in the 1,600 meter run (4.28a) and 12th in the 3,200 meter run (9.53a). Stimpfel is a 4-time state qualifier.

Parker Haire put the finishing touches on a dream senior season with a personal best time of 41.34 in the 300 meter hurdles over the weekend, beating his previous best time by nearly a second to place 9th, while underclassmen Darren Miller finished tied for 14th place in the pole vault (12' 6") and Brad Hacker ran the 200 meter dash (24.07a) and finished in 32nd place.

Other Thumb athletes that enjoyed a banner day included Marlette's Andrew Storm and Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port's Felix Biewald.

Storm, in somewhat of a surprise showing, won the 110 meter hurdles with a time of 14.82 and then added the 300 meter hurdles crown, as expected, with a time of 39.14.

Biewald, the Laker speedster and German exchange student, placed third in the 200 meter dash with a time of 22.38 and first in the 400 meter dash with a time of 49.36. Biewald was also poised to earn all-state honors in the 100 meter dash, but was disqualified from the event after a false start.

The 2016 Division 3 state championship team is Sanford-Meridian.



LADY RED Hawk Riley Klein looks for a sign during Division 3 District action Friday at Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port schools.

Hawk errors costly in district setback

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

Cass City's youth finally caught up with the Lady Red Hawk softball team Friday, as Coach John Hacker's gals bowed in the championship game of the Division 3 District hosted by Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port schools.

After turning back Bad Axe 11-2 in their semifinal match-up to advance into the title game, Cass City was denied their first district championship under Hacker's leadership when nemesis Sandusky repeated as district champs with a 7-0 decision.

Sandusky moved into the championship round with an easy win over the host Lakers and then rode the arm of Haley Nelson to advance into

regionals.

Nelson was the pitcher of record in both Sandusky wins. In the final game, she scattered five hits and struck out five.

Sandusky plated a solo run in the first inning and then added five more markers in the second to take a commanding lead. Cass City misplayed several fly balls in the early going, a sign of nerves, perhaps, for the Red Hawks that started two freshmen and sent five sophomores to the batter's box.

Sayge Cuthrell went the distance on top of the hill for Cass City. She allowed nine hits, struck out three. Cuthrell allowed just one earned run, as troubles handling fly balls proved costly. The Red Hawks were guilty

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Nemesis Sandusky repeats as district softball champs at Cass City's expense

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of four errors in the contest.

Cass City's best chance to get back into the game came in the 4th inning, when Brittnay Hamilton and Brianna Mester both reached base, with nobody out. However, the rally never materialized as a base runner mistake resulted in the first out of the inning and helped to prevent Cass City from breaking into the scoring column.

the second inning when Dickinson snagged a well hit line drive to end the frame with a pair of runners in scoring position.

In the bottom of the second, Dickinson doubled to drive home pinch runner Kacey Haire for the game's first tally. Haire replaced Maegan LeValley at second base, after the senior opened the frame with an infield hit and advanced to second on a bunt by Klein. Dickinson scored on a passed ball

"We got down so quickly and didn't recover. Sometimes when you don't score early, you get a little tight and start to press. I think that's what happened to us. We just ran out of time."

~Cass City Coach John Hacker

At the plate, Bailee Ross had a double to lead Cass City, while Baylee Murphy, Hamilton, Mester and Megan Graham all punched singles.

For Sandusky, Nelson helped her own cause with three safeties, including a double, while Katelyn Patterson chipped in a pair of singles.

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Bad Axe left seven runners on base in their first three trips to the plate in their semifinal outing against Cass City, as several good defensive plays helped to keep the Hatchets scoreless.

Third baseman Riley Klein and shortstop Lauren Dickinson spearheaded the defensive charge with a handful of impressive plays. One of the highlight plays came in the top of

moment later to give the Red Hawks a 2-0 edge.

Bad Axe, however, scored two runs of their own in the second, before Cass City settled the affair with a seven run outburst in the 5th.

Dickinson was perfect in three trips to the plate for Cass City. Her big day included three RBIs and two runs scored. Cuthrell and LeValley also enjoyed multiple hit games. Cuthrell had three knocks, while LeValley had a double and single.

Macy Dickinson bested Bad Axe's Ashleigh Krug for pitching honors. Both pitchers tossed complete games, with Dickinson yielding seven hits and fanning seven. Krug gave up 13 hits in defeat. She issued a pair of free passes.

Cass City loses three seniors in Macy Dickinson, Kelly DeLong and LeValley.



THIRD BASEMAN Branden Horne keeps a close eye on a Bad Axe base runner during district semi-final play. Cass City bowed 6-5 to the Hatchets.

Saenz wins battle between lefties as USA wins crown

In a match-up between two Thumb left-handed aces Friday, it would be Unionville-Sebewaing Area earning Division 4 District honors in Caseville.

The Patriots defended their district crown with a lopsided 14-0 victory over Owen-Gage and behind a stellar showing from Aaron Saenz.

Southpaw Saenz tossed a one-hitter and struck out seven from the top of the hill to earn the five inning victory, while at the plate he went 2-for-2 with a home run and two RBIs.

Jacob Wright suffered the loss for the Bulldogs. In a non-typical outing, the Owen-Gage 3-sport star was touched for seven runs in the first inning.

Ryan Kain, Ezra Arnold, Cole Finkbeiner and Paul Miklovic each scored two runs for the winners.

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Schneeberger's ATHLETES of the WEEK

Two sophomores are Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week choices. Cass City underclassmen Riley Klein and Lauren Dickinson share the honor, following their play at Friday's district softball action at Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port schools.

The pair made several outstanding defensive plays during the tourney, with Klein guarding the third base line and Dickinson gobbling up anything hit towards the shortstop position.

At the plate, Dickinson had three hits in the team's semifinal win over Bad Axe, while Klein had one knock, a sacrifice bunt and scored twice.

Riley is the daughter of Jason and Carrie Klein. Lauren is the daughter of Dan and Janelle Dickinson.



Riley Klein



Lauren Dickinson

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BOYS' BASEBALL

DATE	OPPONENT
4/14	Uibly 5, CC 3; Uibly 9, CC 7
4/16	Caro 5, CC 4; Uibly 9, CC 8
4/18	Bad Axe 4, CC 0; BA 10, CC 0
4/20	North Branch 6, CC 1; NB 5, CC 0
4/25	USA 10, CC 0; USA 4, CC 4
4/28	Marlette 3, CC 2; CC 4, Marlette 0
5/2	Reese 6, CC 2; Reese 13, CC 4
5/5	Memphis 17, CC 3; Mem. 11, CC 7
5/10	Vassar 9, CC 6; Vassar 5, CC 2
5/12	Harbor Beach 7, CC 6; HB 1, CC 0
5/16	Lakers 14, CC 2; Lakers 15, CC 5
5/23	CC 9, Sandusky 4; Sandusky 12, CC 2
5/26	Capac 12, CC 11; Capac 11, CC 5

Games begin at 4 p.m.



GIRLS' SOFTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT
4/14	Uibly 3, CC 7; CC 4, Uibly 2
4/16	Caro 5, CC 4; CC 13 Marlette 3
4/18	CC 2, Bad Axe 1; CC 12, BA 0
4/20	North Branch 9, CC 0; NB 14, CC 0
4/25	USA 10, CC 0; USA 9, CC 1
4/28	CC 11, Marlette 1; CC 12; M 1
5/2	Reese 14, CC 2; Reese 13, CC 3
5/5	Memphis 8, CC 1; CC 10, Mem 3
5/10	Vassar 8, CC 0; CC 11, Vassar 5
5/12	CC 13, Harbor Beach 1; CC 12, HB 7
5/16	Lakers 6, CC 5; CC 5, Lakers 1
5/26	CC 3, Capac 2; CC 12, Capac 7

Games begin at 4 p.m.

TRACK

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
4/5	Reese/USA/Vassar	4:30 p.m.
4/8	Marlette/Reese/USA	4:30 p.m.
4/12	Marlette/Bad Axe/USA	4:30 p.m.
4/15	Brown City Invite	4:00 p.m.
4/19	Brown City/Harbor Beach/Uibly	4:30 p.m.
4/22	Marlette Invite	4:00 p.m.
4/26	USA Invite	4:00 p.m.
4/29	Vassar Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/3	Uibly Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/6	Reese Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/10	EPB Lakers Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/13	Bad Axe Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/17	GTW League Meet @ USA	4:00 p.m.
5/21	Regionals	
5/24	Tribune Meet of Champs @ BA	
5/31	Thumb Meet of Champs @Caro	
6/4	State Finals	

GOLF

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
4/11	Millington	1:00 p.m.
4/12	Uibly	4:00 p.m.
4/20	GTC Jamboree @ Vassar	3:30 p.m.
4/21	GTC Jamboree @ USA	4:00 p.m.
4/22	Uibly Invite	8:15 a.m.
4/28	GTC Jamboree @ Lakers	4:00 p.m.
5/2	GTC Jamboree @ Bad Axe	4:00 p.m.
5/3	GTC Jamboree @ Cass City	4:00 p.m.
5/11	Brown City Invite	8:00 a.m.
5/13	Warner Memorial Invite@Vassar	TBA
5/16	GTC League Meet @ Bad Axe	TBA
5/25-28	District @ Verona Hills	TBD
6/1	Regionals @ Westwynd	

JUNIOR HIGH TRACK

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
5/4	Vassar/USA/Lakers/Reese	4:30 p.m.
5/9	Bad Axe/Reese/Vassar	4:30 p.m.
5/12	USA/Reese/Vassar	4:30 p.m.
5/20	Gavel Club Relays	4:00 p.m.
5/23	GTC League Meet @ USA	TBA

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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 Gregory D. Abke and Barbara E. Abke, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to America's MoneyLine Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 23, 2003, and recorded on May 6, 2003 in Liber 929 on Page 752, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on April 21, 2016 in Liber 1350 on Page 70, and assigned by mesne assignments to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustee for Saxon Asset Securities Trust 2003-2, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-2 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 Thousand Two Hundred Three and 44/100 Dollars (\$50,203.44).

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 June 16, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Koylton, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing 24 Rods South of the Northwest Corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, and running thence East 20 Rods, thence South 20 Rods, thence West 20 Rods, thence North 20 Rods to the Place of Beginning.

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

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

Dated: May 18, 2016
For more information, please call:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jeff McCrandall a/k/a Jeffrey C McCrandall, a single man, Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. "MERS" as nominee for GMAC Mortgage, LLC f/k/a GMAC Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated the 13th day of December, 2007 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 21st day of December, 2007 in Liber 1137 of Tuscola County Records, Page 1115, having been corrected by a Scriveners Affidavit to correct legal on mortgage recorded 3/24/2016 in Liber 1348 Page 6, said Mortgage having been assigned to Ditech Financial LLC FKA Green Tree Servicing LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Ninety One Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Three and 34/100 (\$91,823.34), 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 23rd day of June, 2016 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 2.00 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 Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: The North 353.00 feet of the South 2318.00 feet of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 28, Town 10 North, Range 8 East.

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: 5/25/2016

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IF THE DEBT WAS DISCHARGED IN A BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING, THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT THAT DEBT. 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.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Roy S. Lee and Katherine Lee, Husband and Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated May 2, 2007 and recorded May 14, 2007 in Liber 1119 Page 603 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Flagstar Bank, FSB, by assignment dated July 11, 2014 and recorded July 18, 2014 in Liber 1311, Page 643, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date

hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$145,385.80) including interest 6.5% 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 vendue, Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00 AM on June 23, 2016 Said premises are situated in Township of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Situated in the Township of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan: Land beginning 8 rods South of the Northeast corner of Block 33 of the Map of the Village of Fostoria; thence West 8 rods; thence South 4 rods; thence West 10 rods; thence South 9 and one-half rods; thence East 18 rods; thence North 13 and one-half rods to the place of beginning, except the East 33 feet thereof, all being a part of Block 33 of the map of the Village of Fostoria according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats on Page 45A.

Commonly known as 9330 Maple St, Fostoria MI 48435 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 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: 5/25/2016
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Case No. 16-29232-CH
Hon. Jodi Fetting

US Bank, N.A. Plaintiff vs. Elaine L. Halsne and Richard Phillip Halsne and any and all claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, or assignees of unknown claimants or owners to the mobile home located at 7911 Willits Rd., Fostoria, Mich. 48435.

Defendants.

Trott Law, P.C.
By: Gary C. Bengtson (P57250)
Attorneys for Plaintiff 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 200, Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334. (248) 723-5066. T&T#450396L02

Order for service by posting and publication and for issuance of second summons'

Plaintiff's Motion for Service by Posting and Publication and for Second Summons' having come before this Court and the Court being otherwise informed in the premises:

It is ordered:

A. "Any And All Claimants, Owners, Heirs, Devisees, or Assignees of Unknown Claimants or Owners to the Mobile Home Located at 7911 Willits Rd., Fostoria, Mich. 48435" is being sued in this court by the Plaintiff regarding title to a mobile home located at 7911 Willits Rd., Fostoria, Mich. 48435. "Any And All Claimants, Owners, Heirs, Devisees, or Assignees of Unknown Claimants or Owners to the Mobile Home Located at 7911 Willits Rd., Fostoria, Mich. 48435" must file an answer or other responsive pleading in the Tuscola County Circuit Court at 440 N. State Street, Caro, MI 48723 within 28 days of the last day of publication of this Order. If "Any And All Claimants, Owners, Heirs, Devisees, or Assignees of Unknown Claimants or Owners to the Mobile Home Located at 7911 Willits Rd., Fostoria, Mich. 48435" fails to file an answer or responsive pleading by this date, a default judgment may be entered.

B. A copy of this Order shall be published once each week in the legal news for the County of Tuscola for three (3) consecutive weeks. And proof of publication shall be filed in this Court.

D. Plaintiff shall cause to be posted (once) a copy of this Order to the property address at 7911 Willits Rd., Fostoria, MI 48435.

E. Plaintiff shall cause this Order to be mailed by registered mail return receipt requested to 7911 Willits Rd., Fostoria, MI 48435.

F. Defendants Elaine L. Halsne and Richard Phillip Halsne are hereby dismissed from this action without prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED. THIS IS NOT A FINAL ORDER AND DOES NOT CLOSE THE CASE.

S/ Amy Grace Gierhart, Honorable
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Missionary church marks 50-year ministry with a celebration this weekend

The Cass City Missionary Church will be hosting a golden celebration this weekend, and anyone with a connection to the local church – past or present – is invited to join in the fun.

The church is marking its 50th anniversary with a special morning worship service starting at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 12, followed by a fellowship meal and “singspiration”. More information is available by calling the church office at (989) 872-2729.

According to the Cass City Area Historical and Genealogy Society, the history of the Cass City Missionary Church actually dates back more than 100 years to 1911, when the Riverside United Missionary Church was organized. Its first services were conducted by the Rev. D. L. Schultz and held in a tabernacle in a wooded area on the east side of Dodge Road, about a half-mile north of the Cass River bridge.

“Stemming from this meeting, a canvas was held in the area to find persons interested in attending services that were held Sunday afternoon and evening,” the historical society wrote in its September/October 2011 newsletter. “The first baptismal service was held in the Cass River Aug. 20, 1911. That evening 16 persons joined the original ‘Riverside Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church’. First officers were Moses Sherk, Allen Wanner and Rinerd Knoblet.”

Services were held in a schoolhouse. The church made steady progress and, in 1919, the building of the Riverside Church was underway, with much of the work done by members of the congregation. The building was dedicated Oct. 19, 1919.

The present Cass City Missionary Church is the result of a merging of the Riverside United Missionary Church and the Greenleaf Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, which was organized a quarter of a century later.

The start of the New Greenleaf church paralleled that of the Riverside church – both started with open air meetings, with the New Greenleaf church initially led by the Rev. Thatcher, who conducted meetings at the Sleeper Estate in Huron County.

Ground was broken for the present day Cass City Missionary Church, located on the west side of Koepfgen Road, just south of M-81, May 16, 1965. At the time, the church boasted just 37 charter members. The church dedication, held Nov. 27, 1966, was led by the Rev. J. E. Tuckey. Many former pastors participated in the ceremony. The first Sunday service took place June 12, 1966.

The structure, which measures 40 feet by 92 feet, with a 20-foot by 24-foot entrance and tower extension, has an auditorium that seats 250 people, as well as a full basement for educational activities.

The congregation, now more than 100 members strong and still growing, played a key role in creating what is known today as Revive Ministries.

The outreach, which is housed in a building in downtown Cass City and includes a food pantry and second-hand clothing shop, owes its success to an idea discussed during a Cass City Missionary Church “vision meeting” back in 2004. What began as a children’s “fun fair” with speakers, bands and activities, evolved into a ministry that feeds more than 200 people each month.

It takes more than 350 volunteer hours a month to keep the outreach operating smoothly. More than 75 volunteers make that happen, according to Revive Ministries officials, who have passed out more than 10,000 boxes of food – more than a quarter million pounds of food – since its inception.

The Cass City Missionary Church’s current pastor is the Rev. Phil Burkett, who along with his wife, Darlene, joined the church in 2011. Burkett was preceded in the pulpit by the Rev. Bob Sweeney (2005-2010), the Rev. David Edwards (1996-2005), the Rev. Cliff Jordan (1985-1995), the Rev. Bob Taylor (1976-1984), the Rev. Wilton Hull (1973-1976), the Rev. Jim Kidney (1969-1973), and the Rev. Fred Johnson (1965-1968).



PEOPLE AREN'T THE only ones enjoying the arrival of consistently warm weather in the Thumb following a winter that was hesitant to arrive and then stubbornly hung around into late spring. Above, a pair of young whitetailed deer bucks take in the view across a field while standing on an earth berm in the Deford area last week.

Farver Road Baptist Church to host singer Garcia

Singer Jerry Garcia of Adrian will be appearing in concert Saturday, June 11, at the Farver Road Baptist Church.

Noah’s Ark Park at 4330 Farver Rd., two miles southwest of the intersection of Elkton and Sebawaing roads.

singers starting at 6 p.m., followed by Garcia at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served after the concert.

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