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Hospital postponing groundbreaking for \$5 million expansion

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Hills and Dales General Hospital officials have decided to delay breaking ground on a planned \$5 million expansion/renovation project due to time constraints and quickly approaching winter weather.

Hospital President and CEO Jean Anthony announced the decision Thursday.

"Upon approval of our funding from the USDA (U.S. Department of Agriculture) in August, there were a small list of contingencies Hills and Dales had to complete before closing and receiving funds. We have been working day and night to complete these items. But, as most things do, it has taken much longer than anticipated to complete the closing process for our funding," Anthony explained. "It is with that in mind that we have decided to wait to break ground until spring of 2017. It is truly in the best interest of our patients, and all others involved, to wait.

"We cannot wait to get the equipment here and get going. But after many discussions with the construction manager and our Board of Trustees, we know it is the right decision to wait until spring," Anthony said. "It is just too late in the fall now to try and enclose the addition for the project and we do not want to rush into this."

In the meantime, Hills and Dales Foundation officials will continue to work on a recently-announced building campaign through the winter months, according to Danielle Blaine, foundation director.

"(We've) already received commitments and donations of over \$150,000," said Blaine, who encourages anyone interested in learning more about the campaign to visit the website www.hdghmi.org and contact her at (989) 912-6401 or via email at dblaine@hdghmi.org.

Hospital officials announced last August that the USDA had approved funding for the expansion/renovation project, which is expected to take roughly 18 months to complete.

Blaine, who also serves as community relations director for Hills and Dales, Please turn to page 16.



THUMB DRIVERS are reminded to keep a sharp eye out for deer on area roadways this time of year. The arrival of fall traditionally means an increase in the number of vehicle-deer collisions in Michigan. Above, a doe crosses Deckerville Road, just east of Deford, during a recent sunny morning.

Oh, deer!

Driving risky business when fall arrives in Michigan

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

It's no coincidence that the arrival of fall also brings an increase in vehicle-deer collisions. After all, Michigan's deer herd is plentiful, and the last quarter of the year marks a time when deer are active and in search of mates as well as food before winter hits.

But motorists can take some steps to prevent a car-deer crash from becoming more than an inconvenience.

Michigan car-deer crashes rose three percent in 2015. There were 47,001 such accidents in the state last year, compared to 45,690 in 2014. Fatal car-deer crashes also increased; 10 people lost their lives last year, while another 1,009 were injured.

These crashes are costly, adding up to some \$130 million in damage a year in Michigan. The average car-deer crash causes about \$2,100 in damage, usually to the front end, often leaving the vehicle undrivable.

More than half of all car-deer crashes occur in southern lower Michigan. In 2014, Oakland County had the most deer/vehicle crashes with 1,750 crashes. The remaining top nine were Kent (1,338), Jackson (1,279), Lapeer (1,153), Eaton (1,077), Sanilac (1,053), Clinton (1,015),

Montcalm (968), Genesee (964) and Washtenaw (952).

As many as half of the vehicle-deer crashes may not be reported, so actual numbers may be much higher, according to officials with the Michigan Deer Crash Coalition, which was formed in 1996 to increase awareness about the deer crash problem in Michigan and reduce the number of deaths and injuries resulting from these crashes.

While the state's two million deer are most active in spring and fall, vehicle-deer crashes are a year-round problem.

The three biggest months for deer collisions are October, November and June, and the timing all has to do with reproduction.

In most of North America, deer rut — compete for mates and breed — in October and November, with November being the busiest month in the deer social calendar followed by October. During the rut, deer populations become highly mobile as bucks compete to build a harem of does.

The heightened activity of the breeding season is closely followed six months later in June and July, when new fawns are born and anxious mothers look for as much fresh food as they can find; their preference for new grass often brings them out of the deep woods to the sides of roads where spring sunshine creates a constantly replenished source of

fresh grass.

About 80 percent of vehicle-deer collision crashes occur on two-lane roads between dusk and dawn. The most serious crashes occur when motorists swerve to avoid a deer and hit another vehicle or a fixed object, or when their vehicle rolls over.

The Michigan Deer Crash Coalition, Michigan State Police and other agencies offer the following tips:

- *Stay aware, awake and sober.
- *Vehicle-deer crashes occur year-round, but be especially alert in spring and fall.
- *Signs are placed at known deer crossing areas to alert you of the possible presence of deer. Deer are herd animals and frequently travel in single file. If you see one deer cross the road, chances are there are more waiting.
- *Don't rely on gimmicks, flashing your high-beam headlights or honking your horn to deter deer.
- *If a crash is unavoidable, don't swerve. Brake firmly, hold onto the steering wheel, and bring your vehicle to a controlled stop. Pull off the road, turn on your emergency flashers, and be cautious of other traffic if you exit your vehicle. Report the crash to the nearest police agency.
- Drivers are also reminded to buckle up because seat belts are motorists' best defense in the event of a crash.

Energy companies looking to add 100 turbines in '17

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Two energy companies are expected to start construction in 2017 that will add more than 100 wind turbines in northern Tuscola County.

NextEra Energy Resources is the second company to file for special use permits over the past few weeks. The company filed permits in Almer, Ellington and Fairgrove townships to develop Tuscola III Wind Energy Center, a \$200 million project.

"There will be 52 turbines in those townships — 17 in Fairgrove and 19 in Ellington and Almer," said NextEra Manager of Communications Bryan Blaine. Please turn to page 6.

Pigeon man hurt in farm mishap

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Sheriff's deputies are continuing their investigation into a farm accident last week that left a Pigeon man seriously injured.

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson reported deputies were dispatched to the farming operation at 1891 Pinnebog Rd. in Colfax Township shortly after 3 p.m. Tuesday.

"What had occurred was 36-year-old farm worker Michael Prich was working on a silage pile with a hydraulic silage defacer, which was affixed to the loader of a ford tractor. The defacer somehow became disconnected and fell Please turn to page 8.

Pinktober events on tap to boost area's Love for Lexi fund

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A pair of upcoming Pinktober: A Community with a Cause events in Cass City will help to keep the memory of seven-year-old Lexi Smith alive by raising money to assist local families that find themselves facing the devastating diagnosis of cancer.

The annual Pretty in Pink Girls Night Out fundraiser is slated for Saturday, Oct. 8, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Charmont in Cass City. Organizers reported tickets, available at the Charmont, were going fast.

More information is available by contact Joey Kreeger at (989) 912-0059 or Krystal Cole (989) 872-4321.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to the American Cancer Society and the Love for Lexi Paying it Forward Fund.

The Love for Lexi fund will also benefit from the annual Pinktober Sky lantern Lift Off, which will be held during the halftime of the Cass City-Reese Varsity football game Friday, Oct. 14. The event was originally slated for Friday night, but was canceled due to rain.

Elkland Township fire fighters will be on hand to help area residents launch sky lanterns in honor of loved ones touched by cancer. Lantern orders may be placed by contacting Shari Bock at the Cass City Public Schools at (989) 872-5729 and Heidi Smith at Knights Insurance at (989) 912-5858, as well as through Captured by Christine Photography Studio, Health Care at Home, and at the gate on game night.

Please turn to page 8.



THE LOVE for Lexi Paying it Forward Fund was established in 2012 after seven-year-old Lexi Smith (above), the daughter of Randy and Heidi Smith of Cass City succumbed to an inoperable brain tumor. The fund is used to assist other local families with children diagnosed with cancer. (Photo courtesy of the Smith family and Captured by Christine Photography Studio)

Pumpkin Fest plans include some changes

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Along with the usual family-fun events, there will be some changes during the 2016 Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival, which is slated to get underway Thursday and run through Sunday.

There will be three locations this year instead of just two to buy the festival's famous pumpkin pies, and some activities will be set up at the Tuscola County Fairgrounds instead of having everything in downtown Caro.

"Pies will be available as always at the food court next to the courthouse, at Family Video, and this year there will be a pie stand at the fairgrounds," said Louise Hodges, who is one of the directors of the festival. "The pie stand at Family Video will be a drive up so people don't have to get out of their cars to get a pie."

For those who want to sample some pumpkin pie, there is a free pie eat-Please turn to page 6.



THE CASS CITY HIGH SCHOOL Class of 1956 held their reunion recently. In attendance were: front l-r, Mary (Donnelly) Simon, Reva (Hutchinson) Dillon, Audrey (Anker) Short, Joan (Seeley) Ware, Janet (Fields) Rayl, Sharon (Ackerman) Laursen, Luella (Spencer) Kerbyson, Joyce (McLellan) Stevens; (middle) Beverly (McCloy) Frank, Marilyn (Horner) Lester, Maureen (Curtis) Frederick, Norma (Guinther) Szarapski, Ruty (Seurynck) Cummings, Caren (Cummings) Clara, Marge (Follman) Feebish, Colin Connel, Charles Patterson; (back) Judy (Howell) Bryden, Janice (Bartle) Jones, Connie (Bartle) Schwaderer, Janet (Neal) LaPeer, Grace (Kanaby) Kamrad, Jerry Kelly, Yvonne (Krohn) Greer and Don Finkbeiner.

Obituaries

Evelyn MacRae

Evelyn MacRae, 96, of Marshall, formerly of Cass City, passed away peacefully at Eaton Community Palliative Care in Charlotte, on Monday, September 19, 2016 surrounded by her family.



Evelyn was born in Grosse Ile, on December 11, 1919 to the late Charles and Susan Lafayette.

Evelyn was raised in Grosse Ile, where she attended Grosse Ile High School. After graduation, she went on to attend Eastern Michigan University graduating with a Bachelor's Degree in teaching. Evelyn had a passion for educating others; that passion took her to accept teaching positions with Reese and Cass City Schools.

She married the love of her life Dr. Kenneth Ivon MacRae on August 10, 1944.

Evelyn was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Cass City and Marshall. For several years she served on the board of Rawson Memorial Library and was active in the adult literacy program. She was a member of the A.A.U.W. (American Association of University Women) in Cass City and worked with the Reading Is Fundamental Program. In 1975, she received the Citizen of the Year Award from the Chamber of Commerce.

Left to cherish her memory is her daughter, Margaret Zorn of Marshall; granddaughters, Kari (Scott) Kahanec of Canton, Michigan and Sara (Brian) Sauer of Jackson; great-grandchildren, Ashley, Brayden, Lyla Kahanec and Lauryn and Avery Sauer; special sister-in-law, Jacqueline Lafayette of Grosse Ile, Michigan; and several nieces and nephews.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband; daughter, Marcia and a son David.

In accordance with her wishes, cremation has taken place. A memorial service will take place at Cass City First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 9, at 1:00 p.m. with the Reverend Linda Graham officiating.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Cass City First Presbyterian Church or Rawson Memorial District Library, both of Cass City, Michigan or Oaklawn Hospice. Friends may send condolences or share a memory at www.kempffuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Craig Kempf Family Funeral Homes.

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas



THE CHAMBER Beautification planters in downtown Cass City will be blooming into Red Hawk School spirit colors. Thanks, in part, to the efforts of Cass City High School freshman Taryn Pisarek (pictured above) and family, the summer flowers have been replaced by maroon fall mums. Local businesses have plaques displayed on the individual planters, marking their sponsorship of the project in support of the local chamber.

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In Our OPINION..

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Genetic counseling key in cancer fight

October brings not only brilliant fall colors and cool temperatures, but also an emphasis on awareness of cancer, especially prevention and treatment of breast cancer and all of the lives this deadly disease has touched in our community.

Researchers have learned a great deal about cancer, but there is so much more to be discovered in the search for a cure as well as ways to improve chances for an early diagnosis.

Which is why we applaud the efforts of state and national health officials to raise awareness of the connection between hereditary breast and ovarian cancers.

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) recently joined state and national partners to raise awareness of hereditary breast and ovarian cancers (HBOC). Gov. Rick Snyder proclaimed Sept. 25-October 1 as Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Week. Occurring between national awareness months for ovarian cancer in September and breast cancer in October, HBOC Week highlights the connection between hereditary forms of ovarian and breast cancer.

"If you have a personal or family history of cancer, we urge you to tell your health care provider about this history," said Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive of MDHHS. "Talking with a trained professional, such as a board-certified genetic counselor, is especially important if you or your family member was diagnosed with breast cancer at or before age 50, diagnosed with ovarian cancer at any age, or have had more than one type of primary cancer."

HBOC is primarily due to changes in the BRCA and other genes. Most of the estimated 25,000 Michigan residents who carry a BRCA mutation are not aware that they are at higher risk of developing hereditary cancer.

There are ways to reduce cancer risk and save more lives, and one of the first steps to consider is cancer genetic counseling. Cascade screening, which helps identify at-risk relatives, is an important measure toward preventing cancer in those at-risk family members.

Mollie Smith, founder of BRCAn't Stop Me, a Michigan Cancer Genetics Alliance (MCGA) member, and Miss Wayne County 2016, learned she was positive for the BRCA 2 mutation when she was 19 years old.

"Cascade screening saves lives. I have seen it save lives in my own family," said Smith. "Because my family was successful at informing each other about the BRCA gene mutation, we have been able to prevent ourselves from developing cancer."

"My mom had a prophylactic mastectomy which showed precancerous cells forming. If she hadn't had this surgery, she may not be here with us today," Smith added. "Knowledge is power, and it truly does save lives."

Raising awareness of HBOC and other hereditary cancers is part of an ongoing five-year cooperative agreement between the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) and MDHHS to increase the use of best practices in cancer genomics in the state.

Michigan aims to achieve the Healthy People 2020 objective of increasing the proportion of women with a family history of breast and/or ovarian cancer who receive genetic counseling.

To learn more about HBOC and hereditary cancers, visit: www.michigan.gov/hereditarycancer. A directory of cancer genetic counseling clinics in Michigan can be found at <https://migrc.org/Library/MCGA/MCGADirectory.html>.

We urge all women to take some time this month to learn the facts and undergo genetic counseling if recommended. Your life may just depend on it.

Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

Long live the U.S.A.



A writing assignment had me tripping down memory lane about things that I hadn't thought of in years, and feeling like things were better years ago.

From kindergarten through eighth grade, I attended the one-room Columbia Corners School No. 2 at the intersection of French and Dickerson roads. My father was in the first kindergarten class and part of the first eighth-grade graduating class. And, I was part of the last eighth-grade graduating class from that school. After that, students in the three upper grades were sent to Unionville School.

Within a few years, the school closed and all of the students went to Unionville.

Because of my connection to country schools, I was sad to read about the Kipper School in Huron County closing. Nostalgia really hit when I came across a posting by Rick Parrot on the Facebook page "You Know You are from Cass City if..." It showed a souvenir of the students who attended the Withey Public School District No. 2 in Evergreen Township in Sanilac County in 1910.

The souvenir listed the students who attended, the teacher and the board of education. The information was nothing special, but that announcement was amazing. Back in the 1900s, education - even in just the basic grades - was highly regarded. The announcement of that information was a work of art.



The article about the school closing and the Facebook posting happened at the same time I was asked to write a monthly column for an area newspaper's new senior section. While writing that column, a lot of memories were recalled.

At a rural school, we didn't need a physical education class. We were allowed to play outside for more than a few minutes at a time. We had an hour to eat our "cold lunch" that we carried in brown-paper bags. If you were really lucky, your parents splurged and bought a metal lunchbox with a matching thermos featuring images of Roy Rogers, Dale Evans, Howdy Doody, Annie Oakley, the Lone Ranger, or some other popular character of the time.

The problem with metal lunch boxes is they lasted forever. I think I had that ugly brown and red plaid lunch box from my first day of school until I started high school. The envy I had for those who had cool lunch boxes still lingers to this day.

We wolfed down lunch so we had more time to play outside. Most played softball while the rest played tag or on swings, the slide or merry-go-round.

Besides the lunch hour there were two other recesses. I think they were each 30 minutes long, but they may have been 15. Either way, we were outside running and playing without anyone to tell us how to play. We knew how to use our imagination. That is something today's children don't do. Heck, they don't even know how to play without instructions.

I was shocked to see advertisements headed by famous football players encouraging children to play

60 minutes a day. The ads directed them to websites for ideas on how and what to play. The ads went on to admonish the kids "not to stay online too long."


I'm like, Good grief. What is this world coming to that children don't know how to entertain themselves without electronics?

Give me the good ole' days of playing outside and having scraped knees. Those are memories of a better time.

Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



The Pinney Foundation is once again looking for worthy non-profit causes to help financially. Spokesman Dave Milligan says eligible organizations have until Friday, Oct. 28, to request grant money - in writing - from the local organization. Call Milligan at (989) 670-4174 or (989) 872-2937 and he'll be happy to walk you through the application process.

Bad Axe High School announced Monday that it will be hosting a Huron County College Night Program on Tuesday, Oct. 25th. The evening will begin with a general session in the gym at 6:00 p.m.

Approximately 45 representatives of Michigan colleges, universities, and other institutions will be on hand to answer questions and provide information about their respective schools. All area high school students, and their parents, are welcome to attend.

For more information contact Principal Kurt Dennis at (989) 269-9535.

The Thumb Area Old Engine and Tractor Association will hold its annual Swap Meet/Flea Market this weekend at the fairgrounds in Caro. The event is planned for Oct. 7-8 from 8:00 am. to 5:00 p.m.

Vendors can set up for \$10 per day and admission is free to all shoppers. For more information, call (989) 673-3430 or visit www.carotractorshow.com.

The Thumb area club was started in 1976 by Dave Babcock. He contacted local people interested in keeping a tractor show in Caro after the Saginaw Valley Steam Association decided to leave when new baseball diamonds were installed on the infield of the fairground race track. The Saginaw Club had their show on the infield, using the race track and grandstands for their parade. The Saginaw Club was in Caro from 1965 through 1975.

Michigan residents have until Tuesday, Oct. 11, to register to vote in the Nov. 8 presidential election, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson recently announced.

"You must be registered to vote in order to participate in the upcoming general election," Johnson said. "I encourage you to visit your local clerk's office or a Secretary of State branch and register right away. Your voice will then be heard in November."

To register to vote, applicants must be at least 18 years old by Election Day and U.S. citizens. Applicants also must be residents of Michigan and of the city or township in which they wish to register. Polls will be open on Election Day from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters may register by mail or in person at their county, city or township clerk's office or by visiting any Secretary of State office. The mail-in form is available at www.Michigan.gov/elections. First-time voters who register by mail must vote in person in their first election, unless they hand-deliver the application to their local clerk, are 60 years old or older, are disabled or are eligible to vote under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.

Michiganders will be able to operate off-road vehicles (ORVs) on more forest roads in the Lower Peninsula, and use pack and saddle animals for removing hunted game under legislation signed by Gov. Rick Snyder.

"With opening day of archery season (here), the return of pack and saddle animal use is great news for hunters," Snyder said. "By expanding the use of ORVs to forest roads in the Lower Peninsula and creating a complete map of available trails, we can continue marketing our state as the premiere destination for outdoor recreation."

House Bill 5275, sponsored by state Rep. Triston Cole, will open forest roads for ORV use following the completion of a statewide inventory of trails.

Mapping will be completed in five regions, with the Upper Peninsula serving as one region, which already allows ORV usage. The DNR will complete the two most northern regions in the Lower Peninsula by the end of 2017 and the remaining two regions by the end of 2018. The maps of forest roads available for ORV use will be posted annually for the public.

For more information on this and other legislation, please visit www.legislature.mi.gov

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Wednesday, October 5

•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.

Thursday, October 6

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

Monday, October 10

•Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.
•Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.
•VFW monthly meeting, 7:00 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

Tuesday, October 11

•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.
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Second Wednesday:

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

Second Thursday:

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

Third Tuesday:

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

Third Wednesday

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

Third Thursday:

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

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.

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., Ubyly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.
•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.

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.

Baker earns "gold" among vets

Baker College has been recognized with a gold ranking for the second year in a row by the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency's (MVAA) Veteran-Friendly School Program.

"American veterans deserve the opportunity to pursue their academic goals, and that means educators must 'give their all' to help them succeed," said Bart Daig, Ph.D., Baker College System president and CEO. "Baker College has long understood the many challenges faced by returning and active-duty military personnel and we are proud to routinely go the extra mile for our veterans."

In its second year, the MVAA's Veteran-Friendly School Program recognizes Michigan colleges and universities for their commitment to veterans and their dependents attending school under the GI Bill. Rankings are assessed based on how well each institution fulfills the following seven criteria:

- *An established process for identification of current student veterans.
- *A veteran-specific website.
- *An active student-operated veterans club or association.
- *Veteran-specific career services,

resources, advising and/or outcome monitoring.

*An on-campus veteran's coordinator and/or designated staff point of contact.

*A system to evaluate and award credit based on prior military training and experience.

*Monitoring and evaluation of student veteran academic retention, transfer and graduation rates.

Schools must apply for the veteran-friendly designation each year and are ranked at the bronze level for completing three criteria, the silver level for completing four criteria and the gold level for completing six or more criteria.

In 2016, Baker College was one of just 31 schools that met all seven criteria.

The MVAA serves as the coordinating point for Michigan veterans, connecting those who served in the U.S. armed forces, and their families, to services and benefits throughout the state.

For student veterans, the services provided by Baker College are designed to make the transition to civilian life easier and help active-

duty students smoothly pick up where they left off. Veteran James Robertson, for example, is a disabled veteran who not only received academic assistance, but also help with VA benefits and other challenges as well.

"The veteran services at Baker College helped me get my VA benefits, putting me in touch with vocational rehabilitation resources, providing assistance with job hunting and everything else I could possibly need," said Robertson. "They really went over and above to help me get benefits I thought I'd never get. Because of them I'm on my way to a new degree and I have health care for my service-connected disability."

In addition to recognition by the MVAA, Baker College has been designated a Top Military Friendly College five consecutive times by the journal Military Advanced Education.

For more information about Baker College veterans programs and services, contact Christy Cooper in the military education office at 800.766.4390 or vet2vet@baker.edu, or visit www.baker.edu.

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear in court on charges last week

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

*Dustin L. Kenny, 22, Vassar, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail and 24 months probation following his pleas of no contest to three counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, and one count of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor May 23 in Fremont Township.

The jail term was deferred, according to court records, which state Kenny was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,944 plus restitution of \$120 and attorneys fees of \$500.

*Justin R. Felton, 18, Caro, was sentenced to 270 days in jail and 36 months probation following his pleas of guilty to carrying a concealed weapon and assault or assault and battery June 14 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$508.

*John D. Vanderpool, 43, Akron, was sentenced to eight months to eight years in prison following his plea of no contest to possession of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (less than 25 grams) Dec. 4 in Akron. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$258.

*Travis S. Stec, 37, Akron, was sentenced to 365 days in jail (deferred

and 60 months probation following his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, May 1 in Fairgrove Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to complete 480 hours of community service and pay costs and fines totaling \$1,258 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

*Ryan A. Scott, 18, Fostoria, received a six-month delayed sentence following his pleas of no contest to three counts of criminal sexual conduct, third degree, stemming from incidents between June and November 2015 in Watertown Township.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$394.

*Scott D. McMurray, 19, Vassar, received a one-year delayed sentence following his plea of guilty to illegal use/sale of a financial transaction device April 11 in Vassar.

He was ordered to pay fines and costs totaling \$358 plus restitution of \$128.60.

*Steven E. Crosby, 27, Caro, pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder July 8 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case, bond was continued at \$50,000 and the defendant

was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Michael N. Jacques, pleaded no contest to carrying a concealed weapon July 8 in Vassar, and to four counts of purchasing/possession of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine, knowing it would be used to manufacture methamphetamine between July 8, 2015, and April 28, 2016, in Vassar. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

*Michael A. Acre, 31, Mayville, pleaded no contest to domestic violence April 18 in Dayton Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

*Raymond L. Popp, 29, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence following his pleas of no contest to charges of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, fleeing a police officer, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor May 8 in Indianfields Township.

He was placed on 12 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,276.



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Reporter's notebook

Friendlier skies?

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



Our recent flights to Chicago and then Las Vegas and back seemed far less stressful than the last time I flew some years ago, probably because all of the TSA folks we ran into just seemed friendlier – or at least more courteous.

Even the bomb-sniffing dog in Vegas wagged his tail as he sauntered past me and my carry-on.

Of course, maybe it was because I had done my homework ahead of time, reading through all the airline information I could find on what I could and could not bring with me (or in my luggage) on a flight.

And there were some surprises, for sure.

Sure, everyone knows Transportation Security Administration (TSA) officials are sticklers when it comes to transporting more than 3.4 ounces of shampoo in your carry-on. And the wise traveler will leave his fireworks and brass knuckles home.

But it pays to check out the latest TSA rules.

The last time I flew, disposable lighters were a big no-no, but this time around I found I could carry one on my person without being tackled in the aisle of the plane and carted off to an interrogation room or the local police department. I should note, however, that if you're planning to transport refillable lighters with lighter fluid, you're going to need to check them in a Department of Transportation-approved case.

That seemed legit, although I was amused as I read further and found all sorts of interesting items that are allowed on planes.

Take antlers, for example. Yup, nearly all American airlines allow them, although they typically charge a fee and ask that you clean and properly wrap them for transport.

Kayaks and bikes are okay, too, although it depends on the airline, so it's worth doing a little research before you go lugging your bike, snowboard or surfboard to the airport. Certain airlines will make you break down equipment, such as a bike, and pack it a particular way.

Fishing rods are acceptable as well, as either a carry-on or checked luggage. Of course, that's up to the individual airline carrier.

Think I'll pass on that one. I've seen enough airline workers handling bags from my window on the plane to know I'm not likely to consider taking my favorite fishing rod across the friendly skies.

Don't think I'll ever find myself needing to transport cremated human remains, either, but they're allowed both onboard and in checked baggage. So are pies and cakes, but they may require a little additional screening (and tasting?).

The list goes on and includes ice skates and rollerblades; wrenches, pliers and screwdrivers as long as they measure fewer than seven inches; and knitting needles.

Oh, and you can also pack your parachute if you're so inclined. The rules I read through state you can, indeed, transport a parachute in your carry-on or checked luggage. "Just make sure the rig is separated from other parts of your luggage, and arrive half an hour early in case the TSA wants to ask you some questions."

Really?

I don't know about you, but if a bunch of folks boarded my flight with parachutes, I'd be re-thinking my decision not to take a train.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2011)

The parents of Lindsey Kilbourn and Nicholas Blessing announce their engagement. Lindsey is the daughter of Cheryl Kilbourn of Cass City, and Jim and Shari Kilbourn of East Tawas. She is the granddaughter of Donna and the late Otis Dorland of Decker, and Ada and the late Harold Kilbourn of Deford. She is a graduate of SVSU, and is currently employed by Great Lakes Eye in Cass City. Nick is the son of Beth and Doyle Bunton of Davison, and Ken Blessing of Oxford. He is a graduate of SVSU, and is currently employed as a computer programmer. After a Nov. 16 wedding in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, the couple will reside in Battle Creek.

The Cass City Gavel Club's newly-elected officers for 2011-12 are Virgil Peters-president, Ron Guinther-vice president, Joe Leeson-treasurer and Jim Mastie-secretary.

10 YEARS AGO (2006)

Christian Grimm got more than he bargained for when he signed up to spend a year in America as an exchange student. Sure, Grimm, 17, got his wish to spend nearly a year away from his home in Leipzig, Germany, to soak up culture in the United States with Cass City area residents Joe and Kaye Graham, but he's also getting a taste of Chinese culture, thanks to MingYu "Harry" Chen, also 17 and a resident of Zhen Jiang, China, a city of more than 2 million people. Likewise, Chen is learning a little about German culture as well as what it's like to live in America. Both teens are staying with the Grahams and are attending Cass City Schools this year through the Connecticut-based Academic Year in America student exchange program. The couple indicated the decision to take on 2 exchange students wasn't a difficult one. "We have 4 grown children and 6 grandchildren and a big house and sometimes, it seems kind of empty. It seemed like a little bit of a waste," Kaye said. Their "adopted" sons indicated they have enjoyed their exchange experiences so far, in spite of being so far away from home.

As expected, Cass City had no problem collecting its fourth win of the season Friday at Saginaw Buena Vista in Greater Thumb West play. The Red Hawks ran back 3 punts for scores, 2 in the opening quarter, to help build a 22-0 margin en route to a 61-6 massacre. Cass City's defense, led by Dennis Bowen's 9 tackles, supplied several hard hits on the night. Ironically, the biggest whack was a collision between best friends Hartel and Halasz. With Hartel's arms extended above his head in an attempt to pick off a Buena Vista pass, Halasz came sprinting across the field and struck Hartel square in his mid-section. The play left Hartel grasping for air, as both teams took a knee for nearly 5 minutes. Afterwards, Hartel said that he has had his bell rung several times, but never experienced a lick like the one Halasz delivered.

25 YEARS AGO (1991)

Clem and Frances Briolat, Cass City, were honored recently at a Mass at St. Pancratius Catholic Church for their 50th wedding anniversary. The dinner was held Sept. 22 at the Ubyl Fox Hunters Club. It was hosted by their children and grandchildren. Clem Briolat and Frances Klebba were married Sept. 16, 1941, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Parisville. The couple have one son, Marvin (Tracey), and 5 daughters, Marian (Larry) White, Rita (Tom) Judd, Gloria (David) Michalski, Yvonne (Garry) Edzik, and Loretta (Marvin) Smalley. They also have 15 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. A foster son, Maurice DeSmet, and his wife Ruth attended from Partsmouth, N.H. All

of the wedding attendants and their spouses were able to attend. A letter of congratulations to the Briolats was received from the President and Barbara Bush. They also received blessings from Bishop Untener.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Depcinski attended a Mass at St. John's Catholic Church in Ubyl for Mr. and Mrs. Ray Depcinski in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary at 9:30 Sunday morning. A dinner was held at Klump's restaurant in Harbor Beach, given by their children.

Receiving All Conference recognition from the Cass City golf team are 1st team - Garen Barker (captain), Kevin Franz; 2nd team - Troy Osentoski, Jeff Hockey; honorable mention - Bart Hall.

35 YEARS AGO (1981)

Steve Kowbel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Kowbel, was awarded the teen of the month honor for September at the Sunday evening service at First Baptist church.

Mrs. Reva M. Little had with her Saturday afternoon, her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Grant M. Little of Birmingham, her son Bruce of Hawaii and her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Roberts of Center Line. Bruce left this week to return to Hawaii, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts had attended a family dinner at his mother's, Mrs. Glen Roberts, near Snover earlier in the day.

Amy Erla and Scott Hartel were united in marriage Sept. 26 at St. Pancratius Catholic church in Cass City. Deacon Lambert Kuhr performed the double ring ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Erla, Cass City. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hartel, Ubyl.

Eighteen Eggs – nine of 18 entries – two eggs per box – survived the 40-foot fall from the roof of the intermediate school. Intact eggs were dropped by Kim Sangster, Shar Beddow, Sandy McDonald, Karla Wischmeyer, Kris Proctor, Scott Hobart, Jim Crickon, Dave Lockwood, Dale Cleland, Steve Steely and Jim Smithson.

Julie McDonald was honored at a bridal shower Sunday at the Masonic hall in Ubyl, given by the mothers and bridesmaids with 85 guests attending. Several games were played and prizes awarded. Special prizes were given to Mrs. Irene Franzel of Ubyl, for being the oldest; to Mrs. John Wanasak, Ubyl, for being married the longest.

Dawn Erickson has been named to the 1981 homecoming court at Central Michigan University. Mount Pleasant. Miss Erickson, 21, is the daughter of Ronald and Kay Erickson of Owendale and a 1977 graduate of Owen-Gage High School. She is a senior majoring in business administration. She was sponsored by Woltd and Emmons Halls and was elected to the court by a student vote. Miss Erickson and three other court members and the homecoming queen will ride in the homecoming parade before the Oct. 24 football game against Kent State University.

40 YEARS AGO (1976)

Baptized Sunday, Sept. 26, in Good Shepherd Lutheran church were Kelly Jo and Tricia Colleen Southworth, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hofmeister. Also baptized was Brook Erin Eberline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Eberline Jr. Baptized Oct. 4 at Good Shepherd was Donald Wade Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Finkbeiner had with them for Sunday, Bill Finkbeiner and sons, Bill and Matthew, and Marcie Finkle and daughter Heather of Pontiac.

The First Presbyterian Church in Cass City was the setting for the wedding of Cynthia Lynn Guernsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor M. Guernsey, Cass City, and Lawrence

R. Kroswek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Kroswek, Caro. Rev. Harry E. Capps officiated the double-ring ceremony at 3:30 p.m. June 5.

50 YEARS AGO (1966)

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Quick and daughter Judy and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Toner and children enjoyed a color tour over the week end, going as far as Traverse City and also visiting the sand dunes. They left Miss Judy Quick at Mt. Pleasant en route home. She is a student at CMU.

Nancy Sweeney of Ubyl is one of 12 Central Michigan University co-eds who is in the running for homecoming queen for the school's homecoming.

Seventeen members of the Philathea class of the Baptist church held their monthly fellowship Tuesday night, Sept. 27, at the Elwyn Helwig home. The meeting was held following the missionary service at the church. Rev. Glenn Gustafson, missionary to Ghana under Baptist Mid Missions, was a guest. A humorous skit, "How Not to Behave in Church," was presented with Mrs. Dick Shaw, Mrs. Clyde Wells, Ferris Ware, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ewald and Mrs. Dean Hoag participating.

The champion squash grower in Cass City is Sam Urchick. Last year the Chronicle showed a picture of him with a giant squash weighing 44 pounds. This year he has one on display at Konrad's Bakery that dwarfs last year's champ. It weighs 65 pounds.

75 YEARS AGO (1941)

The Revs. Frank Smith and S. P. Kim of Cass City attended the Tuscola County Ministers' Association meeting at Caro Monday. They report plans are underway for the observance of a county-wide go to church Sunday in the near future, and also plans to re-establish the work of Christian education throughout the county.

A birthday dinner was served by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cross, in their home on Third Street Saturday night in honor of their daughters, Miss Doris Cross, whose birthday is October 9, and Lena May Cross, whose anniversary is October 7. Guests included John Tewksbury, Cass City; Mrs. Ella Cross, Birmingham; Mr. and Mrs. George Wilkins and son, George, of Kingston.

A reunion of the Schmitt cousins was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Guinther, corner of West and Seventh Streets, Sunday when 55 relatives were present. Cousins attended from Detroit, Port Huron, Flint, Kinde, Bad Axe, Elkton, Tyre, Ubyl and Cass City. Mrs. Harm of Detroit, who is 85 years of age, was the oldest present and Charles McPhail, son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie McPhail, who is six months old, was the youngest. A bounteous chicken dinner was served at noon and ice cream and cake later in the day.

100 YEARS AGO (1916)

A pleasant surprise was given Thelma Williams last Tuesday evening, it being her sixteenth birthday. About thirty young people were present. Games and music were the order of amusements. A bountiful supper was served and all report a very good time. She received many beautiful presents among them a gold watch and pin from her father and mother.

Twenty-one members of the Keyser family enjoyed dinner and the afternoon of Sunday, Oct. 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Keyser. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Keyser and son, William, of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. John Keyser and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Keyser and son, Virgil, all of Wisner township, and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Keyser and daughter, Margaret O' Flint.

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Efficiency down on the (dairy) farm is focus of GEA Farm Technologies

by Mary Drier
 Special for the Chronicle

Automation is taking over some aspects of dairy farming. With today's technology, a cow can be milked and a calf fed when no one is around.

Roberts Dairy Service - GEA Farm Technologies of Cass City, helps farmers with maintenance of their milking equipment as well as setting up the latest high-tech devices to make dairy farming more efficient. The company, located at 6435 Cass City Rd., sets up automatic milking systems as well as automatic calf feeding systems.

"When a cow feels the pressure to be milked, it goes to the auto milking system. The cow goes into a stall whenever it wants to be milked. The claws (milking attachment) automat-

ically attaches to the udders and milks," explained Robert's Dairy Service Controller Tea Fatter. "A scanner reads the tag on the cow's ear and keeps track."

The robotic calf feeder works the same way.

"If a calf is hungry, it just goes to the feeder. The feeder reads the calf's ear tag. If it goes to the feeder too often, the machine recognizes that from its tag and the calf is turned away by not providing food," said Fatter. "With robotics, cows can be automatically milked at any time, 24 hours a day, and calves fed the same way."

Roberts Dairy Service has been offering and installing automated calf feeders for a year, and automated milkers for about five years.

"In the Thumb area, we've set up two dairy operations with auto milk-

ers," said Fatter, who declined to name the farms where Roberts Dairy Service has set up auto milkers and feeders to protect the privacy of the company's customers.

Fatter noted Roberts Dairy Service also offers assistance with all aspects of remodeling or creating new milking facilities. The company also handles routine maintenance to keep milking systems operating, has hygiene supplies, parts and more.

The company, which offers emergency service 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, is family owned and operated, and has been in business since 2012.

Besides the store in Cass City, Roberts Dairy Service has locations in Clare and Fowler. Overall, the company employs 29 people, with seven at the Cass City office.

A few changes on tap for the Pumpkin festival

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ing contest from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday, with registration at the courthouse lawn, as well as another pie eating contest at 7 p.m.

Because the Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival is always the first full weekend in October, the weather is unpredictable. The weather can be nice, or rainy, and there have even been years when it snowed. With that in mind, organizers of this year's festival decided to move some events inside the Merchants Building at the fairgrounds.

"We think having the activities inside there will (result in) a better turnout. Some of the older crafters and vendors have asked to have the event inside — some events like the hometown idol lip-sync outgrew the tent," Hodges said. "That event also will be inside the Merchants Building."

Decorated pumpkins will still be displayed on the courthouse lawn, the food court will still be next to the courthouse, and many other events will remain downtown as usual.

"With events in two locations, the Thumbbody bus will provide free shuttle service from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. from downtown to the fairgrounds," Hodges said, noting that will help with safety and traffic congestion. "While we don't like to pull events from the downtown... different

things are being tried for more participation."

While the festival is all about family-oriented events, there is a new offering for those who cannot leave their electronics behind.

"There will be a trailer with X-boxes for gamers to play for free," Hodges said. The trailer will be at the fairgrounds from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday.

All of the family favorite events will be back and they are all free, including a children's pumpkin derby from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Friday at

the fairgrounds (check www.tuscolacounty.pumpkinfestival.com for instructions). The hometown idol contest will be Friday, with registration from 4:30 to 7 p.m. and performances starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Merchants Building. The bike and car show is set for noon to 4 p.m., there will be a Frisbee dog show from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the fairgrounds, and the grand parade will kick off at 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

For more information, go to www.tuscolacounty.pumpkinfestival.com or call (989) 325-5323.

100-plus more turbines coming?

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Garner.

Also, Consumers Energy officials recently filed paperwork for special use permits for 19 turbines to be built in conjunction with the second phase of their Cross Winds Energy Park in Columbia Township, and there is a possibility 33 more turbines could be built if a third phase is developed.

The three projects are expected to add 104 more turbines and represent an investment of about \$450 million. "We expect to start and finish the project in 2017," said Garner. "NextEra is a world leader in alter-

native energy development, with 110 wind farms in the U.S. and Canada."

However, for several months, some residents in Almer and Ellington townships have strongly opposed the wind development projects, and petitions are being circulated to take the issue to a referendum vote of the people in those townships.

"We are sensitive to that and are addressing those concerns," said Garner, who contends that NextEra's application in Almer Township meets or exceeds all of the current requirements of the current wind ordinance and in some cases is more restrictive than required. In Ellington Township, the permit application meets or exceeds Huron County's setback and sound requirements, which was requested by some residents. And, in Fairgrove Township the application also exceeds sound and setback requirements, he said.

A new aspect of this project is that NextEra plans to use the latest technology in the development.

"We filed with the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) to use radar controlled lighting. Some (area residents) don't like seeing the blinking lights. If the FAA approves our request to use radar lighting the lights on the turbines, the lights activate only when there is a plane, Garner explained.

The third wind project is expected to have a capacity of up to 125 megawatts produced by GE turbines. The turbines will be 308 feet tall, from the ground to the hub, and overall 500 feet tall from the ground to the end of the blades.

When the project gets underway, it will generate more than 200 construction jobs, with eight to 10 full-time operations jobs when completed. It will generate an estimated \$41-plus million in property taxes and over \$27 million in landowner payments over 30 years.

NextEra currently has two wind farms in the region. Tuscola - Bay Wind Farm is primarily located in Gilford Township with a few turbines in Bay County. It started operation in 2012. Tuscola Wind II is located in the townships of Gilford, Akron, Fairgrove and Juniata. It became operational in 2013.

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 Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 11:00 a.m. FOOD COURT OPENS
 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. **FREE PUMPKIN PIE EATING CONTEST REGISTRATION**
 (Courthouse Lawn)
 6:30 p.m. PRINCE & PRINCESS CROWNING (Courthouse Lawn)
 6:30 p.m. JOHN ECKEN BAND (Courthouse Lawn)
 7:00 p.m. **FREE PIE EATING CONTEST** (Courthouse Lawn)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7TH
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 9:00 a.m. PUMPKIN PIE SALES BEGIN (Sherman Street/Family Video/
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 10:00 a.m. FOOD COURT OPENS (Sherman Street)
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 Merchants Building)
 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 4H DINER OPEN (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
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 (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. **FREE WING EATING CONTEST REGISTRATION**
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 6:30 p.m. PUMPKIN DERBY CONTEST (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 6:30 p.m. WING EATING CONTEST (Brentwood)
 7:00 p.m. **FREE EUCHRE TOURNAMENT** (Brentwood)
 7:30 p.m. HOMETOWN IDOL COMPETITION (Tuscola County
 Fairgrounds, White Merchants Building)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8TH
 7:00 a.m. CLOSURE OF STATE STREET (M-81)
 7:00 a.m. LIONS DEN OPEN FOR BREAKFAST (\$) (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 9:00 a.m. PUMPKIN PIE SALES BEGIN (Sherman St., Family Video, Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. **FREE BABY CONTEST REGISTRATION**
 (Tuscola County Fairgrounds, White Merchants Building)
 10:00 a.m. FOOD COURT OPENS (Sherman St. & Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. ARTS & CRAFTS (Tuscola County Fairgrounds, Green Merchants Building)
 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **FREE CAR & BIKE SHOW REGISTRATION (M-81)**
 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. BABY CONTEST JUDGING (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. **FREE CHILDREN'S BIATHLON REGISTRATION (At VG's)**
 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **FREE INFLATABLES** (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
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 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **FREE BAKE OFF REGISTRATION** (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 11:00 a.m. **FREE CHILDREN'S BIATHLON RACE**
 (At VG's, 1520 W. Caro Rd.)
 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. **FREE CAR SEAT CHECK** (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
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 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **FREE X-BOX TRAILER** (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 2:00 p.m. CAR CACKLEFEST (M-81)
 2:00 p.m. **FREE THUMB AREA TAIL WAGGERS**
 (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 2:30 p.m. BAKE OFF JUDGING (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 3:00 p.m. **FREE FLYIN' FRISBEE DOG SHOW**
 (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 3:30 p.m. AMATEUR BBQ CONTEST JUDGING
 (Tuscola County Fairgrounds)
 3:30 p.m. CAR SHOW TOP 10 ANNOUNCED (M-81)
 4:00 p.m. **FREE CHILDRENS MOVIE** (Strand Theatre)
 4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. MIDNIGHT BLUE BAND
 (Tuscola County Fairgrounds, White Merchants Building)
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9TH
 9:00 a.m. PUMPKIN PIE SALES (Sherman Street/Family Video)
 10:00 a.m. FOOD COURT OPENS (Sherman Street)
 12:00 p.m. John Ecken Band (Courthouse Lawn)
 12:00 - 12:30 p.m. **FREE STRUT WITH A MUTT REGISTRATION**
 (Pizza Hut-815 S. State Street)
 12:30 p.m. CLOSURE OF MAIN STREET
 12:45 p.m. STRUT WITH A MUTT (Main Street)
 1:00 p.m. PARADE OF TOP 10 CARS (Main Street)
 1:30 p.m. GRAND PARADE (Main Street)
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MICHIGAN AUTHOR David Vizard paid a visit to the Ravenous Readers Book Club at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City last week to talk about his novel, "A Grand Murder". "The book club opened their meeting up to the public and invited all to join. There were 35 in attendance," Jesika L. Ferris-Struve, special programming librarian, said. "Mr. Vizard spoke about his second novel, which the Ravenous Readers read for their first book of the 2016-2017 season, and about the two more novels that he is currently working on," she added.



News briefs

Searchers locate missing resident

TUSCOLA COUNTY – A missing person report ended happily last week, with searchers locating a man with Alzheimer's who had wandered away from home.

"At around 10:15 a.m. yesterday (Sept. 28), deputies from the Tuscola County Sheriff's Office responded to an address in the 700 block of Goodrich Road near Fostoria Road in Watertown Township. The caller reported that a family member with Alzheimer's had left the house without them noticing and was gone," Tuscola County Undersheriff Glen Skrent reported.

"A search was conducted by the deputies with assistance from the Michigan State Police MSP, CERT (community emergency response team), the road commission and Fostoria Fire Department. After several hours of searching, the subject was located in a cornfield one-half mile from his residence," Skrent said.

"The sheriff's office thanks everyone, including neighbors in the area who assisted at the scene. Searches like that are very manpower intensive, (and) it is the sheriff's office hope that we will be able to obtain a tracking dog of our own to assist in situations such as that."

Rawson library to host doll party

CASS CITY – Rawson Memorial District Library will be hosting an American Girl Doll Party for girls ages five and up, accompanied by an adult, Saturday, Oct. 8, from noon to 2 p.m.

A fun-filled afternoon is planned, including refreshments, prizes, surprises and activities relating to the 1950s. Girls may bring a favorite doll. Both adults and children are invited to dress up as a 1950s girl.

Tickets are \$5 and must be purchased by 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6.

There will be a drawing for the American Girl doll, Maryellen, who is on display behind the circulation desk at the library. The price of tickets for the drawing is \$1 each or \$5 for six tickets. For more information, call the library at (989) 872-2856.

Pinktober events to boost fund

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The Love for Lexi Paying it Forward Fund was established in 2012 following the death of Alexis "Lexi" Jade Smith, the daughter of Randy and Heidi Smith of Cass City. The youngster was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor earlier that same year.

The tragic loss prompted a small group of parents and others to establish a fund that would not only honor Lexi's memory, but also assist other families caring for a child diagnosed with cancer. The Cass City Lions Club also stepped up to help the group by handling money donated to the group. Donations are now held in a fund through the Tuscola County Community Foundation.

"Sometimes there's not enough time to hold a benefit," Bock said, referring to the financial needs of such families. "Every little bit helps. It's all about paying it forward."

In the two years after the organization started the fund, the families of two more children diagnosed with cancer received some assistance.

It's a helping hand of support and love that Heidi Smith remembers well after the community rallied around her family during Lexi's battle — a helping hand that Smith would like to see extended to other families.

"In a perfect world it (Love for Lexi Paying it Forward Fund) would never have to be used, but thankfully it was and will continue to be available when a helping hand is needed. We will continue the fund and help any Cass City children that are fighting cancer," Smith said.

"In 2023, the year Lexi would have graduated, we will do a scholarship in her name with the remaining funds. So today I'm reaching out for

donations for the live auction for the Pink Girls Night Out that will take place on Saturday, Oct. 8, where all of the money raised from the LIVE auction will go to the Love for Lexi Paying it Forward Fund.

"This is an extremely emotional thing for me to talk about. Don't get me wrong — I can talk about our Lexi all day long with lots of smiles and lots of wonderful memories, and those are the things I like to remember," Smith said.

"But when I go back to the first few days after she was diagnosed with... a cancer that has zero-percent survival rate, it started to sink in that we wouldn't have our girl for much longer. With that consuming our family to the core, all the realities of everyday life started to sink in as well. I didn't know what we were going to do and how we were going to survive while trying to take care of Lexi, knowing she was going to be gone way too soon," she added.

"All I can say is our community stepped up and made sure we were okay and (let us know) they were behind us 100 percent," Smith said. "We are so thankful for each and every one of you who went out of your way to make sure we were okay. It didn't matter if we had ever met before or not, everyone stepped up to make the most difficult time a parent can face a little easier. It literally felt like Lexi's loving and caring personality had taken over Cass City, and it still continues today."

"I will say it again as I often do, I love our small town and I wouldn't live anywhere else."

Cass City's Pinktober is a month-long observance focused on promoting awareness of breast cancer and the American Cancer Society. The month includes other activities, including:

*The fourth annual Pinktober Talent Show, set for Wednesday, Oct. 19, at 7 p.m. at Cass City Elementary School. Contact Rachael at (989) 912-9806 or via email at rachaelkoepf@gmail.com for more information.

*Pink or Treat in the streets of Cass City from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25. Call Pam Peters at (989) 912-5347 for more information.

*The Glow 5K Run/Walk, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5. Call Misty Delong at (989) 872-1939 for more information.

*Cutest Kids Contest (throughout the month of October). Contact Christine Anthony at (989) 670-8418 for the details.

Grant awarded to fight drug abuse

To help prevent overdose deaths related to prescription opioids, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will receive \$2.25 million over a three-year period from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as part of the Prescription Drug Overdose: Data-Driven Prevention Initiative (DDPI).

The funding will support Michigan's ongoing efforts to advance and evaluate state-level prevention of opioid misuse, abuse and overdose efforts to reduce the number of prescription drug overdose deaths in the state.

From 1999 to 2014, Michigan saw a four-fold increase in unintentional fatal drug poisonings, and the state was ranked 10th in the nation in per capita prescribing rates of opioid pain relievers in 2012.

Man injured

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on top of the cab-less tractor and him," Hanson explained.

"Once freed from the defacer, he was rushed by private vehicle with a head injury, before the responding ambulance arrived, to Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon. From there, he was flown by helicopter to an out of county hospital," he said.

"Our office still has some follow up to do before the incident can be closed."

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Stimpfel erases 34-year-old record



by Clarke Haire
Publisher

If you would like to watch the fastest 5,000 meter runner in the history of Cass City Schools, he'll be in the park Saturday.

Junior CarLee Stimpfel erased the Red Hawks' long standing cross country record Saturday in Harbor Beach, running to medalist honors at the Wagener Park Invitational that featured more than 25 schools and nearly 200 participants.

The previous school record was 15:40 set by Greg Bliss in 1982 and stood for the past 34 years.

"One of CarLee's main goals for this year was breaking that record, now that he has accomplished that goal he can focus on his other goals for the season," said Coach Jon Zdrojewski.

Although individual glory belonged to Stimpfel on the day, Cass City was bettered by area rivals Caro and Ubyly in the team standings. St. Clair edged runner-up Caro 57-68 to take home the championship trophy, while other area scores were Ubyly with 290 points, Cass City 301, Bad Axe 323 and Kingston 445.

Wagener Park's reputation as being a fast course was confirmed over the weekend as Cass City had a total of five athletes setting personal-best times and two more setting season-best times.

Highlighting the team's performance, of course, was an outstanding run by Stimpfel that established a new school record with his lofty time of 15:39. Finishing second for Cass City was again Zane Wright with a new personal record of 17:05, next for the Red Hawks was Gabe Farver finishing with a time of 19:46, followed closely by Race Woloshen with a season-best time of 19:50. Hayden Larkin rounded out the team scorers, finishing just two spots behind Woloshen with a new personal record of 19:51.

"CarLee Stimpfel is the hardest worker on the team, he puts in all of the effort necessary to accomplish his goals. His next personal goal is an individual State Champion title. He is currently ranked number one in the State Finals and he is doing everything he can to keep that ranking and finish in that position at MIS on November 5," Zdrojewski said, continuing, "when his brother Bransen missed the record two years

ago by one second he responded, 'it really didn't matter because CarLee would just break it.'

"CarLee has been driven to that end almost since he started running cross country. He is an inspiration to the rest of the team and is the one that is a leader on the team and the rest of the team follows his lead. CarLee is an absolute delight to coach, he will do extra on any workout and will do whatever he can to make sure he is the best he can possibly be. When we began the season and CarLee told me his personal goals were the school record and an individual State Champion, I believed he would attain those goals. A lot of people will set grandiose goals and strive towards them, but CarLee's grandiose goals are achievable when he puts his mind to them. I fully expect to have the second State Individual Champion for Cass City, the first was Greg Bliss in 1982."

For Caro, Yami Albrecht and Zakaria Drews had Top 5 finishes to lead the way. Albrecht was second to the tape behind Stimpfel with a time of 15:55 and Drews placed fourth with a time of 16:15. The final three scorers for the Tigers were Caleb Cotton, Bryden Miller and Aaron Hulbert with times of 16:52, 15:57 and 17:26, respectively.

For Ubyly, Alex Grifka was clocked in 16:36, Nicholas Swanson 17:06, Rych Roggenbuck 19:15, Zachary Garner 19:47 and Evan Franzel registered a time of 19:53.

For Kingston, Lane Torrey (18:06), Michael Bombard (18:33), Brian Hobson (19:24), Nathan Cloyd (20:40) and Jacob Niemi (25:14)

combined for a team score of 445.

In the women's division, St Clair netted 41 points to become a double winner on the day, while the best finishes among area teams had Ubyly (190) in 6th place, Caro (373) in 14th, Bad Axe (379) in 15th and Cass City (405) in 16th.

Haili Gusa was the lone Ubyly runner to break the 20-minute mark and finished in fourth with a time of 19:50, while Janelle White came in with a time of 20:54, Madelyn Smalley 21:24, Lauren Droseski 22:43 and Sierra Walker 23:12.

For Caro, Ellie Fisch's time of 22:16 was best. Lydia Chapelo (22:46) was next for the Tigers, followed by Hannah Dennis (23:25), Catherine Anger (24:15) and Grace Branding (24:59).

Closer to home, the Lady Red Hawks saw Josie Loomis step up and deliver a new personal-best time of 22:13. She was closely followed by Layna Mathewson also with a personal-best time of 22:38. Next for Cass City was Lauren Fernald with a time of 24:35, while the final two scorers were Mary Muter and her twin sister Marla Muter with times of 24:39 and 26:29, respectively.

Cass City's only home meet of the season is Saturday. Coach Zdrojewski reports the race begins outside the North gate at the football field and runs up to and around the practice fields behind the high school for two loops then down and around the softball fields east of the track and finishes on the track. First race is 9:30 with Men's Varsity, then Women's Varsity at approximately 10:00.

CARLEE STIMPFEL heads towards the fastest 5,000 meter time in Cass City school history Saturday, finishing with a time of 15:39 at the Wagener Park Invitational.

Cass City remains in GTW volleyball race

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

The Cass City volleyball team wrapped up first round play in the Greater Thumb West (GTW) Thursday, sweeping guest Bad Axe. Scores on the night were 25-20, 25-15 and 25-17.

The straight game decision avenges an early season loss to the Hatchets and leaves Coach Amy Cuthrell's squad with a 4-1 conference record entering the second half of league play this Thursday at USA.

If the Lady Hawks can continue their excellent play of late, they should be able to set the stage for a title showdown against undefeated GTW leader Reese Tuesday in Cass City. The Rockets handed Cass City their lone GTW defeat during an exciting 5-game thriller early in the season. Tuesday's rematch with title implications on the line should be more of the same.

Meanwhile, the Bad Axe defeat put them at 2-2 in the GTW. The Hatchets actually built a 3-point cushion late in Game One before the hosts rallied behind a 9-1 run to take the initial game that was tied at 5-5, 10-10, 15-15 and 20-20.

Cass City continued to build momentum in Game 2 and jetted to leads of 11-5 and 20-12 before posting a double digit victory. In Game 3 it was USA that started strong. Trailing 11-7, however, Cass City drew even at 12-12 with the Patriots and then outscored them 13-5 to the

final whistle.

"Exciting night for the Hawks. Our net play finally became a contributing factor in our defensive game. We have a very athletic team so it was exciting to see this finally come alive. The girls are clicking together allowing for more offensive options and a solid defensive game plan," Coach Cuthrell said.

Individually, Cass City had Kacey Haire with 10 kills, Sayge Cuthrell nine and Lauren Dickinson eight. Other team stats had Cuthrell with 43 sets and Bailee Ross, 24. Baylee Murphy posted 13 serve receptions, Cuthrell 11, and Lauren Dickinson 10, while Cuthrell, Megan Graham and Kelsey Bouverette all had two blocks. Defensively, Murphy had a dozen digs, Cuthrell and Dickinson both had eight.

For Bad Axe, Ashley Kerr was credited with 11 assists and 10 digs, Cynthia Labor chipped in 32 digs and Emma Cubitt and Maddy Jimkoski had 10 and 6 kills, respectively.

Earlier in the week, Cass City traveled to take on the Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Lakers Tuesday and returned home with easy wins of 25-20, 25-13 and 25-21.

For the winners, Bouverette and Haire split 20 kills, while Cuthrell and Ross recorded 45 and 31 sets, respectively. Adding to Cass City's attack was the serving of Ross and Alexa Torres, who combined for three aces.

Defensively, Dickinson had 11 digs, Cuthrell 7 and Torres 7.

Hawks roll to homecoming night victory

After a two week absence, the Cass City football team returned to the win column Friday with a Greater Thumb West (GTW) blowout of visiting Bad Axe.

With the 48-8 homecoming night victory, the Red Hawks improve to 1-2 in the GTW, 3-3 overall, while the Hatchets fall to 0-3 in the GTW, 1-5 overall.

With running backs Nick Perry and Shaede Perzanowski sidelined with injuries, seniors Brad Hacker and TJ Moore took control for the hosts.

"Great win. Players that needed to step up did," said Cass City Coach Scott Cuthrell, adding, "Proud of all our players."

Hacker rushed for a season-high 179 yards on 15 attempts and one score, while Moore added 101 rushing yards on eight carries. He scored a career-high four TDs on the night.

The hosts struck first on a 2-yard run by Luke Stern and then padded their advantage with a 56-yard jaunt by Hacker to lead 12-0 with 5:31 remaining in the opening quarter. Sophomore Stern gained 56 yards on seven totes.

A Cole Chippi sack, followed by a Jarod Naegele interception set up the Red Hawks' next score - Moore's first marker from 4-yards out. Moore would strike again in the period, this time from 32-yards out. Moore would also account for the 2-point conversion run and with 7:32 remaining in the half, the hosts enjoyed a 26-0 spread.

Cass City would take a 32-0 margin into the break on a quarterback scramble by Sandyn Cuthrell that had several Hatcher fans heading

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ROYAL PAIR. Chase Winter and Paige Bagnall capped the homecoming festivities Friday in Cass City when they were announced as the 2016 king and queen during halftime of the Red Hawks' grid-iron test against Bad Axe. Chase is the son of Kirk and Lisa Winter; Paige is the daughter of Steve and Jennifer Bagnall.

Surprise! Owen-Gage suffers rare setback

The Owen-Gage Bulldog win streak of 16 regular season games ended Friday in Owendale when New Haven Merritt edged the Bulldogs 36-32 in Mid-Michigan 8-Man action.

The Bulldogs entered the contest winners in 31 of their last 36 games, including the playoffs. The defending three-time conference champs were looking to secure their 6th trip to the post season, but instead suffered their only conference defeat since late 2013.

The visitors led 14-12 after one quarter and 28-18 after two.

The Mustangs struck with touchdowns from Matthew Shather and Tim Shambling to build an early lead, but it was a stingy defense that limited the hosts' high scoring offense that led to victory.

Owen-Gage was held to a season low rushing total. Running backs David Binder and Jake Warack combined for just 108 yards, with Warack racking up 61 yards on 14

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CASS CITY sophomore Kacey Haire makes a play at the net in GTW action Thursday against Bad Axe. Defending are Hatchets Emma Cubitt (11) and Ashley Kerr.

Ubly playoff bound at 6-0

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Warack 12.

UBLY 46, Sandusky 7

carries and one touchdown, while Binder rushed for 47 yards on a dozen totes. He scored three markers.

Aaron Fahrner added 57 yards passing for the hosts, while a halfback pass from Warack to Derek Vincent completed a 60-yard score. Vincent hauled in four passes on the night for 105 yards.

Defensively, Vincent, Binder and Warack all finished with double digits in tackles. Vincent's 19 stops was tops, while Binder chipped in 13 and

Ubly punched their ticket to the Division 8 playoff Friday with another convincing performance that kept the Bearcats perfect on the season.

Derek Brown and Jonathan Brandel each had big showings for the winners.

Brown ran for a game-high 117 yards, and Brandel added 94 rushing yards to help turn back Sandusky. The Redskins slipped to 1-5 on the year.

FOOTBALL STANDINGS

Greater Thumb West				
Team	W	L	W	L
EPBP	3	0	6	0
USA	3	0	5	1
Reese	1	2	4	2
Cass City	1	2	3	3
Vassar	1	2	2	4
Bad Axe	0	3	1	5

Greater Thumb East				
Team	W	L	W	L
Ubly	3	0	6	0
Harbor Beach	3	0	4	2
Brown City	2	1	2	4
Sandusky	1	2	1	5
Marlette	0	3	0	6
Memphis	0	3	0	6

North Central Thumb 8-Man				
Team	W	L	W	L
Deckerville	3	0	6	0
Peck	2	1	5	1
Mayville	2	1	3	3
Dryden	2	2	3	3
Kingston	1	2	3	3
North Huron	0	4	0	6

Mid-Michigan Coastal 8-Man				
Team	W	L	W	L
Owen-Gage	3	1	5	1
Caseville	2	2	2	4
CPS	1	3	1	5
Akron-Fair.	0	4	0	6

Mid-Michigan Inland 8-Man				
Team	W	L	W	L
NH Merritt	4	0	6	0
Hale	2	1	4	1
Flint Int.	2	1	3	2
B. Madison	1	3	2	4

Hawks rebound with GTW win

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for home before the start of the halftime festivities.

In the closing half, Moore completed the route with his final two scores, the first coming on a 30-yard run in the third.

To their credit, the Hatchets continued to battle and got on the scoreboard with a TD run by Clark Brady. The Bad Axe offense was paced by Matt Gorkowski with 60 rushing yards on only three carries, while Brady tacked on 21 yards rushing on five attempts. Quarterback Ben McVey was 6-of-11 passing for 50 yards. His favorite target was Aaron Volk with a pair of receptions.

Leading 40-8, Moore ended the scoring with a 70-yard fumble recovery in the final 12 minutes.

Once again Cass City's leading tackler was Brendan Hamilton with eight stops, while Moore chipped in six stops in a complete game showing.

For Bad Axe, Wyatt Humphrey-Phillips was credited with six tackles to lead the way.

Up next for Cass City is Friday's contest at Vassar (1-2 GTW, 2-4 overall), while Bad Axe will entertain Reese (1-2 GTW, 4-2 overall).

Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast

2016 Football Season



Clarke Haire



Tom Montgomery



Geoff Morgan



Doug Hyatt

FRIDAY, OCT. 7

(11-man contest)

Reese at Bad Axe
Cass City at Vassar
USA at EPBP
Memphis at Ubly
Caro at Garber

Reese
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(8-man contest)

Owen-Gage at Hale
Akron-Fair. at Merritt

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Merritt

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Merritt

Owen-Gage
Merritt

LAST WEEK
SEASON RESULTS

6 - 2
(32-9 78%)

6 - 2
(31-10 75%)

5 - 3
(29-12 70%)

6 - 2
(32-9 78%)

Schneeberger's ATHLETES of the WEEK



The Cass City volleyball team is Schneeberger's choice for their "Athletes of the Week" award winners.

First year Coach Amy Cuthrell has the Lady Red Hawks playing at a high level entering the second half of Greater Thumb West play.

With straight game decisions over Bad Axe and Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port last week, Cass City improved to 4-1 in league play, just one game back of undefeated Reese who is scheduled to invade Cass City - Tuesday Oct. 11 - for a conference showdown.

The Red Hawk spikers are: (front row, l-r) Brittany Swiderski, Riley Klein, Kate Stimpfel, Bailee Ross, Konnar Warren, Victoria Cumper, Alexa Torres (back row) Baylee Murphy, Kacey Haire, Kelsey Bouverette, Sayge Cuthrell, Megan Graham and Lauren Dickinson.

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Cass City Jr./Sr. High School 2016 Fall Sports Schedule

Support your favorite teams all season long with this guide to Cass City High School's big games!

CROSS COUNTRY

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/14	Ubly Invite	3:00 p.m.
9/17	Holly Invite	7:40 a.m.
9/22	Frankenmuth Invite	TBD
9/24	EPB Lakers Invite	10:00 a.m.
10/1	Wagener Park Invite (Sandusky)	7:30 a.m.
10/8	Cass City Invite	9:00 a.m.
10/15	Reese Invite	9:30 a.m.
10/18	GTC League @ Vassar	4:30 p.m.
10/22	Thumb Meet @ Caro	10:00 a.m.
10/28-29	Regional @ Deckerville	TBA

FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT
8/26	CC 36; Flint Hamady 22
9/1	Ubly 21; CC 16
9/9	CC 62; Brown City 8
9/16	USA 24; CC 20
9/23	EPB Lakers 26; CC 20
9/30	CC 48; Bad Axe 8
10/7	Vassar
10/14	Reese
10/21	Caro

Games begin at 7 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL (JV & VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Caro (V)	9:00 a.m.
9/15	USA	6:00 p.m.
9/17	Caro (JV)	8:30 a.m.
9/17	Bay City Western (V)	9:00 a.m.
9/20	Reese	6:00 p.m.
9/22	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
9/24	USA (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/27	EPB Lakers	6:00 p.m.
9/29	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
10/4	Millington	5:30 p.m.
10/6	USA	6:00 p.m.
10/11	Reese	6:00 p.m.
10/13	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
10/18	EPB Lakers	6:00 p.m.
10/20	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
10/22	EPB Laker (V)	10:00 a.m.
10/25	Caro	6:00 p.m.
10/31-11/5	Dist Tourny	TBA

**GO!
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WIN!**



JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	DATE	OPPONENT
9/20	Vassar (no kick)	10/11	Harbor Beach (kick)
9/27	Memphis (no kick)	10/18	USA (kick)
10/4	Reese (no kick)	10/18	Brown City (kick)

Games begin at 6 p.m.

JR HIGH VOLLEYBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	DATE	OPPONENT
9/14	Mayville	10/5	Mayville
9/19	Reese	10/10	Reese
9/21	USA	10/12	USA
9/26	Vassar	10/17	Vassar
9/28	Harbor Beach	10/19	Harbor Beach
10/3	Kingston		

ALL GAMES BEGIN AT 5:30 p.m.

Home games in bold.



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Vote for Tom Herron for Village of Cass City Trustee

Dear Fellow Cass City Resident(s),

I will be seeking a seat on the Village Council in the upcoming November election and wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with some personal information in order for you to be adequately informed prior to voting.

I'm a local man who grew up on a farm near Gagetown, learning strong values and hard work from my farming grandparents, who raised me. I graduated from Cass City High School in 1960 and left the farm in 1963 to work with a contractor here. I soon realized that I had found a trade that I loved.

I ventured out on my own in 1964 with a dream of building houses. My first house came in 1965 when I built the Florence and Preston Karr home; a home that Florence still resides in today. I built more homes both in town and in the country in the years to follow. By 1972 the town was running out of building sites so I purchased 10 acres on the south end of town, which I developed and where I constructed 20 homes. I went on to purchase and develop more land during the next 25 years adding 170 acres to the village, 220 homes and 100 condominium units.

I have built many of the commercial and industrial buildings over the years including: Walbro, Marshall Distributing, Forwards Shell Station, Cass City Hardware, Family Dollar, Thumb National Bank, The Charmont Restaurant and Bowling Alley and Motel and three doctor's offices. My hammer marks are on many of the Main Street buildings and included small projects as well as major renovations.

I added more value to the tax rolls of this community than any other one individual in Cass City history and as a result, I worked very closely with the Village government and spent many nights at the council meetings. I became very knowledgeable of how city government is supposed to work.

I have been intensely involved with our community over the years serving as Chamber of Commerce president for 8 years; chairman and one of the organizers of the first 4th of July festival and the next three after that; charter president of the Thumb Builders Association; two years as Cass City Lions Club president; and three years as St. Pancratius (Our Lady Consolata Parish) church finance board chairman. I also served on the Cass City DDA and EDC Boards.

I believe the above experience makes me a good candidate for Village Council and I think that I could be a driving force for changes that I feel need to be explored. As a member of the council and working as a team, I feel that we could be instrumental in seeking new business and industry to locate here. We could do whatever it takes to insure that DFA's milk plant expansion stays in Cass City and we could be the driving force in getting a grocery store deal done! Cass City may not need a major supermarket but we sure as heck need a place for the basic groceries, meat, and fresh fruits and vegetables. And we need it soon.

I'm concerned about street repairs and I would plan to get more information about why we no longer do any major asphalt replacement but continually patch with just tar strips—a major eyesore. I believe the council needs to know how our state road funding is received and dispersed.

Rundown buildings, weeds growing in our streets and other blight conditions throughout the Village are another major concern of mine. I want to understand what is currently done and what more we can do.

I am continually blown away by our high water and sewer bills as well as our taxes and I hear the same story from many, many, other people. Our Village has so many people who are living on limited incomes and continually struggling and these high bills often cause them real hardship. I think our council needs to explore these issues exhaustively to find if something can be done—possibly spending cuts in other areas? I don't mean to imply that any sacrifice to Village employees be made but I do feel that there might be leeway for cuts in other areas.

Now, if I am elected I cannot promise that I can accomplish any changes that I have mentioned, but I can promise that no one will work harder, as part of the team, to look into the aforementioned issues. I'd like to see more discussion at the council meetings and more clarity with a back and forth dialogue between the council members and the Village manager. We entrust the running of our Village to our council and if elected I would want detailed information before voting or agreeing to decisions being made by the Village manager. I believe this would also lead to our citizens being better informed. And isn't knowledge the primary catalyst for change? Thank you and I will appreciate your vote on November 8th.

Tom Herron

Paid for by the committee to elect Tom Herron



THE TUSCOLA County Board of Commissioners last week presented the Baxter family with a resolution commending dispatcher Carey Baxter for her years of service at Tuscola County Central Dispatch and the outstanding job she did while working there before her untimely death due to cancer. Commissioners agreed Baxter will be greatly missed by all.

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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 sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court within the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on Thursday October 6, 2016.

Said premises described as follows: Situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan Commencing 231 feet East of the West quarter corner of Section 28, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, thence East 100 feet, thence North 200 feet, thence West 100 feet, thence South 200 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date at such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at a 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: September 7, 2016
NORTHSTAR BANK, Mortgagee
Zachary J. Eskau, Attorney at Law
175 Thompson Rd., Bad Axe, MI 48413
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9-7-5

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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 October 13, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Novesta, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 21, Township 13 North, Range 11 East, Novesta Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 21 which is East 994.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 21; thence continuing along said South line, East 330.00 feet to the East North-South 1/8 line of said Section 21; thence along said 1/8 line, North 00 Degrees 16 Minutes 53 Seconds West 1318.45 feet to the South, East-West 1/8 line of said Section; thence along said 1/8 line North 89 Degrees 58 Minutes 13 Seconds East 1061.54 feet to a Traverse line along the Southerly bank of the North Branch of White Creek; thence along said traverse line, North 64 Degrees 15 Minutes 30 Seconds West 347.63 feet; thence continuing along said Traverse line, North 89 Degrees 59 Minutes 50 Seconds West 1079.16 feet to the terminus of said Traverse line; thence South 00 Degrees 16 Minutes 53 Seconds East 1470.01 feet to the place of beginning. Said property extending Northerly and Easterly from said Traverse line to the centerline of said North Branch of White Creek. Excepting therefrom any lands which lie beneath the waters of said North Branch of White Creek. Excepting a parcel of land described as: Commencing at a point on the South line of said Section 21 which is East 994.00 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 21; thence continuing along said South line, East 330.00 feet to the East North-South 1/8 line of said Section 21; thence along said 1/8 line, North 00 Degrees 16 Minutes 53 Seconds West 1470 feet; thence North 89 Degrees 59 Minutes 50 Seconds West 330.00 feet; thence South 00 Degrees 16 Minutes 53 Seconds East 1470.01 feet to the point of beginning; also, except easements and rights of way of record.

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: September 14, 2016
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9-14-4

FORECLOSURE NOTICE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR COLLECTING A DEBT.

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: Scott A. Edgley, Survivor of Charlene Edgley, A Single Man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 19, 2014 and recorded July 1, 2014 in Liber 1310 Page 716 and corrected by affidavit dated June 13, 2016 and recorded July 20, 2016 in Liber 1355 Page 296 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Flagstar Bank, FSB, by assignment dated December 30, 2014 and recorded January 14, 2015 in Liber 1322 Page 418 and corrected by affidavit dated August 26, 2016 and recorded September 2, 2016 in Liber 1358, Page 695, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars and Forty-Seven Cents (\$105,373.47) including interest 4.8689% 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 10:00AM on October 13, 2016 Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of Block 6 of Merritt's Addition to Vassar, Michigan, Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats on Page 22A of Tuscola County Records, more particularly described as: Beginning in the Southwesterly line of Walnut Street distant 78.36 feet North 27 degrees 41 minutes 50 seconds West from the Easterly most corner of said Block 6; thence South 62 degrees 3 minutes 14 seconds West 157.00 feet parallel with Monroe Street as shown on said plat; thence North 27 degrees 41 minutes 50 seconds West 106.68 feet parallel with said Walnut Street; thence North 82.94 feet along a line that is 78 feet East measured at right angles to the West line of Lot 9 in said Block 6 to the South line of the North 6 feet of Lots 7, 8, 9 in said Block 6, thence North 89 degrees 22 minutes 19 seconds East 133.02 feet along said South line to said Southwesterly line of said Walnut Street; thence South 27 degrees 41 minutes 50 seconds East 120.91 feet along said street line to the place of beginning.

Commonly known as 641 Walnut St, Vassar MI 48768 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: 9/14/2016
Flagstar Bank, FSB, Assignee of Mortgagee
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd. Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123
Our File No: 15-19830

9-14-4

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Velma Hendrian as survivor of herself and her deceased husband Donald Hendrian, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated December 3, 2009, and recorded on December 17, 2009 in Liber 1189 on Page 615, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on July 14, 2016 in Liber 1354 on Page 1186, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CIT Bank, N.A. formerly known as OneWest Bank N.A. 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 Eighty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Ninety and 28/100 Dollars (\$86,690.28).

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 October 13, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 3, excepting a parcel of land commencing at a point 55 feet West of the Northeast corner of Lot 3, excepting a parcel of land commencing at a point 55 feet West of the Northeast corner of Lot 3; thence South 52 feet; thence West 11 feet; thence North 52 feet; thence East 11 feet to the place of beginning. Also the East 1/2 of the South 1/2 of Lot 2; Also the South 1/4 feet of the East 1/2 of the North 1/2 of Lot 2, all in Block 3 of Hugh Seed's Addition to the Village of Cass City, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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

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: September 14, 2016
For more information, please call:
FC J (248) 593-1311
Trott Law, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste. 200

Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #446151F03

9-14-4

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Norma J Martinez and John W Martinez, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 29, 2010, and recorded on October 14, 2010 in Liber 1208 on Page 89, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chemical Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Nine and 17/100 Dollars (\$68,369.17).

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 October 13, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Akron, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, Akron Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; being further described as commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 2143.55 feet along the North Section line to the point of beginning; thence continue North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 227.85 feet along said Section line; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 191.18 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 227.85 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 191.18 feet to the North Section line and to the point of beginning.

Together with an easement for ingress and egress described as follows: Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 15, Town 14 North, Range 8 East, Akron Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; Being further described as commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 2110.55 feet along the North Section line to the point of beginning; thence continue North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 33.00 feet along said Section line; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 153.71 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 33.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 153.71 feet to the North Section line and 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.

Dated: September 14, 2016
For more information, please call:
FC J (248) 593-1311
Trott Law, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste. 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #394197F02

9-14-4

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by ALFRED F. BILICKI SR., ALLAN BILICKI, AND MELISSA A. BRODZIK, a single man, a single man, and a single woman, Mortgagors, to FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA, Mortgagee, dated September 24, 2004, and recorded October 4, 2004, in Liber 1010, Page 1309, of Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$41,725.84, including interest at 13.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Thursday, October 20, 2016, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan. Said premises are situated in the Township of Wells, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the NW corner of the North 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 24, T12N, R10E; running thence East 411 feet; thence South 212 feet; thence West 411 feet; thence North 212 feet to the point of beginning; c/k/a 2289 Froede, Caro, MI 48723 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be one month, or until the time to provide the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.

Please be advised that if the mortgaged property is sold at a foreclosure sale by advertisement, 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: September 21, 2016
LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC
Attorneys For Mortgagee
P.O. Box 721400
Berkeley, MI 48072
(248) 236-1765

9-21-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Charles A. Frank, II and Arlene E. Frank, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Golden Rule Mortgages,

Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 20, 2004 and recorded September 1, 2004 in Liber 1006, Page 1285, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Nationstar Mortgage LLC, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty and 42/100 Dollars (\$45,880.42), including interest at 6.375% 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 OCTOBER 20, 2016.

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

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. 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: September 21, 2016
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007
File No. 16-005659

9-21-4

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sarah M. Jones, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 17, 2003, and recorded on September 19, 2003 in Liber 955 on Page 864, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Nationstar Mortgage LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment dated September 9, 2016 , on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Two and 99/100 Dollars (\$36,422.99).

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 October 20, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Village of Cass City, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 26 and 27 of Seed's Park Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2A, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: September 21, 2016
For more information, please call:
FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott Law, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste. 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #466057F01

9-21-4

NOTICE OF ACTION STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT, JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, COUNTY PROBATE COURT

225 W. Main St. Harrison, MI 48625
(989) 539-7131

TO: Unknown Heirs, Devisees or Assignees of Wilbur Kenneth Bender (Deceased). IT IS ORDERED: You are being sued in this court by the plaintiff to quiet title to the mobile home located at 9191 Hamilton Rd., Harrison, MI 48625. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before 28 days from the last date of publication, if you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

WELL FARGO BANK, N.A.
Trott Law, P.C.
By: John P. Kaplitan (P61901)
31440 Northwestern Highway, Ste. 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
248-723-5067

9-28-3

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely

ly 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 Enrique Solis, An Unmarried Man, original mortgagor(s), to Independent Mortgage Co. East MI, Mortgagee, dated December 3, 2003, and recorded on January 23, 2004 in Liber 975 on Page 968, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Independent Bank as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Five and 68/100 Dollars (\$55,155.68).

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 October 27, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 35, Town 13 North, Range 9 East,

Almer Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at a point on the centerline of State Road (M-81) which is Southwest 2367.3 feet from the Section corner common to Sections 25, 26, 35 and 36, Town 13 North, Range 9 East; thence continuing along said centerline, Southwest 75 feet; thence Southeast 457.75 feet; thence Northeast 155.8 feet more or less; thence along the East, North and South 1/8 line (per survey of record), Northerly 27.33 feet more or less to the Southerly corner of a parcel described in Deed Liber 534 on Page 574, Tuscola County Records; thence along the Southwesterly line of said parcel and its Northwesterly extension thereof , Northwest 171.97 feet more or less to a point which is 270 feet Southeast of the highway centerline; thence Southwest 100.8 feet more or less; thence Northwest 270 feet to the centerline of State Road (M-81) and 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.

Dated: September 28, 2016
For more information, please call:
FC J (248) 593-1311
Trott Law, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste. 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422
File #465973F01

9-28-4

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Lesley M. Colling, as Mortgagor, to Northstar Bank, f/k/a Community Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, whose principal office is in Bad Axe, Michigan, as Mortgagee, dated June 3, 2004 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan on June 8, 2004 in Liber 995, page 1087 ("Mortgage"), and on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Two and 99/100 (\$110,492.99) Dollars including interest at 6.63% 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 sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court within the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on Thursday November 3, 2016.

Said premises described as follows:

Land situated in the Township of Elkland, County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan. Part of the Southwest quarter of Section 16, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, described as beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 16; thence running along the West line of said Section, North 00 degrees 02 minutes 55 seconds West 300.00 feet; thence parallel with the South line of Section 16, South 88 degrees 56 minutes 10 seconds East, 300.00 feet; thence parallel with said West line, South 00 degrees 02 minutes 55 seconds East, 300 feet to the South line of Section 16; thence along said South line, North 88 degrees 56 minutes 10 seconds West, 300.00 feet to the Place of Beginning and the Southwest corner of said Section.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date at such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at a 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: October 5, 2016
NORTHSTAR BANK, Mortgagee
Zachary J. Eskau, Attorney at Law
175 Thompson Rd., Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-6272

10-5-5

TO ALL CREDITORS: Estate of Douglas F. Kalis, Date of birth 10/12/1945
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Douglas F. Kalis, died 01/07/2016. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Stephanie D. Dunham personal representative, or to both the probate court at 440 N. State Street Caro, Michigan 48723 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Attorney
John C. Urquhart (P-53749)
203 South Zeeb Road, Suite 205
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103
(734) 769-5700

Personal Representative
Stephanie D

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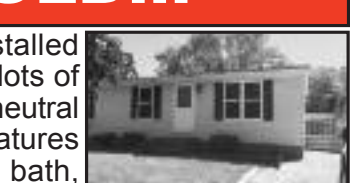
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Pinney Foundation boosts parks and rec playground project in village this year

Youngsters who visit Cass City Recreational Park have a new piece of playground equipment to enjoy, thanks to the Pinney Foundation and village of Cass City.

The project was sparked last summer when Cass City Parks and Recreation Program Director Kelli McIntyre commented that she wished the village had more playground equipment near the Rawson Memorial Day Camp Building for children ages five to 12, according to Cass City Village Council Trustee Nancy Barrios, who serves as chairman of the council's parks and recreation committee.

"When the children were on break, or before/after the daily camp programs, there just wasn't enough play structure space to accommodate the children," Barrios said.

"As we discussed this need, we felt that adding a play structure in that area could also serve the families that were attending softball and Little League ball games nearby," Barrios added. "I researched and drafted a grant for Kelli, with assistance from (village clerk-treasurer) Nan Walsh. Kelli submitted the grant request in the fall of 2015, and we were notified in December that we received a \$4,500 grant to use toward the project. We ordered the playscape in January to take advantage of discounts."

Barrios said the project cost included \$8,416 for the Aiden's Pass Playscape structure and another \$1,925 for rubber safety mulch. "Excavation, cement, landscape timbers and labor costs were additional.

Construction of the project was completed over the summer.

"The Pinney Foundation grant along with matching funds from the village of Cass City enabled us to fund this new equipment purchase," Barrios said. "Next year we hope to further enhance the playscape site by adding a shade structure to protect children from heat and sun exposure.

"As chairperson of the village of Cass City Parks and Recreation Program, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Pinney Foundation for their dedication to the village of Cass City and the many projects that benefit the Cass City community and the village park," she added.



GRANT FUNDING from the Pinney Foundation and matching dollars from the village of Cass City recently made it possible to purchase and install some new playground equipment at Cass City Recreational Park.

New base on tap for ACW Ambulance

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Construction has started on the 40-foot by 70-foot ACW Ambulance base at 6350 Center Street in Unionville.

Completion of the base is expected by the end of the year, and when it's done, it will be the first time the ambulance service will have a home of its own.

The ambulance has shared space in the Unionville Village Hall for decades, but the board that oversees the ambulance operation decided it is time the service had its own facility.

Although construction of the new base will cost about \$274,255, the project represents a cost savings in the long run.

The service is paying a total of \$400 a month for rent to have a place for on-call crew members to stay as well as rent charged by the village of Unionville to house the ambulance.

Another reason for relocating the ambulance is security. At the village hall, anyone can walk into the ambulance area. The new ambulance base, which will be across from the St.

Paul Lutheran Church, will be locked at all times.

The ACW Ambulance was started in the early 1970s by a group of volunteers who were mainly Jaycee members. Back then, only a few communities had an ambulance service, and most of them were operated by funeral homes. Ever since the service started, it has been housed at the Unionville Village Hall.

Tracey Moore, who owns T.D.M. construction of Cass City, is the general contractor for the ambulance base, which will feature one bay, two

bedrooms, a kitchenette, an office area, showers and storage space. The building is on one-acre of land donated by Bill Scott and Deb Zimmer.

The townships of Akron, Columbia and Wisner (ACW) jointly own and operate the ambulance service. The service operates with monies from tax levies and operational charges. Each township levies an emergency service millage to fund the ambulance service, which has roughly 14 volunteers.

Hospital postpones groundbreaking

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Dales, explained the proposed upgrades will involve both the first and second floors of the existing facility, ranging from major renovation of a dozen patient rooms to the creation of space to host both the hospital's specialty and after-hours clinics, which are now housed in office buildings located across from the hospital.

The renovated patient rooms on the inpatient (second) floor will transform them into private rooms, each with a bathroom and shower.

"As we continue to grow at Hills and Dales, we know that our inpatient rooms are outdated and not friendly to family members and visitors," Blaine said. "The renovation to the rooms will allow us to offer brand new, larger rooms with private bathrooms and showers. It will also incorporate a family area into the rooms so that visitors feel welcome and have the space to stay overnight if desired."

A change in the layout of the inpatient floor, meanwhile, will include updates to the physical therapy area, as well as the nurse's station, activities room, offices, and storage for the second floor.

"A 25-foot expansion to the front of the hospital will become clinic space for two of our Hills and Dales physicians, as well as our specialty physician clinic and our after-hours clinic. These clinics will be directly accessible from the main entrance of the hospital," Blaine said.

"The expansion on the main level will allow patients to easily access laboratory and radiology services if needed," added Blaine, who noted relocating the physician/specialty clinics to the hospital will enable patients to more conveniently access lab services without additional travel.

She pointed out that the renovated registration area will centralize the hospital's emergency room and outpatient registration areas, which will be manned 24 hours a day. "The area will provide a more private registration process for the patient and also ensures someone is always available to greet and direct our patients and visitors," she said.

The plans also call for a new gift shop for the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary; an expansion to the existing cafeteria on the lower level, providing more dining options, additional seating capacity and a friendlier environment for patients and visitors; and a new main entrance canopy and lobby area for the hospital, which will allow for more protection from the elements of the weather, as well as an inviting seating area in the lobby for patients and visitors.

Hospital officials say the investment will benefit not only patients, but also the community as a whole because it will enable Hills and Dales to further strengthen its ability to serve area residents.

"Access to quality healthcare is a consideration of companies who are considering bringing their business to our town," Blaine said. "Additionally, our local hospital is a major employer in the county, currently employing over 275 people; offering good paying, professional jobs to local residents — the type of jobs that keep local young adults in the community after graduation.

"Hills and Dales is committed to being a part of the Cass City community for a very long time. This renovation is one more way we are setting ourselves up to continue providing the best care to our patients," she said. "We are confident it will also make a big impression on physicians who come tour our facility. We are state of the art and quality care is our top priority."

Anthony agreed. "I am incredibly proud to lead Hills and Dales General Hospital and I know this project will enhance the care we can provide to our patients," she said. "Our hospital is a vital entity to the Cass City community, and I encourage...community members to learn about the renovation project and campaign."

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