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# Prescription violations target of federal drug probe

by Tom Montgomery Editor

A multi-county investigation targeting physicians and other medical

scription controlled substance laws Tuscola County, although few details ments of the case. is expected to net charges against were being released pending authormultiple suspects in the coming

ization of formal charges.

Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark E. Investigators say the probe includes Reene's office last week issued a professionals allegedly violating pre- at least one medical facility in news release announcing several ele-

"On Oct. 25, joint elements of the Thumb Narcotics Unit along with federal agents of the Detroit Drug w e r e Enforcement Agency Diversion Unit and other local law be over preenforcement officials executed search warrants on several medical treatment facilities in the Caro, Saginaw and the Mount Pleasant from these areas." Reene said. "In addition to clinics," he execution of these search warrants, several items of personal property "A lengthy belonging to the suspects were and detailed seized by law enforcement, including cash, motor vehicles and real property, all suspected to be the products of illegal conduct related to a pattern of violating the controlled substance act of the Michigan Public Health Code."

The operation was the result of a several-month-long joint investigation into allegations that certain medical personnel at the various facilities were routinely prescribing controlled substances for illegitimate and non-professionally recognized therapeutic purposes that were oftentimes outside the scope of that physician's area of practice, according to the prosecutor.

Reene declined to estimate the number of individuals involved or how many medical professionals are being investigated in the Caro area, but he said the suspect list "goes beyond physicians", and there may be more than one medical facility involved in Tuscola County.

'This investigation was originally brought to the attention of law enforcement after weeks of com-

Area voters poised to fill

board of education seats

plaints by local pharmacists in the Tuscola County area with regards to certain medical professionals who

believed to scribing medications to patients said.

investigation



Marke Reene

was conducted by the DEA and Thumb Narcotics Unit into these allegations, resulting in the execution of these search warrants and seizure of the alleged illegally acquired assets," Reene added.

"(Last week's) operation is yet another step into the overall investigation into what is expected to be an intricate criminal scheme to distribute controlled substances to patients for less than legitimate purposes that spans several counties, including Tuscola County.

"The Tuscola County Prosecutor's Office would like to recognize the extraordinary efforts of investigators with both agencies who worked tirelessly to bring the investigation to this point."

With the seizure of additional evidence now secured, Reene said, investigators from both federal and state agencies will be continuing to work on the case, with requests for criminal charges anticipated within the next few weeks.



## Pink or Treat!

THE CROWDS WERE dress in their Halloween best and they converged on Cass City's Main Street with plenty of enthusiasm – and a big appetite – for the community's annual Pinktober Pink or Treat celebration last week. At Knights Insurance, owners Amy and Virgil Peters reported their staff served up roughly 800 hotdogs in about 90 minutes. Pictured above are (from left) Virgil Peters, Amy Peters, Heidi Smith, Justin Peters, Sue Marlow and Rochelle Brown. The month-long observance raised thousands for the American Cancer Society and the local Love for Lexi Fund. See story, page

# **ELECTION 2016**

# Write-in candidates lining up for votes in county

by Tom Montgomery Editor

The Tuesday, Nov. 8, general election ballot continued to swell with candidates right up to the Oct. 28 write-in candidate deadline, paving the way for a number of races in the area, including four-way battle for three trustee seats on the Cass City Village Council (see related story, this page).

## **Ellington Township**

In Ellington Township, meanwhile, two candidates who lost their bids

## Annexation, land donation expand village holdings

by Mary Drier Special for the Chronicle

The land holdings of the village of Cass City have been expanded thanks to an annexation and a land donation.

Village officials asked Tuscola County Commissioners to approve annexing 4.2 acres of land from Elkland Township to the village. Commissioners unanimously approved the request Thursday during their meeting of the whole.

The annexed land is at 4365 S. Seeger St., located at the corner of Doerr Road and Schell Street. Clarence Schneeberger sold the land to the village. The total cost was \$24,000, including the property, realty commission, legal fees and a sur-

The vacant land created a nine-acre parcel that is contiguous in the industrial park. The annexation is a mutual advantage and benefit to the Please turn to page 8.

for seats in the August primary elec- Ehrenberg for the office of township tion – including an incumbent super- clerk. visor – are back on the ballot for next week's vote, thanks to write-in cam- Campbell and Michael Wagner will

Township Supervisor Duane Lockwood is seeking reelection after losing to Republican challenger Russell Speirs earlier this year, 246 votes to 101 votes. Speirs is a member of the Ellington-Almer Township Concerned Citizens group that has been advocating for citizens' property rights regarding installation of wind turbines in the Thumb.

Likewise, Diane K. Wilder has launched a write-in campaign in her bid to become the township's treasurer. Fellow Republican Carmell Pattullo won the seat in August with 196 votes, defeating both Wilder (104 votes) and Jodi Beecher (42 votes).

Voters will also decide a race between Republican Bobbie Mozden and Democratic incumbent Joddy

In addition, Republicans Gregg square off again Democratic challenger Patrick Price for two available

trustee terms. All of the terms are for four years.

## **Novesta Township**

Novesta Township was short several candidates to fill various local government posts - including supervisor and a pair of trustee seats when voters cast their ballots last August, but residents will find a full slate of citizens seeking office next

The only incumbent to have filed for reelection earlier this year was Clerk Joann M. Peters, who was initially running unopposed as a Democrat but now faces a challenge from Bob Dickson, who is seeking the position as an independent.

Please turn to page 6.

by Tom Montgomery **Editor** 

Area voters will be filling a number of board of education seats during the Tuesday, Nov. 8, general elec-

The Cass City Board of Education, candidates seeking all four available seats, will now have a full complement of trustees following the recent addition of write-in candidate remainder of her term. George Edgar Batty.

Seeking the remaining four-term seats are fellow newcomer Janet Richards and incumbents Janie In the Ubly Community Schools, Meeker and Emily Phillips. Current board vice president Craig Bellew and incumbent Trustee Dan Manwell are not seeking reelection.

## **Owen-Gage Schools**

In the Owendale-Gagetown School District, there are terms expiring on the seven-member board, according to school Supt. Terri Falkenberg. These seats are also set to four-year terms, and the candidates running are Dan Warack, Julie Good and Kathleen Woods. Woods is a new candidate while Warack and Good are both incumbents seeking re-elec-

**Kingston Schools** 

Voters in the Kingston Community

School District will decide a threeway race for one full six-year term on the board of education, as newcomers Sarah Schuler and Lane Walker are challenging incumbent and veteran board member Ray Wolak for his seat.

Scott R. Neff, meanwhile, is runwhich initially didn't have enough ning unopposed for a four-year term. Neff was appointed to the board two years ago when Sherri Diegel resigned and will now complete the

## **Ubly Schools**

five candidates are seeking election unopposed. They are Gregg Kranz and Clint Hagen, vice president and secretary, respectively, and Tracey Foster, Ryan Kramer and Tammy Peruski. The terms are for four

## Texas businessman getting acquainted with community; plans still on track

by Mary Drier Special for the Chronicle

The man who plans to open a grocery store in downtown Cass City next year looked at houses the last time he visited the community.

While he was in town, Texas businessman Mark Molter reiterated his commitment to build his "Farm Fresh



Mark Molter Market

Grocery Store" in downtown Cass City during the village's last economic development corporation downtown development authority (EDC-DDA) meeting.

According to village Manager Peter Cristiano, Molter and his wife, Leah, spent the better part of the week Please turn to page 7.

# Four vying for trio of village council seats

by Tom Montgomery **Editor** 

seats on the Cass City Village

Mick Kirn

Four candidates are vying for

Council, and voters will elect three incumbents Michael "Mick" Kirn ing the Tuesday, Nov. 8, general

Seeking those council seats are

of them to serve four-year terms dur- and Jenny Zawilinski along with challengers Jefrey Benkelman and Tom Herron. Village President Please turn to page 12.





Tom Herron Jenny Zawilinski



THE HILLS AND Dales General Hospital Auxiliary recently install new officers. Pictured above are (from left) Geri Perry, co-secretary; Ruth Whittaker, president; Kerry Brown, hospital social worker; and Marilyn Peters, vice president.

# Whittaker elected president of auxiliary

The Hills and Dales and General president. She was installed during as auxiliary president in 1979, is a slate of new officers, with Ruth 24. Whittaker accepting the position of

Hospital Auxiliary recently installed the group's monthly meeting Oct.

Whittaker, who previously served

joined by fellow officers Marilyn Peters, vice president; Geri Perry and Kris Allen, co-secretaries; and Dot Knight, treasurer.

The Hills and Dales Auxiliary boasts more than 45 active members and three inactive members. The volunteer organization raises fund to assist the Cass City hospital with new and updated equipment, updated technology, projects and more.

"Auxiliary members also manage the hospital's gift shop, deliver departmental mail, sell popcorn, conduct numerous fundraisers throughout the year, organize blood drives, and give of their time end-lessly to help Hills and Dales," said Danielle Blaine, Hills and Dales' community relations director.

Hospital Social Worker Kerry Brown added, "Our volunteers are the heart and soul of Hills and Dales. I've worked beside them for many years and they are truly incredible. We are so thankful for everything they do for the hospital."

The auxiliary meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month and always welcomes new members. information is available by calling the hospital at (989) 872-2121 and asking for Brown.

## Daylight Savings Time set to end this weekend

by Mary Drier **Special for the Chronicle** 

Daylight Savings Time ends at 2 a.m. Sunday with clocks being set back one hour.

During the time changes in March and November, whether to set the clock back an hour or ahead an hour is easy to remember; it's fall back (one hour) and spring ahead (one hour).

Even though the U.S. Naval Observatory in Washington, D.C., maintains the atomic clocks for standardized times, it has nothing to do with standard time.

Time zones and changes date back to when railroads were the main form of travel.

Official time zones were set back in 1883 by the U.S. railroad industry, and Congress signed the time-zone system into law in 1918. At that time the only federal agency was the Interstate Commerce Commission. Then, in 1966 the congress transferred the responsibility to the Department of Transportation when it was created.

Those standard times stood until changes in the law in 2005 that went into effect in 2007 that stipulates Daylight Savings Time must switch back to standard time at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday in November, and move ahead one hour on the second Sunday in March.

# ass City Rotary Club Presents Thursday, November 10th | 7PM - 9PM Join us for an evening of hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine sampling. Tickets available from any Rotarian or at Rolling Hills Golf Course. Tickets: \$25 per person Limited fickets at the door - Get yours loday!!

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# Clarke Haire **Tom Montgomery Publisher Editor**

# Cold weather brings risk of CO poisoning

You can't see, taste or smell carbon monoxide (CO), but it can be deadly, and the risk for carbon monoxide increases dramatically this time of year as the temperatures fall and residents begin to heat their homes.

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is reminding everyone to be safe from the danger of carbon monoxide poisoning during the cold weather and heating season.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless, and tasteless gas that kills more than 500 Americans each year, with thousands more hospitalized.

Michigan averaged 27 carbon monoxide-related deaths per year for the years 2010-2014, the most recent years of available data.

Carbon monoxide is produced by all fuel-burning devices, including kerosene, propane and gas space heaters, improperly working furnaces, gas water heaters and dryers, wood stoves and fireplaces. Car, truck and boat exhaust fumes also emit CO fumes, as do fuel-powered generators and power washers.

CO is dangerous because it blocks your body from absorbing the oxygen it needs. CO poisoning can occur suddenly or happen over a long period of time.

The first symptoms may be headache, dizziness, confusion, fatigue, and nausea. The severity of symptoms depends on the amount of CO a person is exposed to, the length of time exposed, and the general health and age of the person. But as more of this gas is inhaled, it can cause unconsciousness, brain damage and even death.

"Carbon monoxide is difficult to detect and potentially deadly, however, carbon monoxide poisoning is completely preventable," said Dr. Eden Wells, chief

"Now is the time to ensure that furnaces and water heaters are working properly, and that carbon monoxide detectors are installed and have fresh batteries," Wells added. "If you suspect you have been exposed to carbon monoxide, leave the area immediately and seek medical attention."

Residents can reduce the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning by following these simple steps:

\*Purchase and install carbon monoxide detectors that meet Underwriters Laboratories (UL) standard 2034-95. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for proper placement, use and maintenance. If the alarm sounds, leave the home and go to a hospital emergency room or call 911 if anyone is feeling sick.

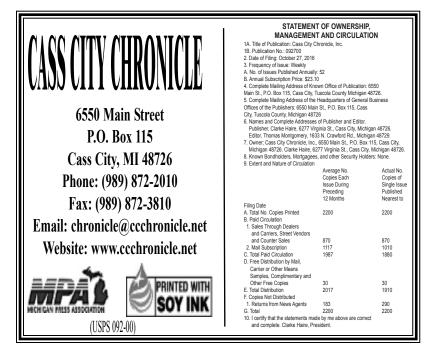
\*Have a heating professional inspect, clean and adjust your fireplace, wood stove, gas appliances (including furnaces and water heaters, and chimneys/vents) every fall before the start of the home heating season.

\*Never use generators, grills, camp stoves, or other fuel-burning devices inside your home, basement, or

\*If you use a generator, be sure it is located outside at least 25 feet away from your home.

\*Park your car outside while it is warming, never in the garage. Running a car in an enclosed garage can create deadly levels of carbon monoxide in minutes.

To learn more about carbon monoxide poisoning and poisoning prevention, visit the website www.michigan.gov/carbonmonoxide.





At 2 a.m. this coming Sunday morning, clocks go back one hour to standard time from Daylight

# **Letters to the Editor**

# Why sell new hall?

Dear Editor,

Why sell the new hall to pay judgement of lawsuits? New hall has offices, handicapped accessibility, bathrooms, running water, walk-in safe for records, paved parking lot, rental options for space and income.

Old hall has no bathrooms, (no) running water, gravel road and mud. No place to store records and computers. Who wants someone coming to their house to look up

Yes we should sell the other assets, M-53 property and old dump site property. Sell old hall or use it for historical options. We would not have to settle lawsuits if it wasn't for a handful of people that are sue happy and hold grudges against certain people. We have a supervisor that has not been to a meeting since March. It's an \$187,500 lawsuit, should he be there at meetings?

We have a building that has a lot of potential for income and use, and offices for people to come and meet with township officials, a new parking lot and building with the square footage and handicapped accessibility. Offices would cost us more than what we paid for it to rebuild in 2016. Let's get over it. Why don't we have any money for roads?

Ken Osentoski Greenleaf Township

# I appreciate veterans' service to this nation

Just wanted to say I appreciate veterans' service. This Veterans Day we pause to honor our veterans, past and present – those who have served and those who are serving today around the world, advancing freedom and the cause of liberty.

Please turn to page 7.

# Taxpayers should all be treated same

Dear editor,

In times where money is scarce, taxpayers expect their representatives will do what is in their best interest. Our country is in the midst of making decisions on what type of leadership will represent us best over the next

These problems don't just apply to Washington, though; here in our small town, there are individuals that are looking to take advantage of the way taxes are

A few examples of this include, but are not limited to, running of a downspout into the public sewer system, and favorable tax breaks for certain lots in the subdivision. The number of lots should be taxable based upon the actual number of units on a given property

Being a property owner, I am more than familiar with how our system works. If an individual has, say, 10 properties, all 10 properties should be taxed as such. It should not be alright that certain community members pay for only half of their tax burden.

We need to decide based on what matters to us as a community, not for the interest of a few individuals who are only looking to increase the size of their pocket

I hope that this statement leaves you more informed about that decision you'll be making on Nov. 8.

Al Wright

## What's up with grocery?

Dear editor,

What's up – almost three years and still no grocery store in Cass City?

What's up with the EDC-DDA and Mr. Cristiano? You can't agree on at least one grocery store? Maybe you should hand the keys of Cass City to the Amish. They seem to get things up and going.

Every time there is something about the grocery stores in the paper, it's coming next year; just wait, wait and

So wake up. Let's get the lead out and make Cass City rock again.

Alan Witkovsky Gagetown

Editor's note: In all fairness, neither the EDC-DDA nor the village manager are responsible for how quickly (or slowly) a developer moves on construction of a new grocery store in town. It's a major project, to be certain, requiring an investment of hundreds of thousands of dollars, as well as a comprehensive business plan, so we're not surprised the process has been painfully slow. As for village and county officials, we understand they are doing all they can to assist new prospective developers in terms of securing grants and/or loans to bring new businesses to the community.

Savings Time.

Daylight Savings Time started at 2 a.m. on the second Sunday in March and reverts to standard time on the first Sunday in November.

I have mixed feelings about the time change, especially since I'm a creature of habit and the change of times is just an illusion. Unless there is a really good movie on television, I go to bed during the week at a certain time. I still get up at the same time during the week that I used to when I went to work every day before becoming unemployed.

I even wake up at that same time on weekends... Go

Generally on the weekends, I get up, wander around for a while and then grab a book and head back to bed for a few more zzz.

I'm not the only one who dislikes dealing with the back and forth time change. My dog, Sergeant, used to also be a creature of habit. Apparently, he knew he was getting rooked out of an hour of sleep by Daylight Savings Time. One of his blood shot eyes would gaze at me as if saying really? Like he knew he wasn't getting his full sleep time.

During the first few weeks after setting the clocks ahead, Sergeant had to be dragged out of bed and prodded to the door. Because he was grumpy from having his sleep time cut short, he took an extra long time finding just the perfect potty place. Then, he leisurely strolled to the house instead of his usual fast trot to get breakfast. Either that or he would wander off because he knows I couldn't see his black fur when it is still

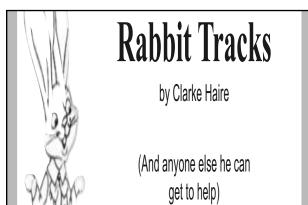
There is nothing worse than a grumpy dog who doesn't like his sleep schedule changed.

Daylight Savings Time – which requires us to set clocks ahead one hour — was introduced in Europe during WWI. The idea was to take advantage of the longest summer days by gaining an extra hour of day-

That idea was not a new concept. Back in 1784, American inventor Benjamin Franklin suggested that starting the day earlier in summer would save a considerable number of candles. That principle was used as the rationale in 2007 when the date of moving the clocks ahead and back was changed to conserve electricity.

There is an e-mail posting on the Internet that shows an American Indian with a statement that pretty much sums up the time switch: "Only the government would believe that you could cut off the top of a blanket, sew it to the bottom and have a longer blanket.'

Time changes accomplish the same thing.



The Huron County 4-H Leaders' Association is still recruiting 4-H adult leaders and teen leaders to serve on the 4-H Council.

The 4-H Council meets the second Tuesday of each month in Bad Axe at the MSU Extension Office. The business meetings deal with 4-H Scholarships, Council Policy, and annual programming such as 4-H Projects Galore, 4-H Ambassador Program, 4-H Fall Achievement Awards, and 4-H Fall Family Social to name a

The 4-H Council is a great board to sit on in order to make a difference for the youth in our community. You would have the power to mold the program to better serve the needs of our youth and help them gain life skills through multiple hands

Please consider volunteering your service to the 4-H Council; and know that your time, energy and commitment to Huron County 4-H are very much valued by the 4-H Council members, other area 4-H leaders and youth members, as well as our community in general. Call Kari VerEllen at 989-269-9949 with any questions.

Secretary of State Ruth Johnson reminds residents that select offices across the state - including those in Tuscola and Sanilac counties - will remain open on Election Day for customers who must conduct urgent business on that day.

Most state government offices will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 8, because of a 2004 agreement with labor unions that makes Election Day a state employee holiday. However, Johnson is keeping several offices open with minimal staffing.

"Sometimes an urgent visit to a Secretary of State office is unavoidable," Johnson said. "With that in mind, we're keeping some offices open on Election Day with limited staffing. Those customers without urgent business are encouraged to visit an office on another day or use our online services at ExpressSOS.com.

Johnson said that late fees for licenses and registrations expiring Nov. 8 will be waived if customers renew the next day. She also reminded customers that many transactions, such as vehicle plate tab and driver's license renewals, now can be completed online at www.ExpressSOS.com.

Deadline for submitting items in the calendar is the Friday noon before publication. Please send calendar items to:

Cass City Chronicle P.O. Box 115, Cass City MI 48726 Phone: (989)872-2010 Fax: (989)872-3810 chronicle@ccchronicle.net

Wednesday, November 2
•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, November 3

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

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

Monday, November 7
•Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubly. 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

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

## **Tuesday, November 8**

•Al-anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.

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

•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)

## 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)

•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

•Ubly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubly Thumb Veterans Organization-Hall, 2165 Binghan St., Ubly 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-

## •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-

•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:

## Every Monday:

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

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

# CALENDAR EVENTS Hit and run victim seriously hurt

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies are continuing their investigation into a hit-and-run accident that left a pedestrian seriously injured in Moore Township early last week.

The accident occurred during the ment," Sgt. Ron DuBois said. afternoon hours of Oct. 24 on

"Investigating deputies reported that a 68-year-old male from Sandusky was found lying in the ditch on Freiberger Road. The male had sustained significant injuries to his head and he was transported to McKenzie Hospital and later flown to St. Mary's Hospital for treat-

"The male had been out jogging on Freiberger Road, south of Snover Freiberger Road at the time of the

accident," DuBois added. "He was wearing a bright orange and gray jacket, black jogging pants and gray tennis shoes.

Any motorists who may have seen the victim between Snover Road and Smeckert Road during the early afternoon hours is asked to contact the sheriff's department via Sanilac Central Dispatch at (810) 648-2000 (ext. two).

## Circuit court proceedings

# Several appear in court on charges last week

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

\*Rodney A. Craig, 54, Millington, was sentenced to one day in jail and 18 months probation following his convictions on charges stealing/retaining a financial transaction device without permission of the device-holder May 12 in Indianfields Township, and to being an habitual offender (one prior felony convic-

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

\*Brandon G. Gilliam, 28, Kingston, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 23 in Kingston Township.

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

\*Gary W. Ralston, 33, Vassar, was sentenced to 365 days in jail (180 days deferred) and 60 months probation following his pleas of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 12 in Caro, and to possession of an altered or forged license document/plate Dec. 2 in Reese. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,949 plus attorneys fees of

\*Virgil O. Rexin, 61, Mayville, received a six-month delayed sentence following his pleas of no contest to two counts of possession of a controlled substance June 21 in Fremont Township.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$326.

\*Ronnie Jo Wood, 28, Caro, was sentenced to 180 days in iail (deferred) and 24 months probation following his plea of guilty to the purchase/possession of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine, knowing it would be used to manufacture methamphetamine, between July 9 and Jan. 22 in

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$358.

\*Tracey Renee-Ullmer Chism, 39, Bridgeport, pleaded guilty to charges of possession of marijuana, second offense, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, second offense, Aug. 15 in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,500. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Douglas P. Stratton, 59, Deford, pleaded guilty to charges of possession of a controlled substance, second offense, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor Oct. 9 in Kingston Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Dale W. Duncan, 54, Vassar, pleaded guilty to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to update his address upon moving within the required time frame (between Jan. 1 and June 30) in Vassar. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

Branch, received a one-year delayed uled.

sentence following his plea of no contest to a charge of child abuse, second degree, Jan. 2 in Watertown Township.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,258.

\*Aaron D. Spencer, 32, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 36 months probation following his plea of no contest to assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) March 23 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convic-

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,258 plus attorneys fees of

\*Joshua R. Fields, 30, Cass City, pleaded guilty to charges of home invasion, third degree, and to assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Aug. 3 in Cass City. 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 \$12,000. Sentencing is to be sched-

\*David A. McComb, 33, pleaded guilty to assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Aug. 3 in Caro. The defendant, who is listed as being homeless, was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \*Michael J. Neibert, 35, North \$5,000. Sentencing is to be sched-





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# Reporter's notebook



Here's to squashing my pumpkin record

> by Tom Montgomery **Editor**



I have a green thumb, but I never ceased to be amazed by how much I don't know about gardening.

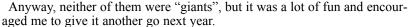
In a column earlier this year, I talked about my enthusiasm surrounding the challenge of trying to grow my first giant pumpkin, thanks to the gift of a few seeds from a guy who knows a thing or two about growing them Sanilac County's Fred Powell. Powell also offered me some advice while I interviewed him for a feature story a little over a year ago.

Well, I did some things right – gave them plenty of rotted manure to grow in along with gallons of water and fertilizer at regular intervals. I even covered the most promising pumpkins to protect their tender skin from the sun's rays and enable them to continue expanding just a few weeks more.

I also made a lot of mistakes along the way, like missing a couple of pumpkins when I was training the rest to grow away from the vines – that cost me a nice specimen in mid-season.

On the other hand, all the ingredients came together just right in my watermelon patch this year. I harvested my personal record, a feat that wasn't all that difficult to do, but I really beat that record with a dandy 30-pound melon.

I also ended up with one nice big white pumpkin weighing in at about 250 pounds, as well as a yellow/orange pumpkin that resembled a monster acorn squash more than a pumpkin. It weighed in at more than 300 pounds and was the favorite of one granddaughter who quickly found the big squash could be used as a mini slide.



You never know — in a couple of years maybe I could give Mathias Willemijns a run for his money. The Belgian man earned fame this fall by setting the new world record with a super squash that weighed 2,624.6

Willemijns claimed the record Oct. 9 at the Giant Pumpkin European Championship in Ludwigsburg, Germany. Guinness World Records has yet to confirm it. The previous world-record pumpkin was 2,323 pounds. Swiss grower Beni Meier set that record in 2014 at a weigh-off at the same event. Closer to home, Greene, Rhode Island, resident Richard Wallace grew this

year's record North pumpkin — a record set by his son a year earlier – with an impressive 2,261.5-pound giant. Greene's son, Ron, set his record in 2015 with a 2,230-pound fruit.



Frankly, I figure I'm going to have to work my way up to those weights. I'd be happy with a 500-pound pumpkin next year.

In any event, I easily topped my previous pumpkin record (maybe a whimpy 50 pounds?) this year, and I can live with that. For now.

I've already started getting ready for next spring by expanding my garden space by another 20 feet or so this fall, because I can, and because I figure it won't hurt to have the extra room, just in

case a little more space might make the difference between growing a big pumpkin and growing a giant.

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Who knows? Maybe I'll squash the competition next year.



# for Greenleaf Township Trustee on the November 8 Ballot! Melvin is a member of the Knights of Columbus #8892, Thumb Rose Society, Cass City Historical Society & **Huron County Advanced Master Gardener.**

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-Melvin Hoppe

\* Paid for by the committee to elect Melvin Hoppe

# **Down Memory Lane**

by Tina Pallas



## 5 YEARS AGO (2011)

The former Burkhard Plumbing and Heating building in Cass City is now home to Revive Ministries, which provides a helping hand to those in need in the community.

There are 5 Cass City students on the 2011 Caro varsity swim and diving team, a cooperative agreement between districts that allows each other's students to compete on the same team. The Red Hawks are seniors Ali Smith and Jordyn Heredia, sophomore Audrey VanAuken and freshmen Janey Ballard and Katie House. The season highlights included Smith being named co-captain and a record book performance from VanAuken. She was a member of the 200 medley relay team comprised of Hailie Robinson (Caro-backstrokesophomore), Audrey VanAuken (Cass City-breaststroke-sophomore), Ann Starling (Caro-butterfly-sophomore) and Katie Becker (Carofreestyle-senior), which broke the school pool record with a time of

## 10 YEARS AGO (2006)

Dee Mulligan hit the ground running when she began her new role as administrator of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce Oct. 16. She's since been busy helping to plan and organize the Christmas in the Village celebration.

There was no lack of early bird voters in Cass City for Tuesday's general election. Once Elkland Township Clerk Norma Wallace declared the polls open at 7 a.m. sharp, area residents flowed into the Cass City VFW Hall to exercise their right to vote.

Former Cass City resident, Dr. Brian de Beaubien became one of the first surgeons in the tri-cities to perform partial knee replacement surgery utilizing the Oxford Unicompartmental Knee System. Leading surgeons in Oxford, England, along with engineers at Biomet, headquartered in Warsaw, Ind., developed the unicompartmental (partial) knee system, which until last year was not available in the United States. The Oxford Knee is the only FDA-approved Free Floating Meniscal Unicompartmental knee system

been utilized throughout Europe for more than 2 decades. Cass City senior Sara Meeker is this

week's recipient of Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week honor. Meeker led the Red Hawk cagers to a 47-32 victory Thursday over visiting Bay City All Saints in Greater Thumb West play. Playing without leading scorer Emily Schinnerer and playmaker Courtney Rabideau due to illness. Meeker stepped up her game and posted a team-high 14 points and 12 rebounds.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1991)

Cass City Cub Scouts, including Kyle Ross, Matt Ross and Scott Ruggles, are distributing empty grocery bags to local residences this week. Citizens are asked to place 2 or 3 non-perishable food items in the bags and then place them on their front door step before 9 a.m. Saturday. Members of Cass City Boy Scout Troop 594 will pick up the donated food items, which will then be delivered to the local food pantry for distribution.

Patti Timmons spent Wednesday afternoon and evening with Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer. Mr. and Mrs. Walter McIntire of Marlette and Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood LaPeer were supper guests Friday night

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Martin celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a family dinner held at Wildwood restaurant Nov. 2. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin, Mr. and Mrs. David Martin and son Andrew, Phil Martin and Miss Jeannie Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ewald, Mr. and Mrs. Brian VanderStel and Mr. and Mrs. Mike DeVries and children, Adam and Brianna. An anniversary cake was served following the meal.

A Cass City High School band student has been chosen to join the Blue Lake International Jazz Band, which will tour Europe next summer. Jude McNaughton, son of Dave and Connie McNaughton, Cass City, was crown that they hope will be theirs recently notified of his selection to join the band. The Cass City High School junior, who has been playing candidates. They are Brenda Powell the trombone since the fifth grade, was chosen based on his performance during a band camp at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, July 23- Aug. 4. He was among more than 100 band students who played with 5 separate jazz bands during the 2week session.

A pair of United Parcel Service drivers from Cass City were recently honored for safe driving records. They are Francis Withey and Al the UPS facility located at 6254 Division St., Cass City. Withey, a tractor-trailer driver, was recognized by the company for completing 25 years of driving without an accident. He and his wife, Mary, reside in Cass City. They have 2 children, Pat, 25, and Mike, 23. Wallace, a delivery driver who provides service in the Port Sanilac area, was honored for completing 15 years of driving without an accident. He and his wife, Charlyne, also live in Cass City. They have 3 children, Darren, 14, Scott, 13, and Brent, 9.

## 35 YEARS AGO (1981)

Mr. and Mrs, Louis Walsh, Ublv. announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachel, to Dale Maurer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maurer, Filion. Miss Walsh is a 1979 graduate of Ubly High School and a 1981 graduate of Northwood Business Institute. She is presently employeed available in the United States and has at Dibbles Village Shoppe in Bad North Huron High School and is the trip in a special train. presently employed at Bad Axe Tire

> Mr. and Mrs. Louis Walsh, Ubly, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Ann, to Charlie late Helen Cregeur, Bad Axe. Rebecca is a 1978 graduate of Ubly High School and is currently attendworking towards a degree in architectural landscape design.

Navy Seaman Recruit Philip A. Gabler, son of Norman J. and Anna Gabler of Cass City, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Honored employees at the annual awards tea at Hills and Dales General Hospital last Wednesday were, Linda Roe, Phyllis Linderman, Shirley Buschlen, Genevieve Crawley, Nancy Whaley, Elizabeth Evans and Linda Nieschulz. Ms. Linderman has worked at the hospital 15 years, the rest 10. Ten-year employees absent were Evelyn Turnbull and Gloria Peddie.

Marine Pvt. Philip M. Jerome, son of Thomas and Nancy S. Miller of Snover, has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif. During the 11-week training cycle, he learned the basics of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment. He participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills, including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. He is a 1981 graduate of Sandusky High School.

Navy Seaman Recruit Blaine E. Hatmaker, son of Lee Jameison and Barbara L. Enderle, both of 6727 Pine Street, Cass, City, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. During the eight-week training cycle, trainees studied general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and onthe-job training in one of the Navy's basic occupational fields. Included were seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. A 1981 graduate of Cass City High School, he joined the Navy in

## 40 YEARS AGO (1976)

Health Officer Bruce Bragg told the Chronicle 1,188 persons received swine flu shots in Cass City.

The grand opening of the new Ouvry Chevrolet-Olds sales and service center east of Cass City will be held Friday and Saturday.

Tuscola county voters overwhelmingly passed Proposal A to ban throw-away bottles. Delores Garety and Elizabeth Crandall, both of Cass City, recently completed training as licensed practical nurses through the St. Clair Community College program at Bad Axe.

Steve Richards, freshman from Cass City, was named to the allleague cross country team.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1966)

One will reign—posing around the Friday night are these Cass City High School Home-coming queen and Kathy Mark, both juniors. Gail Hoffman, Diane Freiburger and Linda Calka, all seniors. The winner will be announced at half-time at the Frankenmuth game Friday.

A Gagetown soldier, Raymond Lesoski, 21, suffered a gunshot wound in the lower left leg while fighting with the United States Marines at Vietnam, it was disclosed to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley A. Lesoski, in a telegram from the Wallace, both of whom work out of Department of Defense. A bone in the leg was fractured and the youth is recovering at a hospital on Guam. Lesoski graduated in 1964 from Owen-gage High School and was employed at Evans Products Co. before entering service. He went overseas in the spring of 1966.

> Caroline Marie Kloc and Ronald James Rutkoski exchanged wedding vows Saturday, Oct. 22, at St. Michael's Church, Wilmot. Rev. Fr. Raymond. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Bernice Kloc of Deford and the late Eugene Kloc. Mr. and Mrs. Enick Rutkoski of Cass City are parents of the groom.

## 75 YEARS AGO (1941)

Private Earl L. Reid of Cass City, recently inducted into the Army, has been transferred with a group of 101 selectees from Fort Custer to Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas, 76th Material Squadron, for training at that station, it was announced at the Fort Custer Recruit Axe. Maurer is a 1977 graduate of Reception Center. The group made

Miss Eunice P. Schell of Constantine, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Schell, of Cass City, and William Cook Catton, the son of Mrs. Vera Catton, of South Bend, Cyril Cregeur, son of Robert and the Indiana, and the late Ray Catton, are announcing their marriage which took place on. November 8, in Bryan, Ohio, in the Lutheran parsoning Lake Superior State College age of that city with the Lutheran minister, the officiating clergyman. Mrs. Catton is a graduate of the Cass City High School, and of the Cleary Business College in Ypsilanti where she fitted herself for secretarial work. She now holds a responsible position in White Pigeon with the Wolverine Carton Company. After his graduation from the Constantine High School, Mr. Catton was associated for two years with Thomas Geisler, funeral director at Constantine. He is now in Detroit, taking a course of study in the Michigan College of Mortuary Science.

## 100 YEARS AGO (1916)

Four young people journeyed from Cass City to Caro Tuesday to secure two marriage licenses, and while at the county seat, they visited the home of Rev. Hartley Cansfield, pastor of the M. E. church, who spoke the words which made four two. Charles Leroy Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Spencer, and Miss Leone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi E. Dove of Argyle, were one couple married. Murle Parmalee, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Parmalee, and Miss Ina Hayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira E. Hayes, witnessed this ceremony and were next united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The ceremonies were performed by Rev. Cansfield at three o'clock.

The tearing down of the old Gibbs hotel building, on the Montague Tencent barn property, to make room for the special auction sales, removes one of the oldest landmarks in Caro, say the courier. Melvin Gibbs built the hotel in 1860 and it was Caro's (then Centerville's) first hostelry. The Steve Cross hotel, larger and more imposing structure was afterwards built on the site now occupied by the Van Tine block. R. Ross and Sol Utter were among the landlords, who followed Melvin Gibbs. When larger and larger hotels crowded out the old, it was turned into a residence and millinery Shop and later a music





**ZOE SPEIRS** (from left) dressed up as Rey from Star Wars, while Kellie Speirs presented a convincing Elsa from Frozen during the annual Cass City/Thumb Area Branch AAUW Halloween Carnival at Cass City Elementary School last



AUDRINA HARTWICK dressed as a zombie prom queen for the AAUW Halloween Carnival, which drew a crowd of more than 200 people and raised an estimated \$600. The local AAUW uses the money to support educational programs in the Cass City School District.

# **Annual AAUW Halloween** Carnival nets \$600 this year

The Cass City/Thumb Area Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) organized another successful Halloween carnival Thursday at Cass City Elementary School.

This year marked the 44th anniversary of the event.

"While there have been changes in the location and people involved over the years, it still remains a popular event. Even with the addition of many Pinktober events, the attendance this year more than surpassed last year's, with well over 200 attending," AAUW member Judy Brown reported.

'The chilling air did not interfere with this family event, designed for students 12 and under," Brown said. "Many students came dressed in costume while being accompanied by parents, grandparents and other family members. Students had an opportunity to participate in football, basketball, golf and a variety of other games, including the Creepy Creek. Many children also enjoyed colorful face painting."

In their sixth year of partnering with the local AAUW branch, the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts operated the always-popular carnival spook house. "The scouts had great fun setting up and operating the spook house," Brown said, noting, "This gives them an opportunity to provide a service activity while generating a little revenue to cover their costs."

Volunteers from the AAUW operated the carnival, while several junior and senior high school students assisted in setting up and running games.

"It also provides an opportunity for some of our foreign exchange students to help out and experience the joy found in the children's faces," Brown added. "Without the volunteer assistance and the support of the Cass City Public Schools, this event would not be possible.'

Preliminary numbers revealed that the AAUW netted about \$600 from this year's carnival. Proceeds from the event will be used to help fund educational programs for Cass City Public Schools, as well as the AAUW's annual paint-in held in conjunction with Cass City's annual Freedom Festival.

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# Write-in candidates lining up for votes

## Continued from page one.

In addition, Chad D. Daniels is running for supervisor, Valerie Peters is seeking the treasurer's seat, and Jesse Robinson and Russel Rienas are running unopposed for the trustee posts. All of the terms are four years.

Currently serving as supervisor is Ralph Zinnecker, while Marlene Sieradzki and David Little are trustees.

## Wells Township

Officials were facing a similar situation in Wells Township, where Democrats initially filed to run for supervisor (Melvin L. Witkovsky) and treasurer (Patricia Gettel), but no one had filed to run for clerk or two trustee seats.

According to latest candidate list, Karen Varney is now running for clerk as an independent candidate, and there are four candidates -James Kratz, Lorraine Hergenreder, Ronda Benjamin and Lori Zawerucha – seeking the four-year trustee terms.

## Gagetown

In the village of Gagetown, six candidates are vying for three available four-year terms. They are Edward Rievert, Lee Osborne, Brian Whisnant, June G. Fritz, Paul Hunter and Craig J. Downing.

## **Tuscola County**

It will be a quiet election for Tuscola County officials as a whole. Among county commission districts, resident in District Three

Kovlton and Wells townships) elected a new commissioner in Kim Republican challenger John J. Sauber in the process. Incumbent counties. Christine Trisch did not seek reelection to the post.

John Bishop, meanwhile, defeated challenger and former county Register of Deeds Dan Grimshaw in the Republican primary and is running unopposed next week.

Also running unopposed for twovear terms are Republican commissioners Thom Bardwell, District Two (Almer, Ellington, Kingston and Novesta townships and the city of Caro); Craig W. Kirkpatrick, District Four (Arbela, Millington, Tuscola and Watertown townships); and Matthew Bierlein, District Five (Denmark, Juniata and Vassar townships and the city of Vassar.

In addition, Tuscola County Undersheriff Glen Skrent, who is in line to serve as the county's next sheriff, is running opposed. Sheriff Lee Teschendorf has opted not to seek another term. Prosecutor Mark E. Reene, Clerk Jodi Fetting, Treasurer Patricia Donovan-Gray, and Drain Commissioner Robert Mantey are all running unopposed.

## State representative

The battle to represent residents in Tuscola and Huron Counties in Lansing has become a three-way race with the addition of a candidate who lost in the Democratic primary last August but is running again as an independent write-in candidate.

administrator James L. Wencel, Bad counties.

(Dayton, Fremont, Indianfields, Axe, and Chuck Stadler, Vassar Township, are challenging incumbent Dr. Edward J. "Ned" Canfield Vaughan in August, unseating fellow for the 84th District Michigan House seat representing Tuscola and Huron

Wencel defeated Stadler, 1,205 votes to 746 votes, in the Democratic Tuscola County Register of Deeds primary last August. Wencel garnered 775 votes in Tuscola County and 430 votes in Huron County, while Stadler's tally was 611 votes in Tuscola and 135 in Huron.

Stadler later filed to seek the post as a write-in candidate, according to Tuscola County Clerk Jodi Fetting.

Canfield, who ran unopposed in August, is completing his first term as the 84th District state representative for the upper Thumb.

## U.S. Representative

In the 10th Congressional District, Republican Paul Mitchell, Democrat Frank Accavitti Jr., Lisa Lane Giola, Libertarian, and Benjamin Nofs, Green Party, are all vying for the seat previously held by incumbent Republican Candice Miller, who did not seek reelection.

Mitchell topped a field of five newcomers for the Republican nomination in August with 37.5 percent of the vote. Mitchell received 28,634 votes, while Phil Pavlov, Alan Sanborn, Anthony Forlini and David VanAssche garnered 21,366 votes, 12,298 votes, 7,727 votes and 6,452 votes, respectively.

The 10th Congressional District includes all of Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac and St. Clair counties as well Veteran Thumb educator and as portions of Macomb and Tuscola

# County clerk clarifies voting procedures

Tuscola County Clerk Jodi Fetting www.tuscolacounty.org/clerk. is working to clear up any confusion voters might have before heading off to the polls for the Tuesday, Nov. 8, general election.

With the general election upon us, I would like to be able to inform voters on their options in marking their ballot. This election is different from the March presidential primary or the August primary where the voter had to vote for candidates in the same party," Fetting said. "In the November general election, the voter will have the option to 'cross-vote' and vote for candidates from different parties.'

Fetting said residents will have the following options in the partisan section of the Nov. 8 ballot, which contains the contests for president, state name written in offices, state boards, county offices and township offices:

\*A voter can vote straight party by simply connecting the arrow next to the party of their choice. The voter will not have to do anything else in the partisan contests as this will vote for each candidate in the contests. The voter would then need to vote the non-partisan and proposal sections of the ballot.

\*A voter can vote by using a split ticket voting method. The voter would connect the arrow next to the party of their choice but then can 'cross-vote" or cast a write-in vote in one or more specific contests. This will mark all contests of the voter's party choice but the contests that the voter voted individually will override the straight party vote. The voter would then need to vote the non-partisan and proposal sections of the ballot.

\*A voter can vote by using a mixed ticket voting method. The voter would not utilize the straight party option but instead would mark candidates in each race separately in the partisan section of the ballot. The voter would then need to vote the non-partisan and proposal sections of the ballot.

"A voter does not have to vote every contest. The tabulator will record all votes that have an arrow completed. If there is not an arrow completed for a race, no vote will be counted," Fetting noted.

"A voter will need to look at the 'vote for' below each contest in order to not over-vote an office," she added. "A voter cannot vote for more candidates than allowed. If the contest is a 'vote for two', the voter cannot connect more than two arrows. The voter can under-vote the office and only connect an arrow for one candidate in this example and the tabulator will accept and record the vote as cast."

"There are many non-partisan offices on the November ballot including justice of Supreme Court, city mayor and council, village president and trustees, school boards and library boards. These races need to be voted individually as well as the proposals," Fetting continued.

Sample ballots can be found at www.tuscolacounty.org/elections, and residents can request an absentee ballot by logging on to the website

## Write-in candidates

If a voter would like to vote for a write-in candidate, they need to:

\*Find the correct contest on the ballot (If placed under the incorrect contest, the write-in vote will not be counted).

\*Write the name (as accurately as possible) in a blank line found under the pre-printed candidate name(s). The voter does not need to worry about party affiliation because this is a general election.

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candidate.

"The precinct inspectors will record any logical name variation. For example if John A. Smith is the write-in candidate, the precinct inspector would record J. Smith; John Smith or John A. Smith," she said. "The board of canvassers meet the day following election day to review and canvass the county results. The board of canvassers will review the names recorded in the poll book to determine if the name variation is valid and will be counted. Variations in the candidate name can be counted if the voter's intent is

The write-in votes cast will then be tallied to provide a total number of \*Connect the arrow next to the votes received by the write-in candidate. "If the office involved appears "This will then divert the ballot into on a partisan or nonpartisan general a special secured ballot slot in the election ballot, a write-in candidate tabulator container for the inspectors is elected to the office if he or she to tally the votes after the polls receives more votes than any other close," Fetting explained. "The candidate seeking the office," precinct inspectors will only record Fetting said. "A minimum number





# Halfway there

# Hospital building drive hits \$251,000; open house set

by Tom Montgomery **Editor** 

Halfway there.

Just weeks into a campaign launched to raise a half-million dollars in the Cass City community to support a \$6 million expansion/renovation project at Hills and Dales General Hospital, officials say there has been shortage of generosity.

In fact, the Hills and Dales General Hospital Foundation and Building Campaign Committee announced

already surpassed the halfway mark to its goal of \$500,000.

"With the generosity of community members, employees, medical staff, board members, service clubs and corporations, the campaign has pledges and payments \$251,000," said Hills and Dales Foundation Director Danielle Blaine, who noted there are 84 donors to-date.

"All along, we have been humbled by the generosity of our employees

Thursday that the campaign has and community members," Blaine said. "As the campaign committee, we know the importance of this building project for Hills and Dales patients and the Cass City community. We are absolutely thrilled to know that the importance is resonating with so many and they feel inclined to participate in this campaign.

"It is a truly special time to be a part of Hills & Dales and the community and we are so thankful for the support we have already received."

The building committee will be hosting a kick-off event Thursday from 4:30 to 6 p.m., with a brief presentation at 5:15, at Northwood Meadows, Cass City. All are welcome to attend and learn more information about the project and campaign. More information about contributing to the building campaign is also available by contacting Blaine at (989) 912-6401 or via email at dblaine@hillsanddales.com, online at www.hdghmi.org.

Hospital officials plan to break ground in the spring on the renovation/expansion, which is being funded largely by a USDA loan. The upgrades will involve both the first and second floors of the existing facility, ranging from major upgrades to a dozen patient rooms to the creation of space to host both the hospital's specialty and after hours clinics, now housed in office buildings located across from the hospital.

According to Blaine, the building campaign was established to not only financially support the project, but also to give community members and patients a chance to be a part of the improvements at Hills and Dales.

Letters to

the editor

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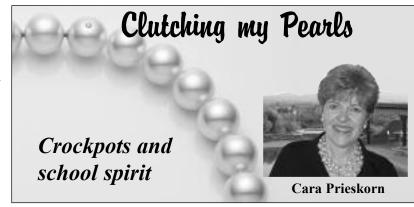
Bill Day, liberty advocate

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As I mentioned before, fancy dinner parties are on hold until we unpack in Cass City. Now, I don't pretend to be a food columnist, but sometimes a recipe deserves to be shared, and such is the case with Marvin's Chili. He says it takes longer to open the cans then it does to cook the chicken.

Marvin's Chili

tb canola oil

10 oz. boneless, skinless chicken cut into bite size chunks

1 ½ tbs chili powder

1 ½ tbs cumin

14.5 oz cans of diced tomatoes

14 oz. can of black beans 4.5 oz minced green chilies

cup whole kernel corn Salt and cayenne pepper to taste.

Brown the chicken, and then put everything into a large crockpot, checking on it every couple of hours. Six hours should be enough, but I know someone who forgot about it and it cooked for 24 hours. It was fine.

Serve with shredded cheese, sour cream and green onions on the side. If you are feeling wealthy, put some sliced avocados out as well. Cornbread is

The most important ingredient in this recipe is the can opener. If you still don't have an old a Swing-a-way attached under your cupboard, this is the time to invest in a portable one. Your hands will thank you.

The last time I was in Cass City I had to make the trip to Wal-Mart in Caro (don't even get me started on that subject). I was delighted to find a crockpot with the University of Michigan logo on it. My only regret is that I didn't buy it. Score one for Wal-Mart. Go Blue.

# **News briefs**

# Village: residents need to clean up

OWENDALE — During a recent Owendale Village meeting, it was noted that several residences within the village limits need to be cleaned up. After discussion, the council agreed to have the village police department enforce applicable laws until these properties are in compliance with local ordi-

In other business, it was noted demolition of the former Dorsch Tile plant is underway.

## Weighmaster's contract extended

CARO — The contract between the Tuscola County Road Commission and the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department was extended for one year. The contract is for a deputy to serve as the road commission's county weighmas-

# Cass City Schools spotlight on tap

CASS CITY — Jeff Hartel, superintendent of the Cass City Public Schools, is gearing up to host the first in what is expected to be a monthly gathering to update the community on the local school system. The inaugural "district spotlight" is slated to begin at 8:30 a.m. Friday at the village hall.

The event will be like a coffee hour that will focus on current school activities, new legislation that affects schools, plans for the district's future, and other topics.

## Owendale addresses property rules

OWENDALE — The Owendale Village Council recently approved an ordinance prohibiting the use of alcohol, drugs and tobacco on any villageowned properties or premises without permission of the council.

## **Hunting digest info is inaccurate**

MICHIGAN — The hunting hours table in the print version of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Hunting and Trapping Digest, Waterfowl Digest, Antlerless Deer Digest and Fall Turkey Digest are incorrect for Nov, 4 and 5.

The incorrect times have been corrected in the online versions of each of the digests.

Compiled by Mary Drier

## Grocery store plans still on track

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attending meetings regarding the grocery store.

"They (Mark and Leah Molter) toured the area of Cass City and surrounding areas. They also looked at houses in Cass City," he said. "He will be back within the month."

Molter plans to build a \$4-plus million, 21,000-square foot store next to the village hall. To do that, the former Fairway Discount store and the Cass City Antique Mall at 6544 Main St. will have to be razed.

Also, officials reiterated their commitment to find a suitable site to relocate Rotary Park to facilitate the market's construction in that location. Before the Cass City EDC-DDA meeting last month, Molter met with some

village officials and with James Espinoza from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation about joint efforts to facilitate opening the gro-

The Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation has been working with Molter to secure about \$800,000 grants and economic incentives to help with the cost of the project.

According to Molter, the store's development is not contingent on getting the incentives.

The consensus of the Cass City DDA was to recommend to the village council the sale of the Cass City antique mall at the proper time as well as the sale of the south municipal alley, and to allow the usage of the attached municipal parking lot at the appropriate time.

There are several legal steps that must be taken over the next several months — holding a public hearing, adopting an ordinance for the private sale of village owned property, and drafting a purchase agreement to satisfy state agencies to qualify for grant opportunities. "Doing all that is still a ways off, and we are getting ready," said Cristiano.

In addition, the DDA reaffirmed the continued search for an alternate site for the Rotary Park in order to facilitate the grocery store's development. Construction of the market is expected to get underway next spring, with a

grand opening before the end of next year. Molter's market will be a Spartan store and is expected to have 38 to 40

full-time employees when operational. Molter has been interested in operating a grocery store in Cass City for several years. He and his father have 37 stores in Texas.

Cass City has been without a local grocery store since Erla's Food Center

and Packaging at 6233 Church St., closed about three years ago. In other business during the Cass City EDC portion of the joint meeting, village Trustee Steve Erickson, who also serves as director of the Tuscola County EDC, provided an update on various topics.

According to the unapproved minutes of the meeting, the county EDC is continuing to try to locate 10 acres for a potential \$13 million food processing plant, an incubator kitchen to highlight entrepreneurship in Cass City, and is trying to find a business to use the former Marshall's Distributing building as well as Dan's Fireplace building.

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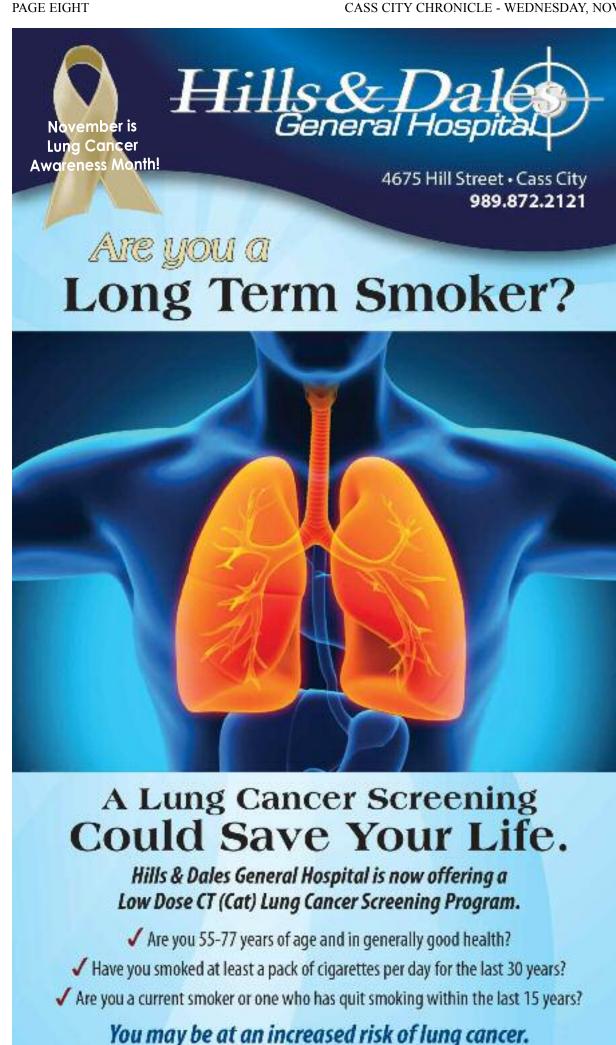
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HONORED AS the first Red Hawk Award of Excellence recipients for the 2016-17 school year were Cass City Junior-Senior High junior Darren Hutchinson and sixth grade student Olivia Krueger.

# Hutchinson, Krueger Red Hawk Award of **Excellence recipients**

recently honored the first recipients sons, asks questions if she needs to of the district's coveted Red Hawk clarify, and makes good use of her Award of Excellence for the 2016-17 time," her nomination letter states. school year.

They are sixth grade student Olivia her good grades. Krueger, the daughter of Scott and Angie Krueger, and Darren Hutchinson, a junior and the son of Dave and Stephanie Hutchinson.

During the months of October, December, February and April, each school building staff is asked to nominate students for the award in order to recognize students for leadership, service, outstanding behavior, excellent academic performance, being most improved or other accomplishments in or outside of school.

The nominees and their families are then invited to attend a school board meeting, during which teachers, administrators and the board memwinner and present them with a maroon ribbon and certificate.

The district's sixth grade teaching team nominated Krueger, saying she "represents both the academic excellence and outstanding behavior" display throughout the school year.

"Olivia is always prepared for school when the day begins, and she continues to work hard throughout

The Cass City Board of Education the day. She is attentive during les-"Her efforts in class are reflected in

> "When she has free time, she will often complete things that need to be done around the classroom so the class runs smoothly.

> "Teachers can depend on Olivia to be prepared, and she is always willing to participate," the nomination letter states. "She always works well in any group of students and frequently will take on the role of group leader. She has many friends and is both well-liked and well-respected by her peers.'

> Cass City Director of Bands Laura Curtis nominated Hutchinson for the award, citing his responsibility, dedication and commitment.

This is the fifth year I have had bers themselves congratulate each Darren in my band classes. Darren has grown into a fine young man through the years and I look forward to seeing what he can achieve,' Curtis said.

"Darren successfully auditioned and was chosen to be junior drum Cass City students are encouraged to major of the Red Hawk Marching Band this year. He has shown strong leadership skills and, throughout the season, has pleasantly surprised me on what a strong leader he has become," she added. "I enjoy his sense of humor, his dedication to what he enjoys and his sense of per-

> "When Darren is struggling in an area, he takes it on as a challenge and works even harder. He doesn't give up and encourages others to keep going and have a positive attitude,' Curtis continued.

> 'Darren deserves this award because he has worked hard over the past several years and has become a great role model of what it means to be an outstanding student of the Cass City Public School system and to carry the Red Hawk spirit into everything he does."

# Village welcomes annexation and gift of property

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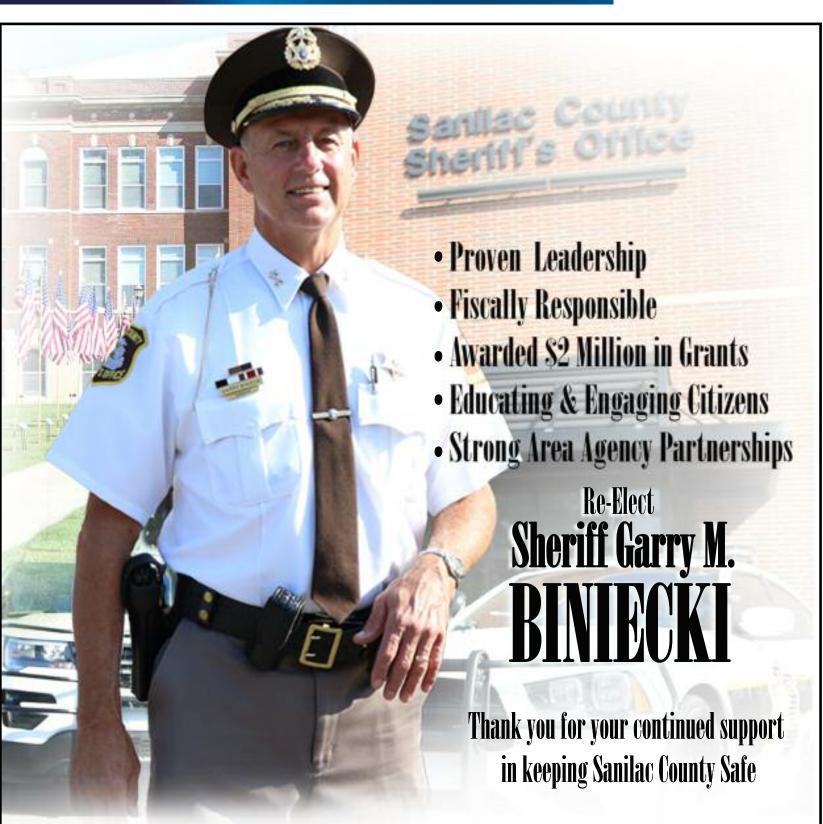
people of the village of Cass City to promote industrial development, to attract business and industry, to create and improve the general economic condition of the village, according to the petition request.

The funds for the purchase came from the Cass City Economic Development Corporation (EDC) budget from the former sale of other property.

The petition to the county for the annexation was made by Cass City Village President Carl Palmateer and village Clerk Nanette Walsh.

In other property matters, the village recently accepted a donation of property. James Lee Doerr, Michael John Doerr and Brenda Kay Doerr donated the property at 6720 Third St. to the village. The brothers donated the land in memory of their father and mother, Jack and Irene Doerr. The property is the location of the family home.

According to the land transfer, the conditions of the gift are that the land can be used for recreation or sold; and if sold, the money would be used to further develop the village park, and that there will be a plaque in the park in the memory of Jack and Irene Doerr.



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# Costly mistakes doom Cass City

by Clarke Haire **Publisher** 

In a season checkered with last minute defeats, Friday's Division 7 district semifinal loss in Sebewaing may be the most painful for the Cass City football

With 38 ticks remaining in regulation, host USA scored on a long Joshua Lang run to vault the Patriots to an electrifying 18-14 decision, advancing the winners into this week's district championship game at Ubly.

With the loss, Cass City finishes with an overall mark of 6-4. In USA's Cooper Kauffold pounced each setback, the Red Hawks on a loose ball - Cass City's secheld the lead until the final two ond fumble on the night - to set

minutes, before surrendering. up the dramatic ending. The team's four losses were by a combined total of 17 points.

In a game dominated by the run, a pair of pass plays helped put USA on top.

Trailing 14-6 to start the final quarter, USA narrowed the gap to 14-12 on a pass from quarterback Ryan Kain to Tanner Foley. The play covered 27-yards and set the stage for the spectacular finish.

Still, with just over six minutes remaining Cass City was poised to put the game on ice as they drove deep into the red zone on their next possession. Instead,

Needing to cover 84 yards, with 3:41 left on the clock, the Greater Thumb West champs went to the air to set up Lang's heroics. Facing a fourth-and-10 situation, Fullback Foley took a pitch and headed toward his own sideline, before stopping and hitting Macklin Gettel in stride for a 35yard gain. Moments later, Lang broke loose and sprinted 33 yards for the game winning score.

"What a great game. It is hard to move on with that many turnovers," said Cass City Coach Scott Cuthrell. "I am proud of our seniors for their hard work and dedication. Go Hawks!'

USA marched 75 yards on the

game's opening possession to 12. take a 6-0 advantage. Kain accounted for the score on a 15yard burst.

Cass City answered with a TJ Moore touchdown run from 19yards out to even the score early in period two. The Red Hawks then used a pair of huge defensive stops to enter the break at 6-

USA drove the ball deep into the red zone again on their next series of downs, only to be held for a field goal try by Mackenzie Trischler that was off the mark.

Then following a shank punt by the Red Hawks after a quick 3-5-yard line, but was once again district honors. The Bearcats half with a momentum building goal line stop.

Cass City took a 14-6 cushion by quarterback Sandyn Cuthrell and Moore's 2-point conversion Shaede Perzanowski,

For Cass City, Brad Hacker gained 87 rushing yards on 15 carries, while Moore added 83 rushing yards on 12 attempts and Cuthrell 39 rushing yards on five

For USA, Lang's 92 rushing yards on 19 carries paved the way, while Gettle chipped in 77 yards on 19 tries and Foley 71 yards on a dozen carries.

Defensively, Cass City had linebacker Nick Perry with a team best 10 tackles, while Brendan Hamilton and Jarod Naegele had nine and eight stops, respectively.

The USA victory sets up a and-out, USA moved inside the rematch with undefeated Ubly for denied as Cass City ended the delivered USA their only loss of the season – a 28-18 decision in Week One.

Ending their Red Hawk gridiron late in the third on a 6-yard run careers on the night were seniors Hacker, Moore, Seth Osentoski, run. But early in the final period, Schmotzer, Darren Dickson, USA cut into Cass City's cushion Darren Miller, Brady Warford, on Foley's TD catch to trail 14- Alex Naegele and Cole Chippi.

# Cass City, Kingston and Ubly advance teams to State Finals

The Division 4 cross country regional Saturday at Wagener Park was dominated by teams close to

Cass City captured the men's championship for the second year in a row with 80 points, while Kingston was the runner-up with 98 and Ubly came in third with a tally of 108.

The top 10 teams included Rochester Hills Lutheran with 118, Auburn Hills Oakland 154, Deckerville 169, Genesee 181, Marine City 186, Harbor Beach 206 and Mayville 208.

"We met our second main goal of the season," said Cass City Coach Jon Zdrojewski. "We have worked hard to repeat (winning) the league title as well as the regional title."

The Harbor Beach course is known as a fast track and this year's winner didn't waste the opportunity to impress the crowd of onlookers.

As expected, Cass City's CarLee Stimpfel posted medalist honors with a time of 15:52.

"CarLee is still the number 1 seed for the State Finals meet next Saturday at Michigan International

Speedway," Zdrojewski said.

Stimpfel was far from a one-man show over the weekend. Red Hawk Zane Wright was the third runner to the end line with a time of 17:24, while Gabe Farver and Race Woloshen both handed in strong

Farver finished 17th with a new personal record time of 18:13 and Woloshen, also with a new personal record time of 19:16, took 29th place in the race that featured 102 finishers and 13 full teams.

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ALL SMILES are the Cass City volleyball team after winning the Annual M-81 Clash. They are: (front row, l-r) manager Isabelle Phillips, Kate Stimpfel, Victoria Cumper, Alexa Torres, Konnar Warren, Brittany Swiderski (middle row) Riley Klein (back row) Sayge Cuthrell, Megan Graham, Lauren Dickenson, Bailee Ross, Baylee Murphy, Kacey Haire and Kelsey Bouverette.

# Hawks win M-81 Clash; district volleyball on tap

game victory over visiting Caro in the annual Volley for a Cure contest between M-81 neighbors. The scores on the night were 25-11, 25-15 and

"The annual Volley For A Cure was a huge success with each participating athlete playing in honor or in memory of a loved one who has battled cancer. Cass City hosted a silent auction during competition and raised over \$1,200. All proceeds will go to Cass City's Love For Lexi Fund. This fund, in memory of Lexi Smith, helps families locally that have children battling cancer. Thank you to all those that donated to the auction and also those that bid with such generous hearts," said

Cass City Coach Amy Cuthrell.

season Thursday with a straight Lauren Dickinson each had six kills to lead the way, while Bailee Ross had 19 sets and Cuthrell eight. Helping with the defensive chores on the night were Baylee Murphy with 13 digs, Dickinson eight, and Cuthrell seven.

The win marks Cass City's fifth straight duel match victory entering Class C district action at Elkton-

Pigeon-Bay Port High School. There, in tonight's (Wednesday) semifinal rounds Cass City tangles with Ubly in the early contest, while USA takes on Bad Axe in the late game. First serve is slated for 6:00 p.m. The semifinal winners will battle for district honors on Thursday

beginning at 7:00 p.m. Barring upsets, Cass City and USA are projected to meet for district hon-Individually for Cass City, Sayge ors. The rivals traded victories in

Cass City wrapped up the regular Cuthrell, Kelsey Bouverette and Greater Thumb West play during the regular season.

## **DISTRICT PAIRINGS**

In other district volleyball play, the Class D district in Caseville will feature semifinal matchups on between Akron-Wednesday Fairgrove and Owen-Gage at 6:00 p.m., while Caseville will face the winners of Saginaw Michigan Lutheran Seminary and Bay City All Saints at approximately 7:30. District honors will be determined on Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Over in Marlette, the Class C district semifinal games on Wednesday has Kingston taking on the Sandusky/Millington winners, while the Marlette/Vassar winners play the Reese/Genesee winners with a trip to Thursday's championship match on the line.

# Ubly moves on with easy gridiron win over Lakers

Ubly vaulted to a big first quarter lead and then cruised to a 52-22 win Friday in their Division 7 playoff victory over the Greater Thumb West Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Lakers.

The Bearcats improved to 10-0 on the season to set up this week's district final against 9-1 USA. The Patriots' only loss on the season came in Week One, when Ubly recorded a 28-18 decision.

Ubly's rushing attack couldn't be stopped in the pre-district win against Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port. Matt Maikrzek rushed for a team-high 138 yards, while Nathan Keller chipped in 110 rushing yards. The winners also had Derek Brown and Jonathan Brandel with over 100 yards rushing.

Ubly enjoyed leads of 22-0 after one quarter and 38-8 at the break. Jacob Kretzschmer, Brennan Wissner and Keegan Valentine had TDs for



**OWEN-GAGE'S BRENDEN Fritz (left) battles** with a New Haven Merritt Academy defender during 8-man playoff action.

# Owen-Gage bows to undefeated **New Haven Merritt Academy**

Owen-Gage found the sledding tough Friday against New Haven Merritt Academy during regional semifinal play at Anchor Bay High School.

With the 52-14 victory, Merritt Academy advances into the regional final to take on host Deckerville. The Eagles improved to 9-0 with a lopsided 40-0 decision over Webberville in their post season opener to set up the battle of unbeatens for the regional banner.

Owen-Gage, meanwhile, puts an 8-2 mark into the history books for 2016, with both losses – including a 36-32 setback in the regular season – coming by the hands of the Academy.

For a while Friday it looked like the Bulldogs might avenge their only setback of the year, as they were able to take an early 8-0 lead.

To their credit, the Mustangs never panicked and were able to take leads of 16-8 after two quarters and 38-14 after three.

The winners added two meaningless scores in the final quarter to complete the route.

Seniors David Binder and Jacob Warack put the finishing touches on outstanding seasons in defeat. Binder ran for 102 yards and one touchdown, while Warack collected 72 rushing yards and the Bulldogs' other TD.

Quarterback Aaron Fahrner completed 6-of-8 pass attempts for 72 vards. His favorite target was Derek Vincent, who hauled in six receptions for 85 yards.

Defensively for the Bulldogs, Vincent and Luke Retford split 24 tackles, while Warack had an interception to pace the visitors.

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# Hale fastest for Lady Cards

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Hayden Larkin took 36th overall in a time of 19:31 for the final Cass City scorer.

Coach Zdrojewski was quick to recognize the entire Cass City's squad after the meet.

"The final 2 competitors for Cass City were Jamison Biskner-Kruse finishing in 59th place with a time of 20:42 and Chase Winter in 61st place with a new personal record time of 20:50."

For Kingston, Lane Torrey led the way with a time of 17:47, finishing 8th individually. Next to the end line for the Cardinals was Michael Bombard (11th place), followed closely by Aric Hobson (16th place) and Brian Hobson (19th place) with times of 18:02, 18:12 and 18:25, respectively. Rounding out the Kingston scorers was Nathan Cloyd (53rd place) with a time of 20:20.

For Ubly, Alex Grifka tuned in a time of 16:46 to finish as the individual runner-up, while Nicholas Swanson was clocked in 17:41 to place 7th. Also for the Bearcats, Zachary Garner and Ryche Roggenbuck crossed the end line together in 19:22, while the final scorer was Evan Franzel with a time of 19:55.

On the women's field, Ubly was the easy team winner with 50 points. The Bearcats were followed in the team rankings by Waterford our Lady of the Lakes with 101, Kingston 104, Deckerville 110 and Cass City 133.

For the Champions, Haili Gusa and Janelle White had Top-Five individual showings. Gusa was the runnerup with a time of 19:37 and White was 5th to the end line with a time of 21:12. The winners also had Sierra Walker (22:26), Lauren Dropeski (22:37) and Emma Hembrough (22:56) with impressive times.

For Kingston, Victoria Hale was fastest. She placed 4th with a time of 21:05, while Jade Delong, Emily Warrington and Lily Lyons recorded Top 25 finishes. Their times were 22:15, 22:20 and 22:59, respectively. The Cardinal final scorer was Lohr Smith with a time of 30:39.

For the Lady Red Hawks, Josie Loomis finished in 20th place with a time of 22:53 and Layna Mathewson finished in 22nd place with a time of

"Josie and Layna narrowly missing qualifying for the State Finals as the top 15 finishers all advance, along with the top three teams," explained Zdrojewski.

Mary Muter finished in 29th place with a new personal record time of 23:14 and Lauren Fernald finished in 43rd place with a time of 24:24. The final scorer was Marla Muter taking 48th in 25:11.

Just as he did with the boys' team, Zdrojewski praised his entire roster after their final race of the season.

The final two Lady Hawk runners were Kate Pohlod finishing in 53rd in 26:20 and Errianne Hoyt in 66th place in 28:13.

The State Final Meet is scheduled for Nov. 5th.

# Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast

# 2016 Football Season



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Division 6					
<b>Montrose at Millington</b>	Millington	Millington	Millington	Millington	
Division 5					
Frankenmuth at Freeland	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Freeland	Freeland	
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# Schneeberger's ATHLETES of the WEEK



Schneeberger's choice for afterwards. tonight.

The Lady Red Hawk spik-battling cancer," she said.

straight games, it was the Murphy, from Coach Amy Cuthrell and Lauren Dickinson.

this week's Athlete of the "We raised over \$1,200. All Week honors is the Cass proceeds will go to Cass City varsity volleyball team, City's Love For Lexi Fund. as they enter Class C District This fund, in memory of action at Laker High School Lexi Smith, helps families locally that have children

ers are riding a 5-game win The 2016 Cass City varsity streak into district action, team members are: (front including Thursday's regular row, 1-r) Brittany Swiderski, finale against Caro during Riley Klein, Kate Stimpfel, the Annual Volley for a Cure Bailee Ross, Konnar Warren, Victoria Cumper, Alexa Although Cass City won in Torres (back row,) Baylee Kacey Haire, event's cancer awareness Kelsey Bouverette, Sayge effort that drew comment Cuthrell, Megan Graham



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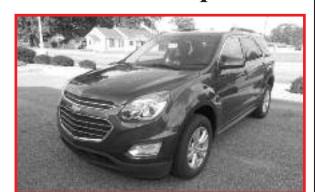




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# **CROSS COUNTRY**

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

## **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	<b>EPB Lakers</b>	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
10/31-11/3	Dist Tourny	IBA

## JR HIGH VOLLEYBALL

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

DATE OPPONENT 10/5 Mayville 10/10 Reese 10/12 **USA** 10/17 Vassar 10/19 Harbor Beach ALL GAMES BEGIN AT 5:30 p.m.

# 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	CC 46; Vassar 6
10/14	CC 26; Reese 20
10/21	CC 54; Caro 14

## **Division 7 Playoff Game**

10/28 USA 18; CC 14

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

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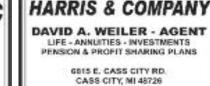








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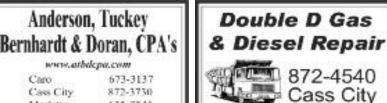


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# Village council candidates share views

## Continued from page one.

Carl Palmateer is running for reelec-

tion unopposed. Local Trustee Nancy Barrios did not seek reelection to another term on the council, opting instead to challenge District One Tuscola County Commissioner Thomas Young, Unionville, for his seat in the August primary election. Barrios fell short in her bid, losing 445 to

Young was appointed to the post in January following the resignation of Commissioner Roger Allen. Barrios was among five individuals who earlier sought the appointment to represent citizens in Columbia, Elkland, Elmwood, Fairgrove, Gilford and Wisner townships.

The Chronicle's editorial staff sent questionnaires to each of the candidates seeking trustee seats on the village council. All but Benkelman responded.

The candidates were asked to respond to the following:

\*Please provide us with some brief background about yourself, including how long you have resided in the Cass City community, your age, occupation, clubs/organizations you are or have been active with, and any other information you would like to

\*What prompted you to seek a seat on the village council?

\*Please discuss any personal or professional background you have that would enable you to be an effective council member.

\*What do you believe are the greatest challenges facing local government in Michigan today, and what issues would you most like to see the village council tackle over the next

The following are their responses:

## **Tom Herron**

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 started my own building business in 1964. By 1972, the town was running out of business 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 purchases and develop more land during the next 25 years, adding 170 acres to the village, 220 homes and 100 condominium units.

In addition to homes, I have also built many of the commercial and industrial buildings in the area. My hammer marks are on many of the Main Street buildings and include small projects as well as major reno-

of this community than any other and, as a result, I worked very close-school fifth grade teacher. ly with village government and spent

many nights at the council meetings. having served from 1974 to 1978.

tee and the Cass City Lions Club.

grocery store or some sort of fruit/meat market deal done!

I'm concerned about how street repairs are currently handled and I believe the council needs to know how our state road funding is

Rundown buildings, weeds growing in our streets and other blight conditions throughout the village are other major concerns of mine.

I want to understand what is currently done and what more we can

I am continually blown away by our high water and sewer bills as well as might lead to reductions.

ise 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

I'd like to see more discussion at

## Kirn responses

I have been a resident of Cass City for 63 years, having been born and raised here. My wife, Barbara, and I have been married 32 years and have two grown daughters. While in high school and after, I was employed here in Cass City businesses, and for the past 32 years have owned my I added more value to the tax rolls own electrical business, Kirn Electric. My wife is also employed one individual in Cass City history here in Cass City as an elementary

I am a veteran of the U.S. Navy,

I became very knowledgeable of how local government is supposed to Elkland Township Fire Department

I have also been intensely involved in our community over the years, serving on the chamber of commerce board, the Thumb Buildings Association, the St. Pancratius (Our Lady Consolata Parish) Finance Board and the Cass City DDA and EDC boards. I was very active with the Fourth of July planning commit-

I believe the above experiences make me a good candidate for the 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 the council could be instrumental in seeking new business and industry to locate here; insuring that DFA's dairy plant expansion stays here; and getting a

received and dispersed.

our taxes, and I think our council needs to explore these issues exhaustively to find possible changes that

Now, if I am elected, I cannot prominto the aforementioned issues.

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 have been a member of the for 36 years, having held various positions of leadership, such as first and second captain and first and second lieutenant. I am a member of the Cass City United Methodist Church and have served on the Cass City Planning Commission since January

I became interested in serving on the village council several years ago. An opening became available as a result of a resignation. I applied and was appointed in June 2005. I sought reelection during the next election and am doing so again this

I have worked extensively with the department of public works (DPW) and wastewater treatment plant, and maintenance of those departments. Having a working relationship with the personnel and knowledge of their set-ups, I feel I am qualified to continue serving our village in this capacity.

The greatest challenge local governments in Michigan face today is that of maintaining present services offered to the citizens of each municipality. Each local government operates on revenues from many different sources. Just as in our daily home expenditures, costs have risen in our villages. The state continues to mandate that municipalities update or add specific services (i.e. arsenic treatment of water) and does so without funding those requirements. The cost then lies upon the individual municipalities, which are already strapped for funds. The state has decreased the revenue sharing approximately 46 percent over the past 20 years. With rising costs across the board, local governments face a huge task of careful planning and budgeting to maintain what the citizens have become accustom to.

Keeping this in mind, the Cass City Village Council, through careful budgeting and planning, has accomplished the following:

\*Mapping out underground utility

services for the G.I.S. systems. \*All municipal employees have become certified and licensed in

their respective fields of service. \*The village operates with a balanced budget.

\*Worn out equipment has been replaced and new equipment has been added without borrowing funds, by carefully planning and budgeting for future needs.

A major concern facing the Cass City Village Council in the next few years is the aging infrastructure (i.e. sewer and water services). With property values declining, state revenues declining, and costs rising for replacements, the council will have a difficult task in funding the maintenance and/or replacement of these

I would like to note that every village citizen will not agree with every action taken by the council it elects. Council members are elected as representatives of the people and therefore must work for the common good of the whole community, not their individual agendas. I have strived to do this very action over the past 11 years and will continue to do so if elected.

## Zawilinski responses

I have resided in Cass City most of my adult life and enjoy the community we live in. I'm 61 years old, married to Karl and have three grown children and one grandchild. I work as a dental hygienist at Caro Center and as a real estate agent for Kelly and Co. Reality, Cass City.

Clubs and organizations that I've been active in include: member of Our Lady Consolata (formerly known as St. Pancratius), host at the Michigan Dental Association (MDA) Convention, village trustee, and helping with the Fourth of July Festival.

Seeking a seat on the village council was prompted by my interest in local government (and) wanting to be more involved in making decisions that will and have had a positive impact on our village and its residents, not only now, but in the future as well.

My professional background allows me to meet and speak with many individuals from diverse backgrounds. This allows me to hear opinions from different perspectives and try to understand their concerns. Having held my position as a village trustee since 2004 has allowed me to be more understanding and listen to issues that are of concern to the residents of Cass City and look for solutions to resolve the issues.

One of the greatest challenges facing local government in Michigan would be the continual loss of state revenue for local governments. Since 2002, revenue from the state to local governments has decreased 56 percent while the state's revenue has increased 29 percent.

council tackle over the next few years would be to bring new busicontinuing improvements to the infrastructure of our parks.



IN ADDITION TO all of the treats handed out during Cass City's Pinktober Trick or Treat celebration in downtown Cass City, youngsters were invited to participate in various activities. Above, Gabby Forsyth enjoyed the face painting station with Gail Tuckey. (Mary Drier photo)

# Pink or Treat culminates 'community with a cause' activities in the village

by Mary Drier Special for the Chronicle

The amount of money raised during Cass City's "Pinktober - Community with a Cause" events to promote breast cancer awareness is still being tal-

But the numbers are impressive already.

"The program has raised at least \$10,000 so far," said Cass City Village Manager Peter Cristiano, noting that amount is expected to grow. Since Cristiano's update, the community hosted a couple more fundraisers. There was the Pink-or-Treat event where children gathered goodies from

downtown businesses, and donations are still being accepted.

The following are some totals raised for the American Cancer Society during various events: the Girls' Night Out raised \$1,500, The talent show generated \$354, the cutest baby contest raised \$551, the Tree of Hope hosted by Knights Insurance Agency raised \$414 for the "Look Good Feel Better" program, which will provide new mirrors and supplies for local use, and the Ta

Ta Trot Glow Run/Walk raised \$1,523. In addition, the Volley for a Cure hosted by the Cass City Junior-Senior High School volleyball team raised \$1,200, there was \$261 generated during the lantern lift-off, and \$7,714 raised as well. The money from those events went to the "Love for Lexi Pay It Forward Fund", a local program to help area families who have a child diagnosed with cancer. The program was created to honor a little Cass City girl – Lexi Smith — whose valiant fight against cancer touched the hearts of many in the area.

Cass City is the only community that I know of in the Thumb that does the Pinktober fundraiser for cancer...and I think the only community anywhere around here that does," said American Cancer Society Relay for Life Manager Sandra Koglin.

Some communities from out of state have made inquiries about Cass City's Pinktober month-long fundraiser events and breast-cancer awareness pro-

"I think the village's support is wonderful. It brings a lot of awareness, and it takes a lot of hard work by several individuals to do everything that they do," said Koglin, who added the estimated \$10,000 raised so far doesn't surprise her. "The Thumb is a very caring area with generous people who are willing to help those in need. People are incredibly generous when a plea goes out for help. There are a lot of good people."

The community organized fundraisers throughout the month of October. Officials said this year marked the sixth annual Pinktober celebration in the

Joey Kreeger, who works at Kelly and Company Reality, is among those who helped start and organize Pinktober. Back when the program started, Kreeger owned a hair salon that was a designated wig bank for those with cancer, but that was not a well-known fact.

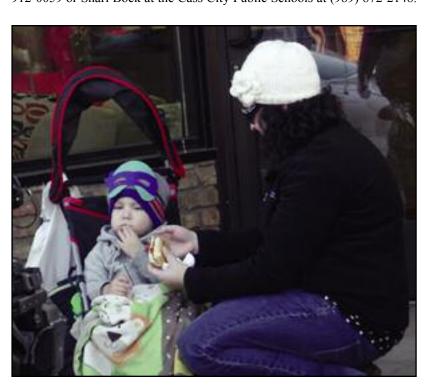
"Pinktober helps with raising awareness to have testing done, about the different services that are available, and (it) raises funds," explained Kreeger, who is an active member in several community programs.

"It takes a lot of effort to do what this community does all month long, as well as a lot of time, effort and volunteers," she said. "It takes a village to

Organizers estimate between 600 and 700 children participated in the "pink or treat" last week.

"We had six hotdogs left out of the 800 we cooked," said Knight Insurance Company Account Manager Rochelle Brown. "We cooked more than we normally do because we thought there might be more kids because the weather was so nice. It was getting to the point that we thought we might run

Donations are still being accepted. To contribute, contact Kreeger at (989) 912-0059 or Shari Bock at the Cass City Public Schools at (989) 872-2148.



Issues I would like to see the village YOUNG AND OLD enjoyed the hot dogs served up by Knights Insurance Company during Cass City's nesses to the downtown area, and Pink-or-Treat event. Nearly 800 hot dogs were served. (Mary Drier photo)

# eal Notices

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 M rtgage 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

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel N. Osterbeck AKA Daniel Osterbeck a single man, original mortgagor(s), to CF Bancorp Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated May 29, 2009, and recorded on June 8, 2009 in Liber 1176 on Page 1205, and assigned by mesne assignments to 2010-3 SFR Venture, LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Five and 85/100 Dollars (\$44,325.85)

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 November 10, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Elmwood, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 10 East, described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 33; thence along the West line of said Section 33, North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 1897.91 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing along said West line of Section 33 North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 203.08 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 429.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 203.08 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 429.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: October 12, 2016

For more information, please call: FC H (248) 593-1300 Trott Law. P.C. Attorneys For Servicer

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Patrick Hill, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2012, and recorded on July 17, 2012 in Liber 1255 on Page 443, and assigned by said Mortgagee to AmeriFirst Financial Corporation 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-Four Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Three and 23/100 Dollars (\$84.193.23)

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 November 10, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing on the East Section line 413 feet South of the Northeast corner of Northeast 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of Southeast 1/4: thence West 40 rods: thence South 250 feet: thence East 40 rods: thence North to point of beginning, all in Section 25, Township 13 North, Range 8 East.

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

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

Dated: October 12, 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 #460661F02

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

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Clayton H. Wilber and Tammy L. Wilber, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Mayville State Bank, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated October 3, 2008, and was recorded on October 9, 2008, in Liber 1159, on page 877 of the Tuscola County records, and subject to a Modification of Mortgage recorded at Liber 1298, Page 439. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$76,361.72, including interest at 7.575% per year. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on December 1, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Tuscola County Court Facility, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Tuscola County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Arbela, County of Tuscola, Michigan and is described as:

Part of the E 65 acres of the NE 1/4 of Section 24, T10N, R7E, Arbela Twp., Tuscola Co., Michigan, described as beginning at the NE corner of said Section 24; thence along the E Section line, S 0°3'10" E 410.00 ft; thence N 87°46'17" W 584.80 ft; thence N 0°3'10" W 410.00 ft; thence along the N Section line, S 87°46'17" E 584.80 ft to the point of beginning, including that part used as Vassar Road and Barnes Road. commonly known as 6055 Barnes Rd., Millington, MI 48746 tax i.d. 003-024-100-0110-00

If the property described in this notice is sold at a foreclosure sale, then under MCL 600.3278, the Mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the buyer of the property at the foreclosure sale, or to the Mortgage holder, for damage done to the property during the redemption period.

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale. unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER, P.C. Dated: October 24, 2016 By: Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393) Attorney for Mayville State Bank, Mortgagee

900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219 Bay City, MI 48707 (989) 892-4574

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Randall L. Wilmoth also known Randall Wilmoth a married man and Jane Cox-Wilmoth, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Greenpoint Credit, LLC, Mortgagee, dated October 4, 2001, and recorded on November 30, 2001 in Liber 850 on Page 569, and assigned by said Mortgagee to U.S. Bank, N.A., as trustee on behalf of Lehman ABS Manufactured Housing Contract 2002-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 Sixty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Four and 31/100 Dollars (\$62,344.31).

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 File #465439F01 AM, on December 1, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Wells, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 21, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, and the point of beginning: Running thence North 89 degrees, 28 minutes, 37 seconds West 200.0 feet along the South line of said Section 21; thence North 0 degrees, 11 minutes, 28 seconds West 800.0 feet; thence North 29 degrees, 21 minutes, 34 seconds East 295.33 feet; thence North 18 degrees, 11 minutes, 10 seconds West, 418.87 feet; thence North 74 degrees, 32 minutes, 20 seconds West, 371.49 feet; thence South 68 degrees, 27 minutes, 27 seconds West, 708.92 feet; thence North 0 degrees, 00 minutes, 27 seconds East 322.0 feet; thence North 90 degrees, 00 minutes East 1200.60 feet; thence South 0 degrees, 11 minutes, 28 seconds East 1617.90 feet along the North and South 1/4 line of said Section 21 to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southwest 1/4 Section 21, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, Wells 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.

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## John Crandall

John "Jack" Oliver Crandall, 75, of Sebewaing, died following a long illness Thursday, October 27, 2016 in his home.

He was born March 20, 1941 in Saginaw to John and Geraldine (Lintz) Crandall. He married Evelyn Ann Zeplin January 20, 2004 in Caro.

Jack loved watching the races at the Silver Bullet Speedway in Owendale. He liked trout fishing and deer hunting with his son and grandson. Jack enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. Jack is survived by his best friend and wife Evelyn; daughter, Cristal Crandall of Sebewaing; son, Jerry (Beverly)

Crandall of Deford; step children: Ryan Wutzke, Justin Wutzke, Joshua Wutzke; grandchildren: Jerry Crandall II, Stacy (Don) Doyle, Katelynn Crandall, Elizabeth Wutzke, Jordan Wutzke, Kroy Wutzke, Sawyer Wutzke, Brooklyn Wutzke, Heaven Wutzke; great-grandchildren: Jerry Crandall III, Dakota Doyle, Callie Doyle, Emily Crandall; sisters: Sandy (Jack) Edwards of Cass City, Geraldine (Tony) Edwards of Reese, Martaretta "Getty" (Jim) Krzak of Shields; step-brother, Jeff (Kris) Crandall; step-sister, Patricia (Joe) Rocha; mother-in-law, Alice Nickerson of Cass City. He touched the lives of many people with a special mention to Jennifer Mahacsi and Charlie Mahacsi and their children. Jack is also survived by his estranged children: John Crandall, Pam Uhl, Patricia Kelly; several estranged grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Jack was preceded in death by his children: Jeffery Crandall, Joseph Crandall, Elizabeth Crandall; grandson, Quentin Wutzke; brothers: Bob Crandall, Tom Crandall; step-brother, Butch Crandall; father-in-law, Orville Nickerson.

A private family memorial service will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

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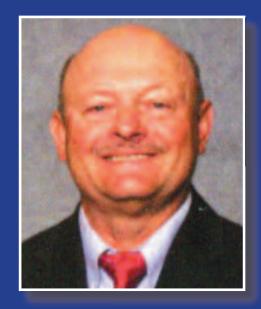
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