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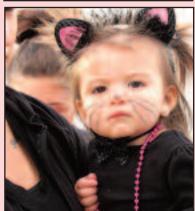
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### PINK-OR-TREAT DRAWS CROWDS











**HUNDREDS OF LOCAL residents and visitors packed the sidewalks in Cass City's** downtown district to collect treats of all kinds offered by area merchants during the community's annual Pinktober Pink-or-Treat event last week. Pictured above are (clockwise, from top left) 18-month-old Ava Maguire, daughter of Tela and Maguire and Nathan Maguire of Caro; standing-room only crowd; Avianna Dybilas, 16 months, daughter of Rebecca and Joseph Dybilas of Cass City; Amy Peters and her crew at Knights Insurance serve up free hotdogs; and Cass City School Supt. Jeff Hartel, pictured with Amy Witt along with her daughter, Sadie, and mother, Magdeline Gray, all of Gagetown, joined a small army of volunteers who served as crossing guards during the festivities. (More photos, page 16)

## Tuscola Co. clerk helped select new voting equipment set to make debut in November

by Mary Drier For the Chronicle

When voters head to the polls Tuesday, Nov. 7, they will be casting ballots on new machines that Tuscola County Clerk Jodi Fetting helped to select.

When Michigan decided to update voting machines, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson, who is the state's chief election official, asked some county clerks to help with the selection. Fetting was one of the clerks that stepped forward to

'It was exciting to be part of that process," Fetting said, noting the new voting machines will use digital optical scan technology that will "increased ease of use for voters and election offi-



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**Jodi Fetting** 

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The field of machines was narrowed to three election equipment and software vendors: Domin-Voting Systems, Election Systems and Software, and Hart Inter-

New equipment was looked at to offer voters the speed and convenience of the latest ballot-scanning and election-night reporting technology; while at the same time, featuring a good, old-fashioned paper ballot that can be gone back and looked at if necessary.

The State Administrative Board approved 10-year contracts with three vendors for optical-scan voting systems that read and tabulate paper ballots marked by voters.

Each of Michigan's 83 county clerks consulted with the city and township Please turn to page 4.



## School's audit approved, bond refinancing to save thousands

by Tom Montgomery **Editor** 

The Cass City Public School's auditing firm gave the district a clean bill of financial health on its 2016-17 audit, and school officials wrapped the details of a debt refinancing plan that will save nearly \$91,000, during a regular monthly board of education meeting Monday night.

Angie Burnette of Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran, PC, outlined this year's audit report, which noted Cass City's general fund budget revenues came in at \$9,771,383, with expenditures totaling \$9,695,622. School officials were able to add nearly \$121,000 to the fund balance, which now totals \$1,657,749, an amount equal to roughly 17 percent of the general fund budget.

"The audit went really well this year," said Burnette, who noted the district received the highest level of assurance that its financial statements were accurately stated.

In other financial matters, the board approved a low bid interest rate of 1.54 percent from Thumb National Bank to refinance \$1.835 million in bond

School officials had anticipated a low bid of two percent, so the savings from 1.54 percent – \$90,979 is \$30,000 more than the initial projection," Chief Financial Officer Allison Zimba pointed out.

In all, eight financial institutions submitted bids ranging from 1.54 percent to 2.13 percent.

#### IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business Monday, the board: \*Heard some more good news in the form of an Please turn to page 7.

## Cass City fuel supplier suing Diva Disposal

by Tom Montgomery

A Cass City-based fuel supplier recently filed a lawsuit against Diva Disposal, claiming the waste collection company was nearly \$40,000 behind in its payments for fuel when it abruptly closed early this month, leaving a host of area townships and villages without service temporarily.

The suit was filed in Tuscola County Circuit Court on behalf of Nicolas Chippi, president of Cass City Oil and Gas, 6392 Main St., Cass City. Melanie Radabaugh, owner/president of Diva Disposal, located in the former Amerigas facility at 6608 Lincoln St., Gagetown, is named as the defendant.

At stake in the suit is a combined bill of \$39,452.70 that Chippi alleges Diva Disposal still owes his company.

The suit states Radabaugh, who along with Ryan

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## Late heat, rain result in decent yields this fall

by Tom Montgomery

Thumb area farmers are continuing to wrap up the harvest following what is being described as a growing season that could have been considerably worse had it not been for unseasonably warm temperatures and timely rainfall over the past few

A wet spring and lack of heat during the summer months made for less than ideal growing conditions throughout the region, including the Thumb, according to Michigan agriculture officials. "I think the story of the summer was how cool it

was. August was just downright chilly. This warm

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**STUDENTS** LOCAL named winners of this year's Pinktober: A Community with a Cause Poster Contest are (from left) third grader Haylee Mahoney, first place; fourth grader Sawyer Ross, second place; and third grader Elyse Hoppe, third place. In all, 50 children participated, with the winners taking home kids meals at Nick's Country Oven, a free movie pass at the Cass Theatre, and a free game of bowling at the Charmont, which along with the Cass City Chronicle donated the prizes.

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# In Our OPINION..

Clarke Haire Publisher Tom Montgomery Editor

# Take an active role in monitoring info

The news headlines have been filled with reports related to the Equifax security breach, putting millions of consumers at risk of becoming victims of fraud and identity theft.

We're glad to see Michigan officials are working to continually monitor the breach and educate the state's residents on how to address the issue, but we also urge residents to be actively involved in protecting themselves.

Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette recently announced his consumer protection team has released an update to the Equifax Breach Consumer Alert, providing the latest information following the announcement that an additional 2.5 million consumers were impacted by the breach.

The consumer protection team also released a new alert, "Credit Freeze; Fraud Alert; & Credit Monitoring," to help Michigan residents understand the different protection measures they can take after a security breach.

"The fallout from this breach continues to grow and my consumer protection team is diligently working to make sure Michigan residents know what to monitor as they move forward," said Schuette. "It is important for individuals to determine if they are affected and I encourage anyone who believes their personal information has been compromised to file a complaint with my office."

Equifax is a credit reporting agency and, based on the information that they have on consumers, they provide credit scores. When a consumer applies for a loan — for a house, car, a credit card, personal loan, etc. — the lender requests information from companies like Equifax (the other two big credit reporting agencies that lenders routinely go to for credit reports and credit scores are Experian and TransUnion).

Equifax then sends over the credit report and credit score to the lender. Based on that credit history the lender makes a decision to approve or reject the loan, and to determine the interest rate.

Equifax officials estimate that up to 143 million consumers may be impacted by the breach of personal information, including roughly 4.6 million Michigan residents.

Not surprisingly, complaints to the Department of Attorney General are significant and the number continues to grow. Currently, more than 560 complaints have been filed.

Equifax has promised to update its website so that consumers can check to see if they have been impacted.

Schuette says his office's newly-released consumer alert offers Michigan residents information on how to protect themselves from identity theft in the wake of a security breach. In addition to educating Michigan consumers about the basics of fraud alerts, credit freezes, and credit monitoring, the alert answers some of the frequently asked questions about these measures.

Residents, meanwhile, can check to see if their information was breached by visiting Equifax's Cybersecurity Incident and Important Consumer Information website.

You can also read Equifax's FAQ for Consumers; Progress Updates for Consumers; and Notice of Data Breach to keep up on the latest announcements from Equifax.

If you wish to file a complaint, you can reach the Michigan Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at: P.O. Box 30213, Lansing, MI 48909 or call 517-373-1140 or toll-free 1-877-765-8388.

# Drier Humor by Mary Drier

Pinktober -- a celebration of life



I have always been totally impressed with Cass City's celebration of Pinktober for breast cancer awareness. October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is what the community's celebration is all about. I'm a breast cancer survivor, thanks in part to my profession.

Newspapers schedule articles to coincide with certain events, so each October there are articles focusing on breast cancer awareness. As a long-time journalist, the cycle of some stories becomes routine and are written by rote.

A few years ago as I was writing the standard breast cancer articles about area hospitals offering mammograms at a reduced price, a warning bell sounded in my mind.

Ås I was typing the articles, I realized it had been awhile since I had a mammogram done. I didn't have a mammogram done when I was dealing with the death of my son. I didn't have one done the next year when I was dealing with the break up with my boyfriend.

My initial reaction was, "so what?" I had always had a mammogram faithfully done each year until those two life events happened. "It shouldn't be a big deal that I missed having the test done for two years," I reasoned. After all, nothing had ever shown up on the other test, so I can deal with it the next year.

I was too busy with work and living my life to take a couple of hours off to have a test done that would once again show everything was fine. Yet, I had this nagging feeling I should get the test done.

Although the weather that fall was unusually nice, I knew it wouldn't last. So I decided to take a few hours for myself to enjoy it. When I called the hospital to schedule a mammogram, I got the last open appointment they had.

I drove back roads to the hospital with my van's windows down, enjoying a scenic tour of trees turning from green to a breathtaking array of colors. The radio was cranked up and I sang along with some tunes as I drove. It was an enjoyable drive and a great day to be alive.

I had the mammogram done. The results are read and the findings mailed shortly after. I didn't think much more about it. There was writing to do at work, meetings to attend, photos to take, classes to attend, homework to do for the enrichment classes I was taking at the skill center, and I had an active social life. With all of that, time went by in a blur.

With my busy schedule, mail often piled up. As I sorted through it, most of it was junk mail and got tossed. A few days later, I got to thinking that one letter that I tossed in the trash might have been my mammogram results. I almost didn't bother to dig it out of the trash, but I did. The letter said a suspicious spot was detected and the hospital wanted me to come in for an ultrasound. I wasn't concerned because after all I had never had a problem.

The weather was still nice, so another drive to the hospital would be a relaxing jaunt. I wasn't concerned until they showed me an X-ray of the spot that was found. I started to worry then. The results of that test were inconclusive, so a biopsy at the hospital was ordered

The wait between that test and the results were the longest days of my life. Surgery was scheduled for a mastectomy and then chemo was scheduled.

Hair loss comes with most chemo treatments. Although my son, Jason, has a beautiful thick head of hair, he often sports a shaved head. So I had him shave what was left when my hair started falling out. We joked that we would look alike so the hair cutting process made it easier for both of us. We had a mother and son photo of us sporting the same non-hairstyle.

As I was going through chemo, I struggled with whether or not I should write a column about having cancer and chemo. It was difficult to do, but eventually I wrote about it

In the end, opening up and explaining what was going on with me helped others. Because of that column, several woman who read it decided to have a mammogram done. Some called to tell me they had the test done and everything was fine. There were a few who

## Letters to the Editor

## Term limits needed

Editor,

Term limits or age limits? Our country needs change, and the sooner the better.

Senator Diane Feinstein from California just announced she is going to run for reelection, and she is 84 and will run in 2018.

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## called and thanked me for the column because cancer was found. One who called said cancer was found in both of her breasts.

Knowing that you don't have cancer is a relief. Hearing the words you have "cancer" is a gut wrenching experience.

The earlier cancer is detected the better chance of survival. I know that fact first hand. It has been several years since I was told I had cancer. I'm here to write this column because I had a mammogram done.

Long column short: Get tested.



#### **Rabbit Tracks**

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

From Tuscola County official: Clerk Jodi Fetting is hosting an open house on Nov. 2 at the H.H. Purdy Building, located at 125 West Lincoln Street in Caro.

The event, slated for 5 to 7 pm, will showcase the county's new voting machines. The equipment uses digital scan technology that will ease the voting process, according to the office administrator.

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Tuscola County Glen Skrent is encouraging residents to take advantage of another opportunity to rid their homes of prescriptions that are old and/or no longer needed.

"Even though we will take unused medications any day of the week except weekends, we promote and will have staff on hand for the National Drug Take-Back Day next Saturday," Skrent said Monday. "Bring your unwanted prescriptions into our lobby between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Oct. 28."

In the near future, Skrent noted, the sheriff's department will be installing a drop box in the vestibule so that citizens can drop off unwanted prescriptions 24-7.

Skrent noted that no liquids or fentanyl patches are accepted by the Drug Enforcement Administration DEA) during drug take-back day.

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Over in Sanilac County, Sheriff Garry Biniecki reports the passing of retired K-9 Deputy Adam on Saturday, Oct. 21, 2017. Adam was a German Shepherd and was born on June 22, 2005. He was imported from Poland.

Adam was sworn in as an official member of the Sheriff's Office and was partnered with now Sgt. Nathan Smith. The two attended and graduated from the Mid-Michigan Kennels Basic/Advanced Police K-9 Academy certifying in Narcotics, Tracking and Protection. Adam served the Sheriff's Office from 2006 until he was medically retired in 2014. After retirement Adam went on to live a peaceful life with Sgt. Smith and his family until his passing.

Sheriff Biniecki stated, "We are grateful for Adam's dedicated service to Sanilac County and he will be sadly missed".

One of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's most popular programs, the Scholar-Athlete Award, will again present 32 \$1,000 scholarships to top student-athletes at member high schools during the 2017-18 school year.

The MHSAA-Farm Bureau Insurance Scholar-Athlete Award highlights the value extracurricular activities play in the total education of high school students, often improving their academic achievements in the process.

The first 30 scholarships will be presented on a graduated basis across the MHSAA's traditional class structure. From Class A schools, six boys and six girls will receive scholarships; from Class B schools, four boys and four girls; from Class C schools, three boys and three girls; and from Class D schools, two boys and two girls will be honored. The final two scholarships will be awarded at-large to minority recipients, regardless of school size. The scholarships may be used at the institution of higher learning the recipients attend during the first year at those colleges.

Applications from individual schools will be limited to the number of available scholarships in their enrollment class. Class A schools may submit the names of six boys and six girls, Class B schools may submit four boys and four girls, Class C may submit three boys and three girls and Class D may submit two boys and two girls.

Students applying for Scholar-Athlete Awards must be graduating during the 2017-18 school year, be carrying an unrounded 3.5 (on a 4.0) grade-point average and have won a varsity letter prior to senior year in a sport in which the MHSAA sponsors a postseason tournament. Applicants will be required to show involvement in other school and community activities and submit an essay on the importance of sportsmanship in educational athletics.

Applications are available only in digital format. The downloadable forms on the MHSAA Website need only be saved to a computer, filled out in nearly any word processing program - in Windows or Macintosh platforms – and then printed to be attached to the required essay and letters of recommendation. Students must submit their applications to their school athletic director, principal or guidance counselor by Nov. 20, 2017. Students should check with their school administration to determine who the internal coordinator for the program is, and if the school has an earlier internal application deadline. Schools have additional materials to submit with student applications, and each school must submit all of its applications at one time. Individually mailed applications to the MHSAA office will not be accepted.

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#### Wednesday, October 25

•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.

•Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

•Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.

•Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Sanilac County Medical Care Facility. Noon to 2 p.m. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

•Hills and Dales General Auxiliary, Jewelry & Accessory "Fall Fling", 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Conference Room 1.

#### Thursday, October 26

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

•Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

•AAUW Halloween Carnival, ages 3-12, Cass City Elementary School, 5 to 7 p.m., games, facepainting, food & prizes.

#### Saturday, October 28

•Al-anon meeting, 11 a.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478 for more information.

#### Monday, October 30

•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

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

#### Tuesday, October 31

information, call (989) 553-5932.

•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.

 $\bullet$  Al-anon meeting, 7 p.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478 for more information.

•Cass City Chamber meeting, 8 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library.

## Circuit court proceedings

## Several appear on felony charges

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

\*Aaron C. Baase, 29, Vassar, was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail and 60 months probation following his plea of guilty to a charge of assault with intent to commit great bodily harm less than murder March 10 in Vassar Township.

The jail time was deferred, according to court records, which state Baase was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,258.

\*James G. Stanley, 72, Millington, pleaded no contest to charges of possession of a short-barreled shotgun or rifle, assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony Dec. 3 in Millington Township.

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

\*James A. Tompkins, 57, Silverwood, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 31 in Mayville.

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

\*John G. Norrington, 32, Caro, pleaded no contest to charges of assault or assault and battery, and

malicious destruction of property totaling less than \$200 July 20 in Indianfields Township.

The court proceeded directly to sentencing, ordered the defendant to serve 88 days in jail and pay costs and fines totaling \$435.

\*Robert M. Partin, 28, Caro, pleaded guilty to two counts of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer July 18 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was set at \$10,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Lloyd J. Newsome III, 38,

Caro, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana, subsequent offense, May 31 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was set at \$10,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Mark A. Isham Jr., 35, Millington, was sentenced to 365 days in jail, with work release and worksite privileges, following his pleas of no contest to assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer, and assault with intent to commit great bodily harm less than murder June 2 in Watertown Township

He was also placed on 36 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,326. A hearing is to be scheduled to determine restitution in the case.

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\*Tricia A. Deo, 28, Saginaw, pleaded no contest to one count of child abuse, third degree, between Sept. 12 and Nov. 9, 2016, in

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

\*Robert B. Slusher III, 23, Mayville, was sentenced to two to 15 years in prison following his pleas of guilty to home invasion, second degree, two counts of receiving and concealing stolen firearms, and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony March 22 in Watertown Township. In a separate case, he pleaded no contest to larceny in a building March 19, also stemming from an incident in Watertown Township.

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$652.

\*Shane D. Bloomfield, 28, Deford, pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (less than 25 grams) June 7 in Novesta Township.

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

# Attention Gagetown Residents FALL CLEAN UP WEEK

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December 1, 2017 @ 3:15 pm

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Cass City Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any or all bid proposals with or without cause.

The Board of Education reserves the right to negotiate with the contractor concerning their proposal.

## Fetting involved in selecting new equipment

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clerks in their county to select one of the three vendors.

Fetting worked with some of her local clerks to select a system they felt worked the best for them. It was decided the county will go with the Dominion Voting System and Software.

"All of the five counties in the Thumb area selected the Dominion Voting Systems," said Sanilac County Clerk Denise McGuire. "Of the 83 counties, 62 selected the Dominion System, 11 the Hart system, and the other three are still deciding."

Although Sanilac County has new voting machines, they will not be used this year. "We don't have any issues on the November ballot so there won't be an election," said McGuire.

Some voters in Huron County will use the new election equipment in November. There will be elections in the Bad Axe City and in Caseville City council seats, and the North Huron School District will have a bond issue.

In Tuscola County, the only issues on the November ballot will be a millage proposal in Dayton Township and a bonding issue for the Kingston School District.

# Ubly board okays staffing adjustments

by Mary Drier Special for the Chronicle

There have been some staffing changes in the Ubly Community School District.

The Ubly Board of Education recently approved Jeremy Warner's interim principal contract, ending June 30, 2019. Trustee Gregg Kranz offered the motion to approve the hiring and Trustee Clint Hagen seconded the motion, according to the board meeting minutes.

In a related matter, the board accepted Warner's resignation as the high school quiz bowl coordinator "with regret", and named Nikki Tibbits to fill the position.

The board also accepted "with regret" the resignation of Joan Particka, and approved the hiring of Rebecca Smith as a paraprofessional.

In other business, the board recognized the "spirit team" as a club sport

The board's next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m. in the high school library.

The new election system allows for electronic storage of ballot images, which will be a useful feature during post-election audits, and the improvements in the election management system software will save county and local clerks time and money in preparing for elections and providing election results.

The new equipment includes ballot tabulators, accessible devices for use by voters with disabilities and election-management and reporting software. Michigan changed over to using optical-scan voting systems statewide in 2004 and 2005. At that time, some municipalities were still using punch cards for elections.

This latest equipment will be paid for with \$30 million in federal Help America Vote Act

money that the Secretary of State's Office has saved for more than a decade, and with \$10 million approved by state lawmakers. That funding will cover most of the up-front cost for the new systems, but local municipalities will pay the remaining cost, which will vary, depending on which vendor is selected. Michigan is the only state with a substantial amount of federal funds still available to assist with the purchase of the next-generation voting systems.

The last time Michigan changed voting equipment was 12 years ago.

Fetting will be hosting an open house from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 2, at the H.H. Purdy Building, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, to showcase the county's new voting machines.

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## Reporter's notebook

I love speaking in public. Not.

by Tom Montgomery Editor



I dreaded public speaking when I was in high school. Same goes for my days at Central Michigan University. When a teacher or professor asked for a volunteer, I was the guy in back trying to hide behind the person sitting in front of me.

My discomfort at the podium hasn't lessened much since.

I suppose that's why journalism fits me like a glove; I don't feel any pressure (well, not much usually) when I'm writing. And if I say something stupid while writing, no one hears my fingers tapping on the delete key and re-writing, you know? I also nearly always get to stay behind the camera – that's a bonus for someone who rarely appears comfortable in photos.

So, the thought of having not one, but two speaking engagements last week left me feeling a little queasy, although talking in front of a small group of people isn't quite as scary as it used to be.

It's my own fault. I was asked to talk to a LEAD Tuscola class a few years ago and I grudgingly agreed, largely because they asked me to talk about community journalism; the small town newspaper's role in a town, how we go about gathering and reporting news, suggestions on how to deal with members of the local media etc.

In spite of my discomfort, I figure that journalists have an obligation to promote a better understanding of what we do and why, and to listen to the concerns of the folks who provide us with a living by reading our papers.

By the way, if you're not familiar with LEAD, it stands for Lead, Educate And Develop, and in a nutshell, it's a 10-month program designed to introduce Tuscola County residents to programs and opportunities for local leadership.

Anyway, I left the class thinking I sounded a bit awkward, but felt pleased I had gotten through it – and confident I wouldn't be asked back

I was wrong. I've since been asked back to LEAD meetings a couple times, including Thursday at the Roth Business Development Center in Caro.

My sigh of relief at getting through another public speaking test was delayed, however, because I had also agreed this fall to be a guest speaker at Friday's Thumb Regional Sobriety Court graduation at the county courthouse in Caro.

The sobriety court, known as a "problem-solving court", is a unique initiative in which eligible residents who have been repeatedly convicted of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol are given the opportunity to participate in an intensive program that includes close court supervision, individual and group therapy, support meetings — all designed to treat the core issue of addiction.

I agreed to address the group because I've written a number of stories about the sobriety court and, while I've never appeared in Judge Amy Grace Gierhart's courtroom as a defendant, I know first-hand what it's like to struggle with addiction. I also firmly believe that any addict worth his or her salt should jump at the chance to encourage others in the same boat.

I'd like to say I walked away from last week's gatherings feeling more confident when it comes to talking in front of others, but I really didn't.

That's okay. Maybe it's more important to raise your hand once in a while and step out of your comfort zone than to hide behind your neighbor in hopes that someone else will step up.

# Letters to the Editor

## Term limits are needed now

## Continued from page three.

Then we have Ruth Ginsberg, Supreme Court justice – recently saw her in an interview, age 87, and when she was asked if she was planning to retire, her quick response was, "Oh, no! As long as I am able to do the job..."

Later they showed her sleeping during a court hearing. By now she is 88. She is probably 28 years overdue for retirement.

Feinstein will be 85. Time for her to retire, too (actually 20 years ago

When Supreme Court justices were appointed, age expectancy was

45 to 50. Time to change and soon.

United Airlines' pilots have to retire at age 60. Are senators and judges

United Airlines' pilots have to retire at age 60. Are senators and judges superhuman so they can continue to work at 100? John McCain, 84, has served his time, too. Nancy Pelosi, Democratic speaker, is in her 80's – she looks young with all her many facelifts.

Retire, people, now. Our country needs younger – much younger – people.

Term limits or age limits? We need one or the other.

Last, but not least, our politicians seem to forget they work for us. They want lifetime-plus jobs to wheel and deal for themselves, and the more they can make, they longer they stay. Power corrupts.

It also would be a wonderful change and if we forget Democrat or Republican labels. They are just like a bunch of kids – "You will not play with me, so we will not cooperate with you." Let's throw party identification away and all become independents.

I rest my case.

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## **Down Memory Lane**

by Tina Pallas



#### 5 YEARS AGO (2012)

Schneeberger's honors Cass City Red Hawk Bobby Beyette as their "Athlete of the Week" award winner. The senior running back rushed for a career-high 67 yards Friday in the Red Hawks' 46-0 rout over host Caro. Beyette scored once for the winners. Coach Scott Cuthrell has been very impressed with Beyette since he was called to replace the injured Drew Field early in the season.

Terrence Bennett recently graduated from basic training at the Naval Recruit Training Command Center in Great Lakes, Ill. A 2012 Cass City High School graduate, he is the son of Laura Connolly and Sean Connolly of Davison, Edward Bennett Walthourville, Ga., and the grandson of David Gabler of Cass City. Bennett initially joined the U.S. Navy's Delayed Entry Program in October 2011 while still a senior in high school. Last September he completed the 8-week basic training program and is now in school to train to become a fire control man in the Advanced Electronics Computer Field at the Training Support Center in Great Lakes.

#### 10 YEARS AGO (2007)

Brim Dawson of Kentucky and Melannie Allen of Deford announce their engagement. Brian is the son of Joseph Dawson and Phyllis Jewell. Melannie is the daughter of Danny and Patricia Allen of Deford. A fall wedding is being planned at the home of Mark and Patricia Hanson, which was the old United Methodist Church in Deford and is now called Faith Manor.

Juan Adrian Pena of Deford has been promoted to the rank of warrant officer in the 46th Military Police Command in Lansing. Pena has been a member of the Michigan Army National Guard for over 12 years. He attended basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. in 1992. Pena has a number of military awards including the Army Achievement Medal and the Army Commendation Medal. In civilian life Pena is employed by Delphi. He earned his bachelor's

degree in engineering in 1986.
Chad Daniels, Cass City High
School Principal, recently announced that Ethan Damm has
been named a Commended Student in the 2008 National Merit
Scholarship Program. A letter of
commendation from the school
and National Merit Scholarship
Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to Damm.

#### 25 YEARS AGO (1992)

Mother Nature painted the landscape white early Sunday morning, giving area residents a taste of what's to come. Cold and onagain, off-again snow showers dominated the weekend weather.

LIFETIME MEMBERS - Les Ross and Ed Fritz are both charter members of the Cass City Gavel Club, which is celebrating 50 years of service to the community.

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Mark A. Parker has arrived for duty in Alpena. Parker, a recruiter with the 3554th U.S. Air Force Recruiting Squadron, is the son of George A. and Maxine L. Parker of Kingston. He graduated from Kingston High School in 1972 and received an associate degree from the Community College of the Air Force in 1989.

Gavel Club officers for 1992-93 are Wally Laming, vice-president; Larry Robinson, president; Alden Asher, treasurer; and Dick Wallace, secretary.

Cass City area resident Earl R. McKee is being recognized by GTE North on his 10th anniversary of employment with the company, according to Joe Philabaum, eastern division manager, McKee, a janitor technician working out of the company's Cass City office, started his telephone career in 1980. McKee and his wife Elsie, reside in the Cass City area.

#### 35 YEARS AGO (1982)

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kneuss, Celina, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter,

Tamara, to Douglas Taylor, son of Rev. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, Cass City. The bride elect is a graduate of Celina High School and a former student at Fort Wayne Bible College. She is employed at Gospel Gift and Book Shop, Celina. Her fiancé is a graduate of Bullock Creek High School, Midland, and Bethel College, Mishawaka, Ind. He is employed by Trinity Lighting and Supply, New Haven, Ind. The couple is planning a Nov. 6 wedding at Grace Missionary Church, Celina. Present officers of the Cass City Zonta Club are Florence Karr, president; Ruth Grassmann, secretary; Marie Roch, treasurer; and Betty Hurst, vice-president. Dignitaries attending the luncheon, were Jane Rhodes, area IT director; Lee Loveday, past Bay City Zonta president; Audra Francis, past Zonta International president; and Barbara Geil, District 15 gov-

Five area students have been named to the dean's list for the summer term at Saginaw Business Institute. They are Cheryl Anderson and Carol Baldwin, Cass City; Doris DeRocco and Christine Kirby, Gagetown, and Rebecca Ensign, Kingston.

Following is the Deford Elementary School first marking period honor roll: Michael Kurtz, Charles Maynard, Melissa Osantowski, Garold Peasley, Shannon Sapien, Jeffrey Van Allen and Bobbi Sue Voss.

#### 40 YEARS AGO (1977)

A happy moment for Melissa Smith came when it was announced that she was the 1977 Cass City High School homecoming queen. The new queen was crowned by the 1976 queen, Beth Erla. Principal Russell Richards presented Miss Smith with the traditional bouquet of roses.

The third major expansion to the Cass City business community was revealed this week when Clarence "Bud" Schneeberger announced the ground breaking of an 11,000-square-foot addition to the company store. The artist's drawing shows the addition and the present store with the slanted roof portion representing the new addition. In this store there will now be a total of 27,000 square feet of floor space and a doubled service area.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark McCarty of Argyle celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary Oct. 3 at a dinner in Frankenmuth. Present were their son William and his wife, Beverly; daughters Mrs. James (Ilene) Weltin and her husband; Mrs. Robert (Judy) Lautner and her husband; and Paulette McCarty and friend John Shebar of Angola, Ind. Also present were Mr. McCarty's sister Mrs. Frank (Huth) Misevich and her husband of Gary Ind., and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Meredith.

Marine Pfc. Douglas Forshee of Cass City was home on a 30-day leave from Camp Pendleton, Calif., and has now left for overseas duty in Okinawa. Pfc. Forshee makes his home with the Dick Hendrick family.

Gene Schroeder of Severance Road gave his eighth pint - one gallon — of blood Wednesday, Oct. 12, during the blood drive in the St. Pancratius Catholic Church hall, sponsored by the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary. The Red Cross nurse is Catherine Olsen, R.N., of Flint.

Suzanne Regnerus, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Regnerus of Cass City, has entered the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP). According to Staff Sgt. Dan Atkinson, Air Force recruiter in Caro, she will start four years' active duty March 23, undergoing six-week basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. The Air Force has guaranteed that Miss Regnerus, a June graduate of Cass City High School, will then receive Morse systems operator specialist training and upon completion be assigned to an Air Force duty

#### 50 YEARS AGO (1967)

From this group one will be announced Friday night and become the Home-coming queen at the

half of the Marlette-Cass City Football game. The girls were selected from among 13 nominees by the vote of students in the high school. The nominees are Cindy Strickland, Kathy Mark, Gloria Stine, Brenda Powell and Carla Calka.

Joseph Herhalt of Saginaw announces the engagement of his daughter, Kathleen Mary, to Charles A. Churchill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Churchill of Deford. Miss Herhalt attends Eastern Michigan University at Ypsilanti and he attends Michigan State University, East Lansing. A September wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. James Luana of Deford, formerly of Marlette, announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Jean, to Roderick Bruce Wentworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wentworth of Decker. Both are 1967 graduates of Cass City High School. Miss Luana attends Maynard's Beauty Academy in Bay City and her fiancé is employed on his father's farm. No date has been set for the wedding. An open house at their home will commemorate the 26th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Summers of Gagetown Sunday, Oct. 15, Lawrence Summers married Marguerite Cummings Oct. 3, 1942, at Ferndale. The couple has three children: Larry of Gagetown, Mrs. Marilyn Winchester of Gagetown and Gary, at home.

#### 75 YEARS AGO (1942)

Mr. and Mrs. Emory A. Cones, residents of the Deford community for many years, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 25, when a family dinner will be served at noon in the home of their daughter, Mrs. John Zinnecker, 5 miles north and 1/4 mile east of Cass City. Relatives are expected from Detroit, Lansing, Columbiaville, Imlay City, Marlette, Caro and Cass City. Open house will be held from two to five o'clock in the afternoon when friends will call to extend congratulations.

Miss Elaine Klinkman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Klinkman, of Dearborn, was united in marriage Oct. 11 to Lieut. Paul R. Schulz of the Army Air Force at Geiger Field, Spokane, Wash. The ceremony was performed at the post chapel by the army chaplain. The chaper was decorated with giant chrysanthemums. The bride wore a street-length gown of soldier blue with hat to match and her bouquet was of roses and baby chrysanthemums. The ceremony was witnessed by lieutenants in the groom's squadron.

#### 100 YEARS AGO (1917)

A law enacted by congress provides that after Nov. 15 it will be unlawful to manufacture, buy or sell explosives except by permission of the government. A record of every sale must be kept and forwarded to the explosive inspector. The issuance of licenses to citizens of enemy nations is forbidden. The inspector for Michigan will be announced within a few

In a letter to the Chronicle, dated Oct. 29, Lyle Koepfgen writes from Kelley Field, San Antonio, Texas: "We are having some very cool weather down here. Sometimes it is very warm and inside of an hour you will be shivering, and then again it is just the opposite. For instance, last evening it was very warm; the mosquitoes bothered me so much I could not get to sleep. About twelve o'clock, a big gush of wind came up all at once. It sounded just like a thunder storm and yet the sky was very clear. It wasn't very long before we were pulling all the clothes we could get over us. As a general rule the nights are very cool, that is for the last two or three weeks. It keeps us quite busy trying to keep warm as we only have two blankets. We expect to leave here about Wednesday for France. Six squadrons left here Sunday and three more today I understand there are 50,000 soldiers coming down here from the north for the winter. For my part I would rather train in the north only you don't have the snow to contend with



CASS CITY High School seniors Eric Peters – who is planning to study business administration at SVSU – and Haley Leppert – who is Ferris State University bound with plans to major in psychology – stand next to the senior banner, which was posted in conjunction with October College Application Month.

## Seniors preparing for their futures

Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder declared October College Application Month — and it shows at Cass City Junior-Senior High School.

"Applying for college early has always been a priority for Cass City schools, but this initiative helps stress the importance of more than just college applications," said Christin Hempton, dean of students at Cass City Junior-Senior High School.

"Creating post-secondary plans, applying for Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA), and creating a culture of career awareness/readiness are all parts of this initiative for the school," she added. "Though the word 'college' is part of the initiative, the meaning of the word is actually quite broad.

"We want our students to have a plan after high school; in our eyes, any high quality credential, certification, and/or degree beyond high school is considered 'college,'" Hempton said.

"Sometimes future planning can be intimidating, but through the work of Ryan Walker and his Senior Seminar Class, making future plans, filing out college applications, and completing FAFSA becomes less threatening and overwhelming," she noted.

"In Senior Seminar, we try to remove some of the barriers that prevent students from pursuing their future plans and goals," Walker explained. "The buzz around college application month helps to celebrate the senior class and gears them to focus on their

future ahead."

Among the activities organized throughout the month have been posting a senior banner with future plans, painting rocks with education goals, daily trivia questions for grades seven through 12 to answer and win prizes, and displaying college pennants down senior hall to showcase the variety of educational options in Michigan.

## Lawsuit filed against Diva

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Radabaugh established Diva Disposal in February 2009, entered into a commercial contact with Cass City Oil and Gas in April 2011. Under the terms of the agreement, Cass City Oil and Gas delivered fuel for the waste collection firm's trucks on a regular basis.

However, Radabaugh has failed to fulfill a portion of Diva's payment obligations in 2016 and 2017, according to the suit, which alleges that Radabaugh submitted several checks to Cass City Oil and Gas – totaling \$6,500 – that failed to cash due to non-sufficient funds.

The Chronicle was unable to reach Radabaugh for comment on the suit

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## **News briefs**

## Deputies aren't shaving

SANILAC COUNTY – Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies are again participating in "No-Shave November" this year as a way to raise funds to donate to a local charity.

"The deputies will select a health awareness charity to receive the donations that will be collected throughout the month of November for members that volunteer to participate," explained Sheriff Garry Biniecki. "I just wanted to alert the public in advance that they will be seeing unshaven sheriff's office staff during the month of November. It is for a worthy cause and I am happy that my staff wanted to use this fun opportunity to give back to the community and make a positive difference."

## Community clean-up set

GAGETOWN – The village of Gagetown is hosting a fall clean up through Friday, Oct. 27. For more information, contact the village office at (989) 665-9981.

## Old meds to be collected

CASS CITY — Saturday, Oct. 28 is National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, and Coachlight Pharmacy, 6480 W. Main St., Cass City, will be participating in the event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. In addition, the Cass City Police Department will soon have a drug take-back collection box. Michigan State Police posts – including the Caro post on M-24 — will also be participating in the event, which is designed to collect old prescription drugs and the state of the st

Michigan State Police posts – including the Caro post on M-24 — will also be participating in the event, which is designed to collect old prescription drugs, as well as medications no longer needed. Items that won't be accepted include IV bags, medical waste or needles, and medicines in blister packs must be removed.

For more information, visit the website dea.gov, or call 1-800-882-

## Sheriff's concert set Nov. 4

CARO — The Tuscola County Sheriff's Department Mounted Division's annual concert has been scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 4, starting at 7 p.m. at Caro High School and will feature performer Ronnie McDowell, also known as "The Voice of Elvis".

Tickets are available by calling (989) 673-3360 or 800-205-7174.

## District court forgiving fees

SANILAC COUNTY — Sanilac County District Court will host an amnesty program from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, through Wednesday, Nov. 22, during which various fees will be forgiven.

The program includes forgiveness of fees related to civil infractions and misdemeanor violations, including cases with active warrants for failing to pay. It also includes the waiver of late fees, appearance fees and default fees authorized by Sanilac County District Court.

Those who appear during the program period will not be arrested. However, individuals who do not take advantage of the amnesty opportunity will not have immunity from arrest on outstanding warrants after that.

More information is available by calling (810) 648-3250.

## Bierlein new MAC president

TUSCOLA COUNTY – Tuscola County Commissioner Matthew Bierlein was recently sworn in as president of the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) for 2017-18.

Bierlein is an unprecedented third Tuscola County commission to become president of MAC. The first was former commissioner Gerald Peterson of Vassar, followed by Commissioner Thom Bardwell of Cass City.

Founded in 1898, MAC is an alliance of Michigan counties working to enhance county government through advocacy, shared services and education. It's the only statewide organization dedicated to the representation of all county commissioners in Michigan, serving as their voice at the state and federal levels and providing legislative support on key issues affecting counties.

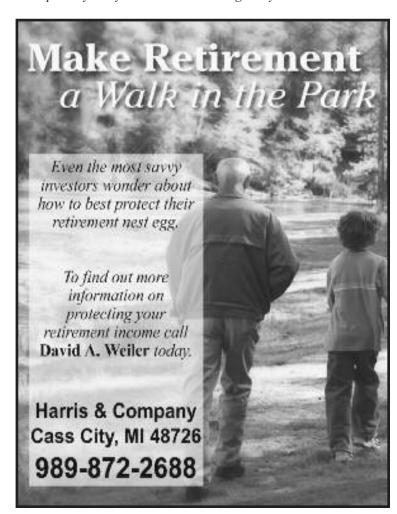
## Winter weather training slated

CARO — The Tuscola County Sheriff Department's Emergency Management Division will host a free "Sky-warn Winter Weather Training" Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. at the Tuscola County Medical Care Business Annex (formerly Davenport University building), 1285 Cleaver Rd., Caro.

Participants will learn techniques for identifying storms, reporting and measuring snowfall, estimating ice accumulation, estimating wind speeds, and winter weather definitions.

Anyone interested is asked to RSVP to Tuscola County Emergency Management Director Steve Anderson at (989) 673-5181 or via email at tcemanderson@Tuscolacounty.org.

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery



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4631 N. Van Dyke, Cass City, MI 48726 Sunday School: 10 a.m. • Sunday Service: 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Group 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. • Wednesday Kids' Club 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Pastor Dale Bullock 989-872-2828

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## School finances get thumbs up

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update on enrollment numbers.

School Supt. Jeff Hartel reported the final numbers from the Oct. 4 biannual statewide student count revealed Cass City lost two students since the previous count last fall, but enrollment is up by two kids compared to the February 2016 count. Cass City currently has about 985 students.

"Our numbers are as good as they have been in over 10 years," added Hartel, who noted school officials built a projected loss of 25 kids into the district's 2017-18 budget, which went into effect July 1.

Enrollment plays a key role in school funding from the state, which "blends" student counts conducted twice a year by districts; once in February and again the following fall. The state's

blending formula places the greatest emphasis on the fall count, which is worth 90 percent of the total

The blended enrollment number is multiplied by schools' foundation allowances to determine how much revenue they will receive for the year. Cass City, for example, is slated to receive \$7,631 per student for the 2017-18 school year, a \$120-per-student increase compared to 2016-17. The district is also scheduled to receive an additional \$25 per high school student this year.

\*Heard a report from school nurse Kathy LaPonsie regarding the Cass City Public Schools' designation as a MI HEARTSafe School. Both the elementary and junior-senior high buildings were among the first to earn the designation when the MI HEARTSafe project was established four years ago, and Cass City is still the only

Thumb area school district certified by the program.

In order for a school to receive a MI HEARTSafe School designation, it must perform at least one cardiac emergency response drill per year, have a written medical emergency response plan and team; current CPR/AED certification of at least 10 percent of staff and 50 percent of coaches (including all head varsity coaches and physical education staff); accessible, properly maintained and inspected AEDs with signs identifying their location; and preparticipation sports screening of all student athletes using the current physical and history form endorsed by the MHSAA.

\*Learned Hartel is planning to host informal coffee gatherings with interested members of the public starting Monday, Oct. 27, at 7:30 p.m. at the McDonald's restaurant in town.

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## Late heat, rain help yields

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weather we had in September and October was very necessary to finish off the crop," said Bob Battel, an MSU Extension field crops educator who works out of the MSU Extension office in Huron County.

Officials with the USDA's National Agriculture Statistics Service (NASS) Great Lakes Regional Office, say yields for most of the major crops grown in the state are expected to be down this year.

The exception is corn, with yields up roughly 11 bushels to 168 bushels per acre, compared to 2016, according to a story published in the Michigan Farm News last week.

"The extreme localized flooding in the Saginaw Valley area impacted dry bean production, and the dry weather later in the summer held soybean yields below last year's level," said Bob Boehm, manager of Michigan Farm Bureau's Center for Commodity, Farm and Industry

The crop report reflects the timing and impact of weather events throughout the season," he added, "and while some areas experienced adverse weather events, overall it was not a disaster year for the state.

"It is again a reminder of the ability of farmers to react and manage risks, as well as the impact of new seed genetics with capabilities to withstand adverse weather events and still produce respectable yields,"

Battel reported a mixed bag of yields for various crops in the Thumb. "Soybeans have been respectable; we've been getting 50 to 60 bushels per acre for the most part, which is totally respectable," he said.

Sugarbeets, meanwhile, are among the crops that have benefited most from late season rains, he noted, adding while yields for that crop have dipped – from about 30 tons to 28 tons per acre – "Sugarbeets will respond to rain until the day they're pulled from the ground.
"The lack of rain was enough to set back the yield a little bit, but it's

still a respectable yield," he said.

The same can't be said for the area's crop of dry beans, largely com-

prised of navy and black beans. Heavy rains in the spring forced some farmers to replant, which made for a late start for the crop, according to Battel. "A lot of the beans were small," he said, adding the lack of heat this summer also impacted the

Another weather issue – high winds – have negatively affected the corn crop, especially in areas such as Frankenmuth and Saginaw. The winds knock down the corn stalks, making the harvest more chal-

lenging. Battel said a skilled combine operator can recover most of the crop, "but it slows down the harvest." On a positive note, Battle pointed out the late season rains have been

"a lifesaver" for winter wheat, giving the crop a much-need start before cold weather moves in. Winter wheat is typically planted in September and will be harvested next year, around July, he noted.

Based on conditions as of Oct. 1, the state's crops forecast included the following numbers:

\*The corn yield is up 11 bushels from last year to 168 bushels per acre. Total production is expected to be 327.6 million bushels, up more than two percent from the year before.

\*Soybean yields are forecast at 49 bushels per acre, down 1.5 bushels from a year ago. Production is expected to be 111.72 million bushels, up more than seven percent from 2016.

\*Sugarbeet growers anticipate a yield of 28 tons per acre, down 2.8 tons from last year. Production is forecast at 4.004 million tons.

\*Michigan's dry bean growers are expecting their crop to yield 1,730 pounds per acre, a 190-pound per acre decrease from last year. Total production, at 3.75 million hundredweight (cwt), is down six percent

\*The alfalfa hay yield is forecast at three tons per acre, the same as

\*Michigan's other hay yield is forecast at 1.5 tons per acre, down fourtenths of a ton from last year.





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## Cass City beats M 81 rival to earn top seed in own district

Publisher

Cass City equaled its best regular season in nearly four decades Friday after disposing of Caro during the annual M 81 Clash contest.

More importantly, with the 26-14 non-conference victory, the Red Hawks will now enter district play as the No. 1 seed.

"8-1 is a record season that has not happened since 1980, what a great accomplishment," said Cass City Coach Scott Cuthrell.

Cass City will face a familiar foe in their Division 7 pre-district affair when USA visits Friday for a second time this year. The Patriots fell 18-14 earlier this year in the Greater Thumb West opener for both schools.

Cass City rushed for 275 yards in their latest win, led by Nick Perry who gained 133 yards on 15 carries, toppling the 1,000 yard mark for the season in the process.

"Two individuals went over the 1,000 yard mark (this year): Brendan Hamilton and Nick Perry another first in Cass City football. Please come and support your Red Hawks in our home playoff game," Cuthrell said.

Caro actually led 7-0 after one quarter when D.J. Daniels busted loose from 60 yards out and then added the point after kick.

Cass City, however, used a pair of big defensive plays to take a 14-7 edge into the intermission.

Luke Stern scored the Red Hawks' opening TD on a 5-yard run with 6:36 remaining in the second quarter. The hosts' initial marker covered 60 yards after Hamilton recovered a Tiger fumble in midair.

Trailing 7-6, Cass City's defense forced a 3-and-out on the next series and would take the lead for good when Dalton Powell blocked the Caro punt, resulting in a

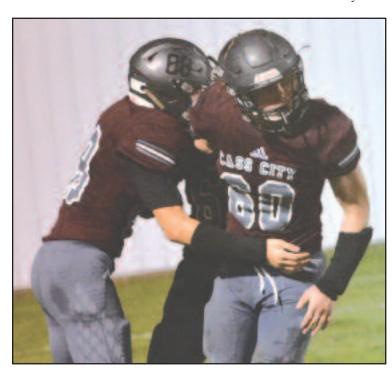
Perry added to the Cass City cushion moments later when he dashed 40-yards to the house on the first snap following Powell's

Hamilton scored the final two touchdowns for Cass City on runs of 15 and 6 yards. He rushed for 119 yards on 23 totes.

Defensively, Perry with 12 tackles and Hank Janik with 6 stops paced Cass City.



ROYAL COUPLE. The 2017 Owendale-Gagetown Homecoming King & Queen are Luke Retford, son of John and Gina Retford, and Natasha Dubs, daughter of Andrea Gergely and Joseph Dubs. The pair was announced during the halftime festivities Friday with visiting Caseville – a 48-44 Bulldog victory.



CASS CITY'S Wyatt Dickson, left, and Dalton Powell celebrate after recording a safety Friday against Caro.

## Albrecht wins battle of individual state champs

by Clarke Haire Publisher

Caro's Yami Albrecht made the most of Saturday's Thumb Area Cross Country Championship on his home course.

For just the second time in eight head-to-head meetings, Albrecht defeated Cass City's CarLee Stimpfel in a battle between individual state champions. Albrecht posted a winning time of 15:59, while leading the Tigers to team honors. Stimpfel turned in a runner-up time of 16:04 and lead the Red Hawks to fourth place. The top 5 team rankings had Caro with 49 points, Croswell-Lexington 74, Yale 86, Cass City 136 and Bad Axe 154.

"We defeated Bad Axe for the first time this year," said Cass City Coach Jon Zdrojewski, adding, "We also defeated regional rival Ubly."

However, Ubly was missing their

sure to make Saturday's Division 4 regional race at Wagener Park south of Harbor Beach - much closer, according to Zdrojewski, as the Bearcats are currently seeded first with Cass City second and Deckerville at a very close

In addition to the meet medalist over the weekend, Caro had Bry-17:12. Completing the list of scorers for the champs was Aaron Hulbert in 11th and Logan Brown in 29th place. They were clocked in 17:33 and 18:25, respectively.

For Cass City, following Stimpfel to the end line was Zane Wright taking 21st place in 17:54. Next for the Red Hawks was Nick McArdle taking 23rd in 18:11, while Gabe Farver took 37th place with a time of 18:40 and the final

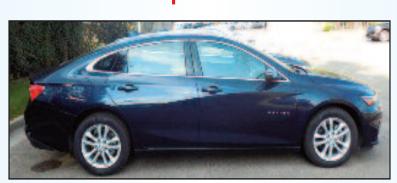
scorer was Drew Markel taking

#### den Miller and Caleb Cotton with top 10 finishes. Miller placed Service: (866) 584-7714 fourth with a time of 17:01 and Cotton was sixth with a time of

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## (Please turn to page 10.) No. 1 runner in Alex Grifka. He's Hawk spikers peaking

at right time of year

Timing is everything. And for the Cass City volleyball team it couldn't be much better.

For the second straight week, Coach Amy Cuthrell's spikers captured a weekend tourney; this time in New Haven, where the Red Hawks went undefeated to win the 10-team tourney.

"We are playing our best volleyball right now making for an exciting entrance into districts," said Cuthrell noting her team opens district action in Harbor Beach against neighbor Ubly on Monday.

Another complete showing in the Class C District, similar to the team's performance Saturday, should advance Cass City into the semifinals where Unionville-Sebewaing Area awaits.

In pool play at their latest showing, Cass City swept Imlay City (25-14, 25-14), Parkway Christian (25-13, 25-14), Cardinal Mooney (25-10, 25-12) and Sterling Heights (25-15, 25-13) to advance into the elimination rounds.

Front row specialist Kacey Haire posted 44 kills to lead the way for Cass City. She got plenty of help at the net from Sayge Cuthrell and Lauren Dickinson, who chipped in 33 and 31 kills, respectively. Cuthrell also chipped in 10 blocks and Brittany Hamilton added seven blocks.

In the semifinals, Cass City disposed of Warren Cousino 25-11 and 25-10, before turning back Armada in similar fashion during the finals. The scores were 25-14 and 25-15.

Other statistical leaders on the day for the champs were Cuthrell with 63 assists, Bailee Ross with 73 service points and Baylee Murphy with 119 digs.

#### **GTW PLAY**

On Thursday, Cass City made quick work of disposing of guest Bad Axe on Senior Night in the team's final Greater Thumb West

With decisions of 25-6, 25-13 and 25-12, Cass City finishes as the runner up in conference play at 8-2, one game behind Unionville-Sebewaing Area at 9-

Once again it was Dickinson, Cuthrell and Haire leading the offense with 13, 9 and 6 kills, respectively, while at the service line Hamilton had 21 points, Murphy 12 points and Kelly Ziegler

Defensively, Murphy's 17 digs were tops for the winners.

## Ubly is double Greater Thumb East cross country champion

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57th in 19:25.

"I was very proud of finishing in 4th place among these much larger teams at this venue, this should help us to run confidently at regionals," said Zdrojewski.

In the women's race, Croswell-Lexington edged Ubly 75-79 for team bragging rights, despite a medalist showing by Bearcat Haili Gusa. She recorded a winning a time of 19:29.

The runners-up also had Josie Gusa place 7th with a time of 20:27. Janelle White 9th in 20:43. Emma Hembrough 34th in 22:32 and Shelby Messing 39th in

For the Lady Red Hawks, who finished 12th in the team standings with a score of 290, Mary Muter continues to shine and finished first for Cass City and 38th overall in 22:43. Next to the end line was Lauren Fernald taking 73rd with a season-best time of 24:51. Layna Mathewson was third across the end line for the Lady Hawks taking 76th in 25:03, while the final two finishers were Marla Muter in 81st in 25:28 and Harlie Mallory taking 98th in 30:30.

#### **GTC LEAGUE MEETS**

League honors were earned last Tuesday in Cass City, site of the Greater Thumb West and Greater Thumb East League Meets.

In the Greater Thumb West (GTW) Division, Bad Axe was the men's champions, while Reese grabbed the women's banner.

The Hatchets held off the defending champion Red Hawks 38-42 to capture their first league title since 2009, while USA finished third with a score of 66, followed by Reese with 94 and Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port with 102.

Also earned on the day were allconference awards. Runners finishing 1-7 were first team honorees, while runners finishing 8-14 were second team honorees and 15-21 finishers received honorable mention praises.

CarLee Stimpfel was once again



**UBLY'S Janelle White** is on her way to a third place finish in the GTE League Meet.

the overall individual Greater GTW field. Ubly also had (20:23). Thumb Conference champion. The Cass City senior was clocked in 16:15 beating GTW runner up David Knarian (17:23) from Bad Axe by over a minute.

Other GTW All-Conference First Team performers included USA's Bentley Alderson (17:50), Reese's Caden Goodrow 17:54), Cass City's Zane Wright 18:08), Bad Axe's Jensen Emerick (18:22), and Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port's Mason Williams (18.40).

The Greater Thumb West All-Conference Second Team consisted of Will Hobkirk (18:45) Bad Axe, Gabe Farver (18:50) Cass City, Logan Kociba (18:57) Bad Axe, Nick McArdle (19:01) Cass City, Ethan Kent (19:02) Bad Axe, and Austin Gennrich (19:02) and Bryce Langmaid (19:04)

Rounding out the Greater Thumb West stars were all-conference honorable mention runners David Khoury (19:05) USA, Drew Markel (19:38) Cass City, Kayne Frost (19:42) Reese, Jared Chandler (19:51), Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port, Brandon Witherspoon (19:59) Cass City, Eli Buss (20:03) Bad Axe, and Draper Holland (20:10) USA.

Turning to the women's field, Reese easily defended their crown with just 15 points, while Cass City was the runner-up with a score of 46.

Earning Greater Thumb West All-Conference First Team status was Bad Axe's Jelena Prescott (21:09), Reese's Sophee Robinson (21:17), Allison Hawken (21:54), Macey Hawken (22:51), Klaudia Sutter (23:02) and Indyana McCoy (23:03), and Cass City's Hailey Beckrow (23:13).

The Greater Thumb West All-Conference Second Team was comprised of Josie Fitzpatrick (23:13) Bad Axe, Isabella Mammel (23:29) USA, Jamie Hillborg (23:30) Reese, Mary Muter (23:34) and Kacey Haire (23:40) Cass City, Abbey Ackerman (24:11) Reese and Gabriella Beeler (24:49) Bad Axe.

The Greater Thumb West All-Conference Honorable Mention runners were Heather Rooney (25:15) Lakers, Layna Mathewson (25:21) Cass City, Marla Muter (25:28) Cass City, Lydia Kilburn (25:44) USA, Abby Newland (25:46) Bad Axe, Alexis Kilburn (25:58) USA, and Lauren Fernald (26:15) Cass City.

"It was a very windy day on the already traditionally slow course and that made setting any personal or season records extremely difficult as none of the top finishers set either mark on the race," said Zdrojewski.

In the Greater Thumb East League Meet, Ubly was a double winner.

The Bearcats men captured their fourth straight conference crown with a score of 28, while rounding out the team standings were Sandusky with 50 points, Memphis with 52 and Marlette, 115.

Alex Grifka led the winners with a time of 17:06, best among the Nicholas Swanson finish fourth (17:47), Todd Wollin fifth (18:43), Ryche Roggenbuck eighth (19:20), Zachary Garner 10th (19:40), Dylan Crickon 12th (19:59) and Evan Franzel 14th

For the Lady Bearcats, Haili Gusa posted an overall winning time of 19:44. She was followed to the tape by teammates Janelle White, third in the GTE with a time of 20:47, Shelby Messing, Emma Hembrough, ninth in 23:33, Jaiden Schulte 10th in 23:53, Andrea Grifka 11th in 24:07, Lauren Dropeski 12th in 24:27 and Cheyenne Porzondek

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<b>Ubly at Harbor Beach</b>				
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(8-man contest)				
<b>Kingston at Morrice</b>	Morrice	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
Mayville at Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville
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## Schneeberger's ATHLETES of the WEEK

The Cass City football and volleyball teams are Schneeberger's choice for their "Athletes of the Week"

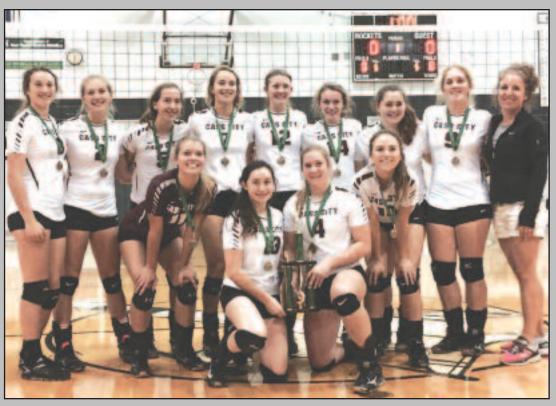
The Red Hawk gridiron team defeated visiting Caro Friday during the annual M-81 clash to improve to 8-1 on the year. The 26-14 win, makes the Red Hawks the No. 1 seed in their own district Friday against USA. A win against the Patriots will equal the most wins in school history.

The team members are: Nick Perry, Luke Stern, Sandyn Cuthrell, Zane Wright, Brendan Hamilton, Ethon Fetterhoff, Jarod Naegele, Noah Zaleski, Alex Perry, Eric Peters, Connor Sines, Dalton Powell, Hank Janik, Garrett Deitering, Zac Brunke, Mike Ziegler, Seth Roggenbuck, Lukas Haynes, Jose Casillas-Alba, Zack Beecher, Wyatt Dickson and Hunter Vaughan.

The Cass City spikers, meanwhile, captured their second consecutive weekend tournament Saturday in New Haven. Coach Amy Cuthrell says her team is playing their best ball of the season as district action starts next week in Harbor Beach. There, Cass City will seek their first district championship

The team members are: Jalene Krol, Hailey Schmotzer, Kelly Ziegler, Bailee Ross, Sayge Cuthrell, Kacey Haire, Lauren Dickinson, Baylee Murphy, Konnar Warren, Riley Klein, Brittany Hamilton and Kelsey Bouverette.







## Kingston wins fifth straight

Kingston used a 42-40 North Central Thumb League - Stars win over visiting Mayville Friday to notch their fifth straight deci-

The Cardinals rushed for 165 yards and passed for 217 yards to improve to 7-2 overall and 5-2 in

the conference. Quarterback Hunter James completed 9-of-24 passes for 138 yards and rushed for 81 yards on eight carries to lead the Cardinals. He passed for three touchdowns, scored another on a pass reception and then ran for the game winning score with just under four minutes remaining.

Mayville led 8-0 entering the second quarter and then stretched the margin to 16-0 before enjoying a 22-14 advantage at the half.

However, 16 unanswered points to open the final half had Kingston in command. But once again, Mayville refused to go away and a Jeffrey Frost fourth quarter score had the visitors back on top, 40-36, with just over four minutes re-

maining. On the next series, James bolted 16-yards for the game-winner.

Defensively, Aaron Koehler came up big for Kingston with 9.5 tackles and a game clinching interception, while Brian Hobson chipped in eight stops.

'Next we travel to Morrice for round 1 of playoffs on Friday, October 27th at 7:00pm," said Kingston Coach Brandon Jones.

The Cardinals delivered the Orioles their only defeat of the season, 30-26, in Week 7.



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## VARSITY FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT
8/25	CC 54; Flint Hamady 30
8/31	CC 30, Ubly 16
9/8	CC 54, Brown City 30
9/15	CC 18, USA 14
9/22	EPB Lakers 20, CC 14
9/29	CC 44, Bad Axe 8
10/6	CC 34, Vassar 22
10/13	CC 46, Reese 0
10/20	CC 26, Caro 14

All Varsity Games begin at 7 p.m.

JV	FO	OTB.	ALL

DATE	OPPONENT
8/24	CC 20; Flint Hamady 0
8/30	Ubly 36, CC 20
9/7	CC 66, Brown City 0
9/14	USA 38, CC 6
9/21	EPB Lakers 30, CC 28
9/28	CC 58, Bad Axe 28
10/5	CC 28, Vassar 6
10/12	CC 40, Reese 28
10/19	CC 56 Caro 6

All JV Games begin at 6:30 p.m. except Caro - 6 p.m.

## **CROSS COUNTRY**

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
8/24	Birch Run Invite	4:15 p.m.
8/31	Brown City Invite	9:00 a.m.
9/9	Bad Axe Invite	8:30 a.m.
9/16	Holly Invite	7:40 a.m.
9/21	Frankenmuth Invite	TBD
9/23	EPB Lakers Invite	10:00 a.m.
9/30	Wagener Park Invite (Harbor Be	each) 7:30 a.m.
10/7	<b>Cass City Invite</b>	9:00 a.m
10/9	Mayville JH Inv.	3:45 p.m.
10/11	Ubly Invite	4:30 p.m.
10/17	GTC League	4:30 p.m.
10/21	Thumb Meet @ Caro	10:00 a.m.
10/28-2	29 Regional @ Wagner	TBA

## VOLLEYBALL (JV & VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/9	Birch Run Invite (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/12	<b>Harbor Beach</b>	6:00 p.m.
9/14	USA	6:00 p.m.
9/16	Caro Invite (JV)	8:30 a.m.
9/16	Bay City Western (V)	9:00 a.m.
9/19	Reese	6:00 p.m.
9/21	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
9/23	Frankenmuth Inv. (V)	8:30 a.m.
9/23	USA Inv.	TBA
9/26	<b>EPB Lakers</b>	6:00 p.m.
9/28	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
9/30	Reese Invite (F)	TBA
10/05	USA	6:00 p.m.
10/10	Reese	6:00 p.m.
10/12	Vassar	6:00 p.m.
10/14	Mt. Morris Inv. (V)	9:00 a.m.
10/17	EPB Lakers	6:00 p.m.
10/19	Bad Axe	6:00 p.m.
10/21	New Haven Inv. (V)	8:00 a.m.
10/21	Caro (F)	9:00 a.m.
10/24	Caro	6:00 p.m.
10/30	Districts @ Harbor Beac	

## JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBA

OPPONENT	TIME
Vassar (no kick)	6:00 p.m.
Memphis (no kick)	6:00 p.m.
Reese (no kick)	6:00 p.m.
Harbor Beach (kick)	6:00 p.m.
USA (kick)	6:00 p.m.
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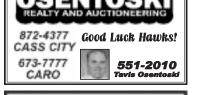
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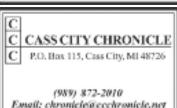
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Case No. 16-29499-CH CIRCUIT COURT SALE In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 3rd day of July, A.D., 2017 in a certain cause therein pending, wherein U. S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee, for CIM Trust 2016-5, Mortgage-backed Notes, Series 2016-5, a national association was the Plaintiff and Ronald Harris, an individual, Nancy Harris, an individual, and Contimortgage Corporation, a corporation, were the Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at public vendue, at the Tuscola County Circuit Court (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said County), on the 2nd day of November, A.D., 2017 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Fremont, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, described as follows:

A PIECE OF LAND 10 RODS EAST AND WEST BY 16 RODS NORTH AND SOUTH OUT OF THE NE CORNER OF THE W 1/2 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 8, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, FREMONT TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

Commonly known as: 2125 Waterman Road, Mayville, Michigan 48744 This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale.

Dated: 09/20/2017 Michael Urban, Deputy Sheriff, Potestivo & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff

By: Anthony J. DeClercq (P79103) 251 Diversion Street Rochester, MI 48307

Phone: (248) 853-4400 Our File # 16-35243

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure

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

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

MORTGAGE SALE - A mortgage was granted by Todd Ihrke and Melissa Ihrke, husband and wife, mortgagor(s), to U.S. Bank National Association as successor by merger of U.S. Bank National Association ND, Mortgagee, dated October 3, 2007, and recorded on October 11, 2007 in Liber 1132 on Page 241, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Seven and 50/100 Dollars (\$128,427.50).

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 2, 2017. Said premises are situated in Village of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 57 of Eno Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 2, page Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: October 4, 2017

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

File #476162F01

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure

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

MORTGAGE SALE - A mortgage was granted by Raymond Ronteltap and Windy Ronteltap, husband and wife, mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Accredited Home Lenders, Inc. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 9, 2007, and recorded on February 20, 2007 in Liber 1111 on Page 514, and assigned by mesne assignments to PennyMac Holdings, LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Fifty-Four and 10/100 Dollars (\$124,054.10).

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 2, 2017.

Said premises are situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, except a parcel of land described as follows: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of Section 23; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on the South line of said Section, 968.39 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West on said South Section line, 320.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds East on the West line of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section, 680.25 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East parallel with said South Section line, 320.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 11 minutes 33 seconds West parallel with said West line of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4, 680.25 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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 4, 2017 For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott Law, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste. 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422 File #447098F02

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

MORTGAGE SALE - A mortgage was granted by Carole A. Fritz, An Unmarried Woman, mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 3, 2014, and recorded on September 5, 2014 in Liber 1314 on Page 763, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Nine and 90/100 Dollars (\$75,859.90).

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 2, 2017.

Said premises are situated in Township of Novesta, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning 1,055 feet South of the Northwest corner of the Northeast 1/4, of Section 20, Town 13 North, Range 11 East, Novesta Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, running thence West 188 feet, thence South 230 feet thence East 188 feet, thence North 230 feet to place of beginning, except easements, restrictions

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

date of such sale.

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 4, 2017 For more information, please call: FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott Law, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste. 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422 File #475938F01

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure

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

MORTGAGE SALE - A mortgage was granted by Pearl A Dewar, an unmarried woman, and Dale Dewar, an unmarried man, mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Bank of America, N.A. its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 7, 2011, and recorded on May 3, 2011 in Liber 1221 on Page 956, in Tuscola county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to PennyMac Loan Services, LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment dated September 18, 2017, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred

Twenty-One and 79/100 Dollars (\$59,721.79).

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 2, 2017.

Said premises are situated in Township of Denmark, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at a point 2112 feet North of the Southeast corner of Section 30, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, thence West 107.25 feet, thence North 105 feet, thence East 107.25 feet, thence South 105 feet to the place of beginning, being a part of the Southeast quarter of said Section 30.

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 4, 2017
For more information, please call:
FC S (248) 593-1304
Trott Law, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste. 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan
48334-5422
File #475229F01

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Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose. MORTGAGE SALE -Lila M. Casteel, A Single Woman, granted a mortgage to American General Financial Services (DE), Inc., Mortgagee, dated August 24. 2004, and recorded on September 10, 2004, in Liber 1007, on Page 1275, and re-recorded on June 2, 2006 in Liber 1083, on Page 862, and assigned by said mortgagee to U.S. Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee for Springleaf Mortgage Loan Trust 2013-3, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2013-3, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Three Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$85,003.86). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on November 2, 2017 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

PART OF THE NORTHWEST OUARTER OF SECTION 33, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST DESCRIBED AS BEGIN-NING AT A POINT THAT IS EAST ALONG THE NORTH SECTION LINE 1585.10 FEET AND SOUTH 03 DEGREES 48 **MINUTES 23 SECONDS EAST** ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF BRAY ROAD SO CALLED 995.00 FEET THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING NORTH 86 DEGREES 11 MIN-UTS 34 SECONDS EAST 346.00 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 12 DE-GREES 36 MINUTES 45 SEC-ONDS EAST 396.52 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST TO THE CENTERLINE OF BRAY ROAD SO CALLED 407.03 FEET, THENCE NORTH 03 DEGREES 48 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE CENTERLINE 375.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO HIGHWAY USE THE WEST 33 FEET THEREOF AS RECORDED IN TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

U.S. Bank National Association as Indenture Trustee for Springleaf Mortgage Loan Trust 2013-3, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2013-3 Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

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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 Brian Hornbacher, a single man, mortgagor, to Independent Bank East Michigan, n/k/a Independent Bank, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated October 15, 2004, and was recorded on December 17, 2004, in Liber 1021, on page 406 of the Tuscola County records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$13,895.54, including interest at 10.25% per year. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt

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 November 2, 2017, 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 Akron, County of Tuscola, Michigan and is described as:

Land commencing 527 ft N of the W 1/4 post of Section 12, T14N, R8E, Akron Twp., Tuscola Co., Michigan, thence E 230 ft; thence N 211 ft; thence W 230 ft, thence S 211 ft to the place of beginning, Akron Twp., Tuscola Co., Michigan. Subject to the Right-of-Way for Sheridan Road over the W'ly side thereof.

commonly known as 5810 Sheridan Road, Unionville, MI 48723 tax i.d. 001 012 000 1200 00

If the property described in this notice is sold at a foreclosure sale, then under MCL 600.3278, the Mortgagor 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 twelve (12) 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: September 29, 2017

Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393) Attorney for Independent Bank, Mortgagee 900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219

Bay City, MI 48707 - (989) 892-4574

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# Legal Notices

MORTGAGE SALE
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Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Timothy E. German, a single man, mortgagor, to Mayville State Bank, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated November 13, 2012, and was recorded on November 20, 2012, in Liber 1265, on page 724 of the Tuscola County records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$36,546.15, including interest at 4.25% 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 November 16, 2017, 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 City of Caro, County of Tuscola, Michigan and is described as:

Commencing 48 rods W of the E 1/4 corner of Section 3, City of Caro, formerly Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, running from thence S 16 rods, thence W 4 rods; thence N 16 rods; thence E 4 rods to the place of beginning. Being part of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 3, T12N, R9E. commonly known as 540 E. Frank St., Caro, MI 48723

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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 13, 2017 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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TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing Mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest NO-OF MORTGAGE TICE FORECLOSURE SALE MORT-GAGE SALE-A mortgage was granted by TIMOTHY SEXTON and JESSICA SEXTON, his wife, Mortgagor(s) to FRANKEN-MUTH CREDIT UNION, 580 STREET, NORTH MAIN FRANKENMUTH, MI 48734, Mortgagee dated JUNE 29, 2006, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, and State of Michigan on JULY 7, 2006, in LIBER 1087 on PAGE 338 of Tuscola County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of NINETY ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND 00/100THS (\$91,805.00) DOLLARS at 5%

percent per annum and attorney

fees as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on NOVEMBER 16, 2017, AT 10:00 A.M. local time, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder in the main lobby of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, aforesaid, on said mortgage with interest thereon and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

TOWNSHIP OF VASSAR, COUNTY OF TUSCOLA AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, to wit: THE SOUTH 10 ACRES OF THE NORTHEAST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 11, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS During the SIX (6) MONTHS immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241 a, the property may be redeemed during the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period. KENNETH C. BUTLER II (P

ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE 24525 Harper Avenue St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 (586) 777-0770

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Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC 5955 West Main Street, Suite 18 Kalamazoo MI, 49009 THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILI-

TARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made BY Mason J. Gorleski and Jamie L. Gorleski, fka Jamie L. Schiefer, husband and wife, whose address is 201 S East St, Vassar, Michigan 48768, as original Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., being a mortgage dated May 20, 2009, and recorded on June 1, 2009 in Liber 1176 Page 266, Tuscola County Records, State of Michigan and then assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated September 16, 2016 and recorded on September 26, 2016 in Liber 1359 Page 920, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE AND 54/100 (\$57,949.54) Dollars.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, at public sale to the highest bidder AT THE PLACE OF HOLDING THE CIRCUIT COURT WITHIN TUS-

COLA COUNTY, at 10:00 a.m. on November 16, 2017. Said premises are situated in the City of Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as: The North 55 feet of the West 8 rods of Lot 1, Block 21, The Plat of North's Addition to the City of Vassar, as per plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 20, now being 21A, Tuscola County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA § 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale.

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

Dated: October 18, 2017 For more information, please call: (312) 541-9710, Kenneth J. Johnson, Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC, 5955 West Main Street, Suite 18, Kalamazoo, MI 49009. File No.: MI 17 3543

10-18-4

NOTICE TO CREDITORS the Estate of Marilyn Jean Morgan born November 13, 1928, died on May 6, 2017. Creditors are notified that any and all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to N.J. Vernon, trustee, within 4 months after the first date of this publication of this notice. Dated July 5, 2017. Please contact N.J. Vernon 3240 Juhl Rd., Marlette, MI 48453.

10-25-1

Notice to Creditors – Decendent's Estate File No. 16-35566-DE

Estate of Loretta Ann Anderson, deceased, date of birth 01/12/1940. Notice to creditors: The decedent, Loretta Ann Anderson, died 08/24/2012. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Richard B. Winquest, Jr., personal representative, or to both the probate court at 440 N. State St., Caro MI 48723-1593 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. Dated 12/30/2016

Attorney George F. Shaw (P23150) 1308 Columbus Avenue, Suite 101 Bay City, MI 48708-6671 (989) 316-2224

Personal Representative Richard B. Winquest, Jr. 3665 Klender Road, Rhodes, MI 48652 (989) 879-3551

10-25-1

Servicing on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Thirty Nine Thousand Eighty & 92/100 (\$39,080.92), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of November, 2017 at 10:00 AM o'clock Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola Cty MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 6.250 per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Village of Millington, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

LOT 5, BLOCK 1, OF BISHOP'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF MILLINGTON, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 1, PAGE 57A OF PLATS, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid.

The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney Dated: 10/25/2017 New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C. Attorney for New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing 700 Tower Drive, Ste. 510 Troy, MI 48098 (248) 362-2600 SMS FHLMC BETZ.

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IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR ONE

YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1400.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Phillip Sexton and Amy Sexton, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lenders successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 25, 2004 and recorded July 8, 2004 in Liber 999, Page 1342. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, NA, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Four and 65/100 Dollars (\$112,694.65), including interest at 4.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on NOVEMBER 30, 2017.

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

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 17, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point on the North line of said Section 17 which is East, 1338.945 feet (being the Northwest corner of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 17) and continuing along said North line East 564.87 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 17; thence continuing along said North line East, 82.24 feet; thence South 00 degrees 38 minutes 29 seconds East, along the Northerly extension of the West line of the recorded plat of "Miller Subdivision", recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 2 of Tuscola County Records, 228.90 feet to the Southwest corner of said Plat; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 59 seconds East, along the South line of said Plat, 8.20 feet; thence South 81.13 feet; thence West, parallel with said North line of Section 17, 93.00 feet; thence North 310.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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Dated: October 25, 2017 Orlans PC Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007 File No. 17-013399

10-25-4

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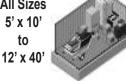
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basement is unfinished, but is set up for a fourth apartment. The apartment on the main floor can be converted over to an office space! A great opportunity. Call me today and I will show you around! 123-17-0063

Very nice 3 bedroom 1 bath home! Nice sized bedrooms, Open kitchen and living room. First floor laundry plus a utility room! All offers must have signed disclosures and proof of funds. This property is eligible under the Freddie Mac



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This beautiful home has been completely remodeled from ground up. New electrical, newer windows, new roof in 2011. New hardwood floors and new carpeting. Upstairs laundry with newer washer and dryer to stay. Completely new kitchen with beautiful granite



counter tops. It is beautifully landscaped with new cement driveway and sidewalks. The pictures do not do this house justice. This is a must see! So come take a look, pack your clothes, load up your furniture and make this beautiful house your new home! 123-17-0034

With a little TLC, this could be your dream home! Nice open floor plan with a huge living room. One bedroom and bath on main level, 2 bedrooms up.



Newer siding, newer furnace windows. The owner will carry a note in the amount of \$39500 AFTER a \$1200 down payment. The note will be held for 20 years at a 9.9% interest rate, with NO PRE PAYMENT PENALTY. Monthly payment amount \$494.71 + insurance. 123-17-0038

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This 3 bedroom home has a large fenced in backyard, 2 car detached garage and sets in a quiet neighborhood close to schools and parks. TCC1784



Great Location - This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home sets on a large corner lot and features formal dining room with hardwood floors, huge living room with fireplace, and first floor laundry. Lots of living space. TCC1771



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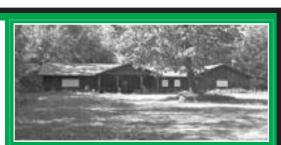
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## **PINKTOBER TRICK-OR-TREAT IN PHOTOS**



SOME OF Cass City's youngest citizens provided the post Pink-or-Treat crowds with entertainment, presenting a musical program at Rotary Park. Cass City Elementary School teacher Rebecca Walker organized the program.



PINKTOBER Committee member and Cass City Chronicle Advertising Manager Krysta Boyce (holding tray of cupcakes) along with family members and volunteers combined forces to prepare and hand out roughly 800 cupcakes during the popular Pinktober: A Community with a Cause event.



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OWEN Periso, eight, of Kingston, wore his best toxic waste man look during Pink-or-Treat in Cass City. Periso was accompanied by his mom, Laura Killinger.

# Paver's donation a boost for gun range

by Tom Montgomery Editor

An area paving company last week joined a long list of donors that have made it easier for Huron County law enforcement officers to polish their shooting range skills.

Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said Friday that Yaroch Asphalt of Owendale constructed and donated a 45-foot by 45-foot asphalt pad at the department's gun range in Verona Township.

"This very generous contribution will mainly be used for pistol training, and will drastically improve range conditions when the weather is inclement, especially during late fall and early spring training sessions,"

"Our office was very fortunate several years ago to be allowed use of land from the Huron County Road Commission to construct the large range for pistol, shotgun and rifle training," he added. "Throughout the years, financial assistance by others, including local police departments, enabled for improvements such as the construction of a building to hold classes and store range equipment.

"Two years ago our deputies and inmate work crew made several more improvements, which included re-roofing the building and adding range lighting. DTE Energy and Thumb Electric Cooperative also helped, along with a surplus diesel generator and other equipment being obtained from the military to complete the project," the sheriff continued.

The range is used by the majority of Huron County police departments as well as the U.S. Coast Guard, according to Hanson, who noted his department conducts a minimum of two training sessions a year, which occur at various times of day and night during different seasons of the year to simulate different situations and conditions.