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## Widespread cases of flu have health officials concerned

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Local, state and national health officials are warning that the flu season is far from over, with activity continuing to increase throughout the country.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 26 states, including Michigan, are reporting high flu activity at this time and predictions are that this will be a very severe flu season.

At Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City, officials say they've seen some cases of the flu and anticipate those numbers will grow in the coming days and weeks.

"In December we had nine Influenza A positives confirmed and one Influenza B positive confirmed. This is typical," Danielle Blaine, community relations director at Hills and Dales, said last week. "We will start to see the increase with both within the next couple of weeks."

Angie Titus, the local hospital's infection control nurse, reminds area residents that influenza is the sudden onset of fever, body aches, cough, and when you are experiencing these symptoms, you should suspect you have influenza.

"If it becomes serious, you can go to your physician. It is recommended that you don't come in contact with people for five days because you are contagious, and also not until your symptoms, especially your fever, resolve," Titus said.

"Above all, wash your hands frequently, cover your cough, and try to sanitize your home and office. When in public, remember to sanitize

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## Ubly School officials eye preschool, second attempt at bond issue

by Mary Drier  
Special for the Chronicle

The Ubly School District is moving ahead with its plan to purchase a building for additional classrooms, and school officials are gearing up to place a second bond issue request before voters in the near future.

After reorganization of officers during a recent meeting, the board voted to move forward with the purchase of the Re-Store Shabby Chic store at 4454 N. Washington St., and also to go for another bond issue in May.

There will be a special meeting Monday, Jan. 22, starting at 7 p.m. to finalize both issues.

If a deal on the building can be worked out, it would give Ubly the ability to offer a preschool program. School officials had hoped to accomplish that goal with funds from a bond proposal that district residents ultimately rejected last August.

Voters rejected by a 139-vote margin – 486 to 347 — a proposal of

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### He's baaaack...

**OLD MAN** Winter took a brief vacation Thursday, bringing record warm temperatures in the mid-50s to the Thumb. But it was a short trip, as cold, ice and snow abruptly return early Friday morning, giving motorists headaches and area students another day off from school. Temperatures have since remained frigid, but another warm-up is forecast for this weekend.



## School, police investigating

### Threat lands teen in hot water

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

The Cass City Board of Education was scheduled to meet in a special closed session Tuesday night to address an alleged student threat against the school district Monday.

The incident came in the wake of another investigation – involving school officials, local law enforcement and the Tuscola County

Prosecutor's Office – regarding alleged bullying incidents via the social media website Facebook over the weekend.

"This morning it was brought to our attention that a high school student used Snapchat to post a threat warning students not to attend school today with music from the song 'Pumped Up Kicks' playing in the background. The song talks about a boy taking his father's gun from his father's

closet and warning other kids they better be able to run faster than his bullets," Cass City School Supt. Jeff Hartel stated in a letter sent to parents and guardians in the district.

School officials immediately contacted the police, according to Hartel, who noted the prosecutor's office is reviewing potential charges.

The student, who was removed

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## House fire claims life of Huron Co. woman

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A house fire in Huron County claimed the life of a woman early last Wednesday morning, according to the Huron County Sheriff's Department.

The victim was not immediately identified, but investigators subsequently reported that an autopsy revealed the woman to be 53-year-old Tammy L. Williams, who resided at the home, and that she died from injuries related to the blaze.

"The full report and total findings of the autopsy are not expected for several weeks, therefore we have no further information about it," said Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson.

The fire at 8967 Crescent Beach Rd. in Caseville Township was reported shortly after 4 a.m.

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**BACK IN THE Thumb** — Chi-Ao Yang, left, recently returned to Cass City to visit with his former host parent, ASSE International Area Representative Gail Smith. Yang was visiting the area in search of a local residency program.

## Homecoming

### Former exchange student returns to Thumb as a doctor with high hopes

by Krysta Boyce

More than a decade has passed since Chi-Ao Yang landed in the Thumb after entering the ASSE International Foreign Exchange Program.

Yang, known back then as "George" to his peers at Cass City High School, graduated with the Class of 2006-07. Now he's back and on a mission to make the Thumb part of the next chapter in his life.

After attending high school in Cass City, Yang returned to his home country of Taiwan in the Republic of China, where he continued his education, attending medical school in Beijing. After graduating from medical school in the summer of 2016, he began working on the requirements to become a physician in the United States.

"To become a doctor in the U.S., you have to take four examinations; two were administered in China and two are required to be completed within the United States," said Yang, who explained the process for scheduling and preparing for these exams has taken nearly a year to complete.

"I came to Michigan for the final exam which was in Livonia. That exam was the US-MLE Step 3," he noted. "Once you have passed all four exams, you can then practice medicine within the United States."

Yang spent a week reacquainting himself with Cass City with his then-host parent Gail Smith, a longtime Cass City resident and ASSE International area representative.

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# Former exchange student "comes home"

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"He has come back to the area in hopes to pursue a long-term career here in the Thumb," said Smith. She recalled how Yang was the very first student she hosted through the ASSE program.

"George fell in love with this area when he stayed during his year here, he was very outgoing and loved the experience that the program offered to learn about our country," Smith recalled. "He would even get excited every time he saw the American flag when we would visit different places."

For Yang, a fond memory was attending Cass City High School's senior prom.

"In my country they don't celebrate with a prom. We would just gather with close friends and family to celebrate a party, not a schoolwide event," he said.

Now that Yang has earned his degree and taken the necessary exams to practice medicine in the United States, the next step is completing a three-year residency

focusing on family medicine. He hopes to one day open his very own clinic in this area.

"I just want to give back to the world, to help people and hopefully improve people's lives," he said. "Community is important to me and I would love to be back

here in the Thumb practicing medicine."

Yang has already spoken with several area hospitals in hopes of finding a residency opening as he works toward hopefully making Cass City his home for the next chapter of his life.

# House fire claims life of woman

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"Caseville Fire Department arrived to find the residence fully engulfed and requested further assistance from the Fairhaven Fire Department, the Winsor Fire Department and the Scheurer Ambulance Service," he said.

"Original on-scene information indicated that two individuals could be in the burning structure, and our responding deputy was able to locate a family member (who lives nearby) to learn that only one likely was," the sheriff added. "At approximately 5:45

a.m., firemen located the body of a severely burned person just outside the door on the porch of the totally destroyed residence.

"Investigators from our office secured a search warrant for the scene and they, along with a Huron County Medical Examiner Investigator and members of the Michigan State Police Fire Marshal Division, are looking into the tragedy."

"In regards to the origin of the fire, state fire marshals were unable to determine the cause and have ruled it the same," Hanson said Thursday.



ASSE INTERNATIONAL Area Representative Gail Smith of Cass City is pictured above with her first foreign exchange students, Kauhei Sakaguchi (left) and Chi-Ao Yang in 2006 when they stayed in the Thumb and attended Cass City High School.

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# In Our OPINION...

**Clarke Haire**  
Publisher

**Tom Montgomery**  
Editor

## Try walking a mile in a trustee's shoes

*When tensions are high – even when they're not – it can be easy to criticize the folks who serve on a local board of education.*

*We suspect, however, that there would be more pats on the back and fewer critical remarks if more members of the community would take a mental mile-long stroll in the shoes of a school board trustee.*

*It can be a thankless job.*

*Board of Education trustees are charged with the stewardship of multi-million dollar budgets as well as overseeing policies that guide teaching and administrative staffs and thousands of children.*

*School board members must understand the ins and outs of public education funding, including the impact of countless unfunded mandates, new state regulations and standardized tests that seem to change from one year to the next based on the whims of Lansing and/or Washington, D.C. They face shrinking enrollments and, subsequently, shrinking revenues while the cost of doing everything continues to rise.*

*Boards of education are challenged to keep up with curriculums, weigh financial and other considerations while making policy decisions, ensuring buildings are safe and functional, and serving as the final step in resolving disciplinary matters.*

*Trustees not only volunteer thousands of hours attending various meetings and extracurricular functions, many also devote additional time to complete training in an effort to become even more effective board members.*

*Trustees receive very little compensation for their efforts, yet frequently find themselves in the line of fire when it comes to making unpopular but necessary decisions for the good of all.*

*January is set aside each year as a time for special recognition of school boards and all they do, and we would like to personally thank each trustee, past and present, serving school districts throughout the area.*

*In Cass City, we offer kudos to all of those serving on the local board of education: Alice Zaleski, Dave Osentoski, Janie Meeker, Emily Lasceski, Stacey Bliss, Janet Richards and George Batty.*

*We would also like to encourage all area residents to make a point of offering a word of praise, support and encouragement to these volunteers, who give of their time, talent and experience.*

*Board members come from all walks of life – they're parents, grandparents, neighbors, retirees, bankers, mechanics, health care workers, etc. – but they all share at least one goal; they want to provide our children with a quality education in a safe and healthy environment.*

*That's a job worthy of both our respect and gratitude year-round.*

## Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

Hung up on Ma Bell



There were several very tense days in the Drier family when my son's cell phone stopped working.

He was totally lost without his phone as he waited for a replacement to arrive in the mail, get it activated, and try to get his contacts back.

I was surprised at how being without a cell phone for a few days made him so anxious.

He has had a cell phone for about 20 years. He has apparently forgotten what life was like before having one, and he doesn't realize how much phones have changed over the years.

My parents didn't get a landline phone until about 1968. It was a party line in which several homes shared a line and you had to wait for a turn to make a phone call. A nosy neighbor could listen in on conversations of those on the same party line.

Each home phone was given a code ring that had to be listened for carefully. The code was a combination of long and short rings, depending on where the residence was located along the party line. Our phone code was two long rings follow by three short rings. It was a major pain. Eventually, each phone line became private, replacing the party line used by several families.

Today, cell phones have become the norm — so much so that many of today's children have never seen what was the standard phone for decades.

That fact was pointed out in a Facebook posting recently by a friend of mine who took her child to work. The child had never seen an old-fashioned telephone and marveled at seeing desk phones.

Landline phones are not the only thing that has gone the way of the dinosaur.

In fact, pay phones have become so rare, a news report was done about phone booths because they are such a novelty. The story explained that the first public coin-operated pay phone was installed in Hartford, Conn., in 1889; the first phone booth debuted in the early 1900s; and in the 1990s there were about three million phone booths in the United States.

Now only a handful are left.

Phone booths have been a key part in some movie plots. They were a changing room for Superman, a sanctuary in the movie "The Birds", and a secret passage for Agent Maxwell Smart to reach his headquarters.

For those who don't remember phone booths dotting the streets, they were largely made of metal and plastic, but there were also some phone booths made of wood and glass. At one time there was one like that in the back room of the former Silver Dollar Bar in Bay Port.


Although that phone booth was in use long before breathalyzers were introduced to the law enforcement community, I swear that booth had one; whenever I used that phone booth, looking for someone to drive me home, it would lock me in. The wooden doors sometimes refused to open, which necessitated calling the bar itself for me to be released.

Seeing a phone booth these days is a novelty, as is spotting a desk phone, but an updated version of the booth is being installed in some areas in New York. The new version is an open kiosk style that offers phone calls and Internet service, as well as a charging port for cell phones.

I love my cell phone. It has over 100 numbers saved

in it. If I ever lose it or it totally dies I will be in big trouble because I no longer bother to memorize numbers.

Hmmm...now I can understand why my son was so anxious.



## Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

What's behind the push for wind turbines in many of the townships in Michigan's Thumb? Is it a responsible answer to the increased need for power? Lucrative benefits for NextEra or similar companies? Guilt response to "global warming"? Continual income for property owners? Likewise, why do many township homeowners resist the use of thousands of agricultural acres for these 391' to 499' high structures? Is there fear that the land is being exploited? The landscape is ruined? Property values are in decline?

Western Thumb TEA Party Group is hosting an open discussion of the topic, 6 p.m. Wednesday, January 24, 2018, at the Bullard Sanford Memorial Library, 520 W. Huron Ave. Vassar, MI. More and more townships are being challenged to approve the development of turbine farms (25 turbines in one location). Michigan Rep. Gary Glenn joins the discussion and will talk about his testimony before the House Energy Committee on his bill designed to prevent conflicts of interest for local officials related to potential wind farm deals.

Many township land owners and their respective officials are not aware of the full spectrum of the good and bad issues, the secretive and intimidating designs by well-funded companies who push for wind turbines and the long-term ramifications of hosting this development on agricultural acres.

Western Thumb Tea Party is committed to educating family, friends and neighbors regarding sound economic policies and constitutional government. Doors open early and everyone is welcome. For more information call 989.652.9807.

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The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is again offering scholarships to women in the Thumb area who are returning to school after an absence of at least one year. Applications are available at: Baker College, Cass City; Rawson Library, Cass City; or by calling committee chair, Connie Iwankovitsch, 989-872-4667 or emailing a request to diwank@charter.net.

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Hats off to the Uibly Quiz Bowl team which has qualified for the 2018 High School State Championship tournament in April at Michigan State University. The Bearcat scholars are Josh Brandel, Cole Messing, Rebecca Particka, Macy Knoblock and Kelsey Knoblock. The team is coached by Nikki Tibbits.

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Although I didn't like what I saw on the court Saturday at the MSU basketball game, I did enjoy what I saw of the scoreboard video screen.

For the second time this year, among the featured students was Cass City graduate Elizabeth Milligan, the daughter of Dave and Kris Milligan.

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Here's more from MSU.

Registration for Michigan State baseball's 13th annual First Pitch Dinner is now available. The event will take place on Sunday, February 4 at the Kellogg Center, beginning with a meet & greet with the team – which includes another Cass City grad in Mason Erla, the son of Chuck and Michelle Erla - at 12 p.m., followed by the formal program at 1 p.m.

Admission to the First Pitch Dinner is \$15 for children and students, \$25 for college students, \$40 for Spartan baseball alumni and \$50 for adults

This year's event will feature Major League Baseball All-Star Frank Tanana as the keynote speaker, while honoring Brian Storm as the Alumnus of the Year.

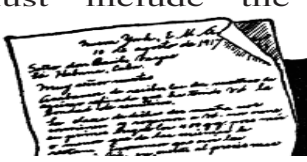
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### Wednesday, January 17

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

### Thursday, January 18

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

• Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121 or Amanda at (810) 648-4497.

• Grief Support meetings, "Healing Together." Heritage Hill, 1430 Cleaver Rd., Caro, 7-8:30 p.m. For questions or to register to attend please call the office at (989) 872-5852 or toll free (877) 872-5852. These sessions are open to anyone dealing with a grief or loss. Sponsored by Hospice Advantage, Cass City.

• Caregiver Support Group, 11:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Bullard-Sanford Memorial Library, 520 W. Huron Ave., Vassar. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

### Friday, January 19

• Senior Citizen Movies, Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City at 1:30 p.m.

### Saturday, January 20

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

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

### Monday, January 22

• Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

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

• Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (no meetings July, August, December).

• Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.

### Tuesday, January 23

• 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.)

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

### STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

#### First Sunday:

• Hillside Community Brunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., All you can eat. Free will offering.

#### First Monday:

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

• Shabbona Outreach Baby Pantry, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shabbona Outreach 5448 Shabbona Rd. Decker, MI. Gently used clothing and equipment, diapers, bottles, toys, formula, baby food. For more information contact Judy Doerr (989) 658-8625.

#### First Saturday:

• Suicide Survivor Grief Support Group, 1 p.m., Thumb Area Psychological Services 6627 Rose St., Cass City. For more information Lisa Schoettle, MA LPC NCC at 989-872-1800.

#### Second Monday:

• Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.

• VFW monthly meeting, 7:00 p.m., VFW Hall, Cass City.

#### Second Tuesday:

• Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gageton.

• Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

• Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.

• Huron County Family Caregiver Support Group, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Human Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

#### Second Wednesday:

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

#### Second Thursday:

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

#### Third Monday:

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#### Third Tuesday:

• Living with Parkinson's Support Group, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express, 55 Rapson Lane West, Bad Axe. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.

• Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121

• Ubyly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubyly Thumb Veterans Organization-Hall, 2165 Bingham St., Ubyly MI 48475. A pot luck is served prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcomed.

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

#### Fourth Monday:

• Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

• Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (no meetings July, August, December).

• Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.

#### Fourth Wednesday:

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

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

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

#### Fourth Thursday:

• Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

#### Last Monday:

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

#### Last Tuesday:

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

#### Every Monday:

• Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

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

#### Every Tuesday:

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

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

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

#### Every Wednesday:

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

#### Every Thursday:

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# Sanilac Co. drug team arrests four in separate investigations

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Sanilac County Drug Task Force officers arrested four suspects in two recent separate drug-related investigations, including one stemming from a traffic stop in Sanilac County's Lamotte Township Jan. 6.

Jim Johnson, drug task director, reported his unit is working with the Sanilac County Sheriff's Department on the traffic stop, which took place near the intersection of M-46 and M-53.

"The occupants, during the course of the traffic investigation, were found to be in illegal possession of Schedule II drugs and various heroin-use-based paraphernalia," Johnson said.

"The driver, 29-year-old Cory

James Parker, and passenger, 32-year-old Stanley Collier Bass, both from Flint, were arrested and arraigned on felony possession of a controlled substance."

Johnson noted the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department K-9 team assisted at the scene.

A day earlier, drug task officers, armed with a search warrant, made contact with the residents of a home in 3500 block of Brush Street in the Village of Deckerville.

"(We) had been compiling information since August for the search warrant based on multiple citizen tips and investigation of sales of prescription pills and marijuana from the residence," Johnson noted. "The results of the search warrant found prescription medications, marijuana, packaging

materials, digital scales and other drug paraphernalia with evidence of illegal prescription medication sales."

Michelle M. Long, 45, was booked on a charge of maintaining a drug house, and 17-year-old Robert M. Long was booked on one count of possession of marijuana. Both were then released.

"Arraignment...has already taken place," Johnson said. "Other felony charges on selling of prescription medications will be forwarded to the prosecutor's office upon completion of the investigation and lab results of the drugs seized."

Assisting the drug task force were the Sanilac County Sheriff's Department, Deckerville police and St. Clair County Sheriff's Department K-9 Division.

## Circuit court proceedings

# Several appear on felony charges

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

\*Benjamin D. Farkas, 28, Cass City, pleaded no contest to charges of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Oct. 24 in Cass City, and to larceny in a building May 22, also in Cass City.

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

\*Zachary JD Neuville, 31, Caro, was sentenced to three to 20 years in prison following his conviction during a jury trial on charges of assault by strangulation and domestic violence April 8 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender.

In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$308.

\*Carol E. Lacewell, 47, Millington, received a six-month delayed sentence following her plea of guilty to interfering with electronic communications July 31 in Millington Township.

She was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,008.

\*Evelyn M. Spencer, 31, Caro, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail and 24 months probation following her plea of guilty to possession of a controlled substance, subsequent offense, July 24 in Caro.

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

\*Jacob A. Smith, 37, Cass City, entered pleas of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, and no contest to domestic violence, third offense, Sept. 30 in Elkland Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$50,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Danay R. Herman, 22, Unionville, pleaded no contest to unlawful use of a motor vehicle Feb. 26 in Akron Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was

ordered and bond was continued at \$8,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Heath A. Holmes, 39, Vassar, pleaded no contest to a charge of malicious use of a telecommuni-

cations device between June 5 and Sept. 25 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$30,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

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Feb 5, 2018	Aug 6, 2018
Mar 5, 2018	Sept 10, 2018
Apr 2, 2018	Oct 1, 2018
May 7, 2018	Nov 5, 2018
June 4, 2018	Dec 3, 2018

## Please take notice that the Novesta Township Planning Commission meeting dates for 2018 are as follows

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Mar 27, 2018	Sept 25, 2018
May 29, 2018	Nov 27, 2018

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## Reporter's notebook

Louisiana offers us all a lesson...

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor



I thought it was generous of the Vermilion Parish School District superintendent in Louisiana to assure the media that school officials there wouldn't be pursuing criminal charges against a teacher for violating comment rules during a recent school board meeting.

I'm guessing he has bigger things to worry about, like a lawsuit, for example, or the recall of some of his school board members.

Well, if there's justice in Louisiana.

In case you missed seeing the report or the accompanying video, teacher Deyshia Hargrave was ordered to leave the meeting and escorted out by a school security officer, handcuffed on the floor and then arrested.

According to published reports, the "crime" the English language arts instructor at Rene Rost Middle School committed was to ask board members during a recent meeting why they were planning to vote to give Supt. Jerome Puyau a raise when teachers had not seen a pay increase in years.

Stories published across the country on the incident reported Hargrave waited to be called on to address the board, and that she talked about why she did not want the board to give the superintendent a raise. Her comments were ruled out of order by the board president, who said Hargrave could not ask questions and expect answers during the public comment period.

Hargrave was called upon a second time for comment. Again, she asked board members how they could raise the salary of the superintendent when teachers and students did the work in the classroom.

Then a security officer walked up to Hargrave and asked her to leave repeatedly. They argued and at one point, the officer put his hand on Hargrave's arm. She pulled back and soon left. Video of the incident doesn't show what happened immediately after the two got into the hallway, but she can be seen on the floor, being handcuffed.

According to board president, the teacher violated rules of the meeting. He reportedly said she was arrested because she started a skirmish with the officer in the hallway, an allegation that appears suspect given her waiting to be recognized — twice — before speaking during the meeting.

The board president also defended the security officer's actions.

I'm sorry. Is this school district really in America? Do people behave like this?

At the very least, don't they take note that when heavy-handed police/security officers cross the line in confrontations, say, with a nurse, they could lose their jobs and face costly lawsuits?

Of course, the teacher's union was outraged, as we all should be. I mean, whatever happened to free speech? Are we really becoming a nation dominated by the intolerant demanding nothing less than tolerance from others?

I've attended my share of school board and other meetings during my three decades in the Thumb, and I've witnessed some tense verbal exchanges, but nothing like what unfolded in Louisiana.

And I hope I never do.

We can't afford to allow respect, listening to others' opinions — even when we don't agree with them — and common courtesy to go out of style in this society. If you want assurance that those characteristics are still valued, attend a Cass City Board of Education meeting sometime.

There's a lesson here for all of us, especially for the youngsters who will one day be our leaders, whether they grow up in Louisiana or the Thumb of Michigan.

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



## 5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Thumb author Lane Walker, Kingston, is gearing up to release the second book in his Hometown Hunters series. The new book is entitled "Scarface's Secret".

Who else, but Shania Chambers, could be this week's choice for Schneberger's Athlete of the Week award winner? The junior guard went off for a season best 20 points Friday, leading the Lady Red Hawks to a 37-31 victory over host Bay City All Saints. Chambers shot 6 for 11 from the floor in the opening half to help keep Cass City in control and then removed all doubt from the game's outcome with a pair or pretty tosses at the foul stripe in the closing seconds. In addition, Chambers, who is a team co-captain with Jocelynn Venema, held BCAS high scorer Danielle Lutz scoreless for the final 8 minutes. She grabbed 5 defensive rebounds and stole 2 passes in a solid all-around display.

## 10 YEARS AGO (2008)

Cass City Middle School students competing in Level I of the K of C Saginaw Diocese Spelling Bee were Kayla Zmierski, Curtis Dickinson, Sara Roberts and Erica Martin. Competing in Level II of the K of C Saginaw Diocese Spelling Bee, representing Cass City Middle School, were Alison Blattner, Sam Fisher, Jared Weidman and Alexandra Pena.

Krista N. Homakie, a Hope College senior from Cass City, was recently named to the dean's list at Hope College for the first semester of the 2007-08 school year. To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average on a scale of 4.0.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1993)

Airman Jeffrey D. Kivesner has completed the tactical electrical and environmental systems specialist course at Chanute Air Force Base, Rantoul, Ill. Students were taught the principles of operation and trouble shooting of strategic aircraft electro-environmental systems, subsystems, components, wiring and soldering. Also included were the principles of aircraft maintenance management systems and use of test equipment. Examples of tactical aircraft are the A-10, F-5, and F-15 fighter aircraft, and the EC130 electronic surveillance aircraft. Kivesner is the son of Donald R. Kivesner of Kingston. The airman is a 1991 graduate of Kingston High School.

Tammy M. Bock of Ubyly graduated cum laude from St. Clair County Community College's Practical Nursing Program in Bad Axe Dec. 16.

## 35 YEARS AGO (1983)

Sophomore Brian deBeaubien of Cass City is among the 200 students named to Alma College's dean's list for outstanding academic performance during the fall term, which ended Dec. 17. Students who achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average during a term, while carrying a minimum of 13 credits (at least 8 of which are evaluative grades 1, are named to the dean's list. deBeaubien, a 1981 graduate of Cass City High School, is the son of Richard and Nancy deBeaubien. He is majoring in biology.

Susan Knight, a senior at Michigan State University, was named to the dean's list for the fall term. The daughter of Dorothy Knight of Cass City is majoring in elementary education.

Seven area students have been named to the academic honors list for the fall quarter at Ferris State College, Big Rapids. They were John J. Gallagher, Cass City; Clayton Harmer, Deford; Dawn M. Adam, Snover; John W.

Retford, Owendale, and Steven H. Camp, Debra M. Kubacki and Katherine E. Turner, Ubyly.

## 40 YEARS AGO (1978)

First baby - Mrs. Gloria Ewald holds her son, Clinton Norman Ewald, the first baby born at Hills and Dales General Hospital in 1978. Weighing seven pounds, three ounces, the infant entered the world at 3:25 a.m. Monday. Mrs. Ewald and her husband, William, of Unionville, also have a daughter, Billie Jo, 5-1/2. The delivering physician Monday was Dr. H.P. Schwartz, D.O., of Unionville. The Ewalds win various prizes donated by Cass City merchants for having the first baby born at Hills and Dales this year.

When Helen Roth leaves her second grade classroom at Gagetown Elementary School for the last time Friday, she won't have to bank the fire before closing the door. Teachers don't have to do that nowadays, but when Mrs. Roth started teaching in 1936 at age 18, that was one of her responsibilities. She was paid \$60 a month to teach plus \$5 additional to perform janitorial duties at the Wright School on Schweigler Road, about two miles north of what is now M-81. Mrs. Roth is retiring Friday, the end of the first semester, after teaching a total of 27 years, of which 20 were in the Owendale-Gagetown Schools or their predecessors.

Sgt. Paul M. Beckett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Beckett, Cass City, recently completed a primary noncommissioned officer course at Fort Knox, Ky. The course offers increased career educational opportunities while preparing the student for leadership duty. Sgt. Beckett entered the Army in 1975. He attended Delta College, University Center, Mich. His wife, Georgene, is with him at Fort Knox.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1968)

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Zinnecker of Deford have received word of the recent promotion of their son Ralph A. Zinnecker from Sp. 4 to Spec. 5. He is stationed with the Army at Baumholder, Germany, where he has been for the past 16 months. He is expected back to the states in July.

Miss Muriel Addison was hostess Saturday in the home of Mrs. Harry Young at a miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Marjorie Dillman, bride-elect. Seventeen were present. Mrs. Albert Johnson (Susan Tyo) of Saginaw was an out-of-town guest. Table decorations were in yellow, bronze and green. Games were played under the direction of Mrs. Jack Esau, and Mrs. K. I. MacRae assisted the hostess when refreshments were served. Mrs. George Dillman, mother of the guest of honor, and Mrs. Esau poured. Miss Dillman will become the bride of Stuart Stein of Pontiac Feb. 10.

Ken Hiatt, 19, Cass City High School senior, has added another laurel to his achievements as a musician. He tried out and was accepted Saturday at Mt. Clemens for the National Association of Rudimental Drummers. Only three or four students in Michigan belong and the entire membership in the nation is just 3,344. In other activities, Hiatt two weeks ago was accepted as a member of the all-stars band at Durand. The band includes some of Michigan's best high school musicians. Hiatt plays with the Cass City High School band and is a member of a musical combo, "The Souz."

## 75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson of Ubyly will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next week. "Due to working conditions in Detroit where some of their children are employed in national defense factories, the anniversary will be observed on both Jan. 17 and 18. The hours of 1 to 5 p. m.

have been set aside for "open house" when friends and relatives may call and extend felicitations. Mr. Robinson and Charlotte Lewis were married near Cumber on January 18, 1893.

Edward D. Graham has been advanced from the rank of corporal to sergeant and has been transferred from Walla Walla, Washington, to the Army Air Base at Mitchell, South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kirton entertained as guests Sunday Mrs. Kirton's brother, John Handley, sons, William and Lee, and daughter, Ellen, all of Deckerville. Wm. Handley left Tuesday for Detroit where he was inducted into the army Wednesday.

## 100 YEARS AGO (1918)

Camp Pike, Ark., Jan. 20, 1918. Dear Herb: I thought I would write to the Cass City people and let them know that I am still in this wonderful state of Arkansas where there are lots of rocks and hills. I expect to leave here for New York to take an examination and then go to France where Jacob Anthes and the rest of the boys are. We have had a pretty hard winter down here for Arkansas. It has been six below zero. The sun shines nearly every day except when it snows. We have good sleighing here now, but it doesn't stay very long. The base hospital here has 2,500 patients and every room is filled with soldier boys. This is an awful state to get sick in and it has such changeable weather. It is worse than Michigan in that respect. Nearly all of the boys have had a cold since they have been in Camp Pike. This camp is somewhat larger than Camp Custer. There are boys from all parts of the United States drilling here. I hoped to be back to Cass City to see the people once more. We are not going across to fight. We are going across to drive trucks. They need truck drivers mostly at the present time. I know that we will never see say firing line for we are not drilled for that. I will give Detroit one good word; they are building good trucks for the boys to drive. The boys here are a fine bunch and have kept up their courage and they will until they catch the Kaiser and then they will all be back home. I would take a great lot for the experience I have had since the day I left Pontiac. I have been in the army now six months. I will write to you again when I get across. Your friend, EARL J. MOON.

N. J. McGillvray writes to "Bill." Camp Dodge, Iowa, Jan. 13 (my birthday) Mr. G. H. Burke, Cars City, Mich. My Dear "Bill": I should have written you before, But the "Spotless Laundry" has been so busy that I couldn't find a minute to hike to the post office. You see, Bill, "Dinty" Mohr and I are doing washing and ironing and take it from me, it is going to increase our income from \$15 to \$20 a month each. We put in every spare minute and I've got enough ahead now to keep us busy all week and then some. It isn't the most congenial pastime but it's the money we are after now and a little skin off our knuckles doesn't amount to much. Lee has been at training school since a week ago and is going to make good too. He was the only one in our company to get an appointment. "Yank" was right up near the top, but Bill, a man who can say, "I'm from so and so college," has got the drop on the best of them. I have been driving most of the week on ambulance duty. The driver of Car No. 1 is in the hospital and I have been putting in my best licks while he is there. I'm pretty sure of a steady "drive" soon as the weather gets so the mechanics can work on two or three of the cars and get them back into shape. I weighed the other night on an accurate pair of scales and honestly, Bill, I managed to boost the bar up to 182 lbs. Not so bad I'm thinking. Sincerely your old pard, NORK.



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# Flu season hitting state, nation hard

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your hands not only when interacting with other people, but after being out as well. Rest and fluids are the best things you can do.”

Nationally, during the week that ended Dec. 30 — the most recent period for which data was available — 46 states reported widespread flu activity, up from 36 states the week before, according to the CDC. At the same time a year ago, just 12 states reported widespread flu activity.

The numbers also reveal that the rate of flu hospitalizations from the beginning of October to the end of December 2017 was about 14 hospitalizations per 100,000 people, according to CDC data. The rate was highest among adults ages 65 and older, at about 57 hospitalizations per 100,000 people. At this time last year, the rate of flu hospitalizations was just five hospitalizations per 100,000 people.

The flu is now reportedly widespread in virtually every state of the nation, and the death toll among children has reached 20.

Influenza is notoriously unpredictable, with the timing, severity and length of flu season varying from year to year, according to CDC officials, who say the relatively harsh season the United States is currently having is likely related to the particular flu strains that are circulating, including the H3N2 strain, which tends to be more severe.

While there have been many reports that this year's flu vaccine is only 10 percent effective, CDC officials say it's important to remember that the flu vaccine contains three or four flu viruses, depending on the type of vaccine you receive, so that even when there is a less than ideal match or lower effectiveness against one virus, the flu vaccine may protect against the other flu viruses.

In addition, flu viruses can change from one season to the next and may also change during the current flu season, making it difficult to predict if the vaccine will be a good match, according to Ann Hepfer, health officer for the Tuscola and Huron county health departments. Even though the vaccine may not be a perfect match, Hepfer says, it does lessen the severity of illness in people who get the flu.

Influenza viruses usually infect the respiratory tract — the airways of the nose, throat and lungs. As the infection increases, the body's immune system responds to fight the virus infection, which results in inflammation that can trigger respiratory symptoms such as cough and sore throat.

The immune system response can also trigger fever and cause muscle or body aches. When infected persons cough, they can spread influenza viruses in respiratory droplets to someone next to them; persons can also become infected through contact with infectious secretions or contaminated

surfaces.

Following a flu infection, secondary ear and sinus infections can occur. For example, some people may develop pneumonia. This can happen to anyone, but may be more likely to happen to people who have certain chronic medical conditions, infants, children, or in elderly persons.

While the flu vaccine is the best way to prevent getting the flu, good health habits can help stop the spread of germs. Examples include:

\*Covering your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.

\*Washing your hands with soap and water after you cough or sneeze and often throughout the day.

\*Avoiding touching your eyes, mouth, or nose.

\*Staying home when you are sick.

\*Avoiding close contact with people who are sick.

\*Disinfecting surfaces and objects that may be contaminated.

The CDC recommends that in addition to the flu vaccine, antiviral medications be used to treat all persons that are hospitalized, severely ill, and those at high risk with suspected or confirmed flu.

Antiviral medications should be started as soon as possible after the onset of illness and should not be delayed pending lab test results. Ideally treatment should begin within 48 hours of symptom onset, however, treatment started later than 48 hours after illness onset can still be beneficial for some patients.

People should contact their doctor right away if they think they might have the flu.

Hepfer reminds Thumb residents that it's not too late to get a flu vaccination. The Tuscola County Health Department has appointments available Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.; walk-in service is also available.

The health department bills all insurance companies, and Medicare pays 100 percent for flu and pneumonia vaccines. Residents are asked to bring their Medicare, Medicaid, and/or insurance cards with them.

For Tuscola County residents ages 60 to 64 years with no insurance, the flu vaccine is covered through Tuscola County Senior Millage funds.

To make an appointment, call (989) 673-8116 or 673-1680.

## News briefs

### Local township preparing

CASS CITY — The push for renewable energy has townships developing or updating zoning ordinances in preparation for possible future development, and Elkland Township is among them.

The Elkland Planning Commission Zoning Board of Appeals recently met to review township ordinances and consider updates regarding wind turbines, special land use permits and civil fee schedules.

According to a 2008 study by the Michigan Wind Energy Resource Zone Board (WERZ), the Thumb area — including Elkland Township — is a prime location for wind development. The state is ranked 14th in the U.S. for wind energy potential.

### 4-H scholarships available

HURON COUNTY — The Huron County 4-H Council will be awarding up to four \$500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors. Students who have made outstanding achievements in 4-H work and are planning to attend college/trade school are eligible to receive the scholarships.

Two “letters of recommendation” are required. Students may pick up an application from their high school guidance counselors or the MSU Extension Office, 1142 S. Van Dyke Rd., Suite 200, in Bad Axe. MSU Extension office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and open during the noon hour.

Completed applications and letters of recommendation must be turned in by 4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 29.

### Five picked for vets board

CARO — Appointments were recently made to the Tuscola County Veteran's Committee.

Those selected to serve included Dr. Richard Horsch for a one-year term, Steve Meyers for a one-year term, Ann Westover for a four-year term, Ann Cherry for a three-year term, and Gary Haas for a two-year term.

### Soybean research meetings

MICHIGAN — Results from the 2017 Soybean Management and Research Technologies (SMART) on-farm research projects will be presented at six programs at various locations across the state, including one set for Wednesday, Jan. 24, at the Brentwood Restaurant, 178 Park Dr., Caro.

The program will begin at 8:45 a.m. and end with a complimentary lunch.

Participants will have an opportunity to learn how various management practices and products impacted soybean yields and income in the 2017 SMART on-farm research trials. Mark Seamon, research coordinator for the Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee, is scheduled to provide an overview of the research projects funded by the Michigan soybean check-off.

The event is free but pre-registration is requested by calling 877-769-6424 or registering online at <http://events.anr.msu.edu/2018SMART-Meeting/>.

### Soccer a club sport in Ubyly

UBLY — The Ubyly Board of Education recently approved adding soccer as a club sport in the district starting in the fall.

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery

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If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: December 27, 2017 Trott Law, P.C.

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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 Charles Schuler A/K/A Charles Scott Schuler and Sarah L. Schuler, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 4, 2005 and recorded November 22, 2005 in Liber 1062, Page 486. Said mortgage is now held by Federal National Mortgage Association, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Four and 67/100 Dollars (\$124,204.67), including interest at 5.75% 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 venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on JANUARY 25, 2018.

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

The West half of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 33, Town 12 North, Range 11 East.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: December 27, 2017  
Orlans PC  
Attorneys for Servicer

P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007  
File No. 17-016565

12-27-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 8, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Gary L. Bates Sr. A married person and Annette Bates

Original Mortgagee: Wells Fargo Bank, NA

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): None

Date of Mortgage: February 20, 2009

Date of Mortgage Recording: March 12, 2009

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$129,229.50

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 32, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point which is South 87 degrees 49 minutes 42 seconds East, along South line of said Northwest 1/4, 1965.04 feet; and North 00 degrees 47 minutes 37 seconds East, parallel with the West line of said Northwest 1/4, 1040.25 feet; and North 81 degrees 38 minutes 19 seconds East, 38.97 feet from the West 1/4 corner of said Section 32; thence continuing North 81 degrees 38 minutes 19 seconds East, 257.28 feet to the centerline of State Highway M-15; thence Northwestly along said centerline on a non-tangential curve to the right (said curve having a central angle of 0 degrees 29 minutes 20 seconds, a radius of 22,918.31 feet; a degree of curvature of 0 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds, and a chord bearing and distance of North 30 degrees 00 minutes 58 seconds West, 195.50 feet) an arc distance of 195.50 feet; an arc distance of 195.50 feet; thence continuing along said centerline, North 29 degrees 46 minutes 18 seconds West, 43.92 feet; thence North 87 degrees 17 minutes 23 seconds West, parallel with the North line of said Northwest 1/4, 190.00 feet; thence South 12 degrees 11 minutes 40 seconds East, 259.66 feet to the point of beginning, subject to the use of the Northeasterly 50 feet thereof as

State Highway M-15 and subject to all easements, rights-of-way, and restrictions of record. Parcel K

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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.

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: January 10, 2018  
Trott Law, P.C.  
1337611

1-10-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 8, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Patrick Hill, a single man

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): AmeriFirst Financial Corporation  
Date of Mortgage: July 17, 2012  
Date of Mortgage Recording: July 17, 2012

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$78,386.80

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

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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.

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: January 10, 2018  
Trott Law, P.C.  
1337693

1-10-4

IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR ONE YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1400. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John E. Weber, a single man, to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated April 1, 1999 and recorded April 1, 1999 in Liber 767, Page 1185. Said mortgage is now held by Ditech Financial LLC, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Ten and 65/100 Dollars (\$37,310.65), including interest at 7.25% 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 venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on FEBRUARY 8, 2018.

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

Situated in the Village of Millington, Township of Millington, Tuscola County Michigan, and are described as: Commencing 60 rods West and 18 rods North of the South 1/4 stake of Section 9, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, thence West 20 rods, thence South 8 rods, thence East 4 rods, thence North 8 rods, thence West 4 rods to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: January 10, 2018  
Orlans PC  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007  
File No. 17-013774

1-10-4

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - ISABLE DELACRUZ, AN UNMARRIED MAN, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 6, 2007, and recorded on June 12, 2007, in Liber 1122, on Page 151, and assigned by said mortgagee to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Dollars and Ninety-Three Cents (\$114,670.93).

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 venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on February 8, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

LOT 2, COUNTRY MANOR SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3, PAGE 52, 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.

Nationstar Mortgage LLC  
d/b/a Mr. Cooper Mortgage/Assignee  
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938  
Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

1-10-4

Original - Court	1st copy - Defendant	2nd copy - Plaintiff	3rd copy - Return
<b>STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY</b>		<b>ORDER FOR ALTERNATE SERVICE</b>	<b>CASE NO. 17-29970-CH</b>
Court Address 440 N. State St., Caro, MI 48723		Court telephone no. 989-672-3780	
Plaintiff name(s), address(es) and telephone no(s). <b>SARA ANN DAVIDSON, AND ROBERT JOHN DAVIDSON</b>		Defendant name(s), address(es) and telephone no(s). <b>CATHRYN BOOTH, ET AL</b>	
Attorney, bar no., address, and telephone no. <b>Andrew J. Black (P64606) The Darren Findling Law Firm, P.L.C. 414 West Fifth Street Royal Oak, Michigan 48067 (248) 399-3300</b>		V	
<b>THE COURT FINDS:</b>			
1. Service of process upon defendant(s), <b>Cathryn Booth, Fred G. Mathews, Judy Mathews, John J. Kane and Gladys Kane</b> cannot reasonably be made as provided in MCR 2.105, the following is reasonably calculated to give the defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard.			
<b>IT IS ORDERED:</b>			
2. Service of the summons and complaint and a copy of this order may be made by the following method(s):			
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First class mail to last known address at: <b>Cathryn Booth - 1401 Chene, #902, Detroit, MI 48207 Fred G. Mathews - 1761 Sunrise Dr., Caro, MI 48723 Judy Matthews -1761 Sunrise Dr., Caro, MI 48723 John J. Kane - 6238 Oakes St., Marlette, MI 48453 Gladys Kane - 6238 Oakes St., Marlette, MI 48453</b>			
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Tacking or firmly affixing to the door at			
c. <input type="checkbox"/> Delivering at _____ to a member of defendant's household who is of suitable age and discretion to receive process, with instructions to deliver it promptly to defendant(s).			
d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <b>Publication in the Cass City Chronicle for 3 consecutive weeks.</b>			
3. For each method used, proof of service must be filed promptly with the court.			
4. <b>IT IS FURTHER ORDERED</b> that Defendant(s), <b>Cathryn Booth, Fred G. Mathews, Judy Mathews, John J. Kane and Gladys Kane</b> , shall file with this Court, an Answer to Plaintiff's Complaint to Quiet Title & serve a copy upon Plaintiff(s) attorney Darren Findling, 414 West Fifth Street, Royal Oak, MI 48067, or take other action as permitted by law. Defendant(s) failure to comply with this Order may result in a Default Judgment being entered against the Defendant(s) for the relief sought in the Complaint to Quiet Title. The Defendant(s) shall file an Answer, as required by MCR 2.108(A)(3), within 28 days of the completion of service as provided herein.			
Date <u>12-18-17</u>		S/ Amy Grace Gierhart Judge	
MC 304 (8/88) ORDER FOR ALTERNATE SERVICE		Bar no. MCR 2.103, MCR 2.105	

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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement ATTN PURCHASERS:

This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee for any reason. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney. Notice is hereby given that the below mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00 am on February 8, 2018. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s):

Christopher Stanley a married man and Mary Stanley, his wife Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC Date of Mortgage: February 6, 2009 Date of Mortgage Recording: February 13, 2009 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$123,609.58 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the City of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 34, Township 13 North, Range 9 East, Beginning at a point which is North 00 degrees 00 minutes 45 seconds West, 740.00 feet along the West line of Section 34 from the Southwest corner of said Section 34;

Thence continuing along the said West line North 00 degrees 00 minutes 45 seconds West, 170.00 feet; Thence South 75 degrees 58 minutes 22 seconds East, 114.95 feet; Thence South 37 degrees 44 minutes 32 seconds East, 116.85 feet; Thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 45 seconds East, 50.00 feet; Thence West 183.00 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: 01/10/2018 Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 110659

**1-10-4**

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

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Judy Shoup and Jack Shoup, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 17, 2005 and recorded June 23, 2005 in Liber 1043, Page 611. Said mortgage is now held by Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, as indenture trustee, for the CSMC 2016-RPL1 Trust, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2016-RPL1, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Two and 3/100 Dollars (\$83,372.03), including interest at 6.246% 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 venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MARCH 1, 2018.

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

Part of the Northwest quarter of Fractional Section 3, Town 13 North, Range 10 East, described as: Beginning at a point on the centerline of State Highway (M-81) which is North 88 degrees 36 minutes 45 seconds West 273.78 feet along the North line of said section and along said centerline on a 00 degree 30 minutes curve to the right, South 41 degrees 28 minutes 44 seconds West 758.80 feet

(chord) and South 43 degrees 45 minutes 11 seconds West 150.07 feet (chord) from the North quarter corner of Section 3, said curve having a central angle of 12 degrees 59 minutes, a radius of 11549.19 feet and tangent lengths of 1303.95 feet; thence continuing along said centerline curve, South 44 degrees 29 minutes 39 seconds West 150.02 feet (chord); thence North 44 degrees 34 minutes 00 seconds West 200.00 feet; thence North 44 degrees 29 minutes 39 seconds East 150.02 feet; thence, South 44 degrees 34 minutes 00 seconds East 200.00 feet to the centerline of State Highway (M-81) and the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: January 17, 2018  
Orlans PC  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007  
File No. 17-012590

**1-17-4**

FORECLOSURE NOTICE RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. MAY BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICEMEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY NOW OR IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE.

Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Calvin A McCloy, an unmarried man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for Cason Home Loans, Mortgagee, dated September 12, 2014, and recorded on September 16, 2014, in Liber 1315, Page 453, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp. by an Assignment of Mortgage which has been submitted to the Tuscola County Register of Deeds, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Sixty and 87/100 (\$68,160.87) including interest at the rate of 4.50000% 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 venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on February 15, 2018 Said premises are situated in the Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 25, town 13 north, range 9 east, thence west along the one eighth line 200 feet; thence south 100 feet; thence east 200 feet; thence north along section line to the place of beginning.

Commonly known as: 1601 Colwood Rd, Caro, MI 48723 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later.

If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) 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.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The fore-

closing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: January 17, 2018 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp. 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Case No. 17MI01051-1

**1-17-4**

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Steven Clauss, a married man, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 11, 2016, and recorded on March 16, 2016, in Liber 1347, on Page 776, and assigned by said mortgage to Quicken Loans Inc., as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Four Dollars and Thirteen Cents (\$93,744.13).

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 venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on February 15, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 14, Town 12 North, Range 7 East, Denmark Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as follows:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 14, thence South 00 degrees 10 minutes 45 seconds West 1048.84 feet along the West line of said section and the centerline of Bradleyville Road, to the point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 48 seconds East 645.91 feet to the centerline of a ditch; thence South 07 degrees 46 minutes 38 seconds East 136.25 feet along said centerline; thence South 89 degrees 59 minutes 48 seconds West 664.77 feet, to the West line of said section and centerline of Bradleyville Road; thence North 00 degrees 10 minutes 45 seconds East 135.00 feet along said Section line and centerline to the point of beginning.

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.

Quicken Loans Inc. Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

**1-17-4**

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Donald E. Kribs, a single person, granted a mortgage to Standard Federal Bank, Mortgagee, dated January 8, 1999, and recorded on February 8, 1999, in Liber 762, on Page 658, and assigned by said mortgage to CitiMortgage, Inc., as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Two Thousand Seventy-Eight Dollars and Seventy-Eight Cents (\$42,078.78).

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 venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on February 15, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are de-

scribed as:

LOT 17 AND THE NORTH 1/2 OF LOT 18, BLOCK 2 OF MERRITT'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF VASSAR, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT LIBER 1, PAGE 22A, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 12 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.

CitiMortgage, Inc. Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

**1-17-4**

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Cecil E. Schmitt and Barbara Ann Schmitt, Husband and Wife, granted a mortgage to American General Finance, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 14, 2001, and recorded on May 18, 2001, in Liber 832, on Page 310, and assigned by said mortgage to Madison Revolving Trust 2017, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Seven Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$51,007.51).

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 venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on February 15, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Lots 1, 2, and 3, of Block 15, Blackman's Plat of the Village of Reese, Denmark Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof in Liber 29 of Deeds Page 188, 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. Madison Revolving Trust 2017 Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

**1-17-4**

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on February 15, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Ruth M. McShane, Surviving Spouse Original Mortgagee: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): None Date of Mortgage: May 18, 2010 Date of Mortgage Recording: June 3, 2010 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$35,603.24

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Village of Unionville, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 7 of Block 11, H.C. Marvin's Plat to the Village of

Unionville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of plats, Page 48, now being Page 49A of 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; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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.

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: January 17, 2018 Trott Law, P.C.

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**1-17-4**

FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES) AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Brenda S. Flynn and Jacky W. Flynn, husband and wife and Barbara A. Clouse, a joint tenants with full rights of survivorship of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Signature Bank dated the 16th day of February, 2011, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 22nd day of February, 2011, in Liber 1216, Page 1218, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$38,139.73 (thirty-eight thousand one hundred thirty-nine and 73/100) plus accrued interest at 4.52% (four point five two) percent per annum.

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**BULLDOG** Aaron Fahrner eyes two points in Monday's action with CPS.

## Kingston still unblemished

A busy week saw the Kingston boys' basketball team improve to 2-0 in the North Central Thumb League-Stars and 9-0 overall.

In the Cardinals' latest win, a huge third quarter was the difference Thursday against visiting Deckerville.

Trailing 23-19, Coach Dave

Lester's league leaders outscored their guests 21-6 to open the final half in route to a 49-41 decision.

"Deckerville played a great first half, out playing us in all phases, but we had a great third quarter. Our kids responded well. This was a great test for us," said Lester.

Nathan Cloyd led Kingston with 22 points and 10 rebounds, Evan Neff chipped in eight points and Garrett Green added six points and 10 rebounds.

Kenton Bowerman led Deckerville with 21 points.

Earlier in the week, Kingston had little trouble defeating CPS and North Huron.

Against CPS, Kingston grabbed an early 24-8 cushion Wednesday and never looked back, winning 68-30.

Neff led the winners with 16 points, while Austin Ahern added 12 points and eight rebounds and Nathan Cloyd tossed in a dozen markers.

Brad Nugent led CPS with nine points.

Kingston enjoyed similar success to open the week, as they defeated North Huron Monday, 60-38.

"We got out in transition and had some good looks tonight. We struggled at times defensively, but our effort was good tonight. Everyone contributed," said Lester.

Nathan Cloyd paced the winners with 15 points and seven rebounds. Neff added 14 points and five rebounds. Jack Green had nine points and six rebounds.

Austin Majeski led North Huron with 11 points.

## Owen-Gage falls Monday

Devyn Taylor scored a game-high 24 points and Bradley Nugent added 20 more to lead Carsonville-Port Sanilac (CPS) over Owen-Gage Monday night in Owendale.

The host Bulldogs led 11-10 after one quarter, but trailed 32-14 at the break and eventually surrendered 58-48 in the North Central Thumb League-Stripes contest.

Owen-Gage actually was able to cut the CPS advantage to single digits in the third period, as sharp shooter Matthew Fritz caught fire from behind the 3-point arc, and

Brandon Binder started to knock down shots in the lane.

Trailing 41-32, Owen-Gage continued to slice into the Tiger cushion early in the final quarter, after a Michael Ray bucket had the hosts down just 41-36 with over six minutes still on the clock. However, the Bulldogs wouldn't get any closer on the night.

Fritz scored 17 points to pace Owen-Gage, while Binder chipped in 13 points and Aaron Fahrner 11.

### AKRON-FAIRGROVE

The Bulldogs enter the contest

on the heels of a 77-32 victory over Akron-Fairgrove.

A balanced attack saw four Bulldogs reach double figures led by Binder with 24 points, while Fritz, Fahrner and Luke Retford finished with 14, 13 and 10 points, respectively.

"It was great to start the New Year in the win column. We had every team member score and played great together," said Coach Brain Wright.

Dallas Coleman and Willie Hawley split 20 markers for Akron-Fairgrove.

## Swiderski paces Cass City wrestlers

by Clarke Haire  
 Publisher

The Cass City wrestling team took a huge step in defense of their Greater Thumb Conference title last week, before placing 4th at Saturday's Flushing Team Tournament.

The Red Hawks traveled to Mayville and returned home with a pair of Greater Thumb Conference (GTC) victories Wednesday to improve to 3-1 in the conference standings to the delight of Coach Don Markel. Cass City defeated Memphis 61-16 before edging Mayville 40-33 in a very exciting dual match.

Double winners for Cass City on the day included Tristan Swiderski, Hayden Larkin, Race Woloshen, Matt Mihalic, Wyatt Dickson, Hunter Caister, and Nick Perry. The victories keep Cass City in the hunt for league honors with Vassar who currently is 4-0 in the GTC.

The complete results of the Cass City/Memphis match were: 103: Logan Strickland (Memphis) over (Cass City) (For.) 112: Jacob Christy (Memphis) over (Cass City) (For.) 119: Chase Leenknecht (Memphis) over Drew Markel (Cass City) (MD 11-3) 125: Lucas Swiderski (Cass City) over Riley Seres (Memphis) (Fall 0:31) 130: Tristan Swiderski (Cass City) over Brian Strickland (Memphis) (Dec 6-4) 135: Hayden Larkin (Cass City) over Josh Erdman (Memphis) (MD 13-1) 140: Race Woloshen (Cass City) over (Memphis) (For.) 145: Errianne Hoyt (Cass City) over (Memphis) (For.) 152: Matthew Mihalic (Cass City) over Eddie Gruszczynski (Memphis) (Fall 0:50) 160: Wyatt Dickson (Cass City) over Dylan Muylaert (Memphis) (Fall 1:10) 171: Eric Peters (Cass City) over (Memphis) (For.) 189: Hunter Caister (Cass City) over Daniel Falecki (Memphis) (Fall 1:32) 215: Nick Perry (Cass City) over Orin Saunders (Memphis) (Fall 0:34) 285: Casen Caister (Cass City) over (Memphis) (For.).

The complete results of the Cass City/Mayville match were: 119: Drew Markel (Cass City) over (Mayville) (For.) 125: Jordan Birmingham (Mayville) over Lucas Swiderski (Cass City) (Fall 3:48) 130: William Dow (Mayville) over Ryan Pisarek (Cass City) (Fall 0:47) 135: Tristan Swiderski (Cass City) over Lance Cooper (Mayville) (Fall 1:31) 140: Hayden Larkin (Cass City) over (Mayville) (For.) 145: Race Woloshen (Cass City) over Jerry Gilbert (Mayville) (Fall 3:09) 152: Matthew Mihalic (Cass City) over Patrick McGuire (Mayville) (Dec 8-2) 160: Trent Birmingham (Mayville) over Eric Peters (Cass City) (Dec 6-2) 171: Wyatt Dickson (Cass City) over Gabe Smith (Mayville) (MD 8-0) 189: Hunter Caister (Cass City) over Vinny Damiani (Mayville) (Fall 3:36) 215: Nick Perry (Cass City) over Logan LaBean (Mayville) (Dec 4-3) 285: Jackson Schenk (Mayville) over (Cass City) (For.) 103: Madyson McDonald (Mayville) over (Cass City) (For.) 112: Abigale Gonzales (Mayville) over (Cass City) (For.).

On Saturday, Cass City struggled to a 1-3 mark to place 4th in the 5-team Flushing tourney. Cass City suffered losses to Flushing 66-6, St. Louis 48-29,

and DeWitt 44-27. The Red Hawks' lone victory came against Laingsburg who surrendered 66-6.

"The victory over Mayville was a big win against a perennial GTC power. Mayville has a very good program with a very good coach so to get a win against this team was huge for us. We were a little flat on Saturday so we need to work harder to maintain the momentum gained from Wednesday's victories," said Markel.

Flushing captured its own event

with a 4-0 record and were followed by DeWitt (3-1), St. Louis (2-2), Cass City and Laingsburg (0-4).

For Cass City, Swiderski lead the way with a perfect 4-0 showing, while Drew Markel, Eric Peters, Dickson, Caister, and Perry all posted 3-1 records. Swiderski's wins included falls over St. Louis' Josh Rodrigues in 1:15 and Laingsburg's Andie Ostrander in 0:24.

Cass City's dual meet record now stands at 14-11.

## Snowmobile races set in Caro

by Mary Drier

After a brief warm reprieve Thursday, winter returned with a vengeance Friday. Which is good for the Caro Winter Fest and the return of the Midwest International Racing Association (MIRA) professional snowmobile racing.

The event starts Jan. 18, with a pub crawl featuring local establishments throughout an eight-mile loop around Caro.

Then the festivities move to the Tuscola County Fairgrounds Jan. 20-21 for professional snowmobile racing and wintertime fun for the entire family.

Organizers say they are happy the event has returned.

Two years ago, the organization decided to take a step back to allow Mike Higgins, business owner of No Bull Graphics, to expand the race circuit, increase media coverage and grow the teams. However, his plan didn't work out so the 2017 festival was cancelled and was the end of the No Bull Triple Crown series at the conclusion of the 2017 racing season.

"For seven amazing years the teams worked hand-in-hand to bring the Caro Winter Fest to life; in fact, it was because of two MIRA members (Steve McAlpine and Randy Humpert) that the festival even became an idea," said Monica LeValley, president of the Caro Winter Fest. "After working to build that same partnership with Mike and the No Bull crew, we are pleased to once again be working with MIRA to plan our family-friendly, community event."

MIRA's focus for the new season is to take racing back to the basics. The event will feature 13 classes, including Sprint races on Saturday with a Vintage Enduro and Stock 600 Enduro. The junior racers (120 Kitty Kats) will race under the lights Saturday night in front of the grandstands. The "big dogs" will race on Sunday in a 225-lap Pro Enduro.

Everything festival and race fans have come to love about the event will return, including the oversized warming tent open on Saturday and Sunday with food vendors, live entertainment featuring Mitch Diamond & The Yankee Sons, and Penelope's Beer & Wine Ice Bar (must be 21 years of age to purchase).

On Saturday there will be a silent auction in the warming tent and a chainsaw carving competition. The winner of the Caro Winter Fest fundraising raffle will be announced on Sunday and he or she will take home a brand new 2,000-watt Yamaha portable inverter generator from one of our core event sponsors - Caro Motorsports. Fans will also find a sledding hill for children and the young at heart to enjoy at the entrance to the event.

Final plans are being made for the festival. For updates go to the Caro Winter Fest website (www.carowinterfest.com) or Facebook page.

## Gymnasts roll into action

by Clarke Haire  
 Publisher

The Cass City gymnastic team opened their 2018 campaign last week with solid showings in Vassar and Fraser. According to Coach Kathy Bouverette, the Lady Red Hawks' first meet of the season Tuesday with the Vulcans saw five girls post regional qualifying scores, while registering a team score of 113.55.

"We did pretty good considering I have a very young team. I have 18 girls on my team. One senior, two juniors, six sophomores, six freshmen and three foreign exchange students," said Bouverette, adding, the team's seven returning letter winners include Brittany Swiderski, Hailey Schmotzer, Makena Nulph, Jozie Chippi, Alexis Hull, Olivia Schuette and Katie Mendrick.

Earning their first regional score on the day in the vault were Lauren Peters (7.95), Swiderski (8.175) Schmotzer (7.95) and

Maddison Michalski (8.5).

On the bars, Schmotzer recorded a score of 7.05 and on the beam, Riley Copeland posted a score of 7.425 and Michalski a score of 7.65 to complete the regional qualifying scores.

"Super proud of how we did. We have improvements to make in some areas, but from where we started at the beginning we have had some really good improvements already. I am excited to find out how we finish," Bouverette said.

On Saturday, Cass City took part in the Fraser Invitational and posted a team score of 111.925.

The Red Hawks had two medal winners, awarded to the top five finishers, with Schmotzer and Michalski leading the way. Schmotzer placed 5th on bars with a score of 7.475 and Michalski - she is a co-op student from Uby - placed 4th on vault with a score of 8.9. Both performances earned the pair their second regional qualify.

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USA's Lauren Adam heads to the bucket against Cass City's Kacey Haire in Thursday's Greater Thumb West thriller.

## USA uses overtime to edge Cass City

Four quarters wasn't enough to decide the Greater Thumb West match-up between Cass City and visiting Unionville-Sebewaing Area (USA) schools.

Lauren Adam propelled the Patriots to a thrilling 49-47 Greater Thumb West overtime victory with a hard driving lay in with just five seconds remaining.

Adam's heroics were set up by teammate Rylee Zimmer who forced the overtime session with a key play in the closing seconds of regulation. The Patriot pair combined for 26 points on the night to turn back the hosts.

The USA victory avenges last year's setback in Cass City between the conference rivals, a game that the Patriots lead the entire game until the final basket in a 46-45 setback.

That wouldn't be the case Thursday as Cass City opened the affair on a 14-4 run, only to see the Patriots close the initial quarter on a 10-2 run of their own to trail 16-14 after eight minutes of play.

Riley Weiler was inserted into the starting line-up for Cass City and the senior guard responded with her best game of the year. Weiler and Lauren Dickinson helped to establish the early advantage for Cass City with 10 quick points, before USA got on track.

The Patriots, who hadn't played in nearly a month, outscored their hosts 24-18 over the two middle frames and enjoyed a slim 38-34 margin after three quarters of play.

Cass City erased the advantage early in the final frame and Weiler played a key role. Her short jumper, followed by a lay in by Kacey Haire knotted the game at 40-40 with just over five minutes remaining.

After Adams and Weiler exchanged buckets, Weiler took a charge on the Patriots' next possession. Sayge Cuthrell made good on the Hawks' defensive stand and with 1:51 remaining put the hosts in front 44-42 with a strong move in the lane.

Another Weiler bucket stretched the Cass City margin to 46-42 with under a minute remaining in regulation. However, a basket by freshman Brynn Polega closed the gap to 46-44 that left only 17 ticks showing on the clock.

That was enough time for Zimmer to make the play of the night as she swiped Cass City's inbound pass and finished at the rim to force OT.

In the extra session, Cass City was limited to a Cuthrell free throw before Adams game-winning shot. Zimmer lead a trio of Patriots in double figures with 14 points, while Adam added 12 and Polega, 11.

For Cass City, Cuthrell recorded game scoring honors with 16 points, while Weiler chipped in 10, Dickinson six and Haire five.

### Girls' Basketball

#### Standings

##### Greater Thumb West

	W	L	W	L
Reese	2	0	6	1
Cass City	1	1	5	4
EPBP	1	1	3	5
Vassar	0	0	1	4
USA	1	1	3	3
Bad Axe	0	2	0	9

##### Greater Thumb East

Sandusky	3	0	9	1
Ubly	3	0	8	2
Brown City	1	2	7	3
Marlette	0	1	4	1
Harbor Beach	0	2	7	3
Memphis	0	2	1	8

##### NCTL Stripes

	W	L	W	L
BCAS	1	0	1	4
Akron-Fair.	1	0	3	3
Caseville	0	1	2	4
Peck	1	0	3	3
Owen-Gage	0	1	0	5
CPS	0	1	0	1

##### NCTL Stars

	W	L	W	L
Kingston	1	0	8	0
Deckerville	1	0	5	4
North Huron	0	1	5	3
Dryden	0	0	0	3
Mayville	0	1	2	4
Flint Int.	0	0	0	0

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### 2018 Basketball Picks Jan. 17-19



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Clarke Haire



Geoff Morgan



Doug Hyatt

	Saylor Cuthrell	Clarke Haire	Geoff Morgan	Doug Hyatt
<b>BOYS' BASKETBALL</b>				
<b>WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17</b>				
EPBP @ Millington	Millington	Millington	Millington	Millington
Frankenmuth @ Reese	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth	Frankenmuth
Caro @ USA	USA	USA	USA	USA
Harbor Beach @ Saginaw Nouvel	Harbor Beach	Saginaw Nouvel	Harbor Beach	Saginaw Nouvel
<b>THURSDAY, JAN. 18</b>				
CPS @ Akron-Fairgrove	CPS	Akron-Fairgrove	CPS	CPS
Mayville @ Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
<b>FRIDAY, JAN. 19</b>				
Bad Axe @ USA	USA	USA	USA	USA
Vassar @ Cass City	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City
Sandusky @ Ubly	Ubly	Ubly	Ubly	Ubly
Owen-Gage @ Caseville	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
<b>GIRLS' BASKETBALL</b>				
<b>TUESDAY, JAN. 16</b>				
CPS @ Owen-Gage	CPS	CPS	CPS	CPS
Deckerville @ North Huron	North Huron	Deckerville	Deckerville	Deckerville
Kingston @ Dryden	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
<b>THURSDAY, JAN. 18</b>				
Bad Axe @ USA	USA	USA	Bad Axe	USA
Cass City @ Vassar	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City	Cass City
EPBP @ Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese	Reese
<b>FRIDAY, JAN. 19</b>				
Sandusky @ Ubly	Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky	Sandusky
CPS @ Akron-Fairgrove	CPS	Akron-Fairgrove	CPS	CPS
Owen-Gage @ Caseville	Owen-Gage	Caseville	Owen-Gage	Owen-Gage
Mayville @ Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
<b>LAST WEEKS' RESULTS</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>7-2</b>	<b>5-4</b>	<b>8-1</b>
<b>SEASON RESULTS</b>	<b>36-16 (69%)</b>	<b>37-15 (71%)</b>	<b>32-20 (62%)</b>	<b>45-7 (87%)</b>

## Gymnasts kick-off season with solid showings

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ing score on the season.

Other regional qualifying scores over the weekend were earned by Swiderski and Peters in the vault with scores of 8.05 and 7.9, respectively; while in the bars, Schmotzer recorded a score of

7.475. On the beam, Copeland, with a score of 7.75 and Michalski, with a score of 7.55, collected their second regional qualifying score in as many attempts.

"Overall, I am super happy with how the meets went. Again, we have improvements that need to be made in some areas, but these

girls are not going to get it overnight. They come in and continue to work hard at practice and that is all I can ask for," said Bouverette.

To qualify for regional competition, gymnasts must earn four regional qualifying scores during the regular season.

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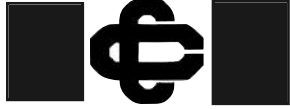
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# Cass City Jr./Sr. High School 2017-18 Winter Sports Schedule



## BOYS' BASKETBALL (FRESHMEN/JV/VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT
12/6	CC 60, BCAS 21
12/8	CC 61, Memphis 39
12/13	CC 71, Marlette 66
12/15	Harbor Beach 54, CC 34
12/20	CC 46, Mayville 36
12/28	Brown City Invite (V)
12/29	Brown City Invite (V)
1/3	Caro 58, Cass City 51
<b>1/16</b>	<b>North Branch (JV)</b>
<b>1/19</b>	<b>Vassar</b>
1/23	Cros-Lex (F)
1/24	Ubyly
1/26	Bad Axe
1/30	Mayville (F)
1/31	Lakers (F, JV, V)
<b>2/2</b>	<b>Reese (Snowcoming) (F, JV, V)</b>
2/9	USA (F, JV, V)
<b>2/14</b>	<b>Sandusky (F, JV, V)</b>
2/16	Vassar
2/16	Caro (F @ 4:30)
<b>2/21</b>	<b>USA (F, JV, &amp; V)</b>
<b>2/23</b>	<b>Bad Axe</b>
2/27	Reese (F, JV, & V)
<b>3/1</b>	<b>Lakers (F, JV, &amp; V)</b>
3/5-9	Districts @ Bad Axe.....TBD

All games begin at 6 p.m.

## GIRLS' BASKETBALL (FRESHMEN/JV/VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT
11/28	CC 59, Mayville 15
12/1	Sandusky 51, CC 27
12/8	CC 72, Memphis 6
12/12	Harbor Beach 55, CC 48
12/14	CC 59, Lakers 44
12/19	CC 56, Caro 26
12/21	CC 69, Imlay City 48
12/28	Brown City
12/29	Brown City
1/11	USA 49, CC 47
<b>1/16</b>	<b>North Branch (JV)</b>
1/18	Vassar
1/18	Deckerville (F)
1/22	Caro (F) @ 4:30
1/23	Ubyly
1/23	Cros-Lex (F) @ 5:30
1/25	Bad Axe
1/30	Lakers (F, JV, & V)
<b>2/1</b>	<b>Reese (F, JV, &amp; V)</b>
2/8	USA
<b>2/13</b>	<b>Marlette</b>
2/15	Vassar
2/15	Deckerville (F)
2/20	Reese (F, JV, & V)
2/21	Kingston (JV)
<b>2/22</b>	<b>Bad Axe</b>
2/26-3/2	Districts @ EPB Lakers.....TBD

All games begin at 6 p.m.

## WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
12/9	Marlette Team Tourney	8:00 a.m.
12/13	Cros-Lex	TBA
12/16	Cros-Lex Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
12/22	Millington/Caro/Clio	12:30 p.m.
12/29	Mayville Ind. Tourney	TBA
1/3	<b>Brown City/Vassar</b>	6:00 p.m.
1/6	North Branch Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
1/10	Mayville/Memphis	6:00 p.m.
1/13	Flushing Team Tourney	8:00 a.m.
1/17	Bad Axe/Marlette	6:00 p.m.
1/20	Mayville Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
<b>1/24</b>	<b>Ubyly/Sandusky @ Home</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
1/27	Midland Bullock Creek Team Tourney	8:30 a.m.
2/3	GTC League Meet @ Marlette	TBA
2/8	Team Districts @ Bad Axe	TBA
2/10	Individual Districts @ Sandusky	TBA
2/14	Team Regionals	TBA
2/17	Individual Regionals	TBA
2/23-24	Team State Finals @ Kalamazoo	TBA
3/2-3	Individual State Finals @ Ford Field	TBA

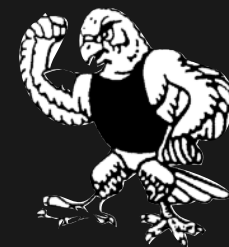
## GYMNASTICS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
1/9	Vassar	6:30 p.m.
1/13	Fraser Invitational	9:00 a.m.
1/16	Fenton Tri Meet	6:30 p.m.
1/20	Haslett	TBA
1/27	Huron Valley @ Lakeland HS	8:00 a.m.
2/3	St. Johns Invite	10:00 a.m.
2/10	Vassar Invite	10:00 a.m.
<b>2/17</b>	<b>Vassar</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>
2/22	Vassar	6:30 p.m.

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# Obituaries

## John Bartnik

John S. Bartnik, Saginaw, passed away at home on Sunday, December 24, 2017, after a courageous battle with cancer at the age of 65.

He was born on April 24, 1952, in Bad Axe and grew up in Cass City, with his parents, the late Casimir and Josephine (Pilarz) Bartnik.

John was married to Joann (Leser) Schramm on September 18, 1999. She survives him. Prior to his retirement, John worked in construction most of his life, hanging dry-wall and a metal studs installer. He loved sports, especially U of M Football (Go Blue) and played golf, softball and was in a bowling league. John loved to tease, was a practical joker and could always come up with a remark or joke that made you laugh.

Surviving besides his wife, Joann, are his son, Jeff Bartnik; step-son, Tim (Tammy) Schramm; grandsons, Tim Schmidt and Robert (Megan Beach) Schramm; granddaughters, Izabella Bartnik, Emilie and Alaina Schramm; great-grandson, RJ Schramm; his uncle, Henry Bartnik; cousins, Gloria, Dave, Jerry and Chris, who were all more like brothers and sisters, also Matt and several other cousins and friends, including his special friend, John Jablonski; sister-in-law, Marilyn Leser; and brother-in-law, Gary (Carol) Leser.

He was also predeceased by two brothers-in-law, John and Robert Leser. The family wishes to thank Dr. John Bartnik and his staff for their excellent care given to John.

John's memorial service was held Saturday, January 6, at the Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc., Saginaw. The Rev. Tim Geese officiated. Cremation followed.

Memorial contributions may be given to American Cancer Society, Amazing Grace Animal Rescue or to the donor's choice. Memories and sympathies of John may be shared with the family on his memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com.



## Ralph Brown

Ralph Oswald Brown (Brownie) was born November 29, 1927, and died January 7, 2018. Ralph (Brownie) grew up on a farm in Trenton, Michigan.

He joined the Army after his junior year of high school, in February 1946. He served in Italy, as a truck driver, and was discharged in September 1947. He returned to Trenton and finished High School and graduated in June of 1948. After School he drove interstate trucks and worked for Michigan Foundation Co. hauling cement. He joined the Gibraltar Police Dept. in 1957.

He married Opal Beauman in 1960 and went to work for the Gibraltar school district in 1963. He retired in 1990.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Ella Brown, siblings Erceel, Jerry, Ione, Jenny, Bill, his wife Opal, grandson Patrick Beauman and granddaughter Marie Beauman.

He is survived by stepsons Gerald (Delores), Randolph (Sally), Arthur (Donna) and son Roger (Dawn), and grandchildren Won Noelle (Brian), Rick, Traci, Jodi, Jennifer, Shannon, Brandon and Luke.

Visitation was at the Martenson's Funeral Home, Trenton, Michigan on January 15, with a service conducted by Reverend Fred Jolicoeur at noon.



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# Sheriff, HDC putting extra millage dollars to good use

by Mary Drier  
Special for the Chronicle

Funds from two Tuscola County wide millages approved during the August election for senior care services and law enforcement are being put to good use.

Approval of the .32 of a mill senior millage means the Human Development Commission (HDC) is able to provide services to a larger portion of the county's elderly population.

Thanks to the additional funding, the agency's home-delivered meals program can begin a four-day per week delivery, according to Tuscola County's HDC Deputy Director Brian Neuville, who noted delivery of meals to seniors' homes is often the only outside contact some residents have.

The extra money also means HDC is able to provide transportation for non-emergency medical appointments such as for chemotherapy treatments, dialysis, physical therapy and specialist appointments in Saginaw, Detroit and Ann Arbor, as well as an extra

day of respite care in the adult day-care program. From three days to four days a week.

The senior services millage will generate an estimated \$556,000 in the first year.

For the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department, the additional tax revenue also means being able to provide more services.

The 1.33 mills for the department's road patrol has made it possible for Sheriff Glen Skrent to add four additional road patrol officers, along with an officer with a canine partner.

Towards that end, one of the first things Skrent did was send a deputy to the police academy to train to be a road patrol deputy.

Deputy Ashley Calles, who has been a Tuscola County Jail correction's officer, graduated from the Delta Police Academy in December and took the oath of office for her new position Jan. 4.

"The next step for her is doing field training. If she passes that, she becomes a road patrol officer," explained Undersheriff Robert Baxter, who noted not

everyone passes the field training.

In order to beef up the road patrol and offer an opportunity for career advancement, Tuscola County Jail correction officers were asked if they wanted to switch jobs. Currently, two of them — Brittany Glum and Brandon Smithheart — are attending the 16-week Delta College Police Academy course.

"Their positions will remain open until they complete the academy and field training program, which is several months away," Baxter said. "If they don't make it through either part, they can go back into corrections, so we have to leave those (positions) open."

The biggest challenge will be filling the canine unit position.

"We are currently researching all aspects of the K-9 program," said Baxter. "Vehicles have to be equipped and an officer has to be trained. So this will probably be filled last."

In the meantime, Baxter and Skrent have been looking for some new hires.

"We held several interviews over the last few days in an attempt to

get the five positions filled. We have several good candidates that can start since the academies just graduated their latest classes," said Baxter.

The road patrol millage will generate roughly \$2,311,000 the first year.

Aside from paying for the salaries of more deputies and

funding a canine unit, the money will cover the cost of providing two patrol units for each shift. The road patrol division had been working 24/7 with one unit to cover the county's 816 square miles. The sheriff's department is the only law enforcement agency that provides 24/7 coverage countywide.

## School investigating threat

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from a class he was attending Monday at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro, will be brought to the school board for a disciplinary hearing pending the results of the investigation, Hartel said.

The superintendent also addressed bullying via several recent Facebook posts.

"In response to recent Facebook posts over the weekend concerning bullying in our schools and (the) incident at the high school today, I felt it was important for you to know some facts.

"The Facebook issue deals with reported bullying from two different students/families against each other. Most of what is being said on this Facebook thread is either entirely untrue or lacking most of the facts," he said. "Using Facebook to discuss these types of things doesn't solve anything and really only intensifies them.

"All bullying incidents mentioned on this Facebook thread were investigated by school administration," Hartel added. "Police were notified over (an) alleged assault that took place in the gym, and a report was forwarded to the county prosecutor.

"After interviewing the student and reviewing the facts of the situation, the prosecutor found nothing that warranted any charges being made.

"Cass City Public Schools takes bullying and threats very seriously," Hartel said. "Our staff is trained in how to deal with and report bullying incidents. Students were also educated in the difference between bullying vs. rude/mean comments.

"Threats of violence are against the law and are required to be reported to law enforcement," he continued.

"We value safe schools for our children," Hartel said. "We have educated thousands of students in my time in Cass City, and I take great pride in knowing we did our best to help prepare them for life after school. Are we perfect? Absolutely not, but I can honestly say that everyone involved with Cass City Public Schools wants the best for all of our students, whoever they are or whatever their last name is."

## Ubly eyes preschool, bond

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1.7 mills that would have generated \$8.3 million over 10 years. They also rejected by a 72-vote margin a proposal to create a sinking fund from a two-mill levy for 10 years that would have generated \$490,000 annually. That vote was 451 to 379.

Approval of the funding proposals would have allowed the district to build new classrooms and close off seven classrooms in the upstairs section of the 1936 school that are outdated; furnish and equip the additions; remodel and furnish/refurnish, upgrade equipment, add and install instructional technology, and improve playgrounds and athletic facilities; purchase a new pickup; construct a drop-off loop at the elementary; and upgrade the district's heating and cooling systems.

"There are a lot of repairs and upgrades that still need to be done that we can't do with what money is in the general fund. There isn't enough," School Supt. Joe Candela said following the election. "The 1966 gym needs a new floor and bleachers."

In other business during the recent meeting, the board completed Candela's annual job performance evaluation. Candela was ranked as being "effective" and his contract was extended for another year.

The Ubly School Board hired Candela at the beginning of the 2016-17 school year. He has 15 years of experience as a superintendent. He was Almont Community Schools chief for five years when Ubly hired him, and before that he was superintendent of Akron-Fairgrove Schools for 10 years.

Also, during its annual reorganization session, Clint Hagen was elected board president and Nancy Elliott, vice president; Tammy Peruski was named secretary and Ryan Kramer was elected treasurer.

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