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Educators laud career-tech funding proposal

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

School districts could receive an incentive up to \$50 per pupil for Career and Technical Education (CTE) under Gov. Rick Snyder's executive budget recommendation.

Snyder revealed the plan last week as he unveiled his proposed budget for fiscal year 2019, which runs from Oct. 1, 2018, through Sept. 30, 2019.

The plan also calls for a foundation allowance increase for schools of about \$312 million, or roughly \$120 to \$240 more per pupil. That would be the largest increase in the state's minimum foundation allowance in 15 years, according to the governor's presentation.

If Snyder's plan remains intact, the budget represents the first time in recent history — and potentially ever — that there has been per-pupil funding aimed at CTE students, according to Michigan Career Pathways Alliance leaders, who are lauding the governor's proposal.

Roger Curtis, director of the Michigan Department of Talent

and Economic Development (TED), and Michigan School Supt. Brian Whiston applauded the governor's proposal for districts to receive \$25 for every high school student enrolled in any career-tech program, and an additional \$25 for those students enrolled in a career-tech program that provides instruction in critical skills and high-demand career fields.

Critical skills programs cover a variety of career options, including agriculture, natural resources and conservation, communications technologies, computer and information services, engineering, biological and biomedical sciences, construction trades, mechanic and repair technologies, precision production and health professions.

"We are incredibly excited that the executive budget... includes an investment in expanding career and technical education for students in Michigan," Curtis said.

"This investment will greatly help schools in offering, and successfully operating, tech programs, and further demonstrates Michigan's commitment to being the national leader in developing

talent and providing multiple pathways for students to high-demand, high-wage jobs," he added. About 109,000 students are enrolled in career-tech classes, with about 72,000 in critical skills programs. Overall enrollment in career-tech classes has increased by about 5,000 students since 2015.

The Thumb is well represented in those numbers.

spectively.

Christin Hempton, dean of students at Cass City Junior-Senior High School, said 36 percent of Cass City High School juniors and 55 percent of seniors — roughly 72 students in all — attend career and technical education classes at the Tuscola Intermediate School District's (TISD) Tuscola Technology

Center in Caro.

"The tech center provides a wonderful opportunity for students to obtain a wide range of industry certifications," she said.

Cass City Schools Supt. Jeff Harrel welcomed the governor's proposals.

"I know that one of the goals at Please turn to page 8.



KINGSTON High School juniors Lacie Peters (left) and Cheyenne Claypool hold lambs in the agriscience barn at the tech center.



CASS CITY High School senior Danielle Kopah, an automotive technology student at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro, utilizes a diagnostic tool to "talk" to a car's computer system in order to find out why the vehicle won't start. The patch on her shirt signifies that Kopah has earned the ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) student certification.

Ice fisherman survives falling through bay ice, sheriff issues warning

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Tuscola County Sheriff Glen Skrent repeated warnings to ice fishermen tempted to head out on Saginaw Bay after deputies rescued a fisherman who fell through the ice early last week.

In a statement released by the sheriff and posted on the department's Facebook page, investigators said a woman called 911 at about 7 p.m. Monday and reported that her son had called her after falling through the ice.

"He had been five miles out from Thomas Road and was coming back when he drove into open water. He and the quad went into the water," Skrent said. "The subject had managed to pull himself out, but was unable to get back in to shore, so he took refuge in a shanty he had been toting.

"Sgt. (Justin) Nitz and Deputy (Kirk) Dutcher, who are part of the joint Huron/Tuscola airboat team, responded. Caseville Fire Chief Ben Wil-

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Traffic crash claims one life

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A Tuscola County man lost his life in a two-vehicle traffic accident Thursday in Fremont Township.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro were dispatched to M-24 and Snover Road, according to Specialist First Lt. David A. Kaiser, public information officer for the MSP Third District Headquarters.

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Suspect in custody in string of break-ins in upper Thumb

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A Huron County man is behind bars after being arrested in connection with a string of break-ins in the Thumb.

That's according to Sanilac County Sheriff Garry Biniecki, who said weeks of investigating the crimes paid off with the arrest of 38-year-old Gonzalo Medellin III of Bad Axe, who has been formally arraigned on felony charges of home invasion, larceny in a building and larceny of firearms.

Medellin also faces charges of possession of a controlled substance and receiving and concealing stolen property.

"Good police work capped off a lengthy multi-agency response to a series of B and E's that occurred during the fall of 2017 in northwestern Sanilac County and neighboring Tuscola and Huron counties," Biniecki said last week. "Several residential (break-ins) occurred where various tools, electronics and other items were taken," he noted. "These cases were investigated by sheriff's deputies from Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac counties as well as the Michigan State Police."

The case was broken open Jan. 9 at about 2 p.m., when Sanilac County Sheriff's Department Sgt. Shelly Park — who was responding to a call in the northwest corner of the county — observed a vehicle matching the description of a vehicle seen in the area of

several of the burglaries run a stop sign at Deckerville and Wheeler roads.

"Upon contact with the driver and only occupant of the vehicle, it was determined that he was in violation of several traffic laws and was in possession of an illegal quantity of marijuana," Biniecki said. "Further investigation led Sgt. Park and her back-up, Deckerville Police Chief Bob Willis, to locate stolen items in the vehicle that were taken in some of the area B and E's."

The officers arrested Medellin and transported him to the Sanilac County Jail.

According to D/Sgt. Nathan

Smith, detectives and Investigators from the various county, city and state agencies subsequently performed a series of search warrants in the Bad Axe, Mayville and Vassar areas.

"These search warrants produced evidence linking the suspect to several of the area B and E's," Smith said.

"The solving of this case was due to solid police work by all my deputies involved in the case, as well as neighboring agencies, but I feel it should be noted that Sgt. Park's initiative and focus was key in bringing this suspect to justice," Biniecki said.

Greenleaf home invasion defendant faces evaluation

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The criminal case against the remaining suspect in a home invasion-double homicide in Sanilac County in November is on hold following his attorney's request to have her client undergo a psychiatric evaluation to determine if he's competent to stand trial.

The request was recently granted in Sanilac County District Court.

No other court dates have been set for the defendant, Preston Jack, 30, of Flint, who is being held without bond in the Sanilac County Jail. It can take several weeks to schedule and complete psychiatric evaluations.

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Greenleaf historical group planning old-fashioned sledding fun Feb. 17

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Greenleaf Township residents will have an opportunity to go dashing through the snow in a one-horse open sleigh this weekend, just like in bygone days.

The Greenleaf Historical Society will host bobsled rides from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at the old Holbrook Church on Germania Road.

"We are having the bobsled rides at the Holbrook Church so we have a place for people to keep

warm if they have to wait for their turn for a ride," said Greenleaf Historical Society Board member Jerry Cleland. "There are Amish in the area. Andrew Miller will provide the horses and I have an old bobsled that we will be using."

Before automobiles became the main mode of transportation, horseback or a horse and buggy were used. During the winter months, buggies with wheels were replaced with sleds that had steel runners so it was easier for the horses to pull them through the snow and ice.

"It's a part of our history that we are trying to show," said Cleland. "The rides are free. It's open to Greenleaf Township residents and to those who are interested in the area's history."

The Greenleaf Township Historical Society is always on the lookout for new members, according to Cleland. "We'd like to get some younger ones to join us and learn about the area's history," he said.

For more information about the bobsled rides and the historical society, call Cleland at (989) 658-8767.

Senior Citizen Movies scheduled for Feb.

Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City will host its next Senior Citizen Movies Friday, Feb. 16, at 1:30 p.m.

Films slated to be shown are:
*"Waikiki: In the Wake of Dreams" - Waikiki's charming

past is unfolded through re-enactments, film and TV clips. A rare historical look at the most famous beach in the world (70 minutes).

*"Rudy Maxa's World: Japan" - Join Rudy Maxa, public radio's original Savvy Traveler and contributing editor for National Geo-

graphic Traveler magazine, as he travels through exciting and edgy Tokyo and the craft capital of Japan, Kyoto (30 minutes).

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

Greenleaf invasion-homicide case on hold

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Jack and a co-defendant, Stephen Vance Shimmel, 47, also of Flint, were formally arraigned on a host of felony charges following the Nov. 19 crime in Greenleaf Township that left two other Flint men dead from gunshot wounds.

The double homicide investigation unfolded after the man targeted in the home invasion placed a 911 call to Sanilac Central Dispatch at about 5 a.m., according to Sanilac County Sheriff Garry Biniecki, who reported the call came from a residence in the 4300 block of Holbrook Road.

"The caller advised that three male subjects just broke into his home and shot him in the leg. Gun fire was returned and one or

more of the suspects were shot," Biniecki said. "One of the suspects was at the residence deceased and the other suspects fled on foot."

After arriving at the scene, officers discovered a vehicle in a ditch at Holbrook and Germania roads. Inside the vehicle was a black male from the Flint area, deceased with a gunshot injury. Biniecki noted the vehicle had been reported stolen from the Flint area last October.

Deputies, who were assisted by a host of other law enforcement officers from various agencies along with helicopter surveillance, K-9 units and crime scene investigators, ordered residents in surrounding homes to remain inside

with the doors locked while police searched for the last two suspects.

Jack and Shimmel were subsequently arrested and charged with assault with intent to commit murder (two counts), conspiracy to commit assault with intent to murder, armed robbery - causing serious injury, two counts of assault with intent to rob while armed, conspiracy to commit armed robbery, first degree home invasion, possession of a firearm by a felon, receiving and concealing a stolen motor vehicle, and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

Hours later, Shimmel took his own life, with Biniecki reporting the defendant hung himself inside a single-occupant cell in the upper level of the county jail.

Fisherman survives scare on Saginaw Bay

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lenberg and other members of their fire department transported the airboat to the scene and assisted also.

"Using the airboat, thermal imaging and GPS coordinates they located the fisherman and transported (him) to shore. He was treated at the scene by ACW ambulance, Skrent added.

The fisherman, who was not identified, was extremely fortunate.

A pair of ice fishermen lost their lives after falling through the ice on Saginaw Bay earlier this month. The victims were identified as Willard E. Slider, 69, of Caro, and Dennis W. Shaw, 73, of Fowlerville.

In that case, Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said deputies were dispatched to the shoreline community of Rose Island in Fairhaven Township after a friend of the missing fishermen reported that he had received a voicemail from one of the victims, stating they had broken through the ice and needed immediate help.

Rescuers later recovered the bodies of both victims, and Hanson said it appeared the voicemail sent by one of the men had been sent roughly five hours before it was received by the friend on shore.

"With repeated warnings over the last couple of weeks about unsafe ice already being issued, we once again remind anglers that the ice conditions are very unpredictable," Hanson said.

"The thaws we've experienced

this season, and refreezes with added snow covering, have made for unstable ice. Please do not take the ice for granted just because colder temperatures are once again occurring. The reward is in no way worth the risk."

Skrent agreed. "We are seeing many questions on social media about events like this. Is there a cost if you call 911? The answer is no. However, someone pays for your rescue and it is the taxpayers of the county," Skrent said. "The first responders are also risking their lives to save yours."

In addition, the sheriff noted, rescuers do not recover equipment - individuals who lose equipment must pay a private recovery company to recover their quadrunner or other vehicle from the water.

"If you do fall through the ice and can make a call, your first call should be 911. It may be the only call you are able to make," Skrent stressed.

Saginaw Bay is to be respected and can be dangerous anytime of the year, which is why law enforcement officials are urging anyone planning to venture onto the ice to take the following precautions:

*Do not rely on your phone as a compass.

*Carry a real compass and a GPS and learn which direction is back to shore from where you came.

*Carry ice picks to use if you fall through.

*Tell people where you will be fishing and when you are supposed to return.

Correction

A recent story in the Chronicle incorrectly reported that the Evergreen Township Board's next meeting will be held Tuesday, Feb. 27. In fact, the board's next regularly scheduled meetings will be in March; a budget session is set for Saturday, March 10, at 10 a.m., followed by a regular meeting Tuesday, March 13, at 7:30 p.m.

The Chronicle regrets the error.

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In Our OPINION...

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Organ donors give gift of life to many

Organ transplants have been saving lives for decades, and yet thousands of patients in Michigan face uncertain futures because the supply simply isn't keeping up with the demand.

It's a concern many of us could help to address by simply registering as donors.

In honor of fallen Wayne State University police officer Collin Rose, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson recently joined law enforcement officials in Southeast Michigan to promote organ and tissue donation.

"Sgt. Rose was a man who gave easily of himself to others, so it is no surprise that his final wish was to give of himself through the gift of life," Johnson said. "I am so proud of our new partnership with his brothers and sisters in law enforcement to remember his legacy and help others through organ and tissue donation."

Rose was killed in the line of duty in November 2016, and his family supported his decision as a registered organ and tissue donor to give the gift of life to others. Because of his generosity, many lives were improved.

"With the support of our branch office staff, we have made great strides since I was elected to increase the number of registered donors," Johnson said. "Michigan has actually gone from one of the worst states in the nation to one of the best states for organ donor registration."

Johnson noted that when she became secretary of state in 2011, about 27 percent of the state's residents were registered as organ donors. "Today...that number has climbed to over 62 percent," she added.

"Those numbers represent hope to real people," Johnson said. "There are over 3,300 people in Michigan right now whose families are waiting for that life-saving phone call."

Nationwide, that number stands at roughly 114,000 patients.

Organ donation may involve the recovery of lungs, kidneys, heart, liver, pancreas and intestines for transplantation to severely ill patients on the transplant waiting list. Tissue donation may include corneas, bone, skin, heart valves, nerves, blood vessels, ligaments, tendons and other soft tissue.

It costs nothing to be an organ donor, and there are no age limits to register. In fact, there have been donors in their 70s and 80s who have saved lives.

According to officials at the Ann Arbor-based Gift of Life Michigan, the state's only federally designated organ and tissue recovery program, every organ donor can save up to eight lives, and each tissue donor can improve the lives of up to 75 people.

More than 9,000 Michigan patients have received a life-saving organ transplant over the past 10 years, and many thousands more have benefited from tissue and corneal transplants.

Sadly, while an average of 88 lives are saved by an organ transplant in the United States, another 22 people die while waiting for a transplant that never comes.

Area residents can learn more about signing up to be organ and tissue donors by visiting the website www.michigan.gov/sos and clicking on "organ donation."

Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

Nothin' says lovin' like a roach



Valentine's Day is normally about hearts and flowers.

The problem with that is, candy gets eaten and flowers wilt, but cockroaches are forever.

The Bronx Zoo's "name a roach" program is back again this year. The event started in 2011 in the name of love — the love for animals and the environment, that is. Sending someone a roach is for a good cause and for fun, or it can be an expression of true feelings.

Zoo goers, or anyone interested, can name a not-so-cuddly Madagascar Hissing Cockroach in honor of a loved one, or even a not so loved one. Either way, it will be a gift to remember... forever.

Whether a roach is given with sincerity or done as a snark, the naming of the four-inch-long hissing cockroach is a unique gift.

According to Wildlife Conservation Society Executive Vice president of Public Affairs John Calvelli, love can be like a cockroach. A roach's characteristics could be symbolic. Love is elusive. Love can be resilient, and sometimes it can be scary.

With this program, you can name your cockroach after anyone you want; a lover, ex-lover, friend, enemy, a boss, a politician. The possibilities are endless.

A hissing Madagascar cockroach really does hiss, an interesting talent it uses as a defense.

Although you won't get an actual roach. For \$15, a digital certificate with the roach's name will be sent to your loved one to cherish for years to come.

For \$50, something shiny and cuddly can be sent to your loved one along with a certificate with the cockroach's name. That gift includes socks with cockroach characters and a "roach broach" pin in the image of a cockroach with a rose.

There is also a certificate, chocolate and pin gift set (with that one you can get a roach, chocolates shaped like a cockroach, and a pin), and there is a socks and chocolate package.

For \$75 — the premium package — you get a certificate, roach broach, socks and cockroach-shaped gourmet chocolate candies.

The program, which is in its seventh year, was organized to help the Wildlife Conservation Society further its mission to save wildlife in New York and around the world.

You can learn more by visiting the website bronx-zoo.com/roach.

Either way, Happy Valentine's Day.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

I made a rookie mistake in my story last week on the Cass City Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner.

Missing were the names of two outstanding seniors — Lauren Dickinson and Travis Albrecht — that I failed to include as Junior Citizen of the Year nominations for 2018.

Problem is I used up that excuse long ago. My apologies to the Dan and Janelle Dickinson family and to the Jim and Sue Albrecht family for my mistake and congratulations on two fine, young adults.

Third strike you're out, right? Not when it comes to one of my favorite winter pastimes — skiing.

Strike one occurred in 2016, when the Haires planned a 9-day dream trip to Jackson Hole for my son Parker's senior year at Cass City High School.

Unfortunately, foul weather shut down the Denver airport on our departure date and our airline carrier couldn't get us out west until the middle of the following week.

Since our trip was prepaid, it left one option. And 27 hours later we drove our rental car into the Wyoming resort. That's no way to start a dream trip, but still, it was a trip of a life time.

Strike two came in 2017, when Parker and I scheduled a boys only trip to Beaver Creek, Colorado. The trip west without the entire family was a first and was created due to different spring break dates for the Haire children.

Misfortune struck on my second run of the day, tumbling down the mountain and dislocating my shoulder on the way. That injury ended my skiing last year, but was still worth the pain and a visit to the emergency room.

Finally, strike three came over the weekend after we shrunk our family ski vacation to just three days.

As always, I prepaid for our 2018 vacation that was scheduled to leave Detroit Metro airport early Friday night and return early in the morning Monday, to save a few bucks.

Yep, Detroit Metro closed Friday night and canceled our trip to Winter Park Resort and was unable to arrange other transportation to the mile high city — strike three, you're out, right?

Hold it, appears that that last strike actually was a foul tip. Officials from Winter Park say they will work something out concerning the cost of our lift tickets — which cost over \$1,000 for two days of skiing for four adults.

A refund would be best, but even a gift certificate good for a year would do.

The Michigan Department of Treasury reminds taxpayers who filed a 2017 state return to check the status of their refund online by going to www.michigan.gov/wheresmyrefund.

Individuals who e-filed can check their refund status two weeks from the date confirmation was received that the state return was accepted. The status of paper-filed tax returns can be viewed from six to eight weeks after postmarking.

The most up-to-date information about a taxpayer's refund is on the "Where's My Refund?" website. Taxpayers interested in learning the status of their refund are encouraged to use the website.

"Michigan taxpayers look forward to receiving their refunds during the income tax season," said Deputy State Treasurer Glenn White, head of Treasury's Tax Administration Group. "Whether a return was e-filed or sent through the mail, taxpayers can go to this website to check the status of their refund."

More than 5 million individual income tax returns are processed annually, with more than 4.1 million returns being e-filed.

Last year, approximately 3.7 million returns provided nearly \$2 billion in refunds. More than two-thirds of the refunds issued were directly deposited into a taxpayer's bank account.

Required Information for Checking Refund Status To ensure taxpayer privacy and security, the following information is required when checking the status of a refund at www.michigan.gov/wheresmyrefund:

- * Social Security Number
- * Tax Year
- * Filing Status
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•Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 4-6 p.m., LeeRoy Clark Building, 435 Green St., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-style meal.
• Dorcas meal at Cass City United Methodist Church at noon. 1 1/4 mile north of Cass City (989) 872-4604 for take outs.

Thursday, February 15

•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, February 16

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

Saturday, February 17

•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, February 19

•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.
•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.

Tuesday, February 20

•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.
•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.

Thumb men, including Decker resident, charged with felonies

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Huron County Sheriff's deputies arrested a pair of Thumb residents, including a Decker resident, on felony charges Thursday.

"As the result of a lengthy investigation involving illegal drug activity, our deputies, with the assistance of the Sanilac County Drug Task Force, arrested a 32-year-old Decker man at his home and served a search warrant regarding his vehicle," Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson reported.

"Christopher J. Kulinski was taken into custody and transported to our jail on a felony warrant previously obtained by our office for delivery of crack cocaine. His PT Cruiser was impounded," Hanson said.

"Later, while talking to deputies, it was learned Mr. Kulinski also was involved in one home invasion on Stein Road in Colfax Township, a breaking and entering to a shed at the same address and a breaking and entering to a store in Meade Township," he added. "These incidents took place be-

tween Aug. 19 and 24 of last year."

Deputies obtained felony warrants related to all three incidents for Kulinski, who was formally arraigned Thursday in Huron County District Court. His bond was set at \$2,000.

"Also today (Thursday), 31-year-old Aaron Herrington of Bad Axe was arrested and arraigned on the Stein Road shed felony breaking and entering," the sheriff said. "His bond was set at \$1,000 on that charge and he remains lodged in our jail."

Caretaker accused of stealing drugs

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A Huron County man accused of taking drugs prescribed to patients he was caring for is free on a \$1,000 bond after being arraigned on charges in Huron County District Court.

"This afternoon, a Kinde area man turned himself in and was ar-

raigned on a two-count felony warrant, which was the result of a lengthy investigation conducted by our office that spanned several months," Huron County Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said in a news release he issued last Wednesday.

Gerald A. Guster, 57, of Kinde, was arraigned on charges of embezzlement and possession of a

controlled substance — both related to possession with the intent to convert to his own use hydrocodone from patients he was caring for at the Huron Medical Care Facility in Bad Axe, according to the sheriff.

The Bad Axe City Police Department assisted deputies in the investigation, Hanson noted.

Huron Co. woman injured in crash

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

A Ruth woman suffered injuries in a two-vehicle traffic accident at the intersection of Ubyly and Bay City-Forestville roads early last week.

The Sanilac County Sheriff's Department reported the crash oc-

curred shortly after 4 p.m. Monday.

According to Sgt. Shelly Park, 60-year-old Sue Messing, Ruth, was driving a 2013 Ford Explorer south on Ubyly Road and attempted to turn east on Bay City-Forestville Road when she was rear-ended by a 2000 Chevrolet

Silverado being driven by 31-year-old Cory Kubacki of Ubyly.

"The female from Ruth was transported by MMR to (Huron Medical Center) for treatment of injuries. The Ubyly man was cited in the crash," said Park, who noted Bingham Township fire fighters assisted deputies at the scene.

Circuit court proceedings

2 defendants appear on charges

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

*Merry C. Smith, 48, Millington, pleaded no contest to a charge of possession of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (less than 25 grams), second offense, May 21,

2016, in Millington Township.

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

*Cody M. Conrad, 27, Burton, pleaded no contest to embezzlement by an agent or employee between Dec. 28, 2015, and Jan. 19,

2016, in Vassar Township. Court records state Conrad was employed by Extreme Metal Recycling at the time of the offenses and involved \$1,000 to \$20,000.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

Traffic crash claims Tuscola County man

Continued from page one.

"Troopers arrived on scene to find one person deceased," said Kaiser, who identified the victim as Harold Charles Atkinson, 80, of Mayville.

"Preliminary investigation revealed a vehicle traveling southbound on M-24 crossed the centerline and struck a northbound vehicle in the north bound

lane of travel. The southbound vehicle struck a truck pulling a trailer driven by a 40-year-old Gaylord resident," Kaiser said.

Mayville firemen used their Jaws of Life to extricate Atkinson's passenger — his wife, Susan Atkinson — from the wreckage. She was transported to an area hospital by LifeNet Helicopter and was being treated for what troopers described as non-life-

threatening injuries.

"Troopers are continuing to investigate this crash," Kaiser noted. "Seatbelts were utilized during the crash and alcohol is not believed to be a factor."

Aside from the Mayville Fire Department, Mayville and MMR ambulance crews, an MSP traffic crash reconstructionist and Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies all assisted troopers at the scene.

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STATE REP. DR. Edward J. Canfield, D.O. (R-Sebewaing) recently praised his colleagues in the Michigan House of Representatives for approving his resolution declaring Feb. 1, 2018, as Blue Star Mothers Day in Michigan. Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc., is a national organization of mothers whose sons and daughters serve in the nation's armed forces. Sherry Kramer, a resident of Harbor Beach and president of the Department of Michigan Officers, was in attendance. Canfield, who is a U.S. Navy veteran, visited with members of the Blue Star Mothers of America in the House chamber (above).

Reporter's notebook

Marriage isn't out of style...

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



My wife, Deb, and I will mark our 36th wedding anniversary next week.

We exchanged vows at a relatively young age — I was 20, she was two years older than 20. Our prospects weren't set in stone, but we had plenty of initiative, enthusiasm and each other.

We lived in married housing at CMU while I finished my degree. Deb worked at big box retailer in Mount Pleasant, and I fried doughnuts at night at a French bakery in town. Money was tight, but we couldn't have been happier.

Those memories make me wonder if couples who wait for their trip to the altar — or reject the idea altogether — are missing out.

Writer Julie Shaw tackled that subject some years ago in an article in Slate Magazine, where she noted many men and women want to wed, but they just aren't in a hurry.

"Marriage these days signals that you've figured out how to be a grown-up," Shaw wrote. "You've played the field, backpacked to Europe, and held a bartending gig to supplement an unpaid internship. You've 'arrived', having finished school, settled into a career path, bought a condo, figured out who you are, and found your soul mate."

Shaw disputes the notion of marriage as an "end of the road" decision.

"Marriage wasn't something we did after we'd grown up — it was how we have grown up and grown together," she wrote. "The stability, companionship and intimacy of marriage enabled us to overcome our challenges and develop as individuals and (as) a couple. We learned how to be strong for one another, to comfort, to counsel and to share our joys and not just our problems."

That sort of thinking flies right in the face of what you'll see on much of the reality TV trash being churned out these days; shows where everything is acceptable and there are no rules (or, apparently, consequences) as long as some network moron is willing to point a camera in your direction and a sufficient number of morons are willing to watch.

But I digress.

A successful marriage requires us guys to put a little effort into understanding wife-speak.

For example: "Fine" — this is a word women use to end an argument when they know they're right and you need to shut up; "Nothing" — means something and you need to be worried; "Go ahead" — this is a dare, not permission; "That's okay" — she's thinking long and hard about how and when you will pay for your mistake; and "Wow!" — not a compliment, but rather her expressing amazement at how one person could be so stupid.

On a serious note, I think Shaw hit the nail on the head at the conclusion of her article when she said, "Marriage doesn't require a big bank account, a dazzling resume, or a televised wedding — it requires maturity, commitment and a desire to grow up together."

I've got the commitment thing down, but I'm not as confident about my level of maturity or acting grown up all the time. I strongly suspect my wife would concur with that assessment.

Oh well, maybe that'll happen during the next 36 years.

Happy anniversary, Deb.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Allison Hrabec, a 2008 graduate of Davison Schools, recently graduated from Grand Valley State University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in secondary education. She is certified to teach mathematics and chemistry. Allison is currently employed by Mt. Morris Schools. Allison is the daughter of Jim and Diane Hrabec.

Natalie Eggleton of Midland and Daniel Hrabec of Davison announce their engagement. Natalie is the granddaughter of John and Diane Popp of Midland. Daniel is the son of Jim and Diane (Leslie) Hrabec of Davison. A March wedding is currently being planned.

Cass City boys' basketball star Cole Israelson has been named Schneberger's Athlete of the Week award winner. The Red Hawk senior center came up large during the team's latest victory over Bad Axe and tallied a game-high 22 points. He poured in 12 points during the initial half and finished the night with a perfect 8-of-8 showing at the foul line. He was the only player from either team to score in each quarter. In addition, Israelson was his usual dominant force defensively according to Coach Aaron Fernald. Cole, a 3-year varsity player, is the son of Deb and Kevin Israelson.

10 YEARS AGO (2008)

Three area residents are among the students recently named to the fall 2007 honors list at Alma College, Alma, for achieving a minimum 3.5 grade point average while completing at least 13 credit hours of coursework. They are: freshman Emily Schinnerer of Cass City and sophomore Mark Recker and senior Karl Recker, both of Ubyly.

Kyle Reif of Caro was recently named to the dean's list at Spring Arbor University, Spring Arbor, for earning a grade point average of 3.5 or higher during the fall 2007 semester. Reif, a freshman, is majoring in social work. He is the son of Kevin and Jane Reif.

Two area residents have been named to the dean's list at Northwood University, Midland, for the fall term. They are: freshman Sara M. Meeker, daughter of Judith Hopkins and Steven Meeker, both of Cass City; and freshman Ryan King, son of Gary King and Mary King, both of Deford. To be named to the dean's list, a student must achieve a minimum grade point average of 3.25, on a scale of 4.0.

Selah Wyatt of Kingston was this year's winner of the "Guess the Candy Hearts" contest sponsored by the Kingston Post Office. There were 1,108 candy hearts in a jar displayed at the office, and the 5-year-old's guess of 1,110 was the closest guess. She was rewarded with 10 Disney stamps and 10 Celebrates along with a Birthday Postal Bear and, of course, the jar full of candy. Postmaster Mike Godard reported there were 66 entrants in all during the contest.

Cass City's Travis Mabe, Dean Rabideau and Cody Crouch are this week's recipients of Schneberger's Athletes of the Week honor. The Red Hawk grapplers each advanced from individual districts over the weekend and will now compete at the regional level in Standish-Sterling. All 3 wrestlers advanced by finishing 4th at Saturday's 15-school district in Caro; Crouch in the 112-pound class, Rabideau in the 152-pound class and Mabe in the 119-pound class. Mabe, a junior, will be making his second appearance at the regional level while Crouch, a freshman and Rabideau, a sophomore, will be rookies at the event.

25 YEARS AGO (1993)

Longtime Cass City veteran Dr. Ed Scollon was named the 1993 Citizen of the Year during the annual Cass City Chamber of Commerce Banquet Saturday night at the Colony House. Presenting the award is Nina Davis, the 1992 recipient. Cass City's 1993 Junior Citizens of the Year are Amy Osantowski and Melissa Micklash.

Katherine Graham of Cass City graduated from the Boyd School

of Airline/Travel Careers in Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 12. She received a diploma after completing a program which prepares students for virtually all entry level positions in the travel industry. Graham is a graduate of Deford Christian Academy.

The Cass City High School Snow King and Queen were announced at the half of the Cass City-Lakers basketball game Friday. Honored were seniors Heather Stratton and Ron Bouck.

Ivan and Roxanne Stine announce the birth of a baby boy, Brandon Carl, Feb. 12 at Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe. He weighed 9 pounds, 3 1/2 ounces, and was 22 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Carl and Barbara Keller and Elizabeth Stine. Great-grandmothers are Julia Gornowicz and Eleanor Keller.

Stacey Horiski, a senior at Saginaw Valley State University, Saginaw, has been named to the dean's list for achieving a grade point average of 3.75 for the fall semester. A social work major, she is the daughter of Connie Willis of Cass City and Don Horiski of Bach.

35 YEARS AGO (1983)

Airman Craig R. Farver son of Robert L. and Phyllis F. Farver of Fairgrove has been assigned to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, after completing Air Force basic training. During the six weeks at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, he studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. Farver will now receive specialized instruction in the communications field.

The Gagetown Village Council Monday evening hired Robert McBride of Owendale as its new part time police officer. McBride, who worked as a policeman a few years ago in Gagetown, for now will work 20-24 hours a week and be paid \$6 an hour. He replaces Marc Bridson, who worked full time, who resigned to accept position with the Bad Axe Police Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Romzek of Ubyly announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary J. Romzek, to Charles H. Spaetzel, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Spaetzel of Argyle. Mary is a 1981 graduate of Ubyly High School and is attending St. Clair County Community College in Port Huron. A farmer, Charles is a 1981 graduate of Deckerville High School. A wedding is tentatively planned in 1984.

Faith T. Edwards of Dutcher Road, Cass City, has been included in the 1982 edition of Outstanding Young Women of America. The program is designed to honor women ages 21-36 who have distinguished themselves in their homes, professions and communities. Approximately 23,000 women nationwide will be listed in the annual edition.

40 YEARS AGO (1978)

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Schneberger of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Kay Marshall, to Keith Thomas Clark, son of Mrs. Edith Clark and the late Clarence Clark of East Liverpool, Ohio. Miss Marshall is employed at Mt. Vernon State Institute as an Activity Therapist in Mt. Vernon, Ohio. She is a 1972 graduate of Cass City High School and a 1977 graduate of Mt. Vernon Nazarene College with a BA in Sociology. Her fiancé is a 1974 graduate of East Liverpool High School and is a senior at Mt. Vernon Nazarene College. He will be graduating in May and plans to attend the Nazarene Theological Seminary for his Master's. They will be residing in Kansas City, Mo. A July 15 wedding is planned.

Marie Hobart, a junior from Gagetown has been named to the dean's list at Albion College for the fall semester. To earn the honor, a student must have a 3.4 or better grade point average (based on a 4.0 system) while carrying a full class schedule. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benson E. Hobart, 2558 Hobart Road. Navy Seaman Recruit James M. Particka, son of Florian Particka

of Ubyly, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Orlando, Fla.

50 YEARS AGO (1968)

John Sommers of Albion was one of 277 students at Albion College on the Dean's List for the fall semester. His grade point average was 3.87. Mr. Sommers had a print accepted by the National Print and Drawing Show at the University of Northern Illinois. He is majoring in art and presently doing student teaching in Jackson.

At a civil ceremony, Saturday, Feb. 10, Mrs. Rachel McAlpine of Deford was married to Calvin C. Caverly of Kingston by Hon. Lucille Wotton, Justice of Cass City. The attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cummings of North Branch.

Seaman Roger L. Ashmore, 20, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ashmore of 4592 Oak Street, has been awarded the Vietnam Service Medal for taking part in operations in Southeast Asian waters. Ashmore, a naval reservist, is serving aboard the destroyer USS Robert H. McCard, part of the U. S. Seventh Fleet in the Gulf of Tonkin. A 1965 graduate of Cass City High School, Ashmore was called into service last July and will be released from active duty this July.

Receiving a plaque from Les Profit, manager of Klein's Fertilizer in Cass City Wednesday was Allen Merchant of Cass City. Merchant was honored at a Lansing banquet in the company's 150-bushel corn contest. In addition to the plaque, Merchant was given a cash award for producing a 156-bushel yield on 20 acres. More than 100 growers were honored. In 1968 the company will offer a \$1,000 prize for a yield over 200 bushels per acre on a 20-acre or larger field. Other awards will remain unchanged.

75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Moore have received word from their son, Howard Moore, who left Detroit January 30 to enter the basic training center as an Army Air Cadet at Miami, Florida. He wrote that he had arrived safely and that the weather was warm but he could "take it."

First Lieutenant Howard R. Taylor of Fort Sheridan, Ill., came Saturday to spend a five days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Taylor. On Sunday, R. M. Taylor and Howard were guests in the home of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Robert Edgerton, in Bad Axe. Mrs. Taylor is spending some time there. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Warren and son, Wayne, of Detroit were also Sunday guests there.

Lewis Profit, freshman at Central Michigan College, Mt. Pleasant, was among the ten top speakers in the second round of the freshman speech contests. Subject of the contest is "The United States in the War." Lewis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Profit of Cass City and is a graduate of Cass City High School. Judges of the contest in which Lewis was selected among the ten best speakers were 24 students at Central who are majors and minors in speech.

100 YEARS AGO (1918)

Calvin Lauderbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Lauderbach, until a few years ago residents of Cass City, is now attending the University of Southern California in Los Angeles and upheld the honors of that institution in a recent debate with Whittier College, the U. S. C. team winning a three-to-one decision. The Lauderbach family are now residing in Santa Ana, California, and the Daily Register of that city in its write-up of the debate says: "Lauderbach defended the negative side of the question of Federal conscription of labor for the period of the war. His delivery was forceful and his reasoning clear."

James D. Brooker has been appointed explosives licensing agent for Cass City. The appointment, comes through the Bureau of Mines, Department of that office and Mr. Brooker is authorized to execute the duties Congressional act.

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Trends in honeymoon planning

(MS) - For many couples, planning a honeymoon is just as important as planning the wedding

itself. Regardless of where you plan to go on your honeymoon, there are some things you should

do and some new ideas of which you need to be aware in order to make it the kind of experience you want it to be.

First, you must decide on a budget. If money is not an issue for you, bon voyage! However, if you're like most couples getting married, you're already paying for more than you anticipated. Establish a budget and use it as a guide. You may also want to consider using a honeymoon bridal registry like the free one provided by TheHoneymoon.com. Honeymoon registries allow wedding guests to contribute toward specific elements of your honeymoon. Things like shore excursions, parasailing, spa services and tours all make great wedding gifts. These are becoming more popular as couples getting married nowadays often have many of the basic household necessities that comprise a traditional gift registry.

After deciding on a budget, figure out where you would like to go. If you and your spouse-to-be want the same type of honeymoon experience, no problem.

However, if one of you

wants adventure and the other wants to relax in the sun, you need to compromise. There are destinations that can satisfy

you both; you just need



to do some research. Of course, it is also important that your destination fits your budget.

Once you have a destination in mind, decide whether you want an all-inclusive package or whether you would prefer to be on your own a little more. For those with tight budgets, an all-inclusive honeymoon has the advantage of one all-inclusive package price. This includes most activities at both all-inclusive resorts and on cruises. However, there are usually things that are not included for which you will need to pay. Again, these make great gift items for your honeymoon registry. If the idea of an all-inclusive honeymoon with multiple destinations excites you, then a cruise may be the dream honeymoon for you.

If you wish to be on your own to take in more of the surrounding area and culture, then you have a lot of options at your disposal. Do you want a big hotel, or a small boutique hotel with history and character? If you like to experience the world through your taste buds, you'll want a variety of gastronomical adventures. In other words, if you don't want to be confined to a preset menu of activities and dining experiences, then you may be better off creating your own experience.

Of course, the honeymoon takes on a whole new meaning when you decide to do a "destination wedding." These are becoming very popular as more couples decide to forego the average \$20,000 wedding price tag in addition to the honeymoon expense. These are especially popular with second marriages. It's easier to get married in some countries than others, so check with a reliable information source first.

Your final step is booking and paying for this trip. Many honeymoon suppliers offer specials for early booking, which may or may not include airfare. Many packages that include airfare can offer significant savings because these suppliers buy airline seats in bulk at a discount and then package hotel and sometimes car rental to give you significant value. Usually these packages need to be purchased from a travel agent or from businesses like TheHoneymoon.com, which combine travel agent services, the convenience of the Internet, honeymoon registry, personal wedding Web pages, and honeymoon information all at your fingertips - all from the convenience of your home or office.



Sherry and Wayne Dillon in 1966

Dillons reminisce on their wedding day

Sherry Law, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Law and Wayne Dillon, son of Mrs. Don Russell of Unionville and the late Steven Dillon were united in marriage on August 20, 1966 at St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City with Father Arnold Messing performing the nuptial ceremony.

Maid of Honor was Gayle Dillon, sister of the groom. Bridesmaids were April Fluegge and Linda McConkey, friends of the bride.

Best man was Gerald Generous, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Delbert Law, brother of the bride and Barry Hedley, friend of the groom. Ushers were Richard Reid, Phil MacKay, Bernard Romain and Ben Clark. A reception and buffet supper was held following the ceremony in the Pigeon VFW Hall.

Wayne and Sherry have lived in the Cass City Area for most of their marriage. They are retired from the Cass City School District. Wayne was a guidance counselor and co-op director and Sherry was an elementary teacher.

Together they have two sons, Jeff (Julee) Dillon of Auburn, Mich. and Scott (Suzanna) Dillon of Denton, Tex. They have four grandchildren, Jaydee, Drew, Regan and Jack.

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Don't forget the groom on your special day

(MS)-Weddings are all about the bride, right? After all, "Here Comes the Bride" is played, she walks down the aisle with a special escort, while the groom hangs out to watch all of the festivities unfold. Actually, a wedding celebrates the union between two people who will be spending their lives together, therefore it is important to make the groom feel included.

Even though many of the magazines are geared toward the bride, the major wedding issues include tips for the groom as well, notably a listing of his responsibilities leading up to the big day. Here are some of those responsibilities, courtesy of YourWeddingPlan.com.

- Announce engagement to family and friends.
- Choose and pay for engagement and wedding rings with your fiancée

- Draw up a guest list with your family.
- With fiancée, meet the celebrant and discuss the ceremony, legal requirements and any pre-marital counseling that may be required.
- Choose your Best Man and ushers.
- Discuss honeymoon destinations - check passport validity, visas and vaccinations required.
- Choose your wardrobe and arrange for the male members of the bridal party to provide sizes.
- Pre-book accommodations for out-of-town guests and attendants
- If you're having a bridal registry, help your fiancée choose your preferred styles.
- Arrange to pay for bride's bouquet, corsages and boutonnieres.
- Confirm and reconfirm honeymoon arrangements, pick-up travel documents, travellers cheques and, if travelling overseas, exchange at least \$100 of

- foreign currency.
 - Attend (and try to survive) bachelor party two weeks before the wedding.
 - Consider your grooming - if a haircut is in order, try to make the appointment for at least a week before your wedding day.
 - Pick up suits and arrange their return (usually via the Best Man).
 - Plan and practice your speech.
 - Place celebrants fee (and other on-the-day expenses) in an envelope and give to the Best Man.
 - Make sure the Best Man has the rings - then make sure again!
 - Be on time, and be understanding when your bride is not.
- The groom should be involved in all aspects of wedding planning.

Mark the day with a memento

(MS)- Many couples remember their wedding day through photographs, videos and a guest book. The book is placed near the door and guests are encouraged to sign their names and write a little message. But, for the creative couple you can express your individuality with clever ideas that borrow tradition from the guest book. Here's a few ideas, courtesy of Easiest WeddingTM.

- Ask your friends and family to sign a mat board that you will later frame along with a photograph of yourself and your new husband. As an unconventional form of remembering your guests, the signatures can be mounted in your new home.
- In Asian cultures, wedding guests sign a piece of silk with a permanent marker. This, too, makes an unforgettable decoration to hang in your home.
- Have a special wedding quilt made that can be signed on one side during the reception.
- If you or your husband-to-be are sports enthusiasts, consider having your guests sign a basketball, golf club bag, tennis skirt or shorts, or running wear. Let your imagination run wild.
- Have a special 12-month calendar made for the year of your wedding. Ask each family member and friend to sign on the date of their birthday. This not only is a memento of your wedding, but you'll remember guests' birthdays, too.
- A white linen tablecloth and matching napkins can be signed with an indelible marker. On each occasion you set your table, you'll have your wedding guests dining with you. If you're ambitious, later you can embroider over the signatures, using thread colors matching those of either your dining room or wedding bouquet.



Evans and Lillian Gibbard now



Evans and Lillian Gibbard in 1958

Gibbards set to celebrate 60 years together

Evans Gibbard and Lillian Otulakowski were married June 21, 1958 at St. Pancratius Catholic Church in Cass City, with Pat & Joe Walsh being the maid of honor and best man. The year 2018 marks the couple's 60th year of marriage.

Together, Evans and Lillian have 6 children: Theresa (Keith) Welby, Dan (Chris) Gibbard, Christine (Greg) Moore, Sandra (Dan) Tay-

lor, Kim (Kevin) Theil, and their son Tommy who passed away in 1986.

They have 9 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Evans retired from building construction in the Detroit area, while Lillian is a casual employee at Hills and Dales General Hospital.

The couple are currently retired and reside in Cumber Heights, Ugly on the Gibbard family farm.

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Career tech funding may get boost

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the state level is to invest more money in career and technical education programs, and we are certainly 100 percent on board with that," Hartel said.

Hartel noted the proposal fits in well with the district's membership in a Local Career and College Access Network (LCCAN), which emphasizes ensuring students are prepared to pursue careers after graduating from high school, regardless of whether that preparation means college or skilled trades training.

"We support the skilled trades as much (as higher education)," he said. "Not everybody wants to go to college."

David Murray, communications director for the Michigan Department of Talent and Economic Development (DTE), agreed.

"CTE centers provide students with the opportunity to explore careers while they are just starting on their pathway," Murray said. "Too often, we see students wait until college to find out that they don't like a particular career, and accumulate debt along the way."

"There are so many great opportunities in Michigan," he added. "Some require a four-year degree and some require a certificate or a two-year degree. We want to make sure people are aware of all the pathways."

That goal is a big part of the mission at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro, which is part of the Tuscola Intermediate School District and offers career and technical education programs to students from all nine of Tuscola County's public school districts. Students who attend the tech center can choose from roughly 20 career areas, including art and digital design, computer technology, culinary arts, marketing and business, cosmetology, nursing/health, construction, and automotive technology.

"I'm excited (about the governor's proposal)," commented Shawn Petri, who serves as principal of the tech center as well as career and technical education director.

"It blends the local schools even more with the tech center," Petri said. "I see the tech center as being their (local districts') school. This will open up even more opportunities and allow kids to explore their careers."

In addition to exposing students to a host of in-demand career options with hands-on training, Petri noted, the tech center offers kids the opportunity to earn college credit and professional certifications in the process – and the tech center covers dual enrollment college tuition and certification exam fees.

The result is that whether students are prepared to enter the work force out of high school or must complete additional training after earning their high school diploma – depending on the field they choose – they're well on their

way to a satisfying career by the time they leave the tech center, Petri said.

"We get this stigma where (people think) we're just a shop class, but we're the launching point," he added. "We're launching students into a career."

And that's where additional funding for technical and career education comes in, according to Whiston.

"This investment would greatly help schools in offering, and successfully operating, tech programs, and further demonstrates Michigan's commitment to being the national leader in developing talent and offering multiple pathways for students to high-demand, high-wage jobs," Whiston said.

"We know there is more work to be done in expanding career and technical education statewide for all students, but this is a solid first step and a great precursor to the forthcoming Marshall Plan supporting initiatives to help Michigan students."

Michigan records first pediatric death due to flu

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) last week confirmed Michigan's first influenza-associated pediatric death of the 2017-2018 flu season.

The reported death involved a child from the Upper Peninsula. Nationally, there have been more than 50 influenza-associated pediatric deaths reported during the 2017-2018 flu season.

This flu season has seen elevated activity across the country over the past few weeks, with some of the highest hospitalization rates ever recorded, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

MDHHS strongly recommends that everyone 6 months of age and older get a seasonal flu vaccine. Influenza claims the lives of children every year across the United States, which is why health officials are continuing to remind residents that it's not too late to get vaccinated for protection this season.

"It is not too late to get vaccinated," said Dr. Eden Wells, chief medical executive for MDHHS. "The vaccine is your best defense against the flu and will help reduce the severity of symptoms if you catch the flu despite being vaccinated. And remember, if you or your child is sick, stay home to help protect others."

More than three quarters of the positive influenza specimens confirmed by the MDHHS Bureau of Laboratories this flu season have been an H3N2 virus, which can cause severe flu infections in children, as well as in young- and middle-aged adults.

The flu vaccine is still considered the best way to prevent getting the flu and can also reduce the severity of flu illness.

Health officials say the vaccine is especially important for persons at increased risk for complications from flu, including children, adults aged 65 years and older, persons of any age with underlying medical conditions, and pregnant women. Children under the age of six months are too young to be vaccinated and need to be protected by vaccination of their close contacts, including parents, siblings, grandparents, child care workers and healthcare personnel.

During the 2016-2017 flu season, only 44.2 percent of Michigan residents were vaccinated against flu, ranking Michigan in 33rd in the country.

There is still plenty of flu vaccine available. To find flu vaccine near you, call your healthcare provider, local health department, or check the Health Map Vaccine Finder at Flushot.healthmap.org.

For more information about the flu, visit Michigan.gov/flu.

New mobile app helps WIC participants keep track of their benefits

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

There is a new mobile application available to help those who participate in the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program.

"Between the Huron County and the Tuscola County health departments, we provide services to 2,500 WIC families every year," said Ann Hepfer, who serves as health officer for both Thumb health departments. "The WIC program is for pregnant women and children up to age five."

The free Michigan WIC Connect application offers existing clients the ability to view their benefits, available food benefits, location of nearby participating grocery stores, and upcoming WIC appointments on their mobile device.

The program not only helps with nutrition for mothers and children, but also has a positive impact on the local economy.

"Over \$1 million dollars goes back into our local economy when they purchase their WIC benefits," Hepfer explained. "As an added bonus, they get coupons in the summer to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables from farm markets."

"We also provide breastfeeding food packages tailored to the mom and infant's needs. We offer breastfeeding support services that are provided by certified breastfeeding staff," she added.

WIC is a federally-funded program that provides nutritious food, nutrition education, promotes breastfeeding support as well as referrals to health agencies and other programs for eligible women, infants and children.

"WIC has made so many advances in the past few years by offering more varieties," Hepfer said. "The program has breads and buns such as whole wheat, whole grains, whole wheat and white pasta that come in name brands such as Barilla and Delallo, Spartan and Kroger; tortillas; cold and hot cereals; infant formula (and) infant fruits; and vegetables, eggs, cheese, yogurts, low fat milks, soy beverages, peanut butter, and 100 percent fruit juices."

According to Hepfer, WIC program income guidelines "are very gracious," and children enrolled in the program receive lead testing, hemoglobin testing and immunizations as part of their WIC visit.


More information is available on the website Michigan.gov/wic.




SHYANNE LaFond (standing) practices brushing a patient's (Kendra DeLong) teeth in their nursing careers class at the tech center, where they are pursuing their CAN (certified nursing assistant) credentials. Both are juniors from Kingston High School.



REESE HIGH School junior Dylan Tetil hones his welding skills at the tech center.





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Hawk grapplers add district title

by Clarke Haire
Publisher

The Cass City wrestling team advanced into tonight's Division 4 team regional at New Lothrop High School after successfully defending their district crown in splendid fashion.

Coach Don Markel's Red Hawks - the Greater Thumb Conference champs -added district honors Thursday with easy wins over host Bad Axe in the semis and neighboring Ubly in the finals. The back-to-back champions disposed of the Hatchets, 54-30, before trouncing the Bearcats, 57-11, to claim their third district title over the past four years.

Cass City now moves on to face a familiar foe in Greater Thumb Conference Brown City at the New Lothrop Team Regional Wednesday.

Drew Markel, Lucas Swiderski, Tristan Swiderski, Matt Mihalic, Wyatt Dickson, Eric Peters, Hunter Caister and Nick Perry were all double winners for Cass City in team district action.

The complete results from Wednesday's semifinal affair

were:140: Ryan Wehner (Bad Axe) over Hayden Larkin (Cass City) (Fall 3:39) 145: Ben McVey (Bad Axe) over Race Woloshen (Cass City) (Fall 0:45) 152: Matthew Mihalic (Cass City) over Benjamin Thompson (Bad Axe) (Fall 1:47) 160: Wyatt Dickson (Cass City) over Cody Bailey (Bad Axe) (Fall 1:23) 171: Eric Peters (Cass City) over Shinnachot Jeerakan (Bad Axe) (Fall 0:22) 189: Hunter Caister (Cass City) over Devin Little (Bad Axe) (Fall 4:24) 215: Nick Perry (Cass City) over Craig Phillips (Bad Axe) (Fall 0:49) 285: Ben Stuart (Bad Axe) over Casen Caister (Cass City) (Fall 1:04) 103: Clark Wehner (Bad Axe) over (Cass City) (For.) 112: Gavin Tetreau (Bad Axe) over (Cass City) (For.) 119: Drew Markel (Cass City) over (Bad Axe) (For.) 125: Ryan Pisarek (Cass City) over (Bad Axe) (For.) 130: Lucas Swiderski (Cass City) over Pablo Carmona Artal (Bad Axe) (Fall 2:43) 135: Tristan Swiderski (Cass City) over Ken Ma (Bad Axe) (Fall 3:48).

The complete results from the district finals were: 145: Cavalier Essenmacher (Ubly) over Erri-

anne Hoyt (Cass City) (TF 17-2 3:57) 152: Matthew Mihalic (Cass City) over (Ubly) (For.) 160: Wyatt Dickson (Cass City) over (Ubly) (For.) 171: Eric Peters (Cass City) over Shane Osantowski (Ubly) (Dec 5-0) 189: Hunter Caister (Cass City) over Ethan Smalley (Ubly) (Fall 1:33) 215: Zack Walker (Ubly) over Noah Zaleski (Cass City) (Fall

0:25) 285: Nick Perry (Cass City) over (Ubly) (For.) 103: Double Forfeit 112: Double Forfeit 119: Drew Markel (Cass City) over Michael Mausolf (Ubly) (Fall 1:25) 125: Lucas Swiderski (Cass City) over (Ubly) (For.) 130: Tristan Swiderski (Cass City) over (Ubly) (For.) 135: Hayden Larkin (Cass City) over (Ubly) (For.) 140: Race Woloshen (Cass City)

over (Ubly) (For.)

INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT

On Saturday, Cass City advanced seven grapplers into the New Lothrop Individual Regional by placing in the top four spots of their weight class over the weekend during the individual district held in Sandusky.

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Kingston remains in NCTL Stars title chase

Kingston remained in the hunt for North Central Thumb League Stars honors last week with victories over North Huron and Deckerville.

Against the host Eagles Friday, the Cardinals jumped out to a 21-15 advantage at the half and held on for a 45-38 decision.

Nathan Cloyd paced the visitors with a game-high 17 points, while Evan Neff chipped in 11.

Wyatt Janowiak's 13 points were tops for Deckerville.

Earlier in the week, visiting

North Huron gave the Cardinals all they could handle Tuesday before bowing 64-61.

The Warriors led 34-31 at the half, but a 16-7 Kingston run to kick-off the final half proved too much for the visitors to overcome.

"North Huron played a great game and absolutely shot the lights out making 11 three point shots. We struggled defensively, but were 7-8 from the free throw line in the 4th quarter," said Kingston Coach Dave Lester.

Neff and Cloyd led Kingston with double-doubles. In a pair of complete showings, Neff led all scorers with 21 points, 10 rebounds and five steals, while Cloyd added 13 points, 10 rebounds, seven assists and four steals. Austin Ahern added 12 points and six rebounds, while Garrett Green chipped in eight points for the Cardinals.

For North Huron, Brandon Berry had 18 points, Ty Knoblock, 17 points and Alex Schornack chipped in 11.

Retford enjoys career night in Bulldog victory

In light action last week, due to inclement weather, Owen-Gage kept host Akron-Fairgrove winless Tuesday with a 60-23 North Central Thumb League Stripes victory.

After struggling to a 6-2 lead early, the Bulldogs exploded for 38 points over the middle quarters

to take control of the contest.

"We had a slow start, but made up for it for the rest of the game. A much needed win going into the last weeks of the schedule," said Owen-Gage Coach Brian Wright.

Luke Retford came up large in the Owen-Gage victory, pouring in 16 points to complement nicely

18 rebounds, both career highs, while Brandon Binder added 13 points and seven rebounds. The winners also had Aaron Fahrner and Carl Steff, who each chipped in eight points.

For Akron-Fairgrove, Dallas Coleman and Canton Wagner split a dozen tallies in vain.

Cass City gymnasts prepare for rare home meet

Area gymnastic fans wanting to see the Cass City Red Hawks in action will have no better opportunity than this weekend when Vassar visits for the team's only home meet of the season. The action is slated to begin at 9:45 a.m.

Coach Kathy Bouverette says spectators at this Saturday's outing will see a Cass City team that

continues to shine.

"We traveled to Vassar on Saturday for their invite with Fraser and St. Johns. We had a good meet with a team score of 117.8. We are improving. This is our second highest score of the season. We are getting the scores we need for vault (32.325), beam (30.15) and floor (31.875). It is the bars

(23.45) that we are lacking in," said Bouverette.

Earning top 10 showings during the team's latest outing were Hailey Schmotzer, Madison Michalski, Makena Nulph, Riley Copeland and Olivia Schuette. Schmotzer and Michalski tied for 9th place on vault, Nulph placed

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CASS CITY'S Hunter Caister, top, defeated Bad Axe's Devin Little by fall in their 189-weight class district bout.

USA hammers Red Hawks

Undeclared Unionville-Sebewaing Area had no trouble keeping their perfect record intact Friday at the expense of visiting Cass City.

The Greater Thumb West leaders ran off 25 unanswered points to open the conference matchup against the Red Hawks and never looked back in route to a 76-32 beat down of their guests.

The Patriots led 25-4 after one quarter and 44-8 after two.

Cass City will need a much better effort to return to the win column tonight against visiting Sandusky in a non-conference Valentine Day affair, before traveling to Vassar Friday for a Greater Thumb West contest against the Vulcans.

"Bad start against a very good team," said Cass City Coach Jeff Hartel, adding, "(We) need to get our players to believe that they can compete with the better teams in our league."

The poor Cass City start saw Hartel empty his entire bench in the opening frame.

"Looking for players that believe that (we) can win against the better teams) and are willing to go compete. No way is any team that much better than we are. Competed better in second half, but too little too late. Focus is on Sandusky and Vassar. Two winnable games if we compete," said Hartel.

Tyler Heckroth and Micah Cramer connected on a trio of shots from 3-point land to help get the Patriots off to a fast start, before handing over the score chores to Isaiah Williamson in the period before the break.

Meanwhile, Cass City's first half production was limited to solo baskets from Hunter Vaughan, Zack Beecher, Nick Perry and Brendan Hamilton.

The Patriots outscored Cass City 32-24 in the final half to complete the rout.

Williamson led a well balanced attack for the winners with a game-high 17 points, while Heckroth and Zack Fritz split 26 points. Cramer with a dozen markers and Landin Zimmer with 11 tallies completed the list of double digit scores for the host.

Mike Ziegler led Cass City with seven points.

Boys' Basketball Standings

Greater Thumb West			
	W	L	W L
USA	5	0	12 0
Reese	3	1	7 3
EPBP	4	2	9 6
Vassar	2	3	3 10
Cass City	1	4	7 6
Bad Axe	0	5	4 10

Greater Thumb East			
	W	L	W L
Brown City	4	1	9 4
Marlette	4	2	5 7
Ubly	3	2	9 4
Harbor Beach	3	2	6 7
Sandusky	2	3	6 8
Memphis	0	5	1 13

NCTL Stripes			
	W	L	W L
Peck	5	0	11 3
BCAS	5	1	6 6
CPS	3	2	3 9
Owen-Gage	2	4	2 9
Caseville	2	4	3 9
Akron-Fair.	0	6	0 12

NCTL Stars			
	W	L	W L
Dryden	5	1	10 4
Flint Int.	4	1	12 2
Kingston	5	2	13 2
North Huron	2	3	8 7
Deckerville	2	5	7 8
Mayville	0	6	5 9

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Kingston secures share of NCTL Stars crown

As expected, Kingston took control of the North Central Thumb League Stars title chase with a 49-18 victory over host Deckerville.

A 19-1 start removed most doubt from the game's outcome before most fans settled into their seats, as Coach Jay Green's Cardinals secured at least a share of the conference championship behind a complete showing.

"Our defensive effort and rebounding was very good. We made some perimeter shots to open up the court offensively," said Green.

Camryn MacGuire led the winners with 20 tallies, while Lily Lyons and Jillyan Dinsmore each chipped in nine.

Madison Gusa had five points for Deckerville.

In similar fashion, Kingston rolled to a 65-22 victory over guest North Huron Monday.

The Cardinals led 31-3 after two quarters and never took their foot off the gas pedal.

"We really share the ball well. Our guards made a lot of plays, setting up easy shots for others," said Green.

Lyons with 12 points and Carley Smith with 10 led Kingston.

Ellie Preston and Paige Woodke

each had nine points to pace the Warriors.

Girls' Basketball Standings

Greater Thumb West			
	W	L	
Reese	10	0	12 1
USA	6	2	10 5
Cass City	4	3	9 6
EPBP	2	4	5 9
Vassar	1	5	3 9
Bad Axe	0	6	0 15

Greater Thumb East			
	W	L	
Sandusky	6	2	12 3
Marlette	5	2	11 3
Harbor Beach	5	3	11 4
Ubyly	4	3	9 6
Brown City	2	5	9 7
Memphis	0	7	1 14

NCTL Stripes			
	W	L	
Peck	5	0	9 5
BCAS	5	1	7 7
Akron-Fair.	4	2	6 9
Caseville	2	3	6 7
Owen-Gage	1	5	1 11
CPS	0	4	0 8

NCTL Stars			
	W	L	
Kingston	6	0	16 0
Deckerville	4	2	10 7
Dryden	1	2	5 5
North Huron	1	4	9 6
Mayville	0	4	4 10

USA delivers second straight defeat to Lady Red Hawks

For the first time this season the Cass City girls basketball team suffered back-to-back losses Thursday when they surrendered to host USA.

The Patriots' 61-43 Greater Thumb West victory marked the second straight defeat for the Lady Red Hawks following their recent foiled upset bid over state-ranked Reese.

Unlike their first meeting when USA needed overtime to snag a 2-point victory, the hosts wasted little time setting the tone for the night with a pesky defense that helped create a demanding lead early.

Down double digits, Cass City was able to slice into the USA cushion behind three baskets from Lauren Dickinson to trail just 18-13 entering the second quarter.

However, Rylee Zimmer, who finished with 14 points, would ex-

pand the USA lead before the half with three field goals, including one created by her own steal off the USA press.

Meanwhile, Cass City's Sayge Cuthrell was heating up for the Red Hawks and a pair of field goals, plus a pair of free throw tosses, had the visitors trailing 33-24 at the intermission.

In the final half, Kacey Haire and Kelsey Bouverette started to find soft spots in the Patriot defense and eight third quarter points from the pair helped to cut into the Patriot margin entering the final eight minutes.

There, senior guard Lauren Adam sealed Cass City's fate on the night with nine of her game-high 20 points, spearheading a 19-8 run to the final whistle.

For Cass City, Dickinson led the way with 11 points, while Cuthrell and Haire each chipped in eight.

Cass City advances seven

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Pacing Cass City on the day were champions Tristan Swiderski and Dickson. Swiderski finished first in the 130-weight class and will take a 35-6 record into this week's action, while Dickson was best in the 160-weight class and currently sits at 46-3 on the year.

Perry, 32-6 on the season, was the Red Hawks' lone runner-up Saturday, while Hayden Larken (39-14), Race Woloshen (34-15) and Peters (38-16) placed third.

Rounding out Cass City's indi-

vidual regional qualifiers was 4th place finisher Markel (35-18).

"Even though we were able to capture a district title and advance seven of our wrestlers to the regionals, I thought we wrestled a little flat last week," said Markel, adding, "Probably a result of coming off an emotional high from capturing a league title with such a young team. We will have to recapture the fire that helped propel us to success earlier in the season if we expect to continue that success."

Cass City's dual meet record is 28-14.

Gymnasts home this weekend

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7th on bars, Schmotzer placed 10th on bars, Copeland placed 9th on beam, Schuette placed 5th on floor and Michalski placed 6th on floor.

Regional qualifying scores for Cass City on the day in the vault had Schmotzer with a score of 8.15, Michalski 8.15, Swiderski 7.95, Copeland 8.0, Lauren Peters 7.9, Nulph 8.025 and Alexis Hull 7.9.

On the bars, Schmotzer with a score of 6.8 and Nulph with a score of 7.0 were the only Red Hawks with regional qualifying scores, while on the beam, Swiderski with a score of 7.6 and Copeland with a score of 7.85 added regional qualifying scores for the visitors.

Completing the list of regional qualifying scores for Cass City, on the floor, were Michalski with a mark of 8.275, Schuette, 8.325 and Peters, 7.85.

Fabulous Four's Fearless Forecast

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OWEN-GAGE BULLDOG SNOWBALL

Friday, February 16, 2018

Owen-Gage Bulldogs vs. Caseville Eagles ~ Tip-off 7 p.m.



2018 Snowball King and Queen candidates are, front l-r, Morgan Ondrajka, Alyson Witzke, Maddy Fuerst, and Emalee Bach; (back) Aaron Fahrner, Carl Steff, Zane Schember, and Ben Schultz.



2018 Snowball representatives are, from left, Freshman: Clay Evans (missing is Alivia Roehrig); Sophomores: Madyson Menzel and Payton Bock; Juniors: Jessica Partaka and Keyan Gruehn



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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
1/3	Caro 58, CC 51
1/19	Vassar 53, CC 44
1/24	Ubly 61, CC 54
1/26	CC 76, Bad Axe 69
1/31	Lakers 55, CC 38
2/2	Reese 68, CC 33
2/9	USA 76, CC 32
2/14	Sandusky (F, JV, V)
2/16	Vassar
2/16	Caro (F @ 4:30)
2/21	USA (F, JV, & V)
2/23	Bad Axe
2/27	Reese (F, JV, & V)
3/1	Lakers (F, JV, & V)
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
1/11	USA 49, CC 47
1/18	CC 55, Vassar 22
1/23	CC 51, Ubly 47
1/25	CC 52, Bad Axe 43
1/30	CC 42, Lakers 38
2/1	Reese 51, CC 47
2/8	USA 61, CC 43
2/13	Marlette
2/15	Vassar
2/15	Deckerville (F)
2/20	Reese (F, JV, & V)
2/21	Kingston (JV)
2/22	Bad Axe
2/26-3/2	Districts @ EPB Lakers.....TBD

All games begin at 6 p.m.

WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
1/20	Mayville Team Tourney	9:00 a.m.
1/24	Ubly/Sandusky @ Home	6:00 p.m.
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.
2/17	Vassar	10:00 a.m.
2/22	Vassar	6:30 p.m.

BOWLING

DATE	OPPONENT
1/23	CPS
1/25	Brown City
1/30	Reese
2/1	Bad Axe
2/6	Sandusky
2/8	Boys @ Cass City
2/10	Singles @ Sandusky
2/13	Girls @ Harbor Beach
2/17	Team @ Bad Axe

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Legal Notices

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 22, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Rodney A. Creel and Kelly Creel, husband and wife

Original Mortgagee: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC

Date of Mortgage: February 6, 2014

Date of Mortgage Recording: February 19, 2014

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$104,856.46

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, thence North, 100 rods; thence East 27.2 rods; thence South, 100 rods; thence West 27.2 rods to point of beginning, except commencing at a point that is East, 103.8 feet from the South 1/4 corner of Section; thence North, 300 feet, thence East, 345 feet, thence South, 300 feet; thence West 345 feet to 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; 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 24, 2018

Trott Law, P.C.

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1-24-4

Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC 5955 West Main Street, Suite 18 Kalamazoo MI, 49009 THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage

made BY Tonya K. Johnson, a single woman, whose address is 2465 Dixon Road, Caro, Michigan 48723, as original Mortgagors, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., being a mortgage dated December 23, 2009, and recorded on December 29, 2009 in Liber 1190 Page 75, Tuscola County Records, State of Michigan and assigned by said mortgagee to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated December 28, 2016 and recorded on January 17, 2017 in Liber 1366 Page 1115, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and then assigned to J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp., as assignee as documented by an assignment dated January 17, 2018 and recorded on January 24, 2018 in Liber 1390 Page 21, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX AND 29/100 (\$69,666.29) Dollars.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, at public sale to the highest bidder AT THE PLACE OF HOLDING THE CIRCUIT COURT WITHIN TUSCOLA COUNTY, at 10:00 a.m. on March 1, 2018. Said premises are situated in the Township of Indianfields, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as:

PARCEL A: PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 17, TOWN 12 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 17, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST, 200.00 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST, 416.84 FEET, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST, 418.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST, 416.84 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST, 418.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA § 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCLA § 600.3278, the bor-

rower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: January 31, 2018
For more information, please call: (312) 541-9710,
Kenneth J. Johnson, Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC, 5955 West Main Street, Suite 18, Kalamazoo, MI 49009
File No.: MI 17 3600

1-31-4

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

MORTGAGE SALE –David L. Zartman, A Married Man and Yvonne L. Zartman, A Married Woman, granted a mortgage to Flagstar Bank, FSB, A Federally Chartered Savings Bank, Mortgagee, dated May 23, 2002, and recorded on June 3, 2002, in Liber 880, on Page 176, and assigned by said mortgagee to Ditech Financial LLC, 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 One Hundred Sixty Dollars and Ninety-Six Cents (\$42,160.96).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on March 1, 2018

Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Lot 3, Block 2 of Toohey's Addition to the Village of Gageton, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 54 now being Page 56A of 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.

Ditech Financial LLC

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

1-31-4

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 March 8, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Douglas S. Stewart and Julie A. Stewart, husband and wife

Original Mortgagee: North American Mortgage Company Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

Date of Mortgage: August 12, 1998

Date of Mortgage Recording: August 27, 1998

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$103,750.70

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: A Parcel of land in the East part of the South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Fractional Section 31, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, being a part of the so-called Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Fractional Section, described as follows: commencing on the South line of said Fractional Section 31 at a point 198.00 feet, South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, from the Southeast corner of said Section; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, on Said South Section line, 152.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 197.13 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, parallel to said South Section line 133.48 feet; thence South 05 degrees 22 minutes 00 seconds East parallel to the East Section Line, 198.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; 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: February 7, 2018

Trott Law, P.C.

1340864

2-7-4

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 A.M. on March 8, 2018.

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s):

Rebecca A. DeHate, a Single Woman Original Mortgagee: Argent Mortgage Company, LLC Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Quest Trust 2004-X3, Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2004-X3, under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated September 1, 2004 Date of Mortgage: October 7, 2003 Date of Mortgage Recording: December 11, 2003 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$21,360.16 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Arbela, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 55, of Oak Grove Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 12 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: 02/7/2018

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Cass City Chronicle
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Legal Notices

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
MORTGAGE SALE –Brian Gilmore and Stacy L. Gilmore, aka Stacy Gilmore, joint tenancy will full rights of survivorship, husband and wife, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 23, 2010, and recorded on April 27, 2010, in Liber 1197, on Page 162, and modified on January 14, 2015, recorded January 30, 2015, in Liber 1323, on Page 198, and assigned by said mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Dollars and Sixty-Nine Cents (\$140,760.69).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby

given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on March 8, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

Part of the West half of the Southwest quarter of Section 10, Town 13 North, Range 10 East, described as beginning at a point on the South line of said Section 10, which is East 881.51 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section; thence continuing along said South line, East, 440.75 feet to the West, North and South one-eighth line; thence along said one-eighth line North 00 degrees 10 minutes 20 seconds East, 989.14 feet; thence parallel with said South line of Section 10, West 440.02 feet; thence South 00 degrees 12 minutes 52 seconds West, 989.14 feet to the place 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. JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

2-7-4

We are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify us at the number

below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Pursuant to the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by ANGELA RUFF, a single woman, Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. (MERS) as nominee for BLG Holdings, INC dba Simple Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated the 8th day of May, 2015 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 21st day of May, 2015 in Liber 1330 of Tuscola County Records, page 46, said Mortgage having been assigned to The Money Source, Inc. on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand Eight Hundred Six and 34/100 (\$102806.34), by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of March, 2018 at 10:00 AM o'clock Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola Cty MI, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, with interest thereon at 4.500 per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Township of Gilford, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 34, Township 13 North, Range 7 East, thence West 213 feet; thence South 120 feet; thence East 213 feet; thence North 120 feet to the place of beginning

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be

abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed 30 days after the foreclosure sale or when the time to provide the notice required by the statute expires, whichever is later. Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney

Dated: 02/14/2018
 The Money Source, Inc. Mortgagee FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C. Attorney for Servicer 700 Tower Drive, Ste. 510 Troy, MI 48098 (248) 362-2600 TMS FHA RUFFANGELA
2-14-4

TO ALL CREDITORS:
 The Settlor, BERT A. VANT, who lived at 1827 Rails End Blvd. Caro, Michigan 48723, died November 21, 2017. There is no personal representative of the settlor's estate to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Bert A. Vant and Doris E. Vant Trust dated May 10, 1995, as amended, will be forever banned unless presented to DIANE L. WISE, Trustee, within four months after the date of publication.

Notice is further given that the Trust will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it. Date: February 12, 2018

Attorney: Renee M. Szobonya, P57265
 800 W. Grand River, Brighton, MI 48116
 Telephone: 810-494-7106

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 806 Lilac Lane, Villa Rica, GA 30180
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2-14-1

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BOYS' BASKETBALL <i>WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14</i> Bad Axe @ Reese Sandusky @ Cass City Brown City @ Ubly Harbor Beach @ USA <i>FRIDAY, FEB. 16</i> USA @ Bad Axe Cass City @ Vassar Reese @ EPBP Ubly @ Sandusky Caseville @ Owen-Gage Kingston @ Mayville	Reese Cass City Brown City USA USA Cass City Reese Ubly Owen-Gage Kingston	Reese Sandusky Brown City USA USA Cass City Reese Ubly Owen-Gage Kingston	Reese Cass City Brown City USA USA Cass City Reese Ubly Caseville Kingston	Reese Sandusky Ubly USA USA Vassar Reese Ubly Owen-Gage Kingston
GIRLS' BASKETBALL <i>TUESDAY, FEB. 13</i> Bad Axe @ Ubly Marlette @ Cass City EPBP @ Sandusky Owen-Gage @ CPS <i>THURSDAY, FEB. 15</i> USA @ Bad Axe Vassar @ Cass City Reese @ EPBP Kingston @ Mayville <i>FRIDAY, FEB. 16</i> Ubly @ Sandusky Akron-Fairgrove @ CPS	Ubly Cass City Sandusky CPS Reese Cass City BCAS Kingston Sandusky CPS	Ubly Marlette Sandusky CPS Reese Cass City BCAS Kingston Sandusky Akron-Fairgrove	Ubly Marlette Sandusky CPS Reese Cass City BCAS Kingston Sandusky CPS	Ubly Marlette Sandusky CPS Reese USA BCAS Kingston Sandusky CPS
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Obituaries

John "Jay" Sugden

John Douglas "Jay" Sugden, 90, of Caro, died Wednesday, February 7, 2018 in Tuscola County Medical Care Facility, Caro.



He was born November 19, 1927 in Cass City to Milton Donald and Etta Sophia (Bright) Sugden.

He was married to Lois Edith Surbrook in 1962 in Cass City. She died in 2005.

Jay owned Jay's Plumbing and Heating in Cass City for many years. He later enjoyed working on electric motors from his garage. Together Jay and Lois bought, renovated and operated Akron Lanes Bowling Alley for about eight years. They retired to St. Helen, Michigan and Jay returned to the Caro area after the death of Lois. An accomplished woodworker, he was known for making fine tables and dressers. Jay loved tending to the vegetables and flowers in his perfect garden. He was proud of his beautiful African violets.

Jay is survived by his son, Jerry Sugden of Cass City; daughter, Linda Walther of Cass City; step daughters: Gloria Snyder of Caro and Gail Horvat of St. Louis; fifteen grandchildren; sister, Winnifred Ball of Caro; and many nieces, nephews and relatives.

He was preceded in death by his brothers: Dean Sugden, Richard Sugden. A graveside service will be held at a later time in the spring. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

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Tech center open house set

CARO – Tuscola Intermediate School District officials are inviting all area residents to attend an annual open house at the Tuscola Technology Center, 1401 Cleaver Rd., Caro. The event is scheduled for today (Wednesday) from 4 to 6 p.m. and will feature fun, snacks and prizes. The tech center serves students from all of Tuscola County's public school districts, providing career and technical education programs in 20 difference career fields, including art and digital design, computer technology, automotive repair, culinary arts, agriscience, nursing/health and welding.

Apply now for heating credit

MICHIGAN — Applications for the Home Heating Credit (HHC), which helps low-income Michiganders with their winter energy bills, are now being processed for the 2017 tax year. Last year, nearly 315,000 state residents applied for the credit, according to the Michigan Department of Treasury, and the average credit was \$170. Instruction booklets and forms have been mailed out by the Treasury Department. Individuals may apply for the credit even if they do not file a Michigan tax return. Forms and instructional materials are available on the Internet at michigan.gov/incometax or by calling 517-636-4486. Forms also will be available at many libraries, Northern Michigan post offices, and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) offices across the state. Heating assistance information is available at michigan.gov/heatingassistance. More than 83 percent of the credit applications were filed electronically in 2017. E-filing speeds processing and reduces HHC processing errors. To find an authorized e-file provider and information on free services, visit Treasury's website at MIFastFile.org.

Canfield announces hours

THUMB — State Rep. Dr. Edward J. Canfield, D.O., (R-Sebewaing) has set his in-district office hours for the following times and locations:
 *Friday, Feb. 23, from noon to 1 p.m. at the Reese District Library, 2065 Gates St. in Reese.
 *Monday, Feb. 26, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Bad Axe Public Library, 200 S. Hanselman St., Bad Axe.
 "Meeting with the people in our community on a regular basis is very important to me," Canfield said. "I welcome anyone to come with concerns, issues, or ideas they may have."
 No appointment is necessary. Those unable to attend may contact Canfield's office at (517) 373-0476 or via email at EdwardCanfield@house.mi.gov.
 Canfield represents Michigan's 84th District, which is comprised of Tuscola and Huron counties.

Owendale: Let faucets drip

OWENDALE — Owendale Village officials want residents to allow a cold water faucet to drip in their homes due to the cold weather. Running a faucet at a slow trickle helps to prevent water lines from freezing. Customer bills will be given credit for extra water used, up to 50 gallons per day during this time, explained village Clerk Randy Howard. In other village business, DPW Superintendent Steve Sweatland recently reported sewer pumps and an autodialer have been installed, and that the pressure gauge on the water tower should be installed soon. In addition, Sweatland's employment contract is up for review and renewal. The contract will be reviewed and presented to the council during its next regular meeting.

Tire collection program set

TUSCOLA COUNTY — Tuscola County Recycling and the Tuscola County Mosquito abatement program will once again offer free satellite collection sites for unwanted tires. Townships, cities and villages that would like to have a tire collection in their municipality should contact the recycling center at (989) 672-1673. Applications for the collections will be accepted through the end of February. During the 2017 tire collections, Tuscola County officials collected 148,045 pounds of tires.

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