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## Canfield won't seek reelection; Bierlein announces campaign

by Mary Drier  
Special for the Chronicle

A Tuscola County commissioner has set his sights on the 84th District Michigan House of Representatives seat now held by state Rep. Dr. Edward J. "Ned" Canfield (R-Sebewaing), who last week announced he won't be seeking reelection.



Dr. Edward Canfield

Commissioner Matthew Bierlein, who serves the townships of Denmark, Juniata and Vassar and the city of Vassar, announced his candidacy for the 84th District seat, which represents Tuscola and Huron counties.

Bierlein, 35, plans to seek the Republican nomination.

Although Canfield could have sought reelection before term-limiting out, he announced March 26 that he will not be seeking a third term.

According to Canfield, it was not an easy decision.

"After great thought and discussion with my family and friends, I have made the decision not to seek reelection," he said.

"One of my greatest opportunities has been being able to help people in our district," he added. "I am proud of the work I have done and the accomplishments achieved during my tenure."

"One of the most important things that has occurred, and I was proud of my part in, was preserving the Caro Center in our district," Canfield said. "We will soon have a brand new psychiatric hospital. This will protect present jobs, create new jobs, and bring other

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Matthew Bierlein

## Embattled urologist faces sentencing on 5 charges

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

While a jury exonerated Dr. Joseph E. Oesterling last fall following his trial on seven criminal charges, the Ann Arbor urologist's legal troubles aren't all behind him.



Dr. Joseph Oesterling

In fact, Oesterling, who once served as chief of urology at the University of Michigan Medical Center, now faces sentencing stemming from a second round of new criminal charges the Tuscola County Prosecutor's Office filed against him in connection with allegations that he operated a criminal enterprise and was involved in Medicaid fraud and placing false information on charts.

Oesterling appeared in Tuscola County Circuit Court last week, entering pleas of no contest to five counts of intentionally placing false information on medical record charts, a felony punishable by up to four years imprisonment and/or a maximum fine of \$5,000.

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**THE LAST OF** the ice has virtually vanished, but Thumb area fishermen can count on continued cold as they pursue that next fish dinner. Above, a pair of anglers recently tried their luck at the docks in Sebewaing in the company of some seagulls. (Mary Drier photo)

## It's time to prepare for severe weather; siren testing on tap

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

When it comes to spring weather in Michigan, the only certainty is uncertainty.

Tuscola County Office of Emergency Management Coordinator Steven Anderson is all too familiar with that reality, which is why he is reminding residents that it's time once again to prepare for the worst Mother Nature can dish out in the coming weeks.

The threat of damaging thunderstorms and tornadoes each summer is behind Michigan Severe Weather Awareness Week, set for April 8-14 this year.

"Tuscola County will be participating in the Michigan Statewide Tornado Siren Drill, which will be held Wednesday, April 11, at 1 p.m.," said Anderson, who is also a Tuscola County Sheriff's deputy. "Along with the outdoor warning siren test," he added, "Tuscola County Central Dispatch will also be testing the RAVE/Smart911 notification system on April 11. We encourage everyone to please sign up for this service at [www.smart911.com](http://www.smart911.com)."

Tornadoes can develop rapidly, with little or no warning. Due to their unpredictable nature, everyone is encouraged to be prepared well in advance, which is why Anderson is asking residents and business to take a few extra steps

during the week to ensure they're prepared and safe.

Area fire departments will continue to test their tornado sirens on the first Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. through October.

A tornado warning is announced with a two-minute blast. The all-clear signal is three short blasts. A severe thunderstorm or tornado

"watch" is issued whenever conditions exist for severe weather to develop.



A warning, indicating that residents should seek shelter immediately, is issued when severe

weather or a tornado is spotted on radar or when a funnel cloud has been sighted.

"While tornadoes can occur during severe weather," he said. Please turn to page 6.

## Owen-Gage announces three top grads for 2018

Owen-Gage School officials recently announced the top graduates in the district's Class of 2018, led by Aaron J. Fahrner and Luke W. Retford, co-valedictorians, and Morgan E. Ondrajka, salutatorian.

Fahrner, the son of Charles and Terry Fahrner of Sebewaing, boasts a 4.0 grade point average. He was inducted into the National Honor Society (NHS) as a sophomore, serving as vice-president his junior year and as president this year. He has also been on the honor roll each year and a member of the 3.0 Honors Club.

As a freshman, Fahrner was class representative to the student council and served as class president from his sophomore year through his senior year. He also served as student council treasurer his sophomore year.

Fahrner has been very active in sports throughout high school. He's Please turn to page 8.



**HURON COUNTY Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson last week recognized a number of his officers for outstanding work in 2017. Hanson is pictured above (far right) after presenting lifesaving awards to deputies (from left) Alex Jobs, Jake Dhyse, Eric Hessling, Steve Bismack, Brad Strozeski, Ryan Swartz, Gabe Callender and Marc Woodward.**

## Huron sheriff honors department's officers

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

The Huron County Sheriff's Department honored its own during the department's annual meeting last week.

"The activities of the prior year were reviewed and expectations and goals for 2018 were discussed. Many deputies received awards for the past year's service," said Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson. "Comments and suggestions by all were also taken into account."

Among the officers honored was Deputy Brad Strozeski. Hanson presented him with a lifesaving award for response to a medical emergency in Caseville Township last spring, when he utilized an AED (automated external defibrillator) to save a woman's life after she suffered a heart attack.

Hanson also presented professional excellence awards to deputies who performed 150 or more hours of overtime service. They are Brandon Kadar, Daryl Ford, Eric Hessling, Dan Maxwell, Charlie Stevens, Katie Carter, Kim Kociba-Weber, Randy Smaglinski, Justin Tietz, Lucas Loss, Warren Kuhl, Ryan Neumann, Ryan Swartz, Steve Bismack, Stephanie Voss and Roy Williamson.

Eight deputies were recognized with the sheriff's commendations for Please turn to page 7.



**DAVID MILLIGAN** of the Pinney Foundation poses with physical education teacher Adam Dorland, the new IHT Spirit System and Cass City third graders.

## Pinney Foundation boosts student fitness

Cass City School officials are bringing the technology age into the gymnasium for the district's younger students, thanks to a grant from the Pinney Foundation. "Cass City Elementary School is excited to announce that we have begun to implement a new physical educational technology and curriculum system called the IHT Spirit System," teacher Rebecca Walker recently announced.

"This new technology will engage students in the latest heart rate monitor and assessment technology available today. The goal is to help children better under-

stand their own health and take ownership of their overall well-being for life," Walker said.

"The Spirit System is a web-based assessment system that uses heart rate monitors that children will wear in PE class," she explained. "The heart rate monitors are designed specifically for physical education to help students gain instant feedback on their effort. They will also engage and educate students on a variety of fitness activities that optimize cardiovascular endurance, stamina, flexibility, speed, core strength, power, coordination and self-confidence.

"In addition, students and their parents will receive feedback as soon as class ends, through emailed reports," Walker added.

She noted the curriculum will encourage students to keep a journal and complete worksheets throughout the semester that include fitness, nutrition, and self-awareness lesson work. "These resources will also help better engage educators and parents to best support children in all aspects of their life."

School officials lauded the Pinney Foundation for its \$5,551 grant to fund the project.

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## Owen-Gage announces honor roll

Owendale-Gagetown School officials recently announced the 3rd marking period honor roll students.

3rd Grade: Jessica Bowers, Wynter Brinkman\*, Steven Hicks, Hunter Hoppe, Rylin LaCroix, Mya McCreehy\*, Faith Morrish, Ava Sheufelt\* and Ellen Tyler\*.

4th Grade: McKenzie Baker\*, Eli Dubs-Peterson, Chloe Fritz, Aubrey Hellebuyck\*, Brooklyn Hunt\*, Izabela Matuszak, Logan Mihacsi, Alan Sagash, Kennedy Selden and Anastacia Torrez.

5th Grade: JoAnn Baker, Danielle Hunt\*, Lucas McKnight\* and Lucio Torrez.

6th Grade: Shelby Bowers, Karsyn Gruehn, Isaac Miller and Hannah Wood.

7th Grade: Allison Haldane\*, Amber Haldane\*, Dagon LaCroix\*, Erin Morrish and Emily Schultz.

8th Grade: Haden Gruehn, Madelyn Haldane\* and Moneé Schember.

9th Grade: Boyd Evans\*, Clay Evans\*, Jameson McKnight\*, Libby Ondrajka\* and Katriana Curtoys.

10th Grade: Branden Fritz, Carley Haldane, Chase Howard\*, Kaitlyn LaCroix, Sierra Mascorro, Madyson Menzel, Andrew Roemer and Hailey Schave.

11th Grade: Jade Androl\*, Cordell Clarkson, Matthew Fritz, Megan Fritz\* and Carlee Rievart\*.

12th Grade: Emalee Bach\*, Natasha Dubs\*, Aaron Fahrner\*, Madyson Fuerst\*, Morgan Ondrajka\*, Sara Orzel, Luke Retford\*, Kaitlynn Ross, Zane Schember, Ashley Treder and Alyson Witzke\*.

\* Denotes all A's

**Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas**

## Dorcas Meal

Join us **Wednesday, April 11 at 12:00 p.m. (noon)**  
**Cass City United Methodist Church**  
 Everyone is invited!  
*\*\*Dorcas meals are held every second Wednesday of the month.\*\**

## KINGSTON Kindergarten Round-Up

(student must be 5 years old by Sept. 1, 2018)

### Preschool "Meet the Teacher"

(3 and 4 year olds)

**Tuesday, April 10, 2018 - 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.**

**Elementary School Cafetorium**

**Please Bring:**  
 Child's Birth Certificate • Social Security Card  
 Complete Immunization Record • Proof of Residency (Tax Bill)

**Call (989) 683-2284 with any questions**  
*(Free daycare will be provided by our Cardinal Center)*

## Everyone Is Invited

# Taste of The Thumb

### Food & Business Expo

**Thursday, April 5, 2018**  
**5 PM TO 8 PM**  
**Cass City High School**

- Discover more about local businesses
- Literature, brochures and giveaways
- Learn about pet adoption
- Sample food from local restaurants and caterers
- Learn about community programs
- A great networking opportunity

**Revive Ministries**  
**Mobile Food Pantry Will Be Onsite**  
 In order to qualify to pickup food:

- visit all exhibitor booths
- complete an evaluation form at the exit



# In Our OPINION...

Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Tom Montgomery  
Editor

## Prevent accidental poisonings at home

Last year, the Michigan Regional Poison Control Center responded to 70,000 calls related to potential poisonings.

To raise awareness around the dangers of potentially poisonous medicines and chemicals, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services is joining the Michigan Regional Poison Control Center in recognizing National Poison Prevention Week.

More than two million poisonings are reported each year to the nation's poison centers. According to the American Association of Poison Control Centers, approximately 90 percent of poisonings happen at home and 51 percent of poisonings involve children younger than the age of six.

The majority of fatal poisonings occur among adults, especially older adults.

"By educating Michigan residents about preventative measures they can take, we can help keep our environments and loved ones safe," said MDHHS Director Nick Lyon. "It's vital people are aware of poison prevention best practices in the home in order to keep themselves and their loved ones safe."

Residents should follow preventative measures to reduce the risk of poisonings:

\*Store all medicines and household products up and away and out of sight in a cabinet where a child cannot reach them.

\*Carefully read all directions on products before using.

\*Keep products in their original containers. Do not use food containers such as cups, bottles or jars to store chemical products such as cleaning solutions or beauty products.

\*Never mix household products. For example, mixing bleach and ammonia can result in toxic gases.

\*Wear protective clothing (gloves, long sleeves, long pants, socks, shoes) if you spray pesticides or other chemicals.

\*Turn on the fan and open windows when using chemical products such as household cleaners.

\*Have a working carbon monoxide detector in your home.

When you are taking or giving medicines, don't put the next dose on the counter or table where children can reach them — it only takes seconds for a child to get them. If you have to do something else while taking medicine, such as answer the phone, take any young children with you.

Remember to secure the child safety cap completely every time you use a medicine.

In Michigan, 60 percent of the calls received by the Michigan Regional Poison Control Center involve residents younger than 19 years of age. Of those pediatric calls, more than 70 percent helped to avoid emergency department visits.

In the event of a poison emergency, contact the Michigan Poison Control Center at 800-222-1222. Post the number near every phone in your home, and save it on your cell phone. If someone is unconscious or has trouble breathing, call 911 immediately.

In either case, try to be ready to provide some basic information when calling, including the victim's age and weight, the container or bottle of the poison if available, time of the poison exposure, and the address where the poisoning occurred.

Stay on the phone and follow the instructions from the emergency operator or poison control center.

## Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

Yo! Fast food fighting



Yo. Ever since fast-food restaurants arrived along highways, they have fought to get consumers' attention with a barrage of advertisements, catchy jingles and money-saving coupon ploys.

Wendy's freckled-face little girl in braids mascot has a "beef" with rival restaurants and is calling them out. The little red-haired darling who hid behind an old lady (Clara Keller) — who asked "where's the beef?" in commercials in the mid-1980s — has come out swinging, or should I actually say singing, about her restaurant.

On March 23, Wendy's released an album called "We Beefing". The mix tape album has five songs, which basically dis (disrespect) other fast-food competitors.

Wendy's went all out in its newest campaign with a teasing post March 21 featuring a single hamburger patty against a white background with the caption, "Fresh, never frozen beats," which is a satire play on Notorious B.I.G.'s "Ready To Die" album.

The rap-style songs are done by a female voice, which some assume is the ginger-haired Wendy kickin' out the jams that don't pull any punches in taking jabs at Burger King and Mickey Ds. One of the lines in the song is, "It's queen Wendy, need I say more?"

The songs on the album include: "Twitter Fingers" that is 1.49 minutes long, "Holding it Down" (3.13 minutes), "Rest in Grease" (1.31 minutes), "Clownin'" (1.44 minutes), and "4 for \$4" (2.31 minutes).

Customers can buy the album for \$4.95 or each song for 99 cents. The music sounds like professionally produced songs. The "We Beefin'" album is available on Spotify, Apple Music and Google Play.

The song "Clownin'" is directed to Ronald McDonald when it talks about having a painted face going back to the Cirque du Soleil, and "Rest in Grease" makes fun of broken ice cream machines.

So far, Wendy's new direction of self-promotion has not made its way to television commercials.

Although I like a wide variety of music, I know I won't be singing along to any of Wendy's tunes because rap music is too hard to do and follow. It's not like the good ole' days of 1974, singing what's in a Big Mac: "Two all-beef patties, special sauce, lettuce,

cheese, pickles, onions on a sesame seed bun."

I can still sing that 44 years later. Bet rappers won't be able to. Yo!



## Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

A special event in Cass City will give area businesses an opportunity to showcase their goods and services.

The Cass City Chamber of Commerce will host the Taste of the Thumb Food and Business Expo Thursday, April 5, from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Cass City Junior-Senior High School gym.

The event will feature samples of food prepared local restaurants and caterers. Dozens of vendors will pass out literature and brochures along with items to give away.

The event will also include an opportunity to learn about pet adoptions as well as a wide variety of community programs that are available.

And, Revive Ministries will host a mobile food pantry at the event. In order to qualify to pick up some food, participants must visit all of the exhibitor booths and complete an evaluation form before they leave.

This is a great opportunity to visit vendors to find out what the Thumb of Michigan has to offer, and there is still time for vendors to sign up, Cass City Chamber of Commerce Administrator Judy Keller said.

More information is available by contacting Keller at (989) 872-4618 or via email at [ccc@casscitychamber.com](mailto:ccc@casscitychamber.com).

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Pinney Foundation President Dave Milligan encourages any non-profit organization to submit requests for grant money from the Cass City philanthropic group by Friday, April 27, to be considered for the local foundation's annual endowments, which are presented twice annually.

To be considered, send your written requests to Milligan at 6226 Bay City-Forestville Rd., Cass City, MI 48726, or via email at [dave@milliganfarms.com](mailto:dave@milliganfarms.com). More information is available by contacting Milligan at (989) 872-2937.

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Chemical Bank has donated \$1,000 to the Future Youth Involvement (FYI) Fund to support its 5K fundraiser to help the homeless.

"It's exciting to have our youth active in the community and helping the homeless," said Bob Wolak, Chemical Bank Caro Community president. "It's very humbling to witness their passion for creating a better life for their neighbors. Having young people in our community that are so passionate about the world around them is something to be very proud of."

FYI is part of the Tuscola County Community Foundation and manages a permanently endowed fund that maintains assets of roughly \$1.2 million. FYI is comprised of students from high schools in Tuscola County who, with adult advisors, make conscientious and often difficult grant-making decisions.

FYI was organized to teach youth the value of philanthropy and foster leadership qualities as the committee works to make Tuscola County a better place to live.

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The Cass City Chamber of Commerce recently elected a pair of new directors Krysta Boyce and Kevven Dorland.

The chamber meets on the third Wednesday of each month in the Rawson Memorial Library at 8:00 a.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

Others community-minded individuals volunteering with the local chamber include Mike Rule — president, Michelle Hartwick — vice-president, Sam Collins, - secretary, Aaron Barrigar — treasurer, Judy Keller — administrator, and directors Cindy Kruse, Andy Gray, Jeff Hartel, Jamie Fritz, Christine Kaczuk and Amy Peters.

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National Arbor Day is Friday, April 27, this year, and the Arbor Day Foundation is making it easy for anyone to celebrate the annual tree-planting holiday. Join the Foundation in April and receive 10 free shade trees.

By joining the Foundation in April, new members receive the following trees: red oak, sugar maple, weeping willow, baldcypress, thornless honeylocust, pin oak, river birch, tuliptree, silver maple, and red maple.

The free trees are part of the Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The trees will be shipped postpaid with enclosed planting instructions at the right time for planting in April or May. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE SHADE TREES, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by April 30, 2018.

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## Wednesday, April 4

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

## Thursday, April 5

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

## Saturday, April 7

•Al-Anon meeting, 11 a.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478 for more information.  
•Suicide Survivor Grief Support Group, 1 p.m., Thumb Area Psychological Services 6627 Rose St., Cass City. For more information Lisa Schoettle, MA LPC NCC at 989-872-1800.

## Monday, April 9

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

## Tuesday, April 10

•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.  
•Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.  
•Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.  
•Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.  
•Huron County Family Caregiver Support Group, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Human Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

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## Circuit court proceedings

# Several appear on felony charges

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

\*Anthony C. Allen, 24, North Branch, was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail, with work-site privileges, following his plea of guilty to breaking and entering a building with intent to commit larceny Dec. 10-17, 2016, in Koylton Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

In addition to jail time, he was placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$758. Restitution in the case is to be determined.

\*Jerry A. Langenburg, 42, Vassar, pleaded no contest to possession of marijuana or a synthetic equivalent, subsequent offense, June 29 in Vassar.

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

\*Christopher A. Kawa, 33, Gilford, pleaded no contest to three counts of criminal sexual conduct, second degree, Dec. 24 in Gilford Township.

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

\*Timothy Manetta, 20, Fairgrove, pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting, resisting or obstructing a police officer Nov. 25 in Fairgrove. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$20,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Matthew R. Humes, 27, Caro, pleaded guilty to delivery/manufacture of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (less than 50 grams) between Oct. 1 and Dec. 7 in Caro, and to possession of a controlled substance June 27 in Indi-

anfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

\*Justin G. Hulbert, 40, Cass City, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Dec. 2 in Elkland Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

\*Charles B. Smith IV, 41, Clinton Township, pleaded guilty to charges of possession of marijuana or a synthetic equivalent, subsequent offense, and operating a motor vehicle with the presence of a controlled substance in his body Dec. 17 in Dayton Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Brett A. Wilber, 20, Millington, pleaded no contest to delivery/manufacture of 5 to 45 kilograms of marijuana, and delivery/manufacture of marijuana July 12 in Millington Township.

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

## MHA recognizes hospital for patient safety success

Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City was recently recognized by the Michigan Hospital Association (MHA) for its continuing efforts to ensure patient safety.

MHA officials cited the local hospital in conjunction with this year's Patient Safety Awareness Week, March 11-17, which focused on two important issues: patient engagement and safety culture.

“Overall, Hills and Dales believes in continuous growth and improvement and recognizes every process can be eliminated, simplified or standardized,” officials added.

“Hills and Dales...is committed to building a culture of safety from the ground up. Staff is introduced to the scope of safety within the organization during onboarding and orientation — what safety means, individual roles and responsibilities regarding safety, error reporting and the importance of transparency,” MHA officials said.

“Staff excellence is promoted and celebrated monthly — particularly those individuals who go above and beyond the call of duty. Staff is also continually encouraged to speak up when an issue needs to be addressed about safety concerns. Issues that staff members bring up are addressed and answered promptly by hospital administration. Additionally, administration considers items on the employee survey to be a top priority.



SANILAC County Sheriff Garry Biniecki recently announced the promotion of Deputy Rob Wendling to the position of detective. Wendling is a 1997 graduate of New Lothrop High School and attended Saginaw Valley State University and Delta Police Academy, graduating in Delta's 79th Class. He started his career at the sheriff's office in 2009 and has worked various assignments, including firearms instructor, fire investigator, drug task force Investigator, special response team member, weighmaster and D.A.R.E. instructor.

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## Reporter's notebook

Beware the danger  
of whipped cream...

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor



The headline caught my eye briefly last week, and I almost didn't take a second look, until I realized I had read something about Michigan legislators clamping down on sales of yet another dangerous substance: whipped cream.

Huh?

Well, sort of. Turns out some folks are getting high on the small nitrous oxide (also known as laughing gas) containers used inside cans of instant whipped cream.

The legislation would make it more difficult for minors to purchase nitrous oxide (N2O) containers, also known as "whip-its". I won't go into details, but it's apparently been popular for some time to inhale nitrous recreationally for the temporary euphoria it produces.

It also turns out this is no laughing matter when it comes to the health risks involved.

I guess this fad shouldn't surprise me, considering I'm still shaking my head over the so-called "teen challenge" in which young people are sampling (eating) Tide pods. Now, I'm no rocket scientist – and neither are the kids who are trying this, obviously – but even I try to avoid consuming a substance containing ethanol, hydrogen peroxide and a highly toxic mix of detergents.

By the way, if you're tempted to try this, look forward to suffering some rather severe gastrointestinal distress, respiratory arrest and even death.

Don't you miss the good ole days when teens were being double-dog-dared to swallow a spoonful of cinnamon?

The way I look at it, if more of these dare devils spent a little more time in science class and less time with the peers who encourage this sort of moronic behavior, they might be able to figure out that cinnamon is caustic, and trying to gulp it down can cause choking, throat irritation, breathing trouble and even collapsed lungs.

Sigh. Perhaps I've just turned into one of those grumpy old people who is too quick to judge young folks by their silly pranks. Not all young people, by any means, mind you. Just the ones who clearly don't have both oars in the water.

I mean, c'mon, the fact that there are people out there accepting these challenges explains why the directions on my bottle of aspirin remind me not to take aspirin if I'm allergic to aspirin. Or why the manufacturer of a Superman costume feels obligated to point out to the purchaser that wearing said costume will not enable them to fly. Or the toaster instructions that casually mention the appliance should be used under water.

Unfortunately, for a few of these young people who are eating soap and who knows what else, their mistakes could land them in a hospital, or worse.

Maybe if these kids were exposed to a little more common sense and discipline, they would be less tempted to try this sort of crap?

I don't know about you, but when I was a kid, being stupid frequently landed me in trouble at home. Perhaps that's why getting my mouth washed out with soap (again) doesn't seem all that appealing.

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



## 5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Michael Milligan of Cass City is among 14,800 students at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind., who were recently named to the school's academic honors list for the fall 2012 semester. To be named to the list, a student must earn a minimum 3.5 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Here's a family tradition that would rank high with any baseball fan. John Dunlap III, age 54, a native of Cass City, his father, John Dunlap, Jr. was likewise born in Cass City, graduated Cass City High-class of 1959, is 72 years old and lives in San Diego, California. And his son is John Dunlap, IV, 30 years of age, who lives in Reno with his son John Dunlap V. For a dozen years now the family members have been traveling to Arizona to attend MLB Spring Training. They go for 3 days, see as many games as they can squeeze in, while enjoying each other's company. They recently attended the San Diego Padres versus Seattle Mariners game. Local relatives of the Dunlaps are Doris and Gary Jones of Cass City and Don and Janice Smith and Fred and Joan Matthews of Decker.

## 10 YEARS AGO (2008)

Tiffany Maurer of Ubyly and Larissa King of Cass City recently took home the first place trophy for their hip hop duet during the "I Love Dance" dance competition in Bay City. Both girls take dance lessons at the Excel Dance Studio of Arts in Cass City.

You could say Joe Rule is in a class by himself, and not just because the Cass City area teen has been home schooled much of his life. Rule, a senior, is the only Tuscola Technology Center student to qualify for the Business Professionals (BPA) National Leadership Conference and Competitions scheduled for May 7-11 in Reno, Nev.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1993)

Lisa Wallace, daughter of Dick and Judy Wallace, of Cass City was named as the 1993 Sewing Machine Award Winner at the Annual 4-H Spring Achievement & Mini-Fair held March 27 at Deckerville Community School. The award is based on construction, style and participating in an interview. The award is sponsored by Sears, Roebuck and Company of Port Huron and the Sanilac County 4-H Personal Appearance Programming Committee. Wallace also was one of 4 to receive a \$50 savings bond.

Mrs. Clara Bond visited Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord LaPeer Friday, Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Georgena Williams of Sandusky was a visitor. Easter Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood LaPeer, Debbie and Pattie Timmons and Brent Fritz.

Jeremy Russell earned a YABA patch for a game 100 or more over average, with a 242 game. A YABA patch went to Chad Zawilinski for a 609 series.

## 35 YEARS AGO (1983)

Randy Hampshire of Deford received a special award for having one of the highest producing cows of the 30-35 month class in Michigan. Hampshire Farms' top cow produced 28,823 pounds of milk and 1,326 pounds of milk fat in 305 days. The award was presented by Sharon Diuble of the Michigan Dairy Herd Improvement Association during the Michigan Dairy Awards Luncheon that was part of Farmers' Week and Natural Resources Days, March 21-25, at Michigan State University.

Keith McConkey this week announced the winners in the drawings held in conjunction with the grand opening of his remodeled jewelry store. They were: Pat Childs, Joyce Vargo, Fay Bullock, Lanevare Freiburger, Rachel Lamoureux and Connie Schwaderer.

Student of the week for the week of March 18 at Cass City Intermediate School was Amy

Francis. A sixth grader, she is the daughter of Sharon and Harvey Francis of Cass City. Most improved student that week was Ronda Smith, an eighth grader, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith of Cass City. Student of the week for the week of March 25 was Becky Smerdon, a seventh grader, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Smerdon of Unionville. Most improved student last week was Pam McPhail, a fifth grader, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McPhail of Cass City.

## 40 YEARS AGO (1978)

Earl D. Reinelt of Deckerville and Mrs. Frances Reinelt of Snover announce the engagement of their daughter, Lugene Ann, to Duane Paul Kruse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kruse of Cass City. Lugene will be a 1978 graduate of Sandusky High School. Duane is a 1977 graduate of Cass City High School. An Oct. 14 wedding is being planned.

Boiler Technician Fireman Apprentice Lawrence S. Hollis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry F. Hollis of Argyle Road, Cass City, has completed the basic boiler technician course. During the course at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, students received instruction in the use of hand tools, operation and maintenance of shipboard pumps, and operation of boilers and other engineering machinery. In addition, they were introduced to the types of engineering duty watches that boiler technicians stand aboard ships. A 1977 graduate of Cass City High School, he joined the Navy in August.

Stephanie H. Szarapski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Szarapski, celebrated her third birthday Saturday at her grandparents' home, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Wolschleger in Harbor Beach. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wolschleger of Auburn, Wash. Paul Wolschleger's birthday was also celebrated. Other guests were great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mazure, Mr. and Mrs. Don Wolschleger and children, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mosey and Timothy, all of Harbor Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wolschleger and boys of Deckerville, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Booms and children, Utica, Kathy and Keven Wolschleger and Karen Weicher, Warren, and Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Wolschleger and children of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Milligan of Decker announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathy Jean, to Robert Brauer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Brauer of Baltimore, Md. Kathy is a graduate of Marlette High School and Ferris State College, Big Rapids. She is employed by Ferris State College as a secretary in the accounting department. Bob is a graduate of Parkville High School, Johns Hopkins University, and Morgan State University in Baltimore. He is a certified public accountant in Maryland and is currently an accounting professor at Ferris State College. They will be married Aug. 26.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1968)

Specialist Four Bernard E. Young, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Young, 341 E. Glass Road, Ortonville, was assigned to the 538th Transportation Company near Long Binh, Vietnam, March 22. Spec. Young, a heavy truck driver in the company, entered the Army in November 1966 and completed basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. He was last stationed at Ft. Hood, Tex. The specialist, a 1965 graduate of Brandon High School, was employed by Pontiac Motors Corp., at Pontiac, before entering the Army. His wife, Marie, lives on Doerr Road, Cass City.

Retiring President Dick Drews turns the gavel over to his successor, Dick Wallace. Wallace pledged renewed effort by the Chamber for a better Cass City.

Specialist Four Kenneth R. Crawford, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Crawford, Shabona Road, Deford, received the

Army Commendation Medal while serving with the 4th Infantry Division in Vietnam, March 16. Spec. Crawford earned the award for meritorious service as a mail clerk assigned with the 1st Battalion of the division's 12th Infantry near Pleiku. A 1965 graduate of Cass City High School, the specialist entered the Army in April 1966 and completed his basic training at Ft. Knox, Ky., where he was last stationed. He arrived in Vietnam in April 1967. Prior to entering the Army, Spec. Crawford was employed by Buick Motors, Flint, Mich.

## 75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gruber entertained at dinner Thursday evening, honoring their son, Pfc. Raymond Gruber. Guests were Pvt. Arthur Dewey of Camp Jordan, Fla., Miss Dorothy Burns of Germania, Frank Bliss, David McComb, Mr. and Mrs. John Gruber, daughter, Patsy, and Mrs. R. S. Kerbyson.

Dr. Delbert Rawson of Ann Arbor spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of his parents, Senator and Mrs. Audley Rawson. Dr. Rawson is now an instructor in the University of Michigan. He has recently returned from a trip to Miami, Florida, where he visited his brother, Lieut. Ralph Rawson, who came by plane from Cuba to spend a day in Miami.

Fred C. Striffler, for many years an automobile dealer in Caro, was appointed Wednesday by Governor Harry F. Kelly to be state budget director at a salary of \$7,500. Mr. Striffler resigned last month as chairman of the State Hospital Commission, an agency on which he had served for eight years through a succession of changing administrations. Gov. Kelly said the acting budget director, C. J. McNeill, would be retained as deputy, the post he held during the previous Democratic administration.

## 100 YEARS AGO (1918)

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cooper entertained a company of young people last Saturday evening in honor of their brother, Fred, who was home on a few days' furlough from Camp Custer. A delightful evening was spent in playing games. Mrs. Cooper served dainty refreshments.

From Fred Parker. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ruhl have received the following letter from Fred Parker of C. Company, 4th Reserves, Bramshott Camp, England: Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bill: Have thought many times that I should write to you, but only today did I corral the necessary energy to flood a few pages with my intellectual brilliance. Unlike the U. S. army, our trip to the trenches has not been made with such haste and dispatch. We receive the bulk of our training in England while the boys in the U. S. army receive their training, in France. Our greatest hope is that the Canadian army shall link up with the Yanks this spring and that we shall all go over the top in one grand push that will completely demoralize the Hun army, and bring to a successful conclusion, the whole big show. I suppose most of the fellows from Cass City have joined the colors, and are either in France or in training at home. Everyone expects big things of the Yankees this summer; and no one wishes them greater success and glory than the boys of the Canadian army. It is a universal opinion that the Canadian army has more big victories attached to its belt than any other army in the world. As the fellows from the states are of the mine stock, and are larger in numbers, it is to be expected that they all inspire Fritzie with the same kind of fear that has made him turn tail and run at the sight of the boys from Canada. Indeed, the fact that about 100,000 Yankees are in the Canadian army seems to constitute one of the chief reasons for Canadian success. I would be mighty glad to receive a good long letter from you. Very best regards, FRED PARKER.

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## Tornado siren testing on tap next week

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ing any time of the year, they are especially common during the late spring and early summer months,” Anderson said. As one of nature’s most violent storms, they can devastate homes and property in just seconds.”

The average lead time for tornadoes to develop is 10 to 15 minutes, which means citizens need to be ready to react quickly when a warning is issued.

Anderson recommends that residents be prepared by:

\*Identifying the lowest place to take cover during a tornado. If there is no basement, find an interior hallway away from windows, doors and outside walls.

\*Finding something sturdy – such as a workbench or stairwell – to get under when taking shelter in a basement or other designated spot.

\*Conducting regular tornado drills that include ensuring all family members know where to go and what to do.

\*Staying tuned to commercial radio or television broadcasts for news on changing weather conditions or approaching storms.

\*Being aware of the following signs that can indicate an approaching tornado: dark, often greenish sky; large hail; a large, dark, low-lying cloud; and a loud roar, similar to a freight train.

\*Putting together a 72-hour emergency supply kit with essential items such as a three-day supply of water and food, a NOAA weather radio, important family documents, and other items that meet unique family needs.

Anderson pointed out that Tuscola County families can also prepare by signing up for the county’s new Smart911 program, which enables residents to provide se-

cure information about their homes and themselves that will help first responders provide assistance should the need to call 911 arise. Registration is free and simple by logging on to the website www.smart911.com.

Smart911 is a comprehensive software program that facilitates data and communications in the event of a 911 call. With Smart911, Michiganders can create an extensive online profile, which displays to dispatchers when a 911 call is made. Critical information such as home address, bedroom location, pet information, medical details and whether households include people with dementia or children with autism can all be provided and can improve response.

Each year, more than 1,000 tornadoes strike the United States. Since 1950, more than 239 people have been killed due to tornadoes.

According to National Weather Service (NWS) records, Tuscola County recorded 20 confirmed tornadoes between 1950 and 2017, while the totals for the same period in Huron County and Sanilac County were 15 and 17, respectively.

The average Michigan tornado is on the ground for less than 10 minutes and travels a distance of about five miles. However, they do not always follow the norm and have been known to stay on the ground for more than an hour and travel distances of up to 100 miles or more.

Michigan’s severe weather season in 2017 was unusual in terms of how far below average the total number of events were during the year, NWS officials say. However, the year did remind all Michigan citizens just how costly even a below average severe weather season can be, with five directly

weather-related fatalities in 2017 and a flood event that hit central Lower Michigan, causing more than \$220 million in damages.

Of the five weather-related fatalities, three were caused by high winds and the other two were a result of flooding.

A March 8 storm that included wind gusts of more than 60 mph for up to eight hours across Lower Michigan was blamed for more than one million homes and businesses losing power. Two people died when a tree crashed on top of their car while they were driving along M-115 in Clare County.

In July, severe thunderstorms that brought wind gusts of up to 100 miles per hour in southwest lower Michigan claimed the life of a man when a large tree fell through his house in Grand Haven.

A powerful storm system moved through the northern Great Lakes in October 24, producing strong northerly winds causing nearly \$1 million in flooding damage, and two people lost their lives.

Considerable damage was caused by a June flood across central Lower Michigan, with thunderstorms repeatedly moving over Mt. Pleasant to Midland to Bay City. Overnight rainfall totals topped six inches for much of the region, leading to major flooding.

More than 60 homes were destroyed while another 2,000 were damaged. Over 300 roads and bridges were damaged or destroyed. No lives were lost, but damages exceeded \$220 million.

Other storms of note included an incredibly early Tornado Outbreak in far southwest Lower Michigan on the last day in February after two weeks of record-breaking warmth streamed into the state during the last two weeks of the month.

## Families urged to prepare for worst

With Gov. Rick Snyder declaring Michigan’s Severe Weather Awareness Week April 8-14, Tuscola County Emergency Services officials are calling upon community members to take action to prepare by participating in a statewide tornado drill Wednesday, April 11, at 1 p.m.

Businesses, organizations, families and individuals are encouraged to be a part of the voluntary statewide preparedness activity. Nearly all state of Michigan facilities will be participating.

“Tornadoes can develop rapidly, with little or no warning,” said Tuscola Emergency Services Coordinator and sheriff’s Deputy Steven Anderson. “Due to their unpredictable nature, we must be ready well in advance. We’re asking Michigan residents and businesses to take few extra steps during the week to ensure they’re prepared and safe.”

While tornadoes can occur during any time of the year, they are

especially common during the late spring and early summer months. As one of nature’s most violent storms, they can devastate homes and property in just seconds.

The average lead time for tornadoes to develop is 10 to 15 minutes, which means residents need to be ready to react quickly when a warning is issued.

To be ready for a tornado:

\*Identify the lowest place to take cover during a tornado. If a basement does not exist, find an interior hallway away from windows, doors and outside walls.

\*Go under something sturdy—such as a workbench or stairwell—when taking shelter in the basement or designated spot.

\*Conduct regular tornado drills. Make sure each household member knows where to go and what to do in the event of a tornado.

\*Stay tuned to commercial radio or television broadcasts for news on changing weather conditions or approaching storms.

\*Know the difference: a Tornado

Watch means conditions exist for a tornado to develop; a tornado warning means that a tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar.

Warning signs of approach tornado may include a dark, often greenish sky; large hail, a large, dark low-lying cloud; and a loud roar, similar to a freight train.

Residents are also encouraged to prepare by putting together a 72-hour emergency supply kit with essential items such as a three-day supply of water and food, a NOAA Weather Radio, important family documents, and items that satisfy unique family needs.

Severe Weather Awareness Week is sponsored by the Michigan State Police and the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness (MCSWA) to educate the public about the danger of tornadoes and other severe weather events, including the precautions that can be taken to save lives and protect families.

## Tuscola County commissioner eyes Lansing

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economic opportunities into our area.”

During his career in Lansing, Canfield served on the Joint Select Committee on the Flint Water Emergency, and the House Community, Access, Resources, Education and Safety (CARES) task force.

“Through my appointment to the Appropriations Committee, I have been assigned to serve on several important subcommittees, including chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee for the Department of Health and Human Services,” he noted. “This subcommittee handles the single largest budget for the state.”

Canfield said he is thankful for the opportunity to serve Huron and Tuscola counties. His term ends December 31.

Bierlein, meanwhile, says he is running for the House seat because he wants Michigan to continue to be a place where families enjoy a bright future.

“We in the Thumb know how good Michigan is, and how great it can be,” said Bierlein. “We need leaders in the state capitol who will focus on helping families.”

“As a native of the Thumb, I understand the region’s unique character and its agricultural, natural and cultural assets. It will be my

job in Lansing to convey the Thumb’s common-sense approach to policies that affect all of us.”

Since Bierlein was first elected to the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners in 2012, he has been politically active.

He is the current president of the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) and serves on the Human Development Commission (HDC) and Workforce Development Commission for Huron and Tuscola counties. He also serves on the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Steering Committee of the National Association of Counties.

“I’m looking forward to talking with my neighbors, near and far, in the two counties about the issues that affect their everyday lives,” he said. “I strongly believe that each of us should look for opportunities to serve our communities in any way we can.”

“I have pursued that goal at the local level,” Bierlein added. “I think I have more to contribute now to state policies that affect our communities.”

Bierlein has a bachelor’s degree in organizational management from Spring Arbor University. He lives in Vassar with his wife, Mindy, and their three children; Matthew, Madison and Maddox.

The Bierleins operate Renue Physical Therapy, an outpatient physical therapy practice, and attend St. Lorenz Lutheran Church.

“I could not even conceive of doing this without the support of Mindy and with the strength of the faith we share,” Bierlein said.

The filing deadline for candidates for the primary election is Tuesday, April 24. Elections will be held Tuesday, Aug. 7, for partisan primaries, with the general election set for Tuesday, Nov. 6.

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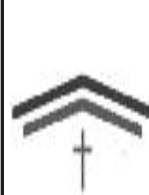
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## Huron County sheriff honors deputies

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outstanding service. "Throughout the course of 2017, deputies Jake Dhyse, Eric Hessling, Steve Bismack, Ryan Swartz, Gabe Callender and Brad Strozeski all administered the overdose reversing drug Narcan to unconscious victims on the verge

of overdose death," Hanson said. "Deputy Alex Jobs did the same, with the exception that he responded to three separate overdoses to revive all three. Deputy Marc Woodward also received a commendation award for responding to a residence and finding a man lying on the floor unconscious, who had been over-

taken by fumes from a propane gas leak. "He was able to help him regain consciousness enough to get him out of harm's way," the sheriff noted. "Those were just a few of the exceptional good deeds that our deputies performed last year," Hanson said. "These deputies often find themselves involved in difficult situations, which many times require spur of the moment decisions — decisions that can be the difference between life or death, or to making an unpopular decision of fault in a fender bender. "Regardless, it's not all that uncommon for me to receive compliments from people who have had interactions with our staff and agency. That in itself says a lot about the people who work at (the) sheriff's office.

"Our main functions are to provide 24/7 police services to areas without law enforcement coverage and staffing our jail of 70 beds with deputies 24/7 as well," Hanson continued. "Some of the other services it provides are civil process, handgun registration, sex offender registry, law enforcement training to other police agencies, marine safety patrol, search and rescue, as well as underwater recovery. "Our office also places emphasis on the enforcement of illegal drug trafficking and the safety education of our county's children. Rest assured we're trying to do our best," he added.

## News briefs

### Township okays pay hikes

**CASS CITY** — The Novesta Township Board recently approved salary increases for some board members for the 2018-19 fiscal year. Treasurer Val Peters' pay will increase by \$500, which is about a seven percent increase, to \$6,821. Supervisor Chad Daniels' pay will increase by \$248 — a raise of roughly five percent — \$5,218. Although Clerk Joann Peters, who is resigning, did not request a pay hike, the board approved one anyway. The individual hired to serve as the next clerk will receive \$6,776.

### Huron Co. will test sirens

**HURON COUNTY** — The Huron County Office of Emergency Management and Huron County Central Dispatch will test the county's tornado siren system and 911 phone weather alert system at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 12. During a real weather emergency, a tornado warning siren consists of a two-minute blast signal directing residents to take immediate shelter.

### Ewald named to bean board

**LANSING** — Gov. Rick Snyder last week announced the appointment of Stephen Ewald of Unionville to the Michigan Bean Commission. The nine-member commission oversees research and promotes the bean industry in Michigan. "This committee promotes Michigan agriculture and I believe Stephen will bring a great perspective to the group," Snyder said. Ewald will serve a three-year term expiring Dec. 31, 2020. His appointment is subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

### Weather spotters wanted

**HURON COUNTY** — Huron County Emergency Services will host a National Weather Service Skywarn Spotter Training class Thursday, April 19, at 6:30 p.m. at the Huron County Expo Center in Bad Axe. During the class, a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) trainer will provide participants with information related to assessing various threatening weather conditions. The free class is designed for both first responders and the public. For more information, call (989) 269-6435.

*Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery*

### Doctor enters no contest pleas

**Continued from page one.**  
A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$100,000. A sentencing date has not yet been scheduled. Under a plea agreement in the case, Oesterling will be required to pay \$51,140 in restitution to Blue Cross-Blue Shield. In exchange for the physician's pleas, the prosecutor's office agreed to dismiss 23 other felony charges, including one count of conducting a criminal enterprise, which is punishable by up to 20 years in prison and/or a fine of \$100,000. Also dismissed were 14 counts of making false Medicaid claims and eight counts of fraudulent acts involving insurance. The latest charges stem from acts that allegedly took place between February 2016 and November 2016 while Oesterling was associated with Midwest Prostrate and Urological Institute and/or the Caro Medical Group, according to court records. Oesterling, 61, has been free on a \$100,000 personal recognizance bond, but he has been prohibited from practicing medicine since his license was suspended by the state when he was first charged. And, the Tuscola County Prosecutor's office is pursuing civil forfeiture proceedings targeting the physician's assets. When he was practicing, Oesterling saw patients at his practice in Caro, Saginaw, and Mount Pleasant. His Tuscola County practice included working out of the Caro Medical Group, 206 Montague Ave., in Caro, formerly known as Caro Family Physicians P.C. Oesterling was originally charged in 2017 with running a criminal enterprise, delivery of a controlled substance and maintaining drug building following a multi-county investigation that led prosecutors to allege the doctor was guilty of over-prescribing drugs such as Norco (hydrocodone), methadone, amphetamines, oxycodone and alprazolam (Xanax). However, a Tuscola County jury disagreed, returning verdicts of not guilty to all of the charges following a four-week trial that concluded last October. When he joined Caro Family Physicians P.C. in the fall of 2014, Oesterling was introduced as "a world-renown urologist with more than 30 years of clinical and research experience." Oesterling's resume includes training at John Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md., before joining the staff at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. After serving as the chairman of urology at the University of Michigan for five years, he joined a practice with Dr. Joseph Aquilina in Saginaw in 1998. Oesterling is credited with being the urologist who discovered the prostate cancer tumor marker, prostate-specific antigen (PSA), and has conducted extensive research in defining the role of PSA in the diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer.

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## Trio leads O-G class of '18

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been a member of the football, basketball and baseball teams each year. He has also been a member of the high school band each year, has participated in Solo and Ensemble and the Tri-County Honors Band, and currently serves as the band president.

During the past two years, Fahrner has taken dual-enrollment classes through Mid-Michigan Community College at the Huron Area Technical Center. He has served as a member of the student advisory council for the M.H.S.A.A. (Michigan High School Athletic Association) the past two years, and was recently awarded a MHSAA Scholarship.

Fahrner also has been a member of the Huron County Y.A.C. (Youth Advisory Committee) since his sophomore year.

Fahrner has been on the yearbook staff since his sophomore year and has served as co-editor for two years, was a member of the prom committee his junior year, and has been an officer for the P.A.C. Squad (Post-Secondary Action Council) for two years.

Fahrner has been an active volunteer with church and community organizations, including the Lions Club, Thumb Octagon Barn, Huron County Robotics, St. Agatha's Church Clean-up, Spoonfuls of Plenty, and Kilmanagh United Methodist Church.

Fahrner plans to attend Michigan State University to pursue a degree in agribusiness management.

Retford, the son of John and Gina Retford of Owendale, also earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average. He was inducted into the NHS as a sophomore, and has been a member of the 3.0 Honors Club and on the honor roll throughout high school.

Retford served as class treasurer his freshman and senior years. For three years, he has served as an election official for Brookfield Township.

Retford has also been very active in sports throughout high school, including football, basketball, baseball and golf. He also has been a member of the band each year and currently serves as band treasurer.

The past two years, Retford has been a dual-enrollment student through Mid-Michigan Community College. An active member of the Owendale United Methodist Church, he has been involved in the Michigan Youth Sugar Beet Grower Program throughout high school, and has volunteered at blood drives, Lions Club breakfasts and school clean-ups.

His future plans include attending Michigan State University to pursue a degree in crop and soil science.

Ondrajka, daughter of Fred and Sarah Ondrajka of Gagetown, boasts a grade point average of 3.99. She has been on the honor roll and a member of the 3.0 Honors Club each year of high school. She was inducted into the NHS as a sophomore and has served as the chapter's historian/publicist the past two years.

Ondrajka has played basketball and was a cheerleader all four years. She has played softball the last two years. She has been a member of the Owen-Gage Band for eight years, has participated in solo and ensemble, along with the Tri-County Honors Band, and has been a band officer each year. She has also served as class secretary throughout high school. As a member of the student council, Ondrajka served as its secretary her freshman and sophomore years, vice-president her junior year, and currently serves as the council's president.

Ondrajka's other activities have included yearbook staff, PAC Squad, and a member of the Innovative Vehicle Design team.

For the past two years, she has attended the Huron Area Technical Center while enrolled in the health sciences program, and will become a certified nurse's assistant at the end of her senior year. During her years at the tech center, Ondrajka has been a member of HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) in which she has placed as a regional winner and in the Top 20 at state competition. She has also been a leadership representative at the tech center.

Ondrajka has been a volunteer and actively involved in community service activities such as blood drives, Lions Club breakfasts, school clean-ups and elementary events. She is an active member of the Our Lady Consolata Church.

Her future plans include attending the University of Michigan - Flint to pursue a career as a biochemist.



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**THE 2018 Cass City Red Hawk track team members are: (front, l-r) Coach Jon Zdrojewski, Eric Peters, Gabriel Farver, Lucas Swiderski, Nick McArdle, Drew Markel, Colby Sutton (2nd row) Brendan Hamilton, Gavin Medere, Dustin Naegele, Devon Koning, Anthony Boscaglia, Cameron Kaake, Evan Roggenbuck, Pavel Gordok (3rd row) Zac Brunke, Mike Ziegler, Nick Perry, Brandon Witherspoon, Artur Bakytbekov, Jacob Shantz, Josh Schaufele, CarLee Stimpfel, Kevin Estrella (back) Collen Wruble, Logan Boynton, Kristofer Nika, Leevy Matthews, Jarod Naegele, Andrew Venema, Hunter Caister and Justin Schaufele. Missing are Sandyn Cuthrell, Ethon Fetterhoff, Jamison Biskner-Kruse, Logan Severance and Zane Wright.**



**THE 2018 Cass City Lady Red Hawk track team members are: (front, l-r) Alyssa Alvarez, Marissa Petiprin Ball, Tiana Tageson, Brittany Stilson, Katie Autry, Taylor Cumper, Sarah Coltson, Paige Hudson, Riley Copeland (middle) Marla Muter, Mary Muter, Danika Focken, Kristin Stimpfel, Madison Beckrow, Brittany Hamilton, Haven Bouverette (back) Tasha Tageson, Sierra Spry, Harlie Mallory, Hailey Schmotzer, Anna-Lena Domer, Layna Mathewson, Kenidee Stanhope, Tiara Anthony and Coach Adam Dorland. Missing is Makaila Horning.**

## Track teams boast big numbers locally

by Clarke Haire  
 Publisher

If there's strength in numbers, the Cass City track teams should be plenty strong in 2018.

That's nothing new for the Red Hawk boys' squad, as they will seek a third straight Greater Thumb West (GTW) championship under the direction of Coach Jon Zdrojewski, entering his seventh year at the post.

"I have 15 returning letter winners on my roster of 35, so we are continuing to grow, up from 26 last year," said Zdrojewski.

Senior CarLee Stimpfel, the team's lone returnee with experience at last year's state final meet, will headline this year's roster.

Actually, Stimpfel has qualified for the elite state final meet in each of his three previous seasons. As a freshman in 2015, he competed in the 3,200 meter relay and 3,200 meter run, taking 15th and 20th place, respectively. In 2016, he earned all-state honors in both the 1,600 meter run - taking 5th - and in the 3,200 meter run, finishing third. Last year, Stimpfel repeated as an all-state performer in both the 1,600 meter run and the 3,200 meter run with top 4 finishes at the season ending meet. The distance specialist is the Cass City record holder in the 1,600 meter run, the 3,200 meter run, as well as the school's 5K cross country record holder.

"CarLee will provide very strong

leadership in his final year of competition before he goes to SVSU to run next year," says Zdrojewski.

Other returning letter winners to watch in 2018 include Brendan Hamilton, Gabe Farver, Lucas Swiderski, Drew Markel and Zane Wright, according to Zdrojewski.

"Brendan is our long jump stand-out and he will be a strong sprinter," he said, adding, "We will still be strong in the distance races. Watch for Gabe, Lucas, Drew and Zane to be among the top distance performers in the area."

Additionally, Cass City will have a pair of strong hurdlers back in Jamison Biskner-Kruse and Kris Nika, while Colby Sutton and Justin Schaufele should earn points in the pole vault.

Ethon Fetterhoff and Jarod Naegle are expected to help the Red Hawks in the sprint events and Collen Wrubel will return as the team's 400 meter specialist.

"We are a very young team with some good athletes that are not just freshmen but many first year track members. They should be great additions to our growing squad and I look for Cass City to be a strong contender for the league title this year," Zdrojewski said.

Newcomers expected to add to the team in a big way are seniors Michael Ziegler and Eric Peters. The pair are strong athletes in other sports and will add to the

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THE 2018 Cass City Red Hawk golf team members are: (front, l-r) Mariah Mellendorf, Brittany Swiderski, Imogen Sanders, Matt Roth, Joseph Skiles (back) Taryn Pisarek, Kalean Boynton, Nick Perry, Garrett Deitering, Reed White, Ryan Pisarek and Coach Jon Ligrow.

## Cass City golf team looks for improvement on the links in 2018

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Jon Ligrow returns for his second season as the Cass City golf coach and is optimistic about the upcoming season.

“We’ve looked pretty good in our early season workouts, but we will learn more when the weather lets us practice outside,” said Ligrow.

Although Ligrow will need to find replacements for last year’s ace Hunter McGrath and seniors Brad Hacker and Seth Osentoski, he has five returnees to build around in 2018.

Expected to lead the way on the links for the Red Hawks, according to Ligrow, are Nick Perry, Kalean Boynton, Joseph Skiles, Imogen Sanders and Lukas Haynes.

“I look for Nick and Kalean to be our top two scorers and freshmen to keep an eye on include Matt Roth and Ryan Pisarek,” he said.

Other newcomers that could figure into Cass City’s Greater Thumb West title hopes include Reed White, Garrett Deitering, Taryn Pisarek, Mariah Mellendorf and Brittany Swiderski.

“Last year Bad Axe and Lakers competed for league honors, but they both lost key players. We should be more competitive this year,” Ligrow said.

If the Red Hawks hope to ascend up the Greater Thumb West standings in 2018, Ligrow will need some help from the team’s female

golfers, especially Sanders.

“The girls’ season is in the fall. But as long as they follow the same rules as the boys, they can compete on the boys’ team. We have a good number of girls on this year’s team and I’ve talked to (athletic director) Don (Markel) about forming a female team next year.”

## Dorland takes reins of Lady Red Hawks

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team’s depth in sprints and field events.

Other newcomers include exchange students Pavel Gordok and Artur Bakytbekov. Zdrojewski says they are very willing to work hard and thinks they will add nicely to the squad’s title hopes.

The Red Hawks also have several freshmen that Zdrojewski expects to make an immediate impact.

“Brandon Witherspoon was a great asset to the cross country team and I look to him in the 400 and 800 races to be strong. Alex Perry should be another freshman athlete to keep an eye on in the 400.”

Turning to the Lady Red Hawk thinclads, Adam Dorland takes the reins from Deidra Zdrojewski, after 5 years in charge.

“I wanted to spend more time with my mom and also to be able to watch my daughter (Erin) run at Central Michigan University,” said Zdrojewski, as reasons for stepping aside.

And although the numbers on this year’s squad is nearly double of Cass City’s 2017 roster, Dorland has just a handful of returnees to build around in his rookie season.

Among the top returning performers in 2018 will be Katie Autry, Taylor Cumper, Layna Mathewson, Marla Muter, Mary Muter, Hailey Schmotzer and Brittany Stilson.

The Muter twins and Mathewson will provide Cass City with a strong base in the distance events, while Schmotzer is a proven winner in the hurdles.

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# Cass City Jr./Sr. High School 2018 Spring Sports Schedule



## BOYS' BASEBALL (VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT
3/22	Capac
4/5	Caro
4/10	Brown City
4/12	Ubly
4/14	Tuscola Tourny @ Millington.....TBA
4/16	Sandusky
4/19	Bad Axe
4/23	Memphis
4/26	USA
4/30	Marlette
5/3	Reese
5/10	Vassar
5/12	Saginaw Nouvel Tourny.....9:30 a.m.
5/14	Harbor Beach
5/17	EPBP Lakers
5/29-6/1	Districts @ TBA.....TBA

All games begin at 4 p.m. unless noted

## GIRLS' SOFTBALL (VARSITY)

DATE	OPPONENT
3/22	Capac
4/5	Caro
4/10	Brown City
4/12	Ubly
4/14	Tuscola Tourny @ Millington.....TBA
4/16	Sandusky
4/19	Bad Axe
4/23	Memphis
4/26	USA
4/30	Marlette
5/3	Reese
5/10	Vassar
5/12	Brown City Tourny.....TBA
5/14	Harbor Beach
5/17	EPBP Lakers
5/23	Cros-Lex (Varsity & JV)
5/29-6/1	Districts @ TBA.....TBA

All games begin at 4 p.m. unless noted

## TRACK

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
3/21	Reese/USA/Marlette	4:30 p.m.
4/5	Reese/Vassar	4:30 p.m.
4/10	Bad Axe/EPBP Lakers/USA	4:30 p.m.
4/13	Brown City Invite	4:00 p.m.
4/17	Brown City/EPBP Lakers/Reese	4:30 p.m.
4/18	Bad Axe 9/10 Invite	TBA
4/20	Marlette Invite	4:00 p.m.
4/24	USA Invite	4:00 p.m.
4/27	Vassar Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/1	Ubly Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/4	Reese Invite	3:30 p.m.
5/8	EPBP Lakers Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/9	Reese 9/10 Invite	TBA
5/11	Bad Axe Invite	4:00 p.m.
5/15	GTW League Meet @ EPBP Lakers	4:00 p.m.
5/18	Regionals @ Marlette	TBA
5/22	Tribune Meet of Champs @ Bad Axe	TBA
5/29	Thumb Meet of Champs @ Caro	TBA
6/2	State Finals	TBA

## GOLF

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
4/5	Caro	4:00 p.m.
4/19	Caro	4:00 p.m.
4/23	GTC Jamboree @ Vassar	3:30 p.m.
4/24	GTC Jamboree @ USA	4:00 p.m.
4/25	North Huron Invite - Bird Creek	TBA
4/27	Ubly Invite	8:15 a.m.
4/29	GTC Jamboree @ Bad Axe	4:00 p.m.
5/3	GTC Jamboree @ Cass City	4:00 p.m.
5/9	Brown City Invite	8:00 a.m.
5/11	GTC Jamboree @ Lakers	4:00 p.m.
5/14	Millington Quad	1:00 p.m.
5/16	Owen-Gage Invite	9:30 a.m.
5/18	Warner Memorial Invite @ Vassar	TBA
5/21	GTC League Meet @ Ubly	TBA
5/22	Bad Axe @ Verona	4:00 p.m.
5/23	Mayville Invite	TBA
5/30	Regionals @ Scenic	TBA

## JUNIOR HIGH TRACK

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
4/11	USA/Vassar	4:30 p.m.
4/16	Sandusky/Vassar	4:30 p.m.
4/18	Bad Axe	4:30 p.m.
4/23	Reese/Sandusky	4:30 p.m.
4/25	Brown City/Sandusky	4:30 p.m.
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# Legal Notices

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

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Keith Johnson and Vicki Johnson, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Co. Central MI, which became Independent Mortgage Co., a dissolved Michigan corporation, as assigned to Independent Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated August 30, 2002, and was recorded on September 4, 2002, in Liber 892, on page 641 of the Tuscola County records, subject to a Modification Agreement recorded at Liber 1151, Page 408, further subject to a Modification Agreement recorded at Liber 1245, Page 1152, and further subject to an Assignment of Mortgage recorded at 1302, Page 1126. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$43,746.14, including interest at 5.50% per year variable. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on April 19, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Tuscola County Court Facility, Caro, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Tuscola County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

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

Beginning at a point 1515.26 ft W of the NE corner of Section 31, T12N, R9E; thence W 140 ft; thence S 327.88 ft; thence E 140 ft; thence N 327.88 ft to the Point of Beginning.

The structure residing on the above described premises, consisting of a 1985 Schult M207813 is considered real estate and is also collateral for this loan.

commonly known as 2633 W. Bliss Road, Caro, Michigan 48723  
tax i.d. 013-031-200-0500-04

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

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

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER, P.C.  
Dated: March 13, 2018

Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393)  
Attorney for Independent Bank, Mortgagee  
900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219  
Bay City, MI 48707 - (989) 892-4574

3-21-4

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

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by John Willerton, a married man, Loretta Willerton, his wife, and Robert Rolston, a married man, and Nancy Rolston, his wife, mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Company, a dissolved Michigan corporation, as assigned to Inde-

pendent Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated September 29, 2009, and was recorded on October 9, 2009, in Liber 1185, on page 321 of the Tuscola County records, and subject to an Assignment of Mortgage recorded at Liber 1260, Page 594. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$18,100.72, including interest at 5.625% per year variable. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on April 19, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Tuscola County Court Facility, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Tuscola County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

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

Commencing 870.04 ft N of the E 1/4 corner of Section 7, T14N, R11E, Elkland Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence continuing N 434.01 ft; thence S 88°00'50" W 419.12 ft; thence S 0°17'20" E, 404.61 ft; thence S 87°57'20" E 417.09 ft to the POB.

commonly known as 6353 Richie Road, Gagetown, MI  
tax i.d. 007-007-000-0300-01

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

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

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER, P.C.  
Dated: March 13, 2018  
By: Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393)  
Attorney for Independent Bank, Mortgagee  
900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219  
Bay City, MI 48707-(989) 892-4574

3-21-4

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 am on April 19, 2018.

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Phyllis Fagan and Jordan Fagan, Wife and Husband Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Nationstar Mortgage LLC, its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Nationstar Mortgage LLC dba Mr. Cooper Date of Mortgage: September 21, 2015 Date of Mortgage Recording: September 30, 2015 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$123,525.47

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of

land in the West one-half of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, described as: To Fix The Point Of Beginning Commence at the East one-quarter corner of said Section 23; thence North 89 degrees 31 minutes 12 seconds West, on the East and West one-quarter line of said Section, 3,759.29 feet to the Point of Intersection of said one-quarter line with the centerline of Relocated Buell Lake Road; thence South 52 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West, on said centerline, 157.67 feet to the Point Of Beginning of this description; thence South 52 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West, on said centerline, 109.24 feet to the intersection of said centerline and the West one-eighth line of Section 23;

thence South 52 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West, continuing on said centerline, 16.87 feet; thence North 30 degrees 20 minutes 27 seconds West, 219.22 feet to a Point which is approximately 7 feet, South 30 degrees 20 minutes 27 seconds East, from the water's edge at the Southeasterly Bank of the Cass River, thence North 37 degrees 51 minutes 28 seconds East, on a transit line which is approximately parallel to said water's edge, said transit line is for surveying and description purposes only and it is the intention of this description to include all land to the water's edge of the Cass River, 134.63 feet to a Point which is approximately 15 feet, South 30 degrees 20 minutes 27 seconds East, from said water's edge; thence South 30 degrees 20 minutes 27 seconds East, 252.53 feet to the Point Of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

This notice is from a debt collector.  
Date of notice: 03/21/2018  
Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 111057

3-21-4

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 April 19, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Stacy L. Alexander, A Married Woman and Terry G. Alexander, Her Husband

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America

Date of Mortgage: December 14, 2006  
Date of Mortgage Recording: March 1, 2007

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$114,223.81

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Arabela, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: The East 1/2 of the North 10 acres of the West 3/4 of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 33, Township 10 North, Range 7 East.  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pur-

suant 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: March 21, 2018  
Trott Law, P.C.

3-21-4

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 April 19, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Paul David Richey and Dawn M. Richey, Husband and Wife

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK as successor in interest to JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Indenture Trustee for Newcastle Mortgage Securities Trust 2006-1

Date of Mortgage: December 8, 2005  
Date of Mortgage Recording: December 20, 2005

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$127,084.47

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Township 11 North, Range 8 East, described as; Beginning at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 34; thence along the South line of said Section, South 89 Degrees 10 Minutes 25 Seconds West, 263.00 Feet; thence North 01 Degrees 02 Minutes 00 Seconds West, 1339.76 Feet; thence along the North line of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 North 89 Degrees 21 Minutes 55 Seconds East, 242.55 Feet; thence along the North-South 1/4 line, South 01 Degrees 54 Minutes 30 Seconds East 1339.18 Feet to the South 1/4 corner of Section 34 and the Point of Beginning. Except an undivided 1/2 interest in and to all the oil, gas and other minerals with right of ingress and egress at all times given to L. H. Gilman as set forth in Mineral deed; as recorded in Liber 211 of Deeds, at pages 83 and 84 (according to the survey recorded in Liber 608, Pages 1145 and 1146, Tuscola County Records.

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

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

This notice is from a debt collector.  
Date of notice: March 21, 2018  
Trott Law, P.C.  
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3-21-4

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by PETER ZECHMEISTER, a single man ("Mortgagor"), to GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA, a federally chartered corporation, having an office at 3515 West Road, East Lansing, Michigan 48823 (the "Mortgage"), dated December 7, 2007, and

recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Tuscola County, Michigan on December 17, 2007, as Instrument No. 200700902940 or Liber 1137, Page 287 (the "Mortgage"). By reason of such default, the Mortgagee elects to declare and hereby declares the entire unpaid amount of the Mortgage due and payable forthwith. Mortgagee is the owner of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage.

As of the date of this Notice there is claimed to be due for principal and interest on the Mortgage the sum of Twenty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Eighteen and 23/100 Dollars (\$22,718.23). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay the above amount, with interest, as provided in the Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fee allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, the Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public venue to the highest bidder at the Tuscola County Courthouse in Caro, Michigan on Thursday the 3rd day of May, 2018, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. The premises covered by the Mortgage are situated in the Township of Almer, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and are described as follows:

Parcel 1: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 36; thence North 88 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds East 58 feet along South Section line to the Northwest corner of Section 1, Town 12 North, Range 9 East; thence North 88 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds East 937.46 feet along South Section line to point of beginning; thence North 1309.06 feet to the South 1/8 line; thence East 331.21 feet along the South 1/8 line to West 1/8 line; thence South 1303.59 feet along West 1/8 line to South Section line; thence South 88 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds West 331.82 feet along South Section line to point of beginning, containing 10 acres more or less. All being in Section 36, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan.

Parcel 2: The West 10 acres of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, Section 36, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan.

Together with all fixtures, tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances belonging or in any way appertaining to the premises.

Commonly known as: 1708 Orr Road, Caro, Michigan 48723 (Parcel 2) and vacant land on Orr Road, Caro, Michigan 48723 (Parcel 1)  
P.P. #79-002-036-000-3950-00 (Parcel 1) and 79-002-036-000-4000-02 (Parcel 2)

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale, unless the premises are abandoned. If the premises are abandoned, the redemption period will be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of the sale or upon expiration of fifteen (15) days after the Mortgagor is given notice pursuant to MCLA §600.3241a(b) that the premises are considered abandoned and Mortgagor, Mortgagor's heirs, executor, or administrator, or a person lawfully claiming for or under one (1) of them has not given the written notice required by MCLA §600.3241a(c) stating that the premises are not abandoned.

If the premises are sold at a foreclosure sale, under MCLA §600.3278 the Mortgagor will be held responsible to the person who buys the premises at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the Mortgagee for damaging the premises during the redemption period.

Dated: March 28, 2018  
GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA  
Mortgagee  
Timothy Hillegonds  
WARNER NORCROSS & JUDD LLP  
900 Fifth Third Center  
111 Lyon Street, N.W.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2487  
(616) 752-2000  
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3-28-4

# Legal Notices

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

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Robert Sholes, a/k/a Robert P. Sholes and Amie Sholes, husband and wife, mortgagors, to Independent Bank East Michigan, n/k/a Independent Bank, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated November 15, 2002, and was recorded on December 6, 2002, in Liber 906, on page 110 of the Tuscola County records, and subject to a Subordination Agreement recorded at Liber 1005, Page 467. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$10,618.15, including interest at 8.5% per year variable. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing. This Mortgage is a junior mortgage.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on May 3, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Tuscola County Court Facility, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Tuscola County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

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

Commencing at the SW corner of the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 26, T12N, R10E, thence N 188 ft to the POB; thence E 338 ft; thence N 270 ft; thence W 338 ft; thence S 270 ft to POB.

commonly known as 2595 S. Plain Road, Caro, MI 48723  
tax i.d. 022-026-000-0425-00

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

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

**SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER, P.C.**  
Dated: March 23, 2018  
Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393)  
Attorney for Independent Bank, Mortgagee  
900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219  
Bay City, MI 48707-(989) 892-4574

**3-28-4**

**NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE**  
Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mike Koblinski single man, as his sole &

separate property to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB dated August 19, 2004 and recorded August 29, 2005 in Liber 1051, Page 1459, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by assignment.

In pursuant and by virtue of a Default Judgment of Foreclosure of Mortgage entered for Plaintiff, Federal National Mortgage Association, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America against Defendant(s), The Estate of Mike Koblinski, Jr., Tuscola County Decedent Estate No. 12-034116-DE, a Michigan decedent estate in Case No. 17-029907-CH of Tuscola County Circuit Court, the below premises shall be foreclosed and sold by public auction. Default Judgment of Foreclosure of Mortgage was entered on the 20th day of February, 2018, wherein there is claimed to be due on said date the sum of One Hundred One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$101,575.30), which includes interest from October 20, 2017 at a rate of 5.75% plus sums advanced for taxes, insurance and other fees incurred and allowed by said mortgage.

Under the Default Judgment of Foreclosure of Mortgage and related statutes, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgage premises pursuant to the Default Judgment of Foreclosure of Mortgage and that the sale shall be at public auction to the highest bidder, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, on the 17th day of May, 2018 at 10:00 AM, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, viz:

All certain piece or parcel of land situated in the city of Fairgrove, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, described as follows:

Commencing at a point 313.2 feet South of the East quarter corner of Section 29, Township 14 North, Range 7 East, and running thence South 181.5 feet; thence West 162.7 feet, thence North 181.5 feet, thence 162.7 feet to the place of beginning, reserving an easement of one rod in width on the South side for road purposes.

Commonly Known As: 4215 Quanicasse Road, Fairgrove, MI, 48733  
Tax ID: 023-029-000-7400-00

This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale.

Dated: March 20, 2018  
Orlans PC  
/s/Christian K. Mullett  
Attorney Name  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
File No. 17-005829

**3-28-6**

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose. **MORTGAGE SALE - ISABLE DELACRUZ, AN UNMARRIED MAN**, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 6, 2007, and recorded on June 12, 2007, in Liber 1122, on Page 151, and assigned by said mortgagee to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Sixty Dollars and Eleven Cents (\$116,160.11).

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 April 26, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: **LOT 2, COUNTRY MANOR SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3, PAGE 52, TUSCOLA COUNTY RECORDS.**

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. **Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 1346031**

**3-28-4**

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

**MORTGAGE SALE - Scott W. Kirby, A Single Person and Kathy A. Pletcher, A Single Person**, granted a mortgage to Standard Federal Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 25, 1996, and recorded on April 16, 1996, in Liber 688, on Page 1191, and assigned by said mortgagee to Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-One Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$24,621.85). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on April 26, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as:

The East 125.3 feet of South 327 feet of West 290.3 feet of Southeast 1/4 of Southeast 1/4 of Section 33, Township 11 North, Range 8 East. 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. Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

**3-28-4**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Decedent's Estate  
File No. 18-36058-DE

Estate of Ramon Ramirez a/k/a Ramon Ramirez, Sr. Date of birth: 10/22/1941  
**TO ALL CREDITORS:\***  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:** The decedent, Ramon Ramirez a/k/a Ramon Ramirez, Sr., died 02/26/2018.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Catarino Ramirez, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan 48723 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: 03/29/2018

Attorney:  
Duane E. Burgess (P30248)  
121 W. Grant Street, Suite 2  
Caro, MI 48723  
(989) 673-1990

Personal Representative:  
Catarino Ramirez  
68 W. Gilford Road  
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**4-4-1**

**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 May 3, 2018. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s):

Annmarie L. Vermeesch, A Single Woman Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for New Executive Mortgage LLC, its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Flagstar Bank, FSB Date of Mortgage: June 20, 2017 Date of Mortgage Recording: June 30, 2017 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$36,931.19 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Wisner, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are de

scribed as: Beginning at a point 148.50 feet South of the East one-

quarter post of Section 29, Town 14 North, Range 7 East; thence West 257.70 feet, South 165.00 feet, East 257.70 feet, North 165.00 feet to Beginning. Reserving the road way now established across the North side of the above described property for road purposes only. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies.

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

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: 04/04/2018 Potes-tivo & Associates, P.C. 111923

**4-4-4**

**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 May 3, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Lowell E. Anderson and Elizabeth Roe Anderson, husband and wife

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc. its successors and assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Quicken Loans Inc.

Date of Mortgage: June 6, 2015  
Date of Mortgage Recording: June 25, 2015  
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$41,701.03

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Gilford, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing 52 rods East of the Northwest corner of Section 35, Town 13 North, Range 7 East; Township of Gilford, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence 34 rods South; thence 7 rods, 1 foot West; thence 34 rods North; thence 7 rods, 1 foot East 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).

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This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: April 4, 2018 Trott Law, P.C. 1346667 (04-04)(04-25)

**4-4-4**

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# Obituaries

## Eunice Janene Bills

Eunice Janene Bills, 68, of Cass City, died unexpectedly Monday, March 26, 2018 in her home. She was born April 30, 1949 to Harry and Eunice (McKenzie) Bohnsack. She married Thomas Nathaniel Bills in June of 1971. Janene graduated from Cass City High School. She worked as bookkeeper for her husband and son's business, Thomas Roofing. Janene was a homemaker and did a great job of keeping their home running smoothly. In the last few years, Janene and Tom wintered in Alabama for the opportunity to see the sun and feel the warmth we miss here in Michigan. Janene enjoyed her visits to the casino. Janene is survived by her husband, Thomas; son, Dr. Michael Bills of Bad Axe; grandchildren: Michaela Bills, Sheridan Bills and Zachary Bills; brother, John (Carol) Bohnsack of Houghton Lake; sisters: Judy Surgeant of Bay City, Linda (Bob) Lukens of Mt. Pleasant and Michelle Strauss of Mt. Pleasant; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her sons: Dr. Steven N. Bills and David Lee Bills; and her parents. Funeral services were held Friday, March 30, in Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City with Debra L. Kranz, Funeral Service Celebrant officiating. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Charity of the Donor's Choice. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at [www.kranzfuneralhome.com](http://www.kranzfuneralhome.com). Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

## Raymond Booms

Raymond B. Booms, 81, of Ruth, passed away Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at Autumnwood of Deckerville. He was born on June 10, 1936 in Harbor Beach, to the late Arthur and Henrietta (Kirsch) Booms. He married Elizabeth "Liz" Reid on March 27, 1999 in Forestville. Ray was a graduate of a country school. He worked around the state of Michigan for over 60 years as an auctioneer. He auctioned for the local fairs in Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties, Our Lady of Lake Huron and White Rock School/Museum. Ray was a member of the Grindstone and Fox Hunters Sportsman Club. He enjoyed playing on pool leagues and euchre, fishing, hunting, trips to the UP and socializing with friends in his clubs. He truly cherished time spent with his family, especially his grandchildren. Ray is survived by his wife of 19 years, Elizabeth Booms of Ruth; two daughters, Sam and Tammy Kreiner of Melvin and Tina Booms Carson of Brown City; 24 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; one step-daughter, Kimberely (Steven) Tomes of Port Hope; one step-son, Fred Wisenbaugh of Bad Axe; two brothers, Earl (Beatrice) Booms of Ruth and Carl (Majorie) Booms of Bad Axe; three sisters, Rita Depcinski of Bad Axe, Alice (Allen) Depcinski of Cass City and Jane (Harv) Learman of Dexter; his mother-in-law, Margaret Reid of Harbor Beach; two brothers-in-law, Bernard Holdwick and Robert (Linda) Reid, both of Harbor Beach; three sisters-in-law, Sherry (Lloyd) Kramer, Gwendalyn (Ken) Peyerk and Rita Reid, all of Harbor Beach. He was preceded in death by one step-daughter, Rhonda Pawloski; four sisters, Violet Holdwick, Vivian Booms, Frances Booms and Betty Booms; two brothers, Charles and Richard Booms; his father-in-law, Louis Reid Sr.; two brothers-in-law, Barry Reid and Louis Reid, Jr. The funeral service for Ray was held Sunday, April 1 at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Uby. Rev. Christopher Coman, pastor of Holy Apostles Parish in Ruth officiated. Memorials have been requested to the Family Discretionary Fund or the organization of your choice. Please visit [www.smigielskifuneralhomes.com](http://www.smigielskifuneralhomes.com) to express your sympathy and to sign the guest book for Ray's family.



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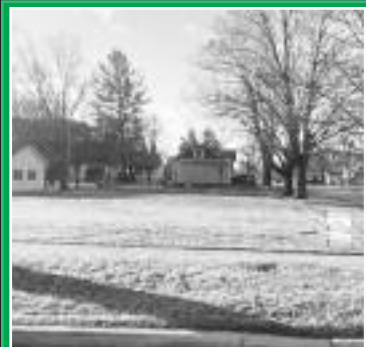


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