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## Cass City bond extension now in voters' hands

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Cass City School officials are hoping district residents will get behind a bond extension proposal designed to pay for a myriad of upgrades in an effort to provide students with a safer, more secure and energy efficient learning environment.

Voters will decide the proposed \$8.68 million proposal during the Tuesday, May 8, special election.

In a nutshell, if approved, the measure would extend an existing three-mill tax that originally generated funding for a host of capital improvement projects at what is now Cass City Elementary School. That tax is slated to expire in 2021 but would be levied for additional 16 years if voters approve the extension and would

raise additional funding for repairs and upgrades to the high school as well as the elementary building.

While the debt would be extended, district residents would not see an increase in the annual tax amount they currently pay.

In preparation for the upcoming vote, school officials have conducted walk-throughs of district buildings and consulted with construction experts while prioritizing various repair and replacement projects. Officials also organized a number of public presentations to explain the bond extension vote.

Cass City School Supt. Jeff Hartel and Chief Financial Officer Allison Zimba approached the local school board a year ago with the proposal to fund the work by extending the existing debt service tax, eliminating the need to ask for

a millage increase.

At stake is the condition of two aging buildings, including the high school, which was built in 1966. The district's newest building – the former middle school, now Cass City Elementary School

– was constructed about 20 years ago.

Should voters approve the bond extension in the spring, the levy would generate funding in three separate years.

School officials have outlined a

list of specific capital improvement projects based on priorities, with the first phase of upgrades focusing on replacing the heating and cooling system in the junior-senior high building, including re-

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## Ubly bond would fund facelift to all facilities

By Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Ask Ubly Community Schools Supt. Joe Candela about the district's upcoming bond proposal vote, and he'll tell you the lion's share of money generated by the tax – more than 90 percent — will go directly back into upgrading school facilities that were originally built back in the 1930s and 60s.

Should voters approve the request, the remainder of the funds would pay for construction of four new classrooms.

Ubly residents will be asked to support a bond proposal of 1.7 mills for 20 years during the Tuesday, May 8, election.

The tax would generate an estimated \$8.7 million. For the owner of a home with a market value of \$80,000, the bond would cost an additional \$68 a year. The owner of a \$110,000 home would pay roughly \$94 more

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## Proposed pot growing facility asks for special permit in Cass City

by Clarke Haire  
Publisher

Gary Vollmar, president of Millennium Industries, and longtime business partner Gus Ploss asked Cass City Village officials Monday for a special-use permit to grow medical marijuana at a Garfield Avenue plant in town.

The request, made during a regular monthly meeting of the village council, dominated much of the 90-minute gathering.

Ploss says Michigan has approximately 220,000 registered patients, which is the second highest in the country among states with medical marijuana programs.

"Legal marijuana sales are fore-

casted at \$7 billion nationally in 2018," Ploss said. "We are asking for a Class C license that will allow 1,500 plants."

Proponents of medical marijuana

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ELKLAND TOWNSHIP Fire Chief Glenn Guilds (far right) recently welcomed Kyle Bischer, 26 (far left) and Chase Blackmer, 19, to his department. Both state-certified fire fighters, the pair boosts the Cass City volunteer fire department's membership to 18. See story, page 7.

## Trial set for suspect in break-in, double homicide in Sanilac Co.

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

A trial date has been scheduled in the case against a Flint man charged in connection with a break-in and double homicide at a residence in Sanilac County's Greenleaf Township last year.

The trial of Preston X. Jack, 30, is slated to get underway Tuesday, June 26. The proceedings are expected to last about four days.

Jack, who remains jailed, previously underwent a forensic psychiatric evaluation and was

deemed competent to stand trial.

He was arraigned on a host of felony charges following the Nov. 19 crime in Greenleaf Township that left two other Flint men dead from gunshot wounds.

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

Investigators said the motive be-

hind the break-in was the planned robbery of a medical marijuana growing operation at the residence.

Sanilac County Sheriff Garry Biniecki reported the homeowner called 911 and stated that three male subjects just broke into his



Preston Jack

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## Memorial slated for former local village manager

Former Cass City Village Manager Peter Cristiano, of Caseville, died Tuesday, April 24, at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe. He was 85.

Cristiano was hired as Cass City's village manager in 2005, serving the community until his retirement in early 2017, capping a lengthy and distinguished career in public administration.

A former city administrator and city councilman in Southfield, Please turn to page 2.



MEMBERS OF THE 2018 Deford Dazzlers, which recently qualified for their sixth appearance at the Team America Rocketry Challenge national finals next month in The Plains, Va., are (from left) Sam Gordon, Alexander Hansen, Teresa Tomasino, Ethan Thane and Mia Wright.

## Dazzlers set for sixth trip to national TARC event

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Watching a handful of Deford Dazzlers 4-H Club members launch model rockets in a farm field a few miles northwest of Deford might not seem all that impressive.

Well, until you get up close and observe the teens discussing how wind speed and direction, air temperature and other factors are impacting their flight patterns, or listen to them prepare to make adjustments by working through mathematic formulas most people couldn't pronounce — let alone understand.

You may not have even heard the name, Deford Dazzlers.

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# O-G honors "students of month"

The focus for Owen-Gage's students of the month for April is being a "Goal Setter". A student who is a goal setter sets goals and priorities in the following areas: personal, career awareness, financial and family living.

The following students have been chosen: Chloe Fritz, fourth grade (elementary level), daughter

of Alyssa and James Hutchinson; Allison Haldane, seventh grade (junior high level), daughter of Robert and Patty Haldane; Megan Fritz, eleventh grade (high school level), daughter of Randy and Debbie Fritz; and Zane Schember, twelfth grade (senior student), son of James Schember and Monica McAlpine-Schember.

Special recognition goes to the "Senior Student of the Month", Zane Schember. Schember participated in basketball his freshman year. He has been a member of the Owen-Gage Band all throughout high school, where he participated in the Tri-County Honors Band each year and Solo/Ensemble competitions his junior and senior years. Schember was a class representative for homecoming his freshman and senior years, along with being a class representative for snowball his senior year. He serves as his senior class stu-

dent council representative. Schember has been on the honor roll and a member of the 3.0 Honors Club each year. He has been a member of the Post-Secondary Action Council (PAC Squad) the past two years and currently serves as the organization's secretary.

Schember has attended the Huron Area Technical Center the past two years, enrolled in the Public Safety/Law Enforcement program. He has volunteered as a Bay Shore Summer Camp counselor. Schember enjoys spending time with friends and family, bowling, swimming, going to the movies, and going to the mall.

Schember plans to attend Delta College in the fall to earn an associate degree and then transfer to Oakland University to pursue a major in broadcast journalism. His goal is to be a prominent news reporter and travel the world.



Chloe Fritz



Allison Haldane



Megan Fritz



Zane Schember

## Cass City Elementary Honor Roll

The following students were named to Cass City Elementary School's third marking period honor roll.

### 4th Grade

Kelsey Anthony, Jackson Anthony, Dylan Barrigar, Lauren Bartnik\*, Justin Bergman, Rylee Bliss\*, Evan Bogart, Hudson Bowers, Alli-Lynn Connolly, Carla Cortes\*, Sebastian Esqueda-Alba, Gavin Franzel, Addison Frederick, Richard Gibbons JR, Braylon Gutierrez, Brady Halabis, Owen Hall\*, Jaedyn Hartwick, Lauryn Hempton\*, Madelyn Hicks, Kilee Hopper\*, Ashley Jones\*, Kaleigh Kubacki\*, Madison Kulinski, Christian Ladnier, Ali Learman\*, Rylie Ligrow\*, Veedell Moore, Kenton Nicholas, Haven Osentoski, Brynn Pallas\*, Destiny Periso, Kylie Perkins\*, Kaylee Peters\*, Jeevesh Prabhakaran\*, Trenton Roberts, Eloisa Ross, Sawyer Ross, Blayk Santos, Zachery Schram, Nickole Shimer, Zoe Speirs\*, Alivia Spencer\*, Nathanael Urban, Ryker Wallace, Griffin Weiler and Ashley Ziemba.

### 5th Grade

Carson Anthes, Taylor Anthony, Romina Basanez-Gastelum\*, Lillian Betts, Elizabeth Binder, Mason Brown, Tim Burke, Taryn Burpee, Alexis Champagne, Danielle Curtis, Justin Daniels, Landon Dubs, Madyson Elston\*, Maia Estrella\*, Alysa Fritz\*, Mason Gniewek\*, Kacey Gray\*, Brooke Hatcher, Kian Hoppe\*, Mackenzie Hudson, Shelby Ignash\*, Gabrielle Laming, Cole Lenhard, Jarod Mathewson, Kylie

McKee, Brianna McKee\*, Matthew Mellendorf, Carson Moody, Roman Muter\*, Mia Myers-Caister\*, Trent Patrick, Angelina Periso, Brayden Pine, Madison Radabaugh\*, Garrett Reinke, Katrina Sarles, Dylan Severance, Emily Speirs\*, William Steely\* and Eli Wright.

### 6th Grade

Taylor Beckrow, Zackary Burnette, Diana Cortes\*, Hailey Dubs\*, Trysten Gruber\*, Jocelyn

Guerra\*, MacKenzie Healy, Erica Horning, Robert Krueger II\*, Paula Learman, Brendan LeValley, Connor Lowman, Justin MacAlpine, Cooper Mallory, Nolan Medere, Claire Merchant, Hailey Morrish, Braden Murdoch\*, Cameron Owen, Carter Patrick, Ellie Perkins\*, Landyn Schott, Ethan Schrader, Cohen Sherman, Drake Smith, Josie Spencer, Wyatt Sutton and Lucas Tschirhart.

\* denotes all A's

## Trial set in break-in, homicide

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home and shot him in the leg. Gun fire was returned and one or more of the suspects were shot, the sheriff said, noting one of the suspects was found at the residence deceased and the others fled on foot.

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

Jack and a co-defendant, Stephen V. Shimmel, 47, also of Flint, were subsequently arrested and charged with two counts of assault with intent to commit murder, conspiracy to commit assault with intent to murder, armed robbery — causing serious injury, two counts of assault with intent to rob while

armed, conspiracy to commit armed robbery, first degree home invasion, possession of a firearm by a felony, receiving and concealing a stolen motor vehicle, and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

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

## Cristiano

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Cristiano later worked with Capital Cities Communications (Disney-ABC Television Group) in New York, and then transitioned into the private sector, working with his sons in the cable television, broadcast radio and burglar alarm industries.

Cristiano served in the U.S. Air Force and was stationed in North Africa. He was honorably discharged Dec. 14, 1953, receiving the Good Conduct Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

He was a graduate of Herkimer High School and earned a bachelor's degree at Syracuse University and a master's degree in public administration at Wayne State University.

Cristiano was a member of the Knights of Columbus Assembly 2372 and Council 8042, the Caseville Fraternal Order of Eagles #3290 and the Cass City Rotary Club; a former member of the Tuscola Area Airport Authority; and one of the founders of the Oakland County Economic Development Corporation (Advantage Oakland).

A full military and memorial service is scheduled for Thursday, June 21, at 11 a.m. at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly.

A complete obituary is published in this edition of the Chronicle (page 13).

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### Notice for

## Greenleaf Township Zoning Appeal Board

The Greenleaf Township Zoning Appeal Board will meet on May 17, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. to consider two requests for variances. The meeting will be held at Melvin Miller's sawmill on Cleland Road.

Mr. Miller is requesting a variance which will allow him to keep his sawmill building in its current location which is closer to the road right-of-way than permitted by the zoning ordinance.

Also, Mr. Owen Byler who lives on Gilbert Road is requesting permission to build a second dwelling on his property for use by some of his adult children.

Persons not able to attend this meeting may comment in writing by mailing their comments to Greenleaf Township Clerk, Box 135, Cass City, MI 48726



# In Our OPINION...

**Clarke Haire**  
Publisher

**Tom Montgomery**  
Editor

## Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

Culinary cruelty



### STD screening and prevention are key

*Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) may not be considered a topic of polite conversation, but state and national health officials say it's imperative to discuss the risks STDs present, and ways residents can protect themselves.*

*Each year, nearly 20 million new STD infections occur in the United States, costing the healthcare system nearly \$16 billion in direct medical costs alone, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).*

*Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) officials are working to raise awareness about prevention strategies and the benefits of screening and early diagnosis.*

*In Michigan in 2017, reported cases of STDs increased compared to 2016. Chlamydia reports rose nine percent, gonorrhea increased 22 percent and primary and secondary syphilis cases were up 28 percent.*

*In 2016, state health officials reported a total of 12,866 cases of gonorrhea (129.6 cases per 100,000 residents), 374 cases of primary and secondary syphilis (3.8 cases per 100,000 people), and 47,414 cases of chlamydia (477.6 cases per 100,000 residents).*

*The recent increases in those numbers mirror national trends, according to the CDC.*

*However, there are effective ways to prevent, diagnose and treat STDs. For all individuals who are sexually active, screening and prompt treatment are critical to protect a person's health and prevent transmission to others.*

*The MDHHS works with local health departments, healthcare providers, pharmacists and community-based organizations to test, treat and increase awareness about STDs as well as provide non-traditional opportunities to access service.*

*"Screening and early diagnoses are essential in preventing transmission and the long-term health consequences of STDs," said Dr. Eden Wells, MDHHS chief medical executive. "We can all make a positive impact in preventing STDs through education and open conversations."*

*In Michigan, sexual partners of some patients with gonorrhea or chlamydia can be treated via Expedited Partner Therapy (EPT) to avoid reinfection. EPT allows physicians to prescribe antibiotics for partners of infected patients without examining them.*

*Prompt treatment of patients and partners can reduce negative health outcomes, especially among women, such as infertility and perinatal STD transmission.*

*Understanding the risks, abstaining from sex, reducing the number of partners and consistently and correctly using condoms are all effective prevention strategies. Safe, effective vaccines are also available to prevent hepatitis B and some types of the human papillomavirus that cause genital warts and can cause cancer.*

*More information and resources about STD Awareness Month are available on the CDC website at [Cdc.gov/std/sum/](http://Cdc.gov/std/sum/). Data and technical assistance for Michigan's STD program is available at [Michigan.gov/hivstd](http://Michigan.gov/hivstd).*

I have never claimed to be another Betty Crocker.

I made a culinary misstep decades ago, which apparently has lived on in infamy.

It was so long ago that it had faded from my memory. That is until I ran into my friend, Frannie, who I had not seen in more than three decades. The first thing she brought up was the culinary calamity she witnessed. She didn't just bring the error up — she added insult to injury and rubbed salt in my wounded pride.

My family was strictly meat and potato people. On Fridays, there was always fish. I thought of Fridays as "cream days". A Friday meal staple was creamed cod, creamed potatoes, and creamed peas. It wasn't until I moved out on my own that I realized peas did not have to be smothered in a cream sauce to be eaten. Naked peas taste so much better than ones swimming in a white paste-like substance.

In my parents' house, eggs were fried, prepared soft or hard boiled. I discovered omelets after I was out on my own, and I love them.

As a young adult stretching my wings with adventures in the kitchen, I experimented with various ingredients to put into an omelet.

Some of the items I mixed into omelets were peppers — red ones, green ones, yellow ones. That worked great. The next adventure was adding onions and some diced potatoes. That was good also.

The next ingredient was adding crumbled bacon or diced sausages. Then, it was adding different kinds of cheeses. Adding Colby, Swiss, pepper jack, and other flavors really perked up the omelet. I was on a roll.

My adventure into making omelets was going great until one fateful day when Frannie and I decided we were hungry. With limited supplies on hand to cook with, we decided to experiment. That is when the culinary excursion went awry.

We had eggs, some milk, and part of a green pepper and onion, but nothing else. I don't recall who it was who found a can of tuna lurking in the cupboard, but that was added to the breakfast feast.

Let's just say the dog walked away from the cooked masterpiece when we gave it to him.

Frannie and I had not seen each other in more than 30 years when we ran into each other at a party of a mutual friend. Right after she said, "Hello," she handed me a recipe for a tuna omelet that had been printed in a magazine.


Her finding a recipe for a tuna omelet didn't make me feel vindicated.

I think it just proved there is no accounting for some people's taste. And in some cases, it's just bad.

### Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



Buckle up your seatbelts. The 63rd opening night for the Silver Bullet Speedway is 7:30 p.m., May 5, according to our very own Mary Drier, who also provided the following information.

The racetrack, which is located at 5801 Sebewaing Road, Owendale, has a new designation this year.

"We've signed papers making the track the fourth one in the state to be an IMCA Modified Track," said Matt Hoonhout, who co-owns the track with his brother Nick.

The brothers have owned the track since 2013.

"The track is fully sanctioned with national and regional points being awarded," said Hoonhout. "We made the change because we are only about 40 minutes away from the Tri-City races. The change opens it up to more drivers."

"We dropped the UMP sanction. We were not happy with the way things were going."

Although stock cars will no longer be UMP Sanctioned the rules will remain similar, and the plan is to run more Mini Wedges.

Modified drivers with any questions regarding the transition can call (810) 459-2807.

Racing starts at 7:30 p.m., the pit gate opens at 4 p.m. and the front gate at 5:30 p.m.

Throughout the season, special racing events are done: Mother's night with a \$10 entrance fee for mothers May 12; teacher appreciation night, with school employees getting in free with a school identification on May 26; first responder appreciation night is June 23 with fire, police and EMS members getting in free with identification; and military appreciation night for veterans and active duty getting in free with identification on July 7.

Also, on July 23, there will be fireworks, Sprint Car races on July 28 and Aug. 25, and more throughout the season.

Several improvements have been made at the racetrack since the Hoonhouts took over. They added new fencing, implemented electronic scoring, re-graveled the drives, built a new pit building, concession stand remodeling with commercial grade appliances, and expanded mud bog pit.

"The Elkland Chamber (of Commerce) gave us bleachers. Some are handicap accessible. New light poles were put in, and 30 cement pads in the pits for the cars," said Hoonhout. "Cement makes it easier to jack up the cars rather than dealing with grass and mud."

The track's first race can be traced back to 1955, which makes it the oldest operating dirt road track in Michigan.

The track also allows free rustic camping. Adult admission is \$12, seniors are \$10, youths age seven to 14 are \$8, and those under age six are free.

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Cass City Elementary is having ACES Day event (All Children Exercise Simultaneously) today, Wednesday, May 2, 2018.

PE teacher Adam Dorland will be leading the program that has students from kindergarten thru six grade gathering at the Cass City football stadium to promote the importance of physical activity. Kids are expected to get active while having fun starting at 1:30 PM.

For more information, or to get involved, Dorland can be reached at 989.872.2158 ext. 2415. His email address is [adorland@casscityschools.org](mailto:adorland@casscityschools.org).

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You may know that Cass City is hosting its own Division 4 softball district tournament this year. Among the teams competing for district honors will be the Red Hawks, EPBP, Owen-Gage, Kingston, Caseville and USA.

You may also be aware that the Cass City baseball team will participate in a Division 3 district tournament in Caro, with just four teams that also includes Bad Axe and Sandusky.

Even so, you probably don't know why Cass City's ball teams are in different divisions in the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) tourney. Athletic Director Don Markel provided the answer.

The MHSAA places schools in 4 equal divisions based upon school size and the number of schools that offer that particular sport. Cass City 9-12 student population was 282 for 2017-18. In softball the cut line was 296 placing us in division 4. In baseball the cut line was 268 placing us in division 3.

Next year (2018-19) both baseball and softball will be in Division 3.

## Letters to the Editor

### Nation under a curse

Editor,

Is more gun regulation the solution?

School shootings and threats have been in the headlines far too often. Is this because we have easy access to guns? Is it because there isn't an in-depth background check for criminal and mental health issues? Americans, these are not the problem, only the symptom of a bigger problem.

The death of the innocent students is very sad. This country's morals and respect for sanctity of human life is to blame. If only the liberal people who are crying out for the lives lost in the school shootings had the same passion for the millions of murdered (aborted) babies every year, but they don't and it angers me. The parents of these children in the shootings know the heartbreak of losing a child senselessly, but multiply that by one million — this is what our Father in Heaven feels.

And, yes, for you people who believe that there is no God, He is going to avenge those unnecessary deaths of the innocent, unborn babies.

Abortion is nothing but premeditated murder. Scripture says that a man who murders a man, by man he is put to death (Gen. 9:6 and Num. 35:16-21). It is one of His judgments against this nation. Is our God unjust? No! He is righteous in all His judgments. It is measure for measure, life for life, the punishment should equal the crime.

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### Wednesday, May 2

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

### Thursday, May 3

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

### Saturday, May 5

•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.

### Sunday, May 6

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

### Monday, May 7

•Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main St., Ubyly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.  
•AA meeting, 7-8 p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more information, call (989) 553-5932.  
•Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.  
•Shabbona Outreach Baby Pantry, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shabbona Outreach 5448 Shabbona Rd. Decker, MI. Gently used clothing and equipment, diapers, bottles, toys, formula, baby food. For more information contact Judy Doerr (989) 658-8625.

### Tuesday, May 8

•Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.  
•AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church.)  
•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 Gageton.  
•Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.  
•Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.  
•Huron County Family Caregiver Support Group, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Human Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

#### STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

##### First Sunday:

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

##### First Monday:

•Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.  
•Shabbona Outreach Baby Pantry, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shabbona Outreach 5448 Shabbona Rd. Decker, MI. Gently used clothing and equipment, diapers, bottles, toys, formula, baby food. For more information contact Judy Doerr (989) 658-8625.

##### First Saturday:

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

##### Second Monday:

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

##### Second Tuesday:

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

##### Second Wednesday:

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

##### Second Thursday:

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

##### Third Monday:

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

##### Third Tuesday:

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

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

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

##### Third Wednesday:

•Spaghetti Dinner at Cass City VFW Hall from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Take out available. For more information call (989) 872-4933.

##### Third Thursday:

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

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

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

##### Third Friday:

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

##### Third Saturday:

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

##### Fourth Monday:

•Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m.  
•Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (no meetings July, August, December).  
•Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259.

##### Fourth Wednesday:

•Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.  
•Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-9293.

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

##### Fourth Thursday:

•Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

##### Last Monday:

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

##### Last Wednesday:

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

##### Every Monday:

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

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

##### Every Tuesday:

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

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

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

##### Every Wednesday:

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

##### Every Thursday:

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

##### Every Saturday:

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

# DNR conducts multiple burns to improve habitat for wildlife

by Mary Drier  
Special for the Chronicle

Billowing clouds of smoke are often a sign of disaster, but not always.

Over the last few weeks, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has been conducting multiple "prescribed burns" to improve grassland wildlife habitat and to reduce invasive species.

The controlled burns included two in Tuscola County's Elkland

Township, consisting of 54 and 50 acres each and designed to keep forest openings clear for pheasants. In addition, officials burned 75 acres in Almer Township.

In Huron County's Verona Township, 200 acres were scorched to improve pheasant habitat. And another 180 acres were burned in Lake Township.

Prescribed burns are one way the DNR keeps lands and forests healthy. The operations are planned to achieve specific objectives – oftentimes simulating the benefits of natural fires.

The burns are conducted by highly-trained DNR personnel in designated state-managed areas during appropriate weather conditions and in cooperation with the proper authorities and local units of government. Public safety is a top priority during all prescribed burns.

In addition to enhancing wildlife habitat, prescribed burns are used to encourage forest regeneration, restore and maintain native plant life, control invasive plant species, and reduce the risk of wildfires.

## Hills and Dales earns accreditation

The Hills and Dales General Hospital Laboratory and Respiratory Therapy (RT) departments have been awarded College of American Pathologists (CAP) Accreditation, hospital officials announced last week.

"The inspectors from CAP were very impressed with our hospital and departments," Danielle Moore, laboratory director at Hills and Dales, said following a recent, unannounced onsite inspection. "With only a few suggestions for improvement, the inspection results and accreditation are a testament to the hard work we do every day to ensure the highest standards for our patients."

The CAP is often referred to as the gold standard in laboratory accreditation.

"It is a medical society serving

more than 18,000 physician members and the global laboratory community. CAP is the world's largest association composed exclusively of board certified pathologists and is the worldwide leader in laboratory quality assurance," explained Danielle Blaine, community relations director at Hills and Dales. "CAP is known for advocating accountable, high-quality and cost effective patient care."

During a CAP inspection, officials review multiple items, including policy and procedures, quality control programs, reporting formats, equipment, safety records and staff credentials.

"Inspectors spend a few hours with each specific department within the lab — microbiology, phlebotomy, blood bank, etc. — reviewing procedures, speaking with staff, and looking at equip-

ment," Blaine noted. "The inspectors also pay a visit to the respiratory therapy (RT) staff that is fully responsible for the arterial blood gas instrument. The RT Department also received accreditation and had an outstanding inspection."

The Hills and Dales Laboratory and RT departments join more than 8,000 CAP-accredited laboratories worldwide.

"Meeting the stringent CAP standards takes a lot of hard work from everyone. It's not just the lab or RT staff; it is all departments that work together on a daily basis," Moore said. "The accreditation shows that Hills and Dales General Hospital is making patient safety and quality a priority every single day in every department."

## Officials eye options for Caro Dam

by Mary Drier  
Special for the Chronicle

There is a renewed interest in fixing the Caro Dam.

The dam is privately owned, and as such, the owner has the options of leaving an existing broken gate alone, repairing the gate with a Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) permit, or removing the dam with an MDEQ permit.

The owner could agree to sell or relinquish an easement to the county, file a petition with circuit court, and coordinate efforts with the help of the drain commissioner.

There was a meeting April 18 to review alternative solutions concerning the Caro Dam, including fixing the broken gate or installing fish ladders.

Depending on the fix, ownership of the Caro Dam may change. If new gates are installed, ownership remains the same, if fish ladders

are installed, ownership along with liability will revert to a municipality or government entity, explained Tuscola County Controller/Administrator Mike Hoagland.

It is estimated a feasibility study would cost between \$10,000 to \$40,000.

In 2014, MDEQ officials determined "the dam failed."

The 112-year old dam has two gates. One of the gates failed, which resulted in lower water levels in the Cass River and Caro Lake area.

The dam was built in 1906 to provide water for the Michigan Sugar Company. It was reconstructed in 1928 as a hydroelectric dam to provide power to Caro. It has been out of service for several years and has been privately owned since about 2003.

In May 2014, the water level was so low in the Chippewa Landing area, south of Caro off M-24, that the banks on both sides of the

river were exposed by several feet.

The dam's water level has impeded kayakers from going down to the southern part, and paddling upstream can be a challenge for kayaking and canoeing.

The Cass River Greenway Committee, a grassroots group, has been working to clean up the Cass River and develop it as an eco-tourism attraction. The group is also seeking to have the waterway designated as a National Water Trail.

As part of the Cass River development in 2015, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers stabilized the 163-year old Frankenmuth Dam with a \$3.5 million improvement project. The work included installation of a rock-ramp structure and stone weirs on top of the dam to form a step-pool of 300 feet downstream from the current dam head to allow fish passage upstream to spawn.

## Circuit court proceedings

# Several appear on felony charges

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

\*Timothy E. Smith, 31, Vassar, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail, with work release and worksite privileges, following his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, July 18 in Juniata Township.

He was also placed on 60 months probation and ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,258 plus restitution of \$2,800.

\*Wincell V. Vickers, 48, Caro, received a one-year delayed sentence following his plea of no contest to a charge of child abuse, third degree, July 30 in Caro.

He was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$708.

\*Devon C. Langlois, 20, Caro, was sentenced to 180 days in jail, with worksite privileges, following his plea of guilty to assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) June 11 in Caro.

He was also placed on 36 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,258 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

\*David C. Scott, 56, Fostoria, pleaded no contest to two counts of assault with intent to do great

bodily harm less than murder between January and July 2017 in Watertown Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case, bond was set at \$100,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Omar Herrera, 29, Cass City, was placed on 12 months probation following his pleas of guilty to possession of marijuana, second offense, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor Jan. 1 in Novesta Township.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,308 plus attorneys fees of \$500.

\*Quintin P. Smith, 16, Vassar, was sentenced to 365 days incarceration and 60 months probation following his pleas of no contest to criminal sexual conduct, second degree (involving personal injury to the victim) Sept. 27, 2016, in Vassar; between Feb. 8 and Feb. 14, 2017, in Vassar; and between June 9 and June 16, 2016, in Vassar. He was also convicted on one count of accosting a child for immoral purposes between March 17 and March 22, 2017, in Vassar.

In addition to incarceration, Smith, who was charged as an

adult, was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$2,972. Restitution is to be determined.

\*Andria A. Kern, 38, Vassar, pleaded guilty to three counts of embezzlement of \$50,000 to \$100,000 Sept. 24 in Vassar Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$15,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Genaro Ramirez, 38, Unionville, pleaded guilty to one count of absconding or forfeiting bond Oct. 23 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at \$15,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

\*Chaunte D. Galla, 28, Mason, received a one-year delayed sentence following her pleas of no contest to charges of assaulting, resisting or obstruction a police officer and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor Aug. 25 in Millington.

She was placed on 12 months probation and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$1,326.



## Reporter's notebook

### A few words of advice for grads

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor



I wonder if graduating from high school is still as exciting as I remember when I collected my diploma a few years ago.

The exhilaration of finishing high school was short lived, replaced by a mix of excitement and anxiety at the prospect of jumping into the next phase of my education — and life.

I never had the chance to make any sort of speech filled with gems of wisdom to send my fellow grads on their way (probably a good thing, because looking back, I didn't have many gems to share at the time).

But, I do have a column today, not to mention a master's degree from the school of hard knocks, so I'm going to take a shot at offering the Class of 2018 a little advice honed from a lifetime of learning, and a thorough understanding that hindsight really is 20/20.

Here we go:

In many ways I envy you, having so much to look forward to, especially if you're willing to put everything you've got into making your own way in the world, regardless of what you're planning to do next. From giving it your best at a minimum wage job to help pay for school, to bringing more than a list of good grades to the table when you interview for that first dream job, show up early, bring your very best attitude, be honest, and acknowledge you haven't learned it all just yet.

The year on my high school diploma may say 1980, but some things haven't changed, including the unkind realities you'll face if you decide the world owes you anything (spoiler alert: it doesn't).

As a high school senior, I couldn't wait to be independent, to no longer have to live under a roof where someone was always telling me what to do. Of course, until I moved out I didn't have a full grasp of what it takes (and costs) to be independent.

And, in my case, I married just a couple years after graduating from high school, negating the whole solution of escaping an environment where someone was always telling me what to do. However, that's another column (or 50) for another time.

My point is simple: freedom is a wonderful thing, but it comes with a price tag those in the adult world like to call responsibility — and it's easy to lose by frequently putting "be stupid" on your list of things to do today. And let's face it, that can be a no-brainer when you're living away from home for the first time and you're surrounded by friends, some of whom don't have the same goals as you (graduating or staying out of jail, for example).

You might be surprised to learn just how many poor decisions now will follow you for years to come — maybe for a lifetime.

Believe me, I know.

Never stop learning. Ever. And never forget that making mistakes is a valuable part of learning (well, unless you're one of those knot heads who repeatedly breaks the law and spends half of their time in front of a judge and the other half blaming everyone else for their stupidity). As much as some folks won't admit it, we all goof up. Just learn from each experience, move on and keep your eye on the prize.

Be good to your family and your true friends. You're going to need them as much as they need you on this rollercoaster ride known as adulthood.

Finally, figure out what's really important in this life — for you, personally — and then take the time to enjoy and appreciate it, because time is an unforgiving thief.

Well, that's about it, except I wish each and every one of you the best. Congratulations and good luck in your future endeavors!

# Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



## 5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Ellen Hulburt has been named the Schneeberger's Athlete of the Week award winner. The Cass City senior enjoyed a career week, helping the Lady Red Hawk softball team to sweeps over Harbor Beach and Vassar. Actually, including last Monday's double-header losses at Bad Axe, Hulburt batted .739 over the course of her team's last 6 games, going 17-for-23 at the plate. On Monday, against the Hatchets, she connected for 6 hits and scored twice, followed by a 4-hit showing, also scoring twice, against Harbor Beach on Tuesday, and finally, on Thursday, punched out 7 hits and accounted for 3 tallies against Vassar. Ellen, the Red Hawks' designated player, is the daughter of Shari and Jason Hulburt.

Lucky lady. Dawn Quinn posed with her dad, Sonny Quinn, after taking her first tom on opening morning of the 2013 spring season at 8:30 a.m. Her turkey tipped the scales at 18-pounds and had a 9 inch beard with 1 inch spurs. "I had so much fun hunting him. Can't wait till next season," said the Thumb resident, who now lives on Hadley Road where she bagged her bird.

## 10 YEARS AGO (2008)

Three area residents were recently named to the dean's list at Northwood University, Midland, following the winter term. They are freshman Sara Meeker of Cass City, freshman Ryan King of Deford, and sophomore Ivan M. Peruski of Uby. To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a minimum 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Northern Michigan University (NMU) honored its outstanding graduating seniors from each academic department at a recent honors reception. The honorees included Dara Iwankovitch, an elementary education major from Cass City. NMU's spring commencement will be held Saturday, May 3.

Information Systems Technician First Class Petty Officer Brian Guinther of Cass City is currently deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, and is assigned to Information Systems Division, Multi-National Corps-Iraq at Camp Victory. Guinther, the son of Jim and Joann Guinther, Cass City, has served in the U.S. Navy for the past 15 years. He was deployed to Iraq in March for a 6-month tour of duty. As the server room petty officer in charge, he provides computer support to the Multi-National Coalition and Multi-National Forces, Iraq commanding generals and their staffs, the Joint Operations Center, and 38 coalition nationals during on-going combat operations. Guinther, a 1991 Cass City High School graduate, is expected to return to his home duty station in Norfolk, Va., in September.

Nicholas Chappel and Mallory Powell, both of Cass City, were recently named to the dean's list at Palmer College of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa. Chappel is currently a fifth trimester student in the Doctor of Chiropractic Program, and Powell is a third trimester student in the same program. To be eligible for the dean's list, a student must achieve a minimum grade point average of 3.50 in all studies for a respective term.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1993)

Cynthia L. McConkey of Cass City and James E. Jackson of Caro have announced their engagement. Cynthia is the owner and operator of McConkey's Jewelry and Gift Shop in Cass City, and James is an account executive for WKYO-WIDL radio station in Caro. A summer 1993 wedding is planned.

Red Hawk thincad Scott Wren watches his discus toss of 110' 4" sail in Tuesday's meet with Marlette. Wren's toss was good for first place honors. Wren also topped all shot putters with a 38' 8 1/4" effort.

Marine Pfc. Roy E. Browning, son of Edwin C. Browning and Jeanne A. Browning of Kingston, recently completed the school of infantry. During the course at the school at Camp Pendleton, Calif., students receive classroom in-

struction and participate in field exercises involving infantry tactics, construction and a camouflage of fighting positions, and the use of mines, demolitions and intra-company communications equipment.

## 35 YEARS AGO (1983)

Mrs. Danny Haag attended the honors convocation at Saginaw Valley State College last Thursday, at which her husband was among the honor graduates. In May, he will receive his bachelor's degree magna cum laude in accounting and finance. He will continue to study there for his master's degree.

Relatives here received word of the birth of a son, Andrew Scott, on April 23 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams (Kathleen McArthur) in Mulberry, Fla. They have a two-year-old son, Benjamin. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McArthur and great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McArthur, all of Cass City.

Susie Asher was guest of honor at a bridal shower Sunday, April 24, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Asher. Guests were from Bad Axe, Brighton, Cass City, Lapeer, Oak Park, Rochester, Sebewaing and Wilmet.

Mr. and Mrs. John Asher and Aaron of Fort Myers, Fla., announce the birth of a baby girl Monday, April 25. The baby weighed seven pounds, 12 ounces. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alden Asher and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Venema.

## 40 YEARS AGO (1978)

Helen Baker, the 1977 citizen of the year, presented the 1978 award to Cass City Village President Lambert Althaver. At left is John Hohmann, executive director of the Michigan Artrain, who presented Althaver with a letter of congratulations from Helen Miliken, wife of the governor.

Diane J. Leslie graduated Sunday from Eastern Michigan University. She received her bachelor of science degree in home economics education with a history minor. She graduated cum laude, and was a member of the honorary association Phi Kappa Phi. Diane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Leslie of Decker, and a 1974 graduate from Cass City High School. She is now seeking employment in the Flint area.

Miss Sandra Hartel graduated from Delta College Sunday afternoon with an associate degree in business studies in interior decorating. She has employment with Draperies by Alice in Midland. Attending graduation were her mother, Mrs. Lota Hartel, daughter Libby and sons, Jeff and Brad, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hartel, Mrs. Helen Little, Lee Hartel, Jim Wentworth, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Parsell, from Cass City, and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wentworth of Deford.

Ann R. Hobart of Gagetown has been named to the dean's list for the winter quarter at Kalamazoo College. A sophomore, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hobart. Students needed a 3.5 grade point average or higher to be named to the dean's list.

Dennis Marshall Beam and Christina Perez Pierce were married April 15 in a full military wedding at Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Caro. Beam is the Marine Corps recruiter for Tuscola and Huron counties. She is a student at Saginaw Valley State College. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Connie Pierce of Seventh Street, Cass City, and the late Louis Pierce, Sr. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Beam of Flint.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1968)

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Morrison and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Anderson, and Art Kelley of Caro were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. Kelley's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard King, at Troy.

Miss Christine Mark was guest of honor at a bridal shower Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Daniel Toner. Hostesses for the affair were her bridesmaids, Mrs.

Dennis Gremel and the Misses Christine Hickey, Gloria Derengowski and Janine Bohnsack. Among the 40 guests present were relatives and friends from Pontiac, Vassar and Fairgrove. Miss Mark and Duane Hickey will be married June 8 at Fairgrove.

One of the major prize winners held in the free drawing in conjunction with Mike Weaver's open house grand opening last week was Mrs. Clayton Root. She received an electric razor. The first prize was a hair dryer won by Mrs. Evans Parrott. Third prize was a wrist watch that went to Mrs. Floyd Dodge. Winning Lazy Susans were Irene Gage, Charlotte Lauria and Mrs. Arthur Brown. Nine other gifts were awarded.

SP/4 Jack D. Burns, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burns of Decker, arrived April 30 at Travis Air Force Base after 12 months overseas duty in Vietnam. May 1 he arrived at Metropolitan Airport, Detroit, for a 30-day leave. Upon completion of his leave, he will report to Fort Sill, Okla. He expects to be discharged in November. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Burns and Mary Sue and Mr. and Mrs. Bob McComb and Sara of Lansing met him at the airport. Mrs. McComb and Sara spent the rest of the week here.

## 75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Pfc. Henry Doerr has sent his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doerr, a souvenir from the South Pacific area. It is a heart-shaped piece of metal made from a captured Japanese zero plane. "Wish you could see me sitting here at the base of a coconut tree — no shirt, a good tan, and pants cut short," he writes. "Yes, I'm feeling fine." According to Henry, flies in that particular region are heavy biters and ants are troublesome.

In a letter from Lieut. Don W. Kilbourn to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kilbourn, of Cass City says: "Guess this will sort of surprise you; I know it did me. I am now attending the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, I received the orders a week ago, Helen and I left Friday and the school began today. Fort Leavenworth is the most beautiful post I have ever been on in my life. All that is here is the Army War College and it is steeped in all the fine old Army traditions. "I am certainly glad of the opportunity to attend and just a little proud about being selected. Helen is now staying with her aunt and uncle in Kansas City which is 30 miles away. I won't be able to see her except from Saturday noon, until Monday morning. We are going to see if we can get an apartment closer, but I doubt if we can. There are officers here from all over the world taking this course, was very much surprised when I ran into Dorothy Holcomb's husband, Ed Hartel, I also saw one of my old speech instructors that I had when at Michigan State, Small world, isn't it?"

## 100 YEARS AGO (1918)

Harold Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lee of Owendale, has qualified at the third series of officers' training school at Camp Dodge, Iowa, for a commission as second lieutenant. Mr. Lee graduated from the Cass City high school in 1914 and has many friends here who rejoice in his success.

Dugald Krug enlisted in the navy Saturday at Detroit. He left Cass City Tuesday afternoon to commence his duties in his new position. Before tearing here, he was presented with a Red Cross kit for which he is very grateful to the local society who tendered the gift.

A quiet wedding took place at the M. E. parsonage at Caro Thursday, May 2, when Mr. Ezra Bremer of Columbiaville and Miss Elizabeth Youngs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Youngs, were united in marriage. They were attended by Miss Kate Towle and Charles Mudge. The bride was becomingly attired in a suit of navy blue taffeta. Mr. and Mrs. Bremer left in the afternoon for a short auto trip to Saginaw and other points, after which they will make their home on the groom's farm near Columbiaville.

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## News briefs

### Blood drive slated May 14

UBLY — The American Red Cross will host a blood drive from 1 to 6:45 p.m. Monday, May 14, at Ubyly Heights Golf and Country Club, 2409 E. Atwater Rd., Ubyly.

### HHW collection scheduled

SANDUSKY — Sanilac County officials have organized a household hazardous waste (HHW) collection. The event will be held Wednesday, May 9, from 1 to 7 p.m., at the fairgrounds in Sandusky.

### Club donates vision funds

CARO — The Tuscola County Health Department's vision program received a \$2,400 donation from the Lions Club.

The funds will be used to do preschool/daycare vision screenings this summer targeting three- and four-year children in selected programs.

### Hockey teams are forming

UBLY — The Ubyly School District's effort to form a hockey league is moving forward.

The Eastern Thumb Area Hockey League is in the process of being organized. The league is expected to include Lakers, Marlette, Bad Axe, Sandusky, Deckerville, Cros-Lex and Ubyly. Ubyly will serve as the host school.

The Huron Hockey Association is building a new arena in Bad Axe that is expected to be completed next year.

### Groups providing services

CARO — According to an update from the Tuscola County Health Department, List Psychological and Chance for Change both are providing medication-assisted treatment and counseling services — good news for the county because previously there were no providers.

List Psychological and the Tuscola County Sheriff Department were instrumental in securing red barrel prescription drug drop-off containers, which have been placed in locations throughout the county to collect old and/or unwanted prescription medications.

In addition, the health department is looking into becoming a Narcan provider. NARCAN is an antidote given to individuals suffering from opioid overdoses.

### Bills support state farmers

LANSING — Michigan will be better prepared to assist farmers if substantial crop loss occurs under legislation recently signed by Lt. Gov. Brian Calley.

House Bills 4562 and 4563 reinstates the Agriculture Disaster Loan Origination Program that was created in 2012 to ensure the state is prepared to assist farmers in the case of significant crop loss.

"Farming is one of Michigan's top industries and we need to be prepared to help farmers out in the instance that weather or other factors cause significant crop loss," said Calley, who also signed HBs 4561 and 4564, which update and expand the list of agricultural equipment exemptions from sales and use tax.

The Michigan Constitution gives authority to the lieutenant governor to sign legislation when the governor is out of state.

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery

## Voters face school bond proposal

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pair/replacement of radiant heat panels along with other major climate control upgrades at the school, where aging fixtures have resulted in flooding damage.

Other proposed projects at the high school include upgrading technology; upgrading electrical service along with the fire alarm and clock systems; and renovating science labs and restrooms. Funding would also go towards band instrument storage, classroom and art room casework, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) lab and class-

room furniture.

School officials plan to implement upgraded security measures in all school buildings.

In the elementary building, upgrades would also target the heating/air conditioning/ventilation system, including replacement of boilers; electrical service, parking lot paving and playground equipment.

Parking lot paving is planning for the district's preschool as well, as are bus loop paving and restroom upgrades.

The bond extension would also pay for new school buses.

Bond proceeds cannot, by law, be

used for costs such as staff salaries, general operating expenses, classroom supplies or textbooks, administration expenses, and service contracts and installment purchase contracts.

The bottom line, Hartel says, is voter-approval of the bond extension would finance needed infrastructure, technology, energy-saving and safety improvements to school facilities without depleting the district's general fund — essentially enabling school officials to utilize more general fund money for academic programs and opportunities for students.

## Ubyly residents to decide bond issue

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annually.

This is the second time the school officials have asked district residents to approve a bond proposal.

District voters last August rejected by a 139-vote margin — 486 to 347 — a proposal of 1.7 mills. They also rejected by a 72-vote margin a proposal to create a sinking fund from a two-mill levy for 10 years that would have generated \$490,000 annually. That vote was 451 to 379.

The differences between the two proposals lies in how school officials hope to go about updating aging school facilities.

Last summer, Candela explained, the plan was to gut the 1936 section of the school and build a dozen new classrooms along with tackling a number of badly-needed repairs and upgrades throughout the district.

In the latest proposal, he said, school officials would renovate both floors of the older building section, including seven existing classrooms and the old gym, which has a stage and is still used for school concerts as well as for elementary and junior high physical education classes. In addition, the district would add four new classrooms to the elementary school.

Plans still call for district-wide upgrades in areas ranging from security to roof replacement. However, voters are not being asked to support a sinking fund.

In short, Candela said, the plan is to give Ubyly students the level of security, safe facilities and quality of education district residents have come to expect now and well into the future.

"Ninety-two percent of the bond issue (money) goes back into the school to update the entire school. That's the majority of the work," he added, noting the remaining funding will cover the cost of building the additional four classrooms.

#### Project list

Should voters approve the bond issue, school officials would tackle several interior remodeling projects, including flooring and ceilings, in existing elementary classrooms; both floors of the older building section; the main office, entry and community room; media center and computer labs; the new gymnasium (floor, bleachers and sound system); and restrooms. Existing vinyl asbestos flooring would be replaced, as would selected casework and corridor lockers.

Aside from construction of four

new classrooms, contractors would add storage rooms, a barrier-free ramp to replace an existing wheelchair lift, and a loading dock canopy and ramp.

Security upgrades would include access control systems to exterior doors and exterior and interior security cameras.

The funding would also cover roof replacement, wall waterproofing and sealant systems, and replacement of wood soffits with metal soffits.

Mechanical projects would include replacement of 34 unit ventilators, chiller, galvanized water piping and temperature controls. Electrical upgrades would give the district additional power capacity, a new energy-efficient LED lighting system and a new clock system.

Planned site work improvements would include an improved parent drop-off/pick-up design, resurfaced parking lots and drives, and replacement of select sections of sidewalk.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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say the drug's benefits, beyond pain management, include serving as an alternative medicine for persistent muscle spasms, cancer, glaucoma, hepatitis C, and Crohn's disease.

The \$1.5 million initial investment calls for a 25,000-square-foot facility inside the current Millennium building. The facility would have 24/7 security, and all

employees would undergo stringent background checks. Also in place are safeguards for waste disposal and odor control, according to Ploss and Vollmar. They indicated operations at Millennium Industries, which engages in the design, development, manufacture, and distribution of automotive fuel systems and engine component parts, would be unchanged.

Vollmar pointed out the new

business is not a point-of-sale operation and would involve marijuana used strictly for medical purposes.

"We will not market (our product) and no one will come into town to buy it," he said.

According to Vollmar, the final product will be transferred to a provisioning center by a secured independent license transporter.

The project is expected to create up to 35 permanent jobs with an annual payroll of more than \$1.2 million in the first year and over \$2 million by year five. Additionally, an estimated \$40,000 in property taxes and state tax benefits from regulatory fees would bring in an estimated \$58,000 annually.

"If you grant us a special-use permit, then we have to pass state guidelines," Vollmar said.

"The medical market is unfilled," Ploss added. "We believe strongly in how beneficial cannabis can be. We will do it the right way."

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# Township welcomes Bischer, Blackmer to fire department

by Tom Montgomery  
Editor

Strict training requirements, inconvenient hours and low pay don't exactly add up to an attractive part-time job description, and yet that's the reality for fire chiefs trying to maintain member numbers on volunteer fire departments across the Thumb.

In the end, becoming a volunteer fireman is about a willingness to work and sacrifice, and a desire to help others.

Kyle Bischer and Chase Blackmer are good examples of that work ethic, according to veteran Elkland Township Fire Chief Glenn Guilds, who recently introduced the pair as the Cass City department's newest members.

"The number one thing is, you've got to want to be here. These guys, when the pager goes off, it doesn't even matter if they're close — they bust their (butts) to get here," Guilds said.

Both Bischer, 26, and Blackmer, 19, are state-certified fire fighters.

Blackmer, who is originally from Elkton and works at the Cooperative Elevator in Pigeon, recently became certified after completing training — roughly 180 hours involving attending classes twice a week and every other Saturday over a six-month period — and successfully passing his state exam, which requires students to demonstrate their working knowledge of topics ranging from setting up a ladder to hydraulic ventilation, search and rescue, and using an SCBA (self-contained breathing apparatus).

Bischer, meanwhile, has nine years of fire fighting experience under his belt as a member of the Ubyly-Bingham Fire Department. An Ubyly native who has worked at Valley Collision in Ubyly for the past 10 years, he recently bought a house in Cass City, where he and his bride-to-be, Whitney Wiederhold, an RN employed at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon, plan to make their home.

Both he and Blackmer agreed fire fighter training is challenging, largely because it's the same training firemen receive across the

country, regardless of whether they plan to serve on a volunteer fire department.

"It takes a lot of dedication," Bischer said.

"(My class) started out with 10 students and ended up with six of us testing," Blackmer recalled. "The test itself — it's hard."

"I grew up around fire fighters," Blackmer said of his decision to follow in the footsteps of friends and relatives who have served on various fire departments. "I've always had an interest, and when I was 17, the (Huron Area) tech center in Bad Axe started fire (public safety program) classes."

"I came from a family of fire fighters. My grandpa was, my dad was," commented Bischer, whose grandfather served with the Sherman Township Fire Department for 40 years, while his father also served that department, including a stint as fire chief. Today, Bischer's dad, Steve, and brother, Ryan, are both active members of the Ubyly-Bingham Fire Department.

"I just like to help out," Bischer said. "If I can put a smile on somebody's face on their worst day..."

The Elkland Township Fire Department covers an area encompassing more than 130 square miles across six townships. The department typically handles more than 100 runs a year, from standing by at the scene of downed electrical wires to responding to traffic crashes and structure and vehicle fires.

Guilds is quick to acknowledge it's vital and — frequently — life-saving work, but he also says maintaining an adequate crew has become increasingly difficult for a number of reasons.

Although Elkland Township officials cover the cost of fire fighter training — just under \$1,000 — Guilds says no one joins for the pay, which adds up to about minimum wage.

"It's harder and harder to get people," he commented, noting the challenge is even greater when it comes to attracting younger volunteers who are both able and willing to juggle personal obliga-

tions with that of being a fire fighter.

The desire may be there initially, Guilds said, but some prospective members are more interested in being associated with a fire department than they are with meeting the demands of being available for fire runs at all hours of the day, and staying on top of on-going training to ensure they're prepared for any emergency that arises.

The regional economy has also hurt fire department numbers.

"We had close to 30 members 12 to 15 years ago," said Guilds, who pointed out the loss of jobs over the past several years has hurt not only Main Street and the local school district, but also the fire department, which relies on having at least a contingent of members working nearby to answer calls especially during regular business hours.

"Right now, we have, I think, two members that actually work in Cass City," the fire chief added. "It used to be the majority of members worked here in Cass City, and it used to be a majority of employers would let you (leave work to respond to a fire alarm). Those days are long gone."

On the other hand, Guilds indicated welcoming new members like Bischer and Blackmer offers some hope for the future of his department.

Both men bring commitment, and that's vital — even more so than the size of the roster, according to Guilds.

"The other officers and I look at it like, we'd rather have 18 guys that want to work than 30 guys who don't want to work," Guilds said. "It's not like a club you join — it's a fire department, it's a working fire department. If you want to work, we want you; if you don't, we don't need you."

"They (Bischer and Blackmer) want to...save a life. Will they ever? You never know, but they make every training they can. They want to be prepared if that chance comes."

The fire chief added, "These guys have desire and drive, and you can't teach that."



CASS CITY High School senior Megan Graham (above) talks with school Supt. Jeff Hartel during last week's monthly board of education meeting, when Graham and third grade student Elizabeth Kohaif were recognized with the final Red Hawk Awards of Excellence for the 2017-18 school year. Kohaif was unable to attend the meeting.

## Graham and Kohaif Hawk award winners

The Cass City Board of Education last week recognized the final recipients of the coveted Red Hawk Award of Excellence for the 2017-18 school year.

They are senior Megan Graham, the daughter of Erica and Brian Hunt, and third grade student Elizabeth Kohaif, the daughter of Rick and Nicole Champagne.

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

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

Junior-senior high math teacher Garrett Gordon nominated Graham for the honor.

"Megan was nominated for the Red Hawk award because of her commitment to excellence in so many areas," Gordon wrote in his nomination letter. "Megan carries a tough academic schedule, and yet excels, earning all A's for the entire year. She is involved in student council and reads our morning announcements over the public address system."

"In the classroom, Megan is an extremely motivated and conscientious student," Gordon said. "She strives to do her best in every situation and sets herself apart from her peers in the extent of her effort and perseverance."

"Megan is a kind and considerate person, both to her peers and to the staff, which makes her a pleasure to have as a student."

Teacher Linda Stec nominated Kohaif, who was unable to attend last week's school board meeting.

"Elizabeth is a very dedicated, responsible student," Stec said. "She always has her assignments completed and works very hard to be sure they are done correctly."

"Elizabeth has exemplary behavior. I have never once had to remind her to behave this year, and I have never heard of other teachers ever having to say anything to her as well," Stec added.

"Elizabeth has respect for others and is respected by others. She gets along very well with her classmates. They enjoy being her friend and are fortunate to have her for their friend as well. (She) has a good sense of humor, and I have enjoyed having her in my class this year."

## Knoblock, Briolat top Ubyly High School Class of 2018

Ubyly Community School officials recently announced the district's 2018 honors graduates, led by Macy Knoblock, valedictorian, and Danielle Briolat, salutatorian.

Knoblock, the daughter of Paul and Kelly Knoblock of Ubyly, will graduate with a cumulative grade point average of 4.239.

Throughout high school, Knoblock has been an active quiz bowl competitor and member of the band, 4-H, National Honor Society and drama group. She was also a member of the HATC (Huron Area Technical Center) Innovative Vehicle Design Team.

During her senior year, Knoblock served as vice president of the student council. She has earned several academic awards, including one for being a National Merit Finalist. In addition, she has been a member of the volleyball, softball and track teams.

In the fall, she plans to attend Central Michigan University to study pre-med.

Briolat, the daughter of Jeff and Michelle Briolat of Ubyly, has earned a cumulative grade point average of 4.163.

She has been involved in the

Ubyly Band Program throughout high school. Briolat has also been active in FFA for three years and golf for four years, and is a National Honor Society member. She has earned numerous academic, band and FFA awards.

Briolat's future plans include attending Ferris State University in the fall to study pharmacology.

### High honors

In addition to the valedictorian and salutatorian, Ubyly seniors earning high honors are Madelyn M. Smalley, Savannah R. Walker, Nicholas A. Swanson, Ashton J. Lemke, Janelle E. White, Rachel L. Cook, Andrew C. Gilbert and Jacob J. Halifax.

### Honors

Ubyly students earning honors are Brent M. Osentoski, Chantelle M. Burk, Peyton B. McLellan, Justin M. Briolat, Alex J. Grifka, Emma R. Hembrough, Evan L. Franzel, Emelia S. Rodriguez, Matthew R.

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# Dazzlers gear up for TARC

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But you can bet that folks familiar with the Team America Rocketry Challenge (TARC) national model rocket competition have.

After taking a season off from the TARC to participate in the NASA Student Launch, the Deford Dazzlers are back for the 2018 TARC season, preparing for another national finals appearance after qualifying to compete in the event, which is scheduled for May 12 in The Plains, Va.

It's a familiar venue for the local team and their mentors, Mark and Patricia Hansen, who have served as leaders of the 4-H club since it was formed in 2009-10 and are now gearing up for their team's sixth trip to the TARC national finals.

Just two years ago, the Dazzlers — then comprised of an experienced trio Peter Hansen, Chrysler Parrish and Alexander Hansen — finished second in the nation among 24 final round teams in the TARC competition. They returned home with not only a trophy and bragging rights, but also a whopping \$15,000 in scholarships — \$5,000 per team member — donate by Raytheon, Lockheed Martin, Boeing, IBM and other sponsors, plus \$1,000 for the club to help fund its science and rocketry education program.

The Dazzlers' previous TARC finishes were: 10th, 14th, 40th and 42nd place.

This year's team is composed of five members — team Captain Alexander Hansen, 17, Deford; Teresa Tomasino, 16, Caro; Sam Gordon, 14, Snover; Mia Wright, 14, Cass City; and Ethan Thane, 14, Deford. Hansen, Tomasino and Gordon are all homeschool students, while Wright is an eighth grade student at Cass City Junior-Senior High School, and Thane attends Deford Christian Academy and is also in the eighth grade.

Each year, teams competing for one of 100 available slots at the TARC national finals must prepare for a unique challenge in addition to successfully launching and recovering their rockets.

"This year's challenge was to build a rocket weighing less than 650 grams, carrying two raw hen's eggs weighing between 55 and 61 grams each, using two different body tube dimensions — the smaller diameter for the payload, and the larger diameter for the booster section — with a target altitude of 800 feet and total flight time of 41 to 43 seconds," explained Patricia Hansen.

"Scores are determined by adding a penalty of one for every foot above or below the target, and for every second or portion of a second above or below the time window; taking that number and multiplying by four; then adding the penalties together," she said. "Like golf, the team is aiming for low scores."

For example, on the last practice launch the team conducted April 21, they hit 794 feet with no "fall time" penalty, given them a score of six.

The team began preparing for this year's competition last fall. The teens started their design process in September, ordered parts in October, and constructed their test rocket in November and December.

"Weather didn't cooperate for test launches until January, and on the 22nd they conducted their maiden launch," Hansen said. "Results indicated a need to shorten the rocket slightly and lighten up. They quickly went back to the drawing board, and by Feb. 10 had a new rocket to test. This model performed well, however, in March it was determined that their four-fin, hollow fin design — very light weight — was prone to warping when stored in heat, taken out in very cold temps to launch, and back inside into the heat repeatedly."

That warping caused the rocket to become unstable, so the team hastily went with a solid, three-fin design, and they were able to get in their qualifying launches before the deadline, Hansen said.

"We are very proud of them for their quick thinking, problem-solving skills, and ability to perform under pressure with the deadline looming and very little opportunity for good weather on the horizon," she said. "They very speedily put together their new configuration, put up only two practice launches, and then attempted their three qualification launches."

"The lowest two scores of three added together was lower than this year's cut-off of 35.56," Hansen added, noting, "Eight hundred teams competed this year for a chance at being in the top 100 to compete in Virginia."

In years past, the Deford Dazzlers have organized fundraisers to finance their trip to Virginia, and businesses in the Cass City, Caro and Deford areas have been generous, according to Hansen, who said this year, however, the team was able to take advantage of an educational grant that has covered its expenses.

"We leave for the competition on May 9, will take the team sight-seeing in Washington, D.C., and to the Congressional Breakfast — 'Rockets on the Hill' — on May 11 ahead of the competition," she said. "We are really looking forward to the trip."

The Hansens are quick to say a number of people have supported their team's endeavors and contributed to the successes they've achieved over the years.

"We'd like to take this opportunity to thank Jim and Sue Baughman of White Creek Farms for the use of their farm and home for all of our practice launches — (and) deep appreciation for the wonderful hot chocolate provided on those cold, launch days," Patricia said, adding Mark Ratza, a physics and engineering teacher at Millington High School, has also been a big help by observing the Dazzlers' qualification launches and inviting the team to launch with his four TARC teams.

The area MSU Extension Office and 4-H council have also been continuing sources of support, as has Deford Community Church, which has provided classroom space for the team to meet.

Aside from the Deford 4-Hers, two teams from Millington High School have also qualified for the TARC finals this year.

"Fourteen teams from Michigan entered the competition, and four qualified. Of those four, three represent Tuscola County, which is very impressive," Hansen said.

"Mark Ratza does an amazing job with his aerospace program. It has been an honor to get to know him and have the opportunity to work with his teams as well."

The Hansens recognized the teens representing Deford, as well. "We have thoroughly enjoyed mentoring this team. They are hard-working, fun-loving, dedicated, and determined," Patricia said.

"This is our sixth trip to TARC finals, seventh season in the competition, ninth year teaching STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and rocketry through 4-H — also successfully completing a NASA Student Launch with the Dazzlers in 2016-17," she added. "It has been a privilege and pleasure to work with the students all these years."



**MARK HANSEN (top photo, far left), watches as members of this year's team prepares to launch one of its rockets. At left, team member Mia Wright records statistics such as wind speed and direction in between test flights.**



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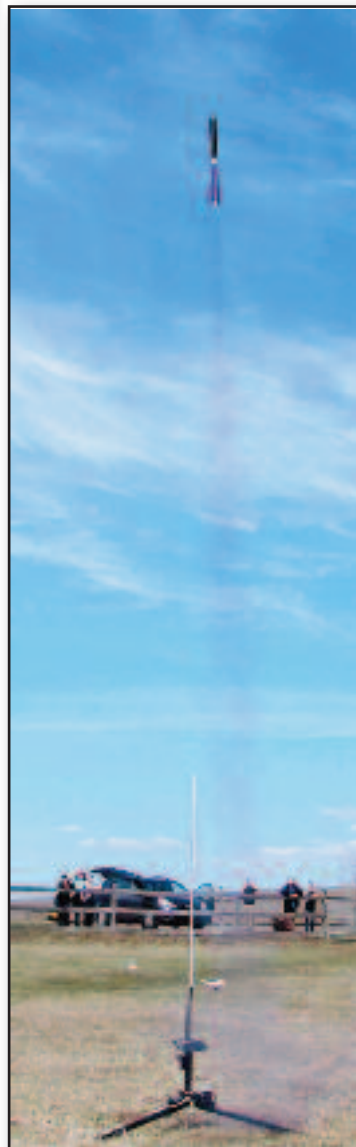
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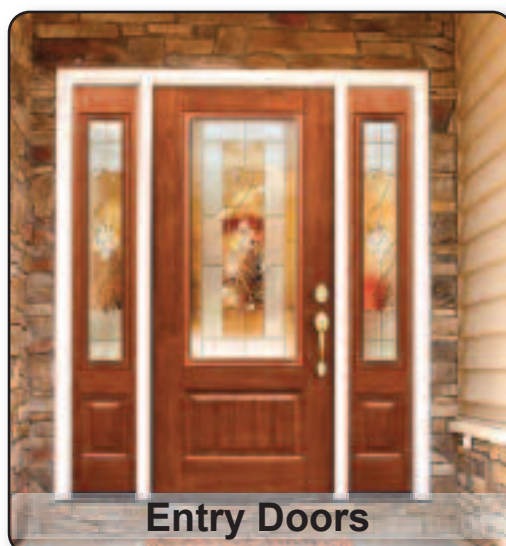
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DAVID SORENSON - UBLY

## Area golfers gather in Uibly

Bad Axe's Sam McAlpine and Marlette's Alex Heussner each shot 76 Friday to share medalists honors at the Uibly Invite, but it would be Yale A, with a dazzling score of 336, with team honors as a dozen schools gathered for an 18-hole event.

Rounding out the team scores at the Uibly Heights Golf & Country Club were Bad Axe (359), Sandusky (361), EPBP (362), Yale B (365), Brown City (381), Vassar (385), Uibly (392), Owen-Gage (428) and Cass City (456).

Individually, for the host Bearcats, Jake Uhl carded an 88, Blake Badger 95, Levi Block 104, David Sorenson 105, and Justin

Briolat 108.

For Owen-Gage, Cordell Clark shot 99, Michael Ray 106, Chase Howard 109, Matthew Fritz 114, and Jameson McKnight 120.

For Cass City, Matt Roth led the way with a round of 102 and was followed by Kanean Boyton with 116, Nick Perry 117, Garrett Deitering 121 and Reed White 121.

### GTW JAMBOREES

It appears to be a two-team race for the Greater Thumb West 2018 golf championship between Bad Axe and EPBP.

At the USA Jamboree last Tuesday, it was the Lakers who came out on top with a score of 170, fol-

lowed by the Hatchets with 177, Vassar 195 and Cass City 208.

Brady Krohn paced the winners with a score of 40 and Colby Meeks was the low man for the Hatchets, also with a score of 40.

Meanwhile for Vassar, Oliver Pikisch's 39 was good for medalist honors, while Perry's 51 was best for Cass City.

One day earlier, at the Vassar Jamboree, Bad Axe edged EPBP 190-191, while other team scores had Vassar with 206 and Cass City 216.

Bad Axe's Colby Meeks fired 42 for the low score on the day.



MICHAEL RAY - O-G

## Owen-Gage bows to BCAS

Owen-Gage gave host Bay City All Saints all they could handle Thursday before bowing late in North Central Thumb League softball action.

The visiting Lady Bulldogs were tied going into the 7th inning in game one, but would suffer a hard fought 9-8 defeat. In game two, Owen-Gage built an 11-7 advantage after 5 innings, but gave up seven runs in the last two innings to fall 14-11.

In the opener, Carley Haldane suffered the loss on the mound. She allowed six hits and issued one free pass. Haldane struck out six.

At the plate, Owen-Gage Alyson Witzke led the 10-hit attack with three knocks, while Carlee Rievert and Monee Schember split four safeties.

In the night cap, Maddy Haldane toed the rubber and was tagged with the defeat for Owen-Gage. She surrendered seven hits and had seven strike outs.

Carley Haldane went 2-for-5 at

the plate and was the only Bulldog with multiple hits.

Turning to the Bulldog baseball team, the Cougars posted easy wins of 16-0 and 11-1.

Luke Retford helped his own cause on the mound with the Bulldog's only hit in the early affair, but it wouldn't be nearly enough for Coach Brain Wright's team.

"Our pitching needs to improve as well as hitting and fielding. Errors extended their innings and made it hard for the pitchers," he said.

In the late game, Andrew Partaka went the distance on the hill for Owen-Gage. But as was the case in the opening game, he was the victim of little support.

Aaron Fahrner belted a double and Partaka added a single as Owen-Gage remained cold at the plate.

"This was a better game with our team scoring a run. We still need to work on all aspects of the game and keep improving," Wright said.

## Girls' track on the rise at Cass City Schools

by Clarke Haire  
 Publisher

Although temperatures struggled to stay above freezing Friday at the Hurd Invitational in Vassar, they would be no indication of the blistering hot night the Lady Red Hawk runners were having.

In a surprise showing, Coach Adam Dorland's thinclads recorded a top three team finish with 103 points.

"In 2017, 12th best was all the Red Hawks could muster in the 15-team field in Vassar. This year, that changed drastically as the girls took third out of the 16-team field and earned the runner up trophy for the orange division, scoring above 100 points for the first time all season," he said, adding, "Only Remus Chippewa Hills (190.5) and fellow Greater Thumb West Conference favorite Reese (149) stood higher on the podium at the end of the night. Everyone stepped up and put their hard work to the test."

According to Dorland, seniors Sarah Coltson and Katie Autry came up big for Cass City as they were asked to fill in on some relays.

"Riley Copeland who is on the 3,200 relay team could not make the event so Autry, who normally is a sprinter, filled in for her helping the team take sixth place overall. We were trying Tiara Anthony in the mile relay but she couldn't go, so Sarah volunteered to fill the spot which landed a third place division finish," he said.

Hailey Schmotzer was second in the 100 meter hurdles and Madison Beckrow was second in the pole vault - the freshman cleared a career-best 8'6" - to register Cass City's best overall showings.

"Seeing both of these athletes continue to improve is a good sign at this point on the year," Dorland said.

## Cass City's string of GTW championships in peril

by Clarke Haire  
 Publisher

Cass City, winner of three straight Greater Thumb West championships, continues to struggle against fellow league members in early season action.

Most recently, at the Hurd Invitational both Vassar and Reese finished in front of Coach Jon Zdrojewski's Red Hawks in the team standings, while earlier in

Other divisional performances had Mary Muter second in the 800, 1600 and 3200 meter runs, Marla Muter third in the 800, Schmotzer third in the 300 hurdles, Tiara Anthony fourth in high jump, Haven Bouverette fourth in shot, Layna Mathewson fifth in the mile, and Brittany Hamilton sixth in the long jump.

"The Hawks seem to be progressing nicely despite a few minor injuries to this point in the season. Our relays are starting to take shape and our field events are still getting better and as a coach, that is all I can ask for," said Dorland.

### USA INVITE

At the USA Invite, on Tuesday, Brown City was the easy winner with 137 points. Following the champs were Reese (91.5), Uibly (78), USA (76) and Cass City (74.5) who filled out the top 5 rankings at the 9-school meet.

Highlight of the night for Cass City was the 400 meter relay team of Schmotzer, Haven Bouverette, Brittany Stilson and Hamilton as they captured gold with a time of 57.67. This was the fastest time to-date for the squad and they also beat Reese for the first time this season.

"Relays are starting to take mid-season form as times continue to fall," said Cass City's rookie coach.

Other top efforts for Cass City saw Schmotzer as the runner up in the 100 meter hurdles and third in the 300 meter hurdles.

Also with third place honors for the Lady Red Hawks was the 3,200 meter relay team of Layna Mathewson, Mary and Marla Muter and Copeland, while Beckrow had to settle for third in the pole vault because of faults. Beckrow was also fifth in the 300 meter hurdles.

the week, Bad Axe and USA outdid the defending GTW champs at the USA Invite.

"We had a very, very cold meet at Vassar on Friday with 16 teams competing and medals only awarded to the top six overall," he explained.

Caro grabbed team honors at the mega meet with 151.5 points, while Vassar edged Reese 146-144 for the runner up slot.

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# Cass City hammers USA to open GTW campaign

Cass City served notice Thursday to the Greater Thumb West in Sebewaing, where the Red Hawks opened conference play with a rare sweep of host USA.

With victories of 14-2 and 8-2, Cass City kept its season record unblemished while emerging as the team to beat for GTW honors.

In the early game, Cass City scored four runs in the first and never looked back.

Sophomore Kendal Anthes went the distance to collect the win on the mound for the visitors. He scattered five hits, struck out four and didn't allow an earned run in the 5-inning decision.

Braden Rosenstangle recorded five RBIs for the winners that included a fourth inning home run. Devin Risky and Hunter Bohn

combined to handle the pitching chores for USA. Risky lasted just 1 1/3 innings and took the defeat.

Bohn was the lone Patriot with multiple hits and added one run scored. Brendan Prime accounted for the other Patriot marker.

In the nightcap, Cass City jumped out to a 6-0 early margin to help record the sweep.

Freshman starter Kenton Wiseman didn't allow a run until the 5th inning, when the Red Hawks enjoyed an 8-0 cushion. Wiseman fanned six, but walked four. Prime was the pitcher of record for USA. He whiffed eight.

Luke Stern, Zack Beecher and Anthes all had doubles for Cass City, while Wiseman helped his own cause with three RBIs.



CASS CITY'S Kendal Anthes limited the USA offense to a pair of unearned runs Thursday and collected the GTW win.

# Lady Red Hawks stumble to kick off league action

Host USA slugged out mercy rule wins over Cass City Thursday in the Greater Thumb West opening twin bill for both schools.

After Lauren Dickinson scored to put Cass City in front 1-0 in the top of the first inning, USA scored eight runs in the bottom of the frame to take a big early advantage.

The score remained 8-1 until the bottom of the 5th, when the Patriots plated three more runs to post an 11-1 victory.

Brianna Osantowski was perfect in four trips to the plate for USA and belted a home run and double that resulted in four RBIs.

Katie Engelhardt allowed four hits to earn the complete game victory on the hill. She got the better of Bailee Ross, who went the distance for Cass City.

For Cass City, Dickinson had a pair of singles in vain.

In game two, USA broke open a tight contest with four runs in the fourth and then scored seven runs over the final three innings to win, 13-2.

USA's Brynn Polega and Cass City's Jalene Krol tossed complete games for their respective teams.

At the plate, Maci Montgomery and Osantowski had extra base hits for USA and Lauren Adam scored three times.

For Cass City, Dickinson and Ross each had a pair of singles, while Kacey Haire and Kate Stimpfel added runs scored.



RED HAWK Kacey Haire scores as USA pitcher Brynn Polega races to cover home plate.

# Zdrojewski: "Keep your eye on this young man"

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Cass City collected 92 points to place seventh and was led by CarLee Stimpfel, who earned medals in all three of his events.

Stimpfel won the 3,200 meter run (9:49) and was second in the 800 meter run (2:00). His final medal came in the 3,200 meter relay, when the team of Stimpfel, Zane Wright, Nick McArdle and Brandon Witherspoon finished fourth.

McArdle also was a double medal winner on the day with his fourth place showing in the 3,200 meter run.

"Keep your eye on this young man as he continues to improve as the season progresses," Zdrojewski said.

Justin Schaufele earned the only other Cass City medal on the day by setting a new personal record and taking a 6th place in the 300 meter hurdles.

On Tuesday, in Sebewaing,

Reese turned back Bad Axe 124.5 - 115 for top billing at the 9-school gathering, while Ubyly tallied 108 points for third place.

Cass City's Brendan Hamilton and Stimpfel each earned multiple medals, helping the Red Hawks to a disappointing 5th place team finish.

"Brendan Hamilton taking 5th in the 100 meter dash, 5th in the long jump as well as 5th in both sprint relays and CarLee Stimpfel taking first in all three of his events: 3200 meter run, 800 meter run and the 3200 meter relay - along with Wright, McArdle and Brandon Witherspoon - led the way," said Zdrojewski, adding, "Josh Schaufele tied for second in the high jump, setting a new personal record of 5'8". Josh also was fourth in the pole vault and he was joined by Jacob Shantz taking fifth in the pole vault. Nick McArdle took fifth in the 3200 meter run and seventh in the 800 meter run."

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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
4/23	Memphis
4/26	USA
4/30	Marlette
5/3	Reese
5/7	Bad Axe
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
4/23	Memphis
4/26	USA
4/30	Marlette
5/3	Reese
5/7	Bad Axe
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.
5/2	Vassar/Reese	4:30 p.m.
5/7	Vassar/USA/Reese/EPBP Lakers	4:30 p.m.
5/9	Harbor Beach	4:30 p.m.
5/16	GTC West League Meet	TBA

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In pursuance 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 Quanicasee 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

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 17, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Rory Schleeter, a married man  
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.  
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Round-Point Mortgage Servicing Corporation  
Date of Mortgage: October 5, 2012  
Date of Mortgage Recording: October 9, 2012  
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$110,464.63

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: The North 20 rods of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, EXCEPT the East 24 rods thereof and EXCEPT the West 12 rods thereof, being more particularly described as: All that part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 50 seconds East along the North section line 198.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 64 minutes 50 seconds East along the North section line 694.67 feet; thence South 00 degrees 33 minutes 09 seconds East parallel with the East 1/8 line of said Section 330.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 50 seconds West 693.35 feet; thence North 00 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West parallel with the North-South 1/4 line of said Section 330.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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

600.3240(16).  
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This notice is from a debt collector.  
Date of notice: April 18, 2018  
Trott Law, P.C.

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Edwin Blackmer and Diane Blackmer, husband and wife  
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns  
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley Home Equity Loan Trust 2006-1  
Date of Mortgage: September 30, 2005

Date of Mortgage Recording: December 9, 2005  
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$67,541.01

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Beginning at a point 670.00 feet South of the Northwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, thence running East 168 feet, thence South 130 feet, thence West 168 feet, thence North 130 feet to the place of beginning

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Connie Sutherland and Tony Sutherland, wife and husband  
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.  
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Ally Bank  
Date of Mortgage: October 31, 2003  
Date of Mortgage Recording: January 12, 2004  
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$61,972.38

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Village of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan described as beginning at a point on the West line of said Section 9 which is North 796.89 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 9; thence continuing along said West line North 98.11 feet; thence East, at right angles to said West line, 412.50 feet; thence South, parallel with said West line, 98.11 feet; thence West, 412.50 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Kevin J Dicks, a married man, who acquire title as Kevin Dicks, a single man, joined by his wife Andrea Lynn Dicks, non titled spouse joining to waive marital and/or homestead right only  
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.  
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Freedom Mortgage Corporation  
Date of Mortgage: April 30, 2016  
Date of Mortgage Recording: May 26, 2016  
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$53,330.04

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Almer, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Parcel 1: Part of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 30, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point on the South line of Section 30 which is 89 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East 1066.05 feet from the South quarter corner of Section 30, thence continuing South 89 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East 160.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 04 minutes 17 seconds West 240 feet; thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds West 160.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 04 minutes 17 seconds East 240.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel 2: Part of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 30, Town 13 North, Range 9 East, described as beginning at a point on the South line of Section 30 which is South 89 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East 1226.05 feet from the South quarter corner of Section 30, thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds East 100.00 feet; thence along the East line of said Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, North 00 degrees 04 minutes 17 seconds West 700.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 27 seconds West 100.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 04 minutes 17 seconds East 700.00 feet to the point of beginning

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

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.  
This notice is from a debt collector.  
Date of notice: May 2, 2018  
Trott Law, P.C.  
1349213

5-2-4

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 May 31, 2018. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Andrew N. Turcotte, a Single Man Original Mortgagee:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Flagstar Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Planet Home Lending, LLC Date of Mortgage: February 1, 2010 Date of Mortgage Recording: February 2, 2010 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$60,809.81 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the Southwest corner of the Northwest quarter of Section 15, Town 13 North, Range 8 East, Thence East 210 feet, Thence North 210 feet, Thence West 210 feet, Thence South 210 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: 05/02/2018 Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 104656

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

**MORTGAGE SALE**—Robert W. Clinesmith and Donna E. Clinesmith, Husband and Wife, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 7, 2012, and recorded on January 3, 2013, in Liber 1268, on Page 1338, and assigned by said mortgagee to Ditech Financial LLC, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars and Thirteen Cents (\$77,759.13).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 31, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Lot 13, Block 7, and the South 3.75 feet of Lot 12, Block 7, Johnson's Addition to the City of Vassar, according to the plat recorded in Liber 29 of Plats, Page 88. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238.

If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Ditech Financial LLC Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335  
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# Obituaries

## Peter Cristiano

Peter John Cristiano, Jr., 85, of Caseville, passed away with his family by his side on April 24, 2018 at the Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe. He was born March 29, 1933 in Herkimer, NY to the late Peter and Maria Concetta (Varano) Cristiano.

Surviving are his three sons, Peter John (Joan) Cristiano, III, of South Lyon, Christopher Joseph Cristiano, of Caseville and James Patrick (Kevin) Cristbrook, of Bloomfield Hills; three grandchildren, Lindsey Anne (Justin) Pintar, Anthony Joseph Cristiano and Aidan Thomas Cristbrook; two great-grandchildren, Maximus John Pintar and Emerson Grace Pintar; a sister, Rose (Walt) Skubisz, of Schenectady, NY; and one brother-in-law, Sam Gelose of Dupont, WA. He is also survived by his Best Friend and companion Sally McGrath of Cass City.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by the mother of his sons, Judith Anne Cristiano Mendelsohn; four brothers, Francis, Thomas, Joseph and Victorio; and two sisters, Theresa (Carl) Fiorentino and Angelina Gelose.

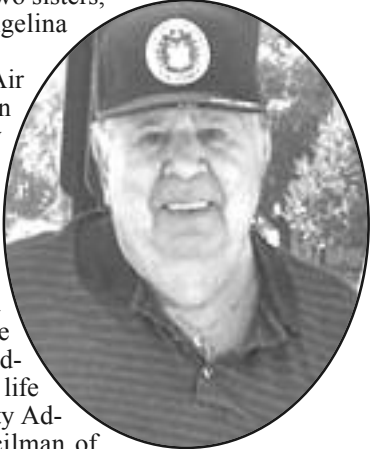
Peter served in the United States Air Force, where he was stationed in North Africa. He was Honorably Discharged December 14, 1953 and received the Good Conduct Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

He graduated from Herkimer High School, Syracuse University with a Bachelor of Science and Wayne State University with a Master of Public Administration. He worked much of his life in Public Administration as the City Administrator and later a City Councilman of Southfield, MI. After retiring from the City of Southfield he worked with Capital Cities Communications (Disney-ABC Television Group) in New York and then transitioned into the private sector working with his sons in the Cable Television, Broadcast Radio and Burglar Alarm industries. In 2005 he took on the responsibilities as the Village Manager of Cass City where he retired from in March 2017.

Peter saw the best in everyone and there wasn't anyone he wouldn't help. His most favorite times were sitting around the family table with his friends, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren enjoying many delicious Italian dishes and discussing family history, telling stories, talking about travels to Italy and many fond memories. He moved to Caseville, where the family has had a cottage for 51 years, when he retired. He loved the water and boating, he was always smiling when spending time on the bay. Most recently he enjoyed spending time watching the boats on the Caseville harbor on sunny Sunday afternoons from the docks of the family Marina. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus Assembly 2372 and Council 8042, The Caseville Fraternal Order of Eagles #3290, Cass City Rotary Club; Former member of the Tuscola Area Airport Authority and one of the founders of the Oakland County Economic Development Corporation (Advantage Oakland). At Peter's request cremation has taken place and there will be a full military and memorial service with inurnment at the Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Road, Holly, MI, on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 11 a.m.

Papa, Che Dio ti benedica e ti accolga in cielo! (Dad, May God Bless you and welcome you in Heaven!)

Please share condolences at [www.thabetfuneralhome.com](http://www.thabetfuneralhome.com)  
Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home of Cass City.



## Barbara Gilliam

Barbara Gilliam, age 78, formerly of Deford, passed away on December 19, 2017.

She was the wife of James Gilliam.

She was born on May 6, 1939 in Swartz Creek, MI a daughter of the late James and Pauline (Mills) Stephen.

Barbara worked as a Deputy Sheriff for Tuscola County for many years.

Memorial will be held May 6 at 3:00 p.m. at the Novesta Township Cemetery. Service will be officiated by Pastor Lewis Tibbits.

## Janet Guthrie

Janet Carol Guthrie, 72, of Cass City, died following a short illness Saturday, April 21, 2018 in Covenant Medical Center Harrison Campus, Saginaw.

She was born May 16, 1945 in Saginaw to Jacob Fredrick and Fern-dale (Yax) Schmitt.

She married Paul Warren Guthrie October 12, 1963 in Reese. He passed away June 21, 1983.

Janet worked as a caregiver for Michelle's House Adult Foster Care Home in Caro. She was always writing everything down, all the little details. Playing cards and trivia on her tablet were favorite past times. Janet enjoyed outdoor activities such as camping, gardening and watching birds. She was a die-hard Detroit Tigers fan. She especially loved spending time with her sis, "Jack" and her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Janet was a former member of Gilford United Methodist Church and currently attended Novesta Church of Christ.

Janet is survived by her children: Dawn (John) Wilding of St. Charles, Roger Guthrie of Cass City, Brian Guthrie of St. Charles, Jadie Periso of Caro and Kim Periso of Cass City; 15 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; sister, Jackie (Doyle) Bradley of Cass City; brothers: Cecil (Barbara) Schmitt of Reese and Marvin Schmitt of Sandusky; sisters-in-law: Bonnie Schmitt of Fairgrove and Sandy Schmitt of Bay City; daughter-in-law, Dawn Guthrie of Akron; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her longtime companion, Jadis "Jadie" Edward Periso, Sr.; sons: Paul Guthrie and John Guthrie; grandson, Adam Wilding; great-grandson, Corey Berryhill; an infant sister, Jane Schmitt; brothers: Lloyd Schmitt, Charles Schmitt, Eugene Schmitt, Phillip Schmitt and Milton Schmitt.

Funeral service were held Thursday, April 26, in Novesta Church of Christ, Cass City with Brad Speirs officiating. Pallbearers for Janet: Roger Guthrie, Brian Guthrie, Jadie Periso, Doyle Bradley, Corbin Ruth and Kaden Sherman.

Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at [www.kranzfuneralhome.com](http://www.kranzfuneralhome.com).

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Sunday Evening Service & Youth Group 6:30 p.m. • Wednesday Family Night 6:30 p.m.  
Pastor: Phil Burkett • Associate Pastor: Joel Schwendinger • [www.casscitymc.org](http://www.casscitymc.org)



## Cass City United Methodist Church

5100 Cemetery Rd., P.O. Box 125, Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-3422  
Worship: 11:00 a.m. (Summer 9:30 a.m.) • Sunday School - Sept.-May 9:30 a.m.  
Community Dinner - Monthly (2nd Wed. at noon)  
Pastor: Rev. Jackie Roe



## Community Baptist Church (Independent Fundamental)

4446 Ale St., Cass City, MI 48726 • 989-872-4088  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday - Pray/Bible Study & Youth Group 6:00 p.m.

## Deford Community Church



1392 N. Kingston Rd.  
(1/4 mile south of Deford on Kingston Rd.)  
Sundays - 10 a.m. | Wednesday - 7 p.m.  
Pastor: David Cooper | 872-4055  
[DefordCommunityChurch.org](http://DefordCommunityChurch.org)

## Evangelical Free Church of Cass City



6430 Chestnut Blvd., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-5060  
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Pastor: Christian Wright • Website: [www.fbccc.us](http://www.fbccc.us)



## First Presbyterian Church

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6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-5400 • Worship Service 10:45 a.m.  
Exercise Program: Mon., Wed. & Fri. at 9:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Linda Graham  
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## Fraser Presbyterian Church



3006 Huron Line Rd., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-5400  
• Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Coffee Hour following worship • Pastor: Rev. Linda Graham



## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church



6820 E. Main St., Cass City, MI 48726 • 872-2770  
Worship Service 9:30 a.m. • Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 a.m.  
Pastor: Steve Bagnall  
[www.goodshepherdlutherancasscity.webs.com](http://www.goodshepherdlutherancasscity.webs.com)

## Living Word Worship Center Church of God



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6536 Houghton Street, Cass City, MI 48726 • 989-872-4637  
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Pastor: Jephtha Bryant



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Pastor Dale Bullock 989-872-2828

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• Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
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Minister: Brad Speirs  
Associate Minister: Austin Keller & Student Minister: Jordan Hendrian  
Visit our website at: [www.novestachurch.org](http://www.novestachurch.org)

## Our Lady Consolata Catholic Church



4292 S. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726 • 665-1027  
Website: [www.olconsolata.org](http://www.olconsolata.org)  
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11-4-18-3

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11-4-18-3

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11-5-2-3

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### Real Estate for Sale

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**THE THUMB Regional Historical Society recently hosted a workshop at Sherwood on the Hill in Gagetown. The event was attended by 32 participants representing a dozen different historical societies in Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties. The group's next program, planned for June, will focus on the Sanilac Petroglyphs.**

## Thumb area history buffs meet

by Mary Drier  
Special for the Chronicle

Thumb area history buffs recently attended a program on navigating digital information, presented by Caro District Library Director Erin Schmandt during the fourth annual Thumb Regional Historical Workshop at Sherwood on the Hill in Gagetown.

There were 32 participants representing 12 historical societies from throughout Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties who heard how to access digital school yearbooks and local newspapers, as well as how to navigate and link to libraries and resources across the state.

Tom Trombley, from the Castle

Museum of Saginaw County History, provided insight on how to tell the story of a historic item. To demonstrate his point, his reference was the fire of 1893 in Saginaw.

Also, Stacy Tchorzynski from the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office presented an overview of the Sanilac County Petroglyphs.

The Thumb Regional Historical Society will host another event on June 23, showcasing Petroglyphs.

The Sanilac County Petroglyphs Historic State Park is considered sacred by the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan. Archeologists believe the rock carvings were created more than 1,500 years ago.

The petroglyphs are part of a 240-acre park at 8251 Germania Road. The park opens on Memorial Day and closes on Labor Day. An estimated 4,000 people visit the park annually.

During the recent group historical society gathering, each society was given an opportunity to share information on their upcoming events, new historical reference tools and updates on their displays.

Anyone interested in attending next event is encouraged to contact Rose Putnam at (989) 444-9574.

More information on Michigan's history can be found at the website <http://www.michigan.gov/mhc>.

# Letters to the Editor

## Nation living under curse

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Examples of this scripture are Ex. 12:29 and 14:26-28, when the Creator avenged the murder of the Hebrew male children on the Egyptians. If we want to save our children from these types of crimes, than we need to repent and change the law that allows for this heinous, abominable and cowardly act of murder called abortion. We have defiled the land with their innocent blood.

Our founding fathers established this nation on biblical laws, and the Ten Commandments were in our government buildings, places of worship, schools, etc. Schools were even established so everyone could read the Bible. There are people now who call it a hate book, calling evil good and good evil (Isaiah 5:20). How far we have fallen?

These commandments are not a thing of the past, even though some of the politicians and some religious institutions would lead us to believe that. They are alive. They are living words. These are a sign that our founding fathers made a covenant with the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob which cannot be broken. The only way it does not continue is if one of the parties dies – in this case the United States would have to cease being a nation.

With this covenant came blessings (if we obeyed) and curses (if we disobeyed) – Deuteronomy 28:1-29:15. I believe we are living under the curses and they are escalating. We need believers in the God of Israel to take a stand for what is righteousness and justice according to the Word. We need to remove progressive-thinking politicians from our government, starting at the state, county and local levels. As long as they are able to keep their agendas, this nation as a whole will continue under these curses, and eventually we will cease being a free people. We the people are judged by who we have put in office to govern us.

If we truly love our children and grandchildren, we will reestablish covenant laws in this nation. Most of all, we need to have a heart that loves our Heavenly Father and His Son. We need to come together as His body to accomplish this.

His laws are the constitution of the kingdom. If you obey the voice of the Lord your God, to guard His commands and His laws which are written in this book of the law (Torah), if you turn back to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your being, "For this command which I am commanding you today, it is not too hard for you, nor is it far off.

"Take my yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am meek and humble in heart, and you shall find rest for your beings. "For My yoke is gentle and My burden is light." Yoke in Greek is the word zugos, which means servitude, a law or obligation. This is not for salvation, but it is for blessing or cursing.

It is time we take a stand, or what happened to Israel will happen to us. Remember John 1:1-2, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." He was in the beginning with God. God does not change, therefore His Word does not change. We were just not taught the wisdom and understanding from the beginning.

Julie Frederick  
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