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Pair seek public opinion on medical pot plan

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

A proposal to establish a medical marijuana operation inside a Cass City manufacturing facility remains in limbo.

The businessmen pushing for the plan, meanwhile, have turned their attention towards seeking

public input in an effort to gauge community support for their proposal.

Millennium Industries representatives Gary Vollmar and Gus Ploss have addressed Cass City officials three times in an effort to explain their proposal to create a medical marijuana grow operation in an unused, 25,000-square-foot

area inside their Millennium Industries factory at 6285 Garfield Ave.

Most recently, the pair attended the May village council meeting. Two trustees indicated they're opposed to the plan, and a third suggested that Vollmar and Ploss directly address the community via a public forum or by providing

citizens with an information package of some sort.

Vollmar indicated failure on the part of the village to support the plan could result in the loss of factory jobs down the road.

"We need some feedback. We have a couple of other options if you don't approve this," Vollmar told the council last month.

He and Ploss say the Millennium building is underutilized and in need of repairs, including a \$500,000 roof. But with fuel systems going to electric systems (Millennium engages in the design, development, manufacture and distribution of automotive fuel systems and engine components). Please turn to page 2.



DICK GENTNER spends some time at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City, where a chance meeting with a Cass City Literacy Council tutor three years ago changed his life. Gentner, now 83, has since learned how to read and write, thanks to what he describes as caring tutors who welcomed him as a student.

Gentner: literacy program has "opened up new world for me"

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

You're never too old to learn. Just ask Richard "Dick" Gentner, who managed to enjoy a long and successful career as a mechanic without ever having learned how to read or write.

That all changed about three years ago, when at the age of 80 he found himself at the right place at the right time.

The place was Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City, where Gentner was making some copies for his wife, Ginna. The time was the end of a tutoring ses-

sion in a nearby study room, where former Cass City resident and tutor Lisa Karwowski was finishing up with a student and had to make a few copies herself.

Gentner guessed Karwowski was a tutor with the Cass City

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Village officials shut down pool to investigate problems

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Cass City officials announced Friday their decision to close Helen Stevens Memorial Pool after swimmers complained of minor injuries to their feet.

Village Manager Debbie Powell says she's hopeful to have the facility back up and running in time for swimming lessons later this month.

Powell also encouraged area residents to consider making a donation towards the pool, saying the village cannot afford to shoulder the entire cost of future maintenance and repairs.

The pool was opened for the season in late May for the Memorial Day holiday.

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Foundation gearing up for spring distribution

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

The Tuscola County Community Foundation (TCCF) is gearing up to distribute roughly \$127,260 in grants plus more than \$180,000 in scholarships from various funds this spring.

Community Foundation Executive Director Ken Micklash announced the details last week, noting that nearly \$100,000 of the grant awards will be presented this week.

"Checks for the grant awards from the William and Ruth Janks Fund, Claude and Etta Andrews Fund, Future Youth Involvement Fund, Founders Fund, Greater Millington Area Fund and the Anne S. Laethem Fund for Historic Buildings will be distributed (today) Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center located on Cleaver Road in Caro," Micklash said.

"TCCF maintains over 90 funds, most endowed," he added. "Current assets are over \$13 million, and over \$4.5 million has been awarded from the various funds, to-date, for the purpose of helping to make Tuscola County a better place to live."

Checks will be presented from the following funds to various recipi-

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Cass City officials are looking to become part of Thumb Quilt Trail

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Cass City Village officials want to be part of a unique trail, "The Thumb Area Quilt Trail," that winds through the Thumb area.

"By the end of summer, the 100th quilt square is expected to be hung on barns along the trail that goes through Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola counties," said Thumb Quilt Trail President Pamela Stillwell-Binder.

Village Trustee Nancy Barrios suggested the village join the trail with a quilt of its own, and the council was receptive to it.

The design the council approved was entitled, "Up, Up and Away" to recognize and honor Cass City High School graduate and NASA Astronaut Brewster H. Shaw. Shaw was born May 16, 1945, in Cass City, and graduated from Cass City High School in 1963. He joined the United States Air Force in 1969.

Shaw piloted the STS-9 Skylab, Orbiter Shuttle Atlantis in 1985 and the Columbia Space Shuttle in 1989. He retired with the rank of colonel and was inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame May 6, 2006.

"Although the council approved the quilt's design, it is up to the Thumb Area Quilt Trail committee to have final approval and to ap-

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THE VILLAGE of Cass City would like to be part of the Thumb Area Quilt Trail. This design has been suggested for the community's quilt in honor of Cass City native and NASA Astronaut Brewster H. Shaw, a former space shuttle pilot and commander who was inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame in 2006.

Council okays street paving, plant upgrade

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

The Cass City Village Council approved some street work and an upgrade at the local wastewater treatment plant during a special meeting last week.

The council approved Astec Paving to handle the Northwood Circle street project for \$126,067. Resurfacing will be completed on a 1,880-foot section of Northwood Circle. The roadway was selected for repairs because it's among the streets considered to be in the poorest condition in the community.

The project will include milling and removing three inches of blacktop, as well as curb repair where necessary.

"Northwood Circle street is a village (owned) street that goes (into a) subdivision, but the streets in the subdivision are private," Cass

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Medical marijuana facility plan in limbo

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 nent parts) and employment numbers shrinking, keeping the doors open at the 120,000-square-foot facility may be in jeopardy.
 "The landscape is changing. Small communities are dying," Vollmar said. "We will find a place, but we would like to keep the jobs here. I believe it is an eco-

nomie decision, not a moral decision."
 "We were a little disappointed with their response," Ploss commented last week. "We thought they would take some kind of action, but they didn't, and then turned it back on us."
 "I think they would like us to get a feel if the public is receptive to the project or not. We don't have

an answer to that right now. We are trying to figure out how to do a poll," he said. "We are in the process of how we are going to do that. Do we take out an ad? Do we hold a public forum?"
 "I'm in the process of writing a response e-mail to the council. It's disappointing."

Vollmar and Ploss, who estimated their initial investment at \$1.5 million, stressed their operation would involve growing marijuana for medical use only. They presented detailed information during the village council's April village meeting, during a committee of the whole meeting in early May, and again during a May 21 rescheduled monthly meeting.

Ploss said that if the grow operation were allowed to move forward in the unused section of the plant, the electrical, heating and cooling, as well as other much needed upgrades would also help the manufacturing side of business in the main part of the plant.

In making the case for the proposal, Ploss cited a recent Dateline NBC television show that featured a segment on the merits of medical marijuana and CBDs (Cannabidiol) in helping with pain management. "There have been preliminary studies showing cannabis would help control the opioid epidemic in this country. Use (of) cannabis to control pain instead of opioids is non-addictive."

According to village Manager Debbie Powell, the village does not have an ordinance for the proposal, meaning moving forward would require approval of a new ordinance.

Powell said comments on the grow operation could be made during public meetings or sent in writing to the village council at P.O. Box 124, Cass City, MI 48726, or delivered to the municipal building at 6506 Main St., Cass City.

The proposal set forth by Vollmar and Ploss is for a Class C operation, which would allow for the growing, cultivation, and curing of up to 1,500 plants. If approved, the main goal of the facility would be to grow and process marijuana for medical use and medical research.

The laws regulating medical marijuana changed last year. There are licensing procedures with fees. A licensing board will issue licenses in five categories: growers, processors, transporters, testing facilities and dispensaries. It will be overseen by the Department of Licensing And Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

Millennium Industries' proposed operation would be a state-of-the-art secure facility with H/Vac to control any odor, have 24/7 security with camera monitoring, be a hydroponic system, and would be transported to an independent licensed provisioning center by an independent licensed transporter, and it would not be a direct sale operation that would draw customers, according to Vollmar and Ploss.

In 2008, Michigan voters approved the medical marijuana act by a margin of 63 percent to 37 percent.

While voters supported the measure, however, a number of law enforcement and other criminal justice officials in the Thumb say the law is confusing and is being abused.

Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark E. Reene, who took an active role in helping to draft the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan position paper last year opposing legalization of recreational marijuana use in Michigan, says that while the state's medical marijuana law was promoted as necessary for end-of-life situations and grave illnesses such as cancer, AIDS and glaucoma, what Michigan received "was a confusing, contradictory, litigious and poorly written ballot initiative (that) has taken years to understand what it means with considerable negative consequences experienced by those on all sides of the issue."

"The whole medical marijuana scheme was obviously a bill of goods," said Reene, who cited statistics that show, for example, that the bulk of individuals with medical marijuana cards are classified as having "severe and chronic pain". In contrast, the percent of patients with cards and suffering from AIDS in 2015 was .38. Cancer patients made up 4.47 percent of the total number of cardholders, and glaucoma, 1.45 percent.
 Editor Tom Montgomery contributed to this story.



County leaders, state leaders...

SOME TUSCOLA County officials are also leaders at the state level. Above (from left) County Commissioner Matthew Bierlein is president of the Michigan Association of Counties, Clerk Jodi Fetting is president of the Michigan Association of County Clerks, Prosecutor Mark E. Reene is the immediate past president of the Prosecutors Association of Michigan, and Friend of the Court Sandy Erskine is president of the Friend of the Court Association.

Thumb road projects underway this week

Crews were scheduled to begin resurfacing sections of M-53 and M-24 in the Thumb early this week.
 The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing \$3.9 million to resurface nearly 22 miles of M-53 in Huron County and M-24 in Tuscola County.

The work includes resurfacing M-53 from Port Austin to Kinde, and M-24 from Unionville to Caro, as well as ramp improvements compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the installation of a portable intermittent truck weigh station (PITWS) along M-24.

Traffic will be maintained under flag control on M-53 through July 2, and on M-24 through Sept. 14. The projects are expected to be completed in September.

MDOT officials say the work will extend the life of the roadway and improve the driving surface. The additional of the PITWS, meanwhile, will provide law enforcement personnel with a safer location to weigh trucks off the main roadway.

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In Our OPINION...

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Hepatitis testing key to protection

More than four million Americans are living with chronic hepatitis; however, more than 50 percent of them don't know it.

Hepatitis is the inflammation of the liver caused by a virus. The most common types of viral hepatitis are hepatitis A, hepatitis B and hepatitis C

"People can live for decades without symptoms, but over time chronic hepatitis can cause serious health problems," said Dr. Eden Wells, MDHHS chief medical executive. "Michigan residents are urged to learn the facts about hepatitis, particularly the steps they should take to protect themselves and how to identify their risk of the disease."

The Hepatitis A Virus (HAV) is found in the feces of people with hepatitis A. HAV can spread through contaminated food or water and through close contact with a person who has the virus.

Michigan has been experiencing an outbreak of hepatitis A since August 2016. As of May 16, 2018, there have been 836 reported cases, 671 hospitalizations and 27 deaths.

Hepatitis A is a vaccine-preventable disease and MDHHS encourages HAV vaccination for at-risk individuals, including those with history of injection and non-injection drug use, homelessness or transient housing, incarceration and men who have sex with men.

The Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) is transmitted from person to person through contaminated blood or body fluids. HBV can spread from infected mothers to their infants at birth, through unprotected sex or through contact with blood or body fluids of a person who has the virus.

In Michigan, new HBV diagnoses have declined, likely as a result of HBV vaccination efforts, with 1,301 newly reported cases in 2017. However, there remains a large burden of HBV in developing countries and immigrant populations.

Although they make up only three percent of Michigan's population, persons of the Asian race represented nearly 30 percent of all new HBV diagnoses reported in 2017.

Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) is a blood-borne pathogen; however, unlike hepatitis A and B, there is no vaccine available for HCV. HCV is transmitted from person to person through the contaminated blood of an individual who is infected. The primary risk factor for HCV transmission is sharing needles, syringes or drug preparation equipment.

Michigan has seen HCV cases increase along with a rise in drug poisoning deaths involving prescription and non-prescription opioids.

In 2016, there were 1,733 opioid-overdose deaths reported compared to 639 in 2010. These numbers mirror a similar increase in HCV infections among adults aged 18-29 years old. In 2017, 1,985 persons aged 18-29 were newly diagnosed with HCV, compared to 882 in 2010.

People can live with hepatitis B and C for decades without experiencing any symptoms or feeling sick. The only way to know if you are infected is with a blood test. Early detection, linkage to care and treatment can help slow disease progression. HCV treatments cure more than 90 percent of persons living with HCV.

Get tested if you are at risk. Ask your healthcare provider for the test or find a hepatitis B or C testing and treatment site near you using the CDC's testing site locator Gettested.cdc.gov.

Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

To printed page from pigs



The list of the recent winners of the seventh annual Young Writers Creative Writing Contest brought back some childhood memories, and all of them were not pleasant.

My fifth-grade teacher gave us an assignment to write a short story. I was excited about the task. I was so excited it turned into a novel that would make the authors of "War and Peace" and "Gone with the Wind" proud of its length.

I poured my little heart into my writing. I wasn't good at sports and I struggled to get passing grades. In writing, I felt I had finally found my niche!

I was so proud when the teacher asked to keep the book I wrote, but that all came crashing down when I overheard my teacher telling another teacher he wanted to keep what I wrote as the "worse example of writing he had ever seen."

My fragile ego and heart were ripped out. I was numb and hurt for a long time. Until one day, I realized writing had made me happy. So, although I continued to write, I never showed my work to anyone.

My sequestered literary life hit a wall when I was attending Jordan College when it was in Huron County in the 1980s.

I only needed one more class to graduate. The problem was the only class that fit in my schedule was Linda Boyington's creative writing class. If I didn't take that class, I would have to come back the next semester for just one class. I grudgingly took the class and spent the first few weeks doing nothing until the teacher told me if I didn't start writing she would flunk me.

So, I finally started writing in hopes to at least get a passing grade. I was shocked when Linda told me I was the best creative writing student she had taught.

That was a turning point in my life.

Her encouragement rekindled my love of writing. However, she cautioned me that no matter how good a creative writer I was, only a few make a living from it. She directed me to writing for newspapers. One by one, I contacted newspapers about writing for them. Within a few months, I was a freelance writer for nine newspapers and two radio stations.

I was stunned I was earning money from my writing. This is it! This is my destiny, I figured. And, my determination to make a living writing was also fueled by the fact that I worked seven days a week feeding 1,500 pigs to earn gas money to drive to college.

I was determined I was going to make writing my goal to earn enough where I could give up feeding pigs for extra cash. Once I determined I could earn a steady income from being a free-lance writer, I quit the pig barn and never looked back.

Eventually, I became a staff writer for several years before retiring and going back to being a freelance writer.

Anyway, I was encouraged to see the writing contest

for students in grades five through 12, and that youths could even win money for their efforts. Author's Day was May 19 and the winners of the contest were announced then, and there were several.

Who knows? The contest could create another Steven King, J. K. Rowling, a journalist or a columnist.



Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

Who, besides me, can recall where Cass City's first village pool was located? If you guessed under the municipal park's basketball courts, you would be correct.

I can also remember being part of the Cass City swim team in the late 1960s or early 1970s, which was coached by my sister Lynn. Two of the better swimmers on the team were twin brothers Donald and Daniel Lowe.

Marlette Schools has boasted a pair of Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) state champion hurdlers since 2016.

In fact, Red Raider Andrew Storm was a double winner in the hurdles at the MHSAA Finals in Comstock Park 3-years ago, while Emily Schaub finished in first place in both the 100 meter hurdles and the 300 meter hurdles at this year's closing meet.

Here's a little more information from around the track. Erin Zdrojewski finished her season at Central Michigan University (CMU) by setting a new personal best time in the 5K on the track. The former Cass City distance standout recorded a time under 19 minutes, finishing in 18:56.

Zdrojewski is looking forward to her senior year at CMU and will be competing on the Chippewa Cross Country team and in all likelihood will be a varsity scorer for the team. She will also focus on the 5k and 10k for both indoor and outdoor track next spring.

Erin has had awesome experiences at CMU and has continued to improve and has a greater love for the sport as a result, reports her dad, Jon Zdrojewski, Cass City cross country and track coach.

As local clerks finalize ballots for the statewide primary, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson recently detailed how new voting equipment, \$11 million in new federal security grants and the extensive preparations her office has made will better protect Michigan's elections system for the 2018 election cycle.

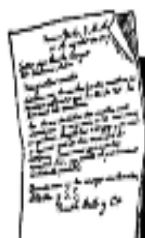
"Most importantly, every voter across Michigan still will use a good, old-fashioned paper ballot to mark their choices," Johnson said three weeks before the August primary ballots will be sent out. "Then they'll feed the ballot into a new next-generation voting machine designed with security in mind. But buying all new election equipment isn't all we've done to safeguard our election system."

"We carefully reviewed and improved our systems, and we'll be putting \$11 million of federal security grants toward further strengthening them against attack. Plus, we're adding required cybersecurity training to our local clerk education programs."

This year's Aug. 7 primary will be the first statewide election in which every city and township will use all new voting equipment that includes optical-scan ballot tabulators, accessible voting devices for voters with disabilities, and election-management and reporting software.

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Thursday, June 7

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

Saturday, June 9

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

Monday, June 11

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

Tuesday, June 12

•Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.
•AA Meeting, 7-8 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be held in the hall next to the little stone church.)
•Al-Anon meeting, 7 p.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 989-912-5478 for more information.
•Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.
•Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.
•Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.
•Huron County Family Caregiver Support Group, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Human Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

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.

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.

Second Monday:

•Elkland Township Board meeting, 7 p.m.
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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.

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

Novesta Township officials taking another look at building new hall

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Novesta Township officials are taking a closer look building a new township hall of their own.

The township has been using the Cass City Gun Club, 2676 Englehart Rd., since August 2010 to conduct meetings.

The former Novesta Township Hall, which has no indoor restroom, is located just outside of the unincorporated community of Deford on Deckerville Road. That building was put up for sale in January 2011 and township operations were relocated to the gun club.

Later, the board purchased 12 acres of land with two structures at 3320 Cemetery Rd. for \$5,971 during a tax sale for possible use as a township hall site.

The plan was to remodel one of the structures to use as a township

hall, but township officials learned the proposal was cost prohibitive, prompting the township to approve selling the property in March 2017.

Last month, the township board contracted with W.T. Architect to create a proposed site plan for a township hall. Because having a full site plan done costs about \$20,000, it was decided to do just part of the proposed plan to give officials a rough idea of the best location and the approximate cost of the building. The cost to have that aspect of the work done is about \$4,000, which was approved.

In other business, the board selected Pennie Rienas as the new township clerk. She replaces Joann Peters, who resigned after serving as clerk for nine years.

As part of Rienas taking over clerk duties, she reorganized records and coordinated files.

The board had talked about

record storage needs several times and was considering renting space, but Rienas requested a delay on that decision until she had time to organize the paperwork and sort out papers that no longer needed to be saved.

Rienas and Supervisor Chad Daniels spent several hours sorting records stored in boxes into folders.

Also, the board reviewed proposed gravel work for roads.

Although six roads were on the list that need gravel, four were selected to have work done. They are: Warner Road from Delong Road to Severance Road at a cost of \$12,960; Gilford Road from Englehart Road to Severance Road at a cost of \$13,020; Elmwood Road from Lampton Road to Crawford Road at a cost of \$12,360; and Elmwood Road from Crawford Road to Englehart Road at a cost of \$11,000.

Ubyly appoints Coddington to council

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

There have been more changes on the Ubyly Village Council.

At the last meeting, Lola Brown stepped down as president because of health reasons, but she asked to remain on the council as a trustee. Her resignation as president was accepted "with regret".

Brown was appointed as president in March to fill a vacancy created when David Jaroch resigned. The council then ap-

pointed President Pro-Tem Susan Schrader as president to replace Brown, and reappointed Brown as a trustee. And, Trustee Jason Nicol was named the new president pro tem.

In addition, the council reviewed "letters of interest" submitted by individuals interested in filling the vacant trustee seat that belonged to Victoria Rutkowski, who resigned from the council in April because she moved out of the village limits.

Those who submitted letters of

interest are Joe Coddington and Jennifer Roestel. The council approved appointing Coddington as a trustee.

There have been other changes on the council over the last few months.

When Jaroch resigned, so did trustees Larry Gornowicz and Larry Western. Appointed to fill those open trustee seats were Gabriel Turner, Jeffrey Rubin and Brandon Zdrojewski. They are all scheduled to serve until the next election.

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

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

*Donnell L. Wright Jr., 21, Saginaw, pleaded guilty to delivery/manufacture of cocaine, heroin or another narcotic (less than 50 grams). Wright was also convicted of being a habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

*Scot M. Jacobs, 44, Bay City, pleaded no contest to home invasion, second degree, and conspiracy to commit home invasion, second degree, Oct. 17 in Unionville, and to home invasion, second degree, and conspiracy to commit home invasion, second degree, Nov. 9, 2016, in Wisner Township.

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

*David C. Scott, 56, Fostoria, was sentenced to five to 10 years in prison following his pleas of 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.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$326.

*Tony J. Emmons, 39, Mayville, pleaded guilty to tampering with an electronic monitoring device. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).

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

*Thomas L. Fuller, 55, Vassar, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail (deferred) and 12 months probation following his pleas of guilty to possession of marijuana or a synthetic equivalent April 6, 2017, in Vassar Township, and to possession of a controlled substance Nov. 6 in Indianfields Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions)

In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines to-

taling \$516.

*Jammie L. Valleriani, 33, Cass City, was sentenced to three years probation following convictions on charges of fleeing and eluding a police officer, being a prisoner in possession of contraband, possession of a controlled substance, and operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of a controlled substance - with an occupant under the age of 16 years April 28 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$544.

*Bobbi J. Jacobs, 39, Bay City, pleaded no contest to charges of home invasion, second degree,

and conspiracy to commit home invasion, second degree, last October in Unionville; larceny of \$1,000 to \$20,000 last July in Juniata Township; possession of a controlled substance last October in Columbia Township; home invasion, second degree, and conspiracy to commit home invasion, second degree, Nov. 9, 2016, in Wisner Township; and larceny in a building Oct. 26 in Unionville.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, bond was continued at a combined \$95,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

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Reporter's notebook

**We'll always need
some good nurses**

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



We occasionally receive flyers in the mail from various colleges and distance learning companies specializing in helping folks earn registered nurse credentials by attending just one class per week.

Really?

After looking at the photos in some of these glossy brochures, it's easy to come to the conclusion that my wife, Deb — then a dialysis technician — blew it when she approached me some years ago about going back to school to become a nurse.

One of the flyers depicts a gal riding a bike along a walkway next to a beach — presumably carefree and happy because she was finally an RN. Then there's a photo of three nurses standing together, big smiles and wearing freshly pressed, matching blue scrubs, every hair in place. Finally, there's a mom sitting in a lounge on the beach, hugging a little girl and captioned, "Love spending a day off with my daughter!"

Frankly, I can't remember my wife doing any of those things once she enrolled. However, I do remember her working hard, very hard, to reach her career goal.

I don't know much about the RN program in the brochure, but I'm pretty sure that if you're planning to be a nurse, you'd better enjoy that day off on the beach. The reality is, you're probably not going to get many of those, at least not right away.

In all fairness, the small print on the flyer notes that the company provides test preparation materials and professional tutoring of students, who must enroll in a college or university to receive their degree.

Deb started out as an emergency room clerk at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City many years ago. Later, she landed a job as a dialysis technician and, after becoming a licensed practical nurse, went to work for the county medical care facility in Caro. She went on to earn her RN and now works as an acute dialysis nurse and clinical coordinator for DaVita Dialysis.

It's a great job, but the hours are often grueling, and like any other nursing position, the work is extremely demanding.

Having watched her put literally hundreds of hours into her studies and training (for many months her books traveled with us everywhere, from campsites to family trips), I gained a real admiration for what it takes to become a nurse.

I've since learned more than I ever really wanted to about the profession (and watched more episodes of "Dr. G, Medical Examiner" than most husbands).

But I'm here to tell you nurses are pretty special people. I believe most, like Deb, truly enjoy making a difference in the lives of those they care for, though I'd bet many tire of all the charting, regulations and inspections.

If you have your sights set on being a nurse, I can guarantee it'll take far more than one day a week to get there, but from where I'm sitting, it's worth it. After all, how can a career spent taking care of others be anything but rewarding?

The world can always get by without another broken down old newspaper editor, but we're always going to need good nurses.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Seth Kappen celebrated his 9th birthday recently with friends and family as a special guest at Dow Diamond in Midland. During the game he met team mascots Lou E. Loon and Rall E. Camel, along with several of the Great Lake Loons players. As part of the bash a "Happy Birthday Seth Kappen" message was posted on the scoreboard and he was presented with a baseball themed birthday cake. Seth was escorted out onto the ball field by Dow Diamond staff members who led the stadium crowd in singing happy birthday.

The Owendale Lions Club, represented by member Fred Sullivan recently presented its first scholarship to Eric Rievert, who plans to attend Eastern Michigan University to pursue a career as a college mathematics professor. In order to qualify for the scholarship, a student had to submit an application and meet several criteria, including need, academic achievements and community service. The club selected Rievert from among 5 applicants from the Owen-Gage School following an extensive review of the applications and personal interviews.

10 YEARS AGO (2008)

Vicki Scasny has learned skills ranging from metal finishing to welding to painting in her auto-body class at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro. The 17-year-old Cass City resident is among 34 students statewide who were recently honored with Michigan Department of Education "Breaking Traditions" awards. She will start her senior year at Cass City High School in the fall, but plans to stick with the auto-body class.

Star Struck. Cass City's Ali Smith poses with Kid Rock during Friday's Detroit Pistons game with the Boston Celtics. Although the Pistons were eliminated in Game 6 of the Eastern Conference finals, meeting the celebrity made the night memorable for the 14-year-old.

Red Hawk Chris Zawilinski clears 6' 3" in the high jump to earn all state honors at the Division 3 track and field state finals.

25 YEARS AGO (1993)

More than 1,350 students, including 8 area residents, have been named to the Ferris State University's spring quarter academic honor list. The local students are Jamie L. Sweeney, R. Charles Hall and James N. Kritzman, all of Cass City; Christina L. Gaeth and Michael F. Kausch, both of Owendale; and Chris E. Kiehl of Ubly, Jennifer A. Bradley of Snover, and Brady C. Barden of Kingston. To be eligible for the honor, a Ferris student must have compiled a minimum 3.5 grade point average while carrying at least 12 quarter hours of work.

The Elmwood Quilting Circle has chosen 2 seniors to receive scholarships this year. They are Tanya Muntz of Gagetown and Stazha Izydorek. This is the fourth year the Quilting Circle has given scholarships.

Debra Lee McClorey and Donna Lee Finkbeiner, mother and daughter, are among 18 people who have earned their high school diplomas this year through the Cass City Adult Education program.

Airman Nathan S. Bryant has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. During the 6 weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Bryant is the son of Mike L. and Janet E. Bryant. He graduated from Cass City High School in 1992.

35 YEARS AGO (1983)

Five members of the high school graduating class and Kathy Kirm, who is graduating from college, and their parents were guests at a breakfast in Salem United Methodist Church Sunday morning. During the morning worship service, they were presented with a gift. The graduates are Scott Geiger, Kay Loomis, Laura Richards, Tammy Stimpfel and Lisa Wilson.

The Gagetown Women's Study Club has awarded its 1983 scholarship to Mary Margaret Kappen. The Cass City High School graduate is the daughter of Gerald and Catherine Kappen of Bay City-Forestville Road, Cass City. She plans to attend Saginaw Valley State College. The club holds bake sales during the year and a June rummage sale to provide funds for the annual scholarship.

Jack Esau, master of ceremonies for the Memorial Day service in the Elkland Township Cemetery for 24 straight years, kept his record intact Monday. During those years, it has never rained during the service. There have been some close calls, and the deluge that followed Monday was one of them. (from Rabbit Tracks)

Retiring Campbell Elementary School teacher Leola Retherford was reunited Saturday evening with Dr. Gumecindo Salas, president of the State Board of Education, whom she taught at Crawford School. Salas was guest speaker at the banquet given in her honor by the Cass City Education Association. CCEA President Don Shelke presented him with its first Cass City School Alumni Honor Award, to be presented annually to one individual "for outstanding achievement as a graduate of Cass City schools." Each recipient's photo will hang in Cass City High School.

40 YEARS AGO (1978)

Paul Kerbyson and Barbara Tuckey, who graduate from Cass City High School this Thursday, were recipients Sunday of the Julia Murray scholarship, presented by Father Joseph Morales Sunday following Mass at St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Each will receive \$250. This is the third year the scholarships have been presented.

Champions of the Memorial Day fastpitch tourney held over the Memorial Day week end in Cass City were Bat boy Mike Ware,

Don Galbraith, Henry Cooklin, Manager Maynard Helwig, Elwyn Helwig, Rob Alexander, Craig Helwig, Jeff Hartel, Mike Murphy, Dale Auslander, Ken Lowe, Jerry Toner and Scott Hartel.

Biggest perch - Gary Ricker recently received a certificate from the state Department of Natural Resources for having caught the biggest perch in the state last year, 3 lbs., 1 oz.

Mary Lenhard, a senior at Owendale-Gagetown High School, has been awarded an athletic assistance grant at Saginaw Valley State College starting this fall. She will play swing guard and forward on the women's basketball team. This past season, under coach Archie Robinson, the team compiled a 21-6 record. Robinson described his recruit as a "good hustler" and a "fundamentally sound player in addition to being an outstanding rebounder and shooter."

50 YEARS AGO (1968)

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Seamon of Marietta, Ga., announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeanne Marie, to Gary Duane Bartle, son of Harvey L. Bartle of Cass City and the late Mrs. Bartle. Miss Seamon is a graduate of Emory University, with a B.A. degree in French. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Cass City High School and received his B.A. in psychology from Michigan State University. He is currently serving in the mental hygiene clinic with the U.S. Army at Kitzingen, Germany. An early July wedding is being planned, to be held in Germany.

Tuesday an open student council meeting (one that takes place in front of the student body) was held for the purpose of electing next year's student council president. Mary Sue Burns handed the gavel down to new student council president, Gary Vollmar, in the swingout assembly.

Army Private First Class Grant L. Merchant, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Merchant of Cass City, Mich., was assigned as a rifleman in the 4th Infantry Division near DakTo, Vietnam.

75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Glenna Lee Asher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley A. Asher, will be a 1943 graduate of Central Michigan College of Education, Mt. Pleasant. Glenna will receive a bachelor of science degree and secondary provisional certificate on Saturday morning, June 12.

Pvt. Clarence Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright, has recently proved to be an excellent marksman. In a group of over 400 men scooting on a rifle range, Clarence was third from the top, a sergeant and a corporal being the only ones with a higher record. Clarence is stationed at Camp Wheeler, Ga., and is in the medical corps.

The annual birthday party honoring Frederick D. Hemerick was held Saturday evening at the Hemerick cottage at Rose Island. A potluck lunch was served. The evening was devoted to playing cards. Guests from Saginaw, Detroit and Marlette were present.

100 YEARS AGO (1918)

Lyle and Leslie Koepfgen sons of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Koepfgen of Cass City, had a happy meeting in France recently. Both young men are in the aviation service, but in different companies and each has hoped to meet the other since they went overseas. One of the aviators from the camp where Leslie is situated became lost, and after travelling some distance, sighted a camp and alighted. In the conversation which followed he learned that his brother-in-law and Lyle Koepfgen were both located in this camp which was 40 miles distant. The "lost" aviator informed Leslie of their good fortune on his return and they arranged to make their brothers a visit the following Saturday. Starting that afternoon, they made the trip in 20 minutes, remained over night and Sunday the four men enjoyed an auto trip and dinner together.

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News briefs

Kingston board has vacancy

KINGSTON — The Kingston Community School District is looking to fill a vacancy on its board of education.

The appointment will run through November of 2018, when a new board member will be elected to a full, six-year term.

Interested persons must apply in writing to school Supt. Matt Drake at mdrake@kingstonk12.org by Friday, June 15, at 3 p.m. Candidates will be interviewed during a special board meeting slated for Monday, June 18, starting at 7 p.m.

Fly-in slated in Caro June 9

CARO — The Tuscola Area Airport, 1750 Speirs Dr., Caro, will host a fly-in Saturday, June 9, at 11 a.m.

Along with the fly-in of various airplanes, there will be a car and motorcycle show, plane rides and activities for the entire family.

Project Fresh coming here

CARO — The Tuscola County Health Department is offering Project Fresh starting this month.

Project Fresh is open to active WIC clients who are pregnant, children ages one to five, breastfeeding moms with infants up to the age of one, and non-breastfeeding moms with infants up to age six months.

Also known as the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP), Project Fresh is administered by the WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) program, helping to provide healthy and nutritious produce to Michigan WIC participants, while fostering economic development by promoting the state's diverse agricultural products.

The program provides low-income, nutritionally-at-risk WIC participants with eligible, locally grown, fresh, unprepared fruits and vegetables from authorized farmers, farmers' markets and roadside stands throughout Michigan

Call (989) 673-3199 for more information or to make an appointment.

Shelter proposal considered

CASS CITY — Recent power outages in the Cass City area, including one in April that resulted in a 25-hour interruption of service, has sparked discussion focused on emergency shelter locations in the community.

Cass City Village officials have approached Rawson Memorial District Library regarding the possibility of the library serving as an emergency shelter. The issue is being studied.

In addition, the village is working with Tuscola Emergency Services officials on how to obtain an electrical generator.

Free rec events in Michigan

MICHIGAN — Michigan officials are hosting special events this month that offer residents an opportunity to enjoy various recreational activities free of charge.

On two back-to-back days, June 9-10, the Michigan DNR is inviting residents and out-of-state visitors to enjoy Free Fishing Weekend, Free ORV Weekend and free entry into state parks. All fishing license, ORV license, trail permit and Recreation Passport fees are waived those two days, though all other regulations apply.

Dairy Odyssey set June 16

DECKERVILLE — The next Thumb Dairy Odyssey of 2018 will be held Saturday, June 16, at Deluur Dairy in Deckerville.

Registration is now open for this event, which will begin with a farm tour, followed by three educational sessions. The topics on this day will include what a milk-coop field rep does on farms, fitting, and how a cow views the world. Participants will investigate what field reps do on a farm and how they evaluate milking operations. They will learn what type of equipment is used and how to evaluate the equipment.

The program is designed for ages 9 to 19, but all youth — farm kids, city kids, country kids, FFA, or 4-H members as well as non-4-Hers — are invited to attend. The program will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at 2:30 p.m. with lunch included. The cost is \$5 per child with accompanying adults attending for free.

To register, visit the website <https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=425183137CACD074>, or stop by the Huron County Extension Office, 1142 S Van Dyke Rd., Suite 200, Bad Axe. More information is available by calling (989) 269-9949 or emailing mbuza@anr.msu.edu.

Compiled by Mary Drier and Tom Montgomery

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Foundation set to distribute spring grants

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ents throughout the county:

***Janks (William and Ruth) Fund** — Rawson Memorial District Library (\$600 to support the cultural — Manhattan Short — world festival cinematography event); Watrousville-Caro Historical Society (\$500 to update lighting at Watrousville Museum); The Good Samaritan Fund (\$5,000 to provide assistance to area needy with utility, housing and emergency food costs); Tuscola County Sheriff's Department (\$4,000 to purchase six Lifeloc Preliminary Breath Testers and six evidence quality Canon digital cameras); city of Caro (\$1,000 to support summer Music at Atwood Park); Caro DDA-city of Caro (\$10,000 to construct music shelter at Atwood Park); Human Development Commission (HDC) (\$1,000 to purchase mobile hot spot and portable scanner); Tuscola County Fair Association (\$5,000 to support phase one of retrofitting bleachers for safety); Frank E. Schall Elementary School (\$2,850 to purchase supplies for engineering enrichment program); Anka Akron Veteran Program (\$5,000 to purchase new beds); Great Start Tuscola Imagination Library (\$5,000 to support literacy preschool book program); and Great Start Tuscola (\$5,000 to support parents by offering the resources and items for newborns).

***Andrews (Claude and Etta) Fund** — Anka Akron Veteran Program (\$1,200 to purchase new beds); Frank E. Schall Elementary School (\$1,000 to support engineering enrichment program); 211 Northwest Michigan (\$2,000 to support 211 resource call program for Tuscola County); Tuscola County Fair Association (\$5,000 to support bleacher retrofitting project); and Tuscola Technology Center/nursing careers (\$5,000 to purchase classroom computers).

***Future Youth Involvement (FYI) Fund** — Millington High School (\$500 to purchase music for band library and for spring rewards SAT testing program);

Vassar High School (\$250 to assist with ceramics program); McLaren Caro Region Hospital (\$3,410 to purchase 500 teddy bears for children in emergency room); Kirk Elementary School (\$3,239 to update technical assortment of reading/math materials); Muscular Dystrophy Association (\$4,000 to support county youth to attend MDA summer camp); Christ the King School (\$250 to support chess club); Child Advocacy Center of Tuscola County (\$2,500 to support sexually/physically abused children); Reese track and field (\$4,500 for new high jump pit); Reese High School (\$4,000 to support weight training facility upgrades, and \$191 to purchase wireless microphone to promote student participation in English class); Akron-Fairgrove High School (\$250 for yearbook project, and \$724 to purchase portable runway and steel vault for indoor track pole vault training); and Vassar High School robotics (\$5,000 to support robotics team).

***Cass City HOPE Fund** — \$500 to support medical/daily living support for a Cass City area child.

***Connections Human Services Fund** — \$2,049 to support area guardianship program.

***Founders Fund** — \$500 to support engineering costs for Safe Routes to School program; village of Reese Fire-Rescue (\$500 to support purchase of protective gear); and Tuscola County Fair Association (\$2,000 for bleacher retrofitting project).

***Great Start Tuscola Imagination Library Fund** — \$24,847 to provide thousands of free books to preschool children in the county.

***Anne S. Laethem Fund** — Tuscola County Fair Association (\$500 to purchase and install Heritage Hall security system).

***Millington Area Fund** — Millington Helping Handz Ministry (\$2,000 to purchase supplies for needy children); and Kirk Elementary School (\$3,000 to improve student learning environment with standing desks).

***Millington Community Center Fund** — \$500 to improve entry sidewalk area.

***Love for Lexie Fund** — \$500 to provide medical/daily living support for a Cass City area child.

***Dr. Ed and Dorothy Scollon Family Foundation** — \$1,100 to assist with purchase of drums for Cass City High School Band Program.

***Jerry W. Zuercher Endowment Fund for the Arts** — Caro Music Boosters (\$500 to support drum major camp).

Scholarships

Among the scholarships approved were the following from Cass City area funds:

Allison Emmert Scholarship (\$500 for one Cass City senior), Allison and Marjorie Green Memorial Scholarship \$2,700 for one Kingston High School student), Ben Hobart Memorial Scholarship (\$200 for one Cass City senior), Cass City AAUW Scholarship Fund (\$11,250 for seven women returning to school), Cass City Junior Citizen of the Year Scholarship Fund (\$1,000 for one Cass City senior), Cass City Rotary Scholarship Fund (\$2,000 shared by two Cass City seniors), Cory Merz Endowment Fund \$1,000 for one Cass City senior), Judy and Bonnie Weippert Memorial Scholarship (\$500 for one Cass City senior), Kingston High School Scholarship (\$1,600 for one Kingston senior), Kally Maharg Endowment Fund (\$1,000 shared by two Cass City seniors), Kenna Lynne Peet Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000 for one Cass City student), Patricia Krol Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000 for one Cass City senior), Paul DeLong Memorial Scholarship (amount information not available), Ralph and Marceline Bublitz Scholarship for Registered Nurses (\$500 for one Cass City senior), Rawson Foundation (amount information not available), Robert and Barbara Tuckey Scholarship (\$250 for one Cass City senior), Robert and Marjorie Zander Memorial Scholarship (\$5,000 shared by two Cass City seniors) and the Wallace and Helen Zinnecker Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000 for one Cass City senior).

NOTICE

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Village hopes to join quilt trail

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prove the location,” said village Manager Debbie Powell, noting she has been waiting to hear back if the placement of the quilt is acceptable.

The village would like to put Cass City’s quilt on the DPW Storage Building so it faces the village park.

One of the goals of the quilt trail is tourism to bring visitors through small towns via both highways and country roads.

And, another quilt may put the Cass City area in the national limelight.

William and Andrea Shagene’s barn quilt at 6760 N. Cemetery Rd., Cass City, is being considered for the cover of the National Quilt calendar for 2019 because of the unusual quilt sign. That quilt

sign on that barn is the largest barn quilt square in Michigan, measuring 16 feet by 16 feet.

The concept of putting quilts on barns started in 2013 when a committee was formed in Tuscola County, and the first block was placed in 2014. The concept of the quilt trail was inspired when Donna Groves of Ohio bought a farm that had an “ugly barn,” so she painted a quilt block design to enhance the structure’s look.

The Thumb Area Quilt Trail is a community effort. The wooden quilt blocks are painted by students at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro. The students paint

between a dozen and 18 quilt blocks during the summer.

Most plywood quilt blocks are 8-feet by-8 feet and are installed on barns using a pulley system. Kappan Tree Service of Cass City has volunteered use of its cherry-picker bucket truck and workers to mount the blocks.

A \$300 donation is accepted to cover the costs of creating the quilt and installing it.

More information can be found on the website www.thumbquilt-trail.com. The Thumb Area Quilt Trail group also has a Facebook page.

THE THUMB Octagon Barn and Agriculture Museum at 6948 Richie Rd., Gagetown, is part of the Thumb Area Quilt Trail. There is a map that identifies the location of each barn featuring quilts in the Thumb’s three counties.

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Council okays road project, plant upgrade

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City Village Manager Debbie Powell noted.

Northwood Circle street is the primary street accessing the subdivision, so the upgrades will have to be completed in a way that allows residents to access their homes. The work is expected to be completed by early October.

Turning to the wastewater treatment plant, plans to replace the old grit system at the facility are moving forward.

“It was determined the grit was getting old and could fail, so it was decided to replace that before it happens,” said Powell. “The cost of that is \$141,000.”

The original grit system was installed in 1981. A grit system is designed to remove mineral matter that will not decompose or break down.

The replacement grit will be purchased from Walker Process Grit System from Dubois-Cooper, and Platinum Mechanical will remove the old grit system and install the new one.

Also last week, a clerical error transposing millage levies for landfill testing and for community promotions was corrected and will be forwarded to the Tuscola County Equalization Department.

Gentner is sold on Cass City community’s literacy council

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Literacy Council, and he struck up a conversation.

“I said, ‘Do you teach old people?’” he recalled. “I said, ‘Legally, I cannot read.’”

A few minutes later, the pair had scheduled Gentner’s first tutoring session, and he hasn’t stopped working on his reading and writing skills since, typically meeting with a tutor a couple times a week.

“And I plan on going (to tutoring sessions) as long as I’m alive, and as long as someone is willing to put up with me,” he joked during an interview Saturday at the Cass City library.

“I can’t say enough about the library and the girls (who tutor). I call them angels,” Gentner added. “And I have a wife at home that really pushes me. She’s not afraid to help me out a lot.”

Gentner, who has lived in Cass City for the past 13 years, grew up learning the mechanical skills that would enable him to get by without reading.

His varied career – involving work ranging from stints in a machine shop and on an assembly line, to repairing heavy equipment at airports – took him all over, from Royal Oak to Chicago to Denver, Colo.

Before retiring in 2000, he worked as a ground equipment mechanic for United Airlines. “I worked mostly on the big tractors that push the airplanes. I did mostly brake work,” he explained.

Gentner said he spent 14 years on that job, “but I worked heavy equipment all my life – construction equipment, farm equipment.”

He got his first taste of engine repair at his father’s side on the family farm in Harbor Beach.

“My dad overhauled farm tractors in the winter time, so that’s how I got my hands wet,” said Gentner. He attended a country school for grades K through eight, but as one of 40 to 50 students, he found himself completing an eighth-grade education and still not being able to read. It was a challenge he found too great when he entered high school, prompting him to leave school for good.

However, the lack of a high school diploma didn’t keep him out of the workforce. Gentner landed his first part-time job installing tires for Sears and Roebuck. Eventually he was handling oil and lube tasks, exhaust work, tune-ups and brake repairs.

Over the years, Gentner never passed a written exam for employment, although he found some success in guessing on multiple-choice questions. “I guessed mostly. It was hit and miss, I guess.

“But when I went out into the shop... they passed me on hands-on (skills), and the guys that were passing the written part, they weren’t passing the hands-on.

“It was (frustrating),” Gentner said of looking at a page full of words and not recognizing more than a “the” or an “and”. “It was terrible. None of it made sense to me. Before this, if you gave me a newspaper, I would go to the (comics) and I could figure out what was funny about them.”

Although he relied on diagrams, drawings and pictures when it came to reading, Gentner did a convincing job of avoiding the written word, even around his wife of more than 62 years. “We were married five, six years before she realized I couldn’t read,” he recalled. “She thinks it’s (decision to learn how to read) wonderful.”

The Gentners, who have four grown children, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, have a reputation for giving back to their community. The couple lend a hand when they can to both the Revive Ministries and Gagetown food pantries, and Dick is also a familiar face at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro, where he’s been known to volunteer various repair projects for students to utilize in their mechanics, electrical and construction classes – and he always tries to make it a point to encourage those young people to take in as much education as they can, while they can.

It’s a life lesson he knows something about first-hand.

Gentner’s inability to read wasn’t unique, nor is the success he’s enjoyed through the Cass City Literacy Council, according to Connie Iwankovitsch, who has served as director of the organization since 2010. Just the same, he’s a good example of how learning to read can change someone’s life.

“I give his tutors credit for that, and his own desire, and the support of his wife,” Iwankovitsch said.

The local literacy council was formed in the mid- to late-1980s, thanks largely to the efforts of former longtime Cass City resident Jane Hittler, whose passion for helping both the young and young at heart to read changed a number of lives in the community.

Since the literacy group was established, its offerings have been expanded considerably. Iwankovitsch said examples include GED (general educational diploma) prep, education credit recovery, English as a second language, and reading assistance for the dyslexic learner, as well as reading and math tutoring in the school system.

The literacy council currently has a half-dozen tutors working with roughly 20 students in various programs.

Those tutors’ efforts are often unseen in the community, but the impact they’ve had is life-changing, Iwankovitsch indicated.

“If you have not been a reader, it’s like a person who is color blind” and is able to see color for the first time, she said. “It is a different world.”

Gentner couldn’t agree more, although he acknowledged he was a little apprehensive at first about asking for help, not to mention the prospects to trying to learn something that had seemed alien to him throughout his adult life.

“Thanks to the library – thanks to the people who (tutor) – I just can’t praise these people enough. The (staff) at the library has been super with me, too. They did wonders for this old goat,” he joked.

“It’s not easy, but they’re not afraid to back up if they see I’m not getting something,” he said. “They don’t make you feel embarrassed. They encourage you.

“It opened such a big world for me.”

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ALL SMILES ARE THE 2018 Division 3 district champions Cass City baseball team. They are: (front row, l-r) Bryce Fernald, Matthew House, Tristan Swiderski, Sandyn Cuthrell, Kendall Anthes, and Taylor Marshall (back row, l-r)Kenton Wiseman, Coach Jim Baker, Luke Stern, Joey Krol, Collin Wrubel, Braeden Rosenstangel, Zack Beecher, Hunter Vaughan, Ryan Delong, Manager Brad Baker, and Head Coach Josh Stern.

Cass City collects district hardware

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

After a brief pause, the Cass City baseball team will return to regional play in 2018.

Coach Josh Stern's Red Hawks claimed Division 3 district honors Saturday in Caro for the first time since winning four straight tournament crowns ending in 2015.

Those titles came under then Coach Nathan Haag, but following district play over the weekend, and considering the youthfulness of the team's roster, there's reason to believe Cass City will be strong on the diamonds during the near future.

That being said, this year's team will look to hang the school's first regional banner this Saturday in Brown City. There, Cass City

meets Madison Height Bishop Foley at 10:00 a.m., followed by a matchup between Almont and Capac. The regional championship game is slated for 2:00 p.m.

If Cass City continues to make the extra effort plays they displayed while disposing of Sandusky, 9-3, in the district semis, then Bad Axe, 11-5, in the district finals, Coach Stern likes his team's chances to advance in the MHSAA post season.

"Winning the district was truly a team effort, every guy on the team had a big contribution at some point during the games. Kenton (Wiseman) and Kendall (Anthes) both pitched great games and scoring 20 runs in two games is a great accomplishment," Stern said. In the finals, Cass City leapt out

to a 3-0 start, only to see Bad Axe answer with three runs of their own in the bottom of the first inning.

Cass City added a pair of runs in the third inning and two more markers in the fifth to build a 7-3 cushion. The Red Hawks added three insurance runs late to ice their first district title after a 3-year absence.

Luke Stern and Joey Krol both clubbed triples for Cass City and Wiseman and Tristan Swiderski added doubles. Stern and Swiderski had a pair of RBIs each.

Sophomore Anthes settled in after a shaky first inning and held the Hatchets scoreless until the sixth when he handed the ball to Zack Beecher and eventually Stern to move on. Anthes fanned 10, including five consecutive batters in the middle innings.

"Going forward, we just need to keep hitting, pitching and fielding. The guys are really focused on what they need to do and as long

as we keep playing good baseball, the sky is the limit," Coach Stern said.

Stimpfel closes out career in style at MHSAA Finals

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

CarLee Stimpfel closed the books on a remarkable Cass City High School track and field career Saturday with yet another record-breaking run at the Michigan High School Athletic Association Divi-

sion 3 Finals. Stimpfel – he holds five school records: one in cross country and four in track and field in the 800, 1600 and 3200 meter runs and the 3200 meter relay – finished his Red Hawk career with all-state honors in the 1600 meter run and Please turn to page 10.



RED HAWK Zack Beecher uses a head first slide to reach home plate during the D3 district championship contest in Caro.

Patriots deny CC gals one more time

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

Damn those Patriots. At least that's how many Cass City fans must be feeling after USA denied Cass City another district championship, this time during their own district softball affair.

Both teams entered Friday's championship contest in Cass City following easy semifinal victories. The Red Hawks eliminated Owen-Gage with a 20-0 trouncing, while the Patriots defeated Kingston, 14-0.

However, in the district final, Cass City's bats went silent at the plate, while Katie Englehardt delivered the fireworks for the winners.

In the pitcher's circle, Englehardt struck out 11, scattered three hits and issued three bases on balls. Despite her dominating showing toeing the rubber, it was Englehardt's bat that put the guests up 3-1 after the 4th innings. Rylee Zimmer singled to

open the frame and then came home on an Englehardt home run to center field.

Laura Adam scored the Patriots' first run and Maci Montgomery accounted for USA's final marker, leading to the 4-0 victory.

In the 2017-18 school year, USA has turned back Cass City in the district finals in volleyball, basketball and now softball.

Bailee Ross had a pair of hits to lead the way at the plate for Cass City, while Macey White had the team's only other knock. Ross is one of seven seniors Coach John Hacker will miss next season.

Dawson Klein took the loss for Cass City. She tossed a complete game, striking out three and surrendered eight hits.

Also ending their Red Hawk careers on the night were seniors Lauren Dickinson, Baylee Murphy, Riley Klein, Konnar Warren, Kate Stimpfel and Sayge Cuthrell.

"I am excited about next year," said Hacker when asked about his program's future. "We should have three pitchers and Macey Please turn to page 10.



THE THUMB was well represented at the MHSAA Division 3 Finals, especially in the 1,600 meter run where Cass City's Carlee Stimpfel finished third and Caro's Yami Albrecht fourth, earning all-state honors.

Caro boys finish 5th in D3 team standings

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3200 meter run. "All-state is finishing in the top 8 in each event," Cass City Coach Jon Zdrojewski said. "That is how you earn one of the coveted state medals. CarLee finished the 1600 meter run in a new personal best time of 4:17.98, once again lowering the school record mark he first set last year, taking 3rd place. He also competed in the 3200 meter run, taking 4th place in the nearly perfect conditions for a race."

Joining Stimpfel in Comstock Park was teammate Brendan Hamilton. In his first and final visit to the Finals, the Cass City senior long jumper finished in 11th place with a new personal best jump of 19'10.25".

Although Hamilton's Red Hawk sports career is the envy of most, the spotlight was focused on Stimpfel at the D3 Finals.

"CarLee is an exceptional athlete with natural talent and a very strong work ethic. The best work ethic I have encountered in all of my time coaching in Cass City, which began as an assistant track coach with Larry Robinson in 1995. He set a standard for Cass City running that may never be matched, he is truly one of those once-in-a-lifetime athletes to come through Cass City. I will remember my time working with CarLee and his brother Bransen as the most positive coaching experience in my life. His incredible work ethic and academic achievements will be very difficult to match. He is also one of the nicest and most humble people I have had the pleasure to work with. I have had CarLee on my teams in cross country since he was in 7th grade and all four years of high school in track and field. He is very willing to work with the younger athletes on all of the teams he has been on and has been a very positive influence that will last beyond him. He has been a motivator for the middle school cross country team this year and his influence will be felt as these kids move through high school over the next 6 years, they will all remember having practice with CarLee and always look up to him as a mentor," said Zdrojewski.

Other area athletes that enjoyed a banner day over the weekend included Caro's first place 4x800

meter relay team that consisted of Yami Albrecht, Caleb Cotton, Bryden Miller and Aaron Hurlburt.

Albrecht also finished in 4th place in the 1600 meter run directly behind Stimpfel, while Nathan Furst collected all-state medals in both hurdle races taking third in the 300 meter hurdles and fourth in the 110 meter hurdles. Tiger Trevin Phillips finished in 6th place in the high jump.

For Bad Axe, David Knarian finished in 7th place in the 3200 meter run with a new personal record of 9:38.31 and Nick Schember took 4th in the discus and 7th in the shot put.

Clair won team honors with 44 points. Caro was 5th in the team standings with 29 points and Cass City, with 11 points, came in at 22.

MEET OF CHAMPS

At the Tuscola County Meet of Champions on Tuesday, May 29, top athletes from 40 area schools were invited to participate. Medals are awarded to the top 6 finishers in each event at the Caro meet.

"Only the top 8 are invited to compete in most events with the top 12 invited to compete in the 800, 1600, 3200 and 4x800 Relay. Cass City men's team had seven athletes compete with four of them medaling, according to Zdrojewski.

Stimpfel won the 1600 meter run, Justin Schaufele was third in the long jump with a new personal best mark of 20'3.25". Nick McArdle was third in the 3200 meter run and Brendan Hamilton finished 6th in the long jump.

For the Lady Red Hawks at the elite meet, Coach Adam Dorland reported, Madison Beckrow was runner up the pole vault and Hailey Schmotzer third in the 100 meter hurdles.

"She (Beckrow) jumped 9' which tied her season best and Hailey (Schmotzer) set a new personal best of 16.62. She has been very consistent and still showing improvement. Finally the 3200 meter relay of Layna Mathewson, Mary and Marla Muter and Riley Copeland took 11th place. Great job to all the ladies and great season," he said.



CASS CITY third baseman Riley Klein holds the runner during district action.

Cass City bows

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(White) and Kacey (Haire) really stepped up this year. That's a pair of outfielders that have challenged each other not to let a fly ball hit the ground."

Haire patrolled center field and White guarded the left field line in 2018. Other key players Hacker will turn to next season included Dawson Klein, Brittany Hamilton, Brianna Mester, DeeDee Haley and Jalene Krol.

Cass City finishes 14-11. Up next for USA is regional action in Kingston. In the semifinals rounds Saturday, Whittemore-Prescott takes on Ubyly in the early game, followed by a USA and Mayville battle in the late game. The first pitch is set for 10:00 a.m.

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VERY IMPORTANT Check each level you have played	VERY IMPORTANT Check each level you have played	VERY IMPORTANT Check each level you have played	VERY IMPORTANT Check each level you have played
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DIVISIONS - BOYS, GIRLS, CO-ED
Based mainly upon oldest team player.
Co-ed teams will play in boys' divisions.

Registration Times
11:30 a.m.

Game Times
Noon

- Each 3 on 3 team will consist of three or four players.
- Teams will be grouped in divisions with other teams of similar average age, but primarily by oldest player. Every effort will be made to have the age brackets as close as possible to each other, but we reserve the right to change brackets as necessary.
- You may play on only one 3 on 3 team.
- 3 on 3 games half court.
- Scoring: One point per basket; two points for shots made over 20 feet. First team to get 16 points, up by at least two, wins; OR, team ahead after 30 minutes, wins. No time limit for playoff games. Possession alternates after each basket.
- We reserve the right to verify any player's height, weight, age or playing experience. Inaccurate information is grounds for disqualification of the entire team. Each player is encouraged to carry personal identification.
- We reserve the right to reduce the number of scheduled games, or shorten games, due to rain or unforeseen circumstances.
- Double elimination tournament. Team captains will be notified if an insufficient number of teams register for their age division. The option of playing in an older age division or request for refund will be provided.
- No foul language or flagrant fouls will be tolerated.
- Monitor on each court.
- No refunds after deadline.
- Prizes for 1st, 2nd place finishes. (Trophies and medals).
- Rules for rain dates, if necessary, will be decided on contest date.
- Every reasonable effort will be made to ensure the safety and integrity of the facilities provided, but we cannot assume any responsibility for lost or stolen articles, or for personal injuries sustained by players.

Mail To: Fire In The Sky 6876 Herron Drive Cass City, MI 48726	TOURNAMENT QUESTIONS? Justin Ketterer 989-280-2379	\$40 entry fee must accompany your Entry Form. Make checks payable to: Cass City Basketball
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Legal Notices

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 14, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Jamie Dean, a married man

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

Date of Mortgage: February 27, 2004
Date of Mortgage Recording: March 2, 2004

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$49,188.84

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: The South 7 rods of Lot 11, in Block 20, T. North's Addition to the Village of (now City) of Vassar, according to the recorded plat thereof.

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 16, 2018
Trott Law, P.C.
1350376

5-16-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 21, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Shane Michael Shoens, a single man

Original Mortgagee: First Place Bank
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Nationstar Mortgage LLC

Date of Mortgage: June 24, 2011
Date of Mortgage Recording: July 12, 2011

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$63,856.02

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at a point 56 rods South of Northwest corner of Section 13, Town 11 North, Range 7 East; thence East 39 rods; thence North 12 rods; thence West 39 rods to Section line; thence South on Section line 12 rods to place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a; 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 23, 2018
Trott Law, P.C.
1351277

5-23-4

We are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify us at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Pursuant to the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by MARIA M. RUPPAL, a single woman, Mortgagors, to James B. Nutter & Company, Mortgagee, dated the 28th day of September, 2009 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 5th day of October, 2009 in Liber 1184 of Tuscola County Records, page 1089, said Mortgage having been assigned to Reverse Mortgage Funding, LLC on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty One Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Five & 54/100 (\$81,855.54), by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of June, 2018 at 10:00 AM o'clock Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Tuscola Cty MI, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, with interest thereon at 5.12500 per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Township of Akron, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: Township 14 North, Range 8 East, Section 33, Township of Akron, Tuscola County, Michigan, commencing 1007.96 feet South of East 1/4 corner of Section; thence South 313.5 feet; thence West 295.5 feet; thence North 313.5 feet; thence East 295.5 feet to the point of beginning During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed 30 days after the foreclosure sale or when the time to provide the notice required by the statute expires, whichever is later. Pursuant to MCLA 600.3278, the mortgagor(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney
Dated: 05/23/2018
Reverse Mortgage Funding, LLC
Mortgagee
FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.
Attorney for Servicer
700 Tower Drive, Ste. 510
Troy, MI 48098 (248) 362-2600
CELINK FHA RUPPAL

5-23-4

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose. MORTGAGE SALE - Christopher Baase and Jill Baase, Husband and Wife, granted a mortgage to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 9, 2002, and recorded on September 20, 2002, in Liber 895, on Page 66, and assigned by said mortgagee to Ditech Financial LLC F/K/A Green Tree Servicing LLC, as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Two Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents (\$3,842.22).

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 June 21, 2018 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner, Section 14, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, thence South 0 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, 132.0 feet along the East section line to the point of beginning; thence South 0 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, 136.05 feet along the East section line; thence South 89 degrees 24 minutes 13 seconds West, 225.0 feet; thence South 0 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds East, 311.75 feet, parallel to the East section line; thence South 88 degrees 46 minutes 13 seconds West, 208.0 feet, parallel to the East-West

1/4 line; thence North 0 degrees 35 minutes 47 seconds West, 445.5 feet parallel to the East section line; thence North 88 degrees 46 minutes 13 seconds East, 433.0 feet, parallel to the East-West 1/4 line to the point of beginning. Subject to easement for ingress and egress along the North 66 feet and the West 33 feet thereof. The redemption period shall be one year 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 F/K/A
Green Tree Servicing LLC
Mortgagee/Assignee
Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335

5-23-4

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 Mortgagee, 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 June 28, 2018. Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Phyllis Fagan and Jordan Fagan, Wife and Husband Original Mortgagee:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Nationstar Mortgage LLC, its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Nationstar Mortgage LLC D/B/A Mr. Cooper Date of Mortgage: September 21, 2015 Date of Mortgage Recording: September 30, 2015 Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$126,481.86 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Tuscola, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of land in the West one-half of Section 23, Town 11 North, Range 7 East, described as: To Fix The Point Of Beginning Commence at the East one-quarter corner of said Section 23; thence North 89 degrees 31 minutes 12 seconds West, on the East and West one-quarter line of said Section, 3,759.29 feet to the Point of Intersection of said one-quarter line with the centerline of Relocated Buell Lake Road; thence South 52 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West, on said centerline, 157.67 feet to the Point Of Beginning of this description; thence South 52 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West, on said centerline, 109.24 feet to the intersection of said centerline and the West one-eighth line of Section 23; thence South 52 degrees 03 minutes 00 seconds West, continuing on said centerline, 16.87 feet; thence North 30 degrees 20 minutes 27 seconds West, 219.22 feet to a Point which is approximately 7 feet, South 30 degrees 20 minutes 27 seconds East, from the water's edge at the Southeastly Bank of the Cass River, thence North 37 degrees 51 minutes 28 seconds East, on a transit line which is approximately parallel to said water's edge, said transit line is for surveying and description purposes only and it is the intention of this description to include all land to the water's edge of the Cass River, 134.63 feet to a Point which is approximately 15 feet, South 30 degrees 20 minutes 27 seconds East, from said water's edge; thence South 30 degrees 20 minutes 27 seconds East, 252.53 feet to the Point Of Beginning.

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

sure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: 05/30/2018
Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 111057
5-30-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 28, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Mitchel K. Ill and Deborah L. Ill, husband and wife
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Lake-View Loan Servicing, LLC
Date of Mortgage: January 17, 2014
Date of Mortgage Recording: February 18, 2014

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$168,722.73

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Arbela, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the East One-Half (1/2) of the Northeast fractional One-quarter (1/4) of Section four (4), Town ten (10) North, Range seven (7) East, described as: Beginning at a point on the centerline of Barkley Road, which is South 24 degrees 58 minutes 31 seconds East, 971.48 feet from the intersection of the centerline of Barkley Road and the North line of Section four (4), said point being East 1,334.26 feet from the North One-quarter (1/4) corner of said Section Four (4); thence along said centerline South 24 degrees 58 minutes 31 seconds East, 250.0 feet; thence East 465.0 feet to a traverse line; thence along said traverse line, North 31 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds West, 266.67 feet to its terminus; thence West 430.0 feet to the point of beginning, said parcel includes all that land embraced by the traverse line and the centerline of Perry Creek and the side lines extended to the centerline of Perry Creek. Excepting therefrom any portion of the above-described property lying within or beneath the waters of Perry Creek.

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 30, 2018
Trott Law, P.C.
1351989

5-30-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 28, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Paul Riggs, a married man and Danyell C. Riggs, his wife, as to Loan Modification Agreement recorded 4/30/2015 in Liber 1328 Page 1148

Original Mortgagee: Union Federal Bank of Indianapolis
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Ditech Financial LLC FKA Green Tree Servicing LLC
Date of Mortgage: August 26, 2004
Date of Mortgage Recording: September 17, 2004
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$69,458.09

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Lot(s) 10 and the West 49.5 feet of Lot 9, Block 11 of Assessor's Plat of the Village of Akron, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of plats, Page(s) 78, 79 and 80, now being pages 28B,

29B, and 30B of Tuscola County Records.

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

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

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: May 30, 2018
Trott Law, P.C.
1351951

5-30-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on June 28, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Anthony Dickenson, a married man
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Wells Fargo Bank, NA
Date of Mortgage: December 6, 2011

Date of Mortgage Recording: December 8, 2011
Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$108,489.96

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Watertown, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Parcel B:

A parcel of land in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 23, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, described as follows: To fix the point of beginning, commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 23; thence North 00 degrees 25 minutes 18 seconds East, on the East line of said Section 987.01 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 16 seconds West, on a line which is parallel with said 335.28 feet, measured at right angles, South of the North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section, 1313.36 feet to a point on the West line of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 52 seconds West on said West line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, 335.29 feet to the Northwest 1/4 of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 16 seconds East, on said North line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, 1313.9 feet to the Northeast corner of said Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4; thence South 00 degrees 25 minutes 18 seconds West, on said East Section line, 335.29 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 30, 2018
Trott Law, P.C.
1351735

5-30-4



Legal Notices

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement
 NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on July 5, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Russell Hoad Jr., a single man
 Original Mortgagee: Mayville State Bank
 Foreclosing Assignee (if any): The First State Bank
 Date of Mortgage: February 11, 2008
 Date of Mortgage Recording: February 19, 2008

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$108,218.75

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Arbel, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: The East 290 feet of the West 590 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; Except the East 150 feet of the North 350 feet thereof. Also, including the East 25 feet of the West 300 feet of the North 474 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 21, also including the East 35 feet of the West 275 feet of the North 249 feet of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, Arbel Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

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: June 6, 2018
 Trott Law, P.C.
 1352901

6-6-4

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rose D. Denniston aka Rose M. Denniston, unmarried, to PNC Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated July 16, 2016 and recorded July 28, 2016 in Liber 1355, Page 1143 Tuscola County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen and 60/100 Dollars (\$48,616.60), including interest at 3.49% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on JULY 5, 2018.

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

SITUATED IN TUSCOLA COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN, TO WIT: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 21, TOWN 11 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST, TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP, TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN; THENCE SOUTH 1075.79 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF FRANKENMUTH ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 40 DEG. 19' WEST 236.50 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF FRANKENMUTH ROAD TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 40 DEG. 19' WEST 245.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 49 DEG.

41' WEST 180.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 40 DEG. 19' EAST 245.0 FEET PARALLEL TO THE CENTERLINE OF FRANKENMUTH ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 49 DEG. 41' EAST 160.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR FRANKENMUTH ROAD ALONG THE SOUTHEASTERLY SIDE THEREOF. SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS, COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESERVATIONS, LEASES AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, ALL LEGAL HIGHWAYS, ALL RIGHTS OF WAY, ALL ZONING, BUILDING AND OTHER LAWS, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS, ALL RIGHTS OF TENANTS IN POSSESSION, AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS NOT YET DUE AND PAYABLE. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED BY DEED RECORDED IN VOLUME 648, PAGE 553, OF THE TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN RECORDS.

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

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

Dated: June 6, 2018
 File No. 18-006583

6-6-4

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rodger D. Buckley, a/k/a Rodger Buckley, a single man and Jessica R. Reif, a/k/a Jessica Reif, a single woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 10, 2013 and recorded February 13, 2014 in Liber 1301, Page 770, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by U.S. Bank National Association, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Fifteen and 77/100 Dollars (\$65,015.77), including interest at 3.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on JULY 5, 2018.

Said premises are located in the City of Vassar, Tuscola County Michigan, and are described as:

Land situated in the City of Vassar, County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, is described as follows: Lot(s) 5 and 35 and the West half of Lot 6 and 36, Block 4 of The Plat of Village of Vassar according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 93 and Liber 1 of Deeds, page 143 of Tuscola County Records.

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

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

Dated: June 6, 2018
 File No. 18-006963

6-6-4

Obituaries

Beatrice Bujak

Beatrice Celia Bujak, 82, of Cass City, passed away at her home with family at her side, Sunday, February 25, 2018.

She was born April 16, 1935, in Grosse Pointe, the daughter of the late Henry and Emilia (Chesney) Georges. She married Joseph A. Bujak May 29, 1954, at St. Martin's Catholic Church, Detroit. He passed away January 17, 2008.



Beatrice was a wonderful cook, enjoyed birds, gardening and flowers. She loved time with friends and family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Most of all, she loved her faith in God and was a member at Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Church.

Beatrice will be remembered and cherished by her children, Robert (Sharon A.) Bujak of Cass City, Andrew (Sharon L.) Bujak of Estero, FL, Deanna M. (Paul) Brown of Rose City and Joseph M. (Christina) Bujak of Fenton; grandchildren, Shilah, Brandon, Eric, Amanda, Lauren, Ashley, Christine, Alicia, Joseph, Chelsea and Zachary; great-grandchildren, Broxton, Morgan, Emily, Nolan, Savannah, Julia, Natalie, Haedyn, Brodie and Hudson; a brother, Peter (Audrey) Georges of FL; a sister, Johanna (Don) Wurmlinger of Crosswell; and special friend, Mary Lou Mico of St. Clair Shores.

She was predeceased by a brother, Henry Georges and a sister, Anna Komatz.

A Celebration of Life Mass to honor Beatrice Bujak will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 9, at Our Lady Consolata Parish - St. Pancratius Church, 4292 Seeger St., Cass City. The family will receive friends at 10:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home of Cass City.

William Hennessey

William Daniel Hennessey, 66, of Cass City, died following a short illness, Monday, May 28, 2018 in Covenant Medical Center Cooper Campus, Saginaw.

He was born June 16, 1951 in Cass City to Daniel Joseph and Stella Elizabeth (Patch) Hennessey.



Bill graduated from Cass City High School. He worked at Saginaw Steering Gear for many years, retiring in 1995. Bill enjoyed cooking and was a talented baker. Bill enjoyed shooting pool and competed in several area leagues. He was quite a talker, easily starting conversations with friends he hadn't met yet. Bill loved to socialize and family gatherings were very important to him. He was very proud of his children and grandchildren and was very interested in their lives.

Bill is survived by his daughter, Angela "Angie" (Don) Burnette of Cass City and son, Bill (Heather) Hennessey of Cass City; grandchildren: Zack, Zoey and Makayla; brothers: Bob (Kathy) Hennessey of Northville and Ben (Jan) Hennessey of Greenville; sister, Sue Hennessey of Tennessee; sister-in-law, Deb Hennessey of Bay City; former wives and friends: Linda Barrons of Cass City, Sandra Hennessey of Gagetown; nieces and nephews: Nathan (Amber) Hennessey, Ben Hennessey Jr, Aimee Hennessey, Matt (Denise) Hennessey, Sarah (Collin) Wyckoff, Josh Parker, Candi Parker and Kara Hennessey.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandbabies: William Daniel Hennessey and Gavin Kenneth Hennessey; brothers: Robin Paul Hennessey and David Hennessey; nephews: Zachary Hennessey and Michael Hennessey.

A funeral service was held Thursday, May 31, in Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, with Brad Speirs of Novesta Church of Christ officiating.

Interment will be in Novesta Township Cemetery.

Pallbearers for William will be: Nathan Hennessey, Ben Hennessey, Matt Hennessey, Zack Burnette, Tyler Hennessey and John Jacques.

Memorials may be made to Tuscola County Meals on Wheels. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

Ardith Molnar

Ardith J. Molnar, 87, of Cass City, went to be with her Lord and Savior, Wednesday, May 30, 2018.

She was born July 8, 1930 to the late William and Christina (Morrow) Kemp in Standish.



Ardith enjoyed being with her family and pets, doing crossword puzzles, flower gardening and crafts.

Ardith is survived by her children, David (Sandra) Raymond of Saginaw, Kim (Cheryl Papke) Raymond of Deford, Cheryl (Charlie) Nicol of Deford, Gregory (Rose) Raymond of Caro, Deborah (John Connolly) Raymond of Cass City and Morrie Jim (Shirley) Molnar of Caro; grandchildren, Kristy, Tony, Angel, Kimmie, Robin and Chad; several great grandchildren; one great, great grandchild; sister, Donna Potts; sister-in-law, Elenore Kemp; and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by brothers and sisters-in-law, Melvin (Helen) McCullough, Jerry (Anne) McCullough, Russell (Dorothy) McCullough and Lyle Kemp; and daughter-in-law, Nancy Raymond.

Cremation has taken place and a celebration of life gathering will be held Sunday, July 8, at the Cass City Gun Club, 2676 North Englehart Rd., Cass City from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. Burial will be at Pine River Cemetery, Standish at a later date. Memorials in memory of Ardith, may be directed to her family.

Please share condolences at www.thabetfuneralhome.com

Arrangements were made by Thabet Funeral Home, Cass City.

Paul Rockwell

Paul Morris Rockwell, 70, of Snover, passed away in Bradenton, Florida on January 26, 2018.

In loving memory of Paul Morris Rockwell, please join us for a memorial service honoring Paul's life. The service will be held on June 16 at 11:00 a.m. at Shabbona Methodist Church at 4455 Decker Road.



Paul is survived by his wife Donna Jean of 52 years; mother, Iva Rockwell; daughters Paula Miller, Kathy LaPonsie and Brenda (Richard) Yates; brothers Ronald (Sharon) Rockwell, Robert (Rita) Rockwell and Phil (Barb) Rockwell; 3 beautiful granddaughters; and 2 handsome great-grandsons. He also has many loving nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father Morris Rockwell, son Brian Rockwell and son Danny Rockwell.

Paul was a loving husband, son, father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle and friend to all.

Paul graduated from Cass City High School and worked at Marlette Homes, was a semi-truck driver and also worked at General Cable. He became a snow bird in retirement and spent the winters in Bradenton, Florida, where he made many new friends. His summers were in Michigan, where most of his family resides. He was always willing to lend a hand on projects to anyone and enjoyed football and spending time with his loving family.

Greenleaf Township is accepting applications for a Zoning Administrator.

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Mr. Miller is requesting a variance which will allow him to keep his sawmill building (located on Cleland Road) 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 family members.

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Pharmacy family

Hills and Dales' Lowthian comes from a long line of pharmacists in the Thumb

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Members of the Lowthian family of Unionville have a long history of pursuing medical careers.

Timothy "Tim" Lowthian is a staff pharmacist at Hills and Dales General Hospital. He is the fifth generation of his family to choose that career.

"There is a long list of doctors and pharmacists in my family. Most recently, my father and grandfather were pharmacists. They owned Lowthian's Pharmacy in Unionville," said Lowthian. "My father died when I was 16, and my mother wanted me to continue the pharmacy tradition."

However, when he was younger, the idea of being a pharmacist didn't appeal to him.

"I wanted to work outdoors and work for the Department of Natural Resources. After some persuasion, though, I entered pharmacy school," he said. "It was a great career choice."

Lowthian has been a pharmacist for about 36 years. He earned his license in 1981, attending Ferris State College.

"I interned at Bay Medical Center in Bay City. Then, I was hired there as a pharmacist upon graduation. I worked there for eight years before I went to work for Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon," he noted. "I worked there for 26 years as the director of pharmacy. I learned so much about rural healthcare under (Director) Dwight Gascho."



Tim Lowthian

In September 2016, Lowthian joined the staff at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City.

Medical careers in the family date back to the late 1800s, with Dr. Timothy Lowthian also a pharmacist. After his passing, his son, DeMont Lowthian, was the next pharmacist in the family after graduating from Ferris College in 1900. His son, Timothy Lyle Lowthian, opened the pharmacy on Bay Street in downtown Unionville in 1904, which continued to operate until 1975.

DeMont's son was the third generation to take over the family business. Jack was a fourth-generation pharmacist. He passed away in 1975. At that time, the pharmacy closed after 71 years of operation. Although the pharmacy in the heart of Unionville closed, the family tradition of medical careers continued.

"I have three children. They are all girls - Erin, Sara and Emily. Erin is in the medical field and works for Scheurer Hospital. Sara and Emily have chosen different fields," Lowthian said.

Lowthian says his career is rewarding. "The best part is being able to work with the entire healthcare team to make a difference in our patients' lives and be able to provide quality healthcare to the patients we serve in a rural setting," he said. "As for the hardest part, regulations probably are number one. The other might be when we are unable to help someone."

Although initially he wasn't interested in becoming a pharmacist, he doesn't regret his decision to carry on the family tradition, and he encourages others to consider it as a career choice.

"It is a lot of hard work. You must develop good study habits," he said. "There are many opportunities in the pharmaceutical industry, and it can be very rewarding."

Aside from pharmacists, there are several members of the Lowthian family who chose nursing as a career.

Village officials close pool

Continued from page one.

"After opening the pool, staff and lifeguards received complaints of scrapes and cuts to the feet of swimmers," Powell said Friday. "The pool was checked for foreign objects, cleaned and carefully inspected this week. There have been subsequent complaints, which make it necessary to close the pool for cleaning and repairs."

"I have asked that the pool be closed in order to make repairs," she added. "The pool will be vacuumed and drained (this) week in preparation for investigating why we are having problems with something sharp in the pool this year. After the pool is fixed, we will need two days to refill the water and test prior to re-opening."

"It is my hope that we can be open in time for the start of swimming lessons on June 18."

While the pool was donated to the community 42 years ago as a memorial to Helen Stevens, Powell noted the gift did not include an endowment for maintenance and equipment replacement.

"Sadly, repairs needed for this beloved community pool exceed \$100,000, more than the small village of Cass City taxpayers can bear," she said. "We are actively fundraising to keep our community pool."

"The Cass City park and Helen Stevens Memorial Pool are a recreational destination for fun events and activities, athletics, swimming lessons and cooling off in the summer heat. Adults and children alike need a sense of place to enjoy and make memories, and for many in the Thumb, that has been the Cass City pool and park," Powell said. "If (anyone) would like to support this regional pool and restore it for future generations, fundraising efforts are already underway."

Donations for the reconstruction and repair of the pool can be sent to the Tuscola County Community Foundation in care of the Friends of Cass City Park. Residents willing to volunteer for fundraising are asked to call the Cass City Municipal Building, 6506 Main St., at (989) 872-2911.

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