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CASS CITY Village Trustee Tom Herron (far right) makes a point during a discussion involving repairs at the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool during a parks and recreation committee meeting Friday morning. Also pictured above are village Manager Debbie Powell and Trustee Rob Piaskowski.

Village to re-open pool, raise cash in effort to start over

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Cass City Village officials expect to complete temporary repairs that will enable them to re-open the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool in time for the start of swimming lessons June 18.

But the long-term prognosis for the pool isn't promising. That's according to village Manager Debbie Powell, who updated the Cass City Parks and Recreation Committee during a meeting Friday morning.

"We're looking at getting repairs done this week," said Powell, who ordered the pool closed a week earlier after swimmers complained of minor injuries to their feet.

"After opening the pool, staff and lifeguards received complaints of scrapes and cuts to the feet of swimmers," Powell explained in a news release. "The pool was checked for foreign objects, cleaned and carefully inspected. There have been subsequent complaints, which makes it necessary to close the pool for cleaning and repairs."

Powell said Friday that workers drained and inspected the pool again, and they believe the problems could be related to one or more issues stemming from the age of the facility.

Black "grip strips" on the stairs are deteriorating, she noted, and the pool liner is bunching up along the seams in some places. In addition, she said, the glaze on the tiles around the pool is flaking off, releasing tiny but sharp particles that could be getting into the water, where it would be circulated by the pumps.

"We consulted with Bluewater Pools and Spas out of Bad Axe, and what we've decided to do, as a plan of action, is to address the stairs," Powell continued, adding workers will also use some patching material as well as power wash the tiles, vacuum out the gutter system and seal the tiles with a heavy pool paint.

Unfortunately, the facility has additional maintenance needs that will

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No free lunch? Wrong!

Local school officials gearing up for 10th year of serving free summer meals in Cass City and Caro

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Unlike the students she feeds throughout the school year in the Cass City Public Schools, Shari Bock doesn't get to enjoy much of a summer vacation.

After coordinating the preparation of thousands of meals for kids from fall through spring and early summer, Bock gets only a short break before starting all over again with the district's popular summer meal program.

Bock, food service director for the Cass City District, has been coordinating the preparation of free meals for Thumb area youngsters during the summer months over the past several years. And she's gearing up to get started all over again this month.

It's no secret this time of year is exciting for area children waiting for the last bell of the school year. Summer vacation marks the beginning of activities such as play dates with friends, time on the ball field, a week at camp, or a family

vacation. But for many children who receive free and reduced-price meals at school, summer can mean hunger.

"Just as learning does not end when school lets out, neither does a child's need for good nutrition," said Bock, who along with her staffers and a crew of volunteers provide free meals to kids during the summer as part of the USDA Summer Food Service Program. For the 10th year, local school officials are sponsoring the feder-

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Farmers market to open this month downtown

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

While an experimental indoor-outdoor farm market won't be returning to Cass City this summer, lovers of fresh vegetables may be in luck all the same.

"We are going to give it a try," area resident Carolyn Sorenson said of plans to pursue an informal farmers market with the backing of Thumb

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U.S. News lists Cass City High in '18 rankings

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Cass City Junior-Senior High School has again earned national recognition as a top-performing school.

U.S. News and World Report recently released its 2018 edition of Best High Schools, and for the second consecutive year, Cass City was listed as a bronze medal school district.

The rankings evaluated more than 20,500 public high schools nationwide to identify schools that best serve all of their students – including historically underserved populations – and assess the degree to which students are prepared for college-level coursework.

Top-performing high schools receive gold, silver and bronze medal recognition from U.S. News, with gold medals indicating the greatest level of college readiness.

Cass City Junior-Senior High School was ranked 120th among Michigan schools, based in part on test scores that have consistently topped state averages, the opportunities local students have to take advanced placement (AP)

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A HOST OF area businesses are once again sponsoring Cass City's popular Music in Rotary Park concert series this summer. The series is slated to get underway Friday, June 29, with a concert by Tom & Jerry featuring local duo Jerry Lamoureux (above left) and Tom Guinther. See story, page 8.

Battel awarded \$5,000 grant to support 'meeting the need' project

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

Addy Battel wasn't old enough to drive, but that didn't stop the Cass City area teen from joining forces with friends to fight hunger in her community.

Battel's efforts — focused on providing quality protein to those in need through farming — caught the attention of officials at Sodexo, who awarded



Addy Battel

Battel the Stephen J. Brady Stop Hunger Scholarship, which includes a \$5,000 grant and a \$5,000 scholarship.

The Stephen J. Brady Stop Hunger Scholarship program recognizes student innovation and youth-led solutions to fight hunger in America by creating awareness and mobilizing peers in their com-

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Cass City teen in running for Michigan Sugar Queen

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

The 54th annual Michigan Sugar Festival runs Thursday through Sunday in Sebewaing.

The highlight of the event is the crowning of the sugar queen at 7 p.m. Friday. Fourteen women are vying to be ambassadors for Michigan Sugar Company, including Sayge Cuthrell, 19, of Cass City.

Cuthrell is a senior at Cass City High School and plans to study nursing at Ferris State University. She is the daughter of Scott and Amy Cuthrell.

In addition, there will be a crowning of teen queen and junior teen queen, and prince and princess.

The festival has always been a family-friendly event, and this year's celebration will be even more so. The usual beer tent with its music venue has been transformed into more of an entertainment tent featuring a variety of activities.

There will be wine available during the Lushes and Brushes (Paint Party) and beer available during the corn hole tournament and events like that, but there won't be

bands like there used to be," said festival Chairman Melvin Kuhl. "The tent is now referred to as 'under the beet top.'"

The paint party will be Thursday at 7 p.m. Wines from Dizzy Daisy Winery will be served during the event, with the first glass free. All materials are supplied. The advance fee is \$35, or \$40 at the door.

The corn-hole tournament is Saturday at 4 p.m. The entry fee is \$30 and it's limited to the first 35 teams. Participants must be over 21 to participate.

Registration sheets for those two events are available at the Sebewaing Light and Water Department or can be printed from <https://www.sebewaingchamber.com/index.php/sugar-festival/sugar-festival-forms>.

A new event is the Tri-City Bubble Fun, Saturday from one to 6 p.m.

"They are big plastic bubbles where a person's head and feet stick out and the body is inside the bubble," explained Kuhl. "You can play soccer in them or just bump into each other... kind of like sumo wrestling."

The Skerbeck Family Carnival will provide the midway rides for

\$1 per ticket or \$18 for a day arm-band (\$15 in advance at area businesses).

Other events slated for Friday include a petting zoo, bark party events for dogs at 10 a.m., and a children's parade at 5:30 p.m., followed by a candy drop. The evening tops off with a youth "foam string party" with a DJ in the tent from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Saturday will include a chicken barbecue starting at 10 a.m., a grand parade 10:30 a.m., and fireworks at dusk. Sunday's slate of activities includes a kiddie pedal-tractor pull 1 p.m. and a motorcycle show from 1 to 4 p.m.

Grants target outbreak of Hepatitis A

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) recently issued \$500,000 in grants to 25 local health departments to help combat Michigan's hepatitis A outbreak.

The health departments, including those in Tuscola and Huron counties, were issued \$20,000 each to increase vaccination outreach to high-risk populations.

Individuals with a history of injection and non-injection drug use, homelessness or transient housing, incarceration, and men who have sex with men are thought to be at greater risk of contracting the disease.

"This has been the largest person-to-person hepatitis A outbreak in Michigan's history, with more than 780 cases," said Dr. Eden Wells, MDHHS chief medical executive. "Increasing vaccination outreach to high-risk populations across the state is essential to stopping the spread of hepatitis A in Michigan."

Hepatitis A is a serious, highly contagious liver disease caused by the hepatitis A virus (HAV). HAV is found in the feces of people with hepatitis A and spread by eating contaminated food or water, during sex or by living with an infected person.

Hepatitis A symptoms can include nausea and vomiting, belly pain, feeling tired, fever, loss of appetite, yellowing of the skin and eyes, dark urine, pale-colored feces and joint pain.

Getting vaccinated, practicing good hand washing and avoiding sex with infected partners are ways to prevent getting infected. The hepatitis A vaccine is available at local pharmacies, through healthcare providers and at local health departments.

For more information about hepatitis A, including a calendar of vaccination clinics, visit the website Michigan.gov/hepatitisAoutbreak.

Senior Movies on tap Friday

Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City will host its next monthly Senior Citizen Movies Friday, June 15, starting at 1:30 p.m.

Films slated to be shown are: **"*Naledi: One Little Elephant"** – Born inside an elephant sanctuary in the wilderness of Botswana, Naledi the baby elephant loses her mother and faces the world alone. It is now up to a team of guardians to help save her life, urge her to survive, and help find her place in the herd. Join Nature on a heart-warming journey from tragedy to triumph (55 minutes).

"*Berlin: Resilient, Reunited and Reborn" – A tumultuous 20th century left Berlin filled with powerful sights, from evocative memorials, to surviving bits of its communist and fascist days, to its glass-domed Reichstag. Enjoy its now-trendy east side, its people-friendly riverfront, and its vibrant social scene. Reunited Berlin, perhaps the fastest changing and most happening city in Europe, is entertaining more visitors than ever (30 minutes).

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In Our OPINION...

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Motorcycle safety awareness is vital

Motorcycle safety is every motorist's concern, especially with the arrival of warm weather.

It's a campaign promoted every year by a host of groups and officials, including Michigan Secretary of State Ruth Johnson, who is encouraging baby boomers who ride a motorcycle or are thinking about it to take a returner-rider safety course, even if they rode in their younger days.

"Riders in their 50s and 60s who are getting back into motorcycling are strongly encouraged to take one of the rider education refresher courses we offer," Johnson said. "People joke about never forgetting how to ride a bike, but operating a motorcycle is different. It requires constant practice to develop the judgment and skills necessary to identify and avoid hazardous situations on the road."

Johnson noted that male motorcycle riders aged 50-69 were involved in 34.1 percent of all two-vehicle crashes involving a motorcycle and 33.6 percent of all single-vehicle crashes (crashes just involving the motorcyclist). Female riders aged 40-59 are at the greatest risk of being involved in either a multiple vehicle or single vehicle crash.

"Our goal is to keep everyone safe on the road," she added. "Motorcyclists should take a rider education safety course, always wear the proper gear and make sure they have the motorcycle endorsement before they ride."

There are roughly 489,000 Michigan residents with a motorcycle endorsement on their driver's license. The endorsement is required to ride legally on public roads.

Johnson noted motorists also have a responsibility to share the road safely with motorcyclists. She encourages drivers to:

*Be extra cautious on weekends, when more motorcyclists take to the road.

*Provide motorcyclists adequate room to maneuver. Follow at least three to four seconds behind them.

*Look carefully for motorcycles, especially at intersections or when making a left turn, two of the most common denominators in vehicle-motorcycle crashes.

*Allow extra maneuvering room in areas with potholes, pavement transitions and railroad crossings. Motorcyclists may need to slow down, stop or adjust their lane position.

*Never try to share a lane with a motorcycle. Motorcycles have the same right to lanes as any other vehicle.

*If a motorcycle is nearby, check your mirrors carefully before changing lanes. Motorcycles may be in your blind spots or difficult to see because of their smaller size.

Michigan traffic deaths fell slightly from 2016 to 2017, but there was an increase in serious injuries.

According to statistics released by the Michigan State Police and the Office of Highway Safety Planning, Michigan's total traffic deaths declined by three percent, from 1,064 fatalities in 2016 to 1,028 in 2017. Accidents involving serious injuries were up by eight percent, from 5,634 in 2016 to 6,084 in 2017.

Motorcyclist fatalities decreased from 141 in 2016 to 137 in 2017, down three percent.

That's a step in the right direction, but Michigan motorists – whether they drive a pickup truck or a Harley Davidson motorcycle – can do better.

Let's all do our part to "bring 'em back alive."

Drier Humor

by Mary Drier

Remembering Flag Day



Every once in a while, a kernel of truth can be found in unusual places.

My parents always watched the Red Skelton show on the television. As an 18-year-old, I found most of his program boring and hated sitting through family time to watch it.

Yet, there is one segment of his program that I still remember. Red said that one day the Pledge of Allegiance might someday be considered a "prayer" and eliminated from public schools. That created a heated debate in the family on how that could be. I still remember that, and time has shown that could be true.

Gov. Rick Snyder signed bills to ensure youths in public schools in Michigan have the opportunity to recite the "Pledge of Allegiance," and those who don't want to participate don't have to. That directive went into effect in 2013.

The legislation also called for a U.S. flag to be hung in each classroom where the pledge would be recited. The "Pledge of Allegiance of the United States" was originally composed by Francis Bellamy in 1892 and formally adopted by Congress as the pledge in 1942. The pledge has been modified four times since it was written. The last revision, which has now become the most controversial one, was done in 1954 to include the words "under God."

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

For most of us, saying the pledge is recited by rote. However, during Red's program, he explained the pledge of allegiance to the flag, which I think is appropriate to use in honor of the upcoming Flag Day observance, Thursday, June 14.

I: Me, an individual, a committee of one.

PLEDGE: Dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity.

ALLEGIANCE: My love and my devotion.

TO THE FLAG: Our standard, Old Glory, a symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there's respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job.

UNITED: That means that we have all come together.

STATES: Individual communities that have united into states. States are individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose. They all are divided with imaginary boundaries yet united to a common purpose, and that's love for country.

AND TO THE REPUBLIC: A state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people, and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION: One nation, meaning "so blessed by God."

INDIVISIBLE: Incapable of being divided.

WITH LIBERTY: Which is freedom, the right of

power to live one's own life without threats, fear, or some sort of retaliation.

AND JUSTICE: The principle or quality of dealing fairly with others.

FOR ALL: For all, which means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine.

Long live the red, white and blue.

Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)



It's an epidemic many people are still afraid to talk about, and yet the death toll from suicide continues to rise.

In an effort to encourage anyone thinking about harming themselves to reach out for help, the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department posted the following on its Facebook page Friday:

"Every day in Tuscola County and across the country, emergency responders deal with suicidal individuals. According to the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention), suicides have increased in nearly every state over the past two decades, and half of the states have seen suicide rates go up more than 30 percent.

"Suicide is a major public health issue, accounting for nearly 45,000 deaths in 2016 alone. That is why the CDC decided to take a comprehensive look at suicides from 1999 to 2016.

"Suicide in this country really is a problem that is impacted by so many factors. It's not just a mental health concern," says Deborah Stone, a behavioral scientist at the CDC and the lead author of the new study. "There are many different circumstances and factors that contribute to suicide. And so that's one of the things that this study really shows us. It points to the need for a comprehensive approach to prevention."

If you know someone that needs help, help is available through various sources in Tuscola County, including: List Psychological Services, (989) 673-5700; Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems (TBHS) (989) 673-6191; and Thumb Area Psychological Services, (989) 872-1800. In addition, the National Suicide Prevention Line is 1-800-273-8255.

Joe Leeson and the Cass City Gavel Club are at it again.

Leeson, who spearheaded a similar drive for Todd Toner, reports donations are needed for the Cindy Opanasenko Memorial Project.

"An account has been made in her behalf at Chemical Bank, 6303 Main Street, Cass City," says Leeson noting about \$390 has been raised so far and about \$1,000 is needed for a park bench honoring Opanasenko.

"She was an honorary life guard, we'll probably put the bench near the pool," he said.

Call Leeson at 989-450-2487 with any questions concerning the Cindy Opanasenko Memorial Project.

Attended the Cass City Booster Club spring sports award ceremony last week and came away impressed.

Making me take notice was the number of Red Hawks earning all-conference scholar/athlete recognition, which requires a G.P.A. of 3.0 or above in addition to earning a varsity letter.

They are, from the boys track team, Jamison Biskner-Kruse, Zachary Brunke, Sandyn Cuthrell, Pavel Gordok, Brendan Hamilton, Cameron Kaake, Drew Markel, Leevy Matthews, Nick McArdle, Gavin Medere, Jared Naegele, Krisofer Nika, Alex Perry, Eric Peters, Jacob Shantz, CarLee Stimpel, Colby Sutton, Lucas Swiderski, Brandon Witherpoon and Collen Wruble.

Named from the girls track team are Tiara Anthony, Madison Beckrow, Haven Bouverette, Riley Copeland, Taylor Cumper, Anna-Lena Domer, Brittany Hamilton, Layna Mathewson, Marla Muter, Mary Muter, Marissa Petiprin Ball, Hailey Schmotzer, Sierra Spry, Brittany Stilson, Tasha Tageson and Tiana Tageson.

Cass City softball team members earning praises included Sayge Cuthrell, Lauren Dickinson, Kacey Haire, DeeDee Haley, Brittany Hamilton, Dawson Klein, Jalene Krol, Baylee Murphy, Bailee Ross, Konnar Warren and Macey White, while from the baseball team Kendall Anthes, Zack Beecher, Sandyn Cuthrell, Luke Stern, Tristan Swiderski, Kenton Wiseman and Collen Wruble round out the scholar/athletes from the diamonds.

Red Hawk golfers Kalean Boynton, Garrett Deitering, Lukas Hayes, Darren Hutchinson, Mariah Melendorf, Nick Perry, Taryn Pisarek, Joseph Skiles, and Reed White, along with soccer players Carolina Denadae, Arrianna Hoyt and Emilee Steely complete the list of local student honorees.

Letters to the Editor

We support medical marijuana proposal

R.E. Medical marijuana in Cass City.

Dear editor,

I, as a resident of Cass City, am in favor of medical marijuana and say "yes" – let's do it. My husband agrees.

Here's why:

*It brings jobs and revenue to a city that needs both and would be legal.

*The building is already there and does need some updating, which is what the owners of Millennium Industries is willing to pay for.

*24/7 surveillance is an excellent idea, which they plan on installing.

*The only increased traffic would be big trucks to pick up the medical marijuana and deliver to places that distribute to patients or people that qualify.

*We have all those sugar beet trucks driving throughout town to Michigan Sugar during harvest time. We need farmers and could not survive without them. May God bless them all. We have bulk tanker semis in Cass City seven days a week. Look at the jobs the milk industry has brought, and now Hunt Trucking has built its own truck repair shop.

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Reporter's notebook

You have to
admire him

by Tom Montgomery
Editor



When you've been reporting on news and features in one community for more than three decades, it's easy to occasionally feel like you've covered it all.

And then a faithful source drops an interesting story idea in front of you, and it's obvious this will probably be one of those pieces that's going to stay with you for a long time, because you end up walking away from an interview feeling genuinely amazed at another human being's willingness and determination to face a big challenge head-on and rise above it.

Such was the case with Richard "Dick" Gentner, whose story was featured on the front page of last week's edition of the Chronicle.

I hadn't really talked with Gentner before we met for an interview at Rawson Memorial District Library. I knew his wife, Ginna, was a regular contributor to our "letters to the editor" section, and I had been told Dick struck up a conversation with a Cass City Literacy Council tutor while running an errand at the library three years ago, and that the meeting prompted him to begin a journey — at 80 years young — that would change his life.

You see, Dick Gentner couldn't read or write.

It's not an easy topic to approach, even in an interview scheduled to talk about it. But Dick didn't flinch a bit when I eventually brought the subject up.

In fact, he was more than willing to share a struggle that most would consider embarrassing, not to mention frustrating. I suspect the same gentle sense of humor he's known for among the library staff has served him well on this journey of literacy.

What struck me most, as we visited, is how full a life Gentner has lived and enjoyed, in spite of his inability to read.

The Gentners, who will mark 63 years of marriage in the fall, have four grown children, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, and they enjoy giving back to their community by helping out area food pantries when they can. And Dick's talents as a mechanic enabled him to provide for his family as well as build a reputation for being a skilled and valued employee over the years.

I can think of a host of individuals I've met in this lifetime who can read just fine, but who never really put in the effort required to make a relationship last — or to keep a job long enough to prove they're serious about making their own way in the world.

Too many able-bodied folks seem to look at employment as an occasional pursuit rather than one of those pesky responsibilities inherent in adulthood, especially when you have obligations to fulfill.

That's too bad, because they'll never know the satisfaction Gentner must have felt as he turned a natural curiosity and skill into the ability to tear down an engine and rebuild it without batting an eye — or reading a set of instructions.

Now, he's taken on another challenge and emerged with a certain amazement of his own at the world reading has opened up for him.

That's impressive, almost as impressive as his willingness to talk about his own experiences and struggles — not because he enjoys listening to himself talk, but because he hoped sharing his story might encourage others in the community who might be in the same boat he was three years ago.

Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2013)

Cass Theatre owner Dick Hendrick and friend Bob Montgomery worked on the new digital projection system now up and running at the Cass City theatre — the Thumb's first theatre to switch to the high-tech equipment.

Laura Osantowski recently graduated from Delta College with highest honors, which is a 3.90 – 4.00 cumulative grade point average, in sonography. Osantowski recently has taken one of her national board exams and is presently employed at DuPont Hospital in Fort Wayne, Ind. Her son Christopher Fifer, who is attending 7th grade in Cass City Junior/Senior High School, will move with her when the school year ends in June. Osantowski is the daughter of Thomas and JoAnn Osantowski.

Cub Scouts Logan Severance, Payton Bock and Zachary Jammer, all members of Cub Scout Pack 3594, Cass City, were recently named this year's winners of the coveted "Cub Scout of the Year" award. Also pictured is Cass City Eagle Scout Austin Baker, holding the plaque that includes the names of past winners.

10 YEARS AGO (2008)

Krista Homakie of Cass City and Courtney Hacker of Ubyly were recently named to the dean's list at Hope College, Holland, Mich., following the second semester of the 2007-08 school year. Homakie, a senior, is the daughter of Michelle Homakie. Hacker, a sophomore, is the daughter of Brian and Melissa Hacker. To be named to the dean's list, a student must achieve a minimum 3.5 grade point average.

Scouting has been something Thomas LeValley has known almost all of his life. LeValley, the son of Richard and Paula LeValley, joined Cub Scouts when he was in first grade. Now, at age 15, LeValley has almost reached the elite level of an Eagle Scout. LeValley finished his Eagle Scout project on April 26, appropriately on opening day of little league season. His project was to refurbish the flagpole at the little league fields. LeValley will also be adding a light to the pole. "Jim Baker and Matt Prieskorn gave me the idea and we thought it would make the park look better," LeValley said. He also said he enjoys playing baseball, so the project was a good fit for him.

25 YEARS AGO (1993)

Five area residents are among 4,137 students named to the spring semester honors list at Michigan State University. The students, who achieved a minimum 3.5 grade point average, are: Angie M. Hennessey, an accounting major, and Timothy J. Rutkoski, a physiology major, both of Cass City; Debbie M. Timmons, a chemistry major from Owendale; Jeremy M. Peruski, an engineering major from Snover; and Daniel M. Kubacki, an electrical engineering major from Ubyly.

Laura Miller, Cass City, is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice-president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Mo. Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association and take part in association sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

Cass City Student Ed Nizzola was recently selected Mechanic of the Year in the auto mechanic program at the skill center in Caro. Standing with Nizzola are instructors Paul Battel and Terry Tuckey.

Honored for their achievement in spring sports were Owen-Gage athletes Eric Susalla (MIP Basketball), Jill Susalla (Co-MVP Volleyball), Shane Kady (MIP Track), Michelle Tkacz (MIP Volleyball), MVP Softball and

Track), Shana Adkins (MIP Softball), Nathan Forro (MIP Baseball), Mike Tkacz (MVP Baseball), Curtis Garza (MVP-Track), and Carli Salcido (Co-MVP volleyball).

Spec. Grant Hulburt has deployed to the National Training Center (NTC), Fort Irwin, Barstow, Calif., to participate in desert warfare training. The NTC, located in the Mojave Desert, is one of the Army's 4 combat training centers. It provides mid- to high-intensity training, primarily mechanized infantry and armor battalions, and brigades. Hulburt, a heavy anti-armor weapons infantryman, is the son of Gene R. and Joanne Hulburt of Cass City. His wife, Amy, is the daughter of Howard and Neda Hoffman of Caro.

35 YEARS AGO (1983)

Julie Groth returned home Sunday night after spending the weekend in Norfolk, Va., with her friend, Jim Mulligan. While there she toured the USS Nimitz and visited Sue Kady and son, formerly of Cass City. Julie also spent time in Virginia Beach.

Born May 31 to Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Richardson (Diane Gingrich) of Mulberry, Fla., a seven-pound son, Charles Paul, 19 inches in length. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Veron Gingrich of Cass City and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Richardson of Mayville. The new baby joins a 2-year-old sister, Amy Lynn. Mr. and Mrs. Veron Gingrich left June 3 for Mulberry to spend three weeks with their daughter and family.

Richard Erla, president of Erla's Food Center and Packing Inc. for 30 years, has sold his stock in the company to other family members and retired. He was president of the firm since it began. His last day with it was May 27. "I just felt it was time to enjoy life a little bit," said Erla, 59. Future plans for him and his wife, Christine, include traveling. The Erla's live on Huron Street. Erla said the new president will be selected by the stockholders in the family owned corporation, but that "the company will be run as it has been."

Harold Prich of Gagetown was one of 332 students inducted into Sigma Iota Epsilon May 7 at Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant. SIE is a scholastic business and management honorary.

40 YEARS AGO (1978)

Mark W. Lockwood was one of more than 300 students receiving degrees in the 65th annual commencement May 29 at Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Ill. He attended Cass City High School through the 11th grade and graduated from Bradley-Bourbonnais High School in 1973. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lockwood of Bourbonnais, Ill. Lockwood received a bachelor of science degree in chemistry. Now living in Hammond, Ind., he has been employed since January as a chemist for Lever Bros.

Mrs. Doris Hurd announces she has a new granddaughter, born May 26 to Mrs. Margaret Lynch at Hills and Dales Hospital. The baby is named Jenny Rebecca. She weighed seven pounds and seven ounces. She joins two brothers and one sister. She is Mrs. Hurd's tenth grandchild.

Floyd and Madeline Ziehm examine the plaque presented to them at the Owendale-Gagetown athletic banquet last Thursday night for their contribution to the district. The couple has 11 children, the oldest of whom started school in the then Owendale district in the 1940's. Their youngest, Roger, just graduated. The photograph on the plaque shows the Ziehm family.

Jon P. Mocan has received an associate degree in forest technology from Michigan Technological University in Houghton. Commencement ceremonies were held May 20. A 1976 graduate of Cass City High School, he

is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mocan of Elmwood Road, Cass City. He presently is debating whether to continue his education or seek employment, according to his father.

50 YEARS AGO (1968)

The newly formed retail committee of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce organized this week when Paul O'Harris was named president and other officers elected. Assisting O'Harris will be Mike Weaver, vice-president; Clarence "Bud" Schneeberger, secretary-treasurer, and blockmen Cliff Ryan, Lloyd Bryant, Bill Kritzman and Gerald Prieskorn. Plans are being formulated to hold a general retail committee meeting to focus attention on upcoming special events to be sponsored by the retailers.

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.

Luke Tuckey and son, J.D. Tuckey, and Dr. Paul Lockwood of Cass City, Watson Spaven of Mayville and his son, Fred Spaven of Marlette, Dr. Donald Tuckey of Saginaw and his father-in-law, Walter Gabbard of Capac, and Carl Mantey of Fairgrove are on a 10-day fishing trip to Lake Oboe, Ontario.

75 YEARS AGO (1943)

Mrs. C. L. Robinson has sold the Cass City Laundry property, both real estate and laundry equipment, to Lester Ross of Lansing. The laundry, closed for several weeks during the serious illness and since the death of C. L. Robinson on May 15, was opened again on Monday morning. Mr. Robinson conducted the laundry here for 45 years. Mr. Ross, who has one more week to teach in Eastern High School at Lansing, will come here to manage the business at the completion of the school year. He is well and favorably known in Cass City, having taught for several years in the high school here. Mrs. Ross is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doerr.

Miss Elsie Willy, daughter of Mrs. Esther Willy, was recently graduated from the Hurley Hospital School of Nursing in Flint.

Robert, Boughan, 13, was the most surprised student at the county eighth grade graduating exercises at Caro Friday when he was called to the platform to read a letter from Dr. Eugene B. Elliott, state superintendent of public instruction, in which he was commended for his attendance at school. Robert had not missed one day of school in eight years. He is a pupil in the Donaldson School in Indianfields Township and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boughan.

100 YEARS AGO (1918)

Thumb Creamery Co. will open a cash cream buying station in the rear of Wood's drug store building on Monday, June 10th, and will be pleased to receive the patronage of our old customers and all those having cream to sell. Our motto is a square deal and prompt service.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hooper celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on Monday and in honor of the occasion the following enjoyed a pot luck supper that evening: Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Tindale, Mrs. Richard Clark, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Tibbals and Mrs. Clara Drew of Detroit.

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Village to re-open pool

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add up, according to the village manager, who has estimated the initial tab at more than \$100,000, "more than the small village of Cass City taxpayers can bear."

Powell suggested that it might not be wise to tackle a long list of repairs. It would be like installing a new engine and applying a fresh coat of paint to a car with 300,000 miles on it — you would still end up with a chassis and other components that are old and worn, Powell told committee members Tom Herron, Carl Palmateer and Rob Piskowski.

"For right now, we will be able to hobble along," Powell said, adding it may be time to consider fundraising in order to plan for construction of a new community pool, which would cost something in the neighborhood of \$600,000 to \$700,000.

It would be a shame to lose the pool, commented Herron, who also made it clear he doesn't believe village officials should ask taxpayers to shoulder that financial burden. "We've got to raise the money for this separately," he added.

Herron recommended exploring grant possibilities and forming a committee of interested residents from the community, including representatives of townships outside the village, to spearhead fundraising.

For many years, the regional nature of the pool's service area has prompted village officials to repeatedly discuss looking at ways to secure supplemental funding in the form of higher fees for swimmers who reside outside the village, but enjoy the benefits of a recreational facility fully funded by the village. However, those discussions haven't netted an effective solution.

Powell reported she has already looked into the limited grant opportunities available through the Tuscola County Community Foundation and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Even if grant funding is approved, those dollars would cover only a small percentage of building a new pool, she pointed out.

Fortunately, Powell said, the village isn't in a position where it must make a decision immediately.

"We have a little bit of breathing room," she added. "We have the ability to plan, so that's a good thing."

The pool, now 42 years old, was constructed in honor of Helen Stevens, an Iowa native who brought her nursing skills to Cass City after working as a manager of nurses at a Detroit hospital, where she met her husband, Detroit attorney Albin Stevens.

After the couple moved to Cass City, Albin practiced law in the community, and they owned and operated Stevens Nursing Home on South Seeger Street. Helen, who also served as school nurse in Cass City, died in 1973, and it was revealed that she had bequeathed a large sum of money to the village for construction of a community swimming pool.

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.

Farmers market set to open

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Bank and Trust, where she works, along with End of the Lane Greenhouse and the Cass City Chronicle.

"Especially because fresh veggies and fruit are not available in a grocery store here, we want to give an opportunity to producers and growers to promote their produce and help residents to buy local and enjoy the garden fresh taste and goodness of locally-grown produce," Sorenson added. "Other items may be sold as well, as space permits."

The market, which has received the blessing of both Cass City Village officials and the local chamber of commerce, will be offered on Thursdays and is scheduled to debut Thursday, June 28.

Sorenson noted vendors will generally be setting up on the sidewalk in front of the Antique Mall building and/or the former Fairway store on Main Street, adjacent to Rotary Park.

She said it will be free to register, and anyone interested in participating can register by contacting her, Stacy or Hayley at Thumb Bank and Trust at (989) 872-4311.

Sorenson, who serves as vice president of the Cass City Rotary Club and organizes the club's Music in Rotary Park summer concert series, initially thought it would be nice to pair the farmers market with the Friday night concerts, "but speaking with some of the vendors, they liked Thursday nights, so we wanted to accommodate them and let them have the opportunity to sell their produce and give an opportunity for our residents to buy local."

Sorenson credits the event sponsors with getting the project off the ground. For example, she said, End of the Lane Greenhouse is helping to sponsor advertising, and Krysta Boyce — who serves as executive advertising sales manager at the Chronicle, "has been a great resource for me this year in helping produce the flyers for Music in Rotary Park. She had the contact info with the vendors, and without her help, it wouldn't have come together, either."

Sorenson added, "Thumb Bank has always been an encourager for community involvement, and they are more than willing to help with the registration process."

The latest effort to lure vendors and customers in search of fresh vegetables in town follows an unsuccessful venture last summer at the former Campbell Elementary School, where Thumb Market Center officials organized a farmers market — believed to be the first indoor and outdoor farmers market in Tuscola County.

The venture included support from and a shared space arrangement with the owners of Thumb Area Psychological Services. However, the struggle to attract enough vendors and customers proved to be too much to revive the operation this spring.

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News briefs

Tuscola County sheriff offers update on K-9 unit addition

Historical society meet set

CASS CITY — The Cass City Area Historical and Genealogy Society will host a meeting and strawberry and ice cream social Wednesday, June 20, starting at 6:30 p.m. at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City.

The guest speaker will be Mark Battel of Battel's Sugar Bush Pure Maple Syrup. Battel's Sugar Bush is a well-known farm in the Thumb (Cass City area), where family members have been producing delicious maple products since 1882. Mark and his wife, Diane, are the fourth generation to continue the family tradition.

Everyone is welcome to attend this free program

Candidates invited to forum

VASSAR — There will be a political candidate forum Sunday, June 24, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Charis New Testament Church, 125 Division St., Vassar.

The event is being described as a forum – not a debate – that will be open to the public and aired live on Facebook. Questions will be the same for each candidate, who will have a set amount of time to respond, depending on how many candidates attend.

The goal of the event is to help inform the public about the candidates who will be on the August primary election ballot for the 31st District State Senate seat, which represents Bay, Tuscola and Lapeer counties. The seat is currently held by veteran state Senator Mike Green, who cannot run again due to term limits.

Candidates vying for the post are Joni Batterbee, Kevin Daley, Gary Glenn, Bill Jordan, Cynthia A. Luczak and Chuck Stadler.

Vet fishing tourney slated

SEBEWAING — The Sebewaing Harbor Marina will host its first American Sportsman for Veterans Walleye Fishing Tournament Saturday, June 30, at 6 a.m.

The entry fee is \$100 per boat with four persons. The payout will be dependent on the number of participants.

The event will include a 50/50 raffle. More information is available by calling (989) 882-6117 or sending an email to farnsworthbryan@yahoo.com.

Blood drive scheduled July 13

CASS CITY — Michigan Blood will host a blood drive in the meeting room at Rawson Memorial District Library in Cass City. The event is scheduled for Friday, July 13, from 1 to 6 p.m.

Participants can just stop by or make an appointment by calling the library at (989) 872-2856.

For every person who attempts to donate, Michigan Blood will donate \$10 to Rawson Memorial District Library's children's programming budget.

Fair day for special needs kids

BAD AXE — The Huron County Fair will provide an opportunity for those with special needs to have a fun day at the fair.

Organizers have set aside Thursday, Aug. 2, from 10 a.m. to noon, for children with a physical or mental disability and their families. One caregiver is required to attend with each child.

The event will feature a limited number of rides, games, animals, tents and more. This event is free. To participate, use the Fair Street entrance at the Huron Community Fairgrounds in Bad Axe.

More information is available by calling Carol at (989) 670-2003.

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Tuscola County Sheriff Glen Skrent is in the process of adding a canine crime fighter to his department, as promised during a successful 2017 millage campaign to fund department programs and the addition of deputies.

"After interviewing canine officers from other agencies, I have chosen Deputy Ryan Robinson as our K-9 deputy," said Skrent.

"We are also purchasing the specialized vehicle and equipment that is required to hold the dog. Once that is done, we are sending Deputy Robinson to a canine training academy," he added. "There he will obtain the dog and be ready to roll once that is completed."

The sheriff's department has requested a "dual purpose" canine. The dog will have both patrol and explosive detection-certified training. The canine candidate must be a German Shepard, should not be more than two years old, and the training must be Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) approved.

"We have the vehicle, which is being prepped," said Undersheriff Robert Baxter. "Canine officer

Deputy Robinson and the canine will be in school in mid-September," Skrent noted.

Undersheriff Bob Baxter said having a local canine unit will be a benefit to the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department and to the residents of the county.

"Sanilac and Lapeer counties, and the MSP (Michigan State Police) Tri-County have a canine," said Baxter. "It takes about 45 minutes to an hour to have the canine respond if we need one."

The dog candidate has to meet certain specifications related to obedience and agility, aggression and control, and apprehension.

Although voters approved a sheriff's department tax levy of 1.33 mills for eight years in August 2017, which included funding for a canine unit, there are reasons it has taken so long to start the process of securing that addition to the department, according to Skrent.

"Since the revenue does not come in until this year, it is taking a bit of time," he explained. "We are first adding several road deputies to get our road patrol staffing levels back up."

In addition to the funding generated by the millage, the Tuscola

County Office of Emergency Management received a Homeland Security grant.

"Tuscola County has been awarded \$23,500. This will pay for a portion of the project, as it is a costly endeavor when starting from scratch. The grant will pay for the dog itself and the training for the canine and deputy. The grant is also paying for some of the equipment for the vehicle, specifically the containment cage and sensor system," said Tuscola Emergency Management Director Steve Anderson. "The sheriff's office has purchased a Tahoe for the dog and some of the vehicle equipment for the canine patrol unit."

"To start the canine up, it costs about \$50,000," Baxter said, adding the canine vehicle has to be specially equipped, including installation of the special emergency release button and a cage partition.

It's been years since the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department had a canine unit.

"There was a canine for a while, several years ago, back when Hugh Marr was sheriff, but I don't know for how long," said Baxter. Marr was a sheriff during the 1970s.

Village awarded website funding

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Although the village of Cass City has had a website for several years, it is about to get some changes.

During an April 11 committee of the whole meeting, the council discussed its desire to upgrade the village's website, noting there was a I-69 Thumb Region Community Website grant available that would pay for the digital facelift. Officials subsequently submitted an application for the funding.

"We had received a quote from Abadata in the amount of \$700. A

grant application was submitted which required no in-kind funding match," explained village Manager Debbie Powell.

"I am excited to report we have been awarded the Community Website Grant, which will pay for our website update. That is good news!"

Cass City was one of nine applicants selected to receive such a grant. In order to secure the money, village officials have to sign a memorandum of agreement by late Friday afternoon.

Shortly after Powell took over as village manager, she had additional information added to the

website to include council packets and informational updates.

Abadata Computer Corporation, Sebewaing, started in 1981 as the Michigan Distributor of U.S. Robotics modems and equipment, and then branched out to network integration, selling, servicing and installing network equipment.

The I-69 Thumb Region, which is comprised of Genesee, Huron, Lapeer, Sanilac, Shiawassee, St. Clair, and Tuscola counties, collaboratively developed a shared and unified economic vision for its region as part of the state of Michigan's Regional Prosperity Initiative.

Local teen awarded grant to fight hunger

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munities to be catalysts for change.

The scholarship awardees comprise a wide variety of students, ages five to 25, who are recognized at the national and regional level and hail from across the country. Since the program's inception in 2007, the Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation has awarded more than \$770,000 in grants and scholarships.

With no grocery stores in the community, Cass City has become a "food desert", making it tough for many families to find food, according to Battel, who recruited three friends to raise and donate animals, providing much needed protein to families in the community through an effort they called "Meating the Need for Our Village Hunger Project."

"Erla's (Food Center) had closed, so we were concerned about how elderly people and people without

transportation would get food," Battel said of the effort that started in 2015.

"We are farm kids and we know how to raise meat," added Battel, 15. "I organized presentations to local community groups and businesses to ask for more funding. Through doing that we doubled the amount of money, and even had bags of feed donated."

Her efforts and those of her friends have generated donations of 7,380 pounds of meat (worth over \$22,000) and 554 gallons of milk (valued at \$1,500), making it possible to distribute more than 2,200 family food boxes through their local food pantry – Revive Ministries in Cass City.

The youths' involvement has gone far beyond organizing and fundraising; aside from raising the animals that are donated, they keep records and monitor the animals' health, manage nutrition and calculate expenses. They also arrange for processing and, when it comes to distributing the food, several of them volunteer at Revive.

Battel, who is finishing up her sophomore year in high school – she is both home schooled and attends Cass City High School part-time – also organizes hunger fighting workshops for youth and adults, and has engaged 100 kids in fundraising and donating farm products. Through their work, the food pantry has not had to buy meat for the past three years.

In addition, Battel earlier this year secured a \$2,500 grant from the American Egg Board after winning a national FFA contest. The money is being used to start a flock of laying hens, which will provide eggs to be sold to the community as well as being donated to low-income families.

Battel, whose \$5,000 Sodexo grant will help to further fund the "Meating the Need" project, hopes to expand the program into other communities.

"I believe this is the generation

that will end hunger for good. We are proud to invest in these young leaders who are inspiring both their peers and adults with their innovative ideas," said Gerri Mason Hall, CEO, Stop Hunger Foundation.

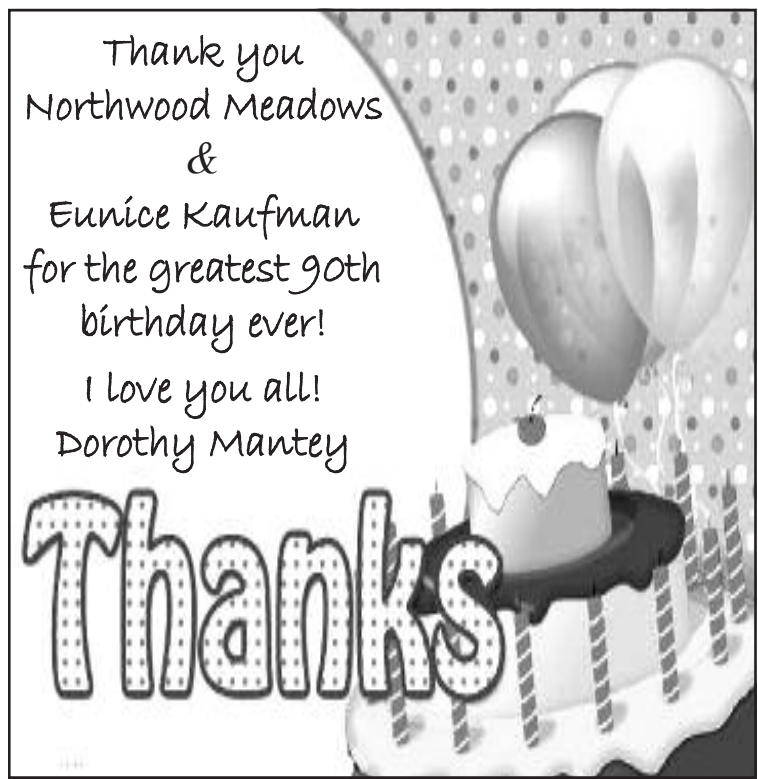
To support the 2018 Stephen J. Brady Scholars' innovative solutions toward zero hunger, the Boost the Youth initiative was unveiled at the 19th Annual Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation Dinner, where Battel and other scholars were honored Monday in Washington, D.C. Boost the Youth's goal is to raise \$10,000, and the foundation will triple every dollar donated through Thursday, June 14 at midnight, EDT. Visit www.tiny.cc/BradyScholars to learn more and donate.

The Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation works to ensure that every child in the United States, especially those most at risk, grows up with dependable access to enough nutritious food so they can learn, play and thrive.

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It's official: Cass City joining the Thumb Quilt Trail

by Mary Drier
Special for the Chronicle

Cass City's request to be included in the Thumb Area Quilt Trail has been approved, as was the village's proposed "Up, Up and Away" design created to honor Cass City native and former NASA Astronaut Brewster H. Shaw.

According to Thumb Quilt Trail President Pamela Stillwell-Binder, Cass City's quilt was accepted by the four-member quilt committee "because it is a beautiful design and will be in a beautiful location."

When the quilt is done, the plan is to put it on the DPW building so it faces the village's main park.

"The committee loved that we will be able to put a quilt inside of the village of Cass City. We have a few quilts around the outskirts, out in the country," said Stillwell-Binder. "The park gets a lot of traffic, so a lot of people are going to see it there."

"We like to try to get a quilt in a small town, but often there isn't any place inside of a town to do that. If a community wants a quilt in their town, we love that idea."

During the two-hour meeting to review quilt designs and proposed placement of them, the quilt committee took several factors into consideration in making its decision.

"I think the biggest motivator was the block they proposed honors the astronaut that came from Cass City. That was really exciting to us, and the committee was unanimous on approving it," she noted.

By the end of summer, the quilt trail that winds through Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac counties will have 100 quilts.

As for when Cass City's quilt will go up, Stillwell-Binder isn't sure, but it will be sometime this summer or early fall.

"Kappen Tree Service volunteers the cherry-picker bucket and workers to mount the blocks on the barn. As for when the quilts will go up, that depends on their schedule," she explained.

"It takes about 30 minutes to mount a quilt. When the Cass City quilt goes up, it shouldn't take too long. The building is low so it will be rather quick."

For more information about the Thumb Area Quilt Trail or a map where they are located, visit the website www.thumbquilttrail.com or the group's Facebook page.



DESIGNING AND painting quilts to add to the Thumb Area Quilt Trail started this week. The wooden quilt blocks are painted by students at the Tuscola Tech Center in Caro (above). Each year between a dozen and 18 quilts are designed, painted and hung with the assistance of Kappen Tree Service of Cass City, which supplies a bucket truck and workers to mount the eight-foot-by-eight-foot blocks.

Summer concerts returning to Rotary Park

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

From bluegrass to rock, Cass City's Music in Rotary Park has built a reputation of offering something for just about everyone, and this summer is expected to continue that tradition with a variety of music acts scheduled to perform on Friday nights.

This year's free summer concerts, which start at 6:30 p.m., are once again being sponsored by area businesses and other groups, including the Cass City Rotary Club, Knights Insurance, Independent Bank, Thumb Bank and Trust, Chemical Bank, Frankenmuth Credit Union and Cass City Parks and Recreation.

The series kicks off Friday, June 29, with the Tom and Jerry Show

featuring local duo Jerry Lamoureux and Tom Guinther, and there will be a free "picnic in the park" sponsored by Knights Insurance.

Taking the stage Friday, July 6, as part of Cass City's Freedom Festival will be The Mysterians, a band best known for its single, "96 Tears", which was released in 1966 and became a number one hit on the Billboard Hot 100.

New this year is a Saturday Freedom Fest concert July 7, featuring an opening act at 5 p.m., followed by local band Iron Fist, featuring members Mike Rule, Dr. Scott Harding, Rachael Rule and Frank Nawrot. "This is rock and roll and should be a fun addition to our festival," said Carolyn Sorenson, Cass City Rotary Club member and organizer of Music in Rotary

Park. Random is scheduled to perform Friday, July 13. Band members Don Childs, John Merz, Mike Sattelberg, Dennis Longuski and Greg Planck play a mix of classic rock and country.

New to the concert series will be The Mercurials, with members Anthony Lee, Sam Clements, Cody Ruthko and Matt Strong hailing from Cass City, Caro and Saginaw, and performing a variety of piano rock Friday, July 20. The opening act will feature local musician Justin Sorenson. "Clements Boarding, from Cass City, is sponsoring the evening with free hot dogs for everyone," Sorenson noted.

Rounding out the July concerts will be Sonos, delivering a variety of Irish-Celtic music. Band members are Tom Krause, Dee Dee Tibbits and Bruce MacCartney, who reside in the Thumb and Tri-Cities.

Muzyka!, a group from the Tri-Cities that performs bluegrass, folk, pop and gospel, is scheduled to perform Friday, Aug. 3. "This...is a multi-talented group from the Tri-Cities and has performed at corporate events, churches, senior centers and festivals all around Michigan since 2005," said Sorenson, who added Revive Ministries, Cass City, will be sponsoring snacks in the park that evening.

Classic rock and country music will be featured during the final concert, Friday, Aug. 10, when Leftovers takes the stage. Band members are Don Childs, Tim Omstead, Kerry Penland, Jerry Pavia and Kory Batschke.

U.S. News ranks Cass City High

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course work (Cass City has a participation rate of 23 percent), and its graduation rate (94 percent).

Overall, the rankings emphasize student outcomes, incorporating data on graduation rates and state assessments. Students at the 5,948 schools that receive national recognition from U.S. News graduate at rates that are 12 percentage points higher, on average, than students at other schools throughout the country.

"Top-ranked schools succeed in three main areas: exceeding expectations on state proficiency tests, offering challenging coursework and graduating their students," said Anita Narayan, managing editor of Education at U.S. News. "We encourage parents to use the 'best high schools' rankings and data to research which schools in their state and nationwide are ensuring students are well-equipped for the future."

The rankings feature data on a number of factors, including enrollment, graduation rates, diversity, participation in free and reduced-price lunch programs and the results of state assessments, as well as AP and International Baccalaureate test data.

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THE CASS CITY baseball team – and their fans – came prepared for Saturday’s Division 3 regional action in Brown City. The Red Hawks outlasted a light mist on the day, but couldn’t survive Bishop Foley Catholic.

Cass City’s tourney trail ends against defending state champs

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

Cass City took a one run lead into the final inning Saturday at the Division 3 regional in Brown City, where the Red Hawks stood just three outs away from ousting defending state champion Bishop Foley Catholic in a semifinal thriller.

Instead, the Ventures rallied for three runs in their last at bats and then held on to register the come-from-behind 4-3 victory. Bishop Foley Catholic then defeated Capac 12-0 in the championship contest to march into this week’s quarterfinal action at Saginaw

Valley State University. Cass City, meanwhile, finishes with a lofty 17-5-1 record.

“I am very proud of this group of guys. They fought all year to be the best players and team they could be. It was certainly a team effort from the first game to the last and I am very excited about the future of the baseball program in Cass City,” Cass City Coach Josh Stern said.

Cass City plated two runs in the second inning to break open a scoreless tie – without a hit – as Zack Beecher and Joey Krol accounted for the game’s only runs until the fifth.

Klayton Cornell supplied Bishop

Foley Catholic’s first marker, drawing a walk to open the frame, eventually scoring after one of three Red Hawk errors on the day. Despite the fielding blunders by Cass City, a fantastic play by center fielder Krol and catcher Luke Stern prevented any more damage in the inning.

Krol thwarted Bishop Foley Catholic’s rally when he hauled in a fly ball and was able to throw the runner out at home for an inning-ending double play. Krol’s throw was up the first base line, but a diving tag by Stern kept Cass City in front.

As usual, Kendall Anthes turned in a strong performance on the hill

for Cass City. The sophomore ace was nearly untouchable, as was Bishop Foley Catholic senior starter Ethan Hoffman.

Anthes – he allowed just one hit before the fifth inning – struck out four and issued four bases on balls. However, the Ventures did a good job of elevating Anthes’ pitch count and he would have to hand the ball off to freshman Kenton Wiseman to close out the contest.

Trailing 2-1, Bishop Foley Catholic started their comeback with a pair of softly hit balls to right field off Anthes. However, another Red Hawk miscue allowed both runners to advance into scoring position. Worse yet for Cass City, Anthes had thrown 104 pitches, ending his time on the mound.

It didn’t take long for Bishop Foley Catholic to chaptalize on Anthes’ departure from the mound. Nicholas Soller – the

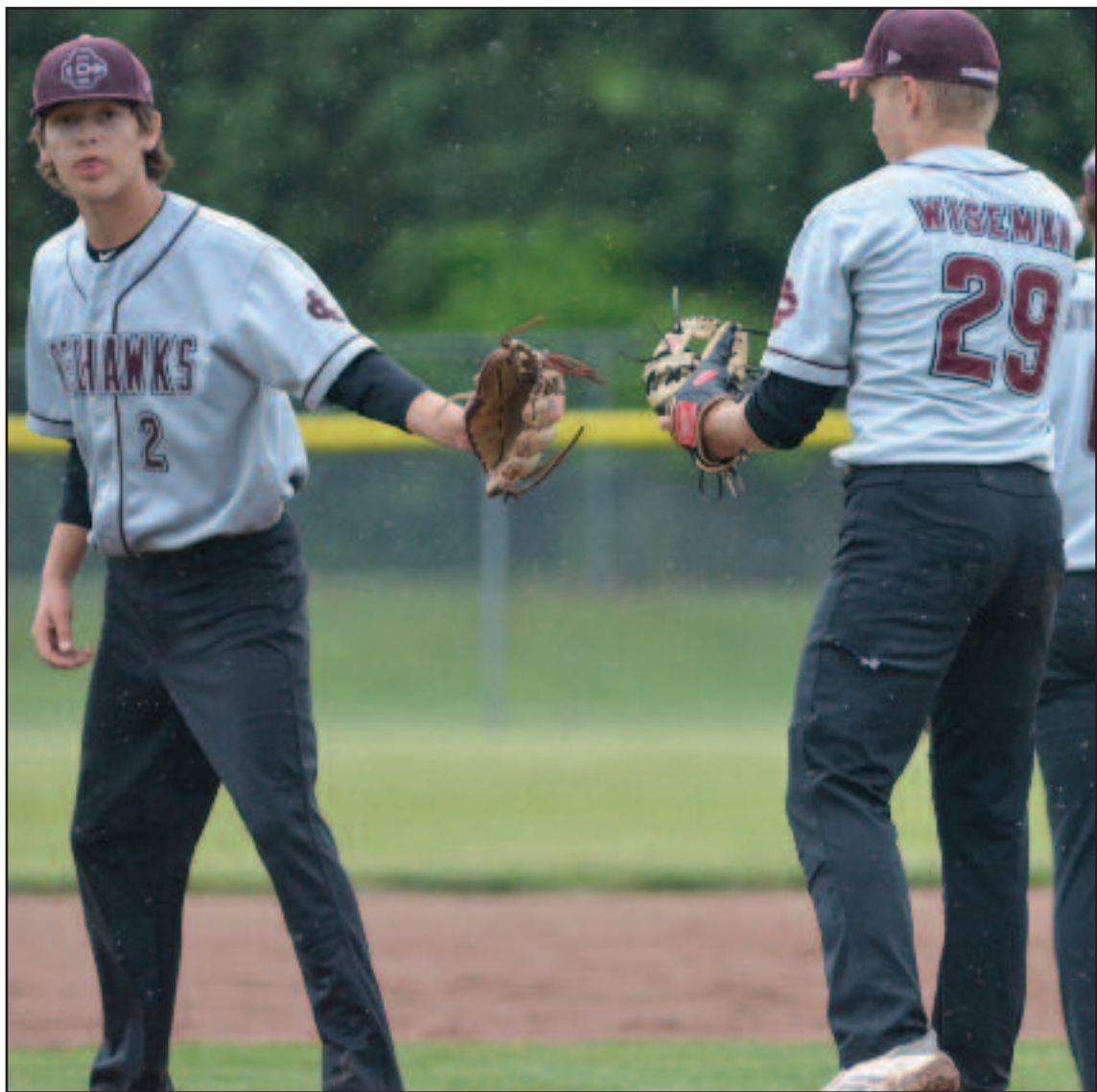
number nine hitter – blasted a triple to give the Ventures’ their first lead at 3-2. The Ventures’ added an insurance run on Thomas Riley’s ground out a few batters later.

“At this level, the bottom of the line-up can hurt you. We’re not used to that,” said Assistant Coach Jim Baker.

Cass City didn’t go away quietly in their final trips to the plate, despite facing a two-run deficit and Hoffman who had allowed just one hit through six innings of work.

Tristan Swiderski and Hunter Vaughan both punched two-out singles to get things started for Cass City in the seventh. Swiderski would score on a wild pitch to close the gap to 4-3, but Cass City would get no closer.

Ending their Red Hawk careers were seniors Vaughan, Krol and Braden Rosenstangel.



KENDALL ANTHERS, left, and Kenton Wiseman have been a dynamic twosome on the mound for Cass City in 2018. The underclassmen – Anthes is a sophomore and Wiseman a freshman – have the future of Red Hawk baseball looking bright.

GTW airs baseball stars

by Clarke Haire
 Publisher

Cass City sophomores Sandyn Cuthrell and Kendall Anthes landed on the 2018 Greater Thumb West (GTW) baseball all-conference first team determined by votes of coaches in the 6-school association.

Cuthrell battled injuries during his second varsity season, but was solid at shortstop and at the plate for Coach Josh Stern’s Red Hawks that finished as runners-up in the GTW final standings.

Cuthrell batted for a .408 average over 15 games. His stats include four doubles, two triples and 11 RBIs.

“Sandyn is a two way threat with

both the bat and his glove, he is always making plays,” Stern said, adding, “Kendall was the best pitcher in the league and works so hard at what he does, he really deserves this honor.”

The Red Hawk ace was 5-0 on the mound, striking out 71. His ERA was an impressive 2.554. At the plate, Anthes slugged for a .325 average and drove in a dozen runs.

Joining the pair on the GTW all-conference dream team were Vassar senior pitcher Steven Hecht, USA senior catcher Cooper Kaufold, EPBP senior infielder Brennan Wissner, Bad Axe freshman infielder Vincent Blackstock, Reese senior first baseman Tony

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Josie Fitzpatrick	Bad Axe	Junior	Defense
Sara Wehner	Bad Axe	Senior	Midfield
Claudia Fitzpatrick	Bad Axe	Senior	Midfield
Alayna Engler	Bad Axe	Freshman	Midfield
Jenna Krug	Bad Axe	Junior	Forward
Megan Pawlowski	Harbor Beach	Junior	Forward
Alicia Booms	Harbor Beach	Junior	M/F
Hallie Essenmacher	Harbor Beach	Junior	M/F
Emily Hentschl	Harbor Beach	Senior	Forward
Halle Keim	Laker	Senior	M/F
Kaitlin Brown	Laker	Sophomore	Forward
Lauren Henry	Laker	Freshman	M/D

SECOND TEAM

Mandy Arnott	Laker	Freshman	Keeper
Hannah Hammond	Laker	Senior	Defense
Hannah Penfold	Laker	Freshman	Midfield
Dana Weitenberner	Bad Axe	Junior	Defense
Olivia Britt	Bad Axe	Junior	Defense
Cait Ruth	Bad Axe	Junior	Forward
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Kaira Ocomen	Harbor Beach	Senior	Defense
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Sarah Hammond	Laker	Senior	Defense
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Emma Trischler	USA	Freshman	Keeper
Emily Steely	Cass City (USA)	Sophomore	Defense
Danielle Cubitt	Bad Axe	Freshman	Midfield

Several Lady Red Hawks are all-conference picks

Eight members of the Cass City Lady Red Hawk softball team are recognized as 2018 Greater Thumb West (GTW) all-conference choices.

Still, none of the picks from Coach John Hacker's team are included on the GTW all-conference first team. The dream team selections are USA senior pitcher Katie Enghardt, Reese sophomore pitcher Abbie Huizar, USA freshman catcher Maci Montgomery, USA junior infielder Rylee Zimmer, Reese senior infielder Abbey Ackerman, Bad Axe junior infielder Morgan Etzel, EPBP junior infielder Abi Schuette, Reese junior first baseman Madi Thompson, USA senior outfielder Lauren Adam, USA senior outfielder Brianna Osantowske, Reese senior outfielder Indiana McCoy, EPBP junior outfielder Greta Elston and EPBP junior player-at-large Kristyn Wurst.

The GTW all-conference second team consists of Cass City freshman pitcher Dawson Klein and freshman outfielder Macey White, junior outfielder Kacey Haire and senior infielder Lauren Dickinson, senior infielder Riley Klein and senior first baseman Bailee Ross.

Dawson developed into the Red Hawks' ace during the season and batted .407 in her first varsity season. White led the team with a .507 average, while Kacey Haire held a .449 average in her second varsity campaign. White and Haire also were first team all-district honorees.

"We have about six or seven girls coming back. And our junior varsity team had a successful year," said Hacker, adding, "I hope to keep Macey and Kacey together in the outfield next year, but I'll have to find a catcher to replace Baylee Murphy."

He'll also need to fill the shoes of Dickinson, Klein and Ross next year. They batted .443, .390 and .382 in their final seasons.

Rounding out the GTW all-conference second team players are Brynn Polega - USA freshman pitcher, Jordynn Roberts - Reese junior catcher, Nichole Schember - USA junior infielder, Katlin Kady - EPBP junior infielder, Lainey Zwerk - Vassar junior infielder, Tiffany White - EPBP junior outfielder and Delyna Peyok - Reese sophomore player-at-large.

Red Hawk seniors Baylee Murphy and Konnar Warren highlighted the GTW honorable mention list that included EPBP Jaclyn Talaski, USA's Lexie Neal and Delanie Pavlichex, Bad Axe's Abby Newland, Alexis Booms and Maddy Jimkoski, Vassar's Maria Bertoia, Emily Whitney, Madison Hornung and Emily German, and Reese's Lauren Scramlin.

Baseball stars announced

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Wark, Vassar sophomore outfielder Ethan Dunham, EPBP junior outfielder Andrew Siegfried, USA junior outfielder Jalen Ganger and Reese junior player-at-large Adam Fisher.

Named to the GTW all-conference second team were Cass City juniors Luke Stern and Zack Beecher.

Stern's numbers on the year included a .507 average with 21 RBIs. The Red Hawk catcher scored 33 runs. Beecher batted .373 with eight doubles and 25 RBIs.

"Luke and Zack both deserved to be first team all-conference. They both had the stats to back that up," said Coach Stern.

Other 2018 GTW all-conference second team choices were Garrett Gawne, Vassar, senior pitcher, Brendan Prime, USA, senior pitcher, Addison Hansard, Vassar,

junior infielder, Gabe Robinson, Reese, junior infielder, Myles Geiger, USA, senior infielder, Michael Erla, Bad Axe, sophomore first baseman, Tommy Pappesh, Reese, junior outfielder, Michael Sheridan, Reese, junior outfielder and Hunter Bohn, USA, senior player-at-large.

Receiving honorable mention all-conference praises from Cass City were freshman Kenton Wiseman and senior Joey Krol, from Reese were junior Andrew Frost, senior Nick Curtis and sophomore Alex Trombley, from Vassar were sophomore Max Kukulski, senior Collin Bowden, junior Ricardo Macon and senior Abe Cerda, from EPBP were sophomore Bryce Sears, senior Brady Smith, senior Nick Sigfried, junior Ryan Castro and senior Taylor Kady, from USA was senior Devin Risky and from Bad Axe was senior Ben McVey.





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Fuel forecast: this won't be a cheap summer in state

Michigan drivers this summer will pay more at the pump for a gallon of gasoline, but they're still expected to use more of the motor fuel for the sixth year in a row, according to the Summer Energy Appraisal released by the Michigan Agency for Energy (MAE).

Demand for other forms of energy is also forecast to increase this summer over last year, with electricity up 1.5 percent, natural gas expected to jump eight percent, and diesel fuel likely to rise 2.6 percent, according to the annual MAE analysis of trends in the state's fuel and power sectors.

Nationally, gasoline prices are expected to be 20 percent higher this year than they were in 2017, with motorists paying an average of \$2.90 per gallon during the April through September summer driving season, according to the federal Energy Information Administration. That's up from \$2.41 last summer.

Due to higher per gallon prices, the annual household cost for gasoline will increase an average of \$377 compared to the same period in 2017, according to MAE.

Gasoline demand in Michigan is expected to hit 4.76 billion gallons, up 2.7 percent from 2017.

National inventories are near the top of the five-year range for this time of year. However, unforeseen refinery outages, political unrest, adverse weather conditions, or other national or world disruptions to supply could influence the price and supply of gas.

Key facts from MAE's Summer Energy Appraisal:

*The largest increase in electricity use is expected in the residential sector (2.7 percent), followed by industrial (1.5 percent), and commercial (.6 percent).

MAE predicts normal to slightly higher temperatures throughout 2018, but should summer temperatures spike higher, electricity use would increase, mainly to meet the demands for increased air conditioning of homes and buildings.

*The increase in natural gas use is driven mainly by Michigan's growing demand in the power sector. Natural gas use in the power sector has increased by 9.7 percent annually between 2010 and 2017.

Lower natural gas inventories nationwide - 35 percent below storage levels of one year ago and 25 percent below the five-year average for the month of May - could lead to higher summer prices.

An estimated 171.6 million barrels of petroleum products, used mostly as motor fuel, were consumed in Michigan in 2016, up 1.4 percent compared to 2015.

Demand for distillates, most of which is used as diesel fuel for trucks and trains, is projected to rise 2.6 percent this year to 1,211 million gallons. It would be the third consecutive year of distillate demand growth, mainly due to a strengthening industrial sector.

One of the issues driving long-term changes in the state's energy sector is the construction of the Rover Pipeline in southeast Michigan. The pipeline will help to replace declining in-state natural gas production and feed the electric power sector's growing appetite for the fuel.

Michigan's aging natural gas wells are expected to produce 91.3 billion cubic feet in 2018, down 4.8 percent from last year and continuing a production decline trend.

Letters to the Editor

We support proposal for medical marijuana plant

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*People are worried about abuses. Name me any industry that does not. Yes, that does not make it alright.

*It would appear to be safer growing the marijuana in a secure business location than in a residence.

*We in Cass City are fortunate to have an excellent police department, and now that the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department has hired more officers, with an officer and a canine in the near future, we have back-up protection.

*Another reason is my husband is currently in pain management, and "if" his procedure is not successful, then the next step could be medical marijuana. Even if it is a success, who knows how long it would last.

*No, neither of us has ever tried recreational marijuana, and we are senior citizens.

*We both plan to vote "no" on recreational marijuana.

*Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

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

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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 Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney. Notice is hereby given that the below mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the Circuit Court of Tuscola County at 10:00 AM on 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 Na-

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

Date of notice: 05/30/2018
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. III and Deborah L. III, 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 July 5, 2018:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Russell Hoard 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 Arbela, 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, Arbela 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, Arbela 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

Legal Notices

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.

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

6-6-4

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

this description; thence 221 feet east; thence 300 feet south; thence 221 feet west; thence 300 feet north to the place of beginning.

Commonly known as: 2640 LAZELL RD, CARO, MI 48723
If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes.

If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or

600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year.

Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption

period.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 13, 2018 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Specialized Loan Servicing LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Case No. 18MI00376-1

6-13-4

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue 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.

Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Tracy L. Bennett to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 24, 2004, and recorded on July 2, 2004, in Liber 999, Page 56, Tuscola County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing LLC by an Assignment of Mortgage dated November 30, 2017 and recorded December 11, 2017 in Liber 1387, Page 751, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Four and 38/100 (\$39,254.38) including interest at the rate of 6.50000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Tuscola County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on July 12, 2018

Said premises are situated in the Township of Ellington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 17, town 13 north, range 10 east, thence 326 feet east to the place of beginning of

Obituaries

Dorothy Hund

Dorothy Lynn Hund, 68, of Cass City, died Saturday, June 9, 2018 following a brave battle with cancer in her home. She was born May 17, 1950 in Cass City to John Peter and Lorraine Marie (Guigar) Hund.

Dorothy graduated from Ubyly High School in 1968. Dorothy enjoyed her children and all their accomplishments. They were her life and still are. She was employed by Walbro and General Cable and later as a delivery driver for United Parcel Service for 23 years retiring May 2010. She enjoyed reading romance novels and working on jigsaw puzzles and Find-A-Word puzzles. She loved the thrill of riding her Harley Davidson motorcycle with her life partner of twenty years, Gary J. Susalla. Her first bike was a Honda Rebel in 1997. From then on, she rode Harley Davidsons and enjoyed life, wintering in Florida. Together they toured all over the United States. They saw the Smokey Mountains, Bar Harbor, Maine, Grand Canyon, Arizona, Sturges, South Dakota, where she saw Devils Tower, Wyoming, Mt. Rushmore and was very impressed with Crazy Horse. Her last trip was the HOLLYWOOD sign in Los Angeles, CA in 2017.

Dorothy is survived by her sons: Paul (Mary) Pawloski of Olivet, Chris (Dede) Pawloski of Cass City and Nathan (Jen Weldon) Pawloski of Marshall; six grandchildren: Chandler John, Jordan Diana, Terrin Rose, Anthony Michael, Lauren Elizabeth and Brianna Lynn; brothers: Richard (Theresa) Hund of Clarkston and Raymond (Delilah) Hund of Plano, TX; sisters: Kathryn (Paul Augusta) Wojtalewicz of Ortonville, Marilyn (Thomas) Osentoski of Davison, Janice (Robert) Neeb of Bad Axe and Denise (Daniel) Kubacki of Argyle.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Donald Hund; brother-in-law, Melvin Wojtalewicz. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday, June 16, in St. Pancratius Catholic Church of Cass City. Funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 16, in Our Lady Consolata Parish, St. Pancratius Catholic Church of Cass City with the Rev. Christian Tabares officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.



Melvin Laming

Melvin Charles Laming, 71, of Cass City, died June 8, 2018 in Courtney Manor, Bad Axe. He was born April 2, 1947 in Cass City to Max Bernard and Lavara (Morrish) Laming.

He married Bonnie Jean Fox April 30, 1971 in Holbrook Church, Ubyly. Melvin graduated from Cass City High School with the class of 1965. He was a hard-working farm hand at Morell Dairy Farms for more than 40 years. Because he worked so hard, he appreciated his Sunday's off. Most evenings would find Melvin relaxed in his chair watching television.

Melvin is survived by his wife, Bonnie; daughters: Michelle (Marcus Kelso) Perry of Naples, FL, Marsha (Darin) Gilbert of Macomb, Jillian (Ron Palmer) Laming of Cass City and Joni Laming of Rockford; grandchildren: Jaclyn Palmer, Madelyne Gilbert and Dylan Gilbert; siblings: Carol Laming of Cass City, Larry (Eileen) Laming of Commerce Township, Dale (Elaine) Laming of Ubyly, Louis (Anna) Laming of Ubyly, Eva (Frank) Horning of Cass City and Walter (Sue) Laming of Cass City; many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents. A graveside service may be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Michigan Chapter, 1421 E. 12 Mile Road, Madison Heights, MI 48071. 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.



Merrill Turner

Merrill Edwin Turner, 77, of Cass City, passed away at his home on Saturday, June 9, 2018 with family at his side.

Merrill was born in Caro, May 11, 1941 to the late Grant and Laura (Kelly) Turner. He was one of five children. After his graduation from Caro High School in 1959, he immediately joined the U.S. Air Force and served as a B52 tail gunner until 1963 when he attended Delta College.

Merrill worked for AC Spark Plug in Flint, Dow Chemical in Midland and later Dow Chemical in Rocky Flats, Colorado. While living in Arvada, CO he attended the University of Boulder, Colorado where he received his degree in Environmental Biology. He worked at Caro Regional Center, from 1976 until his retirement in 1991, then returned to work at the Michigan Department of Agriculture from 1992 until his second retirement in 1997. He loved fishing, target practice, gardening, traveling, boating with his dog Joe, and was an avid reader.

He is survived by his wife, Christina; children: Scott (Robin) Turner of Van Buren, OH, Misty (Dirk) DeLong of Cass City, Robert (Rachel) Coryell of Bad Axe, Megan (Travis) Middleton of Austin, TX and Rebecca (Brett) Martin of Cass City; grandchildren: Layne, Brett (Faith), Drew, Ryan Turner, Kelly, Ryan, Carson DeLong, Austin Coryell, Logan Stark, Troy Middleton, Sean Dyer, Josh, Isabella and Scarlett Martin; great-grandchildren: Carter and Colton Turner; sisters: Madelyn Skaggs of Cass City and Jeanne (Dennis) James of Manistee; brothers-in-law: Michael O'Dell of Zebulon GA and Ed Paladi of Cass City; several nieces and nephews; and lifelong friend, Gerald (Ace) Mathewson.

He was preceded in death by his brothers Milo and Gerald Turner; sisters-in-law, Cheryl Paladi, Bobbie O'Dell, Betty Turner and Doreen Turner; brother-in-law, James Skaggs; and grandson, Ethan Dyer. Cremation has taken place and a private memorial service has been held. To sign an online guestbook, visit www.cremationsocietymidmi.com.



Notice of Public Hearing
Greenleaf Township Zoning Board of Appeals
June 28, 2018 at 8:00 PM and is to be held at Greenleaf Township Hall
6435 Bay City Forestville Road, Cass City, MI.
Variance request from Melvin & Ruth Miller to be allowed to keep his sawmill building in its current location which is closer to the road than permitted by the zoning ordinance. Property location is: 4675 Cleland Road, Cass City MI. 48726.
Parcel # 130-014-400-010-00
Persons not able to attend this meeting may comment in writing by mailing their comments to **Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Greenleaf Township Hall P.O. Box 135 Cass City, MI. 48726**

Notice of Public Hearing
Greenleaf Township Zoning Board of Appeals
June 28, 2018 at 8:00 PM and is to be held at Greenleaf Township Hall
6435 Bay City Forestville Road, Cass City, MI.
Variance request from Owen & Barbara Byler requesting permission to build a second dwelling on this property for family members. Property location is: 7401 Gilbert Road, Cass City, MI 48726.
Parcel # 130-021-100-010-02
Persons not able to attend this meeting may comment in writing by mailing their comments to **Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Greenleaf Township Hall P.O. Box 135 Cass City, MI. 48726**

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FOR SALE - Freezer beef, halves & quarters. Grain fed, no steroids. Delivered to slaughter house. 989-872-4076. 2-5-30-3

RASPBERRIES for sale - you pick or we pick. Call ahead for hours and availability 989-912-5543. 1960 S. Cemetery Rd., Deford (corner of Cemetery & Bevans) 2-6-13-1

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Bill Ehrlich, Jr.
989-977-1231

2-1-24-tf

Household Sales
GARAGE SALE - Towels, clothes, Christmas, lots of misc., men's items. Wednesday, June 13 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 6416 Third St. 14-6-13-1

Household Sales
GARAGE SALE - all summer long, brand new items, furniture, household, kids' toys and clothes, lawn and garden items, more items to put out every day. Everything priced to sell. Tuesday - Sunday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (except Thursday's are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) 5080 Leslie Rd., Decker. Call Bonnie at 989-872-5434. 14-6-13-3


GARAGE SALE - 4270 Seeger St., Thursday, June 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. & Friday, June 15 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dresser with mirror, chest of drawers, new Kirby with attachments, women's & men's clothing & much more. 14-6-13-1

ESTATE SALE - 6278 Beechwood Dr., Cass City June 15 & 16 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 14-6-13-1

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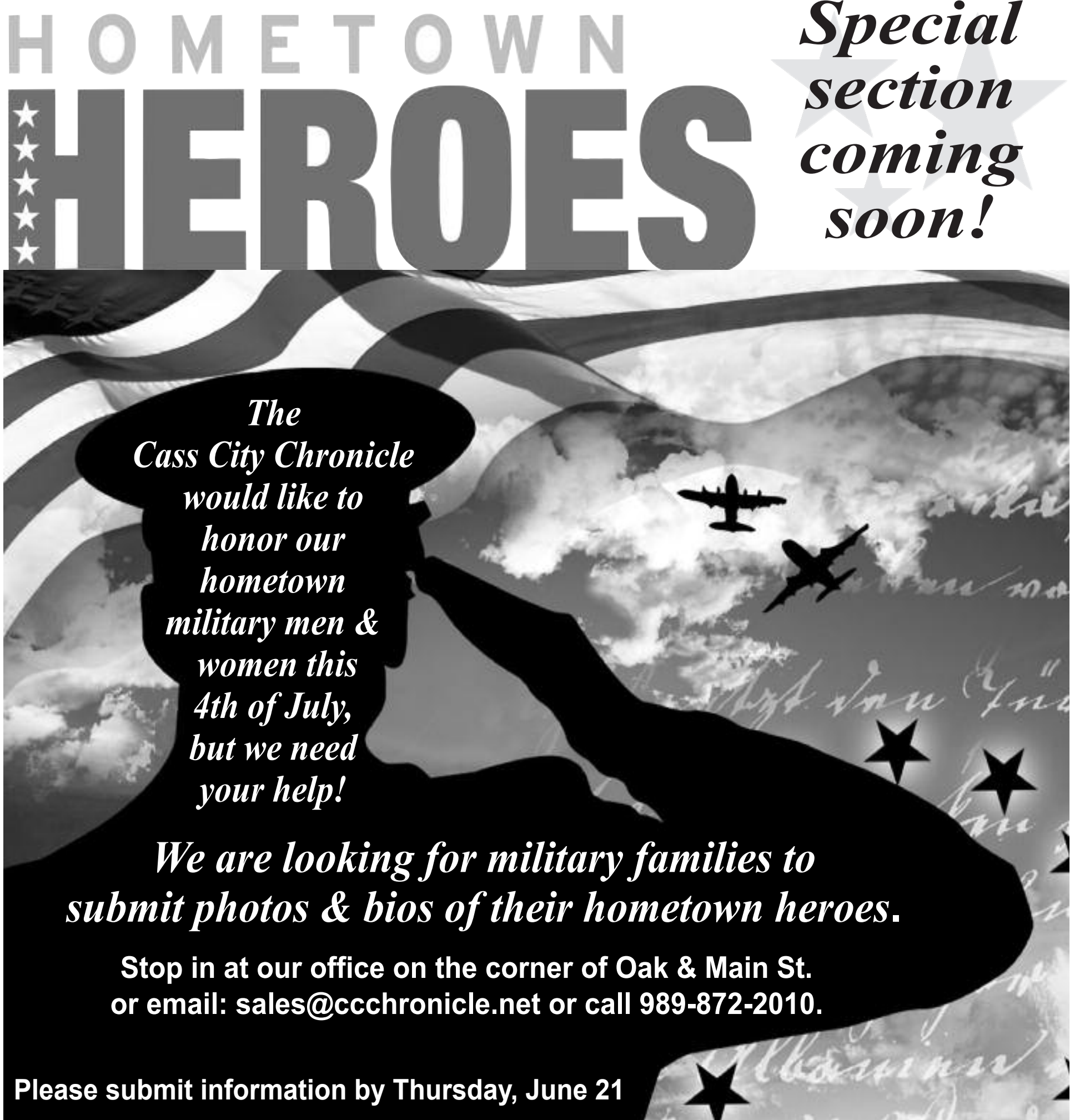
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Real Estate for Sale

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LIGHT PRODUCTION WORKER - We have a position available at competitive wages with excellent benefits. Qualification: High school diploma, excellent work attendance record, good math, reading and writing skills, excellent manual dexterity, prior manufacturing experience helpful. For consideration please send resume with references to Anrod Screen Cylinder Co., Attn: Human Resources, P.O. Box 117, Cass City, MI 48726.

11-6-6-2

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11-6-13-2

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123-18-0024

TAKE A LOOK!

Nestled within the city limits on a corner lot, this home has 9' ceilings, original woodwork, dining room with built in cabinets. The open staircase leads up to the loft and 3 bedrooms. There is a shed and a fenced yard. Updates include new roof in 2016. Lots of storage space!

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THE CASS CITY School District is once again sponsoring the federally-funded Let's Do Lunch! program, which will offer free nutritious breakfasts and lunches to area youths, Monday through Friday, starting Monday, June 25.

Free summer meals back

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ally-funded Let's Do Lunch! program. Starting Monday, June 25, nutritious meals will be served Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Cass City Elementary School. In addition, breakfast will be served each day from 8:30 to 9 a.m. The program will run throughout the summer – with the exception of July 4-6 – and conclude Aug. 10. There are no income requirements, according to Bock, who says anyone ages 18 and younger is welcome to participate. "We are excited to provide this opportunity for Cass City's children," Cass City School Supt. Jeff Hartel said. "The summer feeding program reflects our school's mission statement of all school personnel will accept the responsibility to provide the opportunity for all students to be productive in a global society. Nutrition plays a key role in helping students learn and prepare to compete globally." Cass City School officials will again be partnering with other districts to provide free meals for children in the surrounding area, according to Bock. Breakfast will be served from 7 to 8:30 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Small Wonders Day Care, 1381 Cleaver Rd., Caro; and at Grandview Estates (community room), 154 E. Deckerville Rd., Caro, with breakfast from 10 to 10:30 a.m. and lunch from noon to 12:30 p.m. each Monday through Friday. Small children should be accompanied by an adult. More information regarding the meal sites is available by contacting Bock (989) 872-5729.

In 2016, the Cass City Public Schools prepared more than 9,300 meals in the summer for area children, up from 8,000 meals the summer before. Last year's total was roughly 8,000 meals. However, the program started two weeks later than usual because of a late school dismissal date, and the program had one less meal site. "Overall, the program was very well received. Both sites in Caro did really well. We were pleased with those," Bock said, adding those sites saw 50 to 60 youths in attendance each day. In Cass City, attendance, the food service crew fed 70 to 100 kids each day. "I think there's (still) a need, and as long as there is a need, we'll keep meeting," she said.

More than half of Cass City students qualified for free or reduced meals during the 2017-18 school year, according to Bock. "We are currently at 55 percent district-wide," she said. "This is up from last year. Last year we had, as a district, 52 percent. The biggest increase is at the junior-senior high level. The elementary remains about the same at 55 percent, but the junior-senior high is now at 54 percent."

Bock along with one or two other food service personnel prepare all the food in Cass City. The U.S. Department of Agriculture reimburses the district for the meals, some of which are then transported to the satellite summer meal sites.

Milligan: wheat meet an opportunity for growers

The Michigan Wheat Program's 2018 Summer Field Day is set for today (Wednesday) at the MSU Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center, 3775 S. Reese Rd., Frankenmuth.

On-site check-in and a continental breakfast will begin at 8:15 a.m., and wagons pull out for the plot tour presentations at 9 a.m.

"Every year, nearly 200 of the state's wheat farmers take time out of our fields to view research results firsthand and talk with researchers about what they see and how we can apply their results on our farms," said David Milligan, chairman of the nine-member Michigan Wheat Program Board and a wheat farmer from Cass City.

"The board sees the summer field day as one of the ways we report back to the growers," Milligan added. "Those who attend can see the results for themselves, ask questions and share 'best practices' with other farmers and the researchers. It is a very worthwhile event."

Morning wagon tours on June 13 will feature the following topics and presenters, who are funded in part by the Michigan Wheat Program:

- *Wheat variety improvements – MSU wheat breeder Dr. Eric Olson.
- *Weed control research – Dr. Christy Sprague.
- *Wheat disease control topics – Dr. Marty Chilvers, Dr. Frances Trail and Martin Nagelkirk, MSU wheat educator.
- *Soil fertility considerations – Dr. Kurt Steinke.
- *Starter phosphorous treatment – Dennis Pennington, MSU wheat specialist.
- *Precision planting – Dr. Manni Singh.

Dr. Jan Byrne of the MSU Plant Diagnostics Center will be evaluating and accepting any ailing wheat specimens brought in by growers for either on site diagnostics or to be taken back to the university for further evaluation. The diagnostics service cost continues to be covered through the Michigan Wheat Program.

After lunch, guest speaker Dale Nellor will take the stage to present "Wheat: The National View."

Nellor is vice president of government and technical affairs for the North American Millers' Association of Washington, D.C.

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