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## Whitmer's hold on new hospital stuns officials

For the Chronicl
Tuscola County officials were stunned after hearing construction


TUSCOLA COUNTY Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle traffic crash that resulted in serious injuries to a Kingston motorist early Sunday morning in Wells Township. Sheriff Glen Skrent reported officers were dispatched to Rossman Road at about 3:27 a.m. Preliminary investigation revealed that a 30-year-old Kingston man was traveling westbound when his van veered off the road, spun around and hit a culvert, sending it airborne and landing on its side. "The subject had been trapped inside his vehicle and Kingston Fire Department and MMR responded to the scene," said Skrent, who noted the driver was transported to an area hospital with "significant" injuries.

## Haire, Krol top Cass City Class of '19

by Tom Montgomery Editor
Cass City School officials recently announced the top graduKacey Haire, named valedictori with a cumulative grade point av erage (GPA) of 4.09, and Jalene Krol, who earned salutatorian


Kacey Haire
honors with a GPA of 4.01. Haire, the daughter of Karen and Clarke Haire, boasts a long list of academic and athletic activities
accomplishments and awards. This year's Cass City Junior izen of the Year Award recipient she has been on the all A's honor roll since 2015 and received multiple academic excellence certifi-

cates in a variety of subjects. She
a member of the Cass City Please turn to page 8.
the location of the new state psychiatric hospital. Those concerns
are related to staffing, the ability for patients' families to be in volved in their treatment, and water accessibility to the center. A press release issued by Gordon noted concerns about staffing shortages, lack of new staff re
cruitment, the center not having cruitment, the center not having on staff, and the need to have municipal water extended to the cen ter.
"Based on these issues, we have decided to seek outside consultation to review the proposed Caro
Center project to determine what Center project to determine what
is in the best interest of those who is in the best interest of those who
need critical state hospital services," said Gordon. "Bed capacity, Please turn to page 6.

## Finances focus of

 school board meetby Tom Montgomery
Editor
Cass City School officials briefly discussed key factors that will shape the district's next budget during a 30 -minute monthly board of educaCass City Public Schools Chief Financial Officer Allison Zimba dis cussed enrollment projections as they relate to drafting the district' new spending plan. School boards across the state must have new budg ets in place by the end of June, even though per-pupil funding amounts aren t finalized until state officials adopt a new budget later in the year
Zimba said she plans to build a projected loss of 20 students in Cas City's next budget, in keeping with the district's conservative approach to offset enrollment fluctuations over the past several years.
"The good news is it looks like we're leveling off," she said.
For nearly two decades, Cass City officials have watched local student Please turn to page 16


UBLY TEACHER Stewart Kieliszewski (right) poses for a photo with Jeff Holyfield, Michigan Lottery public relations director, after accepting his Excellence in Education Award.

## Future of Tuscola County Development at Risk!


#### Abstract

The Tuscola County Economic Development Corpo- ration is sending a strong message to the Governor that ration is sending a strong message to the Governor that the promise of the future development of the Caro Center is directly linked to the economic development future of Tuscola County for generations to come. The EDC sees this as a non-political decision. This project matters to the employees, the patients, the doctors, the schools and the citizens of Tuscola County. The local representatives, the former administration, and local leaders participated in a celebration of this non-partisan decision of the future expansion of this facility. The EDC strongly supports the commitment made to the people of Tuscola County. Legislation was approved last year which placed $\$ 115$ million for the construction of a new psychiatric hospital at the current Caro Center site in the current Michigan budget. When that construction will begin is Michigan budget. When that construction will begin is now being answered with a big question mark. With the current political environment, will this promised project be another clear example of promises made, but not kept by our State of Michigan elected leadership? Tuscola County EDC officials are hoping that an open line of communication with the Governor will bring clarity to an announcement by her that the Caro Center expansion has been placed on hold. for the Governor and State leaders to have all the correct information in hand. "We encourage Governor

Whitmer and her staff to be on the same page as Tus- cola County in moving forward." He said the expancola County in moving forward." He said the expan- sion of the Caro Center is key to future economic development in Tuscola County and the Thumb Area. In regards to the water issue mentioned by the Governor in her announcement, Tuscola County has been actively working with the State of Michigan to ensure that the best quality of water is available at the Caro Center site. Erickson said the EDC Board is encouraging uscola County residents to write letters to the

Governor urging her to honor the commitment made by the legislature for the Caro Center expansion at its current location. Letters can be mailed to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, P.O. Box 30013, Lansing, MI 48909 Requests via phone calls can Office of the Governor at 517-373-3400. Tuscola County EDC board chairman Gary Fritz said, "the ground-breaking ceremony we had back in October last year, for the state-of-the-art facility located in Caro here, brought stability back to the lives of the 349 employees and their families. There is too much on the line for Tuscola County residents and area businesses that count on this project moving forward. To turn back time and place this on hold is a disservice to our community."

Erickson said his board is offering information in- cluded in an economic impact study done by the EDC cluded in an economic impact study done by the EDC, to be used in this letter-writing and communication campaign with the Governor. Some of this information from the study is outlined as follows: The Caro Center was first established in 1914. It is a State of Michigan Psychiatric Hospital and the second argest employer in Tuscola County. The Caro Cente sets. Staff members offer quality care in a safe environment for both patients and the staff. The Caro community has always been a caring community for the Caro Center and the people who receive treatment there. The Caro Center currently offers 150 patient beds. Given the importance of understanding the specific role and economic impact the Caro Center provides to the economy in Tuscola County, the Tuscola Count economic impact analysis of the Caro Center.

An economic impact analysis is an effective way of demonstrating the economic contribution that the Caro Center makes to Tuscola County. To estimate the eco nomic and employment impact of the Caro Center, an priate economic analysis that tracks the interdepend ence among producing and consuming sectors of an ence among producing and consuming sectors of an


## Obituaries

Steven Bean, Sr.
Steven Lee Bean, Sr., 59, of Cass City, passed away Friday, March 15, 2019 at his home. He was born February 16, 1960, in Ellington Township, the son of the late William and Dorothy (Seigneurie) Bean.
On November 25, 1977 he married Lisa Grammatico in Cass City. Steven served in the U.S. Army and over the years, he worked as
groundskeeper at 1000 Trails, a janitor at Cass City High School, a projectionist at the Cass City Theater and worked for Pine River Plastics in Port Huron. He enjoyed painting pictures, repainting sculptures and yard work, but most of all he enjoyed time with his family, especially his grandchildren.
He is survived by his loving wife of over 41 years, Lisa; children, Steven Lee Bean, II, Joseph Bean (fiancée, Ashley Farnum) and
Chrisinda Bean, all of Cass City; grandchildren, Kelli, Jazmin, Joseph Chrisinda Bean, all of Cass City; grandchildren, Kelli, Jazmin, Joseph and Anna, a sister, Kathy (Mics) City.
He was predeceased by his daughter, Patricia Bean.
Honoring his wishes, cremation has taken place planned at this time.
Memorials in memory of Steven may be made to his family
Please share condolences at http://www.thabetfuneralhome.com.


## Helen Nelson

Helen Marie Nelson, 85, of Cass City, died peacefully Tuesday, March 12, 2019 in Autumnwood of Deckerville.

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She was born February 11, 1934 in LaGrange, GA, one of ten children born to
William Caler and Bertha Pearl (Pike) East.
She married James DeGuzman May 14, 1960 in Iron River. He died March
15, 2010. Helen married David Nelson February 9, 2013 in Living Word Worship Center, Cass City. He died February 18, 2019. where she earned two cents per pound. Helen lived in Iron River for over 50 years before moving to Cass City in 2011. She was a pastor at The Gospel Chapel where her husband was co-pastor. Helen hosted a weekly gospel radio show called "The Gospel Truth" where she
shared music and gospel for 26 years. She loved to bowl and participated in leagues in the Upper Peninsula. She enjoyed traveling to special locations such as Niagara Falls and Dollywood and enjoyed her time with Brenda on their cruise.
Helen is survived by her daughter, Sharon (Mike) Reeder of Cass City and their children, Mikayla Reeder and Aurora Reeder; sister, Cl Lavine Reaves of Albertville, AL; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brothers: William East and Johnny East;
sisters: Vella Townsel, Marjorie "Polly"" Longhi, Reba Morgan, Alma Rum sisters: Velna Townsel, Marjorie "Polly" Longhi, Reba
Katherine Benefield, and infant sister, Mary Ruth East.
Katherine Benefield, and infant sister, Mary Ruth East. Living Word Worship Center of Cass City officiating.
Interment will take place in the spring in Rest Haven Cemetery, Iron Rive
Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.
Family and friends may share memories, prayers and photos with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.

## Linda Voss

Linda Fern Voss, 70, of Deford, died peacefully Sunday, March 17, 2019 in Fisher Convalescent Home of Mayville.
She was born June 17, 1948 in Cass City to Francis Alvin and Adeline Edna (Holzwort) Butler. She married Ronald Elmer Voss June 4, 1966 in Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of Cass City. Linda graduated from Cass City High School with the class of 1966. She worked as a stay at home mom, allowing her the opportunity to babysit children of se
eral families and friends for many years. Linda was an active member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, where she served with the Ladies Aid and taught Sunday school. She was a 4-H Leader and representative for thirty-three years. Linda baked beautiful wedding cakes for family and friends. She enjoyed time spent quilting, crocheting and bird watching. Ler son, Ron (Mary Ann) Voss of Cass City; grandchildren. Ronald; (Justine) Voss, Zack (Jessica Ewald) Voss, Courtney (Benjidre (Justine) Voss, Zack (Jessica Ewald) Voss, Courtney (Benjamin) Voss, McKayla Voss, Kara Voss, Mikelle Weiderhold, Danika Weiderhold, Dayton Weiderhold, Shea Miller, Asher Miller and Kierra Miller; step grandchildren: Jessica (Earl) Long, Jordan Finkbeiner, Courtney (Matthew) Reidel and Kirklynd Spencer; step great-grandchildren: Destiny Long, Gage Long, Bowen Long, Rebecca Finkbeiner, Jeffrey Finkbeiner, Bryson, Reidel and Ashlynd Reidel; sisters: Bonnie Zeidler of Cass City, Molli (Scott) Hartel of Rockford, Mari (Kurt Bliss) Butler Low
She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Kay Butler; brother-in-law, Bill Zeidler. Visitation will be held from 2 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, in Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City; and from 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 20 , in Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of Cass City. The funeral service will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 20, in Good Shepherd Cass City with the Rev. Steve Bagnall officiating.
Interment will be in Novesta Township Cemetery. Pallbearers for Mrs. Voss will be: Andre Voss, Zack Voss, Mason Voss, Kirklynd Spencer, Kevin Lowe, Brian Voss, Kyle Lowe. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund. Family and friends may share memories, Arrangements were made by Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City.


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# In Our OPINION... <br> Clarke Haire <br> Publisher <br> Tom Montgomery Editor 

## Send a message to Michigan governor

Whether or not they know it, all Tuscola County residents have a major stake in Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's decision to put a hold on construction of the state's new psychiatric hospital near Caro.
Fortunately, every resident also has an opportunity to weigh in on what could be a lasting blow to the region's economy by sending a message to Lansing.
It's as easy as writing a letter encouraging the governor to reconsider breaking a promise already made to Tuscola County officials and citizens - and sealed with funding approved by state officials before she was elected.
Tuscola County Economic Development (TCEDC) officials are urging residents to share their views by sending letters in support of keeping the Caro Center here to: Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, P.O. Box 30013, Lansing, MI 48909. Calls can also be made to the governor's office at (517) 373-3400.
Thumb legislators have already voiced their opposition to putting the project on hold.
New state Rep. Phil Green (R-Millington), who represents residents in Tuscola and Huron counties, for example, cited the potential economic devastation to the region, given that the Caro Center is the secondlargest employer in Tuscola County, boasting a workforce of nearly 350 people.
"The Caro Center was chosen for this project because it is centrally located for more than 80 percent of the center's patients and the majority of its employees. Its 650 acres, with access to power and water services, and existing administration building, make the center a perfect location for a state psychiatric hospital, Green said.
"Not only is the governor's decision bad for workers and patients, it's also fiscally irresponsible," he added. "The state has already spent over $\$ 3$ million on the Caro project, and multiple units of local government have invested in researching and planning for this proj ect. Studies have already been completed. Now the governor wants to redo those same studies - wasting taxpayer dollars that could be better spent elsewhere. ' Green says Whitmer's decision demonstrates a "blatant disregard for rural Michigan and Thumb residents. The governor has shown that she is interested only in helping the residents of areas that were instrumental in electing her - repeatedly disenfranchising areas of the state that were not. She eliminated 250 potential jobs in Ionia, and now hundreds of jobs at Caro.
"All Michigan residents deserve a governor who looks out for them, not just the ones who voted for her," he said.
We couldn't agree more, but our legislators should not be expected to challenge the governor alone; every citizen shares that responsibility and obligation to share their views with those elected to make these decisions. Voicing your opinion may or may not make the difference between retaining a stable local economy and sustaining an economic hit that, one way or another, will hit home for all of us.
But Tuscola County residents' silence on this issue would speak volumes to an administration that appears bent on wielding its power for political purposes, and none of us can afford that.

## Drier Humor

 by Mary DrierSometimes you just walk away


I've often wondered about the expressions, "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder" and "Beauty is only skin deep."
I've finally figured out how those expressions came about; they have to be about opossums. Recent warm weather has the local wildlife coming
out to stretch their legs and enjoy the sun. Opossums out to stretch their legs and enjoy the sun. Opossums
are among those creatures looking forward to spring are among those creatures looking forward to spring,
including one I saw as it ambled across my yard. Of course, I've seen opossums around my place from a distance on and off for years, but when I was taking the garbage out recently, I experienced an opossum up close and personal in a face-to-face situation. And, man they are ugly.
There is some kind of saying about something being so ugly it hit every branch on the ugly tree on the way to the ground. Opossums are so ugly they didn’t just climbed it a couple of times and touched every branch on the ugly tree on the way down to make them so ugly.
While most animals - especially baby animals are cute, that cannot be said for the opossum. There is nothing cute about them at all. They look like a mutant rat or a science experiment gone very wrong. And, I guess a very animal. They help clean up the enally a very
But, man are they ugly
Just one of the little creatures can eat up to 5,000 ticks each season. That is awesome because ticks carry Lyme disease, but yet the possum does not contract the disease.
But, man are they ugly
They also eat insects, snails, small rodents and dead Butuf,
But, man are they ugly
I guess when it con
If they eat mice and moles, But, man are they ugly.
To top it off 95 pgly. mune to rabies.
But, man why do they have to be so ugly?
Opossums are the only marsupial in the United States and Canada. That means they carry their young in a pouch, much like the Australian kanga-
But, man are they ugly. At least, kangaroos are cute. Their name is actually opossum but most just shorten it down to possum.
They are definitely nothing to look at. They are afraid of us, but can become aggressive if threatened.
However, according to information I've heard most However, according to information I ve heard, most
of the time an opossum will act dead when faced with a situation it doesn't want to deal with. Acting like


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an opossum during that recent confrontation with one in my trash sounded like a plan, but it beat me to doing that

## Rabbit Tracks

by Clarke Haire
(And anyone else he can get to help)

Here's a couple of riddles to test your mystery solving abilities.
First, this weekend the Haire's drove to Mount Pleasant and 30 miles later
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right. Can you name th right. Can you name the
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Next, while at the univer-
sity book store, I purchased
a 45 cent candy bar. The
cashier gave me 55 cents in change consisting of two
coins and a nickel wasn't coins and a nickel wasn't
one of them. Name the one of
coins?

my last Rabbit Track item this week. So, if you need more time to come up with the answers, come back and read them later. Good luck.

When Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation (TCEDC) officials approached us last week with a request to purchase space on our fron page to print an opinion piece, our first reaction
was, simply, no. In the past, we've sold a small, two-inch tall strip of advertising space on page one, but this request represented another ballgame alto
gether gether.
However, upon further discussion, we decided to make an exception in this case, given the nature of
the TCEDC's message - to urge a grassroots let the TCEDC's message - to urge a grassroots let-
ter-writing campaign opposing the governor's re ter-writing campaign opposing the governor s re new state psychiatric hospital in Caro. It's a decision that represents a very real threat to the economic vitality of not only Caro, but also to communities throughout this region.
In short, as a local newspaper, it's our responsi-
bility to print news and a variety of opinions that bility to print news and a variety of opinions that
we feel are important to our readers, and we believed making this exception falls in line perfectly with that mission.

Owen-Gage Junior High students enjoyed a field trip recently to some local businesses. Mary Ann
Minkler Administrative Assistant at Owendale Gagetown Area Schools, reports their trip started at Kranz Funeral Home where the owner and operator Deb Kranz spoke to the students about Mor tuary Science and her job as a funeral director. During the trip the students were given a tour of the funeral home and an explanation of how to plan a funeral. They also learned about the solar panel that help supply electricity to the funeral home.
The next stop was at Ligrow's Fitness $24 / 7$. Th students were met by owner and operator John Ligrow. He gave an introduction to his fitness business and allowed the students to use the equipment. After an hour and a half of working out they stopped at Charmont and learned to score a bow ing game on paper and bowled a few games. They had a great day learning about some of the They ha
local bus
U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, co-chair of the
Senate Great Lakes Task Force, released a stateSenate Great Lakes Task Force, released a statement recently on the proposed Trump Administra-
tion budget that would make a 90 percent cut to tion budget that would make a 90 percent cut to
funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative is once again gutting funding for the Great Lakes. Just like last year, and the year before, the people of Michigan will make their voices heard and I will lead the bipartisan fight to restore every penny." The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, which Senator Stabenow authored in 2010 and has continued to champion, is critical to cleaning up the Great Lakes, beaches, and waterways and fighting invasive species like Asian carp. According to
the University Research Corridor, more than 700,000 Michigan jobs, one in five in the state, are tied to water.
President Trump proposed cutting funding to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative in his 2017 2018, and 2019 budget requests. Senator Stabenow led the effort to restore that funding all three years

Okay here are the answers to my riddles. First, the building pictured above is in Milwaukee, Wisconsin (I didn't write, we drove to Mount Pleasant, Michigan).
Next, the coins totaling 55 cents were a 50 cent piece and a nickel. (I wrote that one of the coins wasn't a nickel - the other coin was).

CALENDAR EVENTS
publication. Please send calendar items to:
Cass City Chronicle Po. Box 115, Cass City MI 48726
Wednesday March 20
-Spoontuls of Plenty, Mree Community
Commission at 429 Montague Ave., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-
style meal.
-Spagheti Dinner at Cass City VFW Hall from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Take out
available. For more information call (989) 872-4933.
Thursday, March 21
information, call (989) 553 -5932.
-Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC
Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, Adult Das
contact Kim at $(989)$ ) $673-4121$ or Amanda at (810) $648-4497$.
$\bullet$ Grief Sur -Grief Support meetings, "Healing Together." Heritage Hill, 1430 Cleaver Rd.,
Caro, 7 ( $8: 30$ p.m. For question or to register to attend please call the office at
(989) $872-5852$ or toll free ( 877 ) $872-5852$. These sessions are open to anyone


Saturday, March 23

- Monday, March 25

-AA meeting, $7-8$ p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For mor
information, call (989) 553-5532.
-Hills \& Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (n meetings July, August, December).
- Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Caro Area District Library,
840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call ( 989 ) 872 -3259. - Families Against Narcotics, 6 p.m... Hills and Dales Corporate Services and Re-
gional Education Center, 6667 Main St. Cass City. For more information, call
(089) $551-4326$


## Tuesday, March 26

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held in the hall next to the little stone church.)
for-Anon meting. 7 p.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call $989-912-5478$ STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS
First Saturday:
-Suicide Survivor Grief Support Group, 1 p.m..Thumb Area Psychological Serv-
ices 6627 Rose St., Cass City. For more information Lisa Schoettle, MA LPC NCC at 989-872-1800
First Sunday:
-Hillside Com
ing.
-Thumb Area Companions, 3 p.m., hosted by Dawn Woidan at Hills and Dales Boardroom
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- Novesta Township Board meeting, 7.30 p.m.
-Shabbona Outreach Baby Pantry, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shabbona Outreach 5448
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Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m.. fire hall in Gagetown.
-Tuscola County Altheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, $1: 30$ p.m. -
3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121

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-Huron County Family Caregiver Suport Group, 10:00 a.m. - $12: 00$ p.m., Human
Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, con-
tact Merry at (989) 673-4121.
-Al-Ano meeting, 7 p p.m., St. Francis Parrish, Pigeon.
Second Thursday:
-Caregiver Connection, 12:00 p.m. - $2: 00$ p.m., Country Gardens, Scheurer Hos-
pital,
673 -4121 N. Caseville Rd., Pigeon. For more information, call Merry at (989) 673-4121.
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Beach For more information , iodtact Mery Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121
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Hall, L165 Binghan St., Ubly MI 48475 . A pot luck is served prior to the meeting.
Everyone is welcomed. Everyone is welco
Third Wednesday:
Spaghetti Dinner
Third Wednessday:
-spahhentit Dinner at Cass City VFW Hall from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Take out
available. For more information call (989) 872-4933. available. For mo
Third Thursday:
Sanilac County
-Sanilac Courty $\begin{aligned} & \text { Altzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, } 3 \text { p.m.,. HDC } \\ & \text { Adult Day Services Building, } 227 \text { N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information }\end{aligned}$ ©ntact Kim at ( 989 ) $673-4121$ or Amanda at, ( 8100 648-4497.
-Grief Support meetings, "Healing Together." Heritage Hill, 1430 Cleaver Rd,
 dealing with a grief or loss. Sponsored by Hospice Advantage, Cass City.
-Cargiver Li-
bare 520 Suport Group, $1: 00$ p.m. $1: 100$ p.... Bullard--anford Memorial Li-Grary-4121.
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Third Friday:
-Senior Citize

- Senior Citizen Third Saturday:

Third Saturday:

- Revive Food Panty, from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Must live in the Cass City School
District and meet the financial guidelines. For more information, call (989)5551-
- Fourth Monday:
-Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m.
-Hill \& Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (no
meetings Iuly meetings July, August, December).
-Tuscol County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library,
840 W Frank St Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259. 840 W. Frank St., caro. For more information, call 989 .
-Families Against Narcotics. 6 p.m. Hills and Dales Corporate Services and Re-
gional Education Center, 667 Main St. Cass City. For more information, call gonal Education
(989) 51 We-432.
Fourth Wednesda)
Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.n
-Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behav-
ioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269 -
-Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Sanilac
County Medical Care Facility. Noon to 2 p.m. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673
Fourth Thursday:
-Comrth Thurty Lay:
- Lonch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.
Community
Last Monday:
-Cass City Vill
Cass City Village
Last Wednesclay:
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Every Monday:
-Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m.. Parkside Cafe, 2031 Ma

AA meeting, 7-8
information, call
Every Tuesday
-AA Meeting, $7-8$ p.m., St. Joseph Church, 4960 N. Argyle Rd. (Meeting will be
held in the hall next to the litle stone church) -Al-Anon meeting, 7p.m., Cakima Serenity Home, Mayville. Call 1889-912-5478
for more information. -Crafty Ladies Group
Crafty Ladies Group, 1-4...m., Common Grounds (next to Revive). Bring a craft-
ing project o work on. Call $989-551-7803$ for more information.
Every Wednesday:
Every Wednesday:
-Spoonfuls of Plenty
Commission at
style meal.
Every Thursday:
-AA meeting, $7-8$ p.m., Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cass City. For more
information, call
Every Saturday
Every Saturray
-Al-Anon meeting, 11
for more information


## Deputies arrest suspect in Huron Co. business burglary last week

## by Tom Montgomery <br> Editor

Huron County Sheriff's deputie arrested a Sebewaing man in connection with the break-in of a Sebewaing business early last week.
Investigators say they're continuing to look into whether the suspect may have been
other crimes as well
Deputies were dispatched to the
Sebewaing Laundromat Sunda morning (March 10) to investigate a broken window at the business, according to Sheriff Kelly J. Han-
"Vo. "Video surveillance further indicated that a male subject entere
which was locked and closed for the night, and over $\$ 500$ in coins were missing," Hanson said.
"This was not the first time this business had been broken into either, it's been the scene of other break-ins over the last couple of months.
"Two deputies from our office
and a Sebewaing Village pole and a Sebewaing Village police
officer, who came in early to start officer, who came in early to start
his shift due to this incident, followed leads and used the surveillance video to obtain a search warrant for the residence of a Sebewaing man living on Sebewaing Road near Sebewaing," he added. "The search of the residence turned up the coins and other pos-
sible evidence from unsolved
crimes in our county and Tuscol (County). Several items were seized.
"Resident Dakota W. Hines was then arrested by our deputies for fie felony breaking and entering of the laundromat and taken to our Hines was subsequently formally arraigned on the charge in Huron County District Court. He remain lodged in the cou
$\$ 25,000$ cash bond.
"Our deputies and officers from other departments will be working together in the days to come to se if the suspect had any roles in any other unsolved crimes," Hanso

## Circuit court proceedings

## Several appear on felony charges

The following people appeared in Tuscola County Circuit Court
last week on various criminal last wee
charges:
*Chris
*Christopher M. Stuller, 41, Mayville, pleaded no contest to
charges of delivery/manufacture of five to 45 kilograms of marijuana or a synthetic equivalent, or 20 to 200 plants Oct. 12, 2017, in Fremont Township.
Apre-sent ore ine and bond was ordered in the case and bond was to be scheduled.
*Raymond L. Brigham, 23,
Unionville, pleaded no contest to Unionville, pleaded no contest to
three counts of uttering and pubthree counts of uttering and publishing., identity theft and steal-
ing/retaining a financial ing/retaining a financial transaction device without conSept. 5, 2017, and Oct. 24, 2017 , in Unionville. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).
A pre-senten
A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued scheduled.
*Jason D. Irons, 49, Caro, was sentenced to one to 20 years in prison following his plea of guilty to violating the Sex Offenders Registration Act by failing to immediately report a change in address, third offense, between Jan. Wells Township. He was also conWells Township. He was also con-
victed of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).
In addition to prison time, he was ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$258.
*Christopher J. Boone, 48, Vas-
sar, was sentenced to sar, was sentenced to 105 days in
the county jail following his pleas the county jail following his pleas
of no contest to attempted larceny from a person and domestic violence, second offense, Aug. 14 in Vassar.
He was also placed on probation for 24 months and ordered to pay costs and fines totaling $\$ 508$. *Katelynn D. Trisch, 25, Caro,
was sentenced to two to 10 years was sentenced to two to 10 years
in prison following her pleas of no in prison following her pheas of no
contest to charges of child abuse, second degree, assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) and two counts of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor - with an occupant under the
Sept. 13 in Caro.
In addition to prison time, she was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling $\$ 826$.
*Mark S. Jacobs, 48, Fostoria, was sentenced to 109 days in jail following his plea of no contest to delivery/manufacture of mari-
juana or a synthetic equivalent juana or a synthetic equivalent
Nov. 29,2016 in Watertown Nov. 29, 2016, in watertown
Township. He was also convicted Township. He was also convicted
of being an habitual offender (three or more prior felony convictions).
In addition to jail time, he was ordered to pay costs and fines totaling $\$ 608$ plus attorneys fees of
*Mark A. Smith, 42, Taylor, was *Mark A. Smith, 42, Taylor, was
sentenced to 365 days in jail following his plea of no contest to domestic violence, third offense, Oct. 23 in Caro. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions).
In addition to jail time, he was In addition to jail time, he was
ordered to pay costs and fines toordered to pay costs and fines to-
taling $\$ 858$ plus attorneys fees of taling
$\$ 500$.
*Devon M. Jobson, 21, Davison, was sentenced to 93 days in jail
following his pleas of no contest to charges of fleeing a police officer, reckless driving and being a
minor while operating a motor veminor while operating a motor vehol content) Aug. 18 Watertown Township.
He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling $\$ 1,058$ plus attorneys fees of $\$ 500$.
*Gage M. Harris, 24, Vassar, was
sentenced to one day in jail folsentenced to one day in lail fol-
lowing his plea of guilty to attempted possession of marijuana or a synthetic equivalent, second offense, Feb. 1, 2018, in Mayville. He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling $\$ 385$.
*Travis S. Powell, 26, Caro, pleaded no contest to domestic violence, third offense, Jan. 11 in
Millington. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions). A pre-sentence investigation was
ordered and bond was continued at $\$ 10,000$. Sentencing is to be $\underset{\text { *Joshua }}{ }$
*Joshua W. Cook, 36, Flint,
pleaded no contest the pleaded no contest to charges of
receiving and concealing stolen receiving and concealing stolen
firearms and possession of a firearm by a felon between May 19 and May 29 in Vassar Township.
A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at $\$ 5,000$. Sentencing is to be
scheduled ${ }^{\text {s }}$ Gerald R Paul Jr, 65 , Mayville
pleaded no contest to criminal sexual conduct, second degree, July 8 in Dayton Township. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued
at $\$ 30,000$. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
*Aaron E. Kemp, 32, Unionville, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense Sept. 18 in Akron Township.
A pre-sentence investigation A pre-sentence investigation was
ordered and bond was continued at $\$ 4,000$. Sentencing is to be scheduled.
*Joshua E. Lapan, 32,Vassar, was sentenced to one day in jail following his pleas of guilty to charges of possession of mari juana or a synthetic equivalent,
subsequent offense, driving while subsequent offense, driving while voked, subsequent offense, and operating a motor vehicle with the presence of a controlled substance in his body March 29 in Caro. He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling $\$ 658$. *Randy E. Dibble, 67, Deford,
pleaded no contest to pleaded no contest to 10 counts of
possession of a firearm by felony, and one count of posses sion of a firearm in the commis sion of a felony Nov. 3 in Kingston Township.
A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at $\$ 5,000$. Sentencing is
to be scheduled.


Cass City United Methodist Church All Are Welcome Here! Sloo Cemetery Roasd, Cass City

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- 3:00-4:00 pm Lenten Study (Simon Peter) $\frac{\text { All are Welcome to attend for this study during Lent. }}{-0 \cdot 00-4: 30} \mathbf{}$
- 4:30-5:00 pm Lite Dinner for All 4.30-5:00 pm Lite Dinner for All
$5: 00-6: 00$ pm Children's Time -5:00-5:30 pm Choir Practice -5:30-6:00 pm Healing Worship Service \& Choir - 6:00-6:30 pm Fellowship Coffee/Dessert



## Reporter's notebook <br> Can't wait to get my hands dirty <br> by Tom Montgomery Editor <br> 

## Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas
"In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of

Tennyson was right, I suppose, but for me, spring prompts my fancy oo turn to thoughts of the earthy scent and dark, rich color of soil under my tiller, transplanting seedlings and biting into that first fresh cucumber and juicy tomato of the
Is there anything better?
Sure, it might be hard to imagine as I survey the icy pools of water dotting the landscape around my place yet, but I have a good imagina-
And I have plenty of company. I know that because anytime I stop at store that carries gardening supplies, I'm never alone as I peruse those racks of garden seeds, shelves packed with potting soil and fertilizer nd garden tools of every shape and size.
master gardener, we all get the same thrill as we watch our vegetable plants mature and bear fruit that we know we could have purchased for change, but get more pleasure out of spending dollars (sometimes many dollars) to produce.
There's just something about growing your own food, you know? I used to spend hours and hours starting my own seedlings that I would
later harden off (gradually get them used to being outdors) and then later harden off (gradually get them used to being outdoors) and then transplant. However, he given that up, opting instead to visit greenthe best varieties of just about everything to grow in Michigan.
My advice? Visit all of them and get to know the folks who can really help you to become a much better gardener. They're not only good at what they do - they love what they do.
pretty famous gardeners:
*If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need (Marcus Tullius Cicero).
nature. To nurture a garden is to feed not just the body but the soul (Alfred Austin).
*I grow plants for many reasons: to please my eye or to please my or for nostalgia, but mostly for the joy in seeing them grow (David Hobson).
$*$ A
*A garden requires patient labor and attention. Plants do not grow merely to satisfy ambitions or to fulfill good intentions. They thrive
*A garden is a grand teacher. It teaches patience and careful watchfulness; it teaches industry and thrift; above all it teaches entire trust (Gertrude Jekyll). She also observed: The love of gardening is a seed once sown that never dies.
*Gardens are not made by singing 'Oh, how beautiful,' and sitting in the shade (Rudyard Kipling).

## *God Almighty first planted a gat

human pleasures (Francis Bacon)
halfway (Michael Pollan)
even its oldest scholars to the bottom of the class for some egregious ${ }_{*}$ blunder (Alfred Austin).
*I like gardening - it's a
lose myself (Alice Sebold).
*There are no gardening mistakes, only experiments (Jane Kilb Phillips)
And, finally, from Abraham Lincoln: The greatest fine art of the future


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## CASS THETRE <br> CASS CITY-871.2522 <br> wwwascsitherrecom <br> WED. \& THURS. 7:30 LIAM NEESON "COLD PURSUIT" <br> STARTS FRIDAY (5 DAYS)

DOORS OPEN AT 7:00 - SHOWTIME 7:30 2 SHOWINGS ON SUNDAY - 4:00 \& 7:30 - (NO MON. OR TUES.) CHILDREN $\$ 4.00$ - TEEN/ADULTS $\$ 6.00$ - NO CREDIT CARDS COMEDY - SPOOF - MUSIC REBEL WILSON in ISN'T IT ROMANTIC

## 5 YEARS AGO (2014)

We'd like to offer kudos to the folks at Battel's Sugar Bush, and ot just because the family has arned its reputation for producin he tops in home-grown pure since 1882. Sue Stuever Battel recently reported that Battel's has become the first maple syrup operation in the state to be verified by the Michigan Agriculture En vironmental
Cass City DPW Supt. Gary Barnes reports his crew has spent the majority of its time this past month plowing and hauling snow Barnes says this winter Cass City has received approximately 5 inches of snow and village work f snow and used 250 tons of salt By comparison, last year at this time the village had accumulated about 31 inches of snow and used 140 tons of salt.

10 YEARS AGO (2009)
Greg and Carolyn Sparks of Cass City announce the engage
ment of their daughter, Amand Renee Sparks, to James Allan Kil bourn, son of Lee Kilbourn of De ford and Lynn Kilbourn of Cass City. Amanda is a 2004 graduate of Cass City High School. She received her associate's degree in
applied science from Davenport Unplied science from Davenport esides in Kentucky, pursuing an ducation in dental hygiene James is a 2002 graduate of Cass city School. He has received a de gree in administrative management from Davenport University in 2006. He currently resides in mercial refrigeration company. May 16, 2009 wedding is currently being planned.
Ubly's Nicole Klee, an accounting major at Saginaw Valley State University (SVSU), was among dozens of students who recently participated in a 10 -day study trip to Greece. "We stayed in the city
of Athens the whole time. It was definitely an exciting spring break," commented the 2007 Ubly High School graduate. Participating were a group of history stu-
dents, including Klee, along with choir performers from the univer sity and others. Klee, 19, the is a sophomore at SVSU, pursuing a Bachelor of Professional Accountancy Degree.

25 YEARS AGO (1994)
Sunday, March 13, a pink shower was given in honor of Sarah Mar garet Cummings, the daughter o Mio. Twenty-six ladies attende the shower held at the Wesleyan Church of Elkton. It was given by Wayne's sisters, Jean, Connie and Kathy, and nieces, Jackie and
Amber. Charlene Binder won the Amber. Charlene Binder won the door prize. Sarah received many nice gifts. Grandparents a Gagetown and Bob and Tootie Ca vanaugh of Lake Orion.
Jordan Kus announces the birth of his baby sister, Tessa Rae. She arrived March 6 at Saginaw Gen eral Hospital, weighing 7 pounds I ounces. Her parents are Dal Jack and Sharron Hartwick Jack and Sharron Hartwick
Cass City, Gloria Erickson of Lake Linden and Dale Kus of Beulah, N.D. Great-grandfather is Arlan Hartwick
Christopher Allen Fruendt and Kenneth James Micklash earned Class Honors and were among
some 5,200 University of Michigan students on the Ann Arbor campus recognized at the University's annual Honors Convocatio March 20. A total of 6,027 awards were recognized at the convoca-
tion. Of the total, 4,893 were Class Honors, recognizing an under tradeast half A 's and half B's for terms (one term for new students) during 1993.

35 YEARS AGO (1984) The third birthday of Scott
Buehrly was celebrated Sunday at
"ShowBiz" Pizza in Saginaw. Attending the party were Mr. and
Mrs. Larry Buehrly and son Mrs. Larry Buehrly and son Nathan, Mrs. Dale Buehrly and
Christine Buehrly. Christine Buehrly. Jackie Hopkins, wife of Pastor
Jerry Hopkins of Bad Axe, was Jerry Hopkins of Bad Axe, was
honored at a baby shower Monday honored a a baby shower Monday Fifty-seven attended. The Hopkins' baby, Candiss Sarqmarie, was born Feb. 13.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Erla returned Tuesday, March 20, after with their son, Rick. The Erlas toured the area and visited cousins of Mrs. Erla in San Jose, whom she had not seen in 36 years. They also visited her two nephews and
a sister-in-law in Santa Rosa a sister-in-law in Santa R whom she had never met. nounced honor students for the nounced honor students for the class of 1984. Christina Ann Lan-
deryou, daughter of David and Thelma Landeryou of Ubly, is valedictorian. Lisa Annette Messing, daughter of. Richard and Ida Mae Messing of Ruth, is salutato-
rian.

40 YEARS AGO (1979)
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jackson honored Mr. and Mrs. Tom Woody Saturday evening with an open house farewell party. About 90 attended. Following the open house, a dinner was also held in their
honor at Sherwood on the Hill, honor at Sherwood on the Hill,
sponsored by the Gavel Club, of sponsored by the Gavel Club,
which Mr. Woody is a member Mr. and Mrs. Luis Arroyo of Cass City and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chard of Snover announce the engagement of their children, Rebecca Marie, Richard James Chard. Becky is a
1977 graduate of Cass City High 1977 graduate of Cass City High School and Rick is a 1971 gradu-
ate of Marlette High School. An Oct. 13 , wedding is planned. Four area students have been
named to the academic honors list named to the academic honors list
for the winter quarter at Ferris for the winter quarter at Ferris
State College. They are Susan M. State College. They are Susan M.
Asher, Eric J. Frederick and PatriAsher, Eric J. Frederick and Patri-
cia L. Smuntek, all from Cass cia L. Smuntek, all from Cass
City, and Gregory J. Downing of Gagetown. To be named, students had to earn at least a 3.25 grade
point average out of a possible 4.0 and carry at least 14 credit hours of classes.
Around 35
Around 35 guests attended a
bridal shower for Susa bridal shower for Susan Bond at Cass City Sunday afternoon given by her attendants. Games were played and prizes given. Mrs. Ralph Banby won the door prize. A buffet lunch was served. Miss Bond, daughter of Mrs. Charles Bond, and Greg Armstead, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Armstead in April.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1969)

Mr. and Mrs. Darold Robinson and three children of Evart surprised her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Walker, with a weekend
visit March 8 and 9 Other guests visit March 8 and 9 . Other guests
of the Walkers for Sunday dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hillard and two children of Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Walker and Lori Ann.
Army
Army Staff Sergeant Robert E. MacAlpine, 26, was assigned to
the 25th Infantry Division in Viet the 25th Infantry Division in Viet-
nam in January. Sgt. MacAlpine entered the service in September of 1964 and served three years in Germany, where he married his wife Monika. She was residing in Marlette but has returned to her native country, Frankfort, Germany, during her husband's Vietnam tour of duty. Sgt. MacAlpine
attended Cass City High School attended Cass City High School
and is the son of Mrs. Wilma Wheeler of Snover. He stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ferguson of Snover for a number of years.
Friend
Friends and relatives of Mrs. Au-
dley Kinnaird called af dley Kinnaird called at her home
Wednesday, March 12 to honor hednesday, March 12, to honor Mrs. Cliff Proctor and Mrs. J. Olmsted, came from Flint and gifts. Mrs. Kinnaird also received many beautiful flowers and plants

75 YEARS AGO (1944)
Wm. MacCallum and daughter Lois, Mrs. Howard MacCallum
and children, Robert, Donna and Gerald, of Pontiac brought Mrs. Jorald, of Pontiac brought Mrs. after she had visited relatives in Pontiac since Dec. 26. On Sunday, the following relatives enjoyed a potluck dinner in honor of the birthdays of Mrs. Howard Mac-
Callum of Pontiac, Mrs. Arnold Callum of Pontiac, Mrs. Arnold
MacCallum and son, John, of MacCallum and son, John, of
Owendale and Mrs. John MacCalOwendale and Mrs. John Maccal March; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jarvis, Mrs. Maud Jarvis, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold MacCallum and chil dren, all of Owendale, and Mr and Mrs. Frank MacCallum and children of Grant. Wayne Rabideau, in a recent let in the Navy, writes that he has seen a lot of places since joining the Navy and at present is on duty in the Pacific. He thinks there is no place to live like good old Michigan and that he intends to
come back here after the war, even come back here after the war, even
though his family has moved to though his family h
southern California.
Pfc. Leonard Guinther write friends here after arriving in North Africa a few weeks ago, that he enjoyed the trip across very much, that he had visited, among other places, the cities of Casablanca and Oran. He says some of the ful but that most of the native have little or no acquaintance with soap and water. One thing that seemed very strange at first wa that even very small children, in stead of begging for candy, were always asking for cigarettes hough orders were not to give hem any as they are rather scarc

100 YEARS AGO (1919)
Dear Parents. Was over to Vignot
this morning for a shower bath this morning for a shower bath
and although 'twas a bit "shivery", I enjoyed it because a bath once in a while (when you can' get it more often) makes a fellow feel better as well as washes the
cooties off for a few hours) until we get in bed again, cause they're in the blankets. Just had dinner and came up here run over my "number" I'm excused from afternoon drill while we're studying our parts for a play we're going to
give here in the "Y." I have a book of songs in which is Harry Lauder's best one, "It's nice to get up in the morning" When I have plenty of time I'll copy words and send it home for fear I'll not be able to bring this book along. I'm inclosing a dipping from the "Stars and Stripes" which will give you a good idea of how the
boys felt when the "Eleventh boys felt when the "Elevent
Hour" came. You may put it away 'till I come home. I heard Pedro the famous Italian accordion "wizard," last night. He used to play for a big New York show, also Edison records. Must go; will
write maybe tonight. Your loving write maybe tonight. Your loving
son PVT MILLINGTON McDONALD, Co. F, 139th Inf., American Exp. Forces, A. P. O 743, France.
Dear Friend Herbert: Now, I am going to write you a few lines just to let the people of Cass City know that I have not forgotten them and that I would like to sec very much because it is 117 de grees in the shade here, so you know it isn't pleasant doing anything. Guantanamo Bay is about one mile square and between two mountains where we don't get the least bit of breeze. We were out in the Caribbean Sea Monday, Tuessay and Wednesday beautiful water before saw such beautiful water before
We anchored in a place where the water was 65 feet deep and so clear that We could see the white coral bottom quite distinctly and all kinds of fish, such as flying fish, jelly fish, all sizes of sharks and other kinds that I couldn
name. I am sending you a write

## News briefs

## Hunger summit set April 13

CASS CITY - "Meating the Need for Our Village" in collaboration with Michigan State University Extension and the Thumb Food Policy The event is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Cass City United Methodist Church.
All area youths and adults interested in taking action on hunger and making their community food secure is welcome to attend the event. Topics will include what does a hunger-free Cass City look like, the
hunger experience, community strengths and needs assessments, and hunger experience, community strengths and needs assessments, and
forming workgroups to move forward. Those planning to attend are asked to
Those planning to attps://tinyurl.com/cchungersummit , April 8, by

## Taste of Thumb set in April

CASS CITY - The Taste of the Thumb Food and Business Expo will be Thursday, April 4, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Cass City High School. Sponsored by the Cass City Chamber of Commerce, the event offers
residents an opportunity to learn more about local businesses, sample residents an opportunity to learn more about local businesses, sample
food from area restaurants and caterers and learn about community programs. The activity is a great networking opportunity, according to organizers, who note there will be literature, brochures and giveaways. In addition, Revive Ministries will be on hand with a mobile food pantry. In order to qualify to pick up food, residents must visit all ex

## Thumb jackpot event slated

SANDUSKY - 4-H and FFA Thumb Jackpot Beef Education Program will be held Saturday, April 27, at Sanilac County Fairgrounds in Sandusky.
Exhibitors and their families are invited to participate in a family night social Friday, April 26, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. for a complimentary dinne

## Sugar queen season on tap

SEBEWAING - Michigan Sugar Company officials are looking for
the next Michigan sugar queen and court. the next Michigan sugar queen and court.
Applications and full details of the program are available online at www.michigansugar.com/community/sugar-queen/.
Applications are due Friday, April 26 with intervi
Applications are due Friday, April 26, with interviews scheduled to take place Saturday, May 18, in Bay City. A new queen and two atten-
dants will be crowned during the Michigan Sugar Festival in Sebewaing dants will
this June.
After completing the requirements of the program, the queen receives a $\$ 2,000$ scholarship and her attendants each receive a $\$ 1,000$ scholarship.

## Food giveaways set in Pigeon

PIGEON - The Thumb Breadbasket conducts bi-monthly food distributions for Thumb area families at Laker Elementary School.
Distributions take place from 8:30 to $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and are scheduled for the following dates: April 13, June 8, Aug. 10, Oct. 12 and Dec. 14. Set-up starts at 7 a.m. and clean-up is at 10 a.m. The doors open at 8 a.m., and those in line at 10 a.m. will be served.
to bring bags or boxes to collect and carry food. For more information, call Gary Wille at (989) 414-0419,

## Hold on hospital construction stuns county

Continued from page one. access to trained staff and proxim-
ity to family and community sery ices will be
The state's consultant is expected have a recommendation of the findings by the end of June Gordon pointed out that only 30 ng 86 the Caro Center's exist ng 86 patients live within mes of Caro, suggesting the curfor location creates challenges for patients and for their familie process. Gordon's findings are in contrast information gathered last ye by county officials in an effort to convince the state that the new hospital should remain in Tuscola County.
At the At the time of that study, in late 2017, the center had about 150 paof about 200 more
"I believe the same talking points that were made before to keep the hospital in Caro are still valid About 80 percent of the people housed in Caro come from th south and east, so moving the hos pital is not an advantage," said D former state representative who assisted in gathering and presenting information to the lawmaker who ultimately decided to keep the hospital in Caro.
"About 70 percent of the staff live within 30 miles, and how are you going to find the talented
workers if it is moved?" Canfield said. "There is state land avail able. The plans have been drawn and not every community we comes a psychiatric hospital. hink those points will prevail. Canfield indicated he believ he move to delay the projec Gordon some newly Gordra, sond others w-lected law the previous decision-making process. "I think they are second guessing," he added.
Newly-elected state Rep. Phil Green (R-Millington) was among the legislators to immediately "The whitmer's actions. pause the Caro Center project is devastating to our community. A the second-largest employer in Tuscola County, this will shatte the lives of over 300 dedicate employees at the center," sad Green. "Not only is the governor" decision bad for workers and p

## DEPRESSION IS REAL YOU ARE NOT ALONE <br> 16 million Americans are affected each year

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SYMPTOMS Depression can present different symptoms, depending on the person. For most people, depressive disorder changes how a person functions day-to-day, and typically for more than two weeks. Common symptoms may include

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    Suricidal thoughts - Loss of energy ~ Lack of interest in activities
    ~Hopelessness or guilty thoughts ~ Physical aches and pains
    ~ Changes in movement (less activity or agitation)
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CAUSES Deptession does not have a single cause. It can be triggered by a life crisis, physical ilness or something else - but it can also occur spontaneously. Several factors may contribute to depression.
~Trauma. When people experience trauma at an eadly age, it can cause long-term changes in how their brains respond to fear and stress. These changes may lead to depression
Genetics. Mood disorders, such as depression, tend to run in families.
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- Brain changes. Imaging studies have shown that the frontal lobe of the brain becomes less active when a person is depressed. Depression is also associated with changes in how the pituitary gland and hypothalamus respond to hormone stimulation.
- Other medical conditions. People who have a history of sleep disturbances, medical Illness, chronic pain, ansiety and attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) are more likely to develop depression. Some medical syndromes (like hypothyroidism) can mimic depressive disorder Some medications can also cause symptoms of depression
- Drug and alcohol abuse. Approximately $30 \%$ of people with substance abuse problems also have depression so NAMI

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ble. The state has already spent over $\$ 3$ million on the Caro projgovernment have invested in searching and planning for this project.
"Studies have already been completed. Now the governor wants to redo those same studies - wastbetter spent elsewhers could be Tuscola County leaders worked tirelessly to gather information on the economic importance the center has on the Thumb region, according to Green, who noted a loss of the facility would mean a loss of the facility would mean a
$\$ 57$ million loss of revenue, and the loss of about 600 direct and indirect jobs.
"I am disgusted at the blatant disregard for rural Michigan and Thumb residents. The governor has shown that she is interested
only in helping the residents of only in helpang the residents of areas that were instrumental in
electing her - repeatedly disenfranchising areas of the state that were not," Green said. "She (Whitmer) eliminated 250 potential jobs in Ionia and now hundreds of jobs at Caro," he
continued. continued.
State and county officials gathered last fall for a groundbreaking at the site of the $\$ 115$ million, atric Hospital. The 200-bed facility was expected to create 150 new jobs, and to be completed in 2021.
News then

News that might not happen now reached far beyond Lansing to Washington, D.C
"I am concerned about reports that Governor Whitmer's administration is delaying construction...of the 200-bed psychiatric hospital in Caro," said Congress"an Paul Mitchell (MI-10). "Rural communities in the Thumb rely on facilities like this for both mental health care and jobs. he can to keep the project in Caro. "In the coming days, I will speak more with local community leaders and will attempt to speak to Gov. Whitmer to seek an explana-
tion for why her administration tion for why her administration would make this financially irrestruction," Mitchell added.
Tuscola County Economic De-
velopment Corporation (TCEDC)
officials say development of the
new psychiatric hospital is di-
rectly linked to the economic de-
velopment future of the county for
velopment future of the county for generations to come.
And, they're asking if the delay and possible relocation of the hospromise made by the state and not
kept.
A few months ago, the state said it would give parts of the hospi-
tal's 650 acres to the county if tal's 650 acres to the county if
they would develop a land bank so the county could sell the land The county jumped through all of the
hoops to develop a land bank, and the state officials decided to kee The Caro Center is one of fiv state psychiatric hospitals. It treats adults with serious mental ill nesses, those who are deemed not criminally insane trial, and the Hoagland along with Tuscola In termediate School District Superintendent Gene Pierce, forme Caro City Manager Ryan Piche TCEDC Director Steve Erickson, Craig Kirkpatrick and Matthew Bierlein, and commission Chair Bierlein, and commission Chair
man Thom Bardwell went Lansing in May 2017 to meet with former Health and Human Serv ices Director Nick Lyon to plead their case for building the hospital in the county.
In June 2017, state officials gave their blessing to fund replacement of the 106 -year-old facility in has already begun, with some structures demolished last fall to make way for the new facility. The state has already spent about $\$ 3$ million on the project so far doing another evaluation of what
has previously been done will inhas previously been done will
crease the cost, said Hoagland. After the groundbreaking, pro viding water to the new facility became an issue because the city of Caro and Indianfields Township could not reach an agreement to spend $\$ 2.4$ million to extend water line 1.9 miles. As a result, hiring an engineer at a cost of hiring an engineer at a cost of
$\$ 5,000$ to determine if a viable solution can be found by using ex isting wells at the Caro Center. "They have determined it is viable to use the water that is there with some upgrades and at a much lower cost," Hoagland said, not
ing the county has put ing the county has put a lot of
time, money and effort into the time, money and effort into the
project. "We will have to go back over everything that we've previ ously done to show keeping the center here is the best option, and that the staff and resources are here." governor's Press Secretary Tiffany Brown reiterated Gordon's statements regarding why reevaluate the proposed location for the new hospital.
"This is $\$ 115$ million of taxpayer dollars we are proposing to spend and we owe it to each and ever is constructed insure any hospita priate location, providing the priate location, providing the
greatest access to patients and staff," Brown said.
"While there have been some expenditures on design, development and demolition of some unused buildings at the site, building has not commenced," she
added. "The administration will use this opportunity to ensure that use this opportunity to ensure tha best use."


AMONG THOSE attending the groundbreaking for the new \$115 million Caro Psychiatric Hospital last fall were (from left) former state officials, Michigan Department of Technology Management and Budget Director David DeVries, state Rep. Dr. Edward Canfield, Gov. Rick Snyder, Senator Mike Green and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Director Nick Lyons.


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KIELISZEWSKI IS interviewed after being presented with an Excellence in Education award from the Michigan Lottery.

## New trial date for suspect charged in Cass City stabbing

by Tom Montgomery
A Cass City man charged in the stabbing of an acquaintance in Cass City last summer will now be going to trial in May unless he accepts a plea offer from the Tuscola County Prosecutor's Office by a new dead-

The case stems from a late-night confrontation that turned violent July 19 between the defendant, Cal Bradley Richards, 31, Cass City, and another man. Richards allegedly stabbed the victim multiple times. streets. Police said the confrontation took place in the street, and that treets. Police said the confro Richards felt the victim ha him months prior to the assault, according to something that belong to was involved in the confrontation, which escalated to the point in which Richards allegedly pulled out a small folding knife with a three- to fourinch blade and stabbed the victim multiple times in the upper torso - in front and behind.
The victim, identified only as a 37 -year-old Cass City resident, was ing from his wounds.
Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark E. Reene subsequently charged Richards with assault with intent to murder and assault with intent to do great bodily harm, both felonies, punishable by up to life in prison or any term of years, and up to 10 years in prison, respectively. Richards also faces charges of tampering with evidence and lying to a peace officer involved in a violent crime investigation.

## Richards' bond was

 A jury trial expected to last three to four days is scheduled to get un-derway Tuesday, May 14 , but he could avoid a trial altogether if he en ters a plea by April 29, according to court records. Richards was previously scheduled to go to trial at the end of February.
Richards' girlfriend, Ashley Elizabeth-Michelle Smith, 31, of Cass City, was also charged in the case in circuit court and has since been convicted and sentenced to 365 days in the county jail. Smith, who pleaded no contest to two counts of lying to a peace officer
conducting a violent crime investigation, was also placed on probation for 24 months and ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling $\$ 1,026$ Court records state the charges levied against Smith stemmed from "her knowledge of a knife in her residence that had the presence of human blood (on it) after being used in an assault and/or her knowledge of moving the same knife into or within the residence to hinder the investigation being conducted by the Cass City Police Department and Michigan State Police.

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## Ubly teacher honored for excellence

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 he also hage one. cross country. The Michigan Lottery established the Excellence in Education awards in 2014 to recognize outstanding public school educators across the state during the schoo year.Winners of the weekly award reWinners of the weekly award re-
ceive a plaque, a $\$ 1,500$ cash prize and a $\$ 500$ grant to their class room, school or school district One of the weekly winners will be selected as the Educator of the Year and will receive a $\$ 10,000$ cash prize.
Kieliszewski, who worked in reail for four years, said he decided to make education his career after serving as a math tutor at a community college that he was attending and finding that he had a talent for teaching and enjoyed it. He said that his favorite part of
being an educator is " being an educator is"working with young people and being
around all the energy that they have. My days are never the same. Each day brings new experiences and challenges. Kieliszewski said his students
motivate him motivate him to do his best every day.
"I feel it's my duty to provide as many educational experiences as possible for my students," he added. "Although our school is in a rural area, I feel it's important to provide my students the same experiences that they get in larger schools."
The father of two former students and a volunteer for the Ubly FIRST Robotics team nominated Kieliszewski for the Excellence in
Education award, Education award, saying
Kieliszewski "is a person who is meant to be a teacher.
"He has a sense of wonderment and enthusiasm for learning that excites and motivates the students.
He talks to the students as people ne talks to the students as people, him. Walking down the school hallways, he is continually greeted by students with smiles on their faces," he said, noting 'Kieliszewski has been voted 'Teacher of the Year' by the Ubly High School students many times. "Even though I have owned busi60 hours a week, it still astounds me how much energy, enthusiasm and time Stew puts into his students and after school activities," the nominator continued.
He also quoted one of his sons, who said that when Kieliszewski "announced to us that he was botics team, I was unbelievably excited. At that point I was pretty involved with band and Quiz Bowl, but being a part of that team gave me something to truly love and be proud of.
"It gave me a place to learn things I wouldn't have otherwise made and taught an entirely new class at Ubly to help us students learn about woodworking, robotics and so much more. He really went above and beyond for us and never gave up when times were a genuinely fun, likable guy who a genuinely fun, likable guy who
always got along with and did a great job teaching students, and I'm very happy to have had him there."
The nomination described FIRST Robotics as a very intensive engineering competition. Games are the first weekend in January, then they have six weeks to analyze the game, design and build a robot to compete.
"As a mentor, I probably put in 150 to 200 hours after school and on weekends during the build period, and Stew puts in more than
that," the nominator commented. that," the nominator commented.
"Now add on the fact that this is a self-funded activity. It costs $\$ 5,000$ just to be in the two district competitions, plus $\$ 4,000$ for state competition and an additional $\$ 4,000$ for world competition. The school does help us, but in 2016 we spent somewhere around and other traveling expenses, and other traveling expenses. of time and energy on fund-raising for the team.
"Stewart has developed a group of dedicated mentors for the robotics program, and all of us look up to him," the nominator added.
"We all know he will be honest "We all know he will be honest and do the right thing for us and
the students. The students know they can trust him. We all also
know that he is just a phone call, text, or email away if we need him." Over the past two years,
Kieliszewski has helped develop a VEX robotics program at Ubly schools. VEX provides kits resembling erector sets to help introduce younger students to the World of competitive robotics and STEM (Science, Technology,
gineering and Math) concepts. "I am also happy to report that Ubly has more girls than boys involved in these programs, partly because of how comfortable they are with Stewart," the nominator wrote, adding that in the new class that his son described,
Kieliszewski teaches students practical life skills such as "how tractica hire skills such as "how measuring with calipers, using voltage testers and multi-meters, soldering, how to do house wiring, and much more.
"He spends free time going to garage sales, using his own money to buy things he can use in the
classroom. I have seen him buy non-working weed eaters, then having the students tear them apart and repair them, learning how engines work.
"A couple of years ago, he applied for and received a grant to purchase a 3D printer for the
school. Over the past couple of years, he has bought three nearly years, he has bought three nearly Two of them had the same nonfunctioning part, which was no longer available from Sears," the nominator noted. "Stewart took the good part off of the third one with the 3D printer, showing them how to problem solve with technology.
"I recently stopped by his house, and in his garage he was mounting a toilet on a wooden frame with a tank under it, with a small pump
on teaching 'Toilet Technology' to his class! Seriously, how many teachers would think of (or be willing) to do that?"

Kieliszewski also teaches
media class. In conjunction with media class. In conjunction with the responsibility, he attends many sporting events, band concerts school plays and a host of othe school activities, helping his stu-
dents learn how to use recording and lighting equipment in real-life situations. Plus, he is a substitute bus driver, sometimes driving routes at the last minute, before or after school.
"Stewart is a juggernaut of positive energy that any school would be proud to have," the nominato said
Kieliszewski earned a Bachelor of Science Degree at Central Michigan University and a master's degree in educational leadership at Saginaw Valley Stat University. He has been an educator for 27 years, the last 25 with
the Ubly Community Schools. The Michigan Lottery's Excel lence in Education award nominees are evaluated on the following criteria:
*Excellence - Their work consistently helps students and/or their schools or school district advance to higher levels of aca demic achievement.
go above and beyond expectation go above and beyond expectations to help students succeed.
*Inspiration - Their work in spires others around them to ex ceed expectations either academically or professionally.
*Leadership - They demonstrat *Leadership - They demonstrate clear leadership skills in their po-
sitions with their school or schoo districts.
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HAILI GUSA of the Ubly FFA was recently elected as the 2019-20 state FFA president during the 91st annual Michigan State FFA Convention, making her the highest-ranking officer elected from Ubly in the chapter's 82 -year history.

Haire, Krol top class of 2019
Continued from page one. chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS), serving as president in
$2018-19$, and a member of the student council, serving as executive 2018-19, and a member of the s
board vice president in 2018-19.
Haire has also excelled in athletics, earning a host of accolades, in cluding: Greater Thumb West (GTW) first- and second-team all-conference honors in volleyball; all-region honors in volleyball; second team all-conference honors in cross country; honorable mention in basketball and softball; second-team all-conference and all-district honors in softball; Golden Glove Award in softball; athlete of the week (twice); captain of the volleyball, basketball and softball teams (2016-19); regional qualifier in cross country; and academic all-conference honor Elected the Cass City Homecoming queen in as a summer day camp counselor, blood drive manager ane has served mittee member. She has also devoted many hours to volunteer work with the Cass City Mentoring Program, Cass City Christmas in the Village celebration, annual basketball and softball clinics, and as a footbal and basketball concessions staffer.
Haire is now gearing up for her freshman year at Michigan State University, where she plans to earn a bachelor's degree in political science, Krol, the doughter of Jo law
City's music program as a member Kamie Krol, has been active in Cas symphony band and jazz band. She has also been a recipient of the Director's Award and recognition for her selection as a member of the TriCounty Honors Band for four years.
Also involved in athletics, Krol has been a member of the volleyball, basketball and softball teams, earning honorable mention in volleyball. She was named an academic all-conference selection in all three sports,
In addition, Krol is a member of the NHS, student council and mentor program. She is also a junior church teacher/helper and youth group member.
Krol's future plans include attending Cornerstone University, Grand Rapids, where she has already been awarded a President's Scholarship and a Pastor's Scholarship. She plans to major in psychology

Honor graduates
Seniors who will also graduate with honors include the following students with GPAs of 3.5 or higher:
Emilee Bruno, Alexandria Crase, Danika Focken, Jesse Goniwicha, auren Grady, Brittany Hamilton, Mason Hartsell, Lukas Hayes, Shane Hoppe, Sidney Lintner, Harlie Mallory, Layna Mathewson, Rebecca Morrish, Hailey Schmotzer and Lucas Stern.
Graduating with GPAs of 3.0 to 3.49 are:
Zackary Beecher, Jared Blattner, Zachary Brunke, Dylan Crase, Zackary Essex, Janell Guerra, DeeDee Haley, Alexandria Jaster, Kayla Koepf, Hayden Larkin, Jarod Naegele, Anthony Pawloski, Taryn Thorn-


THE ARRIVAL OF spring weather brings out a variety of critters in the Thumb, including skunks, a common sight this time of year as they spend more time away from their dens, searching for food and potential mates. The skunk mating season begins in February and continues through March, but the omnivores also devote many daylight hours to rooting around lawns for nuts, earthworms, grubs and anything else they can find.


Addy Battel


Dori Battel


CASS CITY 4-H members (from left) Matthew Danks, Addy Battel and Tiana Tageson were all among this year's Michigan FFA Outstanding Junior Award recipients.

## Cass City, Ubly FFA members shine during 91st state convention

Thumb FFA members repreThumb FFA members repre91 st annual Michigan FFA State Convention on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing.
Among the highlights was the election of Haili Gusa of the Ubly FFA as the 2019-20 state FFA
president, making her the highestpresident, making her the highest-
ranking officer elected from Ubly in the chapter's 82 -year history. Gusa also earned first-place in the 2019 Extemporaneous Public Speaking contest.
Among the 367 Outstanding Junior Award recipients recognized this year, Addy Battel of the Cass City FFA Chapter was named top Geiger of the Ubly FFA was honored as the state runner-up. Outstanding junior honors also went to Cass City's Tiana Tageson and Matthew Danks, who re-
ceived a bronze medal for beef production proficiency during the convention.
Both Addy Battel and her sister, Dori Battel, will be competing at cians, Marissa Petiprin Ball an isabella Hill, performed with this year's Michigan FFA State Band


Grant Geiger

## Couple faces animal cruelty charge

by Tom Montgomery Editor

A Huron County husband and wife are facing criminal charges in connection with one of two animal cruelty investigations conducted by the Huron County Sheriff's Department earlier this month.
Jody L. Woodruff, 35, and Stan-
ley E. Woodruff II, 34 both of Kinde, were formally charge with abandoning/cruelty to two to three animals - a one-year misdemeanor - in Huron County Disrict Court last week
The couple was released on a $\$ 3,000$ personal recognizance
bond and were ordered to appear in future court proceedings. The charges stem from a Mar 4 investigation at a residence on Moeller Road in Huron Township after someone relayed an anonymous tip indicated there were four dogs without proper food, housing or care
"Sgt. James Hunt arrived at the sidence to find all dogs sepa rately chained, with one dog laying in a wide-open plastic piece of what may have been part of a dog house, with little bedding, and shivering in the below zero-de gree weather," Huron County
Sheriff Kelly J. Hanson said. "Anorily dog was found. dog house that had openings where the wind could pass diectly through, and another dog believed to be pregnant - was found with a chain too short (and) couldn't even get into its house The fourth dog was found having had no food or water,"
A veterinarian was called to the scene to assess the animals' physical conditions. Three of the four dogs were found to be malnour ished, with one severely malnour shed and in poor health. All of th nimals were taken to the Thumb Animal Shelter.
Hanson later reported that the pregnant dog gave birth to five puppies. It his believed the pup-
mother would have had to remain outside," he said. A day earlier, March 3, sheriff's A day earlier, March 3, sheriff's
Deputy Steve Bismack was dispatched to Verona Township to investigate allegations that a man was physically abusing his dog. Bismack was asked to contact four individuals "who alleged to have witnessed a man beating a hunting dog with what they described as a piece of garden hose
on Verona Road," said Hanson, who added the witnesses also told the deputy that the man "threw the e deputy that the man "threw the pected to be filed in the incident.


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KINGSTON senior Jillyan Dinsmore keeps her eyes on the target despite pressure from Genesee's Hannah Dorow (24) during the Cardinals' regional championship victory.

## Kingston uses defensive gem to win regional

## by Clarke Haire

 PublisherAfter using an offensive explosion to oust Austin Catholic in the semis earlier in the week, Kingston relied on its defensive powers to defeat Genesee Chris tian Wednesday night in the Divi game on the Lady Cardinals' own floor. With a 42-20 victory, Coach Jay Green's North Central Thumb League Stars champs advanced into this week's quarterfinal round to take on Clarkston Everest Collegiate (14-9) at Burton Bendle which was scheduled to tipoff at 6 p.m., marks Kingston's fourth trip to the round of eight since 2015. Despite a long history of success on the hardwood, Kingston has never advanced any further. But that could change in 2019. In addition to facing someone
other than the team's nemesis Waother tord Our Lady of the Lakes they defeated Kingston in their previous three quarterfinal appearances - the 2018-19 Cardinals have shown they are capable of winning with either offense or defense leading the charge. After hitting six first half treys in their 59-24 semifinal win over the Crusaders, Kingston turned in a
defensive gem to knock off the

## Neff, Cloyd repeat as dream team picks

by Clarke Haire
Publisher
North Central Thumb League
Stars co-champions Kingston and
International Academy of Flint
(IAF) highlighted the All-League
choices of the 7 -school associa-
tion in 2018-19 with a pair of first
team picks.
Landing on this year's dream
team from Kingston are Evan
Neff and Nathan Cloyd, while
senior Larry McLean Jr. and jun-
ior Gerrius Williams represent
IAF.
Neff, a 6' 2" junior, averaged
16.1 points per game that included
a 30 point season-high against

Calvary Baptist. Neff's offensive numbers also included averages of 3.25 rebounds and 2.1 assists
per game for the Cardinals, while defensively he had 32 steals and five blocks during the season. "Evan improved his overall shooting percentage this year ( 50 percent) and three point shooting percentage ( 39 percent). One of the best shooters in the Thumb
who has expanded his overall who has expanded his overall
game by creating off the dribble. Extremely high Basketball I.Q and most committed player on our team. Plays AAU in the summer, fall and spring," said Kingston Coach Dave Lester
oach Dave Lester.
"I expect him to improve even
more and have a Neff was a rear. Neff was a repeat first team All mention All-State pick as a soph omore.
Cloyd, $6^{\prime} 1^{\prime \prime}$, also is a repeat firs eam All-League selection, who nearly averaged a double-double in his senior year. His averages in cluded 11.1 points and 7.6 re for 66 assists and recorded 40 steals and 11 blocks for the league and district champion Cardinals "Nathan is one of most versatil fundamentally sound players have ever coached. He had four
double-doubles (points and re-
bounds) and missed three other double-doubles by one rebound each game. Had a near triple double against Calvary Baptist (13 points, 13 rebounds and eight assists). One of the best rebounders from his guard/forward position in the state. Had a career high 16 rebounds against Division 2 North Branch. Above average defender
who is very unselfish. His overall who is very unselfish. His overall
numbers may not stick out at you, but his overall game should. Easily one of the best all-around players in the Thumb," Lester said, adding, "Nathan is one of the best rebounding guards I've ever coached. He has great instincts. Please turn to page 10 .

Soldiers from Genesee in the championship game. A shaky start by the hosts saw dvacee jump out to an early 4-0 more and Lily Lyons tallied seve straight points for Kingston tha straight points for Kingston that 6 cushion entering the second quarter.
Kingston offense got on track to opened the quarter before the break with nine unanswered points, part of a 13-2 spurt that propelled Coach Green's squad to a $20-8$ cushion at the break. Although Genesee hurt their chances of winning with a poor
showing at the foul line - they showing at the foul line - they
made just seven of 15 tries on the made just seven of 15 tries on the
night - it was Kingston's defense that impressed the veteran coach "It wasn't our offensive performance, but our defense was consis tent all game. The girls played with great effort and created number of turnovers," he said. Grace Ballmer's trey drew
Genesee to within $25-15$ midway through the third quarter, but through the third quarter, but
Lyons - who may head to St Clair Community College to continue her basketball career in the fall - sparked another 9-0 spurt for the winners that included an old-fashioned 3-point play and a build a $36-16$ edge after three quarter of play.
Kingston then slowed the action in the final stanza, combined by solo baskets from Carley Smith, Ashtian Davis and Dinsmore that stalled any comeback hopes Genesee was entertaining. Lyons poured in a game-high 11
points to lead Kingston, while points to lead Kingston, while
Camryn MacGuire, who had Kingston's lone bucket from 3 point land, and Smith each added seven points.
seven markers.

## GTW airs stars

The 2018-19 Greater Thumb kest All-Conference boys' basplayers from five schools. Leading the way were a trio o Please turn to page 10 .



FORMER Gagetown area resident Adam Rayl recently won the National Ninja League World Championship in Hartford, Conn., where more than 1,500 competitors matched their skills and strength.

## Rayl wins National Ninja

## League World Championship

The village of Gagetown was once the hometown of a Ninja. Adam Rayl, whose father is Jim Rayl, lived in Gagetown until a few years ago. The younger Rayl won the National Ninja League World
Championship, held Feb. 16-18 in Hartford, Conn. The competition Championship, held Feb. 16-18 in Hartford, Conn. The competition
featured more than 1,500 competitors, including about 20 international featured more than 1,500 competitors, including about 20 international
athletes.
In the first stage of the pro division, Rayl finished seven obstacles
In the first stage of the pro division, Rayl finished seven obstacles with a time of 01:30.94 to finish second behind Flip Rodriguez, who In the second stage of the competition, Rayl finished eight obstacles with a time of 04:45.80 and was the only competitor to complete the entire course.
Rayl completed the third stage of obstacles in 00:51.22, and in the stage four overall competition, he was first with a time of 00:51.22. Only seven competitors advanced to the second stage in the Pro Diviobstacle, enabling Rayl to claim the championship by becoming the obstacle, enabling Rayl to claim
only competitor to clear the stage.
It was an impressive performance, with Rayl winning the event by clearing all eight obstacles. He was the only one to do so. In fact, the ninja contestant who took second place, Matt Strollo, was only able to complete three.
The obstacle course tests a variety of skills and abilities, including balance, coordination, grip strength, grip endurance and upper body
strength. trength.
There is also a ninja competition for females. Depending on the course,
there might be some slight adjustments made for female participants. A trampoline height or distance might be altered, or a time limit might be adjusted slightly
Jesse Labreck claimed the female National Ninja League title.
The National Ninja League is a non-profit organization formed by a collection of the nation's top ninja facilities. The goal of the organiza-
tion is to promote the sport of ninja obstacle courses across America.


RAYL WON the National Ninja League World Championship in the male division, and Jesse Labreck won the female division of the National Ninja League World Championship.

## North Central Thumb League names stars

Continued from page 9. He was able to create his own sho and create off the dribble. One of our best defenders. Rounding out the North Central Thumb League Stars first team Frost and Dryden sophomore Jack Kaplan, while Ronny Hudson, junior from Dryden, was named the Defensive Specialist by the vote of conference coaches.
Landing on the North Central

Thumb League Stars All-League second team were Kingston senior ior Ty Jumes, North Huron senjor Ty Knoblock, North Huron junior De Andre Morris, Deckjunior Junar Isaac Keinath, IAF junior JaMarrion Fricks and IAF Jum
"Hunter was one of our hardest workers and one of the best defenders in the Thumb. At 60
Hunter was responsible for the opponents' besponsible for the opponents' best player. Some-
post player. He has great in stincts and is just an amazing ath lete," said Lester.

Earning honorable mention praises in 2018-19 were Aaron Koehler - Kingston junior, Derek Snyder - Deckerville sophomore,
Dequavio Copeland - IAF senior Dequavio Copeland - IAF senior
Ja'Zavion Stevenson - IAF sophJa Zavion Stevenson - IAF soph-
omore, Ronny Hudson - Dryden junior, Nathan Schenkel - Dryden sophomore, Brady Czape - Dry den senior, Ramy Abueita - Gene see junior and Quentin Moss Genesee senior.

## GTW announces top boys basketball choices

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Red Hawks.
"I thought Sandyn had a good year. I was really happy how much he improved on the defensive end of the floor. He has always been able to score, but he
really picked up his effort on defense and showed some really nice growth with his defensive abilities. Hopefully he can carry this into next season," said Cass City Coach Aaron Fernald. On the GTW All-Conference
second team were Nash MortonSecond team were Nash MortonAxe senior, Bryce Brechtelsbauer - Reese junior, Caleb Cotton Caro senior, Mason Pasek - Elk-ton-Pigeon-Bay Port senior and Vassar senior Dylan Hubbard. The GTW honorable mention players are senior Luke Stern,

Cass City, sophomore Jensen Emerick, Bad Axe, freshman Damarquss Palmreuter, Reese, junio Darnell Davis, Reese, junior Dar nell Davis, Reese, junior Tyle Foster, Caro, sophomore Anthony
Sheridan, Sheridan, Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port, senior Kyle Maust, USA and sophomore Gideon Damm, Vassar.
"Luke averaged seven points, 3.5 rebounds and one steal pe game. Luke really started playing
well the last month of the season. His defense was solid and offen sively started scoring the basket ball much better. Luke's ability to drive the basketball and get to the free throw line was a big plus fo us this season. We will miss hin
next year," Fernald said.


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|  | GIRLS' BASEBALL <br> (VARSITY) |
| :---: | :---: |
| DATE | OPPONENT |
| 3/20 | North Branch |
| 4/5 | Burton Bentley |
| 4/9 | Marlette |
| 4/12 | Memphis |
| 4/13 | Tuscola Tourny @ Millington - time to be announced |
| 4/15 | Capac |
| 4/18 | Bad Axe |
| 4/23 | Sandusky |
| 4/25 | Vassar |
| 4/29 | Ubly |
| 5/2 | USA |
| 5/6 | Brown City |
| 5/9 | Harbor Beach (no JV) |
| 5/11 | Hemlock Tourney |
| 5/13 | EPBP Lakers |
| 5/17 | Caro |
| 5/20 | Deckerville (no JV) |
| 5/22 $5 / 29-6 / 1$ | Reese |
| 5/29-6/1 | Districts @ Lakers - time to be announced |
| All games begin at 4 p.m. unless noted |  |
|  | GOLF |
| DATE OPPONENT |  |
| 4/23 | Verona Hills - Bad Axe time to be announced |
| 4/25 | GTC Jamboree @ Caro at 4.00 pm . |
| 4/26 | Ubly Invite at 8:15 a.m. |
| 4/29 | GTC Jamboree @ Vassar at 3:30 p.m. |
| 4/30 | GTC Jamboree@ USA at 4:00 p.m. ( |
| 5/6 | GTC Jamboree @ Bad Axe at 4:00 p.m. |
| 5/7 | GTC Jamboree @ Cass City at 4:00 p.m. |
| 5/10 | GTC Jamboree @ Lakers at 4:00 p.m. |
| 5/15 | Brown City Invite at 8:00 a.m. |
| 5/17 | Warner Memorial Invite @ Vassar time to be announced |
| 5/20 | GTC League Meet @ Ubly time to be announced |
| 5/22 | Mayville Invite time to be announced |
| 5/24 | Verona Hills - Bad Axe time to be announced |
| 5/29 | Regionals @ Verona Hills time to be announced |

## JUNIOR HIGH TRACK

| DATE | OPPONENT |
| :--- | :--- |
| 4/10 | Vassar/Reese |
| 4/15 | Bad Axe/Brown City |
| $\mathbf{4 / 1 7}$ | Caro/Marlette |
| $\mathbf{4 / 2 2}$ | Lakers/Marlette |
| 4/24 | Brown City/Memphis/H.B. |
| 4/29 | Ubly/USA/HB/Reese/Capac/BA |
| $5 / 1$ | Vassar/USA |
| $5 / 6$ | Harbor Beach/Sandusky/Caro |
| $\mathbf{5 / 8}$ | Capac |
| $5 / 15$ | GTC West League Meet @ , Reese time to be announced |


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## Trusting in the Lord when it's time to go Home


#### Abstract

The day my momma died was one of my most treasured memo- ries! Now, let me explain that remark. First a little background of my mother. Momma's parents separated when she was a small child. Both remarried (her dad married 5 times total). She lived mostly with her dad and a step- mother but did also live with her mother and her new husband for a while. She married my dad who was 30 years older than she was when she was 19 or 20 years old. I was the youngest of 4 children and I am $41 / 2$ years younger than my oldest sibling. Momma really had her hands full to say the least! She mental problems. As a child have very few memories of he doing normal motherly things such as cooking, cleaning, laundry etc. I only remember once as a child going shopping with her. She bought me a new dress (one of very few new items I ever owned as a child). Most of my memories as a child were of her locking herself in her bedroom (most of the day) and saying very little other than an occasional (grinding of the teeth type) of groan or murmur. Yet, all in all she was a very spiritual person who had extremely deep convictions. I think she felt like the burden of lost souls was her responsibility and spent much


time in silent prayer. If she heard about someone who had died she blamed herself for not praying more for them. She loved to sing she was not locked away in her bedroom, she could often be heard singing hymns. She never sang any other type of songs. We lived in a 3 room house including a living room, small kitchen and Momma's bedroom. Until I was 7 years old I slept in a baby crib next to the pot belly wood stove. Daddy would stoke the fire well before bed so I had a hard time getting to sleep
because I was so warm, but before because I was so warm, but before
morning I would be half frozen as morning I would be half fied
the fire slowly died out. For some reason, Momma used to keep me home from school a lot. She would say, Joyce, why don't you stay home today you don't look like you feel too good. I was pleased to do so be-
cause I hated school many little girls like to go to many little girls like to go to
school in ragged dirty clothes with unkempt hair) But the strange thing was, when I stayed home she would usually just lock herself away and not even answer me when I would call her name. If I ask her a question like "what can I do?" or "what can I eat?", she
would normally respond in an would normally respond in an "Go for a walk!!" or "Have some crackers!!"

Anyway, Momma was a puzzle....... I often felt like I was raising her, not the other way around. Yes, she did some strange hings and sometimes it was hard believe she was really a Christian even though she did know quite a bit about the Bible and
every Hymn in the book. My Dad would get so mad at her because would get so mad at her because
she would not get in the driver's seat of his old car so he could push it to get it started (even if it was only in the yard) because she did not have a driver's license. mean, she really had convictions of right and wrong.... and had a family of got marrie nd had a family of my own, she continued her changeable behav-
or. Sometimes I was actually afraid of her because she did some really weird stuff. Oh, she never was physically abusive, but just did some uncommonly strange things!
My Dad passed away when our oldest daughter was almost 2
years old, and Momma seemed for a while to lighten up a little as time went on. She got her driver's license and a car and would gad about to town and lots of garage sales. (She never did anything like that when I was a child at home).
To cut this story short, I will get back to explaining my opening
line. When she was 69 years line. When she was 69 years old
the doctor said she had kidney
failure and chronic heart disease. She spent her last few weeks at my oldest sister's house under hospice care. The last couple weeks she was almost in a comadown and there was $n$ had shut anywhere Her was no moisture anywhere. Her mouth was so dry
inside it looked like cotton balls inside it looked like cotton balls
building up in there. Then one building up in there. Then one
evening my oldest sister and our evening my oldest sister and our bedside singing hymns but we were not even sure she knew we were there. Her glazed eyes
looked off in a distance. Then my looked off in a distance. Then my sister noticed a change and mo-
tioned to my brother and I to come cloned to my brother and I to come
clomma began to smile and tears came down her cheeks! She was saying something over and over but we couldn't really hear what she said. I could tell it was two syllable words. Somehow I was sure she was calling the
names of my two sisters and names of my two sisters and
brother (All two syllables) and I brother (All two syllables) and I
anxiously awaited for at least one mention of my One-Syllable Name (JOYCE). But it was two syllables only.... Then my sister said, "Momma, do you see Jesus?" She beamed the sweetest ear to ear smile and shook her
head yes and the tears kept comhead yes and the tears kept com-
ing! What a thrill it was to witing! What a thrill it was to wit-
ness Momma seeing Jesus, ness Momma seeing Jesus, to welcome her home! Yes she SAW Jesus, and it was His Pre-
ious two-sylable Name she was repeating over and over, not the two-syllable names of my three siblings! He is REAL my friend He is waiting to welcome HOME each of His Children who have Received Him as Saviour and rious appearing! Oh what ada that will be!
I hope those who took time to read this article were encouraged to know that even when we don truly understand, God does! An He is able to save those who put their trust in Him! He will be turn to go Home!

In Christ, For Christ and Through Christ,
Joyce Hazzard


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NEIGHHBORHOOD MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, LLC,
975 N. MAIN ST., SUITE D, 48734, Mortgagee dated NOrecorded in the office of the recorded in Deeds for Tuscola
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County, on DECEMBER 2, 2008, in
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AND (\$45,244.99) at $6.375 \%$ perfees as provided for in said
Mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity the moneys secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof;
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by virtue of the power
of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and
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2019, AT 10:00 A.M. local time, said Mortgage will be
foreclosed by a sale at public
auction, to the highest bidde in the main lobby of the Court-
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## Notice of vertisemen

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212 , that
the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mort-
caged premises, or some part gaged premises, or some part
of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit
court within Tuscola County court within Tuscola County,
at 10:00 AM, on March 28, 2019:
Name(s) of the mortgagor(s):
Paul Fent single man as his Paul Fent, single man, as his
sole and separate property sole and separate property
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage
Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Metropolitan Life Insurance
Company Company
Date of

## Date of Mo June 7, 200

Amount cla of notice: $\$ 213,236.71$
Descripi Description of the mortgaged
premises: Situated in Township of Ellington, Tuscola
County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the North
half of the South half of the Southwest frac-
tional quarter of Section 31,
Town 13 North, Range 10 East. Described as beginning at a point on the South line of
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west fractional quarter, that is west fractional quarter, that is
North 00 degrees, 08 minutes 12 seconds West, 1311.74 feet
along the West line of said Section 31 and along said
South line of the North South line of the North half of
the Southwest fractional quarter, North 89 degrees, 59 minutes, 30 seconds East, 398.45 feet from the Southwest corner
of Section 31, thence continuing along said South line of
the North half of the Southwest fractional quarter, North


Default has been made in the by Janice Taylor, a single woman, to Mortgage Elec
tronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for lender and
lender's successors and/or as signs, Mortgagee, dated February 15, 2007 and recorded
March 8, 2007 in Liber 1113 Page 2 Tuscola County gage is now held by U.S. Bank
National National Association, as
Trustee, Successor in Interest Trustee, Successor in Interest
to Bank of America, National Association, as Trustee, Suc-
cessor by merger to LaSalle Bans, National Association, as
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Certificates, Series 2007-1, by assignment. There is claimed
to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand
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and $\quad 3 / 100$ and $(\$ 96,388.03 \%$ ), including inter-
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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 given that said mortgage will
be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some
part of them, at public vendue part of them, at public vendu
at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola
County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on APRIL 4, 2019.
Said premises are located in Said premises are located in
the Township of Millington,
Tuscola County Michigan, and are described as: THE SOUTH 209.42 FEET
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shall be 30 days from the date shall be 30 days from the dat
of such sale.
f the property is sold at fore If the property is sold at fore-
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600.327 , the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the
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the redemption period. the redemption period.
Dated: March 6, 2019
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File No. 19-000589
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Notice of Foreclosure by Ad
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## Legal Notices

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL
600.3212 , that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on April 18, 2019:
Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Coral Jane BenName(s) of the mortgagor(s): Coral Jane Ben-
der, unmarried woman and Paul Viele, a single man
Original Mortgagee: JPMorgan Chase Bank, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): U.S. Bank NA, successor trustee to Wachovia Bank, N.A., as
Trustee, in trust for and for the benefit of the Certificateholders of Multi-Class Mortgage PassThrough Certificates Series $2005-$
Date of Mortgage: January 28, 2005 Date of Mortgage: January 28, 2005 Date of Mortgage Recording: February 4,
2005 Ambunt cla
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in City of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michi-
gan, and described as: Part of the North $1 / 2$ of the Northwest $1 / 4$ of Section 18, Town 11
North, Range 8 East, described as follows: Commencing at a point 5 chains 26 and $2 / 3$ links South of the Section line running East
and West between Sections 7 and 18 , Town 11 North, Range 8 East, where the
Goodrichville and Lower Saginaw State Road crosses said Section line; thence West, 7
chains 86 links; thence South, 4 chains 82 chains 86 links; thence South, 4 chains 82
links; thence East, 7 chains 80 links; thence links; thence East, 7 chains 80 links; thence
North, along center of said State Road, to Nlace of beginning; ALSO, Commencing on
the Lower Saginaw Road, 10 chains 3 and 1/3 links, South of where the said State Road crosses the section line between said Sections 4 rods; thence East, to the center of State Road, thence North, 4 rods to the place of beginning: AND ALSO, Commencing on the Lower Saginaw State Road, 10 chains 3 and crosses the Section line between said Sections 7 and 18 ; thence West, 7 chains 40 links; thence South, 8 rods; thence East to a point
10 rods West of the centerline of said State Road; thence North to a point on the first namedine
ing point.
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EXCEPT Beginning at a point on the centerline of M-15, 349.14 feet South of Section
line between said Sections 7 and 18 ; thence West, 259.24 feet; thence South, parallel with South, parallel with M-15, 190.00 feet; thence East, 183.00 feet; thence North, 220.00 feet
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$\mathrm{M}-15,11$ chains 3 and $1 / 3$ links, South of the Section 7 and 18; thence West, 183 feet; thence North, 60 feet; thence East, 183 feet to centerline of $\mathrm{M}-15$; thence South, 60 feet to
the point of beginning.
 abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241 a ; 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 per-
son who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for period.
This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: March 20,2019 1379156
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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement 600.3212 , that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, place of holding the circuit court within Tusplace of holding the circuit court within Tus-
cola County, at 10:00 AM, on April 18, 2019: Names(s) of the mortgagor(s): Myron J
Freiburger and Pamella J Freiburger, husband Freiburger and Pamella J Freiburger, husband
and wife Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., its successors and assigns

## Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Ditech Finan-

## cial LLC Date of Mortgage: May 17, 2006

Date of Mortgage Recording: May 23,2006 Amount claimed due on date of notice:
$\$ 67,611.08$ Description of the mortgaged premises: Situ-
ated in City of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Situated in the Village the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 3, Town 12 North, Range 9 East,
described as: Beginning at a point on the South line of Frank Street which is South 1
degree 48 minutes 29 seconds West 33.00 feet and North 88 degrees 36 minutes 15 seconds Frank Street from the East quarter corner of Section 3 ; thence continuing along said South
line North 88 degrees 38 minutes 15 seconds West 52.18 feet; thence South parallel to Butler Street, South 0 degrees 12 minutes 20 seconds West, 264.00 feet; thence South 88
degrees 38 minutes 15 seconds East, 20.84 degrees 38 minutes 15 seconds East, 20.84
feet to a point on the Northerly right of way line of Michigan Central Railroad; thence
North 32 degrees 32 minutes 05 seconds East
60.26 feet to a point on the Northerly right of
way line of said Michigan Central Railroad; way line of said Michigan Central Railroad;
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doned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241 a ; or, if the subject real property is used for agri-
cultural purposes as defined by MCL cultural purposes as defined by MCL
$600.3240(16)$. ff the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of
961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for
damaging the property during the redemption period.
This notice is from a debt collector.
Date of notice: March 20, 2019
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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisemen Notice of foreclosure by Advertisement
600.3212, hereby given pursuant to MCL closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within TusName(s) of the mortgagor(s) Ann K. Tomcho Original Mortgagee: Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, A Subsidiary of Lehman Brothers Bank, FSB Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bank of New
York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I
Trust
Date of Mortgage: June 18, 2004
Date of Mortgage Recording: June 24, 2004 Amount claimed due on date of notice:
107,491.78 Sescription of
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situ-
ated in Township of Wisner, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at
the Southwest corner of the Southwes the Southwest corner of the Southwest $1 / 4$ of the Southeast $1 / 4$ of Section 15 , Town 14
North, Range 7 East, and running thence East North, Range 7 East, and running thence East
8 rods, thence North 20 rods, thence West 8 rods, thence South 20 rods to the place of beginning.
The reden
The redemption period shall be 6 months from
the date of such sale, unless deternined aban he date of such sale, unless determined aban-
doned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241 a or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL $600.3240(16)$.
If the property
If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under
Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Chapter 32 rower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption
period.
This notice is from a debt collector
Date of notice: March 20, 2019
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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisemen VOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL
600.3212, that the following will be fore closed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on April 18, 2019:
Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Chester Stone Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Chester Stone
or Janice K Stone, or successors, as Trustee of the Stone Family Living Trust dated April 30, Original Mortgagee: Financial Freedom Senor Funding Corporation, a subsidiary of Indy Mac Bank, F.S.B
Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bank of New
York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust
Date of Mortgage: March 8, 2006 Date of Mortgage: March 8, 2006
Date of Mortgage Recording: April 20, 2006 Amount claimed due on date of notice: $\$ 120,744.53$
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Gilford, Tuscola County,
Michigan, and described as: Commencing at Michigan, and described as: Commencing at
the Northeast corner of East 60 acres of South $1 / 2$ of the Southeast $1 / 4$, thence South to former ST and H RR R/W, thence Southwesterly along said $R / W$ to center of Hobart drain, thence Northerly along center of said drain to
North line of said East 60 acres, thence East to the point of beginning, Section 26, Township 13 North Range 7 East, Gilford Township, Tuscola County, Mi.
The redemption period shall be 6 months from
the date of such sale, unless determined the date of such sale, unless determined aban-
doned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241 a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL $600.3240(16)$
If the property
If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of rower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for
damaging the property during the redemption damaging the property during the redemption
This notice is from a debt collector Date of notice: March 20, 2019
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## Finances focus of school board meet

numbers fall by hundreds of youngsters - losing an average of 3.7 p school year, when the district boasted 1,500 students. In 2001-02 Cass City had more than 1,600 kids enrolled.
In contrast, school officials three years ago reported the district had fewer than 1,000 students for the first time in memory. The latest student count, conducted last month, revealed a local student enrollment of about 973 kids, 15 fewer students compared to last fall, but five more kids compared to a year ago. However, Hartel said Monday the numbe has since dipped by 10 kids.
Enroilment plays a key role in school funding from the state, which February and again the following October. The state's blending formula places the greatest emphasis on the fall count, which is worth 90 percent of the total.
The blended enrollment number is multiplied by schools' foundation allowances to determine how much revenue they will receive for the year. The Cass City Public Schools, for example, received $\$ 7,871$ pe sudent for the 2018-19 school yea
Hretchen Whitmer's first executive budget released earlier this Gov The state spending plan includes a proposed increased foudation al lowance of $\$ 235$ million, which would provide an increase of $\$ 120$ to $\$ 180$ per pupil for schools to fund basic classroom and operational expenses. The increase would also continue to close the equity gap between schools at the minimum and maximum foundation allowances "Thing the gap down to $\$ 478$ per student.
This is just a first draft," Hartel said, noting the final budget may look If Whitmer's proposal stands, however schools on the the funding spectrum, including Cass City, would see the lower end of funding hike, from $\$ 7,871$ to $\$ 8,051$ per student. For Cass City, that adds up to an additional $\$ 176,500$ based on this year's blended student count. Hartel said Whitmer's budget also calls for increased spending in other reas, including additional funding of $\$ 120$ million for special education dents. Great Start Readiness Program in the amount of $\$ 85$ million, making preschool programs available to more students across the state and improving the programs in place today. The budget plan is also designed to jumpstart early literacy initiatives with an investment of $\$ 24.5$ million oo triple the number of state-funded literacy coaches in schools, accord ing to state officials.

Thank you from Colleen (Leslie) Englehart's Family
To everyone involved with the Spaghetti Dinner Benefit in support of Colleen on March 9th: We are completely overwhelmed by the love, support, and generosity you have shown to us in this very difficult time We thank each and every one of you from the bottom of our hearts. Please know that your attendance and/or donations mean the world to us.

May God bless you all.

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## Future of Tuscola County Development at Risk!

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economy to estimate the economic contribution of the Caro Center on the Tuscola County econmy.
eym the mailable, the Caro Center had $\$ 8,951,400$ in direct operational expenditures. This amount of expenditures is mpred of food, drugs, fuel, utities, contract pay range of the 349 materials expenses. The Center is approximately $\$ 16$ per hour to $\$ 88$ pe hour. The annual payroll of the Caro Center employees is $\$ 13$ million. Approximately 244 o $70 \%$ of Caro Center employees live in Tuscola County.

The Caro Center currently treats patients who along with employees make local purchases from average of $\$ 20$ per week for patients and employees, this provides an annual expenditure of proximately $\$ 519,000$ per year. With the conservative assumption that patients have a least one person visiting them on a monthly basis and visitors are making expenditures for meals and lodging, this translates into a direct expendiure of $\$ 174,600$ per year

The $\$ 8,951,400$ in direct expenditures for the Caro Center translates to an indirect economi mpact of $\$ 26,585,658$. The indirect economic mpact for the Caro Center is factored using the accepted psychiatric hospital economic impact
whereas for every dollar in direct expenditures, Tuscola County economies realize $\$ 2.97$. Using the accepted psychiatric hospital economic impact model concerning the $\$ 518,960$ per year in patients and employees this translates to an indirect economic impact of $\$ 1,541,311$ per year for the Tuscola County economy
The direct employment of 349 jobs for the Caro Center translates to an employment impact of presently exists at the Caro Center, 2.14 jobs are created in the Tuscola County labor market. Concerning the 244 Caro Center employees who live in Tuscola County, this translates to a total employment impact of more than 522 jobs. The direct employee compensation of $\$ 13$ million for
the Caro Center translates to approximately the Caro Center translates to approximately
$\$ 25,090,000$ in total employee compensation per year. The total monetary economic impact of the Caro Center is approximately $\$ 53,700,000$ per year. This monetary amount is derived from the total amounts achieved through the economic indirect impacts of the Caro Center.
Should the commitment made by the legislature for the new psychiatric hospital expansion not happen or should the Caro Center be closed, this
would present an extremely devastating economic impact for Tuscola County and its families' prosperity for years to come


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