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Drowning claims life of Thumb man Friday

by Tom Montgomery Editor

A Unionville man lost his life in a drowning accident Friday afternoon.

Lt. Jim Lang, assistant commander of the Michigan State Police Tri-City Post, Freeland, identified the victim as Kenneth Woloszyn.

Lang reported troopers from the MSP post in Caro were dispatched to a residence on Cottage Drive in Unionville to investigate the accident.

"Tuscola County Central Dispatch advised that they received a transfer call from Huron County Central Dispatch indicating a 63-year-old male had been pulled from the water and was unresponsive, Lang said, noting Cottage Drive is a private residential road located on the eastern shore of the Saginaw Bay in Tuscola County's Akron Township.

"Troopers responded to the scene and were assisted by rescue personnel from both Akron-Columbia-Wisner (ACW) Township and McLaren Bay Region EMS ambulance services. The victim was pronounced deceased on scene.

"During the investigation, troopers learned the man was attempting to repair his boat dock and remove weeds from the water. The man's wife went out to check on him and discovered him float-

ing in the water," Lang said.

"The wife was able to get help from a nearby neighbor who attempted to pull the victim from the water but was hindered by high winds and rough water conditions. The victim was also wearing rubber waders, which had filled with water, making it difficult to get him out of the water. It is estimated the man may have been in the water for as long as ten minutes."

An autopsy was scheduled to determine a cause of death, according to Lang.

Troopers were assisted by Unionville police and the Tuscola County Medical Examiner's Office



DIANE RAPSON-Gabil (left) and Rose Putnam accepted the 2019 Tuscola Stars group category award on behalf of the Friends of the Thumb Octagon Barn during Thursday's 17th annual Tuscola Stars breakfast at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro.

Shining stars

County honors volunteers who quietly make a difference

by Tom Montgomery Editor

"This is the celebration of belonging, being part of something beyond ourselves—family, friends, our neighborhood, and the larger community. Shared values and faith bolster the feeling of belonging and reinforce the solid relationships that define our lives. Community makes us part of something that was there before us and will outlast us."—Unknown

Tuscola County honored its own last week, focusing the spotlight on the spirit of volunteering – citizens giving of their time and talents to benefit others and, in the end, making Tuscola County a better place to live and work for everyone.

The 17th annual Celebrating Tuscola's Stars awards breakfast drew an attendance of roughly 125 peo-

ple Thursday morning at the Tuscola Technology Center in Caro, where a host of individuals, groups and agencies were recognized for their contributions to residents throughout the county.

This year's winners in four different categories are:

*Individual category – Gene Suuppi, a retired state of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) inspector, was honored as this year's outstanding individual "star" for his volunteer work focused on improving the Cass River.

"The Cass River is a gem in Tuscola County and provides our residents and visitors with a great place for rest, relaxation and recreation. This volunteer has dedicated many years to ensuring its future," Gene Pierce, Tuscola Stars Planning Team co-chairman,

said of Suuppi.
"Rallying many volunteers to

help clean up the waterway and improve the water quality is (his) goal," Pierce added. "To expand the use of the river, this 'star' works with property owners to secure more access points along the

Suuppi's efforts include playing a key role in organizing annual clean-up days along sections of the river, including a project last summer south of Cass City, where volunteers collected and disposed of dozens of old tires littering the waterway.

Also nominated in the category were Suzette Bennett, Bernadette Cain, Cheryl Deike, Karen Goodchild, Carl Holmes, Ron Johnson, Marianne Karpovich, Kelly Kish, Mandy Knox, Chris LaBerge, Sarah Piazza, Todd Squires, Sarah Tyson and Val Humes.

*Group category – The Friends of the Thumb Octagon Barn took Please turn to page 8.

School board reviews bond work update

by Tom Montgomery Editor

A bond construction update prompted Cass City Board of Education officials Monday night to discuss scheduling additional work in the district this summer, thanks to some estimates coming in under budget.

School Supt. Jeff Hartel noted the 2018 capital improvements budget was originally set at \$2,458,900, but the latest figures estimate that total at \$1,933,553,

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Scholarship still honoring teen's memory; auctions set this weekend

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Paul DeLong lost his life in a tragic farming accident 20 years ago, but family members and friends have made sure his memory has remained very much alive through a scholarship fund that has benefited nearly 180 high school graduates in the Thumb.

Live and silent auction items are being accepted for a fundraiser that will benefit the Paul DeLong

Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The fundraiser will be Saturday, April 27, at the Sanilac County Fairgrounds in Sandusky.

Auction item suggestions include

Paul DeLong

gift certificates, homemade crafts, home and garden items, seasonal items, and farm and show items.

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VETERAN TUSCOLA County District Court Judge Kim David Glaspie – only the second district court judge to serve in Tuscola County – is gearing up for retirement after 29 years on the bench. His tenure officially ends June 14, but collecting on vacation time he has coming will enable him to step down May 13. Gov. Gretchen Whitmer will appoint a replacement to complete the remainder of Glaspie's current term, which expires at the end of 2020.

Glaspie closing the (law) books on nearly 30-year career on the bench

by Tom Montgomery Editor

Kim Glaspie wasn't aspiring to serve as a judge during his years as a successful attorney, but when the opportunity came along, he knew accepting an appointment to the bench was the right choice.

That was back in 1990. Now, 29 years later, the Cass City native and Tuscola County's longest-serving district court judge is embracing another major change in his life – retirement — for the same reason.

"I've thought about it for a long time, looked at the pros and cons of staying or retiring. It just seemed like the time to do it while my health is still good," said Glaspie, 63, who has watched some of his peers lose out on that opportunity due to health issues.

opportunity due to health issues. "It just felt like it's time to move on to another chapter, to wake up in the morning and do what I want to do, not what I have to do."

Among the things Glaspie and his wife of nearly 42 years, Jackie, would like to do are travel and spend more time with family, including their children and grandchildren. Their son Zach, an industrial real estate appraiser, and his wife, Liz, have two young sons, Cameron and Quinton, and reside in Brighton; daughter Samantha, an attorney who shifted her career interests to event planning, and her husband, Wil, also an attorney, live in Ann Arbor; and daughter Alyssa resides in Santa Monica, Calif.

Glaspie, whose mom, Gerri Glaspie, still resides in the Cass City area, was among six candidates vying for the county's district court position when then-Gov. James Blanchard appointed him to the post in April 1990. He succeeded the Honorable Richard F. Kern, who had been the sole district court judge in Tuscola County, serving for 21 years before retiring prior to the end of his last term.

A 1973 Cass City High School graduate and a former Cass City Junior Citizen of the Year recipient, Glaspie prepared for his career in law by enrolling at the University of Michigan, where he earned his bachelor's degree in

political science in 1977. He earned his law degree in 1980 at the Thomas M. Cooley Law School

School. Prior to taking on the role of judge, Glaspie served as a Tuscola County commissioner representing the Cass City area. He ran as a Democrat and was first elected in 1986, then reelected to another two-year term in 1988.

After accepting the appointment to serve as a judge, Glaspie closed his own private law practice after 10 years, knowing he was not only facing a new role in the legal system, but also the challenge of gaining voters' confidence before the next election, just

eight months away.

In the end, he emerged the victor among four candidates seeking election to the judgeship for a six-year term – including attorneys Duane Burgess, John Bishop and David G. Myers – in the 1990 non-partisan primary vote.

And, three months later, he de-

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Cass City Schools announce March students of the month



Kindergarten **Student of the Month is** Jamison Palmer

Nominated by: Mrs. Maurer

Characteristics he displays: Jamison is a very nice boy. He works hard and

gives his best every day. He is a great friend and treats children and adults with respect! He is an awesome

Kindergartener!

Some of his favorite things: Playing Xbox & board games with his family, going to his friend's house.



1st Grade Student of the Month is Courtney Kempisty

Mrs. Bechler Characteristics she displays: Courtney is an absolute pleasure to have in class. She is always kind,

Nominated by:

respectful, and works hard in every aspect of school. She is a great friend and is always willing to lend a helping hand to others.

Some of her favorite things: Ice cream, playing with her dog, Toby & playing with her siblings



3rd Grade Catching bugs, math, Student of the Month is playing with Daniel at Tyler Pergande

Nominated by: Mrs. Milligan Characteristics he displays: Tyler consistently works hard. He is a good friend

to his peers. Tyler always tries his best and looks for the good in others. Some of his favorite things:

Soccer, football, friends, spaghetti



Student of the Month is

Kaelyn Spangler

4th Grade Student of the Month is Some of her favorite things: Jannah Sheikh

Nominated by: The 4th Grade Teachers

Characteristics she displays:

Jannah is a sweet young lady who goes above and beyond to make sure her work is detailed and correct. She is a very kind girl and gets along well with her peers. Jannah is responsible and is always will-ing to lend a helping

Swimming, camping, tag, playing with my cats & dogs, X-box, hanging out with friends



5th Grade Student of the Month is Michael **Van Wonterghem**

Nominated by: The 5th Grade Teachers

Characteristics he displays: Michael regularly displays the characteristics of SOAR. In addition, he is polite, a hard worker, cooperative and always pleasant. Michael also has a very positive attitude.

Some of his favorite things: Playing with his rabbit, reading, drinking hot cocoa



6th Grade Student of the Month is Mason Brown

Nominated by: The 6th Grade Teachers

Characteristics he displays: Mason is very conscientious with his home-

work and enjoys doing well on tests. His goal is to do a job and to do it well. He plans on becoming a civil or mechanical engineer. Mason has an unending supply of questions!

Some of his favorite things: Wrestling, classic rock, especially Queen, steak & macaroni & cheese, reading, beating his Dad at ping pong

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12th Grade Student of the Month is Rebecca Morrish

"Rebecca is an amazing student both at Cass City Jr./Sr. High School and at the Tech Center where she is also employed through their co-op program. She has great attendance and one of the best attitudes I have experienced in my teaching career. She works hard and has had her eye on the prize so to speak... her future. As well as academic games she is involved in Student Council, NHS, and other activities as pertains to the tech programs. As she is approaching graduation it has been my pleasure to talk with her about her future. She is going to MSU to study Forensic Accounting. Rebecca also is looking forward to college and the new stage of her life.

I am so proud to have watched this young woman grow and look forward to her future which I know she will face with her sense of humor, big smile, and sense of direction." ~ Mrs. Sean Zawilinski

Some of her favorite things: Favorite subject: Math.

Hobbies: Watching Netflix, reading, and playing

video games.

Weekend Fun: Hanging with my friends and going to the movies. Favorite Movie: Wonder Woman. Favorite Snack: Cheese Sticks.

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OPINION

Clarke Haire **Publisher**

Tom Montgomery Editor

Parents have role in cyberbullying today

Michigan has a new, tough law providing stiff penalties for cyberbullying, but health experts say parents can help to curb problems before they become serious by keeping a close eye on their kids and their technology devices.

The new rules went into effect March 27. It was a long-overdue response to a serious problem. A 2017 study conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, for example, revealed that nearly 15 percent of high school students were electronically bullied in the 12 months prior to the survey.

Michigan's new law defines cyberbullying as posting a message or statement in a public media forum about any other person if both the message or statement is intended to place a person in fear of bodily harm or death and expresses an intent to commit violence against the person, and the message or statement is posted with the intent to communicate a threat or with knowledge that it will be viewed as a threat.

In a nutshell, "public media forum" is defined as the Internet or any other medium designed or intended to be used to convey information to other individuals, regardless of whether a membership or password is required to view the information.

Individuals found guilty of cyberbullying another person can be found guilty of the misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail and/or a maximum fine of \$500, and if they have a prior offense could face up to a year in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine.

And the law goes further – violations that display "a continued pattern of harassing or intimidating behavior" that causes serious injury to the victim could face a felony that carries a maximum five-year sentence and/or a \$5,000 fine. And a person convicted of continued online harassment leading to a death can be sentenced to a maximum of 10 years in prison and/or a \$10,000 fine.

Cyberbullying is bullying that takes place over digital devices such as cell phones, computers and tablets via social media websites (Facebook, Twitter, etc.), text messages, instant messaging and email.

According to the website www.stopbullying.gov, youths who are being cyberbullied may exhibit a variety of behaviors, including avoiding social activities and social situations, anxiety over attending school, dropping grades or other changes in school performance, changes in mood that are different from normal teenage behaviors, obsessive checking of texts or social media sites, and withdrawing from family and friends.

Experts encourage parents to engage their kids in discussion about responsible behavior and practicing online safety, speak frankly about the dangers of online behavior and online bullying, urge youth to block or delete disrespectful friends from social media, set limits on daily computer and cellphone usage, and be aware of their online activities.

It's equally important to document incidents of cyberbullying (keep a record of what is happening and where). Most social media platforms and schools have clear policies and reporting processes. If a classmate is cyberbullying, report it to the school. If a child is receiving physical threats, call the police.

We applaud lawmakers' action on a very real problem, and we hope parents will do their part to ensure future generations of youngsters can go online without fear of being harassed or attacked.

Drier Humor by Mary Drier

Puppy love forever



This April has been kind of a difficult month for me. My last dog, Sergeant, was born April 5, 2005, and passed away in mid-April 2016.

To some, he was just a dog. To me, he was my best friend and faithful companion who truly loved me. Even though it has been two years since my fur baby passed, I miss him. For some reason, this year I really miss him and have done a lot of whining on Facebook about the loss of my dog as well as posting a lot of dog pictures and sayings about dogs. I have always had a dog since I was a child. I miss the love and companionship of a buddy with a cold, wet nose.

A wonderful man from Cass City, who I am aquatinted with, offered me one of the lab puppies his son has. It was a wonderful, extraordinarily generous offer that I would desperately love to take him up on. But I have a difficult time just being able to take care of myself. I have to use a wheel walker to get around, and because I have a breathing disorder (COPD), I have a hard time trying to walk and breath.

Because of those issues, I sadly had to turn down his generous offer.

Back in 2005, I was thinking about getting a dog to train as a kind of therapy dog that I could take to senior homes and schools, but mostly I just wanted a dog to help me cope with my son being "stop lost." He only had a few months to go to when his time serving in the U.S. Army would be up, but the powers that be decided Uncle Sam needed him more, so he had to do another tour of duty

He was only a few months into his second tour in Iraq when he was killed a few days before he was scheduled to come home on leave. He had planned to propose to his girlfriend at that time and to meet the man I was dating who had asked me to marry

It was a devastating blow — a gut punch like no other to the soul. Because he died overseas, it took about two weeks from the time I was told of his death to the funeral.

I went ahead with my plans to get a puppy for something to hug and love and to help me through it. The family I got Sergeant from had 12 puppies they had rounded up for me to pick from. Being puppies, they were too busy running and playing, so gathering them together for me to make a selection wasn't hap-

I remember saying, "Okay, which one of you wants to come home with me." A little black ball of fur stopped playing, sat at my feet and looked up at me. He was the one. I named him Sergeant after my son's rank in the Army.

No matter how sad you are, when watching a puppy's antics you just have to laugh or at least smile. He helped me through that difficult time.

Two years later when I was battling cancer and was going through chemotherapy, Sergeant was steadfastly by my side night and day. His love and devotion was a comfort.

Dogs don't care if you gain weight. They don't care if your hair turns gray, and they don't care when you slow down and have to use a cane or a walker. They just love no matter what. They give unconditional

Sergeant has been gone two years and I still miss him and think of him often. His antics over the years provided plenty of fodder for some columns.

A dog is the only entity that will love unconditionally. I have only found that in a few people.

Several years ago there was a movie called "All

Letters to the Editor

Hospital employees go

above, beyond the call

Editor,

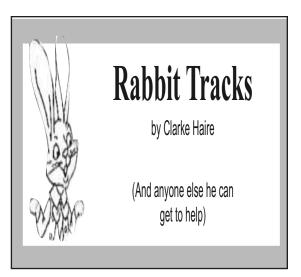
After a recent doctor's visit, she ordered a blood test. Of course, Hills and Dales was where I went. Since I am using a cane, I parked in the handicap parking and walked into the hospital.

The lobby is very welcoming, lots of space, new chairs. It is awesome and money well spent.

I went to the registration desk and Rita helped me. Ready to go, I asked Rita if the lab was a long walk.

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Dogs Go To Heaven." How could they not? They love unconditionally. And, dog is God spelled backwards.



We asked Daryl Iwankovitsch, Knights of Columbus Council 8892 Michigan Drive program chairman, for information on the local organization's recent Tootsie Roll fundraiser held near the down-

'Our Tootsie Roll drive is for mentally handicapped citizens. More simply, we use the money to help handicapped people. This year, after expenses for the tootsie rolls were paid, we have \$2,655.88 to donate," he said, adding, "The State Council gets (20%) \$531.18 for State donations to the handicapped, while locally we are donating to Cass City Schools Special Ed \$445.00, to Owen-Gage Schools Special Ed \$150.00, to Highland Pines Special Ed \$100.00, to Sacred Heart SPRED program \$350.00 (this is a religious group for handicapped citizens in this and to the Tuscola County Special Olympics \$1,079.70."

Thanks to our community's generosity, we are donating more this year than we have in the past 10 years. We had 59 members work the drive this year, reported Iwankovitsch.

With National Small Business Week approaching -May 5-11 - and over 50% of the U.S. population working for a small business, the personal-finance website WalletHub recently released its report on 2019's Best Small Cities to Start a Business

To determine the most business-friendly small markets in the U.S., WalletHub compared more than 1,200 cities with fewer than 100,000 residents across 18 key metrics. The data set ranges from small business growth rates and accessibility of financing to investor access and labor costs.

Their number one small city to start a small business is Holland, Michigan.

The Thumb Area Michigan Education Association-Retired group will meet April 30th at the Charmont Restaurant in Cass City. There is a social hour beginning at noon, when members may purchase their lunch. At 1:00 PM guest speaker Rose Putnam will explain the huge quilt pieces painted on numerous barns around the Thumb.

Membership is open to all Michigan retired public school employees. For more information, call 989-

Over the weekend, I watched a pair of documentaries on the TV.

First, was Free Solo. It's a story about rock climber Alex Honnold's ascent of El Capitan's famed 3,000 foot rock face in Yosemite National Park – without

I liked that story so much that I watched another documentary titled Meru. It's a story of three rock climbers that scale Mount Meru in Northern India that sits 21,000 feet above sea level. The layout of the mountain's perversely stacked obstacles makes it both a nightmare and an irresistible calling for some of the world's toughest climbers. Hauling over 200 pounds of gear up 4,000-feet of technical, snowy, mixed ice and rock climbing is actually the simple part of this endeavor. After crossing that gauntlet you reach the Shark's Fin itself: 1,500 feet of smooth, nearly featureless granite. There are few pre-existing fissures, cracks or footwalls. It is simply a straight sheet of overhanging rock.

Both shows were amazing, I just wish I had watched them on the big screen at the Cass Theatre with surround sound.

Cass City High School and Central Michigan University grad Rod Hutchinson returned home for a

short visit the other week. While in the Thumb, he visited the Bob Seger themed bar in Unionville - Cat Man Do.

His take: somewhat of a dive, but the food was amazing. Sounds like a place I should try.

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Wednesday, April 24

•Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 3:30-6 p.m., Humand Development Commission at 429 Montague Ave., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-

•Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

•Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behavioral Health, Bad Axe. For more information, contact Rhonda Quinn at (989) 269-

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

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

Thursday, April 25

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

•Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church.

Saturday, April 27

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

Monday, April 29

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

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

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

Tuesday, April 30

•Crafty Ladies Group, 1-4 p.m., Common Grounds (next to Revive). Bring a crafting project to work on. Call 989-551-7803 for more information.

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

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

STANDING COMMUNITY CALENDAR ITEMS

First Saturday:

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

First Sunday:

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

• Thumb Area Companions, 3 p.m., hosted by Dawn Woidan at Hills and Dales Boardroom 4675 Hill street. Social support group that strives to benefit from social contact with others experiencing grief/loss.

•Novesta Township Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

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

Second Monday:

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

•Thumb Octagon Barn meeting, 7 p.m., fire hall in Gagetown.
•Tuscola County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., HDC Intergenerational Building, 430 Montague Ave., Caro.For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

Kedron OES #33 of Caro meeting, 7 p.m.

•Huron County Family Caregiver Support Group, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Human Development Commission, 150 Nugent Rd., Bad Axe. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121.

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

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

Third Sunday: • Thumb Area Companions, 3 p.m., hosted by Dawn Woidan at Hills and Dales Boardroom 4675 Hill street. Social support group that strives to benefit from social contact with others

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

•Family Caregiver Support Group, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Harbor Beach Community Hospital Administration Building/Conference Center, 147 S. First St., Harbor Beach. For more information, contact Merry at (989) 673-4121 •Ubly Lions Club meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ubly Thumb Veterans Organization-

Hall, 2165 Binghan St., Ubly MI 48475. A pot luck is served prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcomed

Third Wednesday: •Spaghetti Dinner at Cass City VFW Hall from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Take out

available. For more information call (989) 872-4933. Third Thursday: •Sanilac County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, 3 p.m., HDC

Adult Day Services Building, 227 N. Elk St., Sandusky. For more information, contact Kim at (989) 673-4121 or Amanda at (810) 648-4497. •Grief Support meetings, "Healing Together." Heritage Hill, 1430 Cleaver Rd. Caro, 7-8:30 p.m. For questions or to register to attend please call the office at (989) 872-5852 or toll free (877) 872-5852. These sessions are open to anyone

dealing with a grief or loss. Sponsored by Hospice Advantage, Cass City. •Caregiver Support Group, 11:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Bullard-Sanford Memorial Library, 520 W. Huron Ave., Vassar. For more information, contact Merry at (989)

Third Friday:

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

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

•Fourth Monday:

•Cass City School Board meeting, 7 p.m. •Hills & Dales General Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 11:30 a.m., Gilligans (no meetings July, August, December).

•Tuscola County Right to Life meeting, 6:30-8 p.m., Caro Area District Library, 840 W. Frank St., Caro. For more information, call (989) 872-3259. •Families Against Narcotics, 6 p.m., Hills and Dales Corporate Services and Regional Education Center, 6667 Main St. Cass City. For more information, call

Fourth Wednesday:

•Owen-Gage School Board meeting, 7 p.m.

•Huron County Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver Support Group, Huron Behave 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) 673-4121.

Fourth Thursday:

•Community Lunch, noon, Shabbona United Methodist Church. Last Monday:

·Cass City Village Council meeting, 7 p.m., municipal building Last Wednesday:

 Cass City Chamber meeting, 8 a.m., Rawson Memorial District Library. Every Monday: •Alcoholics Anonymous, "Monday at a Time," 8 p.m., Parkside Cafe, 2031 Main

St., Ubly. For more information, call Angela R. at (989) 658-2319.

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

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

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

•Crafty Ladies Group, 1-4 p.m., Common Grounds (next to Revive). Bring a craft-

ing project to work on. Call 989-551-7803 for more information. Every Wednesday:

•Spoonfuls of Plenty Free Community Meal, 3:30-6 p.m., Humand Development

Commission at 429 Montague Ave., Caro. Open to anyone wanting a hot, home-Every Thursday:
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Every Saturday for more information.



HILLS AND Dales General Hospital was recently recognized by Covenant Healthcare officials for the Cass City hospital's role in the care/transport of a cardiac patient in near-record time. Hills and Dales staff members on duty at the time were (pictured above) Laurie Rayl, R.N., Rebecca Sweeney, R.N., Emily Gilliam, ER Tech, and Dr. David Komosara, ER physician.

Hills and Dales team honored in treatment of cardiac patient

Officials at Hills and Dales General Hospital in Cass City last week announced they have earned recognition from Covenant Healthcare for their outstanding "door-to-door-to-balloon time" in the recent treatment of a cardiac patient.

"In just 99 minutes, the teams at Hills and Dales, Lifenet (medical transport helicopter) Covenant Healthcare had a patient stabilized, transferred and into Covenant's cardiac cath lab with the occluded (blocked) vessel open," explained Danielle Blaine, director of marketing for Hills and Dales. "'Door-to-door-to-balloon time' means from our door to Covenant's door, into the cath lab, and the blocked vessel is open using a 'balloon'.

"This is the second-fastest time recorded for a patient transfer from the surrounding area hospitals," she added, noting, "The national benchmark is 120 minutes."

"Working in conjunction with entities such as Lifenet and MMR (Mobile Medical Response) allows Hills and Dales to get their patients transferred quickly, thus saving heart muscle and saving lives," said Jean Anthony, Hills and Dales' president and CEO. "Meeting and surpassing these national benchmarks takes extensive training, dedicated staff and teamwork by everyone. Hills and Dales is very proud of their ER staff and their partners.

"Our ER staff continues to take training so that we can achieve such benchmarks," Anthony added. "This award is another example of the care we are able to provide, especially for those in a life-threatening situation.

"Working closely with our partners allows us to save lives. And that is what it's all about."

Circuit court proceedings

Several appear on felony charges

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

*Michael C. Farrar, 32, Lapeer, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail following his plea of guilty to assault, resisting or obstructing a police officer Nov. 4 in Dayton Township. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (two prior felony convictions)

The jail was deferred, according to court records, which state the defendant was placed on probation for 18 months and ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,008.

*Reco J. Stinson II, 20, Canton, pleaded guilty a charge of failure to return rented property valued at \$20,000 or more July 2 in Cass City. He was also convicted of being an habitual offender (one prior felony conviction).

Court records state the offense involved a 2007 Caterpiller 300 and a 2003 Contrail Trailer rented from All Season Sales and Rent-

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered in the case and bond was continued at \$5,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Christopher C. Bilicki, 23, Vassar, pleaded guilty to charges of possession of a controlled substance and impaired driving Dec. 28 in Indianfields Township.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$2,500. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Stacey L. Fields, 31, Akron, pleaded no contest to two counts of attempted writing of a no-account check between Sept. 1, 2013, and Aug. 31, 2014, in Caro. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$4,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Monica Childress, 43, Millington, pleaded no contest to two counts of welfare fraud involving more than \$500 – failure to provide information to department of health and human services officials with information related to income, and one count of welfare fraud involving more than \$500 between Oct. 8, 2015, and Sept. 20, 2017, in Millington Township. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and bond was continued at \$10,000. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

*Kevin S. Pate, 17, Vassar, pleaded guilty to two counts of criminal sexual conduct, third degree, involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years, and the use of force or coercion Dec. 26 in Vassar.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered, Pate's \$100,000 bond was revoked and he was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

Report: fund balance amounts vary among local government units

by Mary Drier For the Chronicle

As requested by Tuscola County Commissioners, county Controller Mike Hoagland recently prepared and presented a financial overview focused on local units of government as well as the county.

Commissioners requested the information in order to assess the overall financial position and potential for providing increased services. "There are many factors that have to be used to conduct a more in-

depth assessment. However, one important factor is the amount of unassigned general fund (GF) fund balance," Hoagland explained, noting the information was obtained from annual audits available on the Michigan Department of Treasury website for the years 2017 and 2018.

From what he gleaned from those reports, Hoagland estimated the total unassigned general fund balance (revenue not earmarked for a specific purpose) for the county and all of its local units of government at \$16,312,511.

The county's unassigned fund balance stands at roughly 12 percent, according to Hoagland.

His analysis shows that the city of Caro had the largest percentage of fund balance (compared to general fund spending) at 134 percent, and the village of Mayville had the smallest fund balance at seven percent. The report also revealed many townships had significant fund balances, with an overall average of 133 percent.

Gilford Township had a 476-percent fund balance, which means they could operate almost five years without any revenue. In contrast, Vassar Township had the lowest fund balance at 36 percent.

Hoagland presented the following audited general fund unassigned fund balance amounts and fund balance percentages compared to expenditures for area villages:

- *The village of Kingston with \$105,872 (52 percent).
- *The village of Gagetown with \$47,418 (25 percent). *The village of Cass City with \$227,884 (17 percent).

The following information outlines audited general fund unassigned fund balance amounts and the fund balance percent of expenditures for some area townships:

- *Elkland with \$481,888 (247 percent)
- *Elmwood with \$279,217 (261 percent).
- *Kingston with \$432,701 (246 percent). *Ellington with \$411,093 (237 percent).
- *Novesta with \$437,460 (170 percent). *Koylton with \$279,886 (113 percent).

Reporter's notebook

Memories of grandpa are still alive, well

by Tom Montgomery Editor



Author's note: I re-print this column each year at this time in honor of the memory of my grandfather, Ray Miller, who along with my grandmother, Lorena Miller, had a profound impact on my life, both as a child

Remember when your GPS and fish finder were rolled into one trusty unit called grandpa?

I saw that question in a Facebook meme and immediately thought of my own grandfather. He's been gone for decades now, but he's always on my mind this time of year, when the last Saturday in April marks Michigan's traditional trout season opener.

Ray Miller wasn't a tall man, but he was a towering figure to me when I was a youngster. A Kentucky native who spoke plainly and rarely minced words, he had a certain presence that drew my attention. And

He wasn't the sort of grandpa you ran up to and hugged, but I knew I was special to him. I know that because he always made time for me. He was never too busy to stop whatever he was doing — and he was always fiddling around with one project or another — and listen to what

He cared enough to demonstrate, in so many ways, how to treat others, and he didn't hesitate to let me know, in no uncertain terms, when I was in danger of crossing the line.

And, he taught me how to lure a native brook trout out from under a submerged stump in a handful of Michigan's crystal clear trout streams — no simple task considering that sort of fishing takes patience, skill and stealth. And at the tender age of seven or eight, when he started taking me on those outings, I had none of those attributes.

Talk about a young, enthusiastic bull in a china shop. I did, however, excel when it came to ripping holes in waders, a talent grandpa didn't appreciate but understood. Looking back, I must have been an almighty trial at times as a fishing partner those first couple of years.

It's been years since my grandfather and I tramped any of the northern Michigan streams he shared with me during the years I was growing

He always greeted me the

same way each time I was able

to escape Grand Rapids' north-

east side for a fishing trip,

which was as often as I could

manage. "Hello, fishin' part-

ner! Ready to catch your limit

Our opening day ritual would

begin Friday night, when we'd

go outside, flashlights and

soup cans in hands, in search

of night crawlers. The thought

of paying 50 cents a dozen for

crawlers irked my grandpa,

who year after year used the

same old eight-foot steel fly

Saturday would begin at 5 a.m.

with a trip up to White Cloud.

Once at the stream, we'd part –

rod and closed face reel.

tomorrow?'



The author and his grandfa-

ther, circa 1972.

that big log," he'd remind me. His earlier instruction always came back to me as I prepared to tempt a native brookie out from under that big log. "Edge up to the stream

he'd go upstream, while I would head downstream. "Remember to fish

slowly. Just drop your bait in and work it down. Drift it along the sand until it slides into the hole," he'd say. I looked forward to weekends with my grandparents. It was grandpa

who coached me before letting me cut grass for the first time with his self-propelled mower, which a few moments later attempted to climb a tree with me hanging on to the contraption for dear life.

He knew I'd figure it out, just as he knew that, in time, I'd be filling a creel with fresh trout as quickly as he could.

But fishing wasn't his most important legacy. Grandpa taught me, without having to put it into words, to be a man. As a husband, he demonstrated time and time again that women are to be treated with respect. He instilled in me a work ethic that has served me well as an adult, and he taught me that time is the most precious gift of all.

These days I'll be the first to admit my memory isn't what it used to be, but I can still see him standing streamside on one of those misty northern Michigan mornings, quietly calling my name and motioning for me to fish a section of stream that looked promising.

Anytime I return to those same old streams, I relive past opening mornings. I can't help but feel my grandfather's presence when I step from my car into a forest alive with chattering birds and squirrels, the rhythmic drumming of a ruffed grouse and the soft gurgling of a nearby

In a way, I suppose he'll never really be gone, because I won't forget him or the lessons I learned at his side.

I can think of no finer tribute to the man.



Down Memory Lane

by Tina Pallas



5 YEARS AGO (2014)

Tuscola County Sheriff Lee Teschendorf recently presented his department's 2013 Officer of the Year Award to 20-year department veteran Deanna Marshall.

A pair of Cass City Junior-Senior High School seniors recently put their information technology skills to the test against their peers from across the state and earned the right to compete nationally. Seniors Alex Tabar and JeanLuc Mathewson, both students from the Computer Technology Management class at the Tuscola Technology Center, Caro, qualified during the Business Professionals of America (BPA) State Leadership Conference, held March 20-23 at the Amway Grand in Grand

Owen-Gage School officials recently announced the top graduates of the Class of 2014. They are Alena J. Lotter, valedictorian and the daughter of Alan and Emily Lotter, and Amaris D. Janos, salutatorian and the daughter of Stacy Janos and Kenneth O'Brien.

Ben and Allison Zimba announce the birth of their son Brock Jesse Zimba, born March 18, 2014. He weighed 9 pounds, 3 ounces and was 21.5 inches long. Brock was welcomed home by his grandparents, Ken and Louise Walkiewicz and Jesse and Sally Zimba.

10 YEARS AGO (2009)

The 2009 Tuscola Stars winners honored Thursday are Margie Sylvester and Sadie Doerr, representing the Second Chance Shop -Thumb Area Big Brothers-Big Sisters (Group Award); Sloane Stimpfel of Cass City (Above and Beyond Award); Bob Hirn of Cass City (Individual Award); and Katie Jackson, Cass City, who accepted the Business Award on behalf of winners Pat and Dan Curtis of Curtis Chrysler, Dodge, Ply-

mouth and Jeep. Jim Anderson and the late Rose Anderson of Cass City announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Rose Anderson, to Kurt Adam Romstad, son of Bruce and Ronna Romstad of Bowling Green, Ohio. A June 13, 2009

wedding is being planned. Army National Guard Pvt. Kevin A. Bucholtz has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla. During his 9 weeks of training, Bucholtz studied the Army mission and received instruction and training in drill and ceremonies, Army history, core values and traditions, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, rifle marksmanship, weapons use, map reading and land navigation, foot marches, armed and unarmed combat, and field maneuvers and tactics. Bucholtz is the son of Ellen Johnson of Owendale. He is a 2008 graduate of Owendale-Gagetown High

25 YEARS AGO (1994)

Jane Reif, a teacher at Cass City High School, was recently honored by Northwood University as a "Distinguished Teacher." She was selected for the recognition by a former student, Melanie S. Churchill of Cass City. Churchill was among honor students at Northwood who were asked to nominate the educator who provided the most helpful influence in molding their academic excel-

Denise Marie Van Erp and Paul H. Drake, both of Novi, were united in marriage March 19. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Van Erp of Bad Axe, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Drake of Vero Beach, Fla.

Jeremy Capps a junior in a law course at the University of Nebraska was one of 2,000 students to be recognized in the annual All-University Honors Convocation April 15. He received high honors. He is the son of Rita Lovejoy and the Rev. Harry Capps.

Scott Dillon of Cass City and Jason Robertson, now of East Tawas and formerly of Cass City, are among 200 graduates of Alma College who were eligible to participate in a commencement ceremony Saturday at Cappaert Gymnasium. Dillon has earned a bachelor of science degree in physics and Robertson, a bachelor of science degree in biology. Both students are graduates of Cass City High School.

35 YEARS AGO (1984)

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Crawford of Argyle and Mrs. Glenn McClorey were in Caro Sunday to attend a going-away party for their nephew, Pat Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Crawford of Bay City. The party was held at the home of Pat's grandmother, Mrs. Ida McLeod. He enlisted in the Navy and was to have reported Wednesday for training.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Geiger had as Easter guests, Mr. and Mrs. Mart Hyzer and children, Lori and Dan, of Caseville, Mrs. John Spencer and sons, Josiah and Nathaniel, of Williamston and Mrs. Ken Schott and sons, Ben and Kevin, of Cass

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wright had with them for Easter their son Brian and friend, Jenny Hartman of Frankenmuth, both of whom are students at CMU in Mt. Pleasant, and Mrs. Rachel Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Damm and Jason of Caro returned home Saturday from a 12-day trip to Florida. While there they spent some time with Rick Damm in Pinellas Park and Leonard Damm in Holiday. They also went to Disney World and other places of in-

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kolk and son of Kimmel, Ind., came Saturday and spent until Wednesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kolb. Other Easter guests were Mr. and Mrs. Greg Hanselman and two children of Decker and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Eyer and children, Cass City.

40 YEARS AGO (1979)

Receiving congratulations from Lambert Althaver, last year's Citizen of the Year, is Bill Kritzman who was named for this year's award Monday. Dual winners in the race for Junior Citizen of the Year were announced Monday by Phil Keating, left, representing the Cass City Chamber of Commerce. Receiving the coveted award were Frances Kozan and David Heins.

Born April 19 in Caro Community Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Marker (Karla Stine) their second child, a six-pound. eight-ounce boy, Tyson Kenneth. Mother and baby went to their home near Unionville Monday. Four-year-old Stacie Marker spent from Thursday until Monday with her grandparents here, Mr. and Mrs. Garrison Stine.

Theo Hendrick is spending two weeks with his daughter and sonin-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwell Kelly at New Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Don Whittenburg took him there and returned home Sunday. The Whittenburgs attended, at Allen Park Sunday, a celebration of the 100th birthday of a friend, Mrs. Wagner.

The engagement of Joyce Ann Hubel to David James Kidwell is announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hubel of Flint, formerly of Cass City. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Kidwell of Drayton Plains. An Oct. 27 wedding date is planned.

50 YEARS AGO (1969)

At an Awards Dinner held in Lansing last Thursday evening, April 10, Leslie Profit of Cass City was named the "Manager of the Year" by Clayton Klein, the President of Klein Fertilizers, Inc. He received an appropriate plaque and a check for \$250.00. Mr. Profit is the manager of the Cass City Division of Klein Fertilizers, Inc., whose main plant is at Fowlerville, Mich.

Sharada Hurd of Gagetown will be a member of Ferris State College's 101-piece Concert Band that will tour five Michigan high schools April 29-30. Others from Tuscola County to participate will be Ruth Whaley, Caro, and Jackie Ainsworth, Unionville.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Watson and daughter Charlotte had as guests for dinner Sunday, Charles Watson of Seattle, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Narin and daughter Kathy of Warren, Bill Watson of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Watson and children of Ubly.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Root accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Root of Caro to the Hanes-Preston wedding at the People's Church, Bay City, Saturday and the reception at the Sweden House, attended by 475 persons.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hicks of Deford announce the engagement of their daughter Eileen to James Hurrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hurrell of Naperville, Illinois. Both are seniors at Michigan State University and Eileen is a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

Mrs. Marge Peterson and children spent the week end in Detroit with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Johnson, Mrs. David Korte, Mr. Gus Rissman and Tommy. It was Tommy's 20th birthday. She brought her son Tommy home to visit.

75 YEARS AGO (1944)

S-Sgt. Ernest Behr of the Army Air corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Behr, of Cass City, has returned to his station, at Hamilton Field at San Francisco, California. When he reached Michigan on his furlough his first stop was at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ora Hartel, in Port Huron, on Apr. 6, where a chicken supper was served in his honor. Before entering the army in March, 1942, he worked at the Chrysler Corporation's plant in Marysville, Mich

Mrs. Grant Patterson was awarded a war service pin by the president and vice president at the convention of the Michigan State Federation of Women's clubs held recently at Grand Rapids. These pins are given to two women of each district who have done outstanding war and civic activities work through their federated

Pfc. Phil Rieger of Fort Sheridan, Illinois, spent the week end with Mrs. Reiger and Mr. and Mrs. Remi Van Liedekerke.

Mrs. Ralph Young of Cass City was pleasantly surprised Thursday afternoon, when a number of ladies from Novesta came to help her celebrate her birthday. The party was also in honor of Mrs. Harold Biddle, whose birthday was near that date. A potluck lunch was served and a lovely birthday cake made by Mrs. Wm. Patch graced the center of the table. The honor guests received

100 YEARS AGO (1919)

Vern Holler, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Heller, who is stationed with the United States army in Luxemburg, Germany, writes home to his parents that he is enjoying a two weeks' furlough among the beauties of the Alps mountains in Switzerland.

Ira Gale, with the boys in France, son of Mrs. Ella Gale, writes he will not be home with his regiment which sails very soon as he is attending the University in Beaune, France, specializing in music, at the expense of Uncle

Mrs. Arthur Jones has accepted the position of saleslady at the store of L. H. Wood to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Gertrude Cormany.

Auctions to benefit scholarship established in DeLong's memory

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Cash donations are also being accepted.

To arrange for pick-up of a donation, or for more information, contact Kayla DeLong at (989) 551-4002, via email at delongkay1@gmail.com or on Face-

The scholarship program is open to youths from seven counties -Tuscola, Huron, Sanilac, Lapeer, St. Clair, Macomb and Oakland who participate in the Thumb Jackpot Show, and the auction is an annual fundraiser held on the same day as the show, according to Kayla DeLong, who is married to Paul's brother, Joe.

"The show and auction rotates location every year between the seven counties," she noted. "There is a silent auction that runs during the show and staggers when the tables close at noon, 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. There is also a live auction that takes place before the final drive (the overall champion of the show).

"The silent auction starts right away in the morning (9 a.m.) and we group the tables by when they will close. So, people can bid on some tables from 9 to noon, others 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the last group 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.," DeLong explained. "We usually have 12-plus eight-foot tables with donated items. We get some awesome things donated — some items bring in more than \$200 — and we also have things kids can bid

All proceeds from the auction are deposited in the Paul DeLong Memorial Scholarship endowment with the Tuscola County Community Foundation.

Paul DeLong was the eldest son of Robert DeLong and the late Laurie McRae. Family members say he had two passions in life; teaching youth and agriculture. Paul grew up showing cattle at the county fair and showed at the Thumb Jackpot Beef Show.

DeLong, a 1998 graduate of Ubly Community Schools, was attending Delta College majoring in special education when he and Phillip Mathewson II of Deford, a 1999 Cass City High School graduate, were killed in a farm accident in Sanilac County's Bridgehampton Township in the fall of 1999. Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies said DeLong, 19, and Mathewson, 18, were performing maintenance on a silo when the accident occurred.

A scholarship that was started by the Thumb Jackpot Beef Education Program in 1997 was renamed the Paul DeLong Memorial Scholarship in 1999, thanks to support from both the jackpot committee and the De-Long family.

Family members say the scholarship honors both of Paul's passions by assisting young people enrolled in 4-H and FFA beef projects in furthering their education.

"A lot of people don't know he (Paul) was going to school to be a special education teacher," said Bob DeLong, who recalled his son struggled in school at times because of dyslexia, but was the sort of young man who wasn't afraid of giving life his all. "Physically, he was the hardest worker. He loved to work."

DeLong said Paul's passion for teaching was sparked when he was given the opportunity to work as a special education assistant in

high school.
"From the day he walked into that class...the light came on and the kids migrated to him," he said. "His grades came up, focus was

there. That was going to be his calling."

DeLong acknowledged a parent never forgets the profound sense of grief that comes with losing a child, but he's grateful for the memories of raising his son for 19 years, and knowing he was a good

"He'd do anything for anybody," he said. "And this scholarship what a way to remember him.'

All graduating high school seniors from any of the seven counties that exhibit two or more and the current year (their senior year) at the Thumb Jackpot Beef Show are eligible to receive the Paul De-Long Memorial Scholarship.

Through the support of the scholarship's live and silent auction held annually at the Thumb Jackpot Beef Show, and the generous support of donors, as of 2018, the Paul DeLong Memorial Scholarship has awarded a combined \$87,400 to 178 students.

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Gilford Township 6230 Gilford Rd. Fairgrove MI 48733.

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School board reviews bond update

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leaving roughly \$500,000 for projects — previously delayed until 2020 or 2022 – that could be tackled this year.

Hartel recommended moving up planned resurfacing of the elementary school gymnasium, replacement of the elementary school's main entrance doors, and the purchase of one or two new school buses. He also suggested the board might want to consider moving up planned painting of all corridors and classrooms at the high school along with replacement of the aging clock/fire alarm system.

Board President Alice Zaleski, Treasurer Dave Osentoski and Trustee Janet Richards all voiced concerns over the need to replace the elementary school boilers as soon as possible.

Hartel acknowledged the need, but said he's been told the project requiring months to design, plan and install, so it's unlikely the boilers could be in place by winter. However, he added, contractors who have inspected the equipment say they believe the district can "limp by" another year with the existing boilers.

Hartel said he will draft a written proposal outlining the specific upgrades that could be moved up to this year, including cost estimates, and pass those on to board members before the next regular meeting Monday, May 20, at 7 p.m.

The board earlier this year signed the first in a series of bond construction project contracts for masonry, carpentry, mechanical and electrical components of various projects set to get underway early

This year's projects include installation of an updated heating and cooling system at the high school, and new entrances at the high school and elementary building to enhance security.

The bids are related to the first of three sets of capital improvement projects in the district, all being funded by a voter-approved millage extension over the next few years.

Cass City voters overwhelming supported a proposed \$8.68 million bond extension proposal last spring, paving the way to generate enough funding for a number of upgrades designed to provide students with a safer, more secure and energy efficient learning environment.

Voters agreed to an extension of an existing three-mill tax that originally raised money capital improvement projects at what is now Cass City Elementary School. That tax is slated to expire in 2021 but will now be levied for additional 15 years, with the proceeds going towards repairs and upgrades to the high school as

well as the elementary building. School officials, meanwhile, expect to tackle a variety of projects both inside and outside of the district's aging buildings, including the high school, which was built in 1966. The district's newest building – the former middle school, now Cass City Elementary School – was constructed about 20 years ago.

The bond extension will generate funding in three increments, and the work will be completed over a period of about five years, according to Hartel, who said will, as promised, start with installation of an updated heating and cooling system at the high school. Total bond expenditures in 2020 are projected at \$2.358 million, with another \$3.685 million in 2022 for a total of \$8.455 million

generated by the bond extension. When it's all said and done, upgrades at the high school will include technology; electrical service along with the fire alarm and clock systems; and renovation of science labs and restrooms. Funding will also go towards band instrument storage, classroom and art room casework, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) lab and class-

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

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

In other business during the regular monthly meeting, the board:

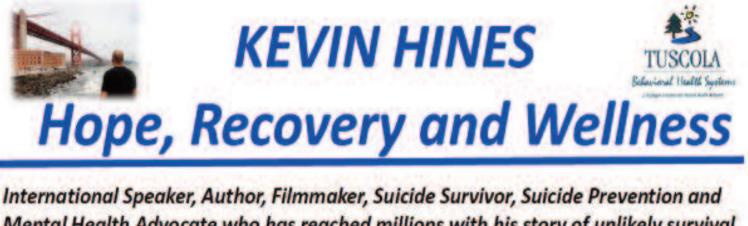
*Approved continued employment for the following teachers: Tenure for Jane Ignash, high school social studies; tenure for Leigh Osentoski, high school science; tenure for Karen Sweeney, second grade; and second-year probation for Chris Kimble, high school science.

*Accepted "with regret" the resignation of Brenda Blackmer, a para-professional who is retiring after 17 years of service to the dis-

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Caro Community Schools Auditorium - 301 N. Hooper St., Caro, MI You may register by email: tbhspublicinformation@tbhs.net or call 989.672.3010

Kevin Hines is an award-winning global speaker, bestselling author, documentary filmmaker, and suicide prevention and mental health advocate who has reached millions with his story of an unlikely survival and his strong will to live. Two years after he was diagnosed with bipolar disorder at 19 years of age, he attempted to take his life by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge. Kevin dedicates his life to saving lives by spreading the message of HOPE and sharing his art of living mentally well. He is one of the most respected and admired voices of lived experience. Kevin's story is a remarkable testament to the strength of the human spirit and a reminder for us to love the life we have.

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News briefs

Thumb Area Job Fair set

CARO - Attention job seekers: The Thumb Area Job Fair is slated for Wednesday, May 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center, 1401 Cleaver Rd. in Caro.

Thumb businesses currently hiring will be on hand to speak to prospective employees about immediate job openings. Those interested are encouraged to bring a resume, dress for success and come prepared to market their skills.

The event, sponsored by Michigan Works!, Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation, Tuscola Technology Center and the Caro Area District Library, is designed to give residents a chance to meet local business and industry representatives, learn about employment opportunities and explore different career options.

Businesses that are currently hiring and interested in participating as vendors are asked to contact Amy Hall at (989) 673-5300 (ext. 30301) or via email at ahall@tuscolaisd.org. More information is available by contacting Rob Shadley at (989) 673-5300 (ext. 30305).

Donate to DeLong auction

SANDUSKY - Live and silent auction items are being accepted for a fundraiser that will benefit the Paul DeLong Memorial Scholarship Fund, which awards scholarships to high school graduates from seven area counties, including Tuscola, Sanilac and Huron.

The fundraiser will be Saturday, April 27, at the Sanilac County Fair-

Auction item suggestions include gift certificates, homemade crafts, home and garden items, seasonal items, and farm and show items. Cash donations are also being accepted.

To arrange for pick-up of a donation, or for more information, contact Kayla DeLong at (989) 551-4002, via email at delongkayl@gmail.com or on Facebook.

Music for All slated May 2

CARO - Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems and Chemical Bank will present Music for All, a free community event, Thursday, May 2, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 903 Ryan Rd., Caro.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the show – featuring Noel Leamen – be-

Reserved seats are available by calling (989) 672-3010.

Hines set to speak in Caro

CARO - Kevin Hines, an award-winning global speaker, best-selling author, documentary filmmaker and suicide prevention and mental health advocate will be the guest speaker during a program entitled Hope, Recovery and Wellness Monday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Caro Community Schools auditorium, 301 N. Hooper St.

Two years after he was diagnosed with bipolar disorder at the age of 19, Hines attempted to take his own life by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge. He has since dedicated his life to saving lives by spreading a message of hope and his art of living mentally well.

The program is being presented by Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems (TBHS) and is funded in part by Chemical Bank. More information is available by contacting Susan R. Holder, director of marketing and training for TBHS, at (989) 673-6191 or by logging onto the website www.tbhsonline.com.

PEP volunteers are needed

HURON COUNTY — The Proud Equestrian Program (PEP) is looking for adult and young adult volunteers ages 14 and up to participate in the rewarding therapeutic horseback riding program. The program is scheduled for Wednesday evenings from May 29 to August 7 from 6 to

Volunteers aren't required to stay for the entire session; they are free to come and go as they need to, depending on their schedule. These volunteers primarily walk alongside the rider to ensure their safety. However, the sidewalkers also help the rider complete the activities of the

Program officials are also looking for volunteers who are comfortable leading horses and/or interested in working in an educational classroom setting with the program participants. Youth who are looking for volunteer hours for programs such as the National Honor Society can gain those hours with this program.

The first meeting night for volunteers is Wednesday, May 29, at the Huron Expo Center (fairgrounds) in Bad Axe starting at 6 pm.

More information is available by calling Marianne Buza at (989) 269-9949 (ext. 612) or (440) 785-2919.

Parks on Ubly council agenda

UBLY – The first softball tournament of the summer is scheduled for June 14 and 15 and will be a fundraiser benefit for Addison Stomack, Aaron Cregeur told the Ubly Village Council during a recent meet-

He noted that, with softball and baseball season here, bleachers will be needed by the end of the month for other ball games.

The council agreed to spend up to \$10,500 for fencing outside the ball fields. The fencing will be along the Sleeper North/South baseball fields on Bingham Street and Garfield Street. Officials noted they plan to apply for park improvement grant through the Huron County Community Foundation.

In other business, the council noted there will be a hazardous materials recycling collection from 8 a.m. to noon at the soil conservation office Monday, June 29, and also Sept. 19 at the expo center in Bad

Free CPR class on tap May 11

CASS CITY - Hills and Dales General Hospital will host another free American Heart Association Family and Friends CPR next month.

The class, slated for 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 11, at the hospital's regional education center (former Baker College building at 6667 Main St.), is intended for anyone who wants to learn CPR but and does not need a course completion card for a job or other require-

To register, call (989) 912-6365.

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Glaspie retiring after 29 years on bench

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feated Burgess in the general election by more than 600 votes. Glaspie has since repeatedly won reelection to the post, giving him a perfect record of having never been defeated at the polls.

As a district court judge, Glaspie handles a variety of legal cases, including civil lawsuits involving judgments of up to \$25,000, all misdemeanor cases, arraignments in felony cases as well as preliminary examinations (where the judge determines if there is sufficient evidence to bind a defendant over to circuit court), civil infractions and landlord-tenant cases.

Intimidating caseload

When he was appointed to the bench, Glaspie inherited an intimidating caseload, including a crushing pile of civil cases, from his predecessor. Just the same, he clung to a dedication to treat cases and defendants individually and at the same time equally under the law – no small task in a small community where everyone seems to know everyone else.

And, he has always demanded respect for the law and judicial system in his courtroom.

'There's been changes since I've taken the bench. The practice of law has changed drastically over the past 30 years," Glaspie observed. "It's not the professional approach to the practice of law" it used to be when it comes to some attorneys. "Today, it seems like everybody takes things so personally, and they can't let it go."

As for the caseload itself, state guidelines require courts to resolve certain types of cases in a set amount of time, according to Glaspie, who said defense attorneys and prosecutors have alleviated some of the pressure by working together more efficiently to resolve many cases without jury trials.

The mix of cases has changed somewhat, but it's still a hefty workload, one that all too frequently provides a glimpse into the dark side of humanity.

Although the number of incidents involving serious offenses are higher in urban areas, rural counties such as those in the Thumb see the same types of crimes, including sexual assault and the abuse of children and spouses, Glaspie said.

"Those are bad days (on the bench)," he added. "As a judge, you hear so many of these, and it's difficult, but you don't want to get to a point where it doesn't affect you personally."

At the same time, Glaspie has had the opportunity to make a difference in many defendants' lives. He along with Tuscola County Circuit Judge Amy Grace Gierhart are credited with bringing a new breed of "problem-solving" courts to Tuscola County in the form of the Regional Sobriety Court (TRSC), which takes an innovative approach to addressing defendants' underlying problems, in this case alcoholism.

The TRSC began operating in 2014 through a partnership of the trial court judges in Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac counties with a shared goal of creating a specialized central treatment court that could utilize tools outside of the

traditional fines and jail time to encourage those repeatedly convicted of driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol to turn over a new leaf.

Offenders accepted in the program undergo a lengthy, intensive court-supervised program that includes individual and group treatment, intensive drug testing, and 12-step meeting attendance.

"I think it's been (effective). I know we've had some failures, but we've had some great successes, too," Glaspie said of the court, which has since "graduated" more than 70 individuals.

Court officials last year announced plans to establish a second problem-solving court – this one targeting defendants struggling with mental health issues that have resulted in repeated brushes with the law. The goal is to assist repeat felony offenders in achieving long-term stability, becoming law-abiding citizens, and becoming successful in their communities, resulting in less recidivism (repeat offenses) and a reduction in jail expenses to the community.

Michigan's mental health treatment was largely gutted in the 1990s, resulting in many defendants ending up in the judicial system, Glaspie said, "but I think we've come full circle now."

Health scare

Challenges in the courtroom took a backseat to a health scare for Glaspie at one point in his career. In 1993 he was diagnosed with a benign brain tumor and underwent surgery to have it removed. Complications led to two more surgeries, with Glaspie losing the hearing in one ear and suffering some paralysis on the left side of his face.

But he returned to the bench after about six months to continue his career of service – a tradition in the Glaspie family, which has deep roots in the community.

Glaspie's father, the late-Grant Glaspie, served the local post office for more than 40 years, much of that time as postmaster, a position that was appointed by the president of the United States back in the day.

"I still have the appointment" letter from President Lyndon Johnson, noted Glaspie, a genealogy buff who said members of his family has lived in the community dating back to 1861, when his great-grandparents owned a farm in Novesta Township.

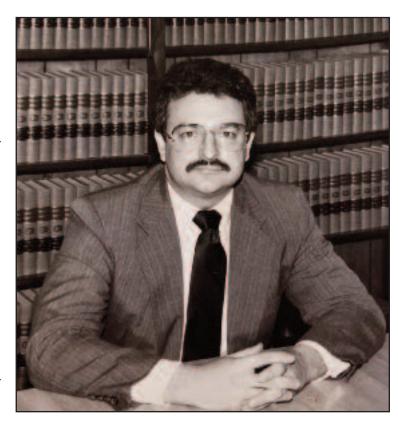
Glaspie's own resume includes having served the community and region in a variety of roles over the years, including the Human **Development Commission Board** of Directors and Michigan Association of Counties, and as a former fundraising coordinator for the Boy Scouts of America. He is also a past president of the Cass City Chamber of Commerce and a past president of the Cass City

These days, Glaspie is looking to the future, and looking forward to slowing down a bit after pouring himself into his chosen vocation for nearly four decades.

Glaspie says he would have been content to remain an attorney throughout his career, but he's glad he accepted the judgeship when the opportunity came along.

"I was happy on the bench never regretted that. Ever," said Glaspie. "The decision (to retire) took a long time. It's so final. Certainly I'll miss my staff – who are great. They do a great job — and coming to work, because that's my daily routine, and I have some great friendships with the people I work with.

"But you know what? I'm really excited about it. I'm looking forward to it. It's been a great career. I'm lucky I've had that."



CASS CITY native and Tuscola County District Court Judge Kim David Glaspie is pictured above in a photo taken by the Chronicle shortly after then-Gov. James Blanchard appointed him to the bench in 1990. At the time, Glaspie was an attorney who had been in private practice for about 10 years.



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GENE SUUPPI (left) was honored at this year's Tuscola Stars individual category winner for all of his volunteer work in organizing clean-up projects on the Cass River and promoting the local waterway's recreational opportunities.



CASS CITY Public Schools technical services Director Lyle Severance (above) was also nominated in the "above and beyond" award along with Laura Curtis, the district's director of bands.



VETERAN outdoors columnist Tom Lounsbury, Cass City, was nominated for the Tuscola Stars "above and beyond" award for his work in promoting the Cass River, including organizing a 26-hour trip on the river to showcase the waterway's esthetic and recreational value.



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Tuscola County honors its 2019 "stars"

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home the 2019 group category

"In the Thumb, agriculture is our lifeblood. It is important to remember out heritage and celebrate the success of agriculture in our communities. The Friends of the Thumb Octagon Barn is a prime example of the history of agriculture," Jim McLoskey, Tuscola Stars Team member said in presenting the honor.

"This wonderful property and its historic buildings would not be possible without the vision of a dedicated group of volunteers," he added. "Through their ongoing volunteer efforts, visitors flock to the small town of Gagetown to tour and experience the exhibits, shop the craft and antique vendors, and enjoy taking a trip back in time to experience the basic values and experiences of rural farm life."

McLoskey noted the barn has also served as the parent site under which the Thumb Quilt Trail now boasting some 100 quilts displayed on historical barns across the Thumb – has flourished.

"The Thumb Octagon Barn draws tens of thousands of visitors for its (Fall) Family Days, music in the barn and annual school field trips, which never fail to go off without a hitch due to the great planning of the volunteer network supporting the barn," he said.

"As a volunteer organization, the Friends of the Thumb Octagon Barn work to ensure that ecotourism is alive and well in the Thumb. Their tireless efforts are appreciated by the agricultural community and the entire Thumb region."

Also nominated in the group category were the Caro Exchange Club, Great Start Tuscola County Imagination Library, Kare and Serve, and the Millington High School football team.

*Business category – named this year's business category "star" was Grace Monument Company.

"Family-owned businesses are the heart and soul of communities in the Thumb, (and) this familyowned and operated business is a great example," said Pierce, who noted the Vassar firm and its own-Randy and Dorothy Buchinger, have worked with a number of churches, veterans organizations and civic groups to create monuments.

"During the upcoming Memorial Day services, citizens in Fremont Township...and Millington Township will enjoy the talents and generosity of Grace Monument where donated beautiful benches flank monuments," he said. "At Brookside Cemetery in Fairgrove, a monument from Grace Monument pays tribute to Orlando LeValley as the last surviving Civil War veteran from Tuscola

Other nominees in the business category were Dunn Hardware of Reese and Gambles Hardware of

*Above and beyond category -Dorothea Wilson, who owns and operates the Lighthouse in Caro, emerged the winner in this crowded category.

"When their 20-year-old son was involved in an automobile accident and suffered a traumatic brain injury, Dorothea and Jim Wilson were cast into a whole new world involving the rehabilitation process and the challenges

associated with the healthcare industry," McLoskey said.

"After nine years of working with their son, (they) opened the Lighthouse in 1987," he added. "The program opened with two residents. They were pioneers in the field of traumatic brain injury

"From its inception, the Lighthouse benefited from Dorothea's commitment and vision to provide the best possible resources for families facing challenges related to traumatic brain injuries. Her principle was simple...each resident will be cared for as if they were a member of her family, McLoskey continued.

"Under Dorothea's leadership, the Lighthouse now has 10 residential homes to provide services to more than 100 pediatric and adult residents. The Lighthouse employs more than 300 committed members of our communities to care for the residents (and) this month...will celebrate its 32nd year of providing quality care."

Other nominees in the category included Cass City's Laura Curtis (director of bands for the Cass City Public Schools), Lyle Severance (technical services director for the Cass City Public Schools) and Tom Lounsbury, veteran outdoorsman and columnist.

Also nominated were Trooper Nicole Dhooghe (Michigan State Police community and school resource officer), Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark E. Reene, Amy Schuette (computer technology management instructor at the Tuscola Technology Center), Foster Findlay, Steve and Lynn Franko, Teri Higgins, Pat Kraynak and Joy

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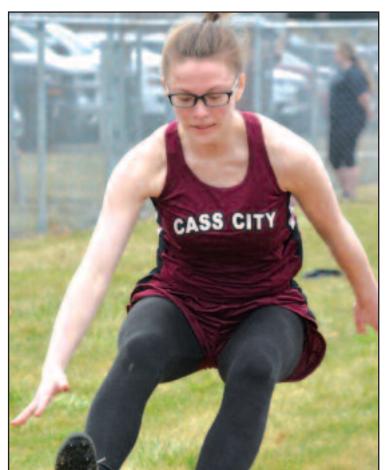
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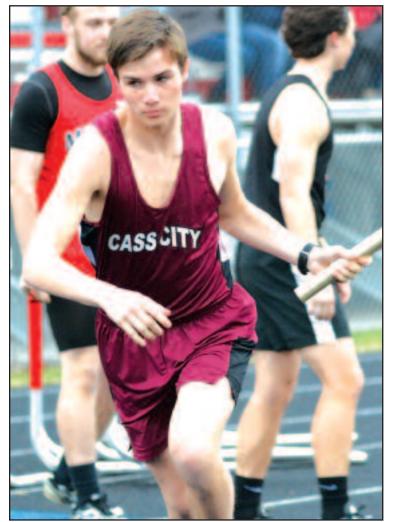
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RED HAWK Raeven Periso gets off a good jump in the field events at the Marlette invite.



CASS CITY'S Brandon Witherspoon takes the baton during the 3200 meter relay Friday in Marlette.

Shorthanded Lady Red Hawks deliver well-rounded showing

by Clarke Haire **Publisher**

A well-rounded effort led Cass City's women's track team to a near middle of the pack finish Friday at the Marlette Invitational with 42 points.

"The girls' track team ran, threw and jumped their way to an eighth place finish out of 13 (schools). The weather was not ideal with constant rain and wind, but temperatures were decent. I thought we underperformed a bit for the first time this season. We were also shorthanded due to a softball game the same night which drew all dual sport athletes," said Cass City Coach Adam Dorland.

Imlay City was the easy overall team winner with a score of 133, while Reese was the runner-up with 96 points and was followed by Brown City with a tally of 88.

Highlighting the night for the Lady Red Hawks was their showing in the pole vault. Sophomore Madison Beckrow won the event with a new personal record of tied her personal record of 7'6" to place third.

"Both girls have put a lot of focus and effort in this event at practice and they are starting see to why hard work pays off," Dor-

Other top individual finishes for Cass City saw Hailey Schmotzer with a third place effort in the 100 meter hurdles (17.88), while she crossed the tape in fifth place in the 300 meter hurdles (53.87). Cass City also collected fifth place points in the 100 meter dash as Beckrow recorded a time of 14.62 and in the 3200 meter run as Riley Copeland cruised to the end line in 14:03.

Turning to the relays, the team of Beckrow, Schmotzer, Layna Mathewson and Janelle Hartwick took fourth place in the 400 meter event with a time of 58.62 and the team of Copeland, Mathewson, Marla Muter and Mary Muter came in fifth in the 3200 meter race with a time of 11:35.

The complete list of winners were: 100 meter dash – Juliana Hanson, Brown City (13.84); 200 9'1" and freshman Madison Ware meter dash – Laken Chapin, Bad

liana Hanson, Brown City (1:01); 800 meter run – Jelena Prescott, Bad Axe (2:28); 1600 meter run -Jelena Prescorr, Bad Axe (5:27); 3200 meter run – Riley Ford, Marlette (12:17); 100 meter hurdles -Amethyst Millsap, Brown City (16.20); 300 meter hurdles Malara Kramer, Harbor Beach (51.51); 400 meter relay – Jillian LeFevere, Layla Delecke, Carkee Forsyth, McKinzie Winget, Imlay City (55.62); 800 meter relay - Jillian LeFevere, McKinzie Winget, Carlee Forsyth, Robin LeFevere, Imlay City (1:53); 1600 meter relay - Jessica Denver, Sarah Hubbard, Aubrie Behrick, McKinzie Winget, Imlay City (4:27); 3200 meter relay – Jessica Denver, Sarah Hubbard, Ana Lengemann, Mary Lengemann, Imlay City (10:34); shot put - Olivia Bovenschenn, Brown City (33-06); discus - Ashley Santo, Almont (100-01); high jump – Mary Lengemann, Imlay City (5-0); pole vault – Madison Beckrow, Cass City (9-01); long jump – Robin LeFevere, Imlay City (15-

Field events and distance races spark Cass City men's track team

by Clarke Haire **Publisher**

Despite cold temperatures and a consistent rain Friday at the Marlette Invitational, several Cass City thinclads turned in solid showings as the Red Hawk men's team finished as the small school division runner-up and 8th overall at the 13-school event.

Bad Axe, Almont and Reese claimed top overall honors at the gathering with 93, 84 and 77 points, respectively, while in the small school division Capac edged the Red Hawks 59-44 for top billing.

"We had a very wet meet and as the sun set the temperature dropped rapidly so we were wet and cold for the majority of the meet," said Cass City Coach Jon

Zdrojewski. Sophomore Nick McArdle continued to shine for Cass City in the early season and finished second in both the 1600 meter run (10:55) and the 3200 meter run (5:04), finishing behind Bad Axe's David

Knarian in both races.

derclassmen led the way for Cass City. Freshman Dylan Halpin finished second in the high jump, setting a new personal best height of 5'10", and junior Justin Schaufele finished third in the long jump with a leap of 18.3'

Coach Zdrojewski called both efforts extraordinary for his young jumpers.

Also drawing praises from Zdrojewski were Drew Markel and Brandon Witherspoon. Junior Markel took fifth place in the 3200 meter run, setting a new season best mark of 11:39 and sophomore Witherspoon finished seventh in the 800 meter run with a new personal record of 2:16 and 8th in the 1600 meter run with a new personal record of 5:16. Witherspoon was also part of the fifth place 3200 meter relay team along with McArdle, junior Lucas Swiderski and senior Gabe Farver. Rounding out the medal winners for Cass City on the day was sophomore Anthony Boscaglia. He took seventh place, finishing in the very competitive 100 meter

dash with a time of 12:57.

young team," Zdrojewski said.

The complete list of winners were: 100 meter dash - Mason Smith, Almont (12.13); 200 meter dash - Jacob Miller, Mayville (24.45); 400 meter dash – Jensen Emerick, Bad Axe (52.79); 800 meter run – David Knarian, Bad Axe (2:06); 1600 meter run -David Knarian, Bad Axe (10:46); 110 meter hurdles – Hank Barker, Capac (16.9); 300 meter hurdles – Hank Barker, Capac (44.24); 400 meter relay - Josh Kendziorski, Brandon Hadaway, Johnny Hudson, Marcel Elbers, Reese (47.72); 800 meter relay – James Kervin, Juan Castillon, Jack Fitzpatrick, Jensen Emerick, Bad Axe (1:37); 1600 meter relay – James Kervin, Erik Kent, Jensen Emerick, David Knarian, Bad Axe (3:41); 3200 meter relay - Kyle Campbell, Colton Cowley, Martin Tovar, Jack Sheridan, Sandusky (9:07), shot put - Austin DeRocher, Imlay City (45-06); discus – Tyler Day, Reese (115-08); high jump -Colby Schapman, Almont (6-03); pole vault - Austin Battani, Almont (12-0); long jump – Lance





THE 2019 Owen-Gage **Bulldog** baseball team members are: (front row, I-r) Branden Fritz, Casey Baker, Andrew Partaka, Cordell Clarkson, Matthew Fritz (back row) Coach Steve Riske, Clay Evans, **Brandon Binder, Boyd** Evans, and Seth Waske.

Lady Red Hawks sweep Vassar in GTW opener

by Clarke Haire, Publisher

Known for his love of winning by playing small-ball, Cass City Red Hawk softball Coach John Hacker may feel differently following Monday's sweep of guest Vassar in the Greater Thumb West opener for both schools

Cass City used four home runs to help record easy wins of 14-4 and 13-3 over the Vulcans, while improving to 7-2 overall and, more importantly, 2-0 in conference play.

In the opener, Jalene Krol started the fence clearing parade with a solo shot in the first inning as the hosts jetted out in front 6-1.

Vassar's Sarah Colosky joined the home run club in the 3rd inning as her 2-run shot closed the gap to 7-3, but the Vulcans would get no closer. Cass City responded with four markers in their half on the 3rd frame and then added four more tallies in the 4th.

Besides Krol's blast, Cass City received extra base hits from Maddie Tschirhart, Abbey Salcido and Brittany Hamilton in the Game One vic-

Dawson Klein went the distance on the mound and collected the win for Cass City, while Vassar starter Hadley Goodell was tagged with the

In the nightcap, Cass City belted three home runs and rode the arm of Abbey Halabis to victory.

Hailey Beckrow struck first for Cass City as her second home run on the year helped put the hosts up 3-0 after one inning of play.

Leading 4-1 entering the 4th inning, home runs from Kacey Haire and Hamilton extended the cushion to 9-1 and Cass City never looked back. Halabis handled the pitching duties for the hosts and was rewarded

the win. She allowed three hits and fanned six in seven innings of work. Macey White clubbed three doubles for the winners, while Beckrow

added a double to her career game – part of a seven RBI performance. "We've been working on keeping the bat in the zone for a long time," said Hacker.

However, Cass City will need to improve its defense if they hope to challenge for the GTW title. Several times during the doubleheader, the Red Hawks failed to communicate on routine fly balls hit between defenders that ended up in runs scored for the Vulcans.

We are looking for someone to take charge out there and I'm looking at you Beckrow," yelled Hacker from the bench to his fast developing star shortstop, who he's hoping will take charge down the road when his team is in the field.

Beckrow will need to develop her leadership skills quickly, as USA nvades Cass City next Thursday (May 2) for an early season showdown



CASS CITY'S Macey White is congratulated by Coach John Hacker after clubbing her third double in the nightcap of Monday's twin bill with Vassar.

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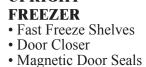
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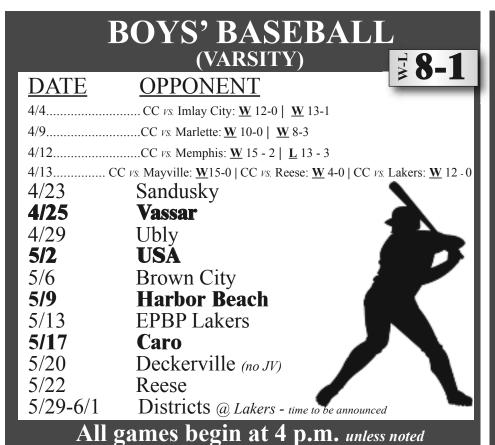
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5/6	Brown City
5/9	Harbor Beach (no JV)
5/11	Hemlock Tourney
5/13	EPBP Lakers
5/17	Caro
5/20	Deckerville (no JV)
5/22	Reese
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DATE	<u>OPPONENT</u>	
4/2	Caro/Bad Axe at 4:30 p.m.	
4/9	Brown City/Lakers at 4:30 p.m.	
4/12	Brown City Invite at 4:00 p.m.	
4/16	USA/Ubly/Bad Axe at 4:30 p.m.	
4/18	Marlette Invite time to be announced	
4/23	USA Invite at 4:00 p.m.	
4/25	Bad Axe/Brown City/Sandusky at 4:30 p.m.	
4/26	Vassar Invite at 4:00 p.m.	
4/30	Ubly Invite at 4:00 p.m.	
5/3	Reese Invite at 3:30 p.m.	
<i>517</i>	Capac/Brown City/Ubly @ 4:30 p.m.	
5/8	Reese 9/10 Invite time to be announced	
5/10	Bad Axe Invite at 4:00 p.m.	
5/14	GTW League Meet at USA @ 4:00 p.m.	
5/17	Regionals @ Brown City time to be announced	
5/21	Tribune Meet of Champs @ Bad Axe time to be announced	
5/28	Thumb Meet of Champs @ Caro time to be announced	
6/1	State Finals time to be announced	









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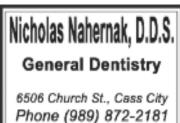














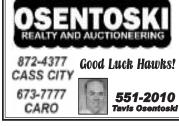












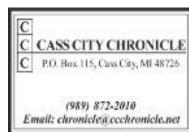














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Pastor: Christian Wright . Website: www.fbccc.us

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6505 Church St., Cass City, MI 48726 ● 872-5400 ● Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Exercise Program: Mon., Wed. & Fri. at 9:00 a.m.Pastor: Rev. Linda Graham After School Adventure (K-6) - Call for winter schedule.

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Mass Times: Saturday 4:00 p.m. November 1 thru March 31
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Celebration of Ubly woman's life on tap next month at hall

by Mary Drier For the Chronicle

There will be a special memorial next month for a woman who touched the lives of nearly every Ubly resident in one way or another before she passed away last December.

A celebration of Lola Brown's life will be held Saturday, May 4, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the township-village hall.

Although not an Ubly native, Brown became an active member of her community when she and her husband, Bruce, moved to Ubly in 1965. She served as an EMT for Bingham Township Ambulance for about

25 years. She also started the first joint Ubly Community Vacation Bible School in 1978 in a partnership involving the Ubly United Methodist Church, the First Presbyterian Church of Ubly and St. John Catholic Church of Ubly. Brown continued her dedication to planning and organizing the annual vacation bible school program for four decades.

In addition, Brown was a member of the Ubly Lions Club, community club, the historical society, Ubly Village Council and Thumb Veterans Auxiliary, and served as secretary for The Wildwood Flowers for World Travel and Mind Enrichment.

She and her husband owned the Brown House restaurant in Ubly along with Huron Vending, Huron Ice, Mid-Michigan Ice and Ubly Mini Stor-

In recognition of her selfless dedication to the community, the Ubly Village Council passed a resolution in January honoring Brown.

"Lola selflessly gave to our community and we were honored to know her," the resolution states in part.

Ubly among districts named green schools

Three Thumb schools are among those recently recognized as "Green Schools" for stewardship efforts in the areas of conservation, recycling and energy saving strategies.

Schools that achieve a minimum of 10 points in an academic year have been designated as an official Michigan Green School.

Ubly High School earned an Emerald designation (15 points) and the Ubly Elementary School, an Evergreen designation (20 points). The points are awarded based on school activities aimed at various conservation projects.

Recognized schools will receive certificates of achievement proclaiming them as an official "Michigan Green School" and signed by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, and they will also be presented with an official "Michigan Green School" emblem recognizing their efforts.

Legislation may forgive more school snow days

by Mary Drier For the Chronicle

School districts throughout the state are following a legislative proposal that could forgive additional snow days.

Among them is the Owendale-Gagetown School District, which recorded 14 missed school days due to storms and slick roads, forcing school officials to extend the current school year by one week.

School Supt. Terri Falkenberg applied for and received the standard six days forgiven by the state, and she applied for an additional threeday waiver and received that, but even with those additional days the district still came up short compared to the state requirements for in-

Michigan requires public schools to complete a minimum of 1,098 hours of instruction over 180 days.

School officials across the state have been hoping lawmakers would forgive the five days lost between Jan. 27 to Feb. 2 when Gov. Gretchen Whitmer declared a state of emergency due to extreme cold tempera-

They may get their wish following approval of a bill in the Michigan House last week

The legislation, introduced by Rep. Ben Frederick (R-Owosso) would allow schools to receive an exemption for the five-day period related to the state of emergency.

Under Frederick's proposal, districts with 14 or more snow days due to state of emergencies or other conditions beyond their control could qualify for an exemption for the 180-day minimum, as long as they meet the hour requirements. In order to do that, instruction time would have

Frederick's bill now goes to the Senate for review and consideration.

Letters to the Editor

Hospital employees go above, beyond

Continued from page three.

She wanted to know if I wanted a wheelchair. First I declined, since I was alone with no one to push me. Rita piped up and said, "I will push you", and she did. I told her I didn't expect that of her. I sat while she went to get the wheelchair. I apologized for her having to leave her desk to take me to the lab.

Rita's response: "We are here to help you."

We went to the lab area, and when we arrived I started to stand up, and she said, "No, I am taking you right into the lab." Imagine my surprise when I was told to stay in the chair. No need to stand up, and Julane could draw my blood. Slipped my arm out of a sleeve and Julane drew the blood, then she pushed me back to the lobby and right to the

I told Julane that I walked into the hospital and I could walk out – even said, "I insist you stop and I will walk out." Julane kept right on going to my car, and it was cold. I told her it was too cold and she didn't have a coat or sweater, just short sleeves. Julane deposited me right next to my car and said, "We are here to help you."

Fantastic employees – both of them – and I really believe they went above and beyond the requirements of their jobs. Hills and Dales is fortunate to have them. Our world could use more people like them.

Beautiful new hospital and fantastic employees. We are fortunate to have them both, and a big plus for our small town.

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Legal Notices

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose. MORTGAGE SALE –Douglas Botkins and Ruthann Botkins, husband and wife, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 8, 2016, and recorded on December 16, 2016, in Liber 1364, on Page 1001, and assigned by said mortgagee to Union Home Mortgage Corp., as assigned, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents (\$216,589.83). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 2, 2019 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: The East 485 feet of the North 450 feet of the West 3/4 of the North half of the Northwest quarter of Section 9, Township 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Union Home Mortgage Corp. Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite

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300 Farmington Hills, MI

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt, any information obtained will be used for that purpose. MORTGAGE SALE -Patti Miller, an unmarried woman, granted a mortgage to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 20, 2017, and recorded on January 25, 2017, in Liber 1367, on Page 241, and assigned by said mortgagee to Quicken Loans Inc., as as-County signed, Tuscola Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nineteen Hundred Thousand Six Ninety-Five Dollars and Sixty-Six Cents (\$119,695.66). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, front entrance of the Courthouse Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, Tuscola County at 10:00 AM o'clock, on May 2, 2019 Said premises are located in Tuscola County, Michigan and are described as: Lot 15 of Williamsburg Estates No. 2, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 5. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241, in which case the

redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Quicken Loans Inc. Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C. 23938 Research Drive, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335

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4-3-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 9, 2019: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Clifton L Sullins and Hazel M Sullins, husband and wife Original Mortgagee: JPMor-

gan Chase Bank, N.A. Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC

Date of Mortgage: May 6, 2010

Date of Mortgage Recording: May 13, 2010

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$96,471.16 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Kingston, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at a point 986 feet North of the Southwest corner of Northwest 1/4 of Section 30, Town 12 North, Range 11 East, thence East 57 rods, thence North 334 feet, thence West 57 rods, thence South 334 feet to the place of beginning, Kingston Township, Tuscola County, Michigan

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

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

This notice is from a debt col-

Date of notice: April 10, 2019 Trott Law, P.C.

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4-10-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 9, 2019: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Scott A Soderlund and Colleen Soderlund, husband and wife Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Bayview Loan Servicing,

Date of Mortgage: November 14, 2002

Date of Mortgage Recording: January 13, 2003

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$56,093.84

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: The north 16 rods of the West 100 acres of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Township 10 North, Range 8

East, Township of Millington, County of Tuscola, Michigan The redemption period shall be 1 year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a.

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

lector. Date of notice: April 10, 2019 Trott Law, P.C.

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MORTGAGE SALE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPT-ING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OB-TAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Angela L. Tyson, an unmarried woman, mortgagor, to Independent Mortgage Company, a dissolved Michigan corporation, as assigned to Independent Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated September 4, 2009, and was recorded on September 18, 2009, in Liber 1183, on page 1258 of the Tuscola County records, subject to a Modification Agreement recorded at Liber 1200, Page 1040, further subject to a Modification Agreement recorded at Liber 1265, Page 735, further subject to a Modification Agreement recorded at Liber 1409, Page 1393, further subject to an Assignment of Mortgage recorded at Liber 1245, Page 936 and further subject to a Partial Discharge of Mortgage recorded at Liber 1391, Page 1016. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$59,957.74, including interest at 4% per year variable. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on May 9, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Tuscola County Court Facility, 440 N. State Street, Caro, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Tuscola County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

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

Part of the NE 1/4 of Section 4. T12N, R9E, Village (now City) of Caro, Indianfields Twp., Tuscola Co., Michigan, described as: Beginning at a point on the N line of said Section 4 which is N 88°59'00" W, 1885.0 ft from the NE corner of Section 4; thence continuing along said N line, N 88°59'00" W, 726.82 ft; thence S 00°22'00" W, 537.97 ft; thence S 88°59'00 E, 729.95 ft; thence N 524.00 ft to the point of beginning.

Excepting that part of the NE 1/4 of said Section 4, described as beginning at a point on the N line of said

Section 4 which 88°59'00" W 1885.00 ft from the NE corner of said Section 4; thence continuing along said N line, N 88°59'00" W 266.00 ft; thence S 524.00 ft; thence S 88°59'00" E 266.00 ft; thence N 524.00 ft

to the Point of Beginning. commonly known as 1721 W. Gilford Road, Caro, MI 48723

tax i.d. 034-004-200-0405-00

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

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

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER, P.C.

Dated: April 2, 2019 By: Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393)

Attorney for Independent Bank, Mortgagee

900 Washington Ave., P.O. Box 219 Bay City, MI 48707 (989) 892-4574

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 16, 2019:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Shane Michael Shoens, a sin-

gle man Original Mortgagee: First Place Bank

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper

Date of Mortgage: June 24, Date of Mortgage Recording:

July 12, 2011 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$62,190.25

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

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

600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

This notice is from a debt col-Date of notice: April 17, 2019

Trott Law, P.C.

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4-17-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 23, 2019:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Edward R. Yoe and Sheila Yoe, husband and wife Original Mortgagee: Washing-

ton Mutual Bank, FA Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Specialized Loan Servicing Date of Mortgage: August 20,

Date of Mortgage Recording: September 28, 2005 Amount claimed due on date

of notice: \$105,782.93 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Novesta, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: The West 310.00 feet of the East half of the West half of the Southeast quarter of Section 34, Town 13 North, Range 11 East.

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

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

lector. Date of notice: April 24, 2019

Trott Law, P.C. 1382401

Notice of Foreclosure by Ad-

vertisement NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 23,

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Eric S. Joseph, Unmarried Man

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any):

Freedom Mortgage Corpora-Date of Mortgage: December

29, 2016 Date of Mortgage Recording:

January 9, 2017 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$151,/33./4 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Town-

ship of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 9, Township 10 North, Range 8 East, described as beginning North 01 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds West, 1000.20 feet along the West Section line from the West 1/4 corner of Section 9; thence continuing North 01 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds West, 150.00 feet along said West Section line: thence North 88 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds East, 424.30 feet; thence South 01 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds East, 150.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds West 424.30 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall

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

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

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: April 24, 2019

Trott Law, P.C. 1382702

Notice of Foreclosure by Ad-

vertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit court within Tuscola County, at 10:00 AM, on May 23,

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): David Holtsberry and Lori A. Holtsberry, husband and wife as joint tenants

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

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Ditech Financial LLC Date of Mortgage: December

8, 2003 Date of Mortgage Recording:

March 18, 2004 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$27,613.58

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the East 35 acres of the East 1/2 of the Southwest quarter of Section 8, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, thence North 16 rods, thence East 8 Rods, thence South 16 rods, thence West 8 rods to the place of beginning The redemption period shall be 1 year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a.

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

This notice is from a debt col-

Date of notice: April 24, 2019 Trott Law, P.C. 1382811

4-24-4

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to MCL 600.3212, that the following will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction at the place of holding the circuit rt within Tuscola County at 10:00 AM, on May 23,

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Suzanne M. Manriquez, a married woman and Mario T. Manriquez, her husband

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Ditech Financial LLC FKA Green Tree Servicing LLC Date of Mortgage: July 9,

Date of Mortgage Recording: July 18, 2007 Amount claimed due on date

of notice: \$56,663.50 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Gilford, Tuscola County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing 347 feet West of the Southeast corner of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 13 North, Range 7 East, thence North 20 rods, thence West 181 feet, thence South 20 rods, thence East 181 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

lector. Date of notice: April 24, 2019

Trott Law, P.C. 1382788

4-24-4

Obituaries

Kenneth James Cotton

Dear friends, family and loved ones; please know that today, Friday, April 19, 2019 I am in the arms of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and there is nowhere in the world that I would rather be. I know that my years on earth probably seemed much too short, but my days were always in the hands of Christ. He appointed today as my day to finally see Him face to face.

> It is now my privilege, honor and joy to be held in the arms of my Savior, looking into His eyes, and knowing this is what I have lived for and died for. Although cancer may have taken my body from this earth, Christ got my new body, heart and soul; and now I get to spend eternity with Him, knowing no more pain, no more cancer; just me and my Savior.

I know there will be grieving, because "he died too young", but don't hurt for me. I am where I've always wanted to be. I leave behind my loving wife Wendy, my sons: Jordan (Margeaux), Joe (Heidi), Daniel (Cheyanne) and Caleb; my brothers: Mike (Vanetta) and Steve (Phyllis); my sister, Patty; three grandchildren: Jacen, Rose and Elijah; many nieces and

At the same time, I am also so grateful now to be reunited with my

Dad and Mom, Tom and Judy.

I have been blessed beyond measure in this life, and am so very grateful for everything that the Lord has given me. He has provided for me in every way, and even though my life has ended on a note that may have seemed terrible, I see nothing but blessings all around me. I hope that you find Christ to be sufficient in your life as well. He is good and He loves you so much.

Visitation will be held from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23, in Kranz Funeral Home of Cass City. A funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 24, in Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City with Pastor Marc Herron of First Baptist Church of Caro officiating.

There will be a wonderful gospel service, and a little bit about my life as well, with some music to enjoy, and an opportunity to fellowship together. If you are reading this, I want you to know that I love you, and thank you, and I am so very grateful that God put you in my life. You have been a blessing to me.

Interment will be in Indianfields Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to The Power Company Kids Club, Pontiac, MI.

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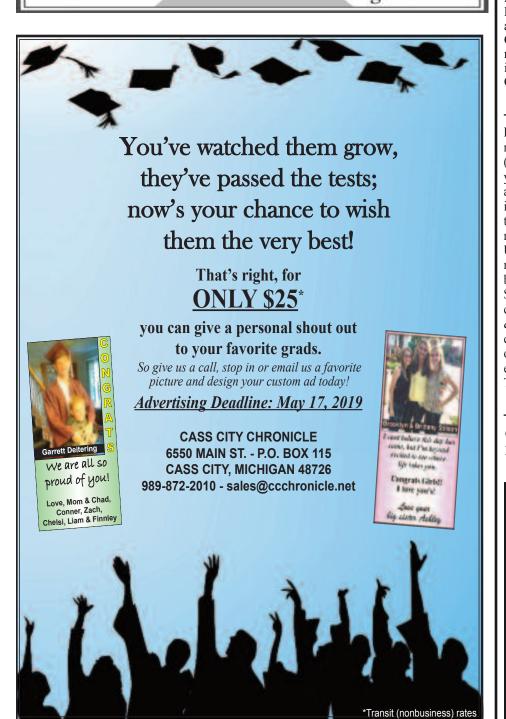
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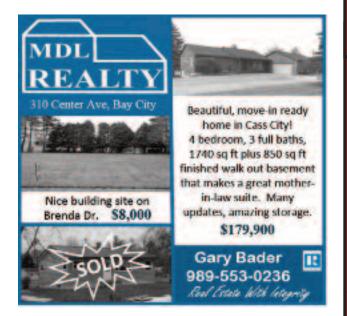
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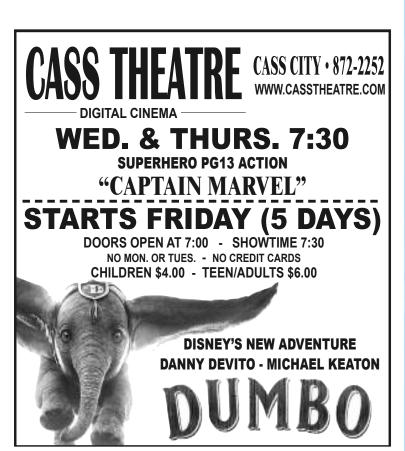
HOLDING A properly folded American flag above are scouts (from left) Gunner Nicholas, Parker Kulinski, Roman Woodruff, Nathan Edwards, Noah Ames and Owen Gaeth.



ASIDE FROM offering the local scouts lessons in flag care, Cass City veterans (above, from left) Marty Twork, Randy Wright and VFW Post 3644 Commander Joe Merchant invited the kids to ask questions about their service in the U.S. armed forces.



MEMBERS OF Cass City Cub Scout Pack 3594 recently shared time with some local veterans, who offered the kids some lessons on the proper way to treat the American flag. Pictured above are members of VFW Post 3644, Cass City, (back row, from left) Marty Twork, Randy Wright and Joe Merchant, post commander, and scouts (from left) Noah Ames, Nathan Edwards, Owen Gaeth, Aiden Mc-Govern, Charlie Gaeth, Parker Kulinski, Gunner Nicholas and Roman Woodruff.





Vets pass on knowledge to scouts...



CASS CITY veterans, including Marty Twork (above), taught the scouts how to properly handle and fold the flag, explaining what each fold represents. Also pictured above are (clockwise from left) Charlie Gaeth, Ralph Ames (wolf den leader), Janet Pritch (cub master), Aiden McGovern and Owen Gaeth.

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