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TWO PEOPLE WERE injured in a traffic crash last Wednesday morning at the corner of Deckerville and Cemetery roads. Tuscola County Sheriff's deputies reported Johnia M. Curry, 75, Kingston, was driving north when she struck an eastbound pickup truck driven by Henry J. Rock, 84, of Deford. Curry told deputies she misjudged the stop sign at Deckerville Road, and that the sun may have made it difficult for her to see. Rock was transported to Marlette Community Hospital for treatment of his injuries. One passenger in the Curry vehicle, Margaret E. Wilcox, 77, Deford, suffered minor injuries.

Officials doubt lower drunken driving limits will deter drivers

Area law enforcement officials say they doubt proposed legislation that would lower Michigan's legal intoxication limit for drunken driving will serve as a further deterrent for motorists who are likely to drink and then get behind the wheel of a car.

Bills in both the state House and Senate would lower the blood alcohol limit for OUIL (operating while under the influence of liquor) offenses from .10 to .08. The senate bill would also lower the limit for impaired driving from .08 to .05.

The legislation was prompted by the threat of losing some \$12 million annually in federal highway funds. States that don't implement the lower drunken driving standard by

July 15 stand to lose 5 percent of federal highway funds each year.

Tuscola County Prosecutor Mark Reese said it's unlikely a lower limit would result in fewer drunken driving cases. "I just don't see that," he added.

"I think it's an excellent idea that .08 be against the law," Reese said. "The whole issue is a little strange, and for this reason: it's already illegal in Michigan to drive with a .08 alcohol content."

"The feds somehow are hung up on the title of the offense. They're not addressing any conduct that was legal before and now it's illegal. It's a distinction without a difference, and it's a little confusing."

Reese said there's little difference in the penalties for

OUIL and impaired driving - both are misdemeanors punishable by up to 93 days in jail. The primary difference, he said, is the drivers convicted of OUIL face a 30-day "hard" license suspension, meaning they are not eligible for a restricted license. In contrast, motorists convicted of impaired driving are immediately eligible for a restricted license.

Reese pointed out that changes in the law have already stiffened penalties. For example, it used to be that drivers with multiple impaired driving convictions would not be charged with a felony. Today, a driver with 3 such convictions faces a felony charge punishable by up to 5 years in prison.

Still, some people are going to drink and drive regardless of the penalties, said Tuscola County Sheriff Tom Kern, who doesn't believe a lower intoxication limit would significantly affect drunken driving numbers in the county.

"To drop it from .10 to .08 is not going to make an impact anywhere. I don't think that's a big problem because most of our drunks are .15 or higher," he added. "I don't think that (the number of arrests) would change much."

"What I don't like is the arm twisting by the feds. They do the same thing at the state level when it comes to the Office of Highway Safety Planning."

"I don't see that there's a need to reduce it," Cass City Police Chief Gene Wilson said.

"Is it going to prohibit (drivers)? No. People are going to drink. People may drink a bit less, but basically, it's not going to make any difference," he added.

"Will there be a deterrent effect? I doubt it," agreed Tuscola County District Court Judge Kim Gaspie.

"I don't think it's going to change the number of drunken driving cases we have," Gaspie said, adding many of the defendants he sees have been arrested with blood alcohol levels range from .15 to .19 - far exceeding the legal limit of .10.

Gaspie already has his hands full, coming off a year that saw an unusually high

number of cases in general. Gaspie handled a total of more than 20,000 cases in 2002, including 14,361 misdemeanors and civil infractions. Drinking-related offenses were up, too, with just under 500 cases last year.

Kern suggested that tougher laws, including zero tolerance for drivers under the age of 21, have sent a message, one that many drivers are heeding. At the same time, however, jail sentences that are lenient compared to other crimes are sending a very different message.

"Society still tolerates that stuff," he said. "I think the laws are tough enough, but the punishment has to be there."

"You send a guy convicted of forgery to prison for 10 years, and who is he going to hurt?" Kern added. "Drunken drivers kill people - that's the bottom line."

Bid lower than expected

Council awards contract for '03 paving projects

A number of Michigan municipalities, including the village of Cass City, are enjoying a buyer's market when it comes to road construction projects this year.

That's according to Cass City Village Manager Frank Sheridan, who told Village Council members Monday that a number of municipalities are seeing projects bid at 20 to 30 percent below projections.

Sheridan said 5 contractors submitted bids for the Cass City 2003 pavement improvement program. The bids ranged from \$64,852 to \$88,974.

The council accepted the low bid, which was submitted by Saginaw Asphalt Paving Co. of Carrollton Township.

Cass City officials budgeted \$93,620 for street work, according to Sheridan, who suggested the village should be able to get more bang for its buck this summer. "The lower than expected costs for this work allows the village to 'pull forward' anticipated street improvements," he said.

Paving projects scheduled this year are: Pine Street, Seeger to Oak (\$6,010); Oak Street, Pine to Third (\$7,342); Huron Street, Seeger to Ale (\$16,763); Virginia Street (\$9,516); Hospital Drive, Beechwood to Tendercare (\$19,050); and Spruce Street, Beechwood to terminus (\$6,169).

In addition, the council authorized Sheridan to negotiate for an additional \$17,000 in road improvements due to the low bid submitted by Saginaw Asphalt. Tentative plans call for \$7,000 worth of alley paving and \$10,000 for additional street improvements.

Turning to other matters, the council reviewed the 2002 audit with Joel Chamberlain of Yeo and Yeo, who gave village finances a clean bill of health.

Chamberlain noted village officials enjoyed a year with

revenues coming in just \$6,300 under budget, and expenditures coming in under budget in every department. The project year-end general fund balance was set at \$370,000, but the actual year-end total was \$420,000, she said.

Chamberlain told the council her only concern is a lack of cross training within village departments. That is, she explained, the village would run into difficulties if the clerk or a department head were to retire, because those individuals are the only ones familiar with their specific duties.

Chamberlain acknowledged the size of the village staff and time constraints make cross-training a challenge, but she urged the council to look into ways to better prepare for future turnover at key positions.

In other business during the

monthly meeting, the council:

- Accepted a low bid of \$69,250 for exterior painting of the village's 200,000-gallon water tower. G & M painting, Riverview, submitted the bid. Two other bids were also submitted totaling \$84,400 and \$116,000.

- Approved a renewal resolution making the village eligible to receive federal surplus property such as office furniture.

- Adjusted the council's committee system by eliminating the Rules Committee. The remaining standing committees are Finance, Personnel, Parks and Recreation, and Public Services and Infrastructure. Ad hoc committees will be formed as needed.

- Learned the former NAPA building has been purchased. Cass City DDA/EDC Coordinator Kay

Warner said no other details are available yet. She also reported that an offer had been made about 2 weeks ago on the former IGA building.

- Acknowledged the receipt of donations of \$2,000 and \$300 from Elkland Township and Novesta Township, respectively, for village park and recreation programs. Sheridan noted he plans to approach townships to the west of Cass City regarding contributions because residents in those areas may be utilizing the Cass City pool more now that the Caro pool has been closed.

- Learned Village Clerk Joyce Bemus recently completed the requirements of the Election Officials' Accreditation Program sponsored by the Michigan Department of State's Bureau of Elections.

Ellington approves budgets

The Ellington Township Board approved a new budget, road improvements and a handful of capital improvement expenditures during the township's annual meeting Saturday.

Township Clerk Fred Bardwell reported the board approved a new spending plan totaling \$255,307, including a fund balance of \$103,536. "At the end of the year it should be about \$84,261," he said.

The clerk noted he's anticipating state revenue sharing will be reduced by about \$5,000 this year.

The budget is considerably smaller than last year's spending plan of about \$451,000, but Bardwell explained the difference was about 2 year's worth of backlogged road construction due to county and state delays.

The township will also pay its treasurer \$1,200 more in the coming year due to an increased workload related

to extended summer tax collections. "Instead of collecting from December through March, she's now going to be collecting July through March," Bardwell explained.

Capital improvement expenditures built into the new budget include \$26,000 for the purchase of 5 acres surrounding the township hall. "We're sitting on less than one acre now," he noted, adding \$5,000 has been set aside for future expansion of the parking lot.

The board also approved the purchase of software to keep track of cemetery plot records, and an expenditure of \$7,000 to fence the township cemetery.

Overall, Bardwell said, "basically the budget is pretty much the same thing as last year until you get to roads."

The township spent more than \$280,000 on delayed road work last year. Typically, he noted, the

township's annual road budget ranges from \$105,000 to \$120,000 thanks to a 10-year, 3-mill road millage that brings in more than \$56,000 a year.

This year's road budget totals \$104,000, including \$45,000 from the township's general fund budget.

Planned projects include touch-up work on 2 miles of Hurds Corner Road, from Shabbona to Dutcher. The project will cost up to \$38,000 and will include seeding and gravel. The township also plans to prepare the next mile of Hurds Corner Road, from Deckerville to Gilford, for

Please turn to back page.

Election deadline nearing

Area residents interested in running for a seat on their local board of education have just a few days to meet the nomination petition filing deadline.

Candidates must file nominating petitions by 4 p.m. Monday, April 7. Petitions and additional information are available at superintendent's offices in each district. The deadline to withdraw a petition is Thursday, April 10.

The annual school elections are scheduled for Monday, June 9.

In the Cass City School District, 2 board of education seats are expiring this year. Teresa Rabideau and James Turner are both completing 4-year terms on the board, and both have indicated they will seek reelection.

In other area districts:

- One 4-year term is expiring on the Owen-Gage Board of Education. The seat is currently held by board Secretary Brenda Kretschmer.

- Two 4-year terms are expiring in the Kingston Community School District. The seats belong to board Secretary Bernard Bishop and Trustee Carol Nicol.

- Board seats currently held by Secretary Kevin O'Connor and Treasurer Janice Sageman are expiring in the Uby Community Schools. Both are 4-year terms.

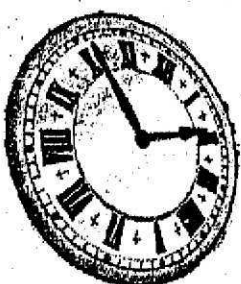
Giving back to the community



KRISTA MAURER, manager of the new Curves location in Cass City, is surrounded by more than 1,000 pounds of food collected in conjunction with the Curves International Inc. "Food for Friends" drive to benefit local food banks. The food collected locally will be distributed by the Novesta Church of Christ.

Remember--

It's time to
"spring forward"
as
Daylight Savings Time
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160 attend annual Huron picnic

The 43rd annual Huron County Picnic was held Feb. 15 at Sun-N-Fun in Sarasota, Fla.

Attendance totaled 160 people. The oldest guest was Lillian Davis. The longest married couple of 63 years was Mr. and Mrs. Les Ender.

The prayer was led by Bud Elenbaum and the pledge of allegiance was said.

Thanks went to the many area businesses and guests for the many gifts and favors that were given out. They are Thumb Office Supply, Thumb Cellular, Thumb National Bank, Northstar Bank, Thumb Truck, Signature Bank, The Print Shoppe, Smith Distributing, Indepen-

dent Bank, Brennan's Men Shop, Varty's Automotive Supplies, MacEachin Insurance Agency, Bad Axe and Ubyly Subway, Whitey's Lanes, Ubyly Heights Golf Pro Shop, Park Side Café, Ubyly Heights Restaurant, PJ, Huron Inn of Ubyly, Independent Bank, Plester Tiling, Thumb Oil Seed, The Power Agency - Mike Power, Neal and Freida Hentschl, Bud Leigh Realty, Tim Fritz with Farm Bureau Insurance, Bad Axe Moose Lodge, Michigan Sugar Company, J.W. Hunt O-T-C, from John and Jeanette Hunt, Howard and Mary Jurgens for Midwest Seeds, Osentoski Farm Equipment, Gettel Equip-

ment Co., Peggy Tshirhardt with Verona Tavern, Terry Ernst and Verona Hills Golf Club, Agri Sales Ubyly from Terry Cramer, Mary Kay Products from Jean Talaski, State Farm Insurance and Jack Schelke, Shetler Plum-

ing and Heating, and Holz Crushing with Mo and Nancy Holz.

Donations were collected by Don Zuerk, Rick Kuhl, Bill Jolly, John Hunt and Mike Power.

Children's Fun Fair scheduled

Jump out of those winter blues with a day full of fun for the whole family at this year's Children's Fun Fair, set for Saturday, April 12, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Huron Area Technical Center in Bad Axe.

Highlights of this year's fair include entertainer Ben Spitzer and Sons who will juggle and perform magic tricks. Spitzer and Sons will be performing at 1 p.m. Also, taking place throughout the day are children's games and activities, door prizes, and free information made available from a wide variety of local organizations. Lunch

will be available for purchase.

This free event is sponsored by Huron County Early On, the CA/N Council, Strong Families/Safe Children, the Huron Intermediate School District, and many other local organizations.

For more information, please call the Huron Learning Center at (989) 269-9274.

Event to benefit center

The Human Development Commission (HDC), Brass Shutter Studio, and Caro Area Mary Kay Consultants will be holding a second annual Glamour Night.

Glamour Night will be held at the Brass Shutter Studio, 830 W. Gilford Rd., Caro, from 4 to 9 p.m., Tuesday, April 8.

Guests will receive a personalized color makeover, a quick fluff and curl by local hair stylists, and a 4 by 6 picture suitable for framing.

Tickets may be purchased from local independent Mary Kay beauty consultants, or by contacting Laurie Curtis at (989) 673-3831. Tickets purchased in advance are \$20. Walk-ins are also welcome and tickets purchased at the event are \$25 per person.

All proceeds from this event will benefit HDC's Thumb Area Assault Crisis Center, a program of the Human Development Commission, which provides a safe, supportive environment for survivors of domestic or sexual violence, and their children. The goal is to provide services that will help survivors of domestic or sexual violence, their families, and communities to understand and overcome the effects of such violence.

For more information, contact Olga Long, HDC Fundraising Manager at (800) 843-6394.



Meg's Peg
Words, words, words
by Melva E. Guinther

Have you noticed how certain words and phrases seem to catch on?

Since the Gulf War, nobody's ever in danger or peril, they're always "in harm's way." The military, firemen, policemen, even civilians, are all too often "in harm's way."

Our son brought the subject up the other day. Specifically he mentioned security being "beefed up"? Does anything other than security ever get beefed up? Does it ever get "beefed back down"?

And is it possible to "hunker" any way but down? Does anyone ever hunker sideways or up?

While the same names and phrases can be heard on every newscast these days regardless of who's reporting, pronunciations are quite individual.

Is Qatar "kaTAR" or "CUTter"? Is it "SADdum" or "SadDAM", "EYErack", "EYERock", "eeRACK" or "eeROCK"? Personally, I tend to say earRACK.

Only a few people actually know how to pronounce "nuclear."

And the print media can't seem to agree on the spelling of Osama, or is it Usama? How about Al Qaida or Al Qeda? And why isn't there a "u" after the "q"?

It just seems like there oughta be a rule.

"Oughta" itself is typical of this computer generation. Most e-mails these days contain words like gonna and dunno. My old English teachers would cringe if they could see how we write these days.

Oh well, I guess what's more important than how we say or write words is that they convey what we intend to express, and that we care enough to express them.

Words can be very important tools. After all, it's language that distinguishes humans from lower forms of life (although a person wonders after listening to some of it).

Caregiver sessions slated

Area residents who are caring for an elderly spouse, parent, friend or relative may be interested in some informational sessions about caregiving.

The sessions will be at St. John's the Evangelist Catholic Church in Ubyly beginning at 6 p.m. Session one is Thursday, April 3. Craig Osentoski will be discussing the effects of medication on the elderly.

Session two will be Thursday, April 10, and will focus on information about memory loss, symptoms and treatment of dementia.

Session three on Thursday, May 1, is "Caregiver Stress" - causes, symptoms, and management of stress.

Session four on Thursday, May 8, is "Community Resources" - information regarding where to go for support, agencies that provide services for the elderly, and decisions you need to make regarding end of life issues.

There is no charge for these sessions. Call the Human Development Commission at 1-800-843-6394 to register.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Marchand

Marchands mark 50th anniversary

Gerard and Cecilia Marchand celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married March 7, 1953 in Detroit. Dinner was enjoyed with family at

The Outback Restaurant in Waterford.

Cecilia (Brown) Marchand was a graduate of Cass City High School in 1951.

Nazarene Church to host Blackwood

Jimmy Blackwood is coming to the Gagetown Nazarene Church Sunday, April 6, at 6 p.m.

The church is located at 6609 Lincoln St., Gagetown. A free will offering will be taken. No tickets are necessary.

Blackwood is a singer and evangelist with a rich heritage in Christian music. His father, Dr. James Blackwood, along with his brothers Roy and Doyle and nephew R.W. started the Blackwood Brothers Quartet in 1934. The Blackwood's were pio-

neers in the music industry.

Blackwood has been singing since 1963 and travels in a full-time solo ministry. In 1998, The Gospel Music Association inducted into the "Hall of Fame" The Blackwood Brothers Quartet and The Stamps Quartet. Blackwood was a member of The Stamps Quartet (1965-1969) and The Blackwood Brothers Quartet (1970-1986).

For more information, call Pam Howard at (989) 678-4495 or Rev. Don Ault at (989) 665-2635.

Hoyt on dean's list

James G. Hoyt of Snover was recently named to the dean's list at the University of Northwestern Ohio.

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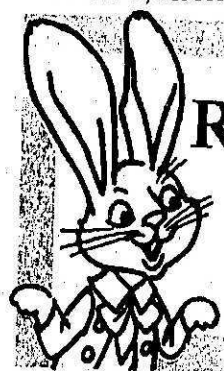
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help)

The Dick Hendrick family is celebrating 40 years. No, it's not a wedding anniversary, it's the number of years that the Hendricks have owned and operated the Cass Theatre.

Actually, Dick's show business career is much older than that. It started when he staged free shows in various locations in the Upper Thumb. He also was the projectionist at the Cass before the family acquired ownership.

As a sideline he was an electrician working full-time for General Telephone and Electric Co. until he retired with a pension.

Clarke and Karen Haire and their 2 young children were on a brief 2-night vacation in Kalamazoo. The hotel they stayed at featured a AAA rated 4-diamond restaurant. Webster's is one of only 3 that have received the top rating in Michigan.

Did the food live up to the rating? Don't ask Clarke or Karen. Restaurants of this type are not in the budget on a family vacation.

Besides, for young kids a hamburger and a bottle of pop beat pheasant under glass every time.

The first light sprinkling of snow in the fall is heralded or hated depending on how you feel about the winter season. But it would be hard to find anyone who heralded the same kind of snow that covered the ground Monday.

It didn't look nearly as beautiful Monday as it did in early November.

For Michigan, changing to Daylight Savings Time (April 6) always comes too late in the spring and stays too long in the fall. Starting Sunday most folks who have to go to work in the morning will again be getting up in the dark.

Switching a month later would make more sense, but we pay the penalty for being on the western edge of the Eastern Time zone.

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April 1st

and remain clean until May 1st.

This is in accordance with the rules, regulations and will be strictly enforced.

Elkland Township Board

Anesthetist stands mute to sexual assault charge

A certified registered nurse anesthetist charged with sexually assaulting patients in 3 counties, including an incident at Caro Community Hospital in Tuscola County, stood mute to one count last week in Tuscola County Circuit Court.

A pre-trial hearing was or-

dered scheduled for the defendant, Howard L. Stickney, 51, of Flushing. Bond was continued at \$100,000.

Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox in February announced his office had charged Stickney with 4 counts of criminal sexual

conduct.

Cox alleges that, beginning April 30, 2001, Stickney began to engage in a pattern of criminal sexual assault against patients while they were under anesthesia. The incidents allegedly took place April 30 in Oakland County, May 15 in Tuscola County and Dec. 5 in Genesee County.

Court records indicate the charge in Tuscola County stems from an incident in which Stickney allegedly used force or coercion and had reason to believe the victim was physically helpless or mentally incapable of resisting.

Cox said the state Department of Consumer and Industry Services summarily suspended Stickney's nursing license Nov. 7 based on an administrative complaint issued by the Health Professionals Division on that same date. His license remains suspended.

If convicted on the criminal sexual conduct charge, he faces up to 15 years in prison.

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Haire
Net



Like the wearing away of a stone by the water dripping over it, the years chip away at lifestyles in the community almost unnoticed until one day you look around and everything has changed.

The changes in the business community, the school, sports activities are old stuff to folks who have been around for a while.

It wasn't that long ago, really, that it became necessary to travel out of town for clothing and shoes. It wasn't that long ago, really, when it wasn't necessary to travel out of town for farm equipment and service. It wasn't that long ago that soccer was a game played in foreign countries.

Businesses slid away to be replaced by wireless phone systems and sophisticated medical facilities. There's really not much of the Cass City business community that looks today like it did 20 years ago.

The little changes that affect us personally sort of steal up from time to time and then add up to massive changes.

Typical is the retirement of 2 longtime associates. I'm sure many readers have noticed that Holbrook News by Thelma Jackson is missing. Thelma has contributed to the Chronicle longer than the 52 years that I have been at the corner of Main and Oak Streets.

The second associate is Martha Emmons. She has been coming to our house on a regular basis for 40 years to aid with the housekeeping chores.

Some of the changes are subtle, not measurable by the number of stores or the services available. My wife spent a lifetime in the Bay City area before coming to town and couldn't get over small town relationships where "everybody knows your business".

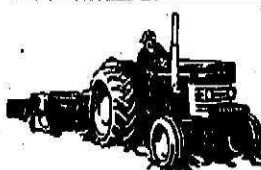
That's unbelievable for

folks who were brought up in small towns like Cass City. For them there has been change, but it's not because there is more closeness among the residents, but less.

It's ancient history now, of course, but when I first came to town it was a newsworthy event. Any new person in town was of equal interest and it was a rare occasion worth talking about if a stranger walked down Main Street.

Especially on a busy Saturday night when all the stores were open until 9 p.m. or later and business people groused about potential customers visiting on the street corners until the latest possible moment before shopping.

After all, everyone on the street was an acquaintance or a friend.



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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I can't speak for others, but I'm certainly not looking forward to retirement. I see those retired people hiking up and down the street, riding their exercise bikes, and square dancing four nights a week, and say to myself, "Hey, wait a minute! I thought retirement was supposed to be relaxing!"

I was talking with my brother recently when the conversation turned toward retirement. "I don't worry much about that," I told him. "I'm doing what I want to do, and there's no reason I can't keep doing it as long as my mind holds out."

"Yeah," he said. "Even if your mind gets a little feeble, it probably won't hurt your writing. It might even help." Now what do you suppose he meant by that?

Growing older can be tough, though. The little aches and pains of aging would be more tolerable if a person's mind and body matured at the same rate.

Even at my age, I have days when my mind shouts, "Let's run outdoors and get some work done," but my body says, "Why don't we just lie down here until we get our senses back."

One can imagine what the future holds. My mind and body will probably spend all day bickering back and forth. I'm reminded of the 90-year-old golfer who made a hole-in-one in Toronto several years ago. This old fellow tees up on a 140-yard par 3; and with a swing reminiscent of a 20-year-old, he strokes the ball directly into the hole.

We might think this is great for an old-timer to experience the excitement of a hole-in-one, but this fellow's eyes aren't what they used to be. He never saw his ball go into the cup!

This fellow is good enough to make a hole-in-one, but he can't see where the ball goes!

His playing partner was a young whipper-snapper of about 80, and he saw the ball go down. The partner begins shouting, "Max, you made a hole-in-one! Max, you made a hole-in-one!"

As luck would have it, Max's hearing is on the blink, too; and his hearing

aid was turned down. So he couldn't hear his partner shouting.

Finally, Max turns up his hearing aid; and the partner yells, "It went in, Max. It's a hole-in-one!"

Max says, "No, it couldn't be."

Both golfers walk up to the green, and there's the ball - right in the bottom of the cup.

Consider this for a moment. Here we have a 90-year-old

man who hits a golf ball well enough to make a hole-in-one; but his eyes won't let him see it, his ears can't hear the cheering, and his mind won't let him believe it.

I don't mean to sound bitter or anything like that, but I've played golf more than 30 years and never made a hole-in-one. I can't speak for anybody else, but when I get to the point where I can't see it, hear it, or believe it, I think I'll just go fishing.

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The Myths and Facts of Mental Illness

Myth: Mental Illness is unlike physical illness; the illness is really "all in a person's head."

FACT: Mental Illness is just like physical illness since both are biologically based. Mental illnesses are brain disorders which alter a person's thoughts, behaviors and feelings.

Myth: People with Mental Illness can never be normal or productive. If hired they would be of lower quality with little or no capacity for higher level jobs.

FACT: Many people who have experienced Mental Illness are highly successful and happy. Ninety percent of these people can be helped with therapy and medication; they can be as vital and effective as anyone else. Many high level jobs are performed by people who have experienced Mental Illness. Person who have had Mental Illness have excelled in many areas.

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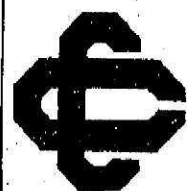
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Volunteering in the school is an experience and a privilege for both the school and the volunteer. It is designed to promote and maintain a supportive relationship for students, teachers and school staff.

Goals of the Cass City Public Schools Volunteer Program are:

1. Increase parent, citizen and student involvement to improve the quality of education.
2. Increase volunteerism and its opportunities at the elementary, middle school and high school levels through an organized volunteer program.
3. Improve communication within the schools and community.
4. Provide community volunteer opportunities.

Our volunteer program began in 1998, and is strong at the elementary and middle school levels, but support is welcomed at all levels, including the high school. Volunteers should have a positive attitude, be dependable, have good communication skills, maintain high levels of confidentiality and be supportive of the school staff and students.

If you are interested in volunteering, at any level, please feel free to contact any of the Cass City Public School Principals.

Questions can be sent to me at 4868 N. Seeger St., Cass City, MI 48726. Thank you.

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Alissa's Article

by Alissa Pasant

Youth for Christ is a gathering of teens. There are Youth for Christ centers all over the Thumb. Every Monday night at 7:24 there is a gathering called Club Extreme at the center on Main Street. This is where teens get together and learn about God and lessons of the Bible related to everyday life. Anyone in high school is welcome to come.

The night starts off by playing some simple games that have a purpose to the lesson for the night. After the games, the group sings songs. The night ends with Jeff Bader, the Campus Life Director of the Cass City-Kingston area, talking about something in the Bible and then ending in a prayer. In this youth group, the lessons are put into ways that teens can relate to in their everyday lives.

On March 21, Bluewater Thumb Youth for Christ took their annual trip to Florida during Spring Break. The purpose of this trip is an evangelistic experience and also to have fun. Many schools from three counties around the Thumb joined Cass City for the trip. There were 190 students that went this year. There were also 30 staff members. The staff included the 7 paid staff members from YFC, and the rest of the staff members were all volunteers. The volunteers were the counselors, cooks, and bus drivers. Jeff Bader said, "It's a great trip with the opportunity to get to know kids more on a personal level. We have the whole week to hang out."

The students that wanted to go to Florida could do fundraisers in order to raise money to offset the costs for the trip. Some of the fundraisers that were offered were the students could sell

apple pies and Little Caesar's Pizza Kits. Also, YFC sponsored a soup supper and a baked potato dinner at two big basketball games up at the high school. Students had the opportunity to work at these dinners to help earn some money towards their trip. Any money that the student earns goes straight into an account for money off of their trip.

At 3:00 p.m. on March 21, the Cass City students and volunteers departed from the high school. This was the start of a 24-hour bus ride. The bus was required to stop between every 3 and 5 hours for a quick break. The group arrived in Leesburg, Florida, where the campground was that they stayed at, around 4:00 p.m. the next day.

On Sunday, March 23, the group went to the mall. The original plan was to head for a beach, but due to the rain, they were unable to go there. On Monday, March 24, the group went to New Smyrna Beach. Tuesday, March 25, Busch Gardens was the highlight of the day. On Wednesday, March 26, the group left early to spend a whole day at Cocoa Beach. Thursday, March 27, was a camp day. There were sports tournaments, pool games, and time to just lay out in the sun. The last full day of camp, Friday, March 28, was spent at Wet-N-Wild. The students left the camp Saturday around 12:30 p.m.

Many students enjoyed the trip. Courtney Green said, "This is my third year going and I'm sad that it's my last. Every year it is different and so much fun." Leah Sherman said, "This was such an awesome trip that even the rain didn't dampen my spirits. I will remember it always, and I will definitely go again." Christina Valdez said, "This was my first year going to Florida. I loved every bit of it. I got to meet a lot more people from my area. The best part was seeing the changes in people's lives. God was so alive and active in everything! I am really glad that I went!"

I will miss going to Florida with Youth for Christ. It has always been a rewarding experience for myself. I think that it is a great opportunity for high school students. I am glad that YFC offers this trip and hope that it will be offered for years to come.

Police identify homicide victim

Law enforcement authorities have released the name of a Saginaw teen whose body was discovered by 2 fishermen early last week in Tuscola County's Tuscola Township.

Police said the body was that of Kevin Jerome Amos, 19, who had been missing since just after Christmas. His body was found on the banks of the Cass River in an area near the intersection of Ormes and Lewis roads.

The death is being treated as a homicide, although preliminary reports state investigators found no stab or gunshot wounds on the body.

Final autopsy reports are expected sometime in the next week.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police post in Caro said early indications are that Amos died somewhere else and his body was dumped at the Tuscola Township location. Investigators identified the victim through fingerprints.

The case is being investigated by state police detectives from the Caro and Sandusky posts as well as Saginaw headquarters and the Bridgeport Crime Lab.

Company wins coveted prize

TI Automotive, a global supplier of integrated fuel-storage and delivery systems for cars and trucks, has won 2 coveted Shingo Prizes for excellence in manufacturing at its facilities in Caro and New Haven.

Referred to as the "Nobel Prize of Manufacturing" by Business Week magazine, the awards recognize companies with outstanding "lean manufacturing" programs and are named for Dr. Shigeo Shingo, credited with the development of the Toyota Production System.

Lean manufacturing and lean administration programs at TI Automotive's Caro plant resulted in a 42 percent reduction in scrapage (0.8 percent of sales) and an 86 percent drop in premium freight charges. In addition, the facility achieved a 95 percent on-time delivery rate, reduced inventory value by more than 40 percent and eliminated an entire raw-material warehouse area.

The Caro plant produces more than 4-million fuel pumps annually.

The lean manufacturing program at the company's New Haven plant has generated a 30 percent improvement in operating profits, single-digit parts-per-million (PPM) rejection rates, a 98 percent on-time delivery performance, and a 38 percent improvement in inventory turns. The facility manufactures more than 50-million fluid quick connectors each year.

Administered by the College of Business at Utah State University in Logan, Utah,

the Shingo Prize program evaluates companies on key activities and results over at least 3 years in 5 areas: leadership culture and infrastructure, manufacturing strategies and system integration, non-manufacturing support functions, quality, cost and delivery, and customer satisfaction and profitability. All winners have made teamwork and continuous improvement an integral part of their culture.

The award is given annually to manufacturers in the United States, Canada and Mexico that deliver world-class performance through lean principles and techniques in core manufacturing and business processes. This year's awards will be presented on May 14 at the Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center.

"The employees in our manufacturing organization are considered to be 'change agents' charged with responsibility for carrying out customer-support and lean manufacturing initiatives," said Rich Kolpasky, president of TI Automotive's North American operations. "By listening closely to our employees, TI Automotive has been able to achieve ambitious continuous improvement goals. We hold a passionate belief that there's always a simpler, better way."

TI Automotive's lean manufacturing and administration programs are referred to as Common Sense Manufacturing (CSM) and Common Sense Administration (CSA).

"We have empowered TI Automotive employees to use 'common sense' to improve our manufacturing processes," added Mike Vella, vice president for North American manufacturing operations and a key architect of the company's CSM approach. "We've also adopted these same principles throughout our administrative systems with great results."

Letters to the editor

TNU waste of time, money

Small Time Busts for Outdated Enforcement

In this time of closing schools, denial of student loans, joblessness and peaking crime, why are we still wasting money on small

time thugs like Thumb Narcotics Unit?

We all know pot is an herb, not a narcotic. It is obvious to anyone with half a brain. It is also obvious that cocaine, ecstasy, alcohol, heroin and other real narcotic use is on the rise due to the lack of any decent sacramental herb.

So why is it that it takes the resources of 4 police agencies to terrorize an apartment complex over what appears to be a joint or 2, some unus-

able sprouts, no money, no weapons, and no arrests?

TNU is a waste of hard earned money, except on the rare occasion they get to steal everything through asset forfeiture, and then it is a noticeable drain on whichever community it victimizes. I once asked the Novesta Township Board why they still pay TNU, and how long has it been they have been supporting this bully squad, and the answer may surprise you.

They said TNU had asked Novesta Township for some money to help them start up, and they had NO IDEA how long ago. I guess Novesta Township has money to waste trying to eradicate use of ancient sacramental incense.

Jesus used cannabis, so did Moses. King David, Mohammed, and, in fact, nearly every religion in the world has a positive place for

marijuana. Not some, or many, but almost every. God gave us pot, she said it is good. Praise JAH! Who the heck is TNU, or anyone who is empowered by the constitution, to argue with GOD? Congress shall make NO LAW regarding the Establishment of Religion - 1st Amendment.

If you trust Government, you are ignorant of history - Rev. Happy.

Rev. A.S. "Happy" Wright
legalizemichigan@yahoo.com

The Rev. Happy, a Universal Life Church Minister, will be blessing this year's freedom rally after the Hash Bash April 5 in Ann Arbor, and will be master of ceremonies at the second annual Flint Marijuana March, May 3, in front of the municipal building downtown Flint.

Rev. A.S. Wright

Rotary club deserving of praise

Regarding: The Rotary Club article

Needless to say, anyone knowing me will immediately understand why the word polio appearing in a newspaper headline attracts my complete attention.

I want, personally and publicly, to thank the Cass City Rotary Club for its generous donation to "help eliminate one of the most dreaded diseases of the 20th century - poliomyelitis." For many, many years the Rotary Club has done tremendous work in this field - all over the world.

As a young, frightened child, alone in a large hospital ward in Detroit, I received a wonderful surprise gift from the Cass City Rotary Club, which had erroneously been delivered first to a nurse with a similar last name. It changed extreme post-operative surgical pain and extreme loneliness to joy.

Now, many, many years later, marvel at what the Rotary Club is still doing!

Thank you, most sincerely, Ruth Schenck Esau, a polio survivor (but a victim of post polio syndrome)

Proud to be an American

Hi, my name is Brittany Carr and I want to tell you how I feel about being an American. An American has freedom of speech, religion, free to make choices and an opportunity to vote.

I'm honored that other people fight for my freedom. It makes me feel good to be an American, I feel bad though about the people that are fighting for our freedom and lives. I don't have to worry about America making me a soldier because I am just 11 years old, but if I was a soldier I would be honored.

In school we learn about freedoms, past history and child labor. Young kids in some areas of the world are forced to work long hours and the pay is not very much. The money that they make helps their families survive. In other countries women are punished if they do not hide themselves when out in public. We have a freedom to go to church and not risk the chance of being persecuted.

When you hear American related music like the National Anthem and Red, White and Blue by Toby Keith, it makes me feel I want to go and fight for my freedom. It's great that we can express ourselves freely, worship freely, wear clothes that we want, have choices and not feel like we will be threatened.

I think it is really brave that we have people willing to risk their lives for us. We all should be proud to be an American, I am. With us being at war we need to pray and trust in God. So believe.

Brittany Carr

Thanks for calling
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Student: thank-you, volunteers

Dear Editor:

As a student of Cass City Middle School I have noticed many individuals that volunteer on a regular basis. They are a phenomenal group of people. They give so much and ask for nothing in return.

Some of the volunteers are parents who want to get involved, while others are individuals who are giving back to the community. If you ask any volunteer, they will tell you it is a fun and rewarding experience.

So here is a big thank you to all the volunteers. The school wouldn't be the same without you!

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Jessica Magiera,
Cass City Middle School student

Let's recognize area servicemen

Many of our youth from the Cass City area are currently serving in the United States Military without many of us knowing who they are.

One way that we could become aware of these brave individuals, who are giving of their time and efforts to serve our country during this very difficult time, would be to place their pictures on a large poster and display it in the window of a downtown business.

If you would like to participate in this program, you

would need to provide a wallet sized military photo and deliver it to Knight Insurance Agency or Rawson Memorial Library. You may also mail it to Richard Little, 6215 Dale, Cass City, MI 48726. Please provide the following information with your photo: Name of soldier, country in which he is serving, and hometown, i.e., Cass City, Gaytown, Deford, etc. When your photo is received, it will be placed along with the others who are serving.

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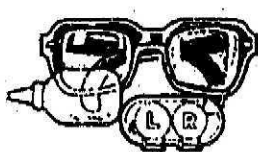
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STAR GAZERS - Some sixth grade students at Owen-Gage Junior-Senior High School were recently surprised with an indoor look at the "night sky", thanks to the ingenuity of their teacher, Shannon Doherty. Doherty constructed a 10-foot by 11-foot plastic bubble, which she inflated using an ordinary house fan. She poked tiny holes in the material in designs featuring the winter sky constellations, then took her students on a virtual tour using a laser pointer.

Several face felony charges

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

• Larry J. Kirkey, 17, Millington, pleaded guilty to attempted unlawful use of a motor vehicle Dec. 27 in Millington.

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

• Jeffrey E. Cook, 50, Vassar, pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, Feb. 15 in Millington Township.

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

• Dustin E. Nowicki, 20, Davison, was found guilty on 2 counts of third degree

criminal sexual conduct involving a victim at least 13 years of age but under 16 years Oct. 30-31, 1999, in Tuscola Township.

A jury handed down the verdict following a 2-day trial.

A pre-sentence investigation was ordered and the defendant was remanded to the Michigan Department of Corrections. Sentencing is to be scheduled.

• Guy M. Caswell, 42, Marlette, stood mute to charges of operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor, third offense, and driving while his license was suspended or revoked March 2 in Koylton Township.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled in the case and bond was continued at \$10,000.

• Cody I. Engler, 25, Vassar,

stood mute to 5 counts of assault with a dangerous weapon in a weapon-free school zone Sept. 17 in Vassar.

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled and bond was continued at \$150,000. The crime is punishable by up to 4 years in prison and/or a \$6,000 fine and/or 150 hours of community service.

• Timothy W. Loomis, 31, Millington, stood mute to charges of operating a motor vehicle while impaired, third offense, and driving while his license was suspended or revoked, subsequent offense, March 4 in Arbel Township. He is also charged with being a habitual offender (3 prior felony convictions).

A pre-trial hearing was ordered scheduled, bond was continued at \$5,000 and the defendant was remanded to the custody of the sheriff's department.

• Joshua J. Koenig, 22, Fort Gratiot, pleaded no contest to unlawfully preparing to burn property valued at \$1,000 to \$20,000 Nov. 20 in Indianfields Township.

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

• Randy C. Barnes, 28, Vassar, was sentenced to 18 months probation for his conviction on a charge of second degree home invasion June 13 in Indianfields Township.

He was also ordered to pay court costs and fines totaling \$1,820 plus restitution of \$30.

• Todd A. Pease, 19, Millington, was sentenced to 365 days in the county jail (270 days deferred) and 30 months probation for his plea of guilty to assault with intent

to commit criminal sexual penetration in February-March 2001 in Millington Township, and to manufacturing 20 to 199 marijuana plants June 18 in Millington. He was also ordered to pay \$1,520 in costs and fines plus \$300 in forensic fees.

• Robert C. Raymond, 28, Imlay City, was sentenced to 365 days in jail and 60 months probation for his plea of guilty to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, third offense, May 12 in Cass City. He was also ordered to pay \$1,620 in costs and fines plus \$500 in attorneys fees.

• Jay M. Herman, 46, Caro, was sentenced to 24 months probation and 30 days in jail, with worksite privileges, for his plea of no contest to lewd and lascivious conduct involving a child under the age of 13 years May 3 in Caro.

He was also ordered to pay costs and fines totaling \$770.

Hospital auxiliary tea set

The Caro Community Hospital (CCH) Auxiliary will host its Spring Dessert Tea Tuesday, April 15 in the Caro High School Cafeteria.

Festivities begin at 7 p.m., with a fun and informative evening planned for members and guests. This annual event provides an opportunity for auxiliary members to introduce their slate of officers for the coming year, to tell the story of their contributions to the hospital and the community, and to welcome potential new members.

Also this year, there will be 2 door prizes (baskets) given away, a raffle will be held with tickets to buy at the event, and fancy desserts prepared by the CCH Dietary staff will be available.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Nancy Jones from the Tuscola County Health Department, who will talk about Tuscola County's higher-than-average colorectal cancer rate and a new risk assessment program available through the health department. Anyone who is interested is invited to come and participate in the evening's events, free of charge.

The Caro Community Hospital Auxiliary has served the greater Caro area for many years. Most local folks are aware that the group operates the gift shop inside the hospital, but the auxiliary also sponsors CPR classes and has held many fundraising events to benefit the hospital as well. One of the group's most recent purchases was the sliding electronic door unit, which serves the hospital's emergency entrance.

Persons who would like more information about the CCH Auxiliary may call Trudy Avery at (989) 673-3141 during regular business hours.

Down Memory Lane

By Harmony Yanowski



5 YEARS AGO

The sometimes dry, windy days associated with spring can spell trouble when people try to burn brush or other vegetation. Those ingredients combined for at least 3 recent grass fires, including a blaze that scorched 35 acres southwest of Cass City Thursday. Elkland Township fire fighters were called to Joshua Road, just west of Cedar Run Road during the afternoon hours. Fire Chief Ron Pawloski reported, "We're speculating that it started from a previous fire that was set by a property owner who was burning brush and stumps," he said.

A routine training exercise proved a little too real Friday for Tuscola County Sheriff's deputy Scott Jones. Jones and a partner, also a deputy, were participating in an exercise, geared to teach officers how to best use their batons to subdue violent inmates, when his partner accidentally struck him in the wrist, breaking it. "The doctor said it was a clean break," Sheriff Tom Kern commented Monday.

False rumors ranging from the loss of hundreds of jobs at Walbro Corporation to the business' imminent collapse were circulating freely following a company meeting Monday. However, Walbro Chief Executive Officer L.E. Althaver said Tuesday that the rumors are just that. However, he added, the company is looking at making some changes in an effort to remain competitive.

10 YEARS AGO

A local teacher and coach has been named Cass City's first parks and recreation director. Cass City native Jeff Hartel was selected for the

job from a field of 6 candidates, according to Village Manager Lou S. LaPonsie. As parks director, he will be responsible for planning and developing a comprehensive recreation program to meet community needs, organize a variety of sports and leisure activities, and manage the business operations of the summer recreation program. Cass City officials created the position in an effort to offer a better organized recreation program.

Pat Smith of the Cass City AAUW presented a \$50 savings bond to Cass City Middle School eighth grader Rachel Peters, local winner of an essay contest held in honor of Women's History Month. Runners-up included Renee Zawilinski and Sarah Dore.

The Tuscola Economic Development Corporation received a \$1,000 donation from Chemical Bank recently. EDC Treasurer Mike Deeb accepted the check from Jim Bolton, senior vice-president of Chemical Bank, Cass City, and Bob Smith, senior vice-president of the Caro branch.

25 YEARS AGO

Should women be allowed to join men's service clubs? Should men be allowed to join women's service clubs? On such organization, Rotary International says "no". March 27 it expelled a 23-member Rotary Club in Duarte, Calif., for having admitted three women members. Admitting the women is in violation of Rotary International's charter. Cass City Rotary President Roger Little strongly supports the stand taken by the International. "I have to back up what the International did because they (the Duarte

club) broke the (Rotary) law," he commented. "If we wanted women in a men's club," he continued, "then it would no longer be a men's club."

The U.S. Department of Labor is not investigating scandal in the federal job program in Cass City. What it did investigate on a very small scale was the retirement system of the Tuscola County Road Commission in response to a complaint by a former employee who was being paid with federal Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) funds.

35 YEARS AGO

Anson Karr, 77, Greenleaf Township clerk for 22 years, resigned Saturday at the township's annual meeting. Karr said that he resigned because of ill health. The township board appointed Clare Brown, Uby, to fill the remainder of Karr's term.

Original equipment manufacturers who use Walbro carburetors have sent their products around the world and because they have, Walbro's trouble-shooting Charles Tuckey has become a world traveler. Although his official title is chief of carburetor development, Tuckey does a good many jobs in engineering and one of them is bailing out customers who feel that Walbro's carburetors may not be running quite up to standard.

The annual Elkland Township meeting Saturday at the Cultural Center was highlighted by a discussion of road work and a new building to house the fire department. Both major roads leading into the village will be resurfaced this year, according to present plans. Ed Golding stated that the township has \$10,000 in bonds put away for a new building.

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Bulldogs seek pitchers in league title defense

Defending North Central Thumb League North champion Owen-Gage Bulldogs open the season Tuesday, April 8, with Cass City and new coach Josh Hahn hopes that his charges will duplicate the great 2002 season. The team was 27-6 and 14-0 in league play before losing a close game to Bay City All Saints in district tournament play.

There are some strong hitters returning from that championship squad and 3 very good players who graduated. Tough to replace will be Corbin Swiastyn, Earl McKee and Nathan Kain. They were good hitters and gave the Bulldogs strong pitching. Replacing these mounds men may be the key to the season for the Bulldogs.

Pitching is the biggest question mark on the squad. Hahn feels that the strength of the squad will be its power at the plate. We have some pretty good hitters on the squad, he says. They include Adam Kain and Matt Gaeth 2 of the 3 seniors who will be on the young Bulldog squad. The power at the plate will be furnished by Aaron

Faist, Jeremy Kady and Cody Howard. The Bulldogs figure to score a lot of runs this season, but whether or not it will be enough to overcome untested pitching remains to be seen. The teams to beat in the NCTL north, Hahn feels, will be North Huron and Kingston.



THE OWEN-GAGE Bulldogs Baseball members are: (front, l-r) Coach Josh Hahn, Kevin Stewart, Matt Gaeth, Aaron Faist, Jeremy Kady, Cody Howard, Josh Powell; (back, l-r) Levi Adams, Josh Leinweber, Michael Pawlak, Charles Martin, Trace Lopez, Timmy Kain, Adam Kain.

Young O-G softball team will depend on pitching

Owen-Gage softball coach Barb Adams will be at the helm of the Bulldog softball team for her 7th and final year and she has enjoyed each and every one of them. She's retiring because she wants to follow her son's career on the baseball team. She would like nothing better than to have her final year be one in which the Bulldogs capture the North Central Thumb League North title. If they could catch fire like the baseball team did last season, it's possible that the

team will go out on top, but pre-season estimates are for the team to be somewhere in the middle of the pack in the NCTL North. The team this year will be young, with the loss of 4 players that placed on one of the all-conference squads. Graduated are Ashley Adams, Dawn Enderle and Tessa Allen. Laura Enderle left to become a foreign exchange student. Pitching and catching promises to be the strength of the team. Katie Swiastyn

returns as the catcher and Adams feels that she is very good, the best catcher in the NCTL. Pitching will be in the hands of sophomore Kayla Zaleski, who was the mound stalwart ace last year. Kelly Zaleski will be a back-up on the mound and play shortstop. Stephanie Dorsch, a strong batter, will be at first base. Second and third and the outfield positions are up for grabs. This is a very young team, Adams says. We have just one senior and 4 juniors and

only one has played before. Two newcomers who will get long looks are Michelle Brown in the infield and Courtney Fritz in the outfield. Also joining the squad is a pair of eighth graders, Becky Schmidt and Amber Pillsbury. Teams to beat are Kingston and Akron-Fairgrove. A-F has a top pitcher, Allison Adams. Owen-Gage opens the season with a single game with Cass City April 6.



THE OWEN-GAGE Bulldogs Softball team includes: (front, l-r) Kelly Zaleski, Kayla Zaleski, Katie Swiastyn, Randi Glaza, Natasha Sprague; (back, l-r) Coach Barb Adams, Meagan Mentor, Stephanie Dorsch, Courtney Finkbeiner, Mary McKee, Candi Rhodes, Michelle Brown. Missing: Nicole Schmidt, Becky Schmidt, Amber Pillsbury, Kayla Kady.

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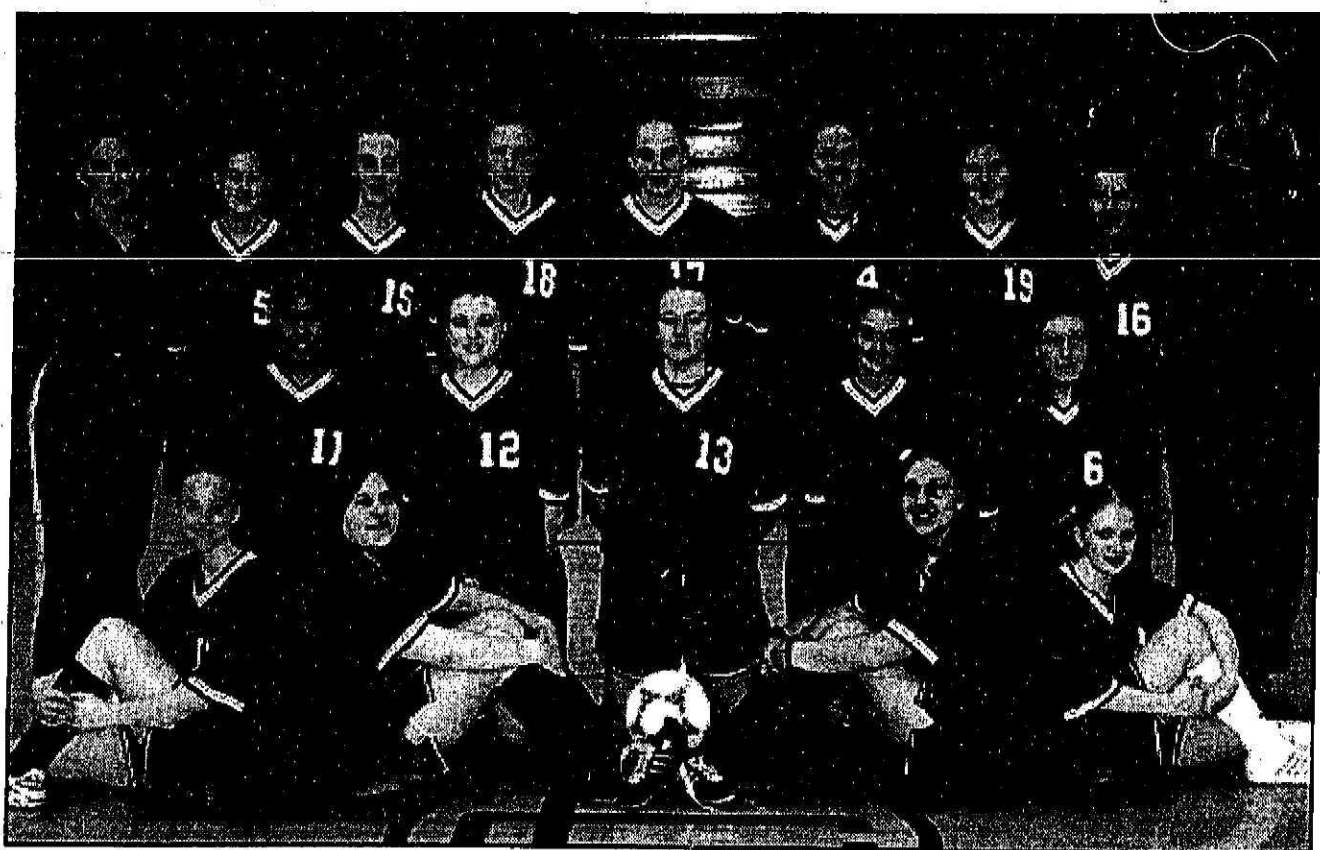
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Soccer squad ready for opener

Cass City High School soccer fans won't have long to wait to find out just how the team shapes up this year as coach Chuck Reed's charges have home games today (Wednesday) with Cros-Lex and Friday with Caro. If nothing else Reed will have plenty of hopefuls to choose from as 19 players are on the squad. Defense should be a strong point, Reed feels, with senior Talisa Talaski and juniors Erica Delamarter and Allyson Bell leading the way. Senior Cyndi Henn and freshman Jenna Timko will split time in goal and both will see time at midfield. Newcomers Megan Cronk, Samantha Cummings, Katie Hacker and Jerica Fenningsdorf should see plenty of playing time. At midfield and forward the Hawks return Sarah Hobbs, Deanna Newby, Heidi Cheng and Liza Volmering that received extensive playing time last season. In addition, Amanda Sullins has returned to the team and is counted on for her speed on the front line.

Erin Witkovsky, Ashley Timon and Donna Bushong will help up front, Reed says, and Annjea Tanton and Liz Hoyt, splitting time with track, are expected to provide a strong bench for the Hawks. The team lost 4 seniors from last year's squad headed by Crystal Sattleberg and Emma Witkovsky, all-league performers. Also gone are Sharon Finkbeiner and Nicole Drinkard. The goal position is wide open as Henn, Timko or Cummings try to fill the gap provided by the graduation of Witkovsky. Sattleberg provided overall leadership and toughness and Reed hopes that one or more members of the team will take over that role. Again this year Lakers and Valley Lutheran will be the teams to beat in the league with Bad Axe close behind. If the Hawks come together quickly, Reed says, and keeper play is solid, we should be able to produce a good record overall and move out from the bottom of the league.



THE RED HAWK soccer members are: (front, l-r) Annjea Tanton, Talisa Talaski, DeAnna Newby, Donna Bushong; (middle, l-r) Heidi Cheng, Liza Volmering, Cyndi Henn, Erica Delamarter, Ashley Timon; (back, l-r) Asst. Coach Michelle Hanby, Katie McIntosh, Jenna Timko, Liz Hoyt, Megan Cronk, Sarah Hobbs, Erin Witkovsky, Jerica Fenningsdorf, Head Coach Chuck Reed. Missing: Amanda Sullins, Ally Bell and Samantha Cummings.

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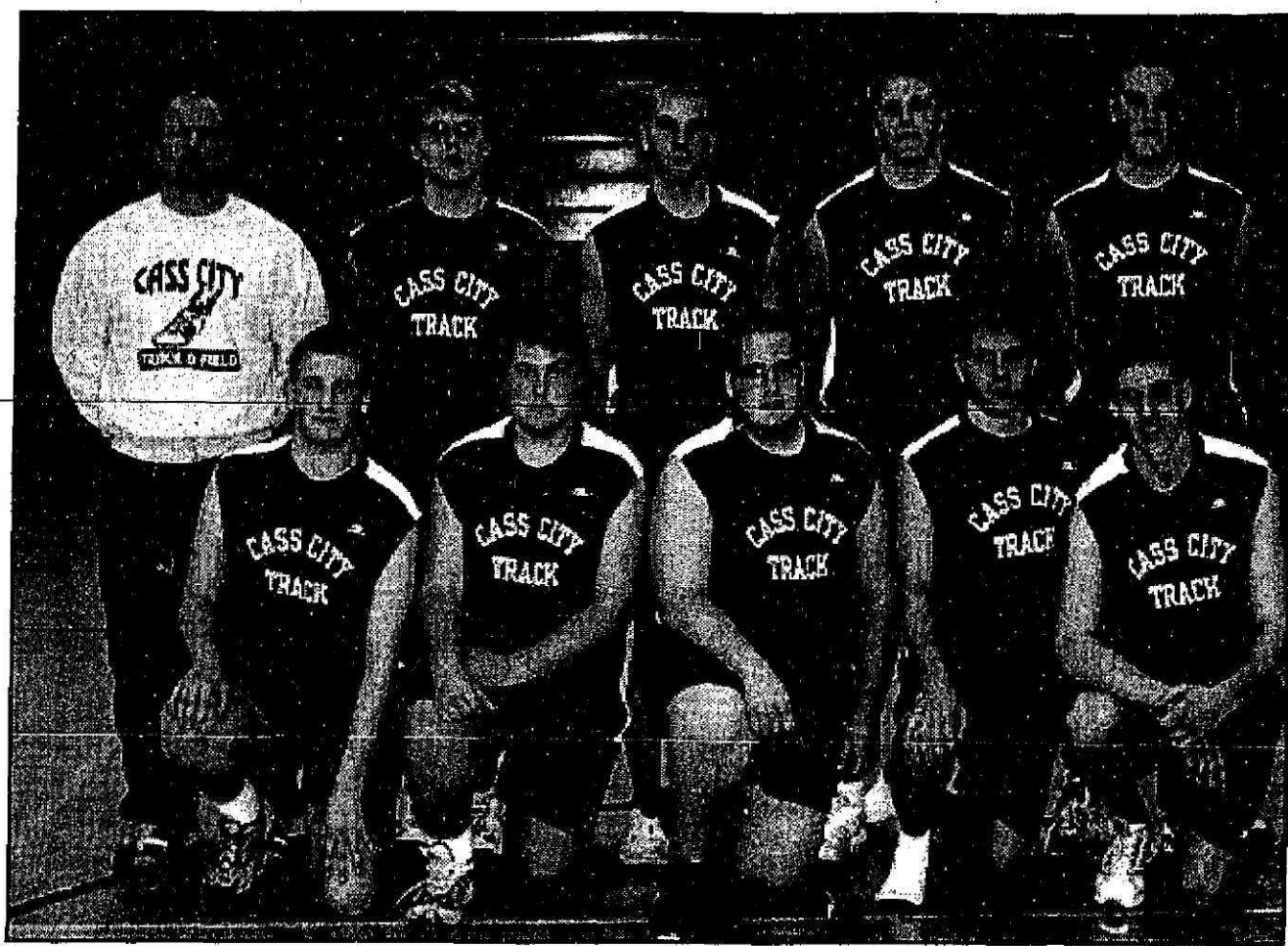
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Track teams ready for season



CASS CITY RED HAWK girls' track members are: (front, l-r) Erika Karavas, Kayla Morrish, Sarah Zawilinski, Carrie Hillaker; (middle, l-r) Krista Homakie, Caitie Barnes, Tara Sherman, Klyn Puterbaugh, Tara Whittaker; (back, l-r) Coach Jon Zdrojewski, Annjea Tanton, Krysta Boyce, Anne Nizzola, Ashley Puterbaugh, Liz Hoyt, Lindsay Lowry. Missing: Bethany Edwards, Aleasha Edwards, Amanda Sullins and Brandy Cooper.



THE BOYS' RED HAWK track team includes: (front, l-r) Eric Reed, Matthew Koepf, Jake Wilder, Dustin Bitzer, Leon Sullins; (back, l-r) Coach Scott Cuthrell, Jack Palmer, Danny Mittlestat, Tyler Harp, Jordan Messing.

Hawk girls strong in distance events

There is great quality, but not enough quantity on the Cass City High School girls' track squad this season, reports first year coach Jon Zdrojewski. The team's strength will be in the distance events.

Heading the list of top performers is senior Lindsay Lowry. She sparked in the always-tough Saginaw Valley State University meet held Mar. 20. She skied 10 feet in the pole vault to win class C and Zdrojewski feels that she was first in all

classes. It was a school record and stamps Lowry as the best in the Thumb. She is also counted on for points in the long jump and sprints.

The distance events are where the coach expects the team to shine. There are 8 athletes returning from the 2001 championship team, including Amanda Sullins and Annjea Tanton.

Tanton and Liz Hoyt will lead the team in the distance events. In the 800, look for junior Erika Karavas and sophomores Carrie Hillaker and Tara Whittaker to be big point winners.

The shot and discus will be anchored by seniors Brandy Cooper and Anne Nizzola. Freshmen Ashley Puterbaugh and Krista Boyce should be factors in the 2 events, Zdrojewski feels.

Sullins will lead the sprinters with help from sophomores Kayla Morrish and Sarah Zawilinski. Sopho-

more Tara Sherman and Freshman Caitie Barnes will be looked to for help in the hurdles and sprints.

Middle distance responsibilities will be handled by sophomore Krista Homakie and freshman Klyn Puterbaugh.

There are 7 seniors and 5 freshmen on the squad. Zdrojewski feels that the Hawks top teams will do better in the big medal events, but lack of depth may cost them in team meets. He sees Unionville-Sebewaing as the team to beat in the Greater Thumb West league, but expects his team to perform well.

Although this is Zdrojewski's first year at the varsity level, he is well aware of the talent on the squad. He spent 5 years as an assistant to Larry Robinson and Scott Cuthrell and coached boys in the middle school for 2 years.

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Mar. 21	SVSU (Boys)	12:00 p.m. A
Apr. 2	Caro / USA	4:00 p.m. H
Apr. 7	Reese / Nouvel / @ Pinconning	4:00 p.m. A
Apr. 11	USA Invite	4:00 p.m. A
Apr. 14	Lakers / Cros-Lex / @ Bad Axe	4:30 p.m. A
Apr. 16	Reese Invite (JV)	4:00 p.m. A
Apr. 17	Wildcat Relays	
Apr. 24	@ Mayville	3:00 p.m. A
Apr. 26	BC, IC @ Marlette	4:00 p.m. A
Apr. 30	Gavel Club Relays	9:00 a.m. H
May 2	USA Invite (JV)	4:00 p.m. A
May 6	Reese Invite	4:00 p.m. A
May 10	Bad Axe / Reese	4:00 p.m. H
May 13	Bad Axe Invite	9:00 a.m. A
May 16-17	League Invite @ USA	4:00 p.m. A
May 20	Regionals @ Bad Axe	TBA
May 27	Huron Co. Meet	4:00 p.m. A
May 31	Caro Meet / Champs	4:00 p.m. A
	State Finals	TBA

Cass City Red Hawks 2003 Girls' Soccer

Apr. 2	Cros-Lex	5:00 p.m. H
Apr. 4	Caro	5:00 p.m. H
Apr. 7	Swan Valley	5:00 p.m. A
Apr. 9	Cros-Lex	4:30 p.m. A
Apr. 16	Bad Axe	5:00 p.m. A
Apr. 23	Sandusky	5:00 p.m. H
Apr. 28	Valley Lutheran	5:00 p.m. A
Apr. 30	Lakers	5:00 p.m. H
May 5	Marlette	5:00 p.m. A
May 7	Bad Axe	5:00 p.m. H
May 9	Birch Run	5:00 p.m. H
May 12	Sandusky	5:00 p.m. A
May 14	Valley Lutheran	5:00 p.m. H
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May 21	Marlette	5:00 p.m. H
May 27-31	Districts	TBA

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Young team

Hawks rebuilding, look to future

You won't find many familiar names on the Cass City Red Hawk boys' track team this spring as coach Scott Cuthrell is in the midst of a classic rebuilding year. Cuthrell feels that the team is 2 or 3 years away from be-

coming a real threat in the Greater Thumb West.

Cass City's best last year, Noah Gould, who starred in the hurdles, has graduated. Also graduated is Brandon Vargo.

Jake Brinkman is playing

baseball this year instead of track and Matt Stoutenburg is playing both baseball and track and will be used in the relays.

Running the sprints will be Zach Toner, Josh Windsor and Brice Stine. Stine will also run the 800, as will Ryan Thornton. Jordan Messing will be in the middle distance races.

Jessup Hoyt will run the mile and other distance races. Others ticketed for the distance races are Sam Ceckowski, Kevin Martin, Brett Babich and Danny Mittlestat. In the field events, look for Nick Walther in the pole vault and Eric Hanby in the shotput and discus. Others competing in the shotput for the Hawks will be Nick Tanney and Steve Papp.

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Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on May 9, 2003.

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

A parcel of land located in Section 18, Town 14 North, Range 10 East, Elmwood Township, Tuscola County, Michigan described as commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 18; running thence West 120 feet to the point of beginning of this description; running thence South 220 feet; thence West 180 feet; thence North 220 feet; thence East 180 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: April 2, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A. as Custodian or Trustee under the applicable Custodial or Trust Agreement, As Assignee

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File No. 199.0727

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by John D. Neumann, Jr. and Jeanette J. Neumann, husband and wife, as tenants by the entirety to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for NovaStar Mortgage, a Virginia Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 29, 2001 and recorded April 4, 2001 in Liber 872 on Page 393, Tuscola County Records, Michigan. On which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand One Hundred Seventy and 68/100 Dollars (\$80,170.68), including interest at 8.99% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in Village of Caro, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on April 24, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Fostoria, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Eight acres of land off the West side of the North one half of the East 50 acres of the Southwest one quarter of Section 26, Town 10 North, Range 9 East, which tract is understood to be 80 rods North and South and 16 rods East and West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 26, 2003

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.,
solely as nominee for NovaStar Mortgage Mortgagee

Attorneys:
Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
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Our File No: 03-13403

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dale J. Harmon, a single person, and Jennielynn H.J. Moss, a single person (original mortgagors), to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 14, 2001 and recorded on April 4, 2001 in Liber 827 on Page 227 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINE AND 27/100 dollars (\$97,409.27), including interest at 7.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 1, 2003.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF

MAYVILLE, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

The West 72.0 feet of Lots 2 and 3 and the West 72.0 feet of the North 12 of Lot 6, Block 6 of Beechwood Annex to the Village of Mayville, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 31, now being Page 32A, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: April 2, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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File # 200315743

Team S

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Philip M. Reider, a married man, and Nanette K. Reider, his wife (original mortgagors), to ABN AMRO MORTGAGE GROUP, INC., Mortgagee, dated April 18, 2002 and recorded on June 17, 2002 in Liber 882 on Page 91 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY AND 73/100 dollars (\$108,170.73), including interest at 5.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 1, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 16, Plat of Evergreen Acres, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 23, Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: April 2, 2003

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Team C

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph Kramer, a single man (original mortgagor), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 19, 2001 and recorded on January 5, 2002 in Liber 855 on Page 234 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN AND 22/100 dollars (\$69,927.22), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 1, 2003.

Said premises are situated in VILLAGE OF CARO, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

The Southeastern half of Lots 6 and 7, Block 10 of W.E. Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the plat recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, Page 491 of Tuscola County Records.

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

Dated: April 2, 2003

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Team C

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Michael P. Peche and Debra J. Peche, husband and wife, to First National Bank of America, dated August 11, 1998 and recorded on August 17, 1998 in Liber 748, Page 50, Tuscola County Records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceeding to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$30,941.48.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property, at public auction, to the highest bidder, on Thursday, May 1, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at front steps, Tuscola County Courthouse, Caro, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 9.25 percent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in the Township of Vassar, Tuscola County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:

Lots 49, 50, 55 and 56 of Sunshine Park Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 71, now being Page 21B.

The redemption period will be six months from the date of sale, but if the property is abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days.

Date: March 26, 2003

Joseph B. Backus, attorney for mortgage holder
P.O. Box 794
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(517) 337-1617

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Terry L. Eaton, a married man, and Julie K. Eaton, a married woman, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to Washington Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated January 31, 2002 and recorded on March 6, 2002 in Liber 868 on Page 1238 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, f/k/a Bankers Trust Company of California, as Trustee, as assignee by an assignment dated February 5, 2002, which was recorded on August 9, 2002 in Liber 889 on Page 532, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE AND 29/100 dollars (\$148,885.29), including interest at 8.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 1, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF VASSAR, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of Section 9, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan; thence North 01 degrees 25 minutes 37 seconds West, 680.60 feet along the East line of said Section 9 to the point of beginning; Running thence South 88 degrees 39 minutes 43 seconds West, 1289.54 feet; thence North 01 degrees 19 minutes 17 seconds West, 401.70 feet along the East 1/8 line of said Section 9; thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 43 seconds East, 1288.80 feet; thence South 01 degrees 25 minutes 37 seconds East, 401.70 feet along the East line of said Section 9 to the point of beginning. Being part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 9, Town 11 North, Range 8 East, Vassar Township, Tuscola County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 2, 2003

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Team H

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Scott E. Walker, a single man (original mortgagor), to Mac-Clair Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 17, 2000 and recorded on November 22, 2000 in Liber 816 on Page 215, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO AND 94/100 dollars (\$59,662.94), including interest at 8.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance to the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on May 1, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF ARBELA, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

A parcel of land described as: Beginning at a point which is North 89 degrees 16 minutes East, 901.9 feet from the Southwest corner of Section 31, Town 10 North, Range 7 East; thence North 00 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds West, 250.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 16 minutes East, 100.0 feet; thence South 00 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds East, 250.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 16 minutes West, 100.0 feet along the South line of Section 31 to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: April 2, 2003

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Tuscola F.B. members lobby in Washington

As war with Iraq was just beginning, Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) members carried out their own mission of educating Michigan's elected leaders in Washington, D.C., about the benefits of increased renewable fuel use, tax reform, and improved crop insurance and risk management programs.

Tuscola County Farm Bureau was among the 47 county Farm Bureaus that sent members to Washington, D.C., March 19-21, for the annual Michigan Farm Bureau (MFB) Washington Legislative Seminar. John Somerville of Unionville and Jeremy Somerville of Cass City represented the county Farm Bureau.

"The fact that you took time to come here for 3 days in this particular war environment is admirable," MFB President Wayne H. Wood told the nearly 120 county Farm Bureau participants at the seminar's conclusion. "It's so much more impressive to have the entire group here, and your presence will be remembered as Farm Bureau continues to lobby on crucial agricultural issues during future fly-ins to Washington, D.C."

Wood added that "in this very difficult time, we have to feel good about what happened here and take comfort in knowing that our elected officials took time from all their other pressing duties to come here and talk to us."

Upon arriving in the capital, members were briefed on key legislative issues by American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) staff and given tips on how to communicate effectively with the 108th Congress.

Issues focused on the need for America to implement a Renewable Fuels Standard that would boost the use of renewable fuels such as ethanol and biodiesel and help decrease the country's dependence on foreign oil. Other priority issues were tax reform, including total elimination of the estate tax, and

improved risk management tools, such as making crop insurance products available to producers of all commodities.

Most of Thursday was committed to lobbying on these issues. First, members ate breakfast with their representative at a group MFB breakfast. Discussions on the issues continued that afternoon when members met with their elected official and/or congressional aide on Capitol Hill.

That afternoon the entire delegation re-grouped to hear Virginia Rep. Bob Goodlatte, new chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, outline the Committee's priorities and goals. Later in the day, the group traveled to the Chinese Embassy where they heard Chinese officials discuss trends and opportunities for trade with China and were treated to a reception of authentic Chinese food.

Before heading home Friday, members heard Michigan Sens. Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow discuss, among other things, how the war with Iraq may affect the U.S. budget and possible implications for the agriculture industry.

Also during the seminar, participants presented "Friend of Farm Bureau" awards to Michigan congressmen recognized by AFBF as being supportive of Farm Bureau priority issues. Plaques were presented to Reps. Peter Hoekstra, Vern Ehlers, David Camp, Fred Upton, Nick Smith, Mike Rogers, and Joe Knollenberg.

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Notes from Northwood Meadows

By Becky Barr, Activities Coordinator/Receptionist

March is typically a time of transition from winter to spring. At Northwood Meadows, we found the transition invigorating! Keeping the adage "if you rest you rust" in mind, our Life & Lively Senior Aerobics classes are consistently full, and some of our residents make walking (inside our warm facility) their exercise of choice.

We welcomed Judy Brown's 5th and 6th graders from Cass City Middle School to read their favorite books for our residents. Each student brought with them a unique and colorful poster reflecting the importance of reading - and we proudly displayed them all in our lobby. This visit presented a perfect opportunity to bring the generations together and celebrate National Reading Month. We appreciate each and everyone of these kids for sharing their reading skills with our family. A great big thank-you to: Chloe Bird, Courtney Doerr, Amanda Kaake, Krystal Alexander, Angie Simpson, Lindsey Bliss, Whitney Laurie, Emily Martin, Megan VanVleet, and Joe Campo.

Our St. Patrick's Day celebration included a traditional corned beef dinner with all the trimmings, and a contest to see if our residents could guess the number of coins (chocolate filled of course) in the "Pot O'Gold." John Marshall proved to have the luck of the Irish this time around, and was the proud winner of a live Irish moss plant. Kudos to our Food Service Department for another fine holiday meal. Don Greenleaf played a selection of Irish tunes on the organ. Great job Don.

One afternoon during lunch, Tom Proctor paid us a visit for what we hope will be a regular feature "Travels with Tom." He shared stories and souvenirs from a trip he took to Egypt. Thanks Tom!

Hand clapping and toe tappin' was the rule of the day as live music was featured on a beautiful Saturday afternoon - our gratitude goes out to "The Musicians."

Sadley, the heavens opened in March for John Ypma - a great guy with a grin that always made us smile. On a lighter note, we had fun celebrating the birthdays of Gerald Bock, Louella Parrott and Jim Milligan.

Fond farewell wishes to Leone Bedard, a very special lady who truly blessed us with her company, as she leaves us to be closer to her family. Our best to you for now and always Lee - you'll be missed.

Northwood Meadows
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Craig C. Sova and Christy L. Sova, who is signing solely to waive her dower rights, husband and wife, to Long Beach Mortgage Company, mortgagee, dated December 23, 1999 and recorded December 30, 1999 in Liber 791, Page 948, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., its successors and assigns, as nominee for "First Union National Bank, as Trustee of the Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust, Series 2000-BC3, without recourse" by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Eight and 30/100 Dollars (\$51,778.30), including interest at the rate of 11.45% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 24, 2003.

The premises are located in the City of Cass, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 1 and the West 1/2 of the South 1/2 of Lot 2, Block 3 of Hugh Seed's Addition to the Village of Cass City, according to plat recorded in Liber 15 of Deeds, Page 273.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 19, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., its successors and assigns, as nominee for "First Union National Bank, as Trustee of the Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust, Series 2000-BC3, without recourse", As Assignee

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File No. 221.0702

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dale R. Lasiewicz and Janet A. Lasiewicz, husband and wife, to Adventa National Bank, mortgagee, dated August 21, 1999 and recorded August 26, 1999 in Liber 780, Page 639, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Custodian or Trustee, fka Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Forty Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Nine and 83/100 Dollars (\$40,559.83), including interest at the rate of 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 10, 2003.

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

Commencing at a point on the West line of Section 16, Town 12 North, Range 10 East, which is North 1030.38 feet to the Southwest corner of said Section 16; thence continuing along said West line North 264.00 feet to the South line of the D.C. & S. Railroad right of way line; thence along said South railroad right of way line South 89 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds East 330.00 feet; thence South 264.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds West 330.00 feet to the point of beginning, subject to the use of the Westerly 33.00 feet thereof as Murray Road, and subject to easements and rights of way record.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 5, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Custodian or Trustee, fka Bankers Trust Company of California, N.A., As Assignee

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Troy, MI 48067-5041
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File No. 209.1937

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AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Stephen A. Deneen and Stephanie L. Deneen, husband and wife, of Tuscola County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Flagstar Bank, FSB, dated the 17th day of June, AD 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, on the 8th day of July, AD 1999 in Liber 776 of Tuscola County Records, on page 280, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$66,952.54 (Sixty six thousand Nine hundred fifty two dollars and fifty four cents), including interest thereon at 7.37% (seven point three seven percent) per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 1st day of May, A.D., 2003, at 10:00 o'clock, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Village of Millington, in the County of Tuscola and State of Michigan, and described as follows to wit:

Situated in the Village of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot 1, Block 16, of the Village of Millington; thence West 12 Rods; thence South 4 Rods; thence East 12 Rods; thence North 4 Rods to the point of Beginning. Being part of Lot 4, Block 16 of the Village of Millington, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 1, Page 41, Now being Page 42A, Tuscola County Records.

Tax ID: 041-500-116-0300-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 2, 2003

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.
By: Daniel E. Best (P-58501)
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Delbert D. Piltin (original mortgagor), to NPB Mortgage LLC, Mortgagee, dated December 23, 2002 and recorded on January 24, 2003 in Liber 912 on Page 569 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of NINETY-THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY AND 47/100 dollars (\$90,720.47), including interest at 12.95% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on May 1, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF DAYTON, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

The North 312 feet of a parcel of land described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 10 East, Dayton Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, thence South 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds West, 175.0 feet along the West line of said Section 25 to the Point of Beginning; Running thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds East, 250.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds East, 175.0 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds East, 658.0 feet along the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 25; thence South 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds West, 626.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds West, 908.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds East, 54.0 feet along the West line of said Section 25; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds East, 305.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds East, 331.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 51 seconds West, 305.0 feet; thence North 0 degrees 06 minutes 26 seconds West, 66.0 feet along the West line of said Section 25 to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 11 North, Range 10 East.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 2, 2003

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Team H

4-2-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Fredrick M. Redfield and Julie A. Redfield, husband and wife (original mortgagors), to G.L. Byron and Company, Mortgagee, dated October 2, 1998 and recorded on October 6, 1998 in Liber 752 on Page 117 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Principal Residential Mortgage, Inc., an Iowa Corporation, Assignee by an assignment dated October 9, 1998, which was recorded on February 19, 1999 in Liber 763 on Page 821, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE AND 7/100 dollars (\$60,553.71), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 10, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF INDIANFIELD, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 4, Block 5, W.E. Sherman's Addition to the Village of Caro, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 11 of Deeds, Page 491.

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

Dated: March 12, 2003

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3-12-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James J. Smrecek and Susan E. Smrecek, husband and wife, to WMC Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated February 13, 2002 and recorded February 27, 2002 in Liber 867, Page 469, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Bank One National Association as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-BC2 by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Seven and 78/100 Dollars (\$105,347.78), including interest at the rate of 10.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 17, 2003.

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

Part of the Southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 12 North, Range 8 East, Juniata Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 24 which is South 01 degrees 06 minutes 34 seconds West 688 feet from the East quarter corner of said Section; thence continuing along said East line, South 01 degrees 06 minutes 34 seconds West 160 feet; thence parallel with the East and West quarter line of said Section, North 88 degrees 42 minutes 36 seconds West 540 feet to a traverse line along an open drainage ditch; thence along said traverse line North 47 degrees 16 minutes 06 seconds West 271.52 feet to another traverse line along the Cass River; thence along said traverse line North 19 degrees 16 minutes 34 seconds East 50 feet; thence South 67 degrees 58 minutes 02 seconds East 189.92 feet; thence South 88 degrees 42 minutes 36 seconds East 550 feet to said East line of Section 24 and the place of beginning. Also, including that land bounded by traverse lines, the centerline of said open drain, the edge of the Cass River and the North and South property lines extended.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 12, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Bank One National Association as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-BC2, As Assignee

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven A. Griffith, a married man (original mortgagors), to First Preferred Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated December 18, 2001 and recorded on February 19, 2002 in Liber 865 on Page 854 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, a national corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, as assignee by an assignment dated November 7, 2002, which was recorded on March 10, 2003 in Liber 919 on Page 872, Tuscola County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT AND 97/100 dollars (\$130,828.97), including interest at 8.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 17, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF KOYLTON, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 31, Town 11 North, Range 11 East, described as beginning at a point on the North section line that is South 89 degrees 44 minutes 15 seconds West 1078.93 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds East, 435.60 feet; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 15 seconds West, 200.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds West, 435.60 feet; thence along said North section line, North 89 degrees 44 minutes 15 seconds East, 200.00 feet to the point of beginning.

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

Dated: March 19, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Team I

3-19-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Roy E. Nettleton and Kellie Nettleton, husband and wife, to Liberty Lending Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 30, 1997 and recorded November 19, 1997 in Liber 724, Page 1024, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Southern Pacific Funding Corporation; Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Southern Pacific Secured Assets Corporation, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Pass through Certificates, Series 1997-4 by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Thirty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Six and 48/100 Dollars (\$39,486.48), including interest at the rate of 12.7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 24, 2003.

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

Part of the Southwest fractional 1/4 of Section 19, Town 10 North, Range 8 East, Millington Township, Tuscola County, Michigan, described as: beginning in the South line of said Section 19, South 89 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds East, 561.0 feet along said Section line from the Southwest corner of said Section; thence from said place of beginning North 260.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds East, parallel with said South section line, 236.00 feet; thence South 260.00 feet to said South section line; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds West, 236.00 feet to the place of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 19, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Southern Pacific Funding Corporation; Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Southern Pacific Secured Assets Corporation, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Pass through Certificates, Series 1997-4, As Assignee

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3-19-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Pete Earl Mann, an unmarried man (original mortgagors), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated April 24, 2000 and recorded on May 3, 2000 in Liber 800 on Page 248 in Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-AND 02/100 dollars (\$69,730.02), including interest at 10.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on April 24, 2003.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF ARBELA, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 32, Town 10 North, Range 7 East, described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 32; thence North 40 rods; thence West 24 rods; thence South 40 rods; thence East to the point of beginning, Tuscola County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 26, 2003

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
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Team X

3-26-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Rodney A. Broadworth and Marilyn Broadworth, husband and wife, to WMC Mortgage Corporation, mortgagee, dated January 30, 1998 and recorded February 4, 1998 in Liber 729, Page 959, Tuscola County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Bank One, N.A., fka First National Bank of Chicago, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of March 1, 1998, Series 1998-1, without recourse by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Tuscola County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Seven and 78/100 Dollars (\$76,467.78), including interest at the rate of 11.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front entrance of the Courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, MI in Tuscola County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on May 1, 2003.

The premises are located in the Village of Millington, Tuscola County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at a point on the South line of Lot 10, 6 rods East of the Southwest corner, thence North 13 rods; thence East to the East line of the West 1/2 of Lot 10; thence South 13 rods to the South line of Lot 10; thence West to the point of beginning. Block 16 of the Village of Millington, according to the Plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 41, now being Page 42A.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: March 26, 2003

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for Bank One, N.A., fka The First National Bank of Chicago, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of March 1, 1998, Series 1998-1, without recourse. As Assignee

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3-26-5

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary Lou Clark and Brian Nitz, a single woman and a single man, Mortgagees, to Conesco Finance Servicing Corp., Mortgagee, dated August 25, 2000 and recorded on September 20, 2000 in Liber 810, Page 1417, Tuscola County Records, and re-recorded on February 12, 2003 in Liber 915, Page 711, Tuscola County Records, Michigan, on which said mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Two and 59/100 (\$45,892.59) Dollars, including interest at 10.0% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front entrance of the courthouse in the Village of Caro, Tuscola County, Michigan, on Thursday, April 17, 2003, at 10:00 a.m.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Fairgrove, County of Tuscola, and State of Michigan, and are described as follows, to wit:

Commencing at the South 1/4 stake of Section 9, T13N, R8E, Township of Fairgrove, Tuscola County, Michigan, running thence North to the Southeast line of the Saginaw, Tuscola and Huron Railroad; thence Southwest along the line of said Railroad to the South line of said Section 9; thence East on said Section line to the place of beginning. Also, commencing at the 1/4 stake on the South line of said Section 9, T13N, R8E; running thence East 6 rods and 10 feet; thence North to land owned by Saginaw, Tuscola and Huron Railroad; thence Southwest along said Railroad to the 1/4 line of said Section 9; thence South to the place of beginning. A/k/a 4758 W. Darbee, Fairgrove, MI 48733.

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The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 6, 2003

Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.
Mortgagee

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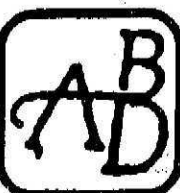
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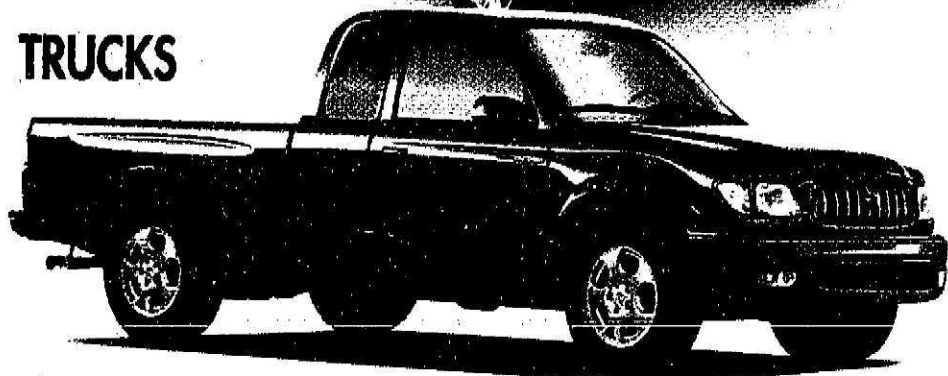
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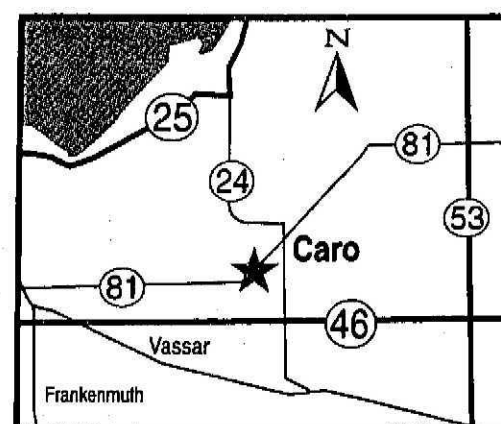
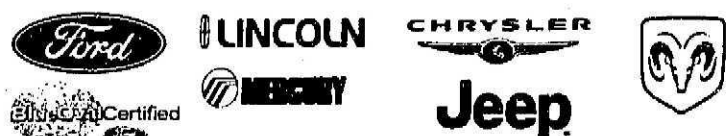
Bring Current:

- Paycheck Stub • Home Phone Bill
- Driver's License

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*With approved credit, plus tax, title and license fee. **2000 and newer vehicles. 25% down and financing for 36 months with approved credit. ***Example, 1996 Chevy Tracker. Sale price \$3795, \$79 mo. for 60 mos. at 10% A.P.R., \$49 down payment plus tax. Total amount financed \$3686 plus tax. Total payments \$4731 plus tax. Subject to credit approval. ****Additional money down may be needed and negative trade equity will be added to the auto loan.

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**\$49 VEHICLE
SUPER SALE****NATIONAL AUTO LIQUIDATORS WILL ASSIST MOORE MOTOR SALES FOR THIS SALE****4 DAYS ONLY****Wednesday****April 2****9am-8pm****Thursday****April 3****9am-8pm****Friday****April 4****9am-8pm****Saturday****April 5****9am-5pm**

National Auto Liquidators is coming to **Moore Motor Sales** in Caro, MI to assist in the disposal of 225+ lease turn-ins and other used vehicles. These vehicles have been acquired at incredible savings from many different bank sources and dealerships and according to creditors' instructions **THEY MUST BE SACRIFICED IMMEDIATELY AT ALL COST!** These vehicles are in excellent condition and many with factory warranties.

LEASE & RENTAL RETURNS!**VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD REGARDLESS OF PROFIT****\$49*****DOWN
PAYMENT!****\$79*******PAYMENTS
AS LOW AS!**

**YOU ARE
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OF THESE
PRIZES:**

- I. 16 pc. Craftsman Tool Set***
- II. 3 day / 2 night Vacation Package***
- III. Sony Walkman CD Player***
- IV. GRAND PRIZE
BIG SCREEN TV**

Your winning number:

10745

**Bring flyer to dealership to
compare your number to the
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PRIZES LIMITED TO FIRST 250 CUSTOMERS.

*While Supplies Last

CREDIT PROBLEMS? WE CAN HELP! \$4 MILLION IN CREDIT AVAILABLE*

Bring your trade, title and/or payment book. Be prepared to take immediate delivery. SALESPEOPLE AND FINANCE PEOPLE will be available to assist you with your purchase and special finance needs. SPECIAL LENDERS HAVE COMMITTED \$4 MILLION IN CREDIT TO GUARANTEE THE SUCCESS OF THIS SALE.

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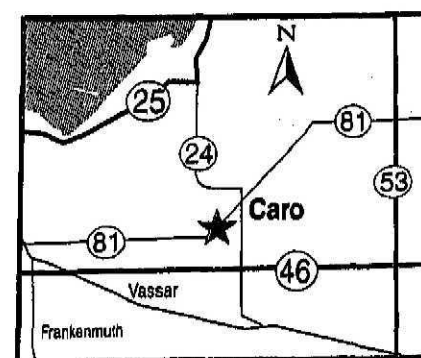
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