

**TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND
CONTROLLER/ADMINISTRATOR
Monthly Report of County Activities
(January 2005)**

- Prepared the 2005 County Work Program with the following priorities:
 1. Update the County Economic Development Plan
 2. Strengthen county grant writing capabilities
 3. Develop recommendations for a state and local government committee to determine how to fund county/local government
 4. Continue multi-year financial planning to keep the county fiscally strong
 5. Evaluate alternative methods of containing health insurance cost increases
 6. Plan for solutions to county storage and facility space needs
 7. Review options for Vanderbilt Park
 8. Work with the County Judges to reorganize court operations, reduce costs, recover delinquent court costs and recover court appointed attorney costs
 9. Strengthen communications between the county and local units of government to partner/collaborate to maintain and improve public services
 10. Communicate the benefits of the county Master Plan to local government
- Approved funding from the Senior Citizen Millage to purchase meal site chairs, assist with the cost of constructing a building for the Adult Day Care Program and assisted on a one year arrangement to fund a portion of the operational costs for the Adult Day Care Program
- Hired Katherine Neese as the new County Recycling Coordinator
- Hal Hudson was hired as the new MSU-Extension Director for the County
- Received the Excellence in Financial Reporting Award from the Government Finance Officers Association for the fourth consecutive year
- Approved the 2005 Health Department Fee Schedule
- Jerry Peterson was re-elected Chairperson and Thomas Bardwell was elected Vice-Chairperson of the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners