

Memorial Healthcare Manager Receives Award from Advanced ICU Care

submitted by Melissa Neuhaus

Owosso— Memorial Healthcare Manager of Pulmonology and Cardiology, Doug Rowden, RRT, was recently presented with the Advanced ICU Care “2020 WE SEE YOU CARE” award. Now in its fifth year, this recognition program highlights outstanding collaboration between a member of a client hospital’s team and the Advanced ICU Care team. Doug was selected among nominees from almost 100 Advanced ICU Care partner hospitals and health systems across the United States.

“It is an honor and privilege to work for Memorial Healthcare. This award would not be possible without the commitment of the Respiratory Therapy team. Caring for our patients is our job and our passion, and there is no greater honor than being able to serve the people of this community—our families, neighbors and our friends,” said Doug Rowden, RRT, Manager of Pulmonology and Cardiology.

Established in 2016, the “WE SEE YOU CARE” award honors Advanced ICU Care telemedicine partners for their efforts in caring for patients, collaborating across geography and leveraging technology-enabled care services to make a profound difference with respect to quality, safety and access within their hospitals for the surrounding community.



Support Your Local Farmers Markets

submitted by Karen Anderson

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County Proposals for August 4th Vote

CLINTON COUNTY PROPOSALS

DUPLAIN TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL

Duplain Township Emergency Services Millage Renewal Proposal

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Duplain Township of 2.5 mills (\$2.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) which expires in 2020, be reduced and renewed at up to 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four (4) years, 2021 through 2024 inclusive, for the purpose of providing emergency services in Duplain Township, raising up to an estimated \$99,681.98 in 2021.

Duplain Township

Millage Increase Proposal Road Improvement, Repair, and Maintenance Shall Duplain Township impose an increase of up to 1.25 mills (\$1.25 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution, subject to therequired millage rollbacks, and levy it for four (4) years, 2021 through 2024 inclusive, to improve, repair, and maintain roads within Duplain Township, raising up to an estimated \$83,068.21 in 2021.

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL

Greenbush Township Road Improvement Millage Proposal

Shall Greenbush Township, Clinton County, Michigan, impose an increase of up to 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for four (4) years, 2020 through 2023, inclusive, for improving, maintaining, and repairing secondary roads and gravel roads within Greenbush Township, raising an estimated \$84,420.00 in 2020?

VICTOR TOWNSHIP PROPOSAL

Proposal for Renewal of Millage for Road Improvement, Repair and Maintenance

Shall the expiring previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Victor Township of 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per each \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.4939 mills by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per each \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for 4 years, 2021 through 2024 inclusive, for funding and defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of township road improvement, repair and maintenance, thereby raising an estimated \$212,214.79 in the first year?

LAINGSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROPOSAL

Sinking Fund Millage Renewal Proposal

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the building and site sinking fund millage that expires with the 2020 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate of .9939 mill (\$0.9939 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) which may be assessed against all property in Laingsburg Community Schools, Shiawassee and Clinton Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 5 years, 2021 to 2025, inclusive, to continue to provide for a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings, for school securityimprovements, for the acquisition or upgrading of technology and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2021 is approximately \$220,363 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2020 tax levy)?

CLINTON AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM PROPOSAL

Clinton Area Transit System Millage Proposal

Shall the Clinton Area Transit System (The Blue Bus), County of Clinton, Michigan, be authorized to levy annually an amount not to exceed .6996 mill (\$.6996 for each \$1,000 of taxable value), of which .1996 mill is a renewal of the millage rate that expires in 2020 and .50 mill is new additional millage, against all taxable property within the Clinton Area Transit System limits (the jurisdictional limits of Clinton County except for the area in the jurisdictional limits of the City of East Lansing) for a period of four (4) years, 2021 to 2024, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for all public transportation authority purposes permitted by law, including all capital and operating expenses and providing transportations services to all individuals within the Clinton Area Transit System limits, including seniors and persons with disabilities. The estimate of the revenue the Clinton Area Transit System will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the Clinton Area Transit System in the first year (2021) is approximately \$1,960,000.

SHIAWASSEE COUNTY PROPOSTION MILLAGE RENEWAL COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY (PLEASANT VIEW)

Shall the previously voted levy of up to 2 mills (2.00 on each \$1000 of taxable value) against allproperty in the County of Shiawassee, Michigan be renewed for 4 years beginning in 2020 through 2023 inclusively, to provide funds to assist in the operation of the Pleasant View Shiawassee County Medical Care Facility? The County estimates that it will collect \$3,651,624in the first calendar year if this proposal is approved.

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Social

Ovid Historical Society

submitted by Roger Matthies

The Ovid Historical Society will meet at the Mary Myers Museum on Tuesday, August 4th at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome, so please join us.

The museum is at 131 East Williams St. in Ovid.

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Wren Alynn Rubey

Proud to announce Wren Alynn Rubey, born at Owosso Memorial Hospital on July 5, 2020 at 10:43 p.m. to Scott II and Brittany (Micka) Rubey. She weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces.

Grandparents are Scott Rubey, Melissa and Eric Kayanek, (The Late) Richard Micka, Chris and Ed Stewart.

Great grandparents are Thelma and Basil Janes, Bill and Ellen Kress, Janice Roy and (The Late) Norm Roy, Barb Galehouse and Norm Martin.

Great, great grandparents Gertie Dunham and (The Late) Dean Dunham.

Drive-thru Food Distribution Announced

OWOSSO -- The Greater Lansing Food Bank is distributing fresh and non-perishable food items at a drive-thru mobile food pantry from 9 to 11 a.m. Aug. 22 at the Shiawassee Family YMCA in Owosso.

Shiawassee County residents should stay in their cars to register and bring proof of residency. Food will be placed in vehicle trunks or hatchbacks.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. at the YMCA, 515 W. Main St.

For more information, call the Greater Lansing Food Bank at (517) 908-3680.

**VOTE
August 4th**



PATRICIA HIBBARD
Ovid Twp Trustee

Concealed Pistol License Class

submitted by Norm Martin

The Shiawassee Conservation Association, 4247 N. M-52, Owosso, is hosting concealed pistol license classes on Saturday, August 8 and Saturday, August 29. Class hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

All firearms, ammunition and classroom materials furnished.

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Class fee is \$100.00 (15% to support SCA).

Pre-register by calling Norman Martin at 989-834-5628 (home) or 989-277-1002 (cell).

Potluck Cancelled

submitted by Janet Chick

The St. Johns Class of 1963 & 1964 Annual Potluck Picnic has been cancelled for Sunday August 30th, 2020.

The class members are planning one for 2021.

Chamber Golf Outing Wednesday, August 26th

submitted by Brenda Terpening

The Clinton County Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual Golf Scramble at the Emerald Golf Course on Wednesday, August 26, 2020. You do not have to be a Chamber member or a business to participate.

The cost for a 4-person team is \$290 and that gets you the golf & carts, continental breakfast, deli lunch, treat bag & contests on the course. If you would be interested in registering your team, you can get the registration form at www.clinton-countychamber.org/events, or you can email the chamber at ccchamber@4wbi.net or call them at 989-224-7248.

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Obituaries

Vickie Lee Eckmyre

A Memorial Service for Vickie Lee Eckmyre will be on Sunday, August 2, 2020 beginning at 1p.m. at the Elsie Park. A pig roast will be after the service.



Paul Hurley Grinnell

Paul Grinnell, age 65 of Ovid passed away Saturday, July 25, 2020 at his home.

There will be no services at this time. A celebration of Paul's life will be held at a later date.

Paul was born April 4, 1955 in Owosso, the son of Richard Grinnell and Sally (Stinson) Atkins.

He graduated from Ovid-Elsie High School, class of 1973 and was a sub-contractor in construction for many years.

Paul enjoyed hunting and deep sea fishing. His greatest love was his family and he looked forward to spending time with them.

Paul is survived by Denise Frye of 22 years; children KC Grinnell, Rikel Grinnell and Roberto Grinnell; several grandchildren; father Richard; sisters Paulett Vanlake, Ron Vanlake and Penny Grinnell; many nieces, nephews and other family and friends.

He was predeceased by his mother Sally and brother John Grinnell.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Association or American Liver Foundation.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Paul Hurley Grinnell please visit our Tribute Store.



Ione M. Rasmussen

Ione M. Rasmussen age 93 passed away on Saturday, July 25, 2020 at Hospice House of Shiawassee.

Ione was born on May 21, 1927 in Middlebury Township the daughter of Floyd and Edna (Binger) Christmas. She graduated from Ovid High School and earned a BA degree from Central Michigan University. She was married to Ernest Rasmussen and he died in 1958. Ione was office manager at Shiawassee County Medical Care Facility for over 30 years, was a homemaker, Sunday School Teacher and loved to read, watch and feed the birds and being involved with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Survivors are her children, Gayla (Louis) Vassilakos of Mackinaw City and Randy (Marilyn) Rasmussen of Owosso. Grandchildren, Leah (Jerry) Williams, Malia (Eric) Hunault Tia (Joe) Filippelli, Trevor (Chelsea) Rasmussen and Nicholas Rasmussen. Great grandchildren are Lorelai Williams, Harlow Williams, Ashlynn Rasmussen and Mila and Nikolas Filippelli.

She was preceded in death by her son, Thomas, aunt Dorothy Binger and uncle Lawrence Binger.

Private graveside services will be held. Memorial donations may be given to Hospice House of Shiawassee, 2005 Copas Rd., Owosso, MI 48867. Arrangements by Keck-Coleman Funeral Home, St. Johns, MI.



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Obituaries

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Shirley Ann Neff (Greene)

Shirley Ann Neff (Greene), 86, of Charlotte, MI, surrounded by her family, passed away on July 27, 2020. She was born March 27, 1934 in Coats Grove, MI, daughter of Edward and Evelyn (Lucas) Thompson. Shirley was a graduate of Sunfield High School, Class of 1951; worked in the insurance business, and spent 25 years volunteering for McLaren Hospital. Shirley's love for ball room dancing brought her joy and introduced her to her 1st and 2nd husband. She also liked to play volleyball, and especially spend time with her family.



Shirley is predeceased by her first husband, Karl Neff of 35 years, her parents, and brothers Vernon and David Thompson. She is survived by her husband of 13 years, Clare Greene; daughter, Renae Neff; son, Randy (Debra) Neff; grandsons: Randy Jr. (Kristin), Dan, and Nick; brothers, Lawrence (Ann) Thompson and Gerald (Mary) Thompson; sister, Jean Dukes; sister-in-law's, Pauline and Sharon Thompson; many nieces and nephews; also step children: Sharon (Patrick) Richards, Julie (Mark) Stenske, Laurie (Dwayne) Pugh, and David (Carrie) Greene.

At Shirley's request, no services will be held and cremation has taken place. The family has entrusted arrangements to Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com

Terry Douglas Watson

Terry Douglas Watson, 78, of Elsie, MI formerly of Alma, MI, passed away Wednesday, July 29, 2020, at Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, MI.

Terry was born in Alma, MI on July 6, 1942, the son of Ford Emery Watson and Wanda Lillian (Vanderbeek) Pratt.

He retired from Lobdell-Emery Company in Alma, MI. In his younger days Terry enjoyed playing pool, riding his motorcycle and going to car shows. He was an avid sports fan and enjoyed watching the Tigers and NASCAR. His family was important to him.

He is survived by his son Jeff and Deanette Watson of Ithaca, MI; 2 daughters: Candis Micka of Elsie, MI; Tristen Davis of Alma, MI; 5 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren; and 2 sisters: Trudy and Robert Wager of Sumner, MI; Sandy and Tom Brown, of St. Louis, MI. He was predeceased by his parents, and son Tim Davis.

Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes Elsie, MI, on Saturday, August 1, 2020 at 1:00 P.M., with Pastor Mona Kindel officiating. The service was streamed live on the funeral homes Facebook page. Burial has taken place at Ford Cemetery, Gratiot County, MI.

Memorials may be made to your local Humane Society in his memory. Online condolences may be made at www.smith-familyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, MI.



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A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell



I just came in after my morning walk through the garden. This year I have a problem with tomato worms.....lots of those beggars. On Monday, I picked twenty-eight from the branches of my tomatoes. Only a few were little and one of the dratted things had the audacity to spew green goo on my hand! I left the garden and scrubbed up, then returned with my gloves and kept picking the critters. I added a few leaves and then added the whole mess into my peeling bucket that I keep for the chickens. Later in the day when I dumped the contents into the chicken yard.....the fowl were ecstatic with their treat.

The rain was glorious and steady last night. It was and is a great blessing to our farmers, gardeners and all with yards and beautiful flowers. My Cannas haven't blossomed yet, that is due to the fact that I didn't get them all planted right away. On the other hand my Hollyhocks are almost finished and I'm keeping track of their different colors so that I can share their seed pods with my daughter and one of my cousins. I have a Hosta to be moved and am pleased with the Day Lilies, especially the doubles. Oops, I need to get a piece of the cactus sent to Denise.

I would like to take a couple of minutes to encourage you to get out and vote on August 4th.....Mom used to admonish us, "you can't complain about our government if you didn't take the time to vote" and I do agree with her. By voting I'm giving my input....even if my candidate doesn't win.....I still have the right and privilege to voice my thoughts. I am running for the Elba Township Treasurer and am grateful if I have your vote.....but I will be happy if you just get out and vote. There are also other issues to be addressed so please get to the polls and vote. Thank you.

I made my sister happy today.....I picked some small zucchini and a vine ripened tomato for her. She stopped by a little while ago and walked away with a smile on her face. There are many blessings in our lives.....some are as small as a bit of fresh veggies Nice and fresh and right out of the garden. So remember to count your blessings.....they really do accumulate daily.

Wow, just got another opportunity to gab with my youngest nephew, Jake. (Not from State Farm) He has finished his schooling for accounting and is moving out of state for a new position. The benefits and pay are good and he gets to move to a milder climate. Now I have an excuse to visit Alabama in the coming years. This should be fun....

The LTD Commodities catalog came this week and it is one catalog that I take the time to look through the pages. I really enjoy the contents and then I share it with my daughter. She orders as soon as the fall catalog arrives. I wasn't horribly surprised when one of the items had to be back ordered but it is to be shipped on the sixth of August. Two weeks earlier I had tried to order three items from a different company and all three items were out of stock.....and yes I had ordered from the new catalog that I had just received. Such is life.

Whipped up a new pie yesterday and it passed young Zach's palette pleasantly. I'm now waiting to hear how Oliver and the others feel about the pie. Diane took it to work last night and since it was a new recipe I want to know what others think.....I thought that the crust was too thick but otherwise tasted decent.

May God bless you daily, enjoy the interesting nuances that show up in your lives. Check out Proverbs 3:1 and enjoy your insight.....

Crystal Mitchell©2020

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Virtual Meeting
May 19, 2020 7:00 pm

Meeting Called to order –Chairperson Herendeen called the virtual meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Board Members Present: William Lasher, Kim Williams, Michael Herendeen, Greg Palen- Absent, Jennings West and Carolyn Stevens. People in Attendance: Others in attendance for meeting: Treasurer Tim Zwick, Chief Stevens, and Secretary Susan Swan.

Approval of Agenda:

Trustee Williams made a motion to approve the agenda with date correction of the minutes. Trustee Stevens seconded the motion. Aye: All Nay: None Carried

Approval of Minutes:

Trustee West made a motion to approve April 28th, 2020 minutes as presented. Trustee Williams seconded the motion. Aye: All Nay: None Carried

Financial Report and Approval of Payment of the Bills:

Trustee Stevens made the motion to accept the payment of checks 10919-10947 for payroll and vendors in a total amount of \$17,854.57 with \$13,642.97 for vendors and \$4,211.60 for payroll. Motion was supported by Trustee West.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: West, Herendeen, Stevens, Williams, Lasher Nays: None Absent: Palen Carried

Treasurer Zwick started a CD for \$100,000.00 at .5 percent rate. The audit is complete and possible presentation at the June's meeting.

Public Comment:

Opened 7:12 pm Closed 7:12 pm None

Fire Chief Report:

Total Runs for April 29-May 19th Month - 10

Total Runs for 2020 year - 94

Chief Stevens reviewed the runs. No fire runs. Grass seed is planted as well as some bushes planted by the Martin Family.

Communications:

None

General Business:

1. Equipment Status- Chairperson Herendeen asked Chief Stevens on the equipment status. Chief Stevens stated the state of equipment was good.

2. Other Business Items- None

Final Comments: Opened 7:16 pm Closed 7:16 pm- none

Motion to Adjourn Meeting:

Trustee Stevens made a motion adjourned the meeting at 7:17 pm. Trustee Lasher seconded the motion.

Next OMESSA meeting June 23rd, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Susan Tomasek Swan
Recording Secretary

Ovid Public Library

The Ovid Public Library is currently offering curbside service only. Please call in your requests and you will be given a designated time to pick up your reading materials at the curb in front of the library. Curbside service hours will be Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10:00 – 5:00. Other times may be made by appointment. Please call the library at 989-834-5800.



Proposals cont'd from front page...

Gratiot County Parks, Trails, and Recreation Program Millage Proposal

For the sole purpose of providing funding necessary for creating, operating, maintaining and improving countywide parks, trails, and recreational programs within Gratiot County, including parks, trails, and recreational programs of Gratiot County and public parks and trails of townships, cities and villages within the County of Gratiot, shall the Constitutional limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution upon the total amount of taxes which may be assessed in one (1) year upon all property within the County of Gratiot, Michigan, be increased by the same level authorized by the voters in 2004, and shall the County be authorized to levy, up to 0.3500 of one (1) mill (\$0.3500 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of eight (8) years, 2020 through 2027, inclusive?

If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$ 516,733.26 for funding a countywide parks, trails and recreation program in Gratiot County in the first calendar year of the levy based on taxable value. A portion of the millage may be disbursed to townships, cities, and villages within Gratiot County for funding countywide parks and trails as the County Board determines appropriate. As required by State law, a small portion of the millage may be captured by the Downtown Development Authority of the City of St. Louis; and the Brownfield Redevelopment Authorities of Gratiot County, the Cities of Alma and St. Louis, the Village of Ashley, and the Township of Elba.

August Project Connect

It is that time of year again.

This year's Project Connect is going to look different. This year's Project Connect (back to school event) will be a road tour.

Due to Covid-19 organizers are breaking up the large in-person event into several smaller drive-up events.

The big change for Project Connect this year is that they are asking people to please pre-register for Project Connect. They need as many people who plan to attend to register ahead of time. This is so that they can pre-package the items for participants, know what to purchase, and what to pack to bring to our remote locations.

Please pre-register online or by phone 989-224-0328 or 517-641-5167 to ensure the sites are well-stocked. Registration Required by July 31

Open to All Clinton County Residents – Pick the location that fits your schedule.

St. Johns – Beacon of Hope Thursday, August 20, 9-11 AM

Bath – Bath Middle School Tuesday, August 11, 9-11 AM

Elsie – Ovid Elsie High School Thursday, August 13, 9-11 AM

Maple Rapids – Community Ball Field Tuesday, August 18, 6-8 PM



Stuff the Bus

submitted by Joanne Fornusek

Ed Fornusek and Joe Smolka presented donations to United Way representative, Eli Hall, for the annual Stuff the Bus Project. Every Elementary school classroom in Gratiot and Isabella county receives this support for needed supplies. Money was donated by the lodge, by individual members, by the Elba Sunshine Club and St. Cyril's Knights of Columbus. Eli stated that the United Way organization was especially grateful for our large donation this year because, due to COVID 19, many of their regular donors were not able to contribute.

Laingsburg Community Schools Seek to Continue Building Levy in August 4 Vote

LAINGSBURG -- Voters in the Laingsburg School District are being asked to review a building levy that expires in 2020.

The proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the building and site sinking fund millage that expires with the 2020 levy. The district is asking for 0.9939 mill to be assessed on all property in the district in both Shiawassee and Clinton counties.

The levy would run five years, 2021 to 2025, to provide for construction or repair of school buildings, for security improvements, for the acquisition or upgrading of technology and other purposes.

The district estimates the levy will provide approximately \$220,363 in the first year.

In 2017, Laingsburg voters approved a 1-mill sinking fund proposal 360-158.

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Senior Spotlight

How Older Drivers can Approach Vehicle Maintenance and Social Distance

The outbreak of the novel coronavirus COVID-19 in the winter of 2019-20 required people of all ages and backgrounds to make changes in their daily lives. Elderly men and women were among the groups the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention identified as high-risk for severe illness from COVID-19. That forced people 65 years and older to be especially cautious when engaging in otherwise normal activities, including having their vehicles serviced.

In recognition of the threat posed by COVID-19, many auto dealerships and service shops implemented changes to their operations to ensure the safety of their employees and their customers, including those in high-risk groups. Seniors can take additional measures to ensure they stay safe while having their vehicles serviced.

- Inquire about safety measures. Before booking vehicle maintenance appointments, seniors should call the dealership or body shop to determine what's being done to keep everyone safe. Many such businesses quickly implemented new safety protocols so they should be ready and willing to share this information over the phone. Look for specific information about sanitization practices. Are vehicle interiors being sprayed with disinfectant before and after maintenance appointments? Are employees wearing masks each day? Are employees being checked for COVID-19 symptoms before each shift? These are some of the simple yet effective measures many dealerships and body shops are taking to ensure the safety of their customers.

- Ask about pickup service. Some communities that have reopened are encouraging high-risk segments of the population to adhere to stay-at-home measures. Elderly men and women are still vulnerable to COVID-19 even if the number of reported cases in their towns has decreased. Pickup service, in which a service shop employee will come pick up and then drop off a customer's car once the work is done, can be a great way for elderly drivers to have their vehicles serviced without going out in public. Even if pickup is not policy, ask if it's possible and request that your vehicle be disinfected upon being returned. If pickup is not an option, ask a younger friend or family member to drive your car in for maintenance in your place.

- Only visit safe facilities. Elderly drivers who must visit a dealership or body shop in person should confirm that waiting rooms feature socially distant seating. If possible, drop the car off and then go for a walk or find somewhere safe off the premises to read a book or listen to music while the work is being done.

Elderly drivers who need to have their vehicles serviced can take certain steps to stay safe in the era of social distancing.



Rock-a-Thon for Respite Volunteers

submitted by Helen Howard

Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee is preparing for the "Rock-a-thon for Respite" on Wed. Aug. 19th, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the lawn of the St. Paul Episcopal Church in Corunna. Respite Volunteers, friends, and supporters are being asked to seek pledge donations to the nonprofit and in turn participate in the Rock-a-Thon. This fun event is open to anyone who would like to help seek pledges to help Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee continue with their volunteer services in Shiawassee County. Persons who are successful in receiving pledge donations will enjoy a fun time of rocking, lunch during the Rock-a-thon. Participants are encouraged to bring their rocking chairs or any lawn chair and enjoy a relaxing time with others (with physical distancing, and with face masks).

Or participants can do this remotely, from their own home, their own deck, even from their desk at work.

To participate in the event, please contact pick up Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee for pledge forms which can be individualized for each person participating. If copies are needed, these along with other supplies can be picked up at the office, located at 710 W. King St. east of the King St. entrance into the Memorial Healthcare Campus in Owosso. The main entrance is on the parking lot side. For more information, please call 989-725-1127, or e-mail the office at office@respitevolunteers.org; also please visit their website at www.respitevolunteers.org

Donations in honor of a specific "Rocker" may also be made directly from the website, www.respitevolunteers.org

Persons already committed to being Rockers for Respite are: Donna Nault, Pat Elliott, Jackie Hurd, Dar Walden, Paula Harris, David Stechschulte Jr., Carol Nama, Stasia Reyna, Helen Stump, Angela Nicholls, Ruth Nick, and Helen Howard. And Pam Giffei is participating remotely. Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee is a local non-profit organization that provides respite to adults (primarily frail elderly) with medical-health challenges, and support to Shiawassee County family caregivers of adults with persistent health needs and to elderly living alone. Respite support may include friendly visits, respite to the family caregiver, help with some errands. Patient and Caregiver Education is also provided to the patients and their caregiving families that Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee serves.

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Senior Spotlight

Area Recycling Still on Hold

submitted by Ellen Link

We so hate to have to say this, but Laingsburg area recycling is still on hold. Like so many others, we wait impatiently for the green light to resume operations. This is not what we want but what has to be, and hope you will all understand. For what it's worth, the City of East Lansing recycling drop-off site remains closed as well.



Materials can still be taken to Granger (Wood Rd. in Lansing), Meridian Township (Lake Rd. in Haslett), MSU, and the St. Johns Lions' site, but note that hours of operation and the variety of recyclables accepted may have been reduced and/or changed so it is best to check lists and hours before making the trip. If you are elderly or handicapped and need assistance, please call one of the numbers given below.

Did you know that 22 million pounds of plastic enter our Great Lakes each year, polluting our water, killing marine life and putting our state's \$24 billion tourism industry in jeopardy? Several bills have been introduced in the legislature to help get our plastic pollution problem under control and protect our state's economy and environment. House Bill 4500 would repeal a 2016 law that prevents local governments from restricting or taxing plastic grocery bags or certain other types of plastic containers within their own communities, even if their citizens want it. House Bill 5306 and Senate Bill 701 would expand Michigan's successful bottle deposit law to include containers for bottled water, flavored water, juices, teas and other non-carbonated beverages and includes universal redemption. These bills would greatly increase Michigan's recycling rate, which is currently the lowest in the Great Lakes region and one of the lowest in the nation and will help keep plastic out of our waters and landfills.

Since 2007, eight states—California, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Maine, New York, Oregon and Vermont—and more than 240 cities and counties have passed laws that ban or tax single-use plastic bags. Annual consumption of plastic bottles is set to top half a trillion by 2021, far outstripping recycling efforts and jeopardizing not just oceans but also our own beautiful waterways and environment. Please, contact your legislators and voice your support for this legislation. Our kids and grandkids deserve better than this.

If you have any questions or suggestions, contact Terry or Ellen Link (517-651-2005) or Beth Lange (651-6473). And please don't give up reducing, reusing and, of course, recycling.



State Rep. Ben Frederick speaks in support of Senate Bill 956 in the Michigan House chamber Wednesday.

Rep. Frederick Supports Plan to End Governor's COVID-19 Nursing Home Policy

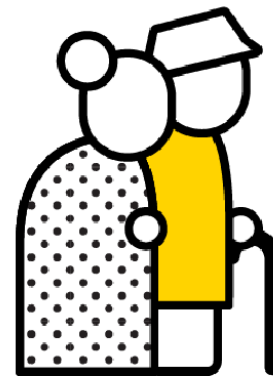
submitted by Christina Guenthner

State Rep. Ben Frederick last week supported a plan to end the governor's nursing home transfer policy. The much-criticized policy has been shown to have contributed to additional risk and exposure for vulnerable residents and staff. Michigan has lagged behind all other states in bringing an end to such transfers.

Frederick, of Owosso, said the mandate to put COVID-19 patients into long-term care facilities housing uninfected residents was decided by the governor without legislative input, despite repeated warnings from both nursing home facilities and the state's hospital systems.

"This is a tragic situation which came about only after urgent concerns from our nursing homes and hospital systems went unanswered," Frederick said. "As early as mid-March and again in April immediately following the executive order, those we count on in health care who were asked to implement this stated they had received no notice of the executive order, no input, no collaboration and had woefully inadequate supplies of personal protective equipment. There was a statement made that COVID exposure among our elderly was not only a possibility, but a certainty. Sadly, these warnings from our frontline workers were not heeded and we witnessed an unfolding tragedy within the very places where the most vulnerable of our people reside."

Nearly 2,000 nursing home residents have died in Michigan and account for a third of the total deaths in the state.



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Best Places to Vacation this Summer in Michigan

Dear Andy,

Missing your column for the last few weeks. Where are you? I hope you're not ill with the unforgiving virus going rampant around the country. Are you on vacation? Are you still taking your own good advice?

From a Faithful Reader

Dear Faithful Reader,

Thank you for noticing that I have not been answering letters from my email in-box, lately. And, "Yes", I have been on several vacations. And yes, again....I am still taking my own advice and "Social Distancing" seriously. There are ways to have a fun family vacations, even during the fight against Covid-19.

My first outing, after the Stay Home, Stay Safe quarantine was June 10th to a restaurant on our 42nd Anniversary. We were seated over 10 feet apart from other tables. We wore masks in and out of the restaurant. All staff wore masks and were carefully monitoring the cleanliness and safety for their customers. Nice thing about the outing, we could hear the music and no others guest's conversations. The food was served hot. It was perfect first outing.

Then my daughters took me "Up North" to a 6-bedroom, 5-bathroom giant home on the "Big Lake". No worry about the flu, the place was empty over the winter and Spring. They cleaned the place while I enjoyed a million-dollar view. I read, hiked, swam, and prepared awesome meals for my hard-working daughters. If you have friends or relatives who share their up north "cottages", it may be an option.

There are many homes and cabins on the rivers for reasonable prices and spaced apart from other vacationers. Check some of your favorite spots and discuss their distancing procedures. Some State Parks are limiting campers which allow more room for families to spread out. Stay a safe distance in the water and lakes. Be respectful, wait your turn. If you go out of state, try to find short distances away from home so you do not need to stop too many times along the road.

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One wonderful out-of-state long weekend, I spent with my niece and her children who were happy to see new faces. They were quarantined for a long time. I just showered them with new toys, we had purchased online and wiped them clean. No spreading of virus contamination from the Great Auntie.

The best vacation I took was my "Stay-cation" in my own back yard. We had bon fires, cook outs, kayaking, gardening, sitting in the porch swing reading, taking turns for naps in the hammocks, and hiking on the trails in the woods near our home. Laying on a blanket looking at the stars or finding shapes in the clouds. Actually, playing games with the children; Creating lasting memories.

It was not an extended family reunion where people come from other states and all over our state. We had only immediate family. Great thing about being in the back yard, everything you need is only a few steps away. And, if the ground gets too hard, a comfortable bed is close by as well. Less people = more fun and "real" talk time. My advice, just enjoy our sunny dazes and appreciate life and make family a priority.

Our family all agree to continue to be careful until there is a vaccine for Covid-19. We all need to be following CDC and State guidelines. Safe vacations are possible with good planning or just staying in the back yard.

Try this suggestion... No WIFI and no technology, no TV... play games and fun activities like Bocci ball, corn hole and the golf ball throwing or giant dice. Just have lots of FUN and BE SAFE.

Thank you for your concern about my absence. I must confess, last week I did not remember what day it was and missed the deadline. Andy, at ask_andy@aol.com

P.S. I will be answering all the letters sent in the last month. Thank you for your ideas and concerns. Keep your emails coming. I will answer all inquiries, and some will be seen in print soon! I take my own good advice and appreciate you taking my advice, with a grain of salt, sometimes. Andy

Vote for Huyser

Letter to the Editor:

It is with great pride and joy that I fully endorse Sarah Huyser for Clinton County Prosecutor.

As a Criminal Defense Lawyer, I have always known Prosecutor Huyser to be someone of the utmost integrity and class. She has always zealously advocated for the victims under her care, and is forever in pursuit of Justice.


There is no better candidate to serve the people of Clinton County than Sarah Huyser. She is already a credit to the Judicial System, and I have every confidence that she will continue to be the best representative for the citizens of Clinton County.

Brendon G. Basiga

Letter to the Editor:

Sarah Huyser is the clear choice of informed voters for Clinton County Prosecutor. She is a tremendous voice for the citizens of Clinton County. She is pro law enforcement and has always been a conscientious public servant. Vote for her either by absentee ballot now or on August 4 in the Republican primary!

Kevin Hayes



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I appreciate those who have called me for information on their questions. We enjoy working for our residents, we're here for you.

Thank you for letting me use your property for my signs. I appreciate your support to Re-Elect me as Township Trustee.

Thank you, Arlene Pesik 834-5989



Editorial cont'd from page 8



The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster
theweeklysportsman@meridianweekly.com

.22 WRF

Many readers have probably not heard of the .22 WRF (Winchester Rimfire) unless they happen to own a very old .22 that more than likely belonged to their grandfather or great grandfather. Not to be confused with the .22 WMR (Winchester Magnum Rimfire), although it does share the same bullet diameter of .224, however it predates the magnum rimfire cartridge by nearly seven decades. While still commercially produced by two ammunition companies to feed very old antique rimfire rifles it also has a new modern day application that is pure genius for the small game/varmint hunter along with survivalist/preppers.

The .22 WRF was originally designed to be chambered by Winchester in their model 1890 pump rifle. It was quite a bit more peppy compared to blackpowder .22 LR loads of that era and Winchester boasted of its exterior ballistics of sending a 45 grain flat nose bullet down range at 1,100 fps. Small game hunters also rejoiced in the fact that the bullets were not covered with wax lube which tended to get dirty when carried around in pockets. As time went on the rimfire cartridge eventually became offered with smokeless powder and a 1,450 fps velocity and hollow points. This was an early "magnum" offering a little more stopping power for squirrels, woodchucks, foxes, and the like. Winchester continued to offer in pump and bolt action rifles but popularity started to wane just after WWII when the advances were made to the .22LR cartridge and the introduction of the .22 WMR in 1959. Other firearm companies also chambered the round such as Savage, Stevens, and Remington. Even Colt produced a fair number of revolvers chambered for the .22 WRF. Remington options can often be found but don't expect their barrels to read .22 WRF as they called the cartridge ".22 Remington Special" and even produced ammunition under that moniker.

Today CCI and Winchester both offer 45 grain loads that clock in at around 1300 fps. CCI offers a gold dot hollow point bullet and Winchester offers the flat nose bullet that resembles a tapered wadcutter. Both bullets are well constructed and offer very good controlled expansion. If you have a vintage rifle you can shoot it just like your ancestors did and honestly have a pretty damn good accurate squirrel rifle if you add a scope. The Weekly Sportsman doesn't recommend monkeying with a pristine collectible bolt action rifle so find one that has already been drilled and tapped.

Now for those who own a single shot or bolt action .22 WMR with a scope consider shooting .22 WRF ammunition out of that rifle. Expect point of impact to be several inches lower at 50 or 100 yards but this reduced power option won't tear up small game meat that you want to serve for dinner. Carrying some .22 WRF along on your jaunts through the woods and fields will make your .22 WMR a lot more versatile. It is also

not uncommon to find .22 WRF ammunition to be cheaper when you find it on a retailer's shelf. Or how about a revolver loaded with half and half and stowed in a survival go bag? Self defense and meat getter all in one lightweight trail pistol. Two words of caution; don't expect the .22 WRF loads to cycle semi-automatics and don't shoot these modern loads in old Colt revolvers.
-WS

Vote for Anthony Feig

Letter to the Editor:

There are three gentlemen currently running for Michigan's 4th District Congressional seat. That seat covers 15 counties in mid-Michigan and was gerrymandered specifically for Dave Camp, who held the seat before the 2010 census triggered a redesign of our congressional map.

The last three gents to hold the office--Bill Schuette, Camp, and John Moolenaar--all grew up in Midland and are connected to Midland's power brokers, Dow Chemical, now Dow/Dupont. The Dow blessing assures ample funds and connections for mounting a campaign that spreads across 15 counties. The Congressman whom Schuette defeated in 1984, a local farmer named Don Albosta, evidently sponsored legislation to provide compensation for victims of hazardous substances. Schuette, the 31-year-old stepson of Dow Chairman Carl Gerstacker, was chosen by the power brokers to defeat the Democratic farmer.

The current officeholder, John Moolenaar, a former Dow chemist, is seeking his fourth term. He and his two opponents, Anthony Feig, a CMU professor of geography, and Jerry Hilliard, an economics teacher at Mid-Michigan Community College, are all quite affable. I urge fellow citizens to vote for Anthony Feig.

We need someone in Washington who is up to tackling a wide range of issues, learning quickly, proposing real solutions and working hard to see them through to the finish. Based on my meetings with each of the candidates, Anthony Feig has more to offer all of us. The immediate and future challenges facing us as a human family—pandemics; income, wealth, and health care inequality; climate disruption; increasing militarism and violence—require someone able to understand the complexity and connectivity of these intersecting issues and find workable solutions. Anthony Feig offers us the best hope to steer us toward a livable and prosperous future for our children and grandchildren. Vote August 4 and November 3 for Feig for Congress.

Terry Link, Laingsburg

Vote Yes on SCMCF Millage Renewal

Letter to the Editor:

Pleasant View SCMCF, located at 275 Caledonia Drive, Owosso, Michigan, has been a valuable county resource for more than 173 years, evolving from the county poor farm in 1843. The families in Shiawassee are choosing Pleasant View to care for their loved ones because the staff demonstrates a true compassion for life. Through rigorous training and commitment, Pleasant View has created an outstanding and trustworthy team. Caring for our loved ones by ensuring their safety and the highest level of care is their number one goal.

Pleasant View SCMCF is licensed and certified for Medicaid and Medicare. The residents vary in age and require 24-hour, seven day a week nursing care. Alongside offering short-term rehabilitation services and skilled nursing services, Pleasant View SCMCF has become known in the community for the exceptional quality of care they give our residents in a comfortable, home-like setting.

With approximately 280 employees, Pleasant View continues to show its commitment to the community, with 75% of its employees being residents of Shiawassee County.

The upcoming millage vote on August 4, 2020, is a renewal. The passing of this millage allows Pleasant View SCMCF to continue giving excellent resident care that we've all come to expect from them. It also allows the replacement and repairs needed on equipment and supplies and provides jobs with competitive wages and benefits to approximately 280 employees.

Shiawassee residents will have an opportunity to vote to pass the millage on the Aug. 4th ballot. The millage provides

about 16% of the facility's operating budget. It is imperative that we vote to pass this millage on August 4th. Pleasant View SCMCF is a strong addition to our community and they are committed to caring for the residents of Shiawassee County.

Sincerely,
Daniel L. McMaster
Shiawassee County Commissioner
District #2



The more man meditates upon good thoughts, the better will be his world and the world at large.
-- Confucius

OMESA Regular Meeting June 23, 2020 7:00 pm

Meeting Called to order—Chairperson Herendeen called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Board Members Present: William Lasher, Kim Williams, Michael Herendeen, Greg Palen, Jennings West and Carolyn Stevens.

People in Attendance: There were 2 guests; Greg Atwood and Deb Shaughnessy, Deputy Supervisor, Ovid Township. Others in attendance for meeting: Jordon Smith, Senior Manager from Maner-Costerian, Deputy Treasurer, Zane Zwick, Chief Stevens, and recording secretary Susan Swan.

Approval of Agenda:

Trustee Williams made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Stevens seconded the motion. Aye: All Nay: None Carried

Approval of Minutes:

Secretary West made a motion to approve May 19th, 2020 minutes as presented. Vice-Chairperson Palen seconded the motion. Aye: All Nay: None Carried

Financial Report and Approval of Payment of the Bills:

Deputy Treasurer Zwick presented the report of the bills and reviewed the balances on the checking and CD (cash deposit) balances. Chairperson Herendeen made the motion to accept the payment of checks 10948-10981 for payroll and vendors in a total amount of \$8,446.07 with \$4,200.11 for vendors and \$4,245.96 for payroll. Motion was supported by Secretary West.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: West, Herendeen, Stevens, Williams, Lasher, Palen Nays: None

Carried

Public Comment: Opened 7:07 pm Closed 7:08 pm

Deb Shaughnessy, Deputy Supervisor from Ovid Township introduced herself.

Fire Chief Report:

Total Runs for May 20th -June 23rd Month -29

Total Runs for 2020 year -123

Chief Stevens reviewed the different runs from the past month.

Communications: None

General Business:

1. Jordon Smith-Maner Costerian- 2019 Audit Jordon Smith, Senior Manager from Maner Costerian reviewed the audit from the fiscal year 2019 of OMESA. He explained the clean opinion given from the audit. He reviewed the balance sheet. He explained the difference of the balance from last year versus this year. Trustee Lasher asked about debt service. Mr. Smith explained the State of Michigan requires a debt service fund. Not necessarily a separate account, but a separate fund.

Trustee Williams made a motion to accept the audit by Maner Costerian as presented. The motion was supported by Secretary West.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Williams, Lasher, West, Stevens, Palen, Herendeen Nays: None

2. Lawn Mowing Issue Chief Stevens is getting a quote from a landscaping company on mowing the property. Unfortunately, there is a need for more top soil and all the grass seed placed down Has been washed away. Chief Stevens stated it needs to be brush hogged down.

3. Equipment Status- Chief Pease had no equipment updates. Greg Atwood showed the new AED (Automated External Defibrillator) which can automatically change from child to an adult. He showed the new pads which works longer and are for both adult and child. There is spare set of the pads because they cannot be reused. The cost came in under the \$4,000.00 budget of \$3,400 for the two machines. The older models of AED that OMESA presently owns; the parts have been discontinued.

4. Other Business Items- None

Final Comments: Opened 7:24 pm Closed 7:24 pm- none

Motion to Adjourn Meeting:

Chairman Herendeen made a motion with no objection to adjourned the meeting at 7:24 pm. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm

Next OMESA meeting July 28th, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

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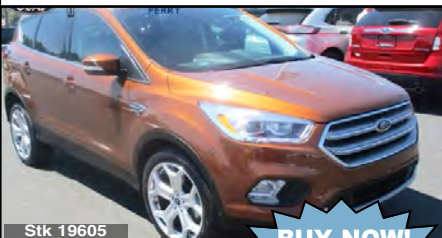
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Registered voters in the area will head to the polls to cast their votes in either the Republican or Democratic Primary on Tuesday, August 4th. There following races will be determined in the August 4th Primary. In Shiawassee County: The Middlebury Township Supervisors position. The two Republican candidates are Incumbent, Mike Herendeen and challenger, Carl Chalker. In Woodhull Township, the Treasurer position. The two Republican candidates are Dawn Warfle and Maggie Galilei.

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