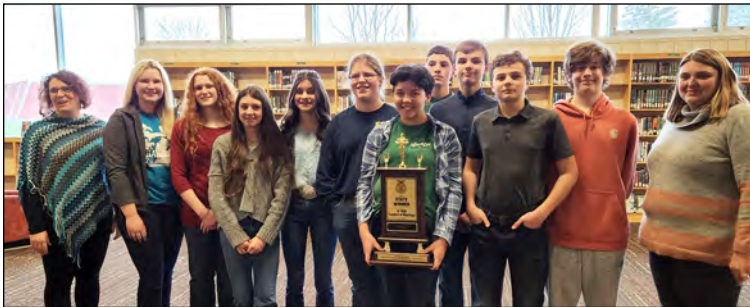


Majority Does Not Support Turf Field...Project Advances

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – Ovid-Elsie Area Schools Board of Education members were once again addressed by district residents regarding the decision to install synthetic turf on the Ovid-Elsie football field. Over 100 were in attendance.

Due to the resignation of Josh Miller as Ovid-Elsie Area Schools Board president, action was taken to elect Mr. Michael Schiffer to the position of Vice President. Noting that Eric Jones, former vice president, has ascended to board president. In addition, Josh Miller is now a board trustee.



Ovid-Elsie FFA students honored for being State Champions.

It was also an evening of recognizing student achievements: the Class of 2022 High School Honor students – Summa Cum Laude (4.0+) and the FFA State Champions. Ovid-Elsie Alternative High School students were present, as a requirement of their senior portfolio,

to observe local government in action.

The focus of the evening was the Mark H. O'Donnell Athletic Field update and status of the athletic complex project. A PowerPoint presentation was given by Mike Watson, 1993 OE alumni, who has extensive experience in Michigan high school athletics and synthetic turf fields. Safety issues were addressed and mitigated. In addition, environmental considerations were discussed and included less water usage, no pesticides or herbicide uses. Watson noted the positive attributes for the turf field including increased playability for football, band, soccer, youth football, physical education classes, lacrosse, and over 3x less expensive per event than grass and less maintenance costs. Lessons that were learned is the need for districts to develop a replacement plan, consider rental usage dollars and develop a documented maintenance plan. During public comment community members were allowed to ask questions.

Building updates gave each building and department an opportunity to update officials on the activities going on in each. The elementary schools Leonard and EE Knight are in the process of planning for end of the year assessments and M-Step testing is underway. Both schools had very successful reading months. Finally, EE Knight had a very successful Father/Daughter dance.

Mr. Brian Powell, OE Middle School principal, reported that M-Step testing is in progress and emotional screeners are coming up. The FFA middle school group was very successful and

is preparing for additional competitions.

Mr. Jason Tokar, OE High School principle, reported that the E sports completion team is doing well; the performing arts class presented the play "You Can Take It with You" and it was a great success. On a related note, Tokar is working with Powell to bring a performing arts class to the middle school. Saturday, April 23, 2022 is prom night, the event will take place at the Milestone Barn.

High school SAT, ACT Work Keys and M-Step testing will soon be wrapping up. And finally, the O-E Hall a Fame has received more nominations than ever before.

It has been a busy time for Ovid-Elsie Alternative High School. Due to grant funding the students has an opportunity to tour the Flint Institute of Art and completed an art project at the art school. In addition, three students attended the Michigan Alternative Education Organization Legislative Day, it was an opportunity to network with other alternative students. The take away from the event was that most felt that school meals could be improved, some had facility concerns, but the strongest statements involved the lack of inclusion in their home districts. Finally, annual testing is complete. The OE Alternative Prom is slated for Saturday, May 7, 2022.

Mr. Craig Coleman, maintenance and transportation, addressed the leaking roof at the middle school and the social media comments that were made. The contractor was contacted and repairs were in progress noting that the repair was covered by guarantee/warranty. Currently building and grounds is preparing for summer maintenance projects.

Dan Davenport, Technology Director commented that the district is in the midst of testing season everything is working so far. At the elementary schools grant financed computers are being disbursed with a deadline of June 2022. He noted that the supply chain continues to be an issue.

Eric Jones, President, reminded community members that public comment will be 3 minutes per individual. Comments will be directed toward the chair. Also, those in attendance will be able to ask questions regarding the athletic complex updates.

Roy Nethaway asked a number of questions – have other options been looked at regarding the drainage? Is/has the contractor every installed a turf field? Did the committee exhaust all the options? The contract manager, Scott Jernberg Triangle commented, "It was noted that the contractor has completed at least sixty fields, they are professional and understand the drainage issues and multiple contractors for the project."

Nethaway, also commented on the possible carcinogens exposure and other health issues and that the organic surface could be healthier. Mike Watson, discussed the best practices regarding bio-spills and how they will be addressed.

Other comments voiced concern about the cost of replacement in 8-10 years and ongoing maintenance. Experts present stressed the need to set aside funds for maintenance and for turf replacement.

Robert Meredith, stressed that the presentation only showed schools from urban areas. And commented that small districts cannot afford it.

Scott Jernberg Triangle, contract manager – noted that he would provide a list of the small districts that have installed synthetic turf, making them available to the community.

Kelly Nethaway, noted that the communities that wanted it supported it, this district does not want it.

Steve Sopocy – addressed the maintenance, where is it noted that additional equipment must be purchased to maintain the turf fields. Costs and longevity were noted but not maintenance equipment. Not in favor of the project. The hidden costs are not being addressed. "Noted that the maintenance equipment comes with the purchase of the turf."

Mary Perrien asked, "How many companies submitted bids?" It was noted that 5 companies submitted bids and the low bid was accepted.

Logan Bigelow asked questions regarding the drainage system and where the water will drain. The question was addressed.

Costs and inflation concerns were voiced by numerous residents. "Contractors took into consideration inflation, and prefactored into the bids that were submitted. Material costs were addressed."

More than one resident wanted an answer to the following question, "Is this a done deal and are we here just venting?" Dr. Ryan Cunningham noted that contracts have been signed and the project is moving forward.

Additional public comments included the following.



Community questions Turf decision.

22nd Annual Blessing of the Bikers

On Sunday, May 1st, the 22nd Annual Blessing of the Bikers will be held at the Church of the Living Word in Ovid. Hundreds of motorcycle enthusiasts will roll into Ovid for the annual first Sunday of May event.

The days activities will include free coffee and baked goods at 9:30 am followed by the Biker Service at 10:30 am with live music and words of encouragement. An all you can eat hog roast (\$5.00 per person) will be served from 11:30am-1:00pm. After lunch, a Blessing Service honoring Bikers, Soldiers and Veterans will be held, rounding out the day will be a Charity Ride for Youth Haven Ranch (\$10.00 per person).

All are invited to join in on a day of fun (please no pets) A raffle and prizes will be available. For more information call 989-834-5950. Church of the Living Word is located at 1100 N. Ovid Road, Ovid, MI 48866.



Social

Library News

Ovid Public Library Events

Classic Movie at the Ovid Public Library will be Wednesday, April 27 at 1:00.

We will be showing the movie Caroline? starring Stephanie Zimbalist, Pamela Reed, and George Grizzard.

We found a ring outside on one of the benches in front of the library. Please call or come in to identify the ring if you believe it is yours.

Our Adult Booktasting is scheduled for May 9 at 1:00 and Childrens Story Hour will be May 13 at 10:30. We are still hosting craft time at 1:30 on Tuesday afternoons.

Plans are in the works for the Summer Reading Program. When we get everything finalized we will let you know the details. We are looking forward to a fun summer of reading and activities.

CHILI COOK OFF

Chili Cook-Off and Silent Auction at United Church of Ovid

submitted by Sue Casler

A Chili Cook-off is being planned on Saturday, April 30, 4 pm. The night will sponsor good food, a silent auction, and a fun time with purpose for a great cause: To help support Summer Church Camp Scholarships (a wonderful and life changing experience for young and old).

Along with our chili contestants, we will have hot dogs for our non-chili eaters. A large silent auction will add to the fun!

To sign up your chili recipe call the church office (834-5958). Due to Health Food regulations, we are offering the use of our licensed kitchen for you to come and prepare your chili in. Kitchen will be open during office hours Wed. & Thurs (9am - 12noon). We'll save an electric plug just for you!

Invite a friend and join us for a bunch of fun!

St. Johns Mint Festival Euchre Fundraiser

submitted by Mariah Leiby

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OE School Board cont' from front page...

Todd Moore thanked the board and Dr. Cunningham for the work they do for a thankless job. The anti-band wagon group changes everything. Thank-you for listening and considering that our students are worthy of this project.

Steve Sopocy stated that there is a need for open communication from the board, making this decision on November 15, was not an example of open communication. This project should have involved a vote. Communication is key.

Rick Zemla – Representing Fairfield Township, voiced concern about the spending. He outlined the job and duties of municipal boards and the health and welfare of the community. In addition, he stated is concerns about injuries on turf, 58% more than grass fields.

Sue Cadillac voiced numerous concerns, questions about the stadium committee, and that the community was not informed. In addition, it appears that there were not minutes taken for these meetings. The three meetings were not published or posted. More conversation was held about the Marauder logo than the stadium committee. It is time to live stream the meetings. Transparency is needed, take a pause and listen to the public.

Letters received from Jacob Shaw, senior, supporting the project. And a thank-you from Coach Long.

Officials took action to approve NEOLA policies – 6110 and 6114. In addition, officials approved a policy that allows the board president to make motions and vote on board actions, an addition to the policies. Approved.

Officials approved the minor changes to the elementary, middle school, high school and alternative high school handbooks. It was noted that the elementary schools share a handbook and the high school and middle schools are merging their handbooks together. The athletic handbook addresses fan behavior and a definition of fighting. The technology department added a line to meet federal grant mandates.

Board action was taken to extend Mr. Craig Coleman, director of building and grounds and transportation, contract for three years until 2025.

Dr. Ryan Cunningham reported that negotiations had taken place with the paraprofessionals for a retention bonus of \$400 to be paid at the end of the year. This is in addition to the bonus received in December.

Mr. Jason Tokar reminded officials that for the last three years' students have not been able

to participate in the DC field trip. He requests board approval to seek cost estimates for a DC trip three days, April 25-23, 2023. And that for the next two years two classes would be invited to attend. 2023 juniors and sophomores and in 2024 the eighth and ninth graders. The Ovid-Elsie Board of Education gave the go ahead.

Officials retired in closed session to address a student disciplinary hearing. In open session officials took the following action - Suspension 4/27 return and comply with board outlined requirements

Monthly action was taken to approve the consent agenda which included: approval of the meeting agenda, minutes of the March 21, 2022 board meeting, approval of expenditures and monthly financial statements.

Ovid Lions White Cane Sale

On Friday and Saturday, April 29th and 30th, the Ovid Lions Club will hold their Annual White Cane Days at various Ovid locations.

The White Cane has become an international symbol, identifying individuals who are blind or who have low vision and alerting Michigan drivers to observe caution for the safety of drivers and pedestrians alike; and have supported projects and organizations that benefit people who are blind or who have low vision and help provide examinations, eyeglasses and white canes to those in need.



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Obituaries

Rick Allen Moore

Rick Allen Moore, age 75, of Elsie, MI, passed away Sunday, March 27, 2022, at Hazel I. Findlay Country Manor, St. Johns, MI.

Rick was born in Ovid, Michigan on November 16, 1946, the son of Richard and Margaret (Waggoner) Moore. Rick grew up in Bannister on the family farm where he worked alongside his mom and dad. He graduated from Elsie High School with the class of 1965. Rick married Mary Suzanne Jenks on August 28, 1966, at the United Methodist Church in Ovid.

Rick proudly served his country in the United States Navy. He did three tours in Antarctica as an air traffic controller during Operation Deep Freeze. He retired from Ashland Chemical as a truck driver after 30 years of service. He began volunteering in 1992 with Elsie Area Ambulance Service for many years and he also served as a director for a short time. He also volunteered with Ovid Ambulance Service and worked at Clinton Area Ambulance Service. Rick loved camping, watching freighters at the cabin in the Soo, and John Deere. He loved spending time with his family, his dog Missy and cat Misha.

He is survived by his wife Suzanne Moore of Elsie, MI; children: Katie and Barry Moore of Elsie, MI; Bryan and Jen Moore of Ashley, MI; Brandon and Beth Moore of Portland, MI; Scott and Sasha Moore of Traverse City, MI; grandchildren: Kyla and Nate Irvine, O'Malley Moore (Noalyn Gove), Bailey Edgar (Tyler Henry), Raygan Moore, Samantha Moore, Patience Moore, and Spencer Moore. He is also survived by his sister Marcie and Ron Applebee of Statesboro, GA; one brother Todd and Tammy Moore of Midland, MI; sister-in-law Sally and Renee Secor-Jenks of Owosso, MI; brother-in-law Lee and Jean Jenks of Bad Axe, MI; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, son Bryce Moore, mother and father-in-law: Evelyn and Richard Jenks and nephew Christopher Applebee.

A Graveside Service will be held at Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, MI, at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, May 13, 2022, with Pastor Zella Daniel officiating.

Memorials may be made to Elsie Fire and Rescue. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



Kids and parents enjoyed the first ever Easter Egg Hunt in Laingsburg at Bates Scout Park.

Lots of "Eggcitement" for Kids

On Saturday, April 9th, Ovid Healthcare hosted the return of their popular Easter Egg Hunt. Kids ages preschool thru 5th grade filled their baskets with eggs filled with treats. A life size Easter Bunny was onsite to greet the children. A bike giveaway was also part of the days events and the following were winners: Preschool, Jackson Potter and Olivia Arnette, Kindergarten & 1st grade, Elijah Pontack and Madalynn Martin, 2nd & 3rd grade, Rhiley Coleman and Robert Dennis, 4th grade thru 6th grades, Gabe Lohr and Kala Koski. Special thanks to all the businesses, organizations and our resident families who donated to help make this event so successful.



Dylan Ely, age 2, carefully counts the eggs in her basket during the egg hunt at Ovid Healthcare.

forward to a bigger event next year," explained Arthur.

On Saturday, April 16th, the Laingsburg Lions Club hosted their first Easter Egg Hunt at Bates Scout Park. One hundred fifty kids took part in the first time event. The kids searched for candy filled eggs hidden in the park. Once the kids found 12 eggs, they returned them to event organizer Ed Arthur who in turn gave each child their choice of a stuffed bunny or solid chocolate bunny. Kids also found "Golden Eggs" during the hunt that were filled with cash. "We were very happy with the turnout for our first Easter event and look



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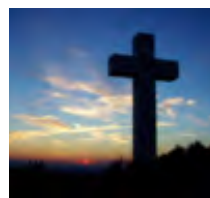
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Editorial



A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

Rather dreary out there this morning, I understand that we need the rain because in our area we didn't get enough snow to keep our water table well supplied. And yet, I was eagerly looking forward to having another bright sunshine filled day, just a tad bit disappointed. I had hoped to get out into the lawn and get the sticks all picked up so that I could be ready to mow soon. Of course there are a few small tree limbs out there this morning especially under the willow and though I won't melt I just don't feel like getting wet. Good news, the white pickup has sold and now I'm back to supporting a two vehicle driveway. I have quite a list of things that I could be doing today but it is doubtful that I will be addressing that list at all. I do believe that I will spend the day visiting friends.

Diane, Brent, and Zach came over last week and moved the straw bales for me. I now have six sitting in the garden for me to treat and make ready for planting. (Note to self, I need another bag of blood meal for the bales.) The other two are in the shed to get dried out so that I can use them again this coming winter on the northeast corner of the house. Troy came over and will be bringing in fifteen yards of clean topsoil for half a garden, he is also tilling the whole thing for me. So of course I'm getting into the garden mode and speculating on what to plant and where. I still need to put in metal fence posts on each end of the straw bales and add wire or twine to make a trellis for the tomatoes.

I went up to St Louis yesterday morning and got my hair cut and low lights added to the mix. I need to make another run up that way before I have lunch with Patty this afternoon. Chelsea and one of the other gals want to learn how to make pickles and I'm taking up pints of sweet chunk, bread and butter pickles, pickled beets and some garlic sun dills for them to try. If they like them I will then do a bit of canning with them. Of course I will share my recipes and wish that I could find a pint of corn relish to take them but I'm all out. I need to get my signed contract and payment out in the mail for the St Louis Farmer's Market today and then I will have all of my bills paid until next month. Also I need to get the ripe bananas all peeled, measured and into the freezer... I never seem to have enough on hand to get through the season. Banana nut bread and Hummingbird bread seem to be favorites and I do like to keep folks happy. I'm hoping that I have enough shredded zucchini in the freezer to sustain the need until my zucchini is flourishing in the garden.

Believe it or not, I am making headway on sorting out my storage boxes. I've even started on pricing the excess that I have on hand. Sunday after church I will be picking up my lawn furniture and canopy and get then back home where they belong. Of course I'm hoping for bright sunshine filled days with either no breeze or one so slight that nothing will be knocked off the tables. I am envisioning a pleasant day filled with interesting folks who like bargains. It would help if I get an advertisement into the paper today... Maybe I should wait one more week so that it runs for two weeks prior and hope that folks will remember and follow the signs.

The old granary needs to be spruced up. I want to make it very homey for the cats because I want them out of the house on a permanent basis. Karen gave me a rug and I will be adding a few more items to make it more appealing for Tiny Terror, Tiger, Paws, Hebow, Rambo, Thunder and Lightning. My plants and I will both be thrilled with their transition to the shed. It will be good for me because I will be walking out to the shed twice a day to feed and water them. My plants will prosper because they won't be torn up and fertilized indiscriminately, I will be thrilled not to have to keep changing out the kitty litter boxes or cleaning up hairballs. No more removing loose cat hair from the upholstery.

May your days be filled with sunshine and happy thoughts, take the time to use your common sense and may you be blessed daily with God's grace.

Crystal Mitchell©2022



Faith Focus

by Phil Hoppersberger
Graham Community Church

"12 to 3"

"Was it not necessary... (Luke 24:26)?"

Once a year, at noon, my Mom would make me come inside and sit quietly until 3PM, respectfully, because this was when Jesus was "dying on the cross." And not just dying, He was dying for me. That was Good Friday in our house.

School was out, so we usually played football in the street, that is, until she called me home. I could read or watch television, as long as I was reverent. To my Mother, it was necessary to honor Him. This made a deep impression; I mattered to God, to an innocent man, as Pontius Pilate said of the Jew who claimed to be God, who was murdered for me.

My Mother's parenting seems strange today since most folks ignore Good Friday. If she were not blind, we'd have driven to church, but this was her best attempt at worship to remember Jesus. Today is Good Friday, and I always feel weird about it. Should I be sad, be like everyone else as if nothing has happened, or be happy He died for me? What's necessary now?

Necessary is a funny word (writers are like this, drilling down on words and their meaning). It means "essential, absolutely required." And this is what Jesus said after His death in chapter 24 of Luke's resurrection account, "Was it not necessary?"

What does God have to do that is "essential" and "absolutely required?" This is very deep stuff if you think hard about it. What is demanded of God, by Himself, that is necessary? Make sure Jupiter spins? The sun sets on time all over the world? Judge sin fairly? What must be done, no matter what, by God's self-imposition on Himself?

I submit that Jesus dying a horrible, painful, and bloody, flesh-ripped death was necessary for God because of one inescapable thing...God loved us. And loved you personally, enough to become sin and be separated from His Father for the first time, take your judgment, one you deserved for your sin, all to get you back home, safe and sound.

He thought it necessary – essential, absolutely required, no other way to do it, the only way – because He loved you so very much, He'd even die just for you. That means if you were the only person on the planet, He would have died for your sins. Necessary? Wow! If I were God I'd have found another way, but apparently it was the only way possible. His love for you made this the only way to save you. Jesus said, "I am the way (John 14:6)." Not a way, but the way. The only way. The necessary way to pay for sin.

The irony of this demand God put on Himself is what you choose to do with it. You can ignore Him. You don't have to come home (repent) and acknowledge what He did for you with your reverence. Stay outside and play football, as my friends did when my Mom called. Necessary doesn't apply to you. Necessary only applies to Good Friday, when His love for you was His "necessary" because you mattered enough to die for.



Obituaries

Mark William Dennis

Mark William Dennis, age 55 passed away on Wednesday, April 20, 2022. Mark was born September 29, 1966 in Lansing, Michigan.

Avisitation for Mark will be held Tuesday, April 26, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes, 205 E. Washington St., DeWitt, MI 48820, followed by a funeral service at 2:00 PM.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.grdewitt.com for the Dennis family.



Dedication of Elsie Area Food Pantry Slated

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – The Elsie Area Food Bank will celebrate the commitment of its legacy members and dedicated volunteers, on Sunday, May 1st, at 3 pm at the Elsie Area Food Pantry.

Recently, a new distribution center was built under the direction of project manager, Rick Jones and volunteers. This facility enhances the efficiency of food distribution and provides additional storage. It should be noted that \$4,000 of the funding for the building was provided by the Ovid-Elsie Community Fund Grant, \$2,000 from Mid-Michigan Charitable Foundation grant and the remainder from the Dennis Baese memorial funds. On May 1st the distribution center will be dedicated in memory of Dennis Baese who served as the president and for his dedication to the Elsie Area Food Pantry and the community.

In addition, the main facility will be dedicated to Mrs. Leota Kajdas who served as director for twenty years and Mrs. Verna Daley for many years of loving service to the Elsie Area Food Pantry. These two individuals with the assistance of many volunteers watched the food pantry grow and move to its current home.

The Elsie Area Food Pantry is open 8 am-9:30 am on Mondays and Wednesdays and is located at 219 S. Ovid Street, Elsie. For more information, please call 989-388-8717. There is free produce available the first Tuesday and third Thursday of each month beginning at 8:30 am. There is also an evening produce distribution once a month, check the Facebook page for dates.

After the May 1st program attendees will have an opportunity to tour the facility and enjoy light refreshments.

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VICTOR TOWNSHIP
CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF REHEARING FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CREATION AND REESTABLISHMENT OF THE SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT ROLL ROUND LAKE AQUATIC MANAGEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT
DISTRICT NO. 2202-01

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF VICTOR TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Victor will hold a rehearing of the public hearing on the creation and reestablishment of the Special Assessment Roll Round Lake Aquatic Management Special Assessment District No. 2202-01. The purpose of the rehearing is due to the publisher publishing an incorrect hearing date for the prior hearing that took place on April 11, 2022. Therefore, the Township of Victor, to give Notice of the public hearing, will hold another public hearing on the creation and reestablishment of the Special Assessment Roll Round Lake Aquatic Management Special Assessment District No. 2202-01.
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board of Victor Township, as authorized by PA 188 of 1954, as amended, proposes to undertake an aquatic plant control project (with associated activities) on Round Lake in Victor Township as more particularly described below and to re-establish and continue a special assessment district for the recovery of the costs thereof by special assessment against the properties benefited. The proposed special assessment district will replace the existing special assessment district which district expired in 2021
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the special assessment district within which the foregoing improvements are proposed to be made and within which the costs thereof are to be specially assessed includes parcels with frontage on Round Lake and/or back lots with access to Round Lake and including the following tax parcels:
ROUND LAKE AQUATIC MANAGEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2022-01: THE PROPERTIES INDICATED BY PARCEL NUMBERS:

140-028-200-030-50	140-029-100-040-00	140-120-000-051-00
140-028-200-034-00	140-029-100-045-00	140-120-000-070-00
140-028-200-035-00	140-029-100-050-00	140-120-000-075-00
140-028-200-040-50	140-029-400-001-00	140-120-000-080-00
140-028-200-045-00	140-029-400-005-00	140-150-000-001-00
140-028-200-065-00	140-029-400-020-00	140-150-000-002-00
140-028-200-070-00	140-029-400-030-00	140-150-000-006-00
140-028-200-075-60	140-029-400-035-00	140-150-000-009-00
140-028-200-080-00	140-029-400-040-00	140-150-000-011-60
140-028-200-085-00	140-029-400-045-60	140-150-000-012-60
140-028-200-090-00	140-110-000-001-00	140-150-000-013-00
140-028-200-095-00	140-110-000-002-50	140-150-000-015-00
140-028-200-105-00	140-110-000-003-60	140-150-000-017-00
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140-028-200-120-00	140-110-000-004-00	140-150-000-022-00
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140-029-100-022-00	140-120-000-038-60	140-150-000-039-00
140-029-100-025-00	140-120-000-041-00	140-150-000-040-00
140-029-100-030-00	140-120-000-047-60	
140-029-100-035-00	140-120-000-049-00	

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board has received plans showing the proposed aquatic plant control project, associated activities, any proposed improvements and locations thereof, together with an estimate of the cost of the project in the amount of \$55,975. The cost of the project proposed to be raised by special assessment is the total project cost, less any costs that will be off-set by carryover of surplus funds from the expiring special assessment district. The Victor Township Board has passed a resolution tentatively declaring its intention to undertake such project and to reestablish and create the afore-described special assessment district.
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board has placed the project plans and costs estimates on file with the Township Clerk and said plans, cost estimates and special assessment districts may be examined at the Clerk's office from the date of this Notice to the date of the public hearing and may further be examined at such public hearing.
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board proposes to make a per-parcel special assessment each year for a period of five years (2022-2026 inclusive). The annual assessment is proposed to be \$102.72 per year for all affected parcels. Additionally, the Township Board reserves the right to levy a lesser assessment amount in any year that there are more funds in the special assessment district fund than the amount needed for that year's aquatic plant control work and associated activities. The Township Board will provide notice of any increase in the assessment amount over 10%, as required by law.
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a rehearing of the public hearing on the plans, district, cost estimates and the carryover of surplus funds from the expiring special assessment district will be held May 9th, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.
At the public hearing, the Board will consider any written objections and comments to any of the foregoing matters that are filed with the clerk at or before the hearing (by 12 noon on the day of the hearing) and any objections or comments raised at the hearing; following the hearing (or any adjournment of the hearing which may be made without further notice), the Township Board may revise, correct, amend or change the plans, cost estimates or special assessment district.
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if written objections to the project are filed with the Township Board at or before the hearing, signed by the record owners of land constituting more than 20% of the area within the proposed special assessment district, then the Township Board may not proceed unless petitions in support of the project, signed by record owners of more than 50% of the area to be made into a special assessment district, are filed with the township board. Written comments or objections may be filed with the Township clerk at the address set out below.
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at the public hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the special assessment roll is confirmed. An owner or party in interest, or his/her agent, may appear via Zoom platform at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file at or before the hearing (by 12 noon on the day of the hearing) his/her appearance or protest by letter and his/her personal appearance shall not be required. All interested persons or representatives are invited to attend via Zoom platform and to submit comments concerning the reestablishment of the special assessment district, the plans, cost estimates or the carryover of surplus funds.
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if the Township Board determines to proceed with the special assessment, the Board will cause a special assessment roll to be prepared and another hearing will be held, after notice to record owners of property proposed to be specially assessed, to hear public comments concerning the proposed special assessments.
Victor Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the hearing, to individuals with disabilities at the hearing upon seven (7) days' notice to the Township Clerk at the address below.

Amanda Conklin
Victor Township Clerk
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VICTOR TOWNSHIP
CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CREATION
AND REESTABLISHMENT OF THE SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT ROLL
ROUND LAKE AQUATIC MANAGEMENT SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2202-01

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF VICTOR TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Supervisor and Assessor have prepared and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll covering all properties within the ROUND LAKE AQUATIC MANAGEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2022-01 benefited by the proposed aquatic plant control project. The roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of the project within the aforesaid special assessment district, which district is more particularly shown on the plans on file with the Township Clerk. The costs of the project are as shown on the estimate of costs on file with the Township Clerk at the Township Hall, 6843 E. Alward Rd, Laingsburg, MI 48848. The project cost is \$55,975, which is the amount to be collected by special assessment, less any costs that will be off-set by carryover of surplus funds from the expiring special assessment district. The amount assessed against each property in the district will be 102.72. If extra funds are available at the end of the term of the special assessment, the Township Board reserves the right to levy an assessment of a lesser amount in the final year or to authorize the carry-over of surplus funds to a new special assessment district. The term of the special assessment will be four years, 2022 through 2026 inclusive.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Supervisor and Assessor have further reported to the Township Board that the assessment against each parcel of land within said district is such relative portion of the whole sum levied against all parcels of land in said district as the benefit to such parcels bears to the total benefit to all parcels of land in said district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Victor Township Hall, 6843 E. Alward Rd, Laingsburg, MI 48848 on Monday, May, 9, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of reviewing the special assessment roll, hearing any objections thereto and confirming the roll as submitted or revised or amended.

The roll may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business days of regular business days until the time of the hearing and may further be examined at the hearing. Any person objecting to the assessment roll shall file his/her objections in writing with the Township Clerk before the close of the hearing or within such other time as the Township Board may grant.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at the hearing in the special assessment proceedings is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner or party in interest, or his or her agent, may appear at the hearing to protest the special assessment in writing, or may file his/her appearance and protest by letter before the hearing, and in that event, appearance at the public hearing shall not be required.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that after the public hearing, the Township Board may confirm the roll as submitted or as revised or amended; may provide by resolution for payment of special assessments with interest; may provide by resolution for payment of special assessments in full before a date certain; and may provide by resolution for such other matters as are permitted by law with regard to special assessment for aquatic plant control projects.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if a special assessment is confirmed at or following the above public hearing, a property owner or any person having in interest in the real property specially assessed may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after confirmation of the special assessment roll.

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Meet the Teams



Ashley Varsity Baseball

Front row (l-r) Kneeling: Carson Litwiller, Gibson Jason, Michael Kiefer. Second row (l-r): Jon Snider, Robert Kral, Chase Kral, Dillan Beebe, Evan Litwiller, Gavin Malek, Logan Drummond, Logan Hardman, Clayon Juhas, Coach Larry Litwiller. Left Coach Marty Cartwright



Ashley Varsity Softball

Front row (l-r): Korryn Brown, Alexa Burlingame, Alexyss McAllister. Second row (l-r): Leslie Bockheim, Savannah Beebe, Ashleigh Jelinek, Jenna Wirt, Sharla Juhas, Olivia Dysinger, Coach Meggan Andrews. Back: Ava Juhas

Ashley Baseball Opens Season With a Split

by Ashleigh Shaw

The Ashley Baseball team took on the Coleman Comets to open their 2022 baseball season. The Bears took game one by a score of 9-4. Evan Litwiller earned the win giving up 4 hits, three walks and striking out 9.

Logan Drummond, Evan Litwiller and Gavin Malek each scored 2 runs a piece while Carson Litwiller, Clayton Juhas and Robert Kral each scored a run each. Gibby Jason and Chase Kral had two RBIs each and E. Litwiller and Juhas had an RBI a piece.

Game two didn't finish but the Bears were trailing.

Ashley Girls Softball

April 26: St. Charles	A	4:00pm
April 29: Mt. Pleasant SH	H	4:00pm
May 3: Merrill	H	4:00pm
May 9: Carson-City Crystal	A	4:00pm
May 13: Vestaburg (DH)	A	4:00pm
May 17: Blanchard Montabella	H	4:00pm

Ashley Boys Baseball

April 26: St. Charles	A	4:00pm
May 3: Merrill	H	4:00pm
May 9: Carson-City Crystal	A	4:00pm
May 13: Vestaburg	A	4:00pm
May 17: Blanchard Montabella	H	4:00pm
May 21: Saginaw	H	4:00pm



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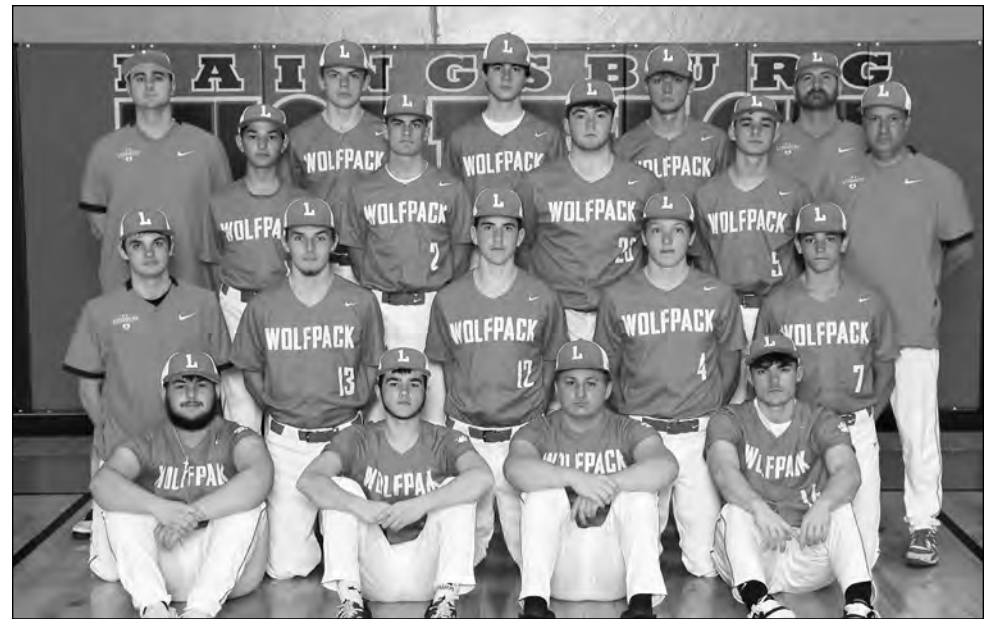
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Meet the Teams



Laingsburg Varsity Baseball

Team includes: Emilio Garcia, Kyle Thelen, Cameron Ballard, Hayden Johnston, Dominic Garcia, Jackson Audretsch, Jayse Grettenberger, Ethan West, Ty Randall, Cooper Wilson, Elliot Wilsey, Luke Snyder, Nicholas Regan, Austin Hart, Thomas Gousetis. Head coach Todd Randall. Asst. Coach Al Rodriguez.

Wolfpack Baseball Team is Deeper in the Bullpen and Strong at the Plate in 2022

LAINGSBURG — A young but talented Wolfpack baseball team is hoping some late-inning arms — and a powerful hitting attack — can build on a MHSAA District championship coming off the 2021 season.

“We’re looking to be very competitive in conference play,” says veteran coach Todd Randall. “We’re deeper in the bullpen and have (several) experienced returners coming back, even though we are young.

“We’re only rostering two seniors, so we are young — but the younger players are very solid.”

Those senior players headlining the team are Ethan West and Cooper Wilson. They’ll lead returning players junior Hayden Johnson, junior Nick Reagan, junior Kyle Thelen, and sophomore Ty Randall into the spring, 2022 fray. That six-player nucleus will be joined by newcomers sophomore Cal Ballard, and freshmen twins Dom and Mo Garcia.

“I’m excited to see what this team can accomplish,” says coach Randall.



Coach
Todd Randall



Laingsburg JV Baseball

Front row (l-r): Devin Vitatow, Rocco Keilen, Tucker Dunn, Jonathan King. Second row (l-r): Elliott Wilsey, Jackson Audretsch, Coach Michael Simon, Gregory Stewart, Jayse Grettenberger. Missing Camren Curtis-Hart.

Meet the Teams



Laingsburg Varsity Softball

Front row: (sitting l-r): Josie Keenen, Ashley Bila, Gabby Motz. Second row: (kneeling l-r): Madison Wagner, Julia Starr, Willow Patterson, Ella Merrell, Haley Konieczny, Hailey Bila. Back row (l-r): Asst Coach Mike Cooper, Kailey Cataline, Ellie Baynes, Addyson Buchin, Asst Coach Kelsey Jones, Head Coach Jeff Cheadle

Powerhouse Wolfpack Softball Program Looks to Contend with Portland St. Patrick for Spring, 2022 CMAC Softball Honors

LAINGSBURG — Veteran head mentor Jeff Cheadle, assisted by coaches Adam Cheadle, Mike Cooper, Kelsey Jones and Cody Jones, looks to have his powerhouse Wolfpack softball program at the head of the CMAC class again in spring, 2022.

LHS has 8 of its 9 starters back from a 2021 team that won Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC) and MHSAA District honors, while winning 32 of 38 games — one of the best records in Wolfpack athletic history.

The Wolves' high hopes revolve around returning standouts Hailey Bila, Madyson Wagner, Kailey Cataline, Gabby Motz, Julia Starr, Ellie Baynes, Haley Konieczny, Josie Keenen, Ella Merrell and Ashley Bila. Promising newcomers to coach Cheadle's proven program are Addyson Buchin and Willow Patterson.

"Our pitching should be strong," says coach Cheadle. "Hitting and scoring runs should also be a strength. A weakness may be our lack of depth."

LHS is looking to contend for a CMAC repeat. "Portland St. Patrick will be a strong contender," explains the coach.



Coach
Jeff Cheadle

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Meet the Teams



Laingsburg Boys Track and Field

Front row (l-r): Bryce Smith, Lucas Shastal, Noah Hagerty, Gabe Medina, Felix Ramirez, Falk Schroedter, Aden Baynes, Mikey Brooks. Second row (l-r): Wyatt Stanfield, Landon Tribe, Sean Divine, Dylan Witgen, Miguel Ramirez, Kadin Beck, Nolan Gregg. Third row (l-r): Marty Meyers, Harvey Montgomery, Dano Winans, Garrett Matthews, Kyle Boettcher, Troy Matthews, Jack Borgman, Andrew Kingsbury. Fourth row (l-r): Zach Grandy, Miguel Fajardo, Mitchell Yates, Lucas Matthews, James Pratt, Vance Klont, Jack Byrnes, Alex Brown, Sawyer Shastal. Fifth row (l-r): Brad Dedic, Carter Schlaack, Andrew Park, Cooper Wilson, Caleb Clark, Jacob Slider, Ashton Jones, Matt Freels. Sixth row (l-r): Coach Shawn Baynes, Coach Jordan Allen, Tanner Scanlan, Cade Fuller, Head Coach Brian Borgman.



Laingsburg Girls Track and Field

Front row (l-r): Olivia Rodriguez, Camino Moreno, Kaydence Ruhf, Alesa Weathers, Addy Elkins, Libby Rucklos, Emma Kribs. Second row (l-r): Kyleigh Luna, Callie Clark, Evelyn Logghe, Ashley Bila, Kezzie Dietz, Katie Laing. Third row (l-r): Maria Moya, Emily Rathka, Ally Hill, Mirabella Carolan, Brooklyn Miller, Sam Knoblauch, Emilia Laing. Fourth row (l-r): Ellie Baynes, Remi Fuller, Haley Mahoney, Avril Agudo, Hailey Bila, Brynn Wilson, Sophia Mikko, Brenna Highfield. Fifth row (l-r): Coach Shawn Baynes, Coach Jordan Allen, Lorna Strieff, Bella Strieff, Head Coach Brian Borgman.

Powerhouse Wolfpack Track Program Banks on CMAC, Regional Relevance

LAINGSBURG — Track and field is one popular springtime sport at Laingsburg High School.

Some 84 student-athletes — 50 for the Wolfpack boys team, 34 for the girls squad — are out for the 2022 edition, the 18th since noted coach Brian Borgman took over the program in 2005.

The boys are looking to build on a 7-1, second place finish in last season's Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC). The girls aren't far behind, placing 3rd in the CMAC after compiling a 5-3 conference mark.

"The boys team has the diversity to score in multiple events. We're looking for a very competitive season," says Borgman. "The girls team strength will be the ability to have depth for the first time in a long time."

The Lady Wolfpack boasts seven talented returnees in Emma Kribs (12th grade) in the 100m; Haley Bila (12) 100m, and high jump; Ashley Bila (10) 100m; Alexa Weathers (12) 1600m, 3200m; Ellie Baynes (11) long jump; Lorna Strieff (12) 400m; and Bella Strieff (10) high jump and sprints. Promising newcomers are Addison Elkins (10) in the pole vault and sprints; Callie Clark (10): pole vault and sprints; and Kathryn Magyar (11) as a sprinter.

On the boys' side, returning strength comes from Alex Brown (12) PV, 200m; Jack Borgman (10) PV, 100m; Andrew Kingsbury (12) throwing events; Caleb Clark (12) HJ, 400m; Nolan Gregg (12) 1600m run; Reece Kramer (12) hurdles; and Kadin Beck (12) in the sprints. The Wolves are welcoming new athletes-to-watch in Aden Baynes (11) 800m; Miguel Fajardo (12) in the high jump; and Mitchell Yates (11) in the sprint events.

The veteran coach will be joined this season by Asst. Coach Shawn Baynes (since 2018); Asst. Coach Clint Hawks (since 2017); Asst. Coach Jordan Allen (since 2015); Asst. Coach Andy Brown (since 2016); and Asst. Brad Gebauer (since 2019).

Says Borgman, "For both teams, we have a large number of underclassmen or kids coming out for track for the very first time. It will take a few weeks before they really find their groove."

"We look for both teams in the upper half of the conference again this year. PW and Fowler will again be tough."



Coach
Brian Borgman

Laingsburg Track Co-Ed

April 27: CMAC Meet	H	4:30pm
April 29: Cheasning	A	3:00pm
May 4: CMAC Meet	H	4:30pm
May 7: Williamston	A	10:00am
May 11: CMAC Bath	A	TBA
May 13: Jon Nugent	A	TBA
May 25: CMAC Conference		
Championship Saranac	A	2:45pm

Good Luck This Season!

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Meet the Teams



Laingsburg Girls Varsity Soccer

Front row (l-r): Addison Rusz, Emily Gutzman, Desire Knoblauch, Callie Clark, Olivia Price, Ella Kay. Second row (l-r): Brooklynn Miller, Sydney Pohlod, Dakota Ballard, Brooke Putnam, Ivy Collier, Kaitlyn Kingsbury. Third row (l-r): Evelyn Logghe, Mariah McLean, Kylie Luna, Emilee Mertens, Dani Winans, Erin Pohlod, Addison Elkins, Coach Natalie Elkins. Back row (l-r): Asst. Coach Jeremie Wilson, Cadie Ellis, Joy Antcliff, Sophia Mikko, Lorna Strieff, Libby Zukatis, Lizzie VanElls, Grace Elfring, Emma Koenig, Asst. Coach and JV Head Coach Geoff Heyd

Outstanding Mixture of Experience Talented Youth Lends to Optimism for Wolfpack Girls Soccer Program in2022

LAINGSBURG -- Solid coaching staff Natalie Elkins (head coach), Geoff Heyd, Jeremie Wilson and Brad Kramer (goalkeeper coach) will lead the Lady Wolfpack soccer program into the 2022 spring season.

Elkins embarks on her second varsity season of the school year, after also directing the boys varsity last fall to an impressive finish. The girls hope to just as impressive, building on last year's stellar 17-3-2 overall record.

A solid returning contingent includes seniors Sydney Pohlod, Ella Kay, Emily Gutzman, Grace Elfring, Cadence Ellis, Brooke Putnam, Danielle Winans, Shelby Lawson and Lorna Strieff. Juniors on the team are Libby Zukatis and Olivia Price. Sophomore team members are Joy Antcliff, Callie Clark, Addison Elkins, Kaitlyn Kingsbury and Desire Knoblauch. Newcoming freshmen include Ivy Collier, Evelyn Logghe, Kyleigh Luna, Mariah McLean, Emily Mertens, Sophia Mikko, Brooklynn Miller, Erin Pohlod and Addison Rusz.

"Our strengths will be a strong defensive line, stamina and ball control in the midfield and wings, plus great teamwork and energy," says coach Elkins. "Our weaknesses may be shooting on time --not a step late, and our young keepers. They'll have to play well for us to win.

"We have to make up for the 39 goals Grace Graham made last year by moving a few players around -- and I think we can do it. These players work together very well as a team -- which means they aren't greedy, and are more likely to pass for a great shot opportunity-instead of shooting from a bad space or position."

Coach Elkins expects big things for the Wolfpack. "Lansing Christian is not in our conference this year, so I expect a great win/loss record due to our seasoned players," she says.



Coach
Natalie Elkins



Laingsburg Boys Varsity Golf

Front row (l-r): Gabriel Durrance, Alex Antequera, Jacob Essenberg. Second row (l-r):Dylan Hoard, Colin Hart, Connor Barrett, Trevor Barrett, Zach Slider. Third row (l-r): Coach John Saller, Sean Divine, Barydon Thomas, Adam Myers, Max Powers, Marlon Graham , Coach Greg Beavers. Back row (l-r): Charlie Porubsky, Seth Sivak, Eli Woodruff, JR Nixon. Missing: Aidan Maddaloni, Tyler Woodbury, Tyler Flynn-Lace.

Wolfpack Golf Team is Strong, With Largest Contingent in Several Seasons

LAINGSBURG -- Boys golf is on the "upswing" at Laingsburg High School.

Not to imply that it's been down in any seasons since veteran coach Greg Beavers took over as mentor several years ago. It's just that the Wolfpack has its largest roster in the past five seasons, including newcomers Eli Woodruff, Adam Myers " ... and many others," says the coach.

They'll join an experienced group that includes Tyler Flynn-Lace, J.R. Nixon, Seth Sival, Trevor Barrett, Sean Divine and Gabe Durrance. "We're a young team," says coach Beavers. "But (still), depth and experience will be our strengths."

Beavers looks for the Wolfpack to finish strong, and contend for 1st or 2nd place in the Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC) out of their home base at Pine Hills Golf Course.



Coach
Greg Beavers

Laingsburg Boys Golf

April 26: Portland St. Pats	A	3:00pm
May 3: Mid Season Invite	A	TBA
May 6: Bath Jamoree	A	3:30pm
May 9: Tullymore Invite	A	8:30am
May 10: CMAC 9 Hole	A	TBA
May 16: Chemical City Invite	A	TBA
May 19: CMAC Tourn	A	9:00am
May 26: Big Rapids	A	9:00am

Laingsburg Boys Baseball

April 25: Fulton	H	4:00pm
April 28: Portland St. Pats	H	4:00pm
May 2: Dansville	A	4:00pm
May 5: Montrose	H	4:00pm
May 7: Grandville Calvin	A	10:00am
May 9: Bath	A	4:00pm
May 12: P-W	A	4:00pm
May 16: Saranac	H	4:00pm
May 19: Fowler	A	4:00pm
May 23: Saginaw Swan Val	H	4:00pm
May 24: Lake Odessa	H	4:00pm

Laingsburg Girls Soccer

April 26: Lansing Eastern	H	5:30pm
April 28: Leslie	H	5:30pm
May 3: Lansing Catholic	A	5:30pm
May 5: Stockbridge	H	5:30pm
May 11: Perry	A	5:30pm
May 12: Dansville	H	5:30pm
May 14: Conference	A	TBA
May 16: Ovid-Elsie	H	5:30pm
May 18: Owosso	A	6:15pm
May 24: Bath	A	5:30pm

Ovid-Elsie Tennis Gals Win for 3rd Time in Three Outings

OVID-ELSIE — Ovid-Elsie’s girls tennis team kept their early-season winless streak alive with a 6-2 victory over the Durand Railroaders on April 14.

Match-by-match results looked like this:

SINGLES: No. 1 - Brooklyn Belill, O-E def. Emma Warren, 6-4 , 6-0 .

No. 2 - Rylee Lewis, O-E def. Mia Coleman, 6-2 , 6-0 .

No. 3 - Christina Rademacher-Vine, O-E def. Wynn Carpenter, 2-6 , 6-1 , 6-3 .

No. 4 - Julia Burk, Durand def. Beatrice Guerra, 6-1 , 6-1.

DOUBLES: No. 1 - Claire Thornton, Jollee Swender, O-E def. Raegan Taylor, Jillian Reddy, 6-2 , 7-6 (3).

No. 2 - Abigail Hills, Hannah Moore, O-E def. Chloe Whitney, Alyssa Fraley, 6-4 , 6-2.

No. 3 - Ellyanna Carman, Tori Maynard, O-E def. Marissa Harper, Deedee Lane., 6-1, 6-2.

No. 4 - Jaci Garske , Londyn Laviolette, Durand def. Hailie McCreery, Jenna Tomasek , 6-0 , 6-3.

Victor Township

Clinton County, MI

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Proposed Board Minutes from April 11, 2022 meeting

The regular meeting of Victor Township was called to order by Supervisor J. Conklin at 7:06 pm.

Attendance: Present: J. Conklin, Willoughby, Townsend, Fickes & A. Conklin

Agenda: Motion by A. Conklin to amend the agenda to add emergency services millage, printing contract and electronic meetings to new business. Supported by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Stephanie Slider requested that one of the pavilions be dedicated to Victor Township resident Andrew Schneider. Mr. Schneider spent much of his time walking and biking the township picking up litter. Ms. Slider will provide a plaque to be mounted on a pavilion in his honor.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Willoughby to approve the March 14, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Supported by Townsend. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve the March 14, 2022 public hearing meeting minutes. Supported by Townsend. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by A. Conklin to accept the treasurer's report. Supported by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of bills: Motion by Willoughby to disburse payroll and related payroll expenses in the amount of \$9,313.83 using checks #12312-12320, EFT 158 and stub #13. Supported by Townsend. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Willoughby to pay the bills in the amount of \$13,143.83 using checks #28481-28494. Supported by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Reports:

Clinton County Deputy Sheriff James Chrenka: Update on Sheriff Jerue's retirement and recent trailer thefts in the area.

Victor Township Planning Commission: The board reviewed the cannabis survey.

Maintenance & Facilities: Picnic tables assembled. Outdoor women's restroom flush valves replaced. A quote is being prepared by Door Pros for the school house. Motion by Willoughby to file insurance claim on parking lot light pole.

Supported by Fickes. Roll call. Motion passed. The board reviewed the school house maintenance report provided by Fickes. Motion by A. Conklin to have the bees professionally removed from the school house. Supported by Willoughby.

All in favor. Resolution carried.

Unfinished Business:

- Round Lake Weeds SAD – Motion by Willoughby to open the public hearing. Supported by Fickes. Roll call. Motion carried. Hearing no objection motion was made by Willoughby to close the public hearing. Roll call. Motion carried.

Resolution 2022-4-001 was offered by Willoughby and supported by Townsend. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Resolution 2022-4-002 was offered by Fickes and supported by Townsend. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

- Cannabis – Survey to be simplified and redrafted for review at the regular board meeting on May 9, 2022.

- Broadband – Victor was specifically named as one of the 2 most unserved areas in the county, and thus likely to be high on the priority list from Clinton County. Victor Township will continue to pursue funding opportunities.

- Hazard Mitigation – Fickes continuing process and attending meetings.

- ARPA – A. Conklin to manage reporting requirements by April 30, 2022. The board should start preparing ideas for ARPA fund use.

New Business:

- Assessor Contract – Motion by Willoughby to approve the assessor contract. Supported by A. Conklin. Roll call. Motion carried.

- Clinton County Road Contracts - Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.140175 Supported by Townsend. Roll call vote. Motion carried Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.140272. Supported by Townsend. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.140372. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.140472. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve road contract 497.014.140572. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contact 497.014.140672. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contact 497.014.140772. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.140872. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.140972. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.141072. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.141172. Roll call vote. Motion carried. Motion by Willoughby to approve contract 497.014.141272. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

- Emergency Services Millage Renewal – Motion by Willoughby to approve ballot renewal language for the emergency services millage. Supported by Townsend. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Printing Contract – Motion by A. Conklin to approve \$1500.00 to print, prepare and mail the summer tax bills. Supported by Fickes. Roll call vote. Motion carried

- Electronic Meetings - Motion by J. Conklin to pause electronic meetings. Supported by A. Conklin. All in favor. Motion carried.

Extended Public/Board Comment – Lake Victoria resident(s) would like to see Victor Township support and facilitate communication between the Clinton County Drain Commissioner and the Lake Victoria Property Owners Association. The board requested the resident(s) attend the May 9, 2022 board meeting.

Motion by A. Conklin to begin paying administrative staff biweekly. Supported by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Willoughby to move public meetings back to the board room. Supported by J. Conklin. Three opposed. Motion failed.

Motion by J. Conklin to adjourn at 9:10 pm. Supported by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Amanda Conklin, Clerk

Sports

Ovid-Elsie, Laingsburg Linksters Impress

PERRY — Prep golfers from Ovid-Elsie earned individual plaudits while competing in the Judson Memorial Golf Scramble at GlenBrier GC here on Good Friday, April 15.

The event is named in honor of longtime Byron HS golf coach Larry Judson, who lead the Eagles to the Class C state title in 1991. This early spring, 17 teams — each composed of three pairs — competed in the 18-hole scramble-style event. Locally, coach Josh Latz’s Ovid-Elsie squad and coach Greg Beavers’ Wolfpack competed.

The O-E Marauder entries of Tyler Bancroft / Clay Wittenberg, Adam Barton / Dylan Carman and Brayden Phillips / Justin Cole finished eighth as a total team score with 248. Laingsburg’s A Team of Tyler Flynn-Lace / Zach Slider, Sean Divine / Alex Antequera and Trever Barrett / Colin Hart finished 15th at 285.

The Wolfpack’s B Team of Laingsburg B Tyler Woodbury / Jacob Essenberg, Dylan Hoard / Brayden Thomas, Marlon Graham / Charlie Porubsky were 12 strokes behind at 297.

Ann Arbor Greenhills Prep bested Williamston for top team honors, 219 team strokes to 225 for the Hornets.

Local coaches touted the event, with its relatively informal format as “a good warmup for the season.”

Wolfpack Soccer Girls Off to Hot Start

LAINGSBURG — Laingsburg’s varsity girls soccer team stood 2-3 overall — a perfect 2-0 in conference play — after opening the 2022 campaign in mostly-frigid weather.

The two opening contests were road losses at Brighton 7-0, and at Haslett, 12-0.

Yet, the Wolfpack bounced back from those disappointing showings with a 2-1 victory to open the league season at Lakewood on April 12. Both goals scored by senior Lorna Strieff, one off a corner kick-assist by senior Emma Koenig, and the second off a cross-pass from Callie Clark.

Next came a road win at Vermontville-Maple Valley on April 14 by an 8-0 count, “ ... which move us to 2-0 in our conference and 2-2 overall,” said coach Natalie Elkins. “Our girls continue to work hard and the results are showing up.”

Strieff had two unassisted goals vs. the Lions, and senior Grace Elfring had an unassisted goal. Freshmen striker Ivy Collier drilled three goals — assisted by Clark, Desire Knoblauch and Strieff. Elfring scored, assisted Addison Elkins, and senior Dakota Ballard notched a goal off a corner kick-assist from senior Emily Gutzman.

LHS ended the week with a close matchup in the Lady Wolves’ first home contest on April 15. The Clio Mustangs eked out a 3-2 non-league win. The Wolves’ first goal was unassisted by Addison Elkins; the second goal was by Strieff on a cross-pass from Clark.

Marauder Girls Defeats Chip Hills

REMUS — Six different Marauders found the net and Ovid-Elsie’s girls varsity soccer team kept its hot early season rolling with a 6-0 shutout at Chippewa Hills.

The Warriors surrendered goals to Hailee Campbell, Evelyn Cole, Kiah Longoria, Kalista Bancroft, Caitlyn Walter and Hadley Bukantis as O-E evened out the scoring with 3 in the first half, and three in the second frame.

“Once again I was pleased with how well we possessed the ball and found the proper pass,” explained coach Craig Thelen. “Our defense was able to find outlets and then our midfield was able to connect all game long with strikers. Audrey Bates was instrumental in stopping the opposing attack and getting our started with solid defense and accurate passing.”

The first five scores were assisted by Cole, Campbell, Madison Thornton, Cole and Cole, respectively. The Bukantis score was unassisted.

Ava Bates had 3 saves on 3 shots in the whitewash win.

Said coach Thelen, “Evelyn Cole demonstrated wonderful patience on the ball and outstanding vision in setting up her teammates today, she finished with a goal and three assists in the game. It was another great team win, it is wonderful to see everyone on the same page working towards one goal.”

Marauder soccer gals clobber Montrose; move to 5-0 on season

MONTROSE — An 8-0 pasting of the host Rams here April 19 boosted Ovid-Elsie girls soccer record to 5-0 overall, 2-0 in the MMAC.

The Lady Marauders were unfazed by the cold, blustery weather. “I find myself in the difficult position of having to say who to praise ... I'm going to stick with; it was a great team effort, we have been working well together and its really paid off,” explained veteran coach Craig Thelen. “I’m proud of everyone's effort tonight, from 50/50 balls to passing and finishing. This team is a lot of fun to coach.”

Marauder scoring went like this: Kiah Longoriah assisted by Evelyn Cole; Hailee Campbell assisted by Evelyn Cole; Evelyn Cole assisted by Hadley Bukantis; Evelyn Cole assisted by Hailee Campbell; Hadley Bukantis assisted by Caitlyn Walter; Evelyn Cole assisted by Kiah Longoriah; Evelyn Cole assisted by Audrey Bates; and Evelyn Cole assisted by Hailee Campbell.

Ovid-Elsie netminder Ava Bates faced zero shots from the outgunned Rams. Montrose managed 5 saves on 13 shots.

Said Thelen, “Obviously Evelyn Cole stood out tonight with 7 points, 5 goals and 2 assists. However, our entire offense was very efficient tonight with their passing and finishing in front of the net. Our defense once again looked great and shut down any threats. They also did a good job of supporting the offense. I am definitely happy with tallying 8 goals and recording a shutout, but I am most pleased with how well we passed with one another and made overlapping runs. We are trusting in one another and looking for open team-mates, I believe that will carry us a long way this season.”

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Sports

Marauder Track Teams Finish Middle of the Pack in Fowler

FWLER — Both the Ovid-Elsie boys and girls track teams earned middle-of-the-pack, 5th place finishes at the season kickoff “Under The Lights” event here April 14.

Pewamo-Westphalia took home team honors on both the female and male sides of the competition. In the girls events, P-W scored 203 points to best Fowler 114, Home 67, St. Johns 60.5, Ovid-Elsie 48, Webberville 35, Portland 35, Fulton-Middleton 30 and Farwell 21.5.

On the boys’ side of the ledger, P-W tallied 172 ahead of St. Johns 138.5, Fowler 81, Portland 70.5, Ovid-Elsie 68.5, Homer 49, Farwell 15, Fulton 10 and Webberville 6.5.

For Ovid-Elsie’s girls, Mikayla Bashore (16.03), Sonja Ramos and Macey Bennett ran 11-12-18 in the 100 m dash. Izzy Loynes (1:11.82), Aubrey Kurka and Jadyn Yonchewski placed 5-6-7 in the 200 m sprint.

Kaia Spiess (3:09.64), Hannah Koutz and Alyse Ladiski claimed 10-12-13th places in the 800 m run. Emily Mueller (6:35.14) and Tava Kvalevog placed 8th and 13th, respectively in the 1600 m run. Piper White (14:00.17) and Samantha Grubaugh ran 5th-6th in the 3200 m run.

Jessica Kozlowski was the Lady Marauders’ top hurdler, 4th in the 100 m hurdles (:19.00) and 7th in the 300 m hurdles. Audrey Johns added a 15th place finish in the 100 m hurdles.

The 4x100 m relay quartet (Samantha Snider, Bashore, Yonchewski, Ramos) clocked 4th in 1:00.40. The 4x200 m relay team (Rachel Spitzley, Aubrey Kurka, Snider, Loynes) was 3rd with a time of 2:05.10.

The 1600 m relay contingent (Rachel Spitzley, Spiess, Kurka, Loynes) ran 4th for the Lady Marauders in 4:53.60. In the 3200 m relay, Spiess, Samantha Grubaugh, Emily Mueller and Spitzley place 4th in 12:13.04.

In the field events, O-E finishers were Alayna Zemla (24’5”) 10th and Anna Kadlek 14th in the shot put; Zemla 21st (55’10”) and Kadlek 22nd in the discus; and Snider (6th, 12’9”), Bennett 15th and Ramos 19th in the long jump.

The O-E boys boasted three finishers in the 100 m dash: Jamison Custer 6th (:12.46), Bruce Thornton 10th and Kaden West 17th. The 200 m sprint saw Christian Schmidtfranz 5th (:26.10), Eddy Evans 9th and Thornton 10th. The 400 m finishers also had three Marauders: Jacob Schaub 9th (1:01.58), Axel Newell 13th and Sam Harden 17th.

Tryce Tokar contributed one of O-E’s two best individual finishes on the evening, 2nd in the 800 m run (2:14.69). Custer ran 6th in the event and Ryan Gavenda 11th.

Ovid-Elsie placed three runners in the 1600 m run, Gavenda 8th (5:36.95), James Kelly 15th and Cole Workman 16th. The 3200 run finished with Clay Powell in 6th place (11:49.8) and Austin Smith 12th.

In the boys’ hurdling events, Colin Fluharty (:21.08), Mason Ritenburg and Joseph Humrich ran 8-10-11 for O-E in the 110s; and Fluharty (:51.39) and Gunner McCreery 9-10 in the 300m’s.

The 4x100 relay foursome (Kevin Ley, Schmidtfranz, Thornton, West) placed 3rd in :48.87. The 4x200 relay (West, Evans, Tokar, Schmidtfranz) clocked 2nd in 1:42.90.

Schaub, Newell, Harden and Tokar led O-E to a 4th place showing (3:58.03) in the 1600 m relay. Harden, Schaub, Nick Long and Gavenda ran 4th in the 3200 m relay in 9:50.49.

The field events saw Dylan Taylor (40’1.5”), Austin Darling and Ley place 4-12-16 in the shot put; West (102’10”), Alex Eichenberg and Darling 8-13-14 in the discus; Newell ((5’7”) and Clay Wenzlick (5’4”) 2-8 in the high jump; and Wenzlick (16’9.75”), McCreery, and Nick Long 6-14-16 in the long jump.

O-E Boys 2nd, Girls 3rd at Initial MMAC Track & Field Jamboree of 2022

CHESANING -- The host Indian boys teams dominated the male events, and New Lothrop’s girls stormed past Chesaning in the girls events, at the first MMAC (Mid-Michigan Activities Conference) track and field jamboree here April 20. Ovid-Elsie’s boys team ran 2nd and the girls 3rd in the eight-team field.

The boys team scores looked like this: Chesaning 154, Ovid-Elsie 118, Montrose 101.5, Byron 86, New Lothrop 73, Durand 61.5, Otisville Lakeville 28 and Mt Morris 9.

The girls team tally ended like this: New Lothrop 167,

Chesaning 145, Ovid-Elsie 128.5, Durand 72, Byron 61. Otisville Lakeville 56,

Mt Morris 10 and Montrose 5. BOYS EVENTS

100 Meters: 5. Jamison Custer, 12.47; 9. Bruce Thornton 12.60; 15. Kaden West, 12.97; 16. Isaac Orta, 12.97; 25. Kevin Ley, 13.40, 32. Carter Kelley 13.69; 37. Kaden Fry, 14.33; 43. Ryder Rulison 15.06.

200 Meters: 4. Christian Schmidtfranz 25.33; 9. Eddy Evans 25.98; 18. Gunner McCreery 26.97; 24. Clay Wenzlick 27.74; 32. Carter Kelley 28.48; 33. Joseph Humrich 28.50; 35. Ben Wildes 28.68; 40. Kaden Fry 29.45.

400 Meters: 1. Zack O’Neal 57.17; 6. Jamison Custer 57.77; 12. Jacob Schaub 1:01.52; 15. Clay Wenzlick 1:02.63.

800 Meters: 3. Tryce Tokar 2:14.71; 4. Ryan Gavenda 2:22.74; 11. Cole Workman 2:37.49; 15. Sam Harden 2:38.94.

1600 Meters: 2. Ryan Gavenda 5:15.30; 9. Cole Workman 5:53.32; 12. Sam Harden 5:57.90; 13. James Kelly 6:00.40.

3200 Meters: 2. Clay Powell 11:30.31; 5. Austin Smith 12:55.66.

110m Hurdles: 1. Nathan Webster 17.47; 10. Colin Fluharty 20.36; 11. Mason Ritenberg 20.43; 12. Joseph Humrich 21.41.

300m Hurdles: 5. Colin Fluharty 48.42; 10. Mason Ritenberg 52.13; 11. Gunner McCreery 52.21; 13. Joseph Humrich 53.93; 14. Ben Wildes 57.27; 16. James Kelly 1:07.77.

4x100 Relay: 3. Ovid-Elsie (Eddy Evans, Christian Schmidtfranz, Bruce Thornton, Kaden West) 47.70a

4x200 Relay: 1. Ovid-Elsie (West, Evans, Jamison Custer, Schmidtfranz) 1:39.69.

4x400 Relay: DQ Ovid-Elsie (Custer, Schmidtfranz, Schaub, Nick Long)

4x800 Relay: 1. Ovid-Elsie (Schaub, Custer, Ryan Gavenda, Gunner McCreery), 9:29.65a.

Shot Put: Dylan Taylor 42’0”; 9. Kevin Ley 36’ 8.5; 10. Alex Eichenberg 35’ 9.5; 14. Colin Fluharty 33’ 8.5; 15. Austin Darling 32’ 3; 19. Ben Wildes 31’ 3.5; 24. Kevin Torrey 29’ 8; 28. Ryder Rulison 28’ 2.5; 33. Kaden Fry 26’ 1; 39. Caleb Love 24’ 4.5; 40. Alex Lopez 23’ 5; 42. Karter Clark 21’ 11; 43. Bryce Blaha 21’ 0.5.

Discus : 6. Kaden West 101’ 6; 7; 9. Austin Darling 94’ 1; 17. Alex Eichenberg 82’ 6; 25. Ben Wildes 72’ 3; 26. Bryce Blaha 72’ 1.5; 27. Dylan Taylor 70’ 8; 31. Alex Lopez 64’ 9.5; 37. Kevin Torrey 58’ 10.5; 38. Caleb Love 52’ 10.5; 41. Ryder Rulison 47’ 6; Karter Clark ND Ovid-Elsie.

High Jump: 4. Clay Wenzlick 5’ 6; 5. Ryan Gavenda 5’ 6. Pole Vault: 1. Tryce Tokar 13’ 0, Ovid-Elsie; 2. Eddy Evans 10’ 0; 3. Andrew Hall 10’ 0.

Long Jump: 5. Clay Wenzlick 17’ 6.5; 15. Isaac Orta 14’ 10.25; 20. Mason Ritenberg 14’ 5.75; Nick Long ND Ovid-Elsie.

GIRLS EVENTS

100 Meters: 18. Macey Bennett 15.58; 20. Sonja Ramos 15.72; 22. Mikayla Bashore 15.84; 25. Khloe Bigelow 15.99; 40. Telexia Terpening 17.85.

200 Meters: 31.16; 13. Jordyn Yonchewski 31.95; 16. Samantha Snider 32.30; 21. Macey Bennett 32.78; 25. Mikayla Bashore 33.72; 30. Sonja Ramos 34.60; 31. Khloe Bigelow 34.64; 40. Telexia Terpening 35.62.

400 Meters: 4. Rachel Spitzley Yonchewski 1:12.82; 11. Kaia Spiess 1:13.35.

800 Meters: 5. Samantha Grubaugh 2:54.63; 9. Tava Kvalevog 3:04.15; 10. Hannah Koutz 3:08.87; 12. Alyse Ladiski 3:11.50; 16. Ella Powell 3:25.42.

1600 Meters: 2. Samantha Grubaugh 6:30.06; 8. Tava Kvalevog 6:49.90; 11. Alyse Ladiski 7:20.69; 12. Ella Powell 7:26.28; Hannah Koutz NT Ovid-Elsie.

3200 Meters: 2. Piper White 13.32.50.

100 m Hurdles: 1. Jessica Kozlowski :18.19, Ovid-Elsie; 5. Audrey Johns 20.96;

300m Hurdles:3. Jessica Kozlowski 1:00.34; 7. Audrey Johns 1:04.28.

4x100 Relay: 5. Ovid-Elsie (Snider, Yonchewski, Bashore, Ramos) :58.60.

4x200 Relay: 2. Ovid-Elsie (Spitzley, Snider, Audrey Kurka, Loynes) 2:01.68.

4x400 Relay: 2. Ovid-Elsie (Spitzley, Spiess, Kurka, Loynes) 4:52.15.

4x800 Relay: 2. Ovid-Elsie (Spiess, Koutz, Emily Mueller, Grubaugh), 11:52.59.

Shot Put: 12. Anna Kadlek 23’ 1; Alayna Zemla ND Ovid-Elsie.

Discus: 17. Anna Kadlek 51’ 6.5; Alayna Zemla ND Ovid-Elsie.

High Jump: 1. (tie) Audrey Johns 4’ 4” Ovid-Elsie, Jordyn Lawrence 4’ 4, Durand, Mikayla Rieber 4’ 4 Chesaning; 6. Audrey Kurka 4’ 2; Ella Powell NH Ovid-Elsie.

Pole Vault: 2. Rachel Spitzley 7’ 0; 4. Kaia Spiess 6’ 6; 6. Samantha Grubaugh 6’ 0.

Long Jump: 3. Samantha Snider 13’ 6.75; 5. Jessica Kozlowski 13’ 3.5; 14. Macey Bennett 11’ 6.25; 17. Khloe Bigelow 10’ 9; Mikayla Bashore ND Ovid-Elsie.



Jessica Kozlowski finishes first in the 100M hurdles at Chesaning.
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Elsie Village Council Proceedings

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – The regular meeting of the Elsie Village Council was held Tuesday, April 12, 2022.

Officials once again discussed the sidewalk ordinance, section 32-23, noting that two public hearings had been held to address the addition of mandatory snow removal on public sidewalks. Officials took final action to approve the amendment to the ordinance which will go in to effect May 1, 2022.

Mr. Kam Washburn, Chair of the Clinton County Board of Commissioners, updated Village Officials on things going on at the county level. A number of retirements were recently announced: Diane Zuker, county clerk, and Sheriff Lawrence Jerue. Washburn also announced that he will not be seeking re-election and introduced his endorsed candidate, Val Vail-Shirley.

He also updated officials about the new State 800 MHz radio system that is now live for all Clinton County police, fire, EMS, Rad Comm Clinton Transit, and Elsie DPW. There have been a few technical issues to work out, but overall, the system is operating as planned.

Mr. Shane Grinnell, village manager, updated officials on a number of projects. First, Grinnell is working with Mr. Jim Hyland on the Hero's Park plans. The park is being installed at the former Dorman Gallery site. The plan is to have twelve flag poles representing all the branches of the military, police, fire and EMS. The committee is currently accepting donations for the project.

Grinnell provided officials with draft ballot language for a police millage for the Village of Elsie. He further recommended that a millage committee be established composed of members of the police committee and the budget committee to evaluate the funding needs and the millage rate to meet that need. The goal is to have the language approved and on the August 2022 ballot and to take effect in 2023.

Public comment included an update on Dairy Festival 2022 and a representative explained that planning is progressing. Also, representatives of the OE Youth Recreation League and the Big Red Youth Club were present. There was intense discussion regarding the scheduling of field usage. It was noted that the OEYL has 205 registered youth and the Big Reds approximately 50. Both groups were told that the Village does not want to get into the scheduling, however would be happy to mediate, if needed, in the planning of next year's field use.

Resident Mitch Ross addressed the council about the bill that was received from the Village for the repair of his sidewalk. Mr. Ross noted that he is okay and understands the bill for 50% of the cost of the sidewalk repair but, does not agree with the billing for 50% of the tree removal that was causing the side walk issue. It was explained that the removal of the tree was necessary for repairing and rebuilding the sidewalk in front of his home, and the request to remove the tree charge was denied.

Following public comment officials retired in closed session to discuss a personnel issue, Officials returned in open session at 9:00 pm, with no action taken.

Sports cont' from page 12...**Lansing Catholic hands O-E soccer girls first lost of season**

LANSING -- The Lansing Catholic Cougars jumped out to a 4-0 lead before Ovid-Elsie had a response, ending in the Marauders' first girls soccer loss of 2022.

Coach Craig Thelen's Marauders didn't get on the board until minute 30 of the second half, when Genevieve Hills assisted on Caitlyn Walter's ice-breaker.

O-E added the game's final goal in a 4-2 setback. Evalyn Cole took the assist from Walter and connected for the goal.

"This game will definitely make us a better team," said coach Thelen. "Overall, I was quite pleased with our performance tonight. Lansing Catholic jumped on us early with two goals in the first 6 minutes, not because we were flat, but because we were nervous. They are a high quality opponent, but we were able to go toe to toe with them for the majority of the game."

"The two early goals hurt, but towards the end of the first half I was feeling good being down only two and then having the heavy wind in the second half; however conceding a goal with 12 seconds left in the first half was detrimental. Then, an early own goal in the second half was too much to overcome, although I was really impressed with our girls' never give up attitude. Lansing Catholic possessed the ball well and their speed hurt us, but I was happy with how our defense adjusted and with our midfields ability to pass the ball around under pressure themselves."

Ava Bates, in goal for the Marauders, stopped 14 of the 18 shots she faced. The O-E offense managed 8 shots on net.

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