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Join Hands Day at Bannister ZCBJ Hall April 29th

submitted by Joanne Fornusek

Students from the GI-TEC Health Occupations class at Alma High School and seniors from Ashley High School helped prepare materials needed for the Join Hands Day scheduled for April 29th at the Bannister ZCBJ Hall. This annual event joins youth and adults in a service project to provide needed items for hospice and nursing home patients. Volunteers will be making clothing protectors, neck pillows, catheter bag covers, hand pillows, shawls, lap robes, fidget blankets and hand warmers. Students have already cut out more than 300 items as well as ties, Velcro and gift tags.

Members and non members, youth and adults, are invited to gather at the Lodge Hall (401 E. Main St. Bannister) anytime between 8 am and 4 pm to help put these items together. Jobs

i n c l u d e sewing, ironing, stuffing p i l l o w s, attaching gift tags, etc. You may use your own sewing machine or use one of the extra ones at the hall.

A lunch will be provided at noon.



Elsie Baby Pantry Receives Tri-County Electric Community Grant



Lyla Brush, Mary Porubsky, Kathleen Washburn, Beth Morton – Pastor JD, Theresa, and Michelle Huhn

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE – April 20, 2023 was a day of celebration at the Elsie Baby Pantry, the facility received a \$10,000 grant from the Homeworks Tri County Electric Cooperative Sharing Success Fund. Mrs. Kathleen Washburn and Lyla Brush and their staff: Mary Porubsky and Beth Morton; and Pastor JD Paik, Elsie United Methodist Church received the check from Theresa Sopocy, Tri County Area representative and Michelle Huhn, executive assistant. Washburn, commented that this grant will make such a difference for the Elsie Baby Pantry.

The Elsie Baby Pantry serves families from the Elsie, Ovid, St, Johns, Owosso and Portland areas. The hours of operation are the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 11-5 pm. and is located 150 E Main Street, Elsie. The Elsie Baby Pantry is supported by local churches, the Elsie Masonic Lodge, Elsie Lions Club, Elsie Lioness group and other community organizations.



O-E Football Team Trail Clean Up

submitted by Allen Martin

The Friends of the Fred Meijer CIS Trail would like to thank the members of the Ovid-Elsie football program who volunteered to clean up the rail trail through Ovid on Saturday, April 15. The players, led by Coach Long, removed approximately 25 bags of trash plus a few large items. Their hard work has the trail looking great! Thanks also to the Ovid DPW for providing proper disposal of the trash collected.

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Brain/Body Keys for Your Ultimate Health

submitted by Patsy Towar

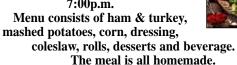
Live Health Seminar, Brain/Body Keys for your Ultimate Health by Vicki Griffin-Agro Liquid Conference, 3055 W. M-21 St. Johns-April 25-29, 6:45 p.m.

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Materials provided innvite a Friend and Come! Sponsored by the St. Johns Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

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Clinton County Department of Management Meeting **Waste Management Meeting**

submitted by Katherine Neese

Clinton County Department of Waste Management is offering the attached resolution for public comment through Friday, July 14, 2023. Granger has requested two amendments to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP). The requests include 1) one additional county to the SWMP for waste import and export and 2) amend the total area sited for use at the Grand River Avenue landfill located at 8550 West Grand River Highway, Grand Ledge, Michigan.

Copies of this resolution will be made available on the Clinton County Department of Waste Management website, through the Clinton County Department of Waste Management office, through the Clinton County Clerk's office and is being made available to all local municipalities for review and comment. Comments should be submitted to Clinton County Department of Waste Management through email recycle@clinton-county.org or written mail 100 East State Street, Suite 1500, St Johns, MI 48879 BEFORE Friday July 14th at 5:00pm.

A public hearing to review all public comments has been set for Tuesday, July 25th at 6:00pm to be held at the Clinton County Courthouse in the Board of Commissioners Room.

Please contact the Clinton County Department of Waste Management if you have any questions or comments.



Spring Fling Bingo

submitted by Rosemary Newcomb

Chesaning - The annual Spring Fling Bingo will be held May 7, 2023 (Sunday) at St. Peter Parish Hall (803 Church St.) Chesaning, MI. The doors will open at 5:30pm. The games will begin at 6pm. One must be eighteen years old to play. There will be twenty regular bingos in which the prizes will be Cash. The fee for playing these games will be \$2.00 per bingo card and will be collected in the beginning, before the bingo begins.

The evening will also feature two special cover-all bingos in which the prizes will be money. The price for these special games is \$.50 per card or three cards for \$1.00. Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase as a fund-raiser for the St. Peter Parish Youth Ministry. This fun event will be a welcome break for those tired of being closed in all winter. All are welcome to this evening of fun and fund-raising sponsored by St. Peter Parish Christian Service Commission, Proceeds will be donated for the work of the CAER Center.



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Elsie Library Adventures

submitted by Ann Trierweller

It's time to vote for the winning bookmarks..2023 marks the 2nd Annual Elsie Public Library "Bookmark Design Contest". The theme for this year's contest is "All Together Now" Kindness/Friendship/Unity. There are 4 age divisions, 3-7, 8-11, 12-17, and adults. Voting will be done at the library. Bookmarks designed by the four winners will be printed and distributed during the Summer Reading Program.

Potter Park Zoo will be hosting a ZOO at You Library Event on: Saturday, May 13, 2023 from 11am-12 pm. We are located at 145 W Main St, Elsie, MI 48831

Program Title: Wild Tales. A limited number of free books will be provided by Potter Park Zoo at this reading event.

Sharon Shutes will also be available for face painting during this time. Lots of fun for all... Make sure and mark your calendars!

And, also, please mark your calendars for the SRP kick off on Wednesday, June 7th at 2:00 pm at the Elsie Public Library!

Tri-County Office on Aging

submitted by Casey Cooper

The Tri-County Aging Consortium will hold two public hearings to solicit input on its Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP): May 2 at 12:00pm via Microsoft Teams with call-in option and May 3 at 4:00pm at Tri-County Office on Aging, 5303 S. Cedar St., Bldg. 1, Lansing, MI 48911. Contact Kate Long prior to May 2 for information on

The 2024 AIP Summary, as well as more information about the plan, is on Tri-County Office on Aging's website, www.tcoa.org/documents. To request special accommodation, submit written comment, or to request a copy, call (517) 887-1348 or write Kate Long at Tri-County Office on Aging, 5303 S. Cedar Street, Building 1, Lansing, MI 48911 or by email to longk@tcoa.org.

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Chase Named Memorial **Healthcare April EOM**

submitted by Melissa Neuhaus

Owosso, Michigan Memorial Healthcare is pleased to announce Taylor Chase, a Certified Medical Assistant/Scribe at Memorial Healthcare Surgical Associates for being selected as our April Employee of the Month. Taylor has been employed since October 2016 and then rehired in August 2022.

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MI 48831 died on 11/20/2022

Creditors of the decedent are notified

that all claims against the estate will

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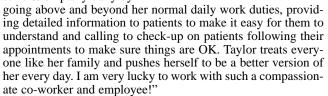
Byron P. Gallagher, Jr., named per-

File No: 2023-31809-DE

Estate of Marilyn Bernath

Date of birth: 9/09/1945

TO ALL CREDITORS:



Taylor lives in Owosso with her husband Gary and two children, Paislee and Hudson. Her hobbies include spending time with her family outdoors, boating, and trail riding. Taylor's personal outlook is, "Be a reflection of what you'd like to receive. If you want love, give love. If you want truth, be truthful. If you want respect, give respect. What you give out will always return." She dreams of going back to school to receive her Bachelor's degree in Healthcare Management. Taylor would like to be remembered as a kind human with a big heart. On being honored as Memorial Healthcare's Employee of the

Month, Taylor is quoted as saying, "Memorial Healthcare is full of amazing, talented individuals. I feel so honored that I was chosen for Employee of the Month. Thank you so much to everyone that voted."



Applications Being Taken

Applications are being taken for the USDA COMMODITY FOOD PROGRAMS through Capital Area Community Services, Inc. Distribution will begin on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 for both programs

The USDA COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM (CSFP): (Seniors 60 and up) provides nutritious food on a monthly basis to low-income residents living in Shiawassee County who are 60 years of age or above and meet 130% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Family size 1 -\$18,954; Family size 2 - \$25,636; Family size 3 - \$32,318. For each additional family member add: \$6,682 annually.

USDA TEMPORARY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TEFAP): provides nutritious food to low-income residents (singles and families) of Shiawassee County who meet 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Family size 1 - \$29,160; Family size 2 - \$39,440; Family size 3 - \$49,720. For each additional family member add: \$10,280.

OTHER QUALIFIERS: If you receive, SNAP, WIC, FDPIR, CSFP or if you receive (your child) receives free/reduced meals@ school.

Distribution for Shiawassee County will begin Tuesday, May 2, 2023.

THIS WILL BE DRIVE-THRU ONLY ON May 2, 2023 (FIRST DISTRIBUTION

If you do not already have someone designated to pick up your food, you may call the cAcs office at 989-723-3115 and designate a person to pick up for you. If you are not register d, please call CACS to preregister before May 7, 2023.

Food will be available between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.



ONLINE AUCTION: WED, MAY 10 Items located at 1608 Silver Rd, St Johns, MI 48879

nspections: Friday, April 28 (11am-1pm) Tuesday, May 9 (3-6pm)

Friday May 12 (10am-1nm) Sale Manager: Jason Buher (517) 256-3427



SYNOPSIS

PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL MEETING CITY OF OVID APRIL 10, 2023

The Full set of the Minutes for the Public Hearing & Regular meeting may be viewed or acquired at the Municipal Building located at 114 E. Front Street, Ovid. Mayor Lasher opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. ROLL CALL: Ms. Olger, Ms. Perrien, Mr. Ordiway, Mr. Starn, Mr. Perrien and Mr. Lasher.

ABSENT: Mr. Brown

EX OFFICIOS: Rich Simpson - DPW Superintendent, Lisa Rousseau – Police Chief, Liza Kusnier-Treasurer and Josefina Medina-Clerk.

VISITORS: Doug Scott (ROWE ENGINEERING), Eric Starn, Mallory Olger, Larry Ordiway, William Lasher, Rich Simpson, Lyle Perrien II, Lisa Rousseau, Liza Kusnier, Erin, Reeves, Joshua Reaves, Kelsey Adams, Wesson Reeves, Elisabeth Reeves, Reagan Reeves, Brienna Adams, Troy Adams, Easton Adams, Mary Perrien, Jaclyn Allen, Arlene Pesik, Dawn Parker and Judy Constine. Mayor Lasher explained the purpose of the Public Hearing. The purpose was to present the CWSRF (Clean Water State Revolving Fund) Project plan. Mr. Doug Scott, the engineer from ROWE Professional Services went over the project plan. He stated that there are two opportunities to fund this type of projects, one by a loan or by a grant. They are based on a point system if doing a grant. The city is considered an over-burdened community so that does give the city additional points on the

Further discussion was held and questions were asked and answered.

Mayor Lasher closed the public hearing and then opened the regular meeting at 7:24 pm. and opened the regular

AGENDA: Ms. Perrien asked to add under new business item (c) update on investigation. A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, second by Mr. Starn to approve the agenda as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES: A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, second by Mr. Perrien to accept the minutes of March 13, 2023, with corrections.

MOTION CARRIED

CHECK REGISTRY: A motion was made by Ms. Perrien second by Mrs. Olger to accept the check register for the period of March 15th, thru April 11, 2023 as presented. and to include the check register for Mercantile Bank for the car payment.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, second by Mr. Starn to authorize the Troop #30527 to plant the Daisy's at Gumaer Park as requested & to install a plaque

MOTION CARRIED

2. Mrs. Judy Constine requested that the Council or the Park & Rec. Committee consider utilizing the old tennis court for pickleball. Discussion was held. No action

TREASURER: Discussion was held on paperless billing. A motion was made by Mr. Starn, second by Ms. Perrien to offer an opt in program for paperless utility billing. MOTION CARRIED

Mrs. Kusnier presented the budget amendments. A motion was made by Mr. Starn, second by Ms. Perrien to approve the budget amendment that the Treasurer pre-

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Perrien, second by Mr. Starn to accept the offer of \$10 for the salvage lights to Mr.

MOTION CARRIED

POLICE: The Police report may be viewed in the full set of minutes.

DPW: A motion was made by Mr. Starn, second by Mr. Perrien to authorize the mayor to sign the agreement with BioTech Agronomics Inc.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Starn, second by Mr. Ordiway to accept the Treasurer, Police and DPW reports as pre-

MOTION CARRIED

1. Mayor Lasher reported that there were no bids submitted for the 2014 Ford Explore. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Mr. Starn, second by Mr. Ordiway to repost the ad for the 2014 Ford Explore with no floor until May 5th at 4 pm and all sealed bids will be opened at the regular meeting on May 8, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Mayor Lasher read resolution 2023-2 titled CWSRF Project Plan. A motion was made by Mr. Perrien, second by Ms. Perrien to adopt resolution #2023-2 as read. Clerk took roll call as followed: YEAS: Mr. Perrien, Mr. Starn, Mr. Ordiway, Ms. Perrien, Mrs. Olger and Mr. Lasher. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Mr. Brown

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

The resolution will be published in its entirety in the Weekly.

3. Ms. Perrien gave aa update on the investigation of an employee as to the cost.

POLICE COMMITTEE: Discussion was held on policies and how they are adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Starn, second by Ms. Perrien to extend the meeting another 30 min.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Starn, second by Mr. Perrien to adopt the Police Policy on Body Worn Cams as presented to council.

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mr. Starn, second by Mr. Perrien to close meeting at 9:24 pm. MOTION CARRIED

Josefina Medina, Clerk City of Ovid

CITY OF OVID RESOLUTION 2023- 2

CWSRF PROJECT PLAN

At a regular Meeting of the City of Ovid's, City Council held on the 10th, day of April 2023 in the Council Chamber room, located at 114 E. Front Street,

PRESENT: Mrs. Olger, Ms. Perrien, Mr. Ordiway, Mr. Starn, Mr. Perrien, and Mr. Lasher.

ABSENT: Mr. Brown.

A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Perrien, to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, said CWSFR Project plan was presented at a Public Hearing held on 4/10/2023 and all public comments have been considered and addressed:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Ovid formally adopts resolution #2023-2 titled CWSRF (Clean Water State Revolving Fund) Project

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the mayor, a position currently held by William Lasher, is designated as the authorized representative for the City of Ovid and the Mayor Pro-Tem, a position currently held by Mary Perrien will serve as the alternate to sign any and all documents for the CWSRF project

Roll call:

YEAS: Mr. Perrien, Mr. Starn, Mr. Ordiway, Ms. Perrien, Mrs. Olger and Mr. Lasher

NAYS: None. Absent: Mr. Brown.

I certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Ovid at Regular Meeting held on April 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

William Lasher, Mayor Josefina Medina, Člerk

sonal representative, or to both the probate court, 100 E. State St., St Johns, MI 48879, and the named personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: April 19, 2023 Byron P. Gallagher, Jr. 6025 N. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing, MI 48823. Shane Hilyard P78245 The Gallagher Law Firm, PLC 6025 N. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing, MI 48823

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Obituaries

Bowles Memorial Mass

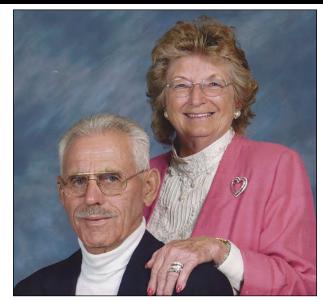
There will be a Memorial Mass for Carl and Ellie Bowles on Friday, April, 28, 2023.

Mass will be held at St. Cyril's Catholic Church in Bannister at 1:00 p.m.

There will be a dinner after the mass at the Bannister ZCBJ Hall.

Carl and Ellie spent their entire adult life working, volunteering, and raising their family in the Ovid area. Carl passed on October 2, 2017 and Ellie on November 4, 2022.

Any memorials can be made to the ZCBJ in Bannister.







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Danny Jay Craig

Danny Jay Craig, age 67, of Dewitt, Michigan passed away April 14, 2023 as the result of an automobile accident.

Danny was born in Lansing, Michigan and resided most of his life in the Ovid, Owosso, and Dewitt areas. Danny also enjoyed the short time he lived in California. Danny loved animals, especially his dear dogs. He loved the outdoors, yard work, rivers, and fishing. Danny had a kind spirit and he loved to write poetry. He worked at Vaungarde Inc. in Owosso for many years until the factory closed in 2001. He then worked at General Motors until his retirement in 2020.

He was predeceased by his parents, Jack W. Craig Sr. and Margaret Craig; baby sister, Margaret; brother, Jack W. Craig Jr.; sister, Penny Reha; brothers-in-law Russell Presson and Jim Richard; nieces, Brandy Presson and Karrie Coohon; as well as his grandparents.

Danny is survived by his two children Danny Craig Jr. (Beth) of Aurora, IL and Amber (Gary) Brown of Elsie; his grandchildren Ash, Carissa, and Prestyn Brown of Elsie, MI and Elise and Elliott Craig of Aurora, IL; his sisters Vicki Richard of Laingsburg, Linda (Bob) Jameson of Englewood, FL, Peggy (Alan) Bryson of Rives Junction; brother-in-law Roger Reha of Elsie; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are invited to attend a memorial gathering to share their favorite memories about Danny and enjoy a potluck supper. This will be held May 20th at 2pm at Henderson Park; 500 W Henderson Rd, Henderson, MI.

Margaret Ann Green (nee Gill), age 83, of Elsie, Michigan and away perceptully at home on Mardan Av 11.17 2002 passed away peacefully at home on Monday, April 17, 2023, surrounded by her family.

Margaret was raised on her family farm in Chapin, graduating from Chesaning High School in 1958 and Michigan State University in 1963. She was an elementary teacher until she married her husband of fifty-five years, Velmar. Margaret was the matriarch of Green Meadow Farms for many years. She loved driving tractor, tilling the soil, and driving truck during harvest. For many years you could find her dog, Whiskey, by her side. Most of all she liked working along-side the other employees. Margaret was an avid gardener and took great pride in her flowers and lawn. For many years she mowed the farm lawns and enjoyed waving as neighbors went by on Hollister Road. During Christmastime, you could see her house from miles away as she would decorate the yard in Christmas lights.



She was a ground breaker in regards to it being acceptable for women being involved in farming and was an original member of Ford Tractor Women's Council. Margaret and Velmar were inducted into the Michigan Farmers Hall of Fame in 2017. Margaret had many interests during her life and played piano for many years at the Elsie United Methodist Church until arthritis made it impossible for her to continue.

In spite of her mobility issues she traveled extensively with Velmar to his numerous dairy meetings, and later they developed a hobby of cruising, traveling, and seeing the world. During her later years they greatly appreciated traveling with their grandson Justin and their great nephew Ben. She also enjoyed winters in Marco Island, Florida, walking the beach when she could, picking up shells. The last few years she rode her mobility scooter around her condo complex spraying weeds and talking with residents. First and foremost she was a farm wife raising her family, being a great cook, and always welcoming Margery's and Craig's friends to be a part of the family. She was a true farmer through the end of her life as she tilled the soil at age 83 last fall for this year's crop planting. She greatly appreciated Dr. Huff's care and compassion shown throughout the years. His care over the last twenty years allowed her to continue to lead a full and productive life despite her mobility issues. The family also greatly appreciated the care Margaret received in her final days by HomeJoy and Memorial Healthcare Hospice.

She is survived by her husband Velmar Green, daughter, Margery and her husband Mark VanAtta, and son Craig Green and his wife Darcy. She is also survived by her grandchildren: Kelvin, Justin, and Corbie, sister-in-law, Grace Green, brother-in-law, Brad Henderson.

She is predeceased by her parents, Charles Sayre Gill and Freda Belle Bates Gill, one sister Margery Mae Henderson, infant daughter Jennifer, and son-in-law Wayne Webster, brother-inlaw. Duane Green.

Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, MI, on Thursday, April 20, 2023, with Pastor Carol Kusnier officiating. Burial has taken place at Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, MI.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Shiawassee Humane Society, 2752 West Bennington Road Owosso, MI 48867; Capital Area Humane Society, 7095 West Grand River Road, Lansing, MI 48906; or the Elsie Lions Club, 220 South Ovid Street, Elsie, MI 48831. Online condolences may be made at www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan



Obituaries

Sue Tomasik

Sue Tomasik, age 74 of Ovid, passed away on Thursday, April 6, 2023, at Sparrow Hospital surrounded by her family.

A private family gathering will be held at a later date to honor Sue.

Sue was born April 26, 1948, in Owosso, MI to Denver Sr. and Mary Ellen (Gaskill) Morris. She graduated from Owosso High School in 1966 and still maintained many lifelong friendships from her school years. She married



the love of her life Joseph Tomasik in Owosso on May 18,

Sue had many interests and hobbies over the years. Most importantly she loved spending time with her family and friends. She treasured the time spent with her family and took great pride in her son and grandson. Sue was creative and enjoyed spoiling her loved ones with special meals and sweet treats. To say that Sue loved the outdoors was an understatement. Quite often you'd find her with a fishing pole in hand or soaking up the sunshine to enhance her perpetual tan. She especially loved her Orioles, Cardinals and Hummingbirds and always spoiled them, too. You would often find her tending to her meticulous yard or tinkering on the next woodworking project with her ever-growing collection of power tools. The past few summers Sue spent on Lake Erie with her special friend and fishing partner Will waiting for the next big one. Sue's favorite local getaway was visiting her brother and sisters-inlaw's beautiful property and exploring their back forty, deer hunting, mushroom hunting, berry picking, and making memories with her beloved family. Sue always looked forward to her trips to the casino and adventures with her longtime friend Lynette . During high school football season, Sue would often be found in the bleachers cheering on her nephews and was most definitely their biggest fan. Ovid area families knew Sue from her many years as the produce manager at Village Food Pride in Ovid. Sue will be remembered for her incredible hugs, infectious giggle, and her willingness to listen to others without judgement. As her nephew recently shared with her family, "RC Cola's flag is now at half-mast".

Sue is survived by her son, Kirk Marrison (Elise Desjardins); Grandson, Urian Desjardins; Brother, Joseph (Theresa) Morris; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, a great-great-great niece and five great-great-great nephews, and many other loving family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Tomasik; parents, Denver Sr. and Mary Ellen Morris; brothers, Denver Morris Jr and Jack Morris.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Make-A-Wish.

Blood Drive

The Elsie United Methodist Church, 160 W. Main St., Elsie will beholding a Blood Drive on Friday, April 28, 2023 from 11:00am to 4:45pm.

To schedule an appointment visit RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code Elsie) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

S.A.L. Steak Dinner

Mark your calendar for the Laingsburg Sons of the American Legion, Clare Burt Post 248, steak dinner to be held on Saturday, April 29th. The cost is \$15 per person and is open to the public. The Post is located at 1240 E. Grand River, Laingburg. The menu will include: grilled steak, baked potato, cole slaw, roll and dessert.





A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

No doubt, you have heard that song "Running on Empty" or perhaps it is a line from the song. At any rate I totally understand that part of the message. I seem to be in that particular place lately. The beginning of this week though beautiful did not help my financial self. Sunday morning I had no water. This event usually occurs in the bitter part of the winter because my well house has lost its heat source. April is not winter but it did give me a jab in my ribs to remind me what I should be focusing upon. Well, push came to shove and I got a new heavier duty water pump for my well. It was glorious to be able to shower and wash clothes. Too bad my gaiety did not extend to getting the last of the dishes clean. Win some but not all. I do believe that my standby funds have been greatly diminished and yet I am very thankful that I had them. At any rate I was able to quantify my blessings.

Karen and I spent the afternoon checking out a new used bookstore in Bay City. We then went to a Tony's restaurant that was new to me, it was in Shields. We each had a steak sandwich and it was wonderful. Then we gabbed all the way home, oops we found a branch of my bank and I made a deposit while there and learned about the interest rate on fourteen month CDs. No, not compact discs. Certificates of deposit.

Oh did I mention that my common sense failed me on Sunday. So sad, the washer started to fill with water after the clamps on the pipes had been tightened on the old water pump. Then there was no more water... Good friend Karen told me to bring the load of clothes down to her place and throw them into her washer. Without thinking I told her that they would be awfully wet and drippy because the pump wasn't working and I probably could not wring them out enough. Yup, that was a very good show of not using my common sense. Karen just laughed and told me to put the washing machine on the spin cycle. I knew that and I don't know what I was thinking but I certainly was lacking in common sense.

Wednesday came and Diane called shortly after 5AM. She had gotten tangled up with some poison ivy and it had done a number on her. Not a pleasant experience and the shots and meds given to her weren't doing their job very well. I recommended, like mothers tend to do that she get in to see her family doctor to hopefully eliminate the poison ivy problem. It is known that mothers tend to get bossy with their off spring even when they are full fledged adults. Need I say more?

It was dry with a mild wind blowing when I got home around noon-ish Wednesday. First my energy level was waning and I took a nap that lasted one hour and forty-five minutes. The phone woke me up and I felt good so I went out to the shed to gas up the rider. I mowed over an acre but had to ease off the accelerator when I almost ran over an extension cord. No, I did not have the mower deck lowered.

However, I did not get the whole lawn mowed. I ran out of energy again, so I put the mower where it belonged and headed to the house. This was easier said then done, I had become rather stiff while mowing and limped back to the house. But I did go over to the asparagus patch and picked some. It was up about two and a half weeks earlier than normal.

I slept like a log and still couldn't get out of bed when the alarm went off. I wonder why I can't sleep in on my day off. My body keeps telling me that I should on work days. No wonder I can be confused at times and misplace my common sense. Thursday was fairly normal, I had an eye appointment after work and it went well. Or should I say... as well as expected when I had to wait forty-five minutes to get things done. I wonder if they will appreciate a bill from me on lost time? May your time be filled with laughter and insight and may God bless you daily.

Crystal Mitchell@2023



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Editorial

NRA Leadership

Letter to the Editor:

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In fact their next victims may be in line right now no matter where or when. 5 today, 10 tomorrow. Who knows? I just know it will happen again and the adults say they can't do anything about it. A gun has more rights than a child. Get ready. Next, the NRA leadership will want to arm the children.

More gun sales don't ya' know!

Thomas Ford Owosso

> Victor Township Clinton County, MI 6843 Alward Road Laingsburg, MI Proposed Board Minutes from April 11, 2023

The regular meeting of Victor Township was called to order by Supervisor Conklin at 7:03 pm and the pledge to the flag was given. Attendance: Present: Townsend, Willoughby, Prange, Conklin, Fickes. Absent: None 8 citizens in attendance.

Public Comment: Tammy Ashley requested that we post criminal activity in Victor Township on Facebook

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Prange to approve the April 11, 2023 agenda with the addition of Round Lake public alleys and addressing Victor Township's position on County Planning and Zoning. Supported by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Willoughby to the approve the March 14, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Supported by Townsend. All in favor. Motion carried

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Prange to accept the April 11, 2023 treasurer's report. Supported by Townsend. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of bills: Motion by Willoughby to pay the April 11, 2023 bills. Supported by Townsend. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks# 28769-28783 in the amount of \$28,774.45.

Motion by Willoughby to disburse April 11, 2023 payroll and related payroll expenses. Supported by Townsend. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks# 12446-12453 in the amount of \$7,141.35.

Victor Township Planning Commission: The next meeting of the Victor Township Planning Commission will be May 2, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Victor Township Hall, 6843 Alward Rd., Laingsburg, MI 48848. Motion by Prange to appoint Tyler Malkin to the Victor Township Planning Commission to fill the vacancy on the board. Supported by Conklin. Discussion followed. 4 Ayes, 1 No. Motion carried.

Motion by Townsend to follow Victor Township policy on the removal of the fence at Stilson Cemetery and allow T. Ashley to remove and dispose of the fence. Supported by Conklin. All in favor. Motion carried.

Maintenance Report: Lights were repaired at the Reed Church and Dennison School.

Unfinished Business:

- Broadband: Discussion on ongoing progress concerning Broadband in the County and Township with Adam Smiddy (Clinton County) by Zoom. Clinton County will receive information on their grant application sometime in May 2023
- Township Insurance Policy: Motion by Willoughby to extend Victor Township's insurance policy with Michigan Township Par Plan (Burnham & Flower) April 2023-April 2024. Supported by Fickes. All in favor. Motion caried.
- Round Lake Public Alleys: Mark Burkhart had questions regarding the 3 public alleys at Round Lake. There was no information on ownership of the alleys. To move forward the issue will have to go through Circuit Court. Victor Township is not pursuing the matter through the court system.
 New Business:
- Devault Lot request: According to the Victor Township Cemetery Rules and Regulations, the Township cannot assign lots or graves for free. Persons must produce legal documentation if there are questions regarding grave assignments.
- Township Planning and Zoning: Motion by Fickes to have Clinton County Planning and Zoning continue with the Township's planning and zoning and to support the moratorium on clean energy. Supported by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Motion by Conklin to adjourn at 8:29 pm. Supported by Fickes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Lianne Prange, Victor Township Clerk



Ashley Varsity Baseball

Front (l-r): Gib Jason, Clayton Juhas, Robert Kral, John Nieman. Standing (l-r): Michael Kiefer, Gavin Malek, Chase Kral, Logan Drummond, David Johonson, Carson Litwiller. Coach Marty Cartwright . Missing Jon Snider, Caden Passmore. Photo by Deb Price

Ashley Baseball Preview

 $by \ Ashleigh \ Shaw$

The 2023 Ashley Bears Baseball team is returning 8 players from last year's team along with Coach Marty Cartwright. "We have several returning players with a lot of game experience. We also return a good number of players that played key rolls last year" stated Coach Cartwright. Although they come with that game experience Cartwright also expresses that they need to replace innings on the mound which stems from some players graduating last year, which also means some players may also need to learn some new positions.

Those returning players are senior Logan Drummond, juniors Chase Kral and Clayton Juhas, sophomores Carson Litwiller and Gavin Malek, along with freshman who got playing time last year; Robert Kral, Jon Snider, Michael Kiefer and Gib Jason. Newcomers this year are freshman David Johnson and seniors Caden Passmore and John Niemann.



Ashley Varsity Softball

Front row (l-r): Ava Juhas, Hailey Good, Lillian Pulley. Middle row (l-r): Karissa Brady, Charlie Zamarron, Marissa Brady, Lexy McAllister, Back row (l-r): Ellie Drummond, Sayannah Beebe, Head Coach Mia Canfield, Assistant Layne Moergeli, Assistant Sara Adams, Kaelyn Long, Leslie Bockheim. Photo by Deb Price

Ashley Softball Preview

by Ashleigh Shaw

This year bring in a new face to the Ashley Softball Program. Mia Canfield, a Fulton alum, takes over the program for the Bears. "We will be young this year, but my team has great work ethic and good attitudes, along with always being eager to learn and go the extra mile" stated Coach Canfield. For the teams this year they return four seniors and

Leslie Bockheim, Alexyss McAllister and Savannah Beebe return as the seniors along with freshman Ava Juhas. New to the team this year are Ellie Drummond, Marissa Brady, Karissa Brady, Lilly Pulley, Kaelyn Long, Charlie Zamaron and Hailey Good.

Lady Bears Softball

by Ashleigh Shaw

The Lady Bears took on the St. Charles Bulldogs in a conference match-up to start their season as well. The Bears lost both games. In game one the Bears were led at the plate by Karissa Brady, Ava Juhas, Savannah Beebe and Marissa Brady who all got a hit on the night. Juhas pitched 2 innings and struck out 3 batters. In game two the Bears were lead by Hailey Good who got a hit and two stolen bases.











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Ashley Baseball Gets First Win Against Bulldogs

St. Charles traveled to Ashley in a conference match-up to take on the Bears to begin the season. Ashley won both games. The first game was pitched by Carson Litwiller who earned the win. Litwiller pitched 6 innings striking out 9, giving up 4 hits and one run. Clayton Juhas had a single and scored a run while Logan Drummond scored the other run, with the Bears winning 2-1. In the second game Ashley won 8-7. Getting the win was Logan Drummond who pitched 4.3 innings striking out 9, giving up 4 hits and 4 earned runs. The Bears has 5 hits in the game, Juhas had 2 hits along with Drummond and Litwiller had

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Laingsburg Varsity Baseball
Front row (l-r): Kyle Thelen, Emilio Garcia, Dom Garcia, Austin Hart. Middle row (l-r): Jayce Grettenberger, Connor Hulliberger, Camren Curtis-Hart, Cam Ballard, Jackson Audretsch. Back row (l-r): Coach Todd Randall, Hayden Johnston, Nick Regan, Ty Randal., Asst. Coaches: Al Rodriguez and Nick Woodbury. Missing: Brock Johnston, Elliott Wilsey and Tommy Gousetis.

Wolfpack Baseball Contingent Rides MHSAA Success, Looks to CMAC Title

LAINGSBURG — With the memory of last season's run to a MHSAA Division 3 District title still pleasantly tucked away, the Wolfpack baseball team is looking for bigger and better

things this year, under 6th-year head coach Todd Randall.

It's been since 1997 — then under legendary coach Larry McDonald — that Laingsburg has won a league championship. Randall says that could change in 2023: "We are looking to continue last year's success," he says. "We want to compete for a CMAC title, and look to make a strong post-season run."

Randall sees Pewamo-Westphalia, Laingsburg, Dansville and Fowler as the class of the Central MIchigan Athletic Conference (CMAC) — though not necessarily in that order. Top players in the league this year include the coach's son, Ty, plus Drew Nurenberg, Wyatt Mosley and Evan Curtis as league opponents.

Ty Randall, a junior, was 1st Team All-CMAC and 2nd Team All-State. The pitcher / infielder will be back for this third year on the Wolfpack varsity.

Hayden Johnston, a senior OF, is also back for this third varsity year and was Honorable Mention all-league in 2022.

Nick Regan is another 3-year returnee, a senior P / IF who was honored as an All-CMAC 2nd Teamer.

Other top returnees are Dom Garcia (OF / P) and Emilio Garcia (P / INF) who both made the varsity last season as freshmen; Cam Ballard, a junior infielder back for his 2nd year playing varsity ball; Jackson Audretsch, a junior catcher in his 2nd year; and Kyle Thelen, a senior infielder also back for his 2nd year with LHS' top club.

Brock Johnston, a junior, joins the group as a pitcher / infielder.

Laingsburg finished 10-5 in league play last season, good for 3rd place. To improve on that ading, "... we will lean on our leadership for our team's success," explains the coach.



Laingsburg Varsity Softball
Front row (l-r): Willow Patterson, Alaina Asher, Ashley Bila, Ella Merrell, Haley Konieczny,

Skylar Stiff, Middle row (l-r): Harper Strouse, Bella Latuszek, Haley Cronk, MaKenna Johnston, Savanna Stirm. Back row (l-r): Coach Kara Mahoney, Coach Mike Cooper, Addyson Buchin, Ella Baynes, Coach Jeff Cheadle, Coach Madison Jonas.

Wolfpack Softball Girls Return Talented Roster after 2022 Success

LAINGSBURG — A very strong outlook for Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC) softball teams leaves the Lady Wolfpack unfettered in its hopes for the spring, 2023

Building on successes of seasons past — most recently, 2022 — coach Jeff Cheadle's Wolves "... should be able to compete for the CMAC title," the veteran mentor says. "Our pitching and our defense should be solid.

'The conference will be very strong this year."

Assisted by a skilled coaching staff that includes Mike Cooper, Adam Cheadle, Madison Jones former LHS all-stater Kara Mahoney, the Wolves have a nucleus of six strong returning letterwinners. Sophomore Addyson Buchin (2nd team All-CMAC, All-District and All-Region as a freshman) will hold down the pitching chores. The infield is loaded with junior Ashley Bila (1st team All-CMAC, All-District, All-Region) at SS; senior Ellie Baynes (All-CMAC honorable mention) at 1st or 3rd base; and junior Ella Merrell at 2B. Merrell can also play the outfield, along with senior Haley Konieczny and sophomore Willow Patterson, returning letterwinners.

"We have some unproven underclassmen," says Cheadle. "We will be a very young team, but with a lot of travel ball experience." The talented newcomers are all freshmen: 1B/C Savanna Storm, P Skylar Stiff, C Harper Strouse, OF McKenna Johnson, 3B/2B Bella Latuszek and OF/2B Alaina Asher.

LHS advanced all the way to the MHSAA Regional Finals in 2022, closing out a 26-6 season that featured an 18-game winning streak. The streak ended with a 6-0 loss to Richmond last June at Mt. Morris

Can the 2023 Wolfpack improve on that impressive track record from a few short months ago? Stay tuned.







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Laingsburg Varsity Golf
Team includes: Jacob Agueros, Trevor Barrett, Connor Barrett, Lucas Dafoe, Sean Divine, Jacob Essenberg, Colin Hart, Dylan Hoard, Brock Johnston, EvanLefevre, Aiden Maddaloni, Lucas Matthews, Felix Ramirez, Seth Sivak, Brayden Thomas, Andre VanEllis, Eli Woodruff, Austin Wright, Hudson Yates. Head Coach: Greg Beavers. Asst. Coach: Coach John Saller.

Wolfpack Golf Team Returns Experience, **Looks to CMAC Title**

LAINGSBURG — Veteran coaches Greg Beavers and John Saller pull no punches when expressing what they want to accomplish in the 2023 boys golf season:

"I expect to win the Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC), just ahead of a strong showing at the MHSAA Regionals," says Beavers, the residing PGA professional at Pine Hills

The Wolves boast a lengthy roster of talented linksters, including Eli Woodruff, Sean Divine, Colin Hart, Seth Sivak, Trevor Barrett, Brayden Thomas, Connor Barrett, Austin Wright, Andre VanElls, Dylan Hoard, Felix Ramirez, Lucas DaFoe, Jacob Augeros, Hudson

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'We have good balance, experience ... and some young talent coming up," explains Beavers.

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Laingsburg Varsity Soccer

Front row (l-r): Samantha Knoblauc., Madison Phillips, Addison Elkins (Captain), Lillian Platte, Kadince Seuren. Middle row (l-r): Addison Rusz., Emilee Mertens, Desire Knoblauch, Kendal Hoard, Mariah McLean, Callie Clark, Back row (l-r): Brooklynn Miller, Ivy Collier, Erin Pohlod, Joy Antcliff (Captain), Libby Zukatis, Olivia PriceMissing Tanit Pons, Exchange student.

Photos by Deb Price

Wolfpack Girls Soccer Team Returns Young but Decorated - Club in 2023

LAINGSBURG - Second-year Head Coach Natalie Elkins explains the Wolfpack girls varsity soccer program " ... is lucky to have three returning players as current juniors that earned all-District, Region and honorable mention All-State in their sophomore years.

Those notable returnees include Desire Knoblauch, a forward, goalkeeper Joy Antcliff and Addison (Fran) Elkins at midfield. Also of note is Callie Clark, junior forward and a sophomore from 2022 who ended up starting for the Wolfpack last year; defender Mariah McLean, and the Lady Wolves' first-off-the-bench sub, defender Emily Mertens.

We have freshman Madison Phillips (and a few other newbies including an exchange student from Spain, Tanit Pons) who I expect to work hard at right wing. She's a club player with good touch," says coach Elkins. "Also, Addison Rusz played JV and Varsity last year behind a strong midfield crew --she's also a club player -- and will have her own spot to shine this year. The same with Ivy Collier.'

Coach Elkins says the Wolfpack's strength is team camaraderie. "We work very hard on this. We have a small team this year so all grades — all positive direction from our captains. Juniors Joy Antcliff and Addison Elkins-have worked year round to bring the team together and to volunteer to coach youth soccer and fundraise for us – along with our boy's team captains. Folks may be changing their "positions" to fill our gaps ... and I think they'll excel at it."

In addition to having a small roster, the 2023 Wolves are also young. Explains the coach, "We graduated 12 seniors, including starters. That's a very big gap to fill. However, the way we run our program, our JV and Varsity practice together so we all know the plays and are conditioned, so our 'new' players are not 'new' unless they're freshmen. They know how we work together and our set plays, strategy and the expected level of conditioning and communication

The LHS coaching staff is excited to work with a smaller team to get them in shape, and technically prepared for this year — and to lead the next year, says coach Elkins.

Assistant coaches are Jeremie Wilson and Geoff Heyd; "They host things year-round to bring the girls together to help with youth soccer – it's a Kindergarten to high school program here ... and our whole team has been involved," says coach Elkins.





Good Luck Wolfpack!









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Laingsburg Co-Ed Track

1st row (1-r): Carter Klont, Oliver Stanfield, Wyatt Stanfield, Mitchell George, Remi Fuller, Grace Knull, Bella Strieff, Kyleigh Luna, Taylor Brewer, Haily Magley, Chloe Agueros, Abby McNeil, Jolie Larson, Evelyn Logghe, Hazel Burley, Emma Elliott. 2nd row (l-r): Hunter Stahl, Wyatt Wagner, Leandro Dolega-Caceres, Shaun Mills, Logan West, Dylan Hulliberger, Josiah Hawes, Ellie Baynes, Ashley Bila, Emily Rathka, Mallory Woodbury, Lila Ryder, Sophia Schlaack, Hannah Rathka, Sofia Archer, Samantha Lapinski, Ellie Tortorella, Olivia Rodriquez

3rd row (l-r): Jakob Hallqvist, Joe Deshone, Cody Cataline, Cade Fuller, Logan Robinson, Josh Marble, Evan Porubsky, Charlie Porubsky, Gabe Medina, Dylan Witgen, Vance Klont, Mitchell Yates, Caleb Boettcher, Kyle Boettcher, Ethan Mohney, Kathryn Magyar. 4th row (l-r): Luke Snyder, Sawyer Shastal, Thomas Smith, Zach Grandy, Marty Meyers, Dano Winans, Troy Matthews, Aden Baynes, Garrett Matthews, Jack Borgman, Noah Devereaux, Paul Pageot, James Foltz, Andrew Park, Keaton Dietz, James Pratt, Cameron Koonter. 5th row (l-r): Coach Jordan Allen, Coach Brian Borgman, Coach Andy Brown, Coach Shawn Baynes, Photos by Deb Price

Depth, Diversity Will Be Strong Suits as Wolfpack Embarks on 2023 Track Season

LAINGSBURG -- Brian Borgman has been head coaching Laingsburg's track program since 2005 ... so he knows a team's strength when he sees it.

Our boys team has 44 members and has the diversity to score in multiple events. We're ooking for a very competitive season," says the veteran mentor. "The girls team has 36 members and our strength will be the ability to have depth for the second consecutive year.'

The Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC) will again be tough as nails, as LHS tries to improve on last year's 6-2 finish (2nd Place); the girls: 5-3 in the league (3rd Place).

Top returnees for the male Wolfpack are Jack Borgman (11th grade) in the pole vault -- he's one of the top vaulters in the state -- and 100m dash; Aden Baynes (12) 800 m run; Mitchell Yates (12) in the sprints; pole vaulter Kyle Boettcher (12); Zach Grandy (11) in the throws and sprints; and pole vaulter Caleb Boettcher (12).

Promising newcomers for the boys are Noah Devereaux (9) 1600 and 3200 m runs; James Foltz (9) 1600 and 3200 m runs; and Mitchell George (10) in the high jump and 400 m.

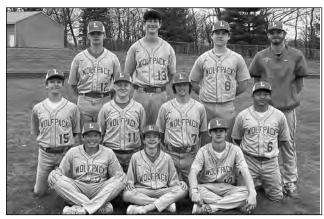
The Lady Wolves will be led by returnees Ashley Bila (11) 100 m; Ellie Baynes (12) long jump; Bella Strieff (11) throws and sprints; sprinter Addison Elkins (11); Remi Fuller (11) high jump; sprinter Kathryn Magyar (12) and sprinter Kyleigh Luna (10).

Promising freshmen are Madison Phillips (9) pole vault; Mallory Woodbury (9) high jump; and Leandro Dolega-Caceres (9) in the high jump.

Says the coach, "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

"The CMAC will be strong. Both our teams will be in the upper half of the conference again this year. P-W and Fowler will again be tough.'

Coach Borgman is fortunate to have such an experienced coaching staff: Jordan Allen (since 2015), Shawn Baynes (since 2018), Andy Brown (since 2016), Clint Hawks (since 2017) and Brad Gebauer (since 2019).



Laingsburg JV Baseball

Front row (l-r): Kaleb Salas, Everett Rodriguez, Tyler Rouse. Second row (l-r): Liam Esch, Jake Rivet, Max Powers, Marion Graham. Back row (l-r): Waylon Rowley, Greg Stewart, Tucker Dunn, Coach Andrew Átkinson. Missing: Evan Lefevre.

Wolfpack Thinclads Produce a Quartet of Top Finishes at Whitmore Lake Trojan Relays

WHITMORE LAKE — Bella Strieff, Jack Borgman, Mitchell George and Leandro Dolega-Caceres all topped their individual events with first place showings, sparking Laingsburg's track and field teams at the annual Whitmore Lake Trojan Relays here April 14.

Borgman set a season best in with a vault of 14-feet 0 inch-

Strieff paced the field in the girls shot put, winning with a score of 30-feet, 2 1/2-inches, while Dolega-Caceres and George tied for first with two others in the boys high jump finals after clearing 5-feet, 8-inches — a personal best for both.

Sophia Schlaack's set a personal best of 25-7 in the girls shot put, while Wyatt Stanfield, Marty Meyers and Troy Matthews took sixth, ninth and 10th place respectively, in the boys shot put all with personal records.

Junior Zach Grandy took fourth place with a season-record score of 104'10 in the boys discus.

In the relay eventss, coach Brian Borgman's Wolfpack finished runner-up in the boys 4x200 relay, with the team of Mitchell George, Hulliberger, Dylan Witgen and Cameron Koonter finishing in 1:38.73 time. The Wolfpack took third in the girls 4x200 relay, with Ellie Baynes, Callie Clark, Luna and Strieff running in 1:59.06.

LHS finished third in both the boys and girls 4x100 relays, with the team of Borgman, Zach Grandy, Dolega-Caceres and Yates finishing with a time of :46.83 for the boys finals; and the team of Baynes, Luna, Clark and Strieff finishing with a time of :55.84 for the girls finals.



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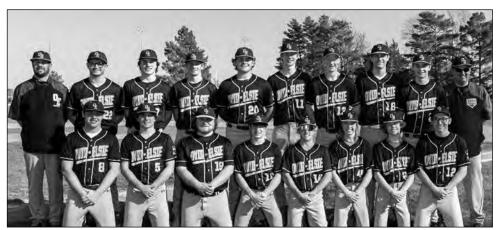


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Ovid-Elsie Varsity Baseball

Team Includes: Hayden Pontack, Perrien Rasch, Čaven Mortinson, Talan Parsons, Gage Wiktorowski, Lance Wiktorowski, Justice Moore. Breckin Kirby, Jake Bowen, Colin Veith, Corbyn Janes, Braxton Stenger, Caven Brooks, Clayton Fruchey, Javen Belill, Hunter Bates, Brayden Leland. Head Coach Brian Young.

Photo by Ortman Production, Inc.

Baseball Marauders Embark on New Era Under 1st-Year Coach Brian Young

OVID-ELSIE — It's a new era for the Marauder baseball program, opening in spring, 2023. Brian Young is the new head coach, taking over from Luke Martin. The coaching staff has some familiar faces in Mike Loynes and Jeff Wiktorowski.

"We're coming off a season of struggling offensively and hoping to improve on that," says coach Young. "We will be competing for a MMAC championship with New Lothrop and Chesaning."

Young's optimism centers around a core group that includes returnees Braxton Stenger, Breckin Kirby, Caven Brooks, Chase Kline, Colin Veith, Hayden Pontiac, Justice Moore, Perrien Rasch, Jake Bowen and Corbyn Jones.

Newcomers are Brayden Leland, Caven Mortinson, Talan Parsons and Gage Wiktorowski. Hunter Bates had hoped to play, but suffered a basketball injury and will serve as the Marauder manager.

"Our returning core group of seniors, with the underclassmen, will contribute (to a successful season)" explains Young "Our strengths are strong pitching and defense."

ful season)," explains Young. "Our strengths are strong pitching and defense."

Of special interest in 2023: look for Stenger to break the all-time O-E record for stolen bases this season.

Ovid-Elsie JV Baseball



Team Includes: Javen Belill, Clayton Fruchey, Devyn Pugsley, Blake Fabus, Landon McCreery, Brayden Gruesbeck, Hunter Long, Jaxon Ladiski, Joe Zuniga, Ben Wildes, Daniel Topping, Braxton O-Bryant.

Head Coach Adam Gruesbeck. Asst. Coach Marc Johnson. Photo by Ortman Production, Inc.



Ovid-Elsie Varsity Softball

Front row (l-r): Danica Bancroft, Kathryn Thornton, Ölyvia Coon, Gracie Schultz, Kaitlyn Fry, Mercades Grieder, Haley McClung. Back row (l-r): Jason Bowen (Assistant Coach), Ashland Particka, Olivia Burt, Maddisyn Miller, Karigann Cuthbert, Audrie VanDeusen, Felicia Gingrich (Head Coach), Caron White (Assistant Coach). Photo by Ortman Production, Inc.

Marauder Softball Gals Lose Six Grads, But Talented Upperclassman Still Return

OVID-ELSIE -- The sign of a good program is when you lose a lot of talent ... but you still have skilled players in the pipeline.

That's what veteran coach Felicia Gingrich has built at Ovid-Elsie. "We'll have a small team after losing six seniors last season, but our team strengths will be strong leadership and an overall solid outlook."

The Marauders marched to the MHSAA District Finals in 2022 before losing to neighboring Laingsburg. Three seniors return from that team to lead the 2023 edition: P/3rd base Olivia Burt, OF/C Ashland Particka and 1st base/P Gracie Schultz.

Too, there's plenty of young talent. Junior Karigann Cuthbert will handle the SS duties; junior Kaitlyn Fry is multi-faceted at P, 2nd, 3rd and OF, and junior Maddisyn Miller can catch, play 3rd or in the outfield.

Rounding out the roster is 2nd/OF/P sophomore Olyvia Coon; OF/P/1st base sophomore Kathryn Thornton; and freshman OF/C Danica Bancroft.

Gingrich will be assisted by Jason Bowen and Caron Meister.

"We had a great season last year with lots of improvement," coach Gingrich said, after the Marauders finished 19-13 a season ago.

Ovid-Elsie JV Softball



Team Includes: Alayna
Wenger, Mercades Grieder,
Haley McClung, Laiken
Watkins, Jamie Houska,
Samantha Helms, Isabella
Phillips, Torry Perrien,
Audrie VanDeusen, Alexah
Heckman, Kyra Pupava,
Alexandria Gunnell. Head
Coach: Rachel Winter.

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Front row (l-r): Rylee Lewis, Itziar Bustamante, Mikayla Bashore, Kaia Spiess, Willow Evans, Ava Anderson, Christine Rademacher-Vine Back row(l-r)t: Coach Holly Hibbard, Ellyanna Carman, Jolene Hebeler, Claire Thornton, Jollee Swender, Jenna Tomasek, Hannah Moore, Hailie McCreery, Brooklyn Belill, and coach Marie Spiess. Photo by Ortman Production, Inc.

Most of the Maruaders Return, Leading Optimism to Net Team

OVID-ELSIE -- Veteran Marauder tennis coach Holly Hibbard emphasizes the excitement around her girls team as they embark on the spring, 2023 season.

"We're excited to get going," says the coach, looking to build on last season's 3rd place showing in the MMAC. "Chesaning again looks to be strong ... but we're coming off a successful 2022 with much of our team returning. We are focusing on improving our serves and game play. Our girls are motivated and working hard."

The cupboard is stocked with talented returning players: Brooklyn Belill, Rylee Lewis, Jollee Swender, Claire Thornton, Hannah Moore, Christina Rademacher-Vine, Jenna Tomasek, Hailie McCreery, Ava Anderson and Ellyanna Carman.

They'll be joined by newcomers Mikayla Bashore, Kaia Spiess, Jolene Hebeler, Itza Bustamante and Willow Evans.



Ovid-Elsie Girls Track

Team includes: Chloe Preston, Jessica Kozlowski, Audrey Bensinger, Sierra Rings, Clarissa Baese, Jillian Williams, Lily Bates, Piper White, Tava Kvalevog, Aubrey Kurka, Hannah Koutz Haley Bashore, Audrey Johns, Samantha Snider, Kaia Spiess, Braeden Tokar, Alexis Spitzley, Alyse Ladiski, Izzy Loynes. Head Coach: Nicholas Hufnagel. Asst. Coaches: Brian Powell, Zach Loynes. Photo by Ortman Productio, Inc.



Ovid-Elsie - St. Johns Boys Varsity Lacrosse

The team includes: Eli Rentz, Ryan Dimmick, Gage Kvalevog, Brayden Hitchens, Zac J Prince, Mason Keller, Hunter Walker, Brady Purtill, Spencer Nobis, Trey Milner, Joshua Pagels, Andrew Frisbie, Jackson Wiseman, David Frisbie, Danny Hutton, Pierce Hansen, Wyatt Blemaster, Tyler McCafferty, Evan Peele, Wesley Schultz, Robert Bunn, Brady Risinger, Anthony Lacross, Hudson Smith, Brian Dennis, Luke Tracy, Cooper Schafer, Max Voisinet, Emerson Fahnestock, Jacob Gregg. Head Coach: Pat Witt. Asst. Coach: Peter Nichols, Ryan Nichols, Greg McCafferty. Photo by Ortman Productions, Inc.



Ovid-Elsie - St. Johns Varsity Girls Lacrosse

Team includes: Macey Bennett, Maddie Metzmaker, Peyton Milz, Maddie Sanborn, Jaelah Medina, Ava Casler, Allie Brown, Leah Kendall, Vanessa Bailey, Madison Dennis, Jennifer Oliveros, Violet Hart-Rodgers, Victoria Dennis, Maya Hunt, Elise Calozet, Grace Dobernick, Skyler Baatz, Laura Schloegl, Kaitlyn Cullens, Klorissa Brown, Ariel Sybert, Mya Robinson, Ruby Williams, Maggie Falor, Natalie Stoy, Ella Scranton, Ainsley Gill, Maddie Swekard, Hannah Spitzley, Marissa Masarik, Izzy Ward, Eden Peele. Head Coach: Jeff Draher, ssistant Coaches: Jessi Witt, Nick Hunt. Photo by Ortman Production, Inc

Lady Marauder Thinclads Will be Strong in Field Events, Mid-Distance Relays, Long Distance

OVID-ELSIE — Veteran Marauder girls coach Nick Hufnagel will be trying to get the most out of a small roster as O-E enters the 2023 track and field season.

"Depth is going to be an obstacle as this is the smallest team we've had in a few years," says Hufnagel. "We're hoping for a top-two finish in the MMAC; we know New Lothrop and Chesaning will be very tough opponents.

"A lot of other schools in the conference are on the rise, so we need to bring our 'A' game all season."

Topping the 'A' list talents are returnees Alexis Spitzley, Izzy Loynes, Braeden Tokar, Haley Bashore, Alyse Ladiski, Aubrey Kurka, Audrey Johns, Hannah Koutz, Jessi Kozlowski, Piper White, Sam Snider and Tava Kvalevog.

They'll be joined by newcomers Kailee Parker, Sierra Rings, Lily Bates, Jill Williams, Chloe Blaha and Audrey Bensinger.

"Our team strengths will be in the field events, mid-distance relays and long distances," explains coach Hufnagel, who will be assisted by coaches Doug Long, Brian Powell and Zack Loynes.

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Ovid-Elsie Boys Track

Front row (l-r): Nick Long, Beau Price, Mason Ritenburg, Ryan Gavenda, Austin Darling, Bruce Thornton, Jamison Custer, Gunner McCreery, Julien Mortier, Brock Spitzley. Second row (l-r): Cohen Brown, Tryce Tokar, Cole Workman, JD Miller, Jacob Kast, Austin Smith, Clay Powell, Levi Ruben, James Kelly, Danilo Klikovac. Third row (l-r): Kevin Ley, Joe Bancroft, Dawson Taylor, Kevin Torrey, Karter Clark, Nolan Rasch, Anthony Silva, Ben Wildes, Isaac Orta. Fourth row (l-r): Jackson Custer, Gavin Barrett, Dalton Love, Ryder Ruilson, Chaycen Thornton, Harris Evans, Drake Ritter, Alex Lopez, Cohen Tyler. Coaches: Brian Powell (Asst.), Photo by Ortman Production, Inc. Zach Loynes (Asst.) Doug Long (Head).

Marauder Boys Track Team is Strong...Particularly in Team Leadership

OVID-ELSIE – With a veteran coaching staff and team strengths in three key areas, coach Doug Long looks for his Marauder boys track and field team to compete with the top teams in the MMAC.

Those league contenders include Chesaning, Durand and New Lothrop – which has been a litany in nearly all sports in the conference in 2022-23.

"We'll be strong in the throws, and in the distance and mid-distance events," explains Long. "(But our main strength) is good leadership."

Long says the Marauders are looking for more depth in the sprints and jumping events.

Marauder returnees are Karter Clark in the the discus and shot-put throws, sprinter Jamison Custer, Austin Darling in the throws, Ryan Gavenda distance and high jump, James Kelly distance runner, Kevin Ley in the throws, Nick Long middle distance and long jump, Alex Lopez in the throws, Dalton Love in the throws, Gunner McCreery mid-distance, Isaac Orta sprints and long jump, Clay Powell distance, Mason Ritenburg in the hurdles, Ryder Rulison in the throws, Austin Smith distance, Bruce Thornton in the sprints, Tryce Tokar mid-distance and pole vault, Kevin Torrey in the throws, Ben Wildes in the throws and Cole Workman in the throws.

Tokar is a conference, Regional and State Champ as a record-setter in the PV. Powell, Nick Long, Gavenda and Darling are all returning All-MMAC performers. Darling, Gavenda and Thornton serve as the O-E captains.

Newcomers include Joe Bancroft, Gavin Barrett, Harris Evans, Cohen Brown, Jackson Custer, Jacob Last, Danilo Kilkovac, Julien Mortier, Beau Price, Nolan Rasch, Drake Ritter, Levi Ruben, Anthony Silva, Brock Spitzley, Dawson Taylor and Cohen Tyler.



Wolfpack Bests Bath, Wins CMAC Jamboree

PINE HILLS GC Fowler's Kenny Thelen shot a sub-40 round for 9 holes, but Laingsburg's balance was more than enough to capture team honors at the first CMAC Golf Jamboree of

Coach Greg Beavers' Wolfpack was 7 strokes better than Bath, 179-186, while Fowler was a distant 3rd at Pewamo-Westphalia (206), Dansville (224) and Portland St. Patrick (238) rounded out the field.

Jake Essenberg stayed hot on Thelen's heels, leading LHS with a 41. Eli Woodruff fired 45 in a tie for 3rd individually, while Aidan Maddoloni shot 46 to finish 4th for the Wolfpack.

Lady Marauders Earn Split at Perry

PERRY — Karigann Cuthbert rapped four hits in the nightcap, helping Ovid-Elsie's varsity softball split here April 14.

The host Ramblers were victorious in the opener, 2-1 behind the pitching of Sara Austin, before the Marauders rolled to a dozen runs in game two, winning 12-6.

Olivia Burt took the opening loss for the Marauders, falling to Perry on the final play of the game. She worked 61/3 innings and surrendered two runs and five hits. She struck out three and walked none. Ashlynn Particka had two hits for Ovid-Elsie while Cuthbert had one hit and drove

In the nightcap, Cuthbert doubled, tripled and singled twice while driving in three runs for Ovid-Elsie. Kaitlyn Fry had two hits and also drove in three runs.

The Lady Marauders pulled away for good with seven runs in the fourth. Fry singled on an 0-2 count scoring two, Cuthbert doubled on a 2-1 scoring two, and McClung doubled on a 1-1

Fry was also the winning hurler, working all seven innings, giving up six runs and eight hits. She struck out five and walked two.

Lady Marauders hit the ground running by sweeping at Durand

DURAND -- The Ovid Elsie Marauder varsity softball team swept to two wins in their season opener at Durand.

Returning seniors Gracie Schultz, Ashland Particka, Olivia Burt and returning juniors Karigann Cuthbert, Kaitlyn Fry, and Maddisyn Miller lead this year's young team. The squad is rounded out with new additions of sophomores Olivia Coon, Kathryn Thornton and freshman Dannika Bancroft.

In game 1 at Durand, the Marauders dominated 18-2 with Olivia Burt leading the charge. The pitcher allowed 2 runs on 2 hits over three innings striking out 5. Cuthbert, Miller, Fry, and Schultz all had multiple hits. The Lady Marauders racked up 18 runs on 12 hits in the threeinning game.

In game 2, the Marauders went 14 and 1 for the win. Fry pitched the Lady Marauders to victory, surrendering 1 run on 2 hits over five innings striking out 10. Cuthbert gave Durand fits, as she went 4 for 4 at the plate. Cuthbert singled in the first doubled in the second, and singled in the fourth and fifth innings. Particka, Burt, and Fry all had multiple hits for Ovid Elsie.

Perry, Goodrich Best Ovid-Elsie Hardballers

PERRY -- Ovid-Elsie's varsity baseball team took a tough loss to Perry here April 14 by a 5-4 count

Gage Wikorowski started on the hill and pitched well, firing 3 innings one hit baseball with 3 strikeouts. Offensively, the Marauders were led by Chase Kline's 2 hits, 2 RBI and a walk.

Game 2 was suspended due to darkness, leaving coach Brian Young's baseballers with a 1-2 overall mark.

Saturday, April 15 the Marauders played state-ranked Goodrich. O-E had a rough game in the opener, losing 13-1. "Game we played a lot better," said coach Young. "At one point we were down 6-1, but fought back to make it 6-5. "Goodrich is a very good squad. It was good for our guys to see that quality of pitching and defense to help us improve as a team as the year moves forward and we keep pace in conference play."

The Marauders eventually lost the nightcap, 10-5. Offensively, they were led by Jake Bowen with 3 hits and two RBI, and Javon Belil with two hits.

Chesaning Sweeps O-E in MMAC Baseball Action

OVID-ELSIE — After a big MMAC-opening victory over Durand, O-E's varsity baseball team couldn't keep the momentum going. Chesaning swept the Marauders, 15-0 and 4-3, here

The sweep lifted the Indians to 6-2 overall and 4-0 in the MMAC, while Brian Young's Marauders dipped to 1-5 overall, 1-2 in the MMAC.

In Game 1, the Indians featured the two-hit pitching of Logan Fulk. He pitched five innings and struck out five and walked one. "The first came we just came out sluggish and slow," said

In Game 2, Chesaning scored the winning run when Blake Laskowski knocked in Nash Wending with a fielder's choice grounder. Powell had two hits to lead the winning attack.

We bounced back great played our best defensive game of the year in game two," explained Young. "We were up 3-1, but simply unable to tack on runs. We have to start hitting the ball better for us to reach our potential. Six total hits in two games; it's very hard to win.

That's why I was proud of our defensive effort game two.

Braxton Stenger led the Marauders with one hit and 2 runs scored.

Brady Sager was the winning pitcher for the Tribe. He allowed three hits in five innings of work with nine strikeouts.

Wolfpack Track Team File 4-2 Combined Record in CMAC Quad

LAINGSBURG -- In CMAC track and field action here April 19, the Laingsburg boys went 2-1 on the day, defeating Portland St. Patrick, 109-28, and downing Potterville, 103-33, but los-

Coach Brian Borgman's Wolfpack girls also fared 2-1 on Wednesday. The Wolfpack captured wins over Potterville, 116-21, and Portland St. Patrick, 99-38, but losing to Fowler, 104-33.

For the Lady Wolfpack, Bella Strieff, Ellie Baynes, Kyleigh Luna and Ashley Bila won the 4 x 100 relay in 55.30.

Laingsburg's other first-place showing came from Madison Phillips. The freshman won the pole vault with a height of 8 feet even.

In the boys' competition, junior Jack Borgman wrapped up a first-place finish in the pole vault at 14 feet even and decided to try and break his own school record of 14-7 by attempting 14-9. He didn't quite make it -- but vows he'll keep trying, cementing himself as one of the premier vaulters in the state.

LHS freshman Noah Devereaux placed first in both the 1600-meter run (4:54.08 and 3200run (10:44.0). Other first-place performers for the Wolfpack were Zach Grandy (discus, 114-8) and Brad Dedic (high jump, 5-8).

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of Eagle, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Center of Grand River Turnpike. between the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 and the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 5 North. Range 4 West, Running thence North to the Section line between Sections 23 and 26, thence West on said line 18 rods; thence South to the center of said Turnpike, thence in a Southerly direction to the place of beginning, Clinton County Records. Commonly known as: 11250 W GRAND RIVER HWY, GRAND LEDGE, MI 48837 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mort-gage foreclosure sale or to the mort-gage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: April 23, 2023 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Fifth Third Bank, National Association 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 m Case No 22MI00869-1 (04-23)(05-14)

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Matthew L. Sedore, Tracy Sedore, husband and wife, to Fifth Third Mortgage - MI, LLC, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2013 and recorded November 20, 2013 in Instrument Number 5208678 Clinton County Records. Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Fifth Third Bank, N.A., FKA Fifth Third Bank as Successor by merger to Fifth Third Mortgage Company, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Eight and 7/100 Dollars (\$103,168.07). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the cir-

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Default has been made in the condi-

Detault has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Giffen and Wilda Giffen, Husband and Wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lenders successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 24, 2007 and recorded September 6, 2007 in Instrument Number 5121506 Clinton County Records, Michigan Clinton County Records, Michigan Said mortgage is now held by WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, AS OWNER TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF CSMC 2017-RPL2 TRUST, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighteen Thousand Sixty-One and 96/100 Dollars (\$118.061.96)

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the place of holding the circuit court within Clinton County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 24, 2023.

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Dated: April 9, 2023

Dated: April 9, 2023 File No. 23-003160 Firm Name: Orlans PC Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084 Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400 (04-09)(04-30)

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this information:
Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Renee Terpening, a married woman, and James Terpening, her husband, via Loan Modification dated 03/28/2022 Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): MidFirst Bank Date of Mortgage: November 14,

2019

Date of Mortgage Recording: November 22, 2019 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$117.129.73

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in City of St Johns, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 12, Block 2 of Avenue Addition to the City of St. Johns, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 8, Clinton County Records. Common street address (if any): 117 Lewis St, Saint Johns, MI 48879-

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sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a. in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600,3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PUR-CHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Please be advised that any third party purchaser is responsible for preparing and recording the Sheriff's Deed. If this is a residential Mortgage, the following shall app ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the Mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. THIS COMMU-NICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION
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line of said Section to the point of beginning; thence North 295.00 feet along said West line; thence East 223.00 feet perpendicular to said West line: thence South 295.00 feet parallel with said West line; thence West 223.00 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as 1415 S. Bauer Road, Fowler, MI 48835 Property ID# 020-018-200-015-00 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date o such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a (b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for sure sale or to the mortgage holder duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice ATTENTION PUR-CHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mort-gagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. This notice is from a debt collector. Dated: March 29, 2023 For more information, please call: (513) 852-6066 Daniel A. Cox Wood + Lamping, LLP Attorneys for Servicer 600 Vine Street, Suite 2500, Cincinnati, OH 45202 File 23-03011

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Laingsburg Pitching Staff No-Hits Bath -Twice - In Twinbill Sweep

LAINGSBURG -- Laingsburg's recent #16 state ranking, released last week, is no joke. In fact, coach Todd Randall's Wolfpack is perhaps better than that in MHSAA Division 3.

How so? The Wolves' pitching staff has been unhittable.

LHS chalked up two more no-hitters in their home opener, sweeping a CMAC doubleheader by a combined total of 32-0 here April 20.

Ty Randall was brilliant on the hill again Thursday, tossing another no-hitter to lead Laingsburg past the Bees, 12-0, in the opener.

Laingsburg got things moving in the first inning, when Mo Garcia singled on a 3-2 count, scoring one run.

The 'Pack put up five runs in the fourth inning, with the big bats led by Cam Ballard, Brock Johnston, Tommy Gousetis, and Garcia all knocking in runs in the inning.

Randall, a junior righthander went five innings, allowing zero runs on zero hits and striking

The Wolves scattered ten hits in the game. Ballard, Johnston and Garcia all managed multiple hits. Laingsburg was sure-handed in the field behind Randall, and didn't commit a single

Garcia swiped three bags as Laingsburg collected 9 steals in game one.

Two Pitchers Combine In No-Hitter: The Garcia brothers -- Dom and Mo -- didn't allow a single hit as Laingsburg defeated Bath, 20-0, in the nightcap.

Mo fanned the last Bee batter to end the game.

The Wolfpack secured the victory thanks to 11 runs in the first inning. Ty Randall, Hayden Johnston, Elliot Wilsey, Tommy Gousetis and the Garcias all drove in runs in the frame.

Dom got the win for Laingsburg, surrendering zero runs on zero hits over one inning, striking out two and walking zero. Mo threw two innings of relief out of the bullpen.

LHS tallied 12 hits. Mo went 3-for-3 at the plate to lead the way. Laingsburg tore up the base paths again, as two players stole at least two bases.

Lady Soccer Marauders Stay Atop MMAC

BYRON — Evalyn Cole scored four times and Haylee Palus added three goals as the Ovid-Elsie girls soccer team scampered to a 9-3 MMAC victory here April 18.

Hailee Campbell and Aly Moore also scored for O-E in the rout. The Marauders outshot Byron 27-6, upping their record to 3-0-1 overall and 2-0 in the Mid-Michigan Activities

Freshman goalkeeper Sarah Newman made three saves for coach Jerome White's Marauders. The host Eagles, falling to 4-2 overall and 2-1 in the MMAC, got two goals from freshman Zadie





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Sports

Marauder Boys 8th, O-E Girls 12th at Fowler **Lights Invitational**

FOWLER — Track teams from Ovid-Elsie turned in middle-of-the-pack finishes at the annual, 14-school Fowler Under the Lights Invitational on April 14.

The Corunna boys scored 101 points, finishing behind Pewamo-Westphalia (104) and Fowler (102). Ovid-Elsie ran eighth (40) while Owosso placed 10th (31).

Tryce Tokar of Ovid-Elsie won the pole vault competition with a 14-foot clearance.

Beau Price of Ovid-Elsie finished 2nd in the long jump (20-11/2), 5th in the 400 (53.58) and 6th in the 200 (24.08).

O-E's other medal-winning effort came from the 4 x 800 relay team - 4th - Tryce Tokar/Nick Long/Clay Powell/Jamison Custer in (8:58.15).

In the girls competition, Pewamo-Westphalia was first with 137, Fowler was second (94), Portland St. Patrick third (82) and Owosso fourth (65). Corunna was ninth (301/2) wile Ovid-Elsie ran 12th (18).

Ovid-Elsie's Jessica Kozlowski was fourth in the 100 hurdles (17.94). Other medal winners for the Lady Marauders were Audrey Johns - 5th in the HJ (4'8"), and Izzy Loynes - 6th in 100 sprint (13.88).

Lady Wolfpack Sweeps to Two More CMAC Wins Over Bath

LAINGSBURG -- Alaina Asher and Bella Latuszek combined for seven RBI in the first game, and Laingsburg's hitting attack battered Bath even more in the closing contest, as the Lady Wolfpack softball team swept a CMAC doubleheader in their home opener here April 20.

Coach Jeff Cheadle's Wolves rolled to an 8-2 lead in the first game, then rode the pitching of Addyson Buchin and solid defense behind her -- final score, 8-5. Bath threatened in the top of the 7th, but couldn't overcome three costly errors, despite out-hitting the Wolves 10-8.

Latuszek plated four RBI in a 1-for-3 plate performance, adding a walk. Asher drove in three while going 2-for-3. Ashley Bila also had a pair of hits, with Buchin, Savvy Stirm, Haley Konieczny, Harper Strouse and Skylar Stiff also contributing to Laingsburg's 8-hit total.

Buchin fired all 7 innings, earning her 6th win, striking out 9 and walking a pair of Bees.

Wolves crank up offense in Game Two: The Pack unleashed a 15-hit attack in the second game, Buchin and Bila leading the way, each with 4-for-4 plate performances. Buchin drove in 5 runs in support of her four-hit, four strikeout pitching, in a 12-1 victory that boosted LHS to 7-1 on the campaign -- and still unbeaten in the CMAC.

Latuszek continued her strong hitting with a 2-for-4 showing, while Stirm, Konieczny, Strouse, Makenna Johnston and Ella The Wolves romped to a 9-0 lead before the Bees scratched out a single run off Buchin in the 4th inning. Laingsburg played errorless defense behind Buchin.

Lady Marauder Tennis Team Whitewashes Chesaning, 8-0

CHESANING -- The Ovid-Elsie girls tennis team went on the road April 18th to take on Chesaning. The Lady Marauders beat the rebuilding Indians 8-0.

Rylee Lewis topped Terrah Moyer at 1st singles, 6-3, 6-1. Brooklyn Belill beat Alex Moore 6-1, 6-0 at 2nd singles and Christina Rademacher-Vine won 6-3, 6-0 over Katy Diener at 3rd sin-

gles. Itziar Bustamante rounded out the singles wins by beating Marianna Escamilla 6-4, 6-1 at 4th singles.

O-E's Claire Thornton and Jollee Swender took down the Indians at first doubles against Adriana Harrison and Karizma McIver-Halias with a 6-0, 6-0 win and Hannah Moore and Ellyanna Carman won in straight sets over Whitney Welden and Olivia Dones 6-0, 6-1 at 2nd doubles. The 3rd doubles team of Jenna Tomasek and Kaia Spiess and 4th doubles team of Ava Anderson and Willow Evans won by default as Chesaning did not have enough players.

The Lady Marauders stood 3-0 overall for the season and in the MMAC Conference after the shutout victory.

Wolfpack Soccer Girls Remain Unbeaten With Durand Shutout

LAINGSBURG — Desire Knoblauch punched in four goals and the Laingsburg girls varsity soccer team remained unbeaten with a shutout victory over the Durand Railroaders.

Callie Clark scored three times, and Samantha Knoblauch once as coach Natalie Elkins' Lady Wolfpack moved to 5-0

The Wolves scored four goals in each half before ending the game with 30 minutes left in the second half with goal #8, completing an 8-0 shutout of the Railroaders.