



From left, Leah Komarzen, Brett Ceane and Skyler Spitzley. (Image credit: Calvin Larson)

Huskies to the Rescue: Lifeguards Earn National Red Cross Award

submitted by Cyndi Perkins

For heroic and lifesaving action at Michigan Tech SDC Pool during a medical emergency last summer, lifeguards Leah Komarzen, Skyler Spitzley and Brett Ceane will receive the Red Cross Lifesaving Award for Professional Responders. The awards were given in a ceremony at the SDC Pool on Tuesday (April 25).

Komarzen, Spitzley and Ceane used their American Red Cross training in lifeguarding, first aid, CPR and AED to save the life of an individual experiencing a cardiac complication at the SDC Pool last summer.

An account of the incident was included in the release. Komarzen, the active lifeguard on duty, was notified of a patron with chest pains and activated the facility's emergency action plan. As she escorted the patron toward a pool exit, they began to lose consciousness.

Spitzley and Ceane were the other lifeguards on duty. Spitzley radioed Public Safety and Police Services, then entered the water to assist. Ceane arrived with a backboard. Together, the three lifeguards retrieved the patron from the pool. Then, after calling 911, Komarzen gathered the AED while Spitzley and Ceane administered CPR. When a Public Safety officer arrived on the scene, they and Komarzen operated the AED and delivered a shock to the patron, after which MTU Emergency Medical Services arrived and took over care.

The Lifesaving Award for Professional Responders is a national recognition. It is the highest award given by the Red Cross to individuals or a group of individuals who save or sustain a life using skills learned in a Red Cross Training Services course. This action exemplifies the highest degree of concern of one human being for another who is in distress.

"We're extremely proud to present a Lifesaving Award for Professional Responders to these individuals," said Kathryn Halvorsen, executive director of the Red Cross North Central Region of Wisconsin. "Leah, Skyler and Brett, you exemplify the mission of the American Red Cross to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies. We commend you and your willingness to help another in distress and respond to the emergency. You truly are lifesavers."

"I don't have the words to describe how proud I am of them," said Annie Bengry, aquatics manager at MTU. "Their ability to identify and respond to an unfolding emergency was impeccable. They worked together as a team with speed and confidence. They each played such a vital role in the emergency response that day and because of that, they saved the patron's life. I am excited that they are being recognized for their amazing acts. These acts would not be possible without the training and resources provided by the American Red Cross."



Spring Sports teams will hopefully enjoy warmer weather this week.
See pages 7-9 for results.

Ovid City Council Special Meeting

The Ovid City Council held a Special Meeting on Thursday, April 27, 2023. Council members present were, Larry Ordiway, Lyle Perrien, Mary Perrien and Mayor Bill Lasher. Absent were council members, Eric Starn, Eric Brown and Mallory Olger.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider the hiring of a Financial Advisor and enter into an engagement letter with a Bond Attorney for the water grant project. The City of Ovid Mayor, Bill Lasher, entered into an application agreement in November of 2022 for the water project with the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy. Funding for the project will come from two sources, a grant with a 75% forgiveness from the state, \$8,316,600.00 and a 1.5 million dollar loan from the USDA. The taxpayers will have to repay approximately \$948,000 which represents the city's 25% responsibility and the entire 1.5 million from the USDA. The water project will include water main replacement and upsizing, lead service line replacement, water treatment upgrades and water meter replacements within the City of Ovid.

Visitor, Andy Campbell, a financial advisor representing Baker Tilly, updated the council on the upcoming timelines and deadlines for applying for a DWSRF (drinking water state revolving fund). He explained that the city would need to Bond the project and enter into an engagement letter with a Bond Attorney as well as hiring a financial advisor to oversee the funding for the water project. He also informed the board that a water rate study would need to be done in order to show the ability of the repayment by the city for the loans. Campbell also stated that he would attend a follow up meeting to go over project details with a full council in attendance.

After discussion, a motion was made by Mary Perrien and seconded by Larry Ordiway to engage Baker Tilly as the City of Ovid's Financial Advisor, the motion passed. Lyle Perrien made a motion to hire Thrun Law Firm to serve as the Bond Attorney for the water main project, the motion was supported by Larry Ordiway and was passed. Other council action included the hiring of Keefe Johns, a seasonal DPW worker to fulltime status. The council also took action on the following: an agreement with Verizon for police car air cards, an ACH payment with Mercantile Bank for new police car, approved the change of use of the activity room to exclusive use for the police department, to purchase LEXIPOL policies and PolicyOne Academy training program for one year, the addition of a portapotty at Ackley Field and finally the removal of a tree on East High Street.

Sparrow Clinton Chief Nursing Officer Named Rural Health Professional of Year

submitted by John Foren

ST. JOHNS, MI – Sparrow Clinton Hospital Chief Nursing Officer Mariah Hesse has been honored as 2023 Rural Health Professional of the Year for a lifetime's work in promoting and improving health services in rural areas.

Hesse was recognized at a recent luncheon of the Michigan Center for Rural Health (MCRH). John Barnas, MCRH Executive Director, noted during the award ceremony that "while many are worthy of the award, it's apparent that Mariah's commitment to not only the health of her rural community, but the health of the entirety of rural Michigan made her a top choice in 2023."

Hesse has not only made significant contributions to Sparrow Clinton but to Michigan's rural health infrastructure through her role as President of the Michigan Critical Access Hospital Quality Network (MICAQ), a position she has held since 2018. In addition, her contributions extend beyond the state of Michigan, as she serves on numerous national committees that help shape the patient safety and quality landscape for Critical Access Hospitals across the nation.

"To see Mariah's recognition for her professional lifelong advocacy is heartwarming as Mariah is an inspired advocate for rural healthcare," said Sparrow Clinton President Kris McCarty. "Her passion for quality, safety, and patient experience and commitment to lifelong learning and collaboration make her a wonderful mentor for those who surround her."

During her tenure, Hesse has made many contributions to Sparrow Clinton, with highlights including leading a journey to ACCN Pathway to Excellence and increasing access to care by leading the implementation of many new specialty services.

"It is an honor to be recognized by Michigan Center of Rural Health as the 2023 Health Professional of the Year," Hesse said. "I have had the privilege to collaborate with many rural health professionals who advocate for Michigan communities to provide compassionate, quality, safe care in a rural setting. All of them are deserving of this recognition as well."

For more information about Sparrow Clinton, go to Sparrow.org/Clinton.



Sparrow Clinton Hospital Chief Nursing Officer Mariah Hesse (right) is congratulated by Sparrow Clinton President Kris McCarty on her Rural Health Professional of the Year award.

Social

Ovid Public Library Events

Are you looking for something to do this week? Well, come to the Ovid Public Library! We've got a lot of things planned for this week.

On Monday, May 8 we will be hosting the Adult Booktasting. If you are wanting to hear about some good books then join us at 1:00.

On Tuesday, May 9 the crafting group will be here at 1:30. If you would like to have a space to spread out and craft or would just like to have some company while you are crafting then come join them. There's always room for new crafters!

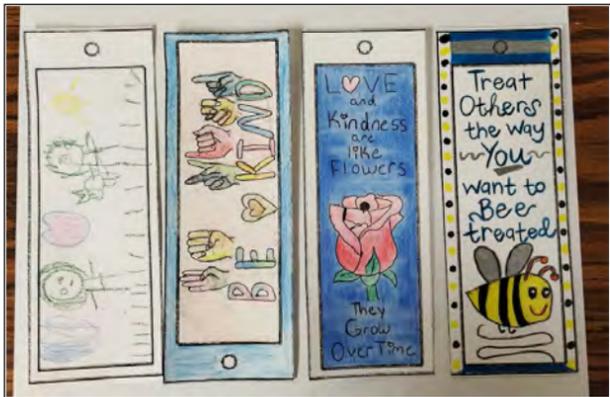
Wednesday, May 10 will be our Classic Movie. This week we will be showing the movie, "San Francisco" starring Clark Gable and Jeanette MacDonald. Movie time will be 1:00. Come join our group and enjoy a classic romantic drama.

And finally, on Friday, May 12 we will be having our Children's Story Hour.

Ms. Shelly will be reading some spring themed books. We will be making a craft and are expecting a special visitor that day. We hope you can join us.

Even if none of these programs interest you, be sure to come into the library and check out our new flower box. The flower box was donated to the library from the students and staff at Leonard Elementary. They did a beautiful job and it really brightens up the entry to the library!

Library News



Congratulations to the 2023 Elsie Public Library "Bookmark Contest" Winners

submitted by Ann Trierweiler

In 2023 we held the 2nd Annual Elsie Public Library "Bookmark Design Contest". The theme for the contest will always be the Summer Reading Program theme. The 2023 theme was "All Together Now" Kindness/Friendship/Unity. Mark your calendars for the SRP kick off on Wednesday, June 7th at 2:00 pm!

Bookmarks designed by the four winners will be printed and distributed during the Summer Reading Program. The Library congratulates the winners and thanks all those who participated in the contest. Winners from left to right are.....

- Emma, age 6
- Leighton, age 11
- Sierra, age 12
- Emily, adult

What a wonderful job!

Bob is Back inTown

Bob Sauer has joined the staff at Corner Carousel in downtown Ovid. Stop in to make an appointment or call the salon at 989-834-2587, or text Bob directly at 517-402-6590. Walk-ins are welcome. Join Grace and Patty in welcoming Bob back to Ovid.



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Elsie Dairy Festival Committee Meeting

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Senior Spotlight

Owosso Parkinson Support Group Meeting

submitted by Owen Prussner

Owosso Parkinson Support group to meet on Wednesday, May 10th, at 5:00pm. The meeting will be held at the Shiawassee Council on Agong, 300N Washington St. Owosso, MI 48867. Phone Number 989-723-8875.

The Owosso Parkinson Support Group meets the second Wednesday of each month.

We has a special guest speaker, Mr. Dawei Li, who teaches Thi Chi at Memorial Healthcare's Wellness center, and also at Sparrow Hospital as well. People with Parkinson's Disease tend to have poor balance and tend to fall and injuring themselves.

Me Dawei Li teaches sit down exercises of Thi Chi It helps to help with balance. He will be demonstraing equipment he has invented and uses in exercises class.

If you or a loved one has been diagnosed with Parkinson' Diseas, please join us. Weprovide information, encouragement, fellowship, and support.

If you have questions about Owosso Parkinson Support Group please contact Karen Prussner, Facilitator at 989-723-6901.

Take Action to Avoid a Gap in Medicaid Coverage

submitted by Dianna Vsetula

Owosso – At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the federal government declared a Public Health Emergency (PHE), allowing Medicaid members to keep their health care coverage. Per recent federal legislation, eligibility renewals will start again in June 2023. Monthly renewal notifications began to be mailed to members in May 2023. It is extremely important to complete your renewal form - if you don't, you may lose your Medicaid eligibility.

You can follow these steps to help determine if you still qualify:

- Make sure your contact information is up to date
- Check your mail or text messages for a letter
- Complete any renewal forms received

If you're a Medicaid member, learn more about how these changes may affect your health care coverage at Michigan.gov/2023benefitchanges. If you need assistance with completing your renewal form, please contact a Memorial Healthcare Financial Counselor at (989) 729-4160 or our Cashier's Office at (989) 720-7073.

For more information please visit, www.MemorialHealthcare.org

Kaitlyn McGroarty Named to Ketering University's Winter 2023 Dean's List

submitted by Michael McGroarty

Kaitlyn McGroarty is majoring in Chemical Engineering and is a member of the class of 2024.

The Dean's List recognizes overall academic performance based on the student's term grade point average (GPA). To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must satisfy the following requirements: be a degree-seeking student with a minimum term grade point average of 3.5, no grades below B, and a minimum of 16 earned credits for the term.

McGroarty was among more than 200 students named to the Winter 2023 Dean's List.

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Planning a graduation open house, summer party or special occasion? The Elsie Lions Club has tents, tables and chairs for rent. You pick up or ask about delivery and set up service. Call Richard Easlick at 517-881-0024 to place an order or for more information.

Memorial Healthcare Foundation to Host Free Lunch and Learn

submitted by Vicki McKay

Owosso – Memorial Healthcare Foundation will be hosting a free community Lunch and Learn presentation on Tuesday, May 23 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

The topic of this educational series is "Multiple Sclerosis" and will be presented by Multiple Sclerosis experts from the Institute for Neuroscience at Memorial Healthcare including Dr. Jeanie Cote, Dr. Robert Pace, Dr. Rosemarie Walch, and Paige Goulette, DNP-BC. Topics covered will include risks; emerging therapies and approaches to treatment; diet, exercise, and other lifestyle modifications; and reproductive options.

This presentation will be held in the Educational Theatre at the NOW Building, located at 819 N. Shiawassee Street, Owosso (please enter through the "Wellness" entrance). To reserve your seat, please RSVP to the Foundation at (989) 729-4675 by Friday, May 19.

For more information please visit, www.MemorialHealthcare.org

Rep. BeGole to Host Town Hall on New Gun Laws

submitted by Denny Schwarze

State Rep. Brian BeGole will host a non-partisan, informational town hall meeting on recent changes to state law related to firearms.

The meeting will take place Monday, May 15 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Shiawassee Conservation Association, located at 4247 N. M-52 in Owosso.

The event will cover storage requirements, universal background checks and red flag legislation recently signed into law by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. Experts and representatives from the National Rifle Association, the Michigan House's Second Amendment Caucus, Michigan Coalition of Responsible Gun Owners, Michigan United Conservation Clubs and Michigan Open Carry will discuss the reforms and answer questions from guests.

"A lot of people I talk with have questions about what these new laws mean for them, their families, their property and Constitutional freedoms," said BeGole, of Antrim Township. "We will have a panel that can address concerns, discuss what these laws do and lay out the road ahead.

"Most importantly, anyone is welcome to attend and engage in discussion. I understand this is a very passionate issue, but this will be a constructive and welcoming conversation as I work to represent the values and interests of everyone across our region."

People who would like more information on the meeting can contact BeGole's office by calling (517) 373-0853 or emailing brian.be@house.mi.gov.

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Obituaries

Nancy Lou Zigler

Nancy Lou Zigler, age 73, of St Johns died April 27, 2023, with her family by her side.

Nancy was born on May 1, 1949, in Chicago, IL, the daughter of Stanley and Mary Lou (Tinder) Fisher. Nancy lived in Waukegan, IL; Seattle, WA; and Van Nuys, CA, until she met the love of her life Mike Zigler. Nancy and Mike were married on August 14, 1970, at the First United Methodist Church in St Johns, MI. Upon moving to Michigan, Nancy worked as a hairdresser for over 30 years, starting her first job at the Marilyn McQueen beauty shop.

Nancy loved people. She also enjoyed serving the community. She shared her life with many people working at the St Johns Hospital gift shop, along with being an active supporter of Relay for Life. Some of her passions included yoga and cardio drumming.

One of the many blessings which came from Nancy and Mike's marriage was their only son Nathan, who brought joy to many. Nathan preceded his mother in death in 2010. Along with her husband, those left to cherish her memory are her sister-in-law Sue (Robert) Shinabery, as well as many dear friends. She is also preceded in death by her parents; sister, Marta and brother-in-law, Roger Zigler.

A memorial service was held on Saturday May 6, 2023, at McGeehan Funeral Home, Keck-Coleman Chapel, 1500 Waterford Pkwy, St. Johns.

Memorial contributions may be made in her name to Ele's Place, 1145 W Oakland Ave, Lansing, MI 48915 or to the Ronald McDonald House of Mid-Michigan 121 S. Holmes Street, Lansing, MI 48912.



Gerrit Andrew Esch

Gerrit Andrew Esch, age 24 of Laingsburg passed away unexpectedly Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at his residence in Mount Pleasant.

Gerrit was born February 25, 1999 in Lansing, Michigan to John M. and Leah J. (Glass) Esch. He was raised in Laingsburg, Michigan and was a 2017 graduate of Laingsburg High School.

Growing up he was a member of the local Boy Scout Troop where he developed a strong love of the outdoors. He loved growing up on Round Lake and family trips were spent traveling up north and being outdoors, camping, kayaking, hiking, and backpacking; he relished every minute of those times. An early backpacking trip to Isle Royale and a more recent whitewater rafting trip in the Grand Canyon were highlights.

Every day was an adventure for him and his friends and as an adult, he would instigate plans for camping trips to the Upper Peninsula with friends.

Gerrit had a lifelong passion for music. He began playing guitar at a young age. He later played euphonium and tuba in the Laingsburg middle school and high school bands. He also played bass in the Laingsburg high school jazz band. He won the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award. Gerrit was an avid listener and appreciated almost every genre of music.

He attended Central Michigan University to study environmental sciences and took additional classes at Lansing Community College in recent years. He had just accepted a position with the Department of Natural Resources at Rose Lake.

His passion was for the outdoors and nature, especially birds. More recently Gerrit was studying ornithology and his excitement for learning all he could and sharing that knowledge with others was infectious.

Gerrit attended the University Reformed Church and First Congregational Church in Laingsburg.

Gerrit had a loving, compassionate heart and was a friend to many. He loved his family and friends.

Gerrit is survived by his parents, John and Leah Esch, many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and numerous friends and neighbors. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Francis and Lorraine Esch and Bruce and Phyllis Glass; his aunt Liz, uncle Alan, and his cousin Amy.

A funeral service to honor and celebrate his life was held at on Saturday, May 6, 2023 at Watkins Brothers Funeral Homes, 203 East First North St., Laingsburg, MI 48848. Rev. Dr. Tom Rundel officiated the service. Burial has taken place at Reed Cemetery, Laingsburg.

In lieu of flowers, memorials honoring should be directed to: Michigan Audubon at <https://www.michiganaudubon.org/donate/> or to Wildside Rehabilitation Center at <https://wildside.mi.wordpress.com/> to donate.

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Hazel Mae Seelhoff

Hazel Mae Seelhoff, age 90, of St. Johns, MI, formerly of Ovid, passed away Wednesday, May 3, 2023, at Grace Haven Assisted Living, St. Johns, MI.

Hazel was born in Duplain Township, Michigan on October 13, 1932, the daughter of Alton and Ellen (Robinson) Thompson. She graduated from Ovid High School with the class of 1950. Hazel married Dale Hinkle on June 30, 1951, and he passed away on August 22, 1989. Hazel married Donald W. Seelhoff on June 16, 1991, at her daughter's home in Ovid, Michigan. They were blessed with twenty-eight years of marriage; prior to his passing on February 2, 2020.

Hazel first worked for Montgomery Ward in Owosso. In 1966 she started driving bus for Ovid-Elsie and thereafter was the supervisor for 28 years. After retirement she worked with Osgood Funeral Home in Ovid. Hazel enjoyed trips to the casino with her family and friends. She also loved her time at the lake. Most of all; Hazel loved spending time with her family. She was a super fan to her great-grandchildren and supported them in all of their activities.

She is survived by her daughters: Vickie and Dan Csapos of Zephyrhills, FL; Tracy and Kerry Cole of Laingsburg, MI; two stepsons: Donald and Wendy Seelhoff Jr. of Hopkins, MI; Thomas and Karen Seelhoff of Owosso, MI; sister-in-law Shirley and Gaylord Long of Elsie, MI. She is also survived by her grandchildren: Derek Csapos, Erin (Derek) Cuthbert, and Dayna Bancroft; great-grandchildren: Cora, Logan, and Mason Csapos, Camren and Karigann Cuthbert, Tyler, Joey, and Michael Bancroft; step-grandchildren: Lindsay (Aaron) Pumfery, Ryan (Samantha) Seelhoff, Donald (Casandra) Seelhoff III, and Daniel (Krista) Seelhoff. She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands: Dale Hinkle and Donald Seelhoff, one sister Georgia Wakefield; brothers: Louis Thompson, Lyle Thompson, Cecil "Pete" Thompson and step son Richard "Rick" Seelhoff.

Funeral Services will be held at Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI, at 1:00 P.M. on Monday, May 8, 2023, with Pastor Scott Seelhoff officiating. Burial will take place at Maple Grove Cemetery, Ovid, MI at a later date. Visitation will be held on Sunday, May 7, 2023, from 2-8 P.M. with family present from 2-4 & 6-8 P.M. and also on Monday from 11:00 A.M. until the time of the service at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Ovid-Elsie Sports Boosters. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, Michigan.



Obituaries

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Barbara Lou (Prime) Dewald

Barbara Lou (Prime) Dewald, age 93, formerly of Akron and Oscoda, Michigan, passed on to rejoin her beloved husband, Will, on April 27, 2023, from complications of Alzheimer's.

Barbara was born in Akron, Michigan, in December 1929, to Lloyd Devilla and Lula Mae (Horst) Prime. After completing a secretarial course at what now is the Saginaw Business Institute, she married William Dewald, the youngest of twelve children of Jacob and Elizabeth (Stengel) Dewald in April 1950. Barb and Will lived their entire lives in Akron, where she was a homemaker, member of Fairgrove Grace Lutheran Church, and long-time Akron Village Clerk. After Will's retirement, they moved to Oscoda. Barb spent her last six years at The Laurels of Fulton in Perrinton, Michigan.

She is survived by her children: Karen (Tim) Riegel of Elsie, MI; Don Dewald of Vallejo, CA; David Dewald; Steven (Lotus) of Westland and Oscoda, MI; grandson Jeff (Sara) and great-granddaughter Eden Riegle of Stillwater, MN; and Sarah (Erin) Riegle of Lansing, MI; plus many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband and three infant sons, parents, her brother Richard and his wife Rita Prime, in-laws, brothers, and sisters-in law, and nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place, and a family service will be held in the summer at the Demorest Cemetery in Akron, Michigan.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or Dementia Society of America. Online condolences may be made at www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



mustard. I've got the salad dressing that I use but am running low on the mustard and I need it for the Saturday potato salad.

Lucky for me and the spiral cut ham that I bought at Kroger's today that Karen called me. I had forgotten to bring the ham in from the truck when I brought in everything else. It was on the floor of the passenger side. Time I had picked up everything needed at MG's Perks & Pastries I was running out of space. The convection oven is still in the back of the truck and I can't move it by myself. I did drop off what was needed at the shop and then came home to mow. I took my few groceries in and put them away and forgot about the ham because it was out of sight. I remembered it when I talked to Karen because she keeps me posted on specials. I told her about the hams for ninety-nine cents a pound and then realized that mine was not in the refrigerator. So I had to hobble out to the truck and bring it in. That was a nice blessing because it kept me from wasting the ham and/or stinking up the truck with rotting meat. In case you have forgotten I have lost my sense of smell. It could have been a disaster!

This was going to be a normal day, however that expectation was ruined when I tried leaving the house this morning carrying an empty roaster, three loaves of home made bread, a purse and the money bag. Before I was halfway out the front door one of the cats sneaked into the house. I had to catch little Rambo and put her out. Then as I started out the door again it shut on me and latched. So I had to set the roaster down to unlatch the door. Halfway through the doorway and I couldn't reach the entry door to pull it shut. So much joy... Then the spare cat tried to trip me up as I walked down the steps. I made it out to the back of the pickup and something kept pushing against my leg and did manage to trip me up. I dropped the roaster, the bread flew out as did the money bag and my purse and phone. There was a grunt and the bread disappeared. I think that it was either a coyote or a stray dog that got the bag with the bread. I didn't get a good look. I picked up my purse, phone, and money bag and put them back into the roaster then onto the passenger seat. I'll tell you the rest of the roaster story next week. May God bless you daily and be thankful for the little things that you enjoy. Crystal Mitchell©2023

mass by turning the dry harvested grass into briquettes or pellet form. Of course this is easier said than done but Don Honcoop showed me some pellets he has made after years of experimenting with moisture levels and ingredients. He shared some fascinating information about how he has figured out how to keep the pellets bound together.

If you are interested in purchasing some rhizomes, take some time to visit mapleriverfarms.com and place your order very soon because the rhizome harvest season will be winding down very soon.

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Editorial

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Editorial



A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

I am satisfied or maybe just down right happy that I have finally mowed the whole lawn. Well, maybe not the total area because I'm still waiting on the willow tree to be trimmed. The last big branch that was hung up on other branches has finally come to land, so now I'm trying to figure out if I can move the rather large limb that is in the field. I think that I may be able to drag it off. If all else fails I will go buy me a rope and tie the branch to my pickup and pull it out of the field. I hope that that statement makes me sound competent and not just bull headed.

As I mowed the lawn this afternoon I was very pleased to see tulips in blossom and some of my English violets blooming. The vision that they created put a smile on my face. I was also pleased to see that the little white lilac that friends gave me in the fall is getting ready to blossom, as are my old fashioned and French lilacs. My flowering Quince bush is filled out beautifully and has a bounty of blossoms. I do have a few other flowers that are making a great show and lifting my spirits as I view them.

I picked enough asparagus today that I can have some for supper tonight or lunch tomorrow. Probably tomorrow, because I'm running out of energy tonight and don't feel like cooking. Also need to get at least one load of laundry done or else end up wearing a poor fitting pair of jeans tomorrow. Marge gave me a call as I was coming home from the gas station. Yup, I ran out of gas as I mowed my lawn. Anywho, she was at Meijer and had found some Bunn coffee pots and wanted to know which one I wanted. After she described them both to me I picked out the one with the stainless steel water reservoir. She had also picked me up a couple of large bottles of French's



The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster
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Miscanthus X Giganteus

Many years ago the Weekly Sportsman met Don Honcoop, manager of Maple River Farms, at the Shiawassee County Fair. He was an exhibitor in the Commercial Building and had a booth displaying Miscanthus which is a woody perennial grass of Asian descent. Honcoop was marketing the rhizomes to plant for wildlife screening of hunting blinds, food plots, field borders, etc. The Weekly Sportsman was skeptical of this grass that grew ten feet tall and wondered why he was first learning of this product at the Shiawassee County Fair.

A few weeks ago everything aligned just right and the Weekly Sportsman was able to visit Maple River Farms. The operation of harvesting, cleaning, sorting and packing of rhizomes to be shipped worldwide was in full swing. After touring the packing facility the Weekly Sportsman was given a field tour where it became very evident that deer and wild turkey love this grass for cover. During the tour that day Don Honcoop explained that there were nearly twenty different varieties of miscanthus in existence but the variety grown there was a very unique strain because it was non invasive. An actual cross between miscanthus sacchariflorus and miscanthus sinensis this grass is sterile triploid (having three sets of chromosomes) and does not produce viable seeds or runners underground. New growth in planned areas is propagated by rhizome division and when planted in proper spacing an area can be fully covered in ten to fifteen years. Maintenance is relatively simple with regular fertilizers and broadleaf herbicides and the crop can be killed with numerous applications of Round-up.

This grass has a potential future outside of wildlife and that is in energy production. Not only can this grass be used as a fast growing screen for solar farms but has great potential for bio-

**CITY OF OVID
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 27, 2023**

Mayor Lasher opened the Special Meeting at 6:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Ordiway, Mr. Perrien, Mr. Lasher, and Ms. Perrien.

ABSENT: Mr. Brown, Mr. Starn, and Ms. Olger

EXOFFICIOS: Liza Kusnier—Treasurer, Lisa Rousseau—Police Chief, and Patti Kieffer—Deputy Clerk

VISITORS: Debbie Price, Keefe Johns, and Andy Campbell

Mr. Keefe Johns was asked a few questions by council regarding the full-time DPW position. Mr. Johns accepted the position. A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Ordiway to hire DPW Seasonal employee, Keefe Johns, as full-time DPW worker effective April 24, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

Andy Campbell presented his services to the council regarding his engagement letter agreement related to services. A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Ordiway to engage Baker Tilly (Andy Campbell) as The City of Ovid's financial advisor based on the letter of engagement and authorize Mayor Lasher to sign.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Perrien, supported by Mr. Ordiway to engage Thrun Law Firm for the bond attorney for the water main project.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Perrien to enter into an agreement with Verizon for police air cards.

MOTION CARRIED

No action was taken on the dump truck for DPW.

A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Ordiway to approve the ACH payment for the vehicle payments to Mercantile Bank.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Perrien to approve Mercantile Bank, Revise, Verizon, and Applied Innovations as pre-approved vendors.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Perrien, supported by Ms. Perrien to change the activity room use to exclusive police use.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Ordiway to extend the meeting until 8:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Perrien, supported by Mr. Ordiway to purchase LEXIPOL policies and to purchase PoliceOne Academy Training program for the police department at a cost of \$1545 for this year.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Perrien to place a handicap port-a-potty every year for the area at Ackley Field starting in every April for the summer season.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Ms. Perrien, supported by Mr. Perrien to approve of the tree removal at 235 E. High Street in the amount of \$1200.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Patti Kieffer, Deputy Clerk



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SPRING FLOWER SALE

Memorial Healthcare Foundation to Hold Flower Sale

submitted by Vicki McKay
Owosso — Just in time for Mother's Day, the Memorial Healthcare Foundation will be hosting a Spring Flower Sale on Wednesday, May 10 from 10 AM to 2 PM. This event will be held in the parking lot in front of the Medical Arts Building on our main campus (721 N. Shiawassee Street, Owosso). Proceeds from this event will benefit Friends of Hospice. Cash, checks, credit/debit cards, and payroll deduction for qualified Memorial Healthcare employees will be accepted. This event will feature flowers and hanging baskets and is open to the public.

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Elsie Lions Club Thank You

The Elsie Lions Club, would like to thank the community in supporting the Elsie Lions Club, who sponsored , the American Red Cross Blood Drive , on Friday April 28th. We appreciate all the people who donated blood.

Get Your Springtime Raffle Tickets

The Laingsburg Lions Club Springtime Raffle Tickets are now available. Tickets are \$10 each or 3/\$20 and are available from any Lions Club member or at Leonard Hardware, Sage Market, Twilliger's and the Meridian Weekly office in Ovid. The winning tickets will be drawn on Monday, May 29th at 3 pm. First Prize is a \$5,000 custom golf cart, second prize, \$599 grill, third prize, \$500 meat bundle, fourth prize, \$500, fifth prize, mystery prize, 6th-8th prize, \$100. Get your tickets today.

11th Annual Chili Cook-Off & Silent Auction

The United Church of Ovid will be hosting a Chili Cook-Off & Silent Auction on Saturday, May 13th from 4pm-7pm. The night will feature good food, a large silent auction with a purpose for great causes. Proceeds will be used for Camp Scholarships which will be a life changing experience for young and old. Those interested in being a chili contestant are asked to call the church Monday-Thursday from 9am-noon at 989-834-5958.

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Ovid-Elsie Dodgeball Tournament

submitted by Rachel Remenar

The Modern Woodmen of America Youth Group and Holy Family Youth Group helped put on a Dodgeball tournament on April 16th at Ovid Elsie Middle School. This tournament was to help sponsor the Elsie Area Food Pantry. All funds collected at the door, entry fees, and concessions (Concessions food was donated by Modern Woodmen) were donated right to the food pantry. A grand total of \$730 was raised, along with a few bags of non-perishable food items were collected. This was a huge success!

Special thanks to everyone that made this possible, Leeann Adkins and Rachel Remenar for organizing and officiating and everything in between, Rosie DeSantis, and Elizabeth Kebler for helping with Set-up. The National Honor Society students for helping with the door and concessions. Henry Remenar, Reagan Fields, Kylee Adkins, Brooklyn Adkins, and Ryan Fields for Set-up and tear-down. Ed Arthur for Youth Group sponsorship and providing concession stand items. And all 12 teams that signed up. Without everyone's help, we couldn't make this possible.

For anyone needing extra help with food, the Elsie Area Food Pantry is located at 225 S. Ovid Elsie, MI 48831; for emergency needs, call 989.862.5239. In Ovid, there is a Little Yellow Food Pantry outside the Ovid Library that is open 24 hours for community needs. Please consider food and monetary donations to the pantry the need is great all year long.



The Junior Dodgeballers ages 12-15 years old Champions (1st place) "Shut up and Squat". Gavin Chadwick, Braxton O'Bryant, Brock Spitzley, Nolan Rasch, Mike Bancroft, Jackson Custer.



Second place "Chicken Nugget" Left to right different color shirts. Preston Brown, John Kelly, Hunter Smith, Cade Fabus, Travis Milner, and Law Dankie.



The winners of the little Dodgers group Champions (1st place) "OE Ballerz" pictured in orange - (From Left to right) Jaxson, Will, Tatum, Malichi, Josh and Landon.



The youngest group was the Little Dodgers, ages 11 and under. 2nd place "The Dodgers" pictured from left to right) Jordan Beach, Trentin Ziola, TJ Evans, Brennan Coon, George Remenar and Grant Wooley.

Laingsburg Girls Score 9, Romp Past Potterville Soccer

POTTERVILLE — The girls soccer Wolfpack scored five times in the first half to lift Laingsburg past Potterville, 9-1, on April 28.

Desire Knoblauch scored three times and Callie Clark and Madi Phillips each scored twice, while Addison Rusz and Addison Elkins also scored for coach Natalie Elkins' Wolfpack.

Erin Pohlod was the winning goalkeeper as LHS, coming off a 0-0 tie to Bath on Tuesday, improved to 6-1-1 overall.

"We really worked on possession soccer, our back-up keeper Erin Pohlod played the entire game to gain experience and all field players helped by playing at least 10 minutes each," explained coach Elkins.

Wolfpack soccer gals shake off loss, top Lakewood 4-1

LAINGSBURG — Laingsburg shook off a sour 1-0 setback to St. Johns, and got back on the winning track, downing Lakewood 4-1 on the girls soccer pitch.

The Lady Wolves moved to 7-2-2 overall and 4-1-1 in the Greater Lansing Activities Conference (GLAC) with the May 2, 4-1 home victory over the Vikings.

Lakewood took a 1-0 lead in the first half but Desire Knoblauch scored for the Wolfpack on a breakaway and it was 1-1 at intermission.

Ivy Collier scored on a penalty kick to give Laingsburg the lead. Callie Clark scored her second header of the season from a free kick by Brooklyn Miller.

The Wolves closed the books on the win when Knoblauch fed Libby Zukatis with a crossing pass.

Lady Marauder Netters Run Tennis Mark to 7-0; Beat Tribe

OVID-ELSIE -- The Lady Marauder tennis team beat the visiting Chesaning Indians, 7-0, to continue their unbeaten streak on Thursday, April 27th.

Rylee Lewis looked good at 1st singles in her 6-3, 6-0 win over Terrah Moyer and Brooklyn Belill and Christina Rademacher-Vine continue to be unbeaten at their 2nd and 3rd singles position. Belill beat Alexandre Moore 6-0, 6-0 while Rademacher-Vine defeated Marianna Escamilla 6-1, 6-0. Both teams were a scratch at 4th singles.

The 1st doubles team of Claire Thornton and Jollee Swender were strong in their 6-0, 6-0 win over Adriana Harrison and Gabby Carroll while 2nd doubles Hannah Moore and Ellyanna Carman beat Whitney Welden and Karizma McIver-Helais 6-0, 6-1.

The 3rd doubles team of Jenna Tomasek and Kaia Spiess and 4th doubles team of Willow Evans and Ava Anderson won by default as Chesaning did not have enough players.

The Marauders were prepping for their dual against the Ithaca Yellowjackets on Friday and the annual O-E Quad on Saturday, May 6.

COACHES

remember to submit your results each week so the Meridian Weekly can include them in our publication! We have been getting some great photos for some sports but no results submitted!!
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Sports

Walk-off Seals the Deal in Laingsburg's Victory over Pewamo-Westphalia, 6-5

LAINGSBURG -- Laingsburg won Thursday's game in dramatic fashion here, with a 6-5 walk-off victory over Pewamo-Westphalia.

The game was tied at five with the Wolfpack batting in the bottom of the ninth, when Dom Garcia singled on a 2-2 count, driving in the winning run.

The Pirates scored three runs in the sixth inning to knot the score, but LHS still managed to pull out the victory.

Ty Randall got the pitching win for the red-and-white. The righty lasted six and a third innings, allowing five hits and five runs while striking out nine and walking one. Garcia threw two and two-thirds innings in relief out of the bullpen, recording the last eight outs to earn the save.

Garcia went 3-for-5 at the plate to lead Laingsburg in hits.

LAINGSBURG 5, PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA 2: Coach Todd Randall's Wolfpack improved to 15-1 overall, 5-1 in the CMAC, with a three-run win to complete the league sweep of the Pirates.

In the first inning, Laingsburg got their offense started when Ty Randall singled on a 0-2 count, scoring one run.

LHSput up three runs in the second inning. The rally was led by doubles by Kyle Thelen and Hayden Johnston.

Garcia led things off on the mound for the Pack. The left-hander surrendered two runs on four hits over three and two-thirds innings.

Laingsburg tallied eight hits. Mo Garcia and Nick Regan all collected multiple hits for LHS.

The Wolfpack was sure-handed in the field and didn't commit a single error.

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Sports

Bevy of Medal Winners Pace Ovid-Elsie at Annual Lions Club Meet

OVID-ELSIE -- The host Marauders boasted a bevy of medal winners vs. top-notch competition at the annual Lions Club Invitational track and field meet here April 28.

"We're sending out a big Thank You to all the parents, staff members, community members and past and present athletes who helped with this meet," said veteran O-E coach Doug Long. "It was a hard one to pull off in the weather conditions, but it happened. You have no idea how much we appreciate your volunteering and hope they can again on Tuesday, May 23rd when we host the conference meet."

In the boys competition, Frankenmuth was first with 237 points with Owosso placing third (90), Ovid-Elsie fourth (73), Perry fifth (56) and Byron seventh (8.5).

Medal Winners for the Marauders were:

1st: PV - Tryce Tokar 13'0"

2nd: 400 - Beau Price :53.68

4 x 400 Relay - Tokar/Bruce Thornton/Jamison Custer/Beau Price (3:42.07)

3rd: SP - Kevin Ley 41'5.5"

4 x 200 Relay - Tokar/Thornton/Spitzley/Jamison Custer (1:39.34)

4 x 800 Relay - Tokar/Clay Powell/Nick Long/Jamison Custer (9:28.64)

4th: LJ - Price 19'3"

SP - Cohen Brown 40'7.5"

800 - Long 2:17.08

5th: 800 - Jamison Custer 2:18.61

3200 - Powell 10:53.62

6th: SP - Austin Darling 38' .75"

In the girls competition, Frankenmuth was first with 180 points while Owosso was second at 141. Ovid-Elsie finished fourth (96) while Perry was fifth (52) and Byron sixth (13).

Ovid-Elsie's Alexis Spitzley won the 800 run (2:26.92) while Jessica Kozlowski finished as a runner-up (100 hurdles, 18.36). Other key individual performances for the Lady Marauders were:

Izzy Loynes: 6th in the 200, 5th in the 400, 3rd in the 1600 relay.

Braeden Tokar: 3rd in the 1600 relay.

Kaia Spiess: 4th in the 1600, 3rd in the 1600 relay.

Piper White: 4th in the 3200.

Alexis Spitzley: 3rd in the 3200, 3rd in the 1600 relay.

Clarissa Baese: 5th in the 1600, 5th in the 3200.

Jessica Kozlowski: 6th in the 300 Hurdles, 3rd in the long jump.

Samantha Snider: 4th in the long jump.

Wolfpack Girls Strik Early, Settle for 2-2 tie vs Greyhounds

LAINGSBURG — Desire Knoblauch drew first blood on a tackle she made near their 18 and dribbled through for a shot, and the Wolfpack girls soccer team settled for a 2-2 tie with Eaton Rapids.

The contest pitted Central Michigan Athletic Conference front-runner Laingsburg with Capital Area Activities Conference leading Eaton Rapids on April 28 on the LHS football field.

Laingsburg's 2nd half goal came off a rebound of Knoblauch shot that rebounded, and Callie Clark ran in from the right to put it in.

The action left coach Natalie Elkins' Lady Wolves at 6-1-2 overall, 3-1-1 conference.

Softball Wolves Stay Atop CMAC with Romp Past Pewamo-Westphalia

LAINGSBURG -- Laingsburg zipped to a quick 5-1 lead in the opening inning, then laid a pair of 7-spots on Pewamo-Westphalia over the next two frames to mercy the Pirates in CMAC softball action here May 4.

The Wolves' 19-4 victory was highlighted by a 3-for-3, five RBI afternoon for rightfielder Haley Konieczny. Laingsburg's 10-hit attack also featured the bats of Ashley Bila (2-for-2, 3 runs scored), Bella Latuszek (1-for-2, two runs scored), Addyson Buchin (2-for-3, three RBI), Ellie Baynes (two RBI), Harper Strouse (1-for-2, three RBI), Alaina Asher (one run scored) and Ella Merrell (1-for-2, two RBI).

Buchin scattered four hits and three earned run over three innings, striking out two and walking one Pirate, collecting her most recent CMAC pitching victory.

WOLFPACK 18, PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA 2: Coach Jeff Cheadle's Wolves moved to 15-1 overall and stayed atop the CMAC at 6-0, with a 16-run bashing of the Pirates in the second game.

Bila, Latuszek, Savvy Stirm, Konieczny, Baynes, Strouse and Merrell all hit safely in support of Buchin, who tossed a three-hitter in keeping her pitching record perfect in the CMAC.

Latuszek drove in three runs, Konieczny and Baynes two each as LHS broke a 0-0 tie in the 2nd inning, going off for 15 runs. They added three more in the 3rd to again mercy the Pirates after just three innings.

Tribe Golfers Nip Marauders by Single Stroke at The Emerald

ST. JOHNS -- Chesaning's Josh Lange deadlocked Clay Wittenberg for medalist honors, and the Indians escaped with a 207-208 MMAC golf victory at The Emerald.

Lange and his brother, Justin, were the only Tribesmen to finish in the Top 5, but Chesaning's team balance prevailed in a battle Mid-Michigan Activities Conference toughies. Josh Lange shot 47 to tie O-E's Wittenberg, while Justin took 2nd place all alone at 48.

Scorers for coach Josh Latz's Marauders were Wittenberg 47, Dominic Kline 50, Jayce Herblet 51, Justin Cole 60, Michael Bancroft 61 and Tayton Kline 66.

Track Wolfpack Goes 2-1 Opposite Three CMAC Thinclad Opponents

LAINGSBURG -- The track Wolfpack hosted Dansville, Pewamo-Westphalia and Portland St. Patrick in a Central Michigan Athletic Conference (CMAC) quad meet here May 3 ... and stayed in CMAC contention with a 2-1 record for the afternoon.

The Laingsburg boys topped Portland St. Patrick (106-29) and Dansville (74-62) but lost to Pewamo-Westphalia (86-51).

Firsts for the Wolfpack were recorded by Jack Borgman (pole vault, 14-0) and Mitchell George (high jump, 5-10).

The Laingsburg girls defeated Portland St. Patrick (66-61) and Dansville (115-9) but lost to Pewamo-Westphalia (99-33).

Wolfpack distance runner Emily Rathka won both the 1600-meter run (6:04.20) and the 3200 run (13:09.86).

Madison Phillips won the pole vault at 8'6."

Mid-Season CMAC Tourneys Go To Fowler, with Wolfpack as Runners-up

LAINGSBURG — An 18-hole event, split into two CMAC golf jamborees, ended with the Fowler Eagles prevailing.

The host Wolfpack was a close second ... nipped by three strokes in each of the twin team tournaments.

Mid-Season Jamboree 1 featured Fowler at 183, LHS 186, Pewamo-Westphalia-Westphalia 198, Bath 201, Dansville 222 and Portland St. Patrick 232. Most noteworthy for coach Greg Beavers' Wolves was Eli Woodruff, the medalist with 40 strokes. Colin Hart (48), Seth Sivak (49), Austin Wright (49) and Jake Essenberg (49) also scored in the Top Ten for the Wolves.

In the second of the two jamborees, Fowler scored 176, Laingsburg 179, Bath 184, P-W 195, St. Pats 207 and Dansville 229. Nathan Hamilton of Fowler was the medalist with a fine round of 37. Sivak topped LHS with 42, Woodruff 44 and Essenberg 45.

Ovid-Elsie Track Boys Still Unbeaten, Force Showdown with Chesaning

OTISVILLE-LAKEVILLE — Ovid-Elsie's unbeaten boys track team set up a Wednesday showdown with Chesaning by besting a MMAC trio-meet here May 4.

Coach Doug Long's Marauders outlasted New Lothrop 75-43, Lakeville 95-27 and Durand 75-44 using their outstanding team balance in both the track and field events.

Event winners for the Marauders were:

4 x 200 Relay - 1:36.71 Tryce Tokar/Bruce Thornton/Jamison Custer/Beau Price. 4 x 400 Relay - 3:42.03 Tokar/Nick Long/Jamison Custer/Price. Pole Vault - 13' 1" Tryce Tokar. Runners-up for Ovid-Elsie: LJ - 18'7.25" Price. PV - 8'2" Chaycen Thornton. DS - 101'4.5" Austin Darling. SP - 41'0" Kevin Ley. 4 x 800 Relay - 10:12.60 JD Miller/Austin Smith/James Kelly/Cole Workman. 4 x 100 Relay - 49.16 - Ley/Julian Mortier/Bruce Thornton/Brock Spitzley. 110H - 19.36 Mason Ritenburg. 1600 - 4:58.53 Clay Powell. 3200 - No Time Clay Powell. 800 - 2:17.84 Nick Long. 400 - 54.63 Tokar. 200 - 23.74 Price

The O-E boys team is now 7-0 in the MMAC and will travel to the fourth league (multiple) meet this Wednesday at CHS.

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Editorial

Why should we be thankful to God?

One reason is that everything that we have has been given to us ultimately from God. Therefore, it is right for us to give thanks to Him.

Acts 17:12 says that God "...himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else."

James 1:17 says, "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights..."

There are so many things that we can thank God for- "Thank you God for this food." "Thank you God for this beautiful sunset." "For helping me out today."

It is right for us to truly recognize that it is God who actively works to bless us and take care of us. It's not luck or chance or accident or fate or coincidence- it is the Lord.

When we give thanks to God it keeps us focused on God and in a right relationship with Him.

Giving thanks to God also helps us to be humble. It helps us to see our need and dependence on God. It reminds us of our proper standing before Him as our Creator and Sustainer.

May the Holy Spirit help us to be thankful and recognize God for who He is.

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Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by 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 circuit court within Clinton County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on MAY 24, 2023.

Said premises are located in the Township of Eagle, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: That part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 10, T5N, R4W, Eagle Township, Clinton County, Michigan, described as: beginning at a point on the West line of Section 10, 817.91 feet North of the Southwest corner of Section 10, thence South 82° 14' 30" East 474.5 feet; thence North 6° 53' 45" West 195.3 feet; thence North 75° 18' 53" West 461.79 feet; thence South 246.9 feet to the point of beginning. 12815 S Hinman Rd, Eagle, Michigan 48822

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

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.

Dated: April 23, 2023
File No. 23-003452
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Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Amy Wisner
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Pingora Loan Servicing, LLC
Date of Mortgage: March 19, 2021
Date of Mortgage Recording: March 24, 2021

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$202,052.63
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Bath, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot(s) 3, Supervisor's Plat of Chapel Hills Subdivision, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plat(s), Page 7, Clinton County Records. Common street address (if any): 16646 Eunice St, East Lansing, MI 48823-9451

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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.

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Date of notice: May 7, 2023
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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Darin Dismuke and Constance Dismuke, husband and wife
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Cenlar FSB

Date of Mortgage: May 29, 2015
Date of Mortgage Recording: June 17, 2015

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$378,370.61
Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Dewitt, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 87, Creeping Brook Estates No. 6, DeWitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 8 of Plats, Page 83, Clinton County Records. Common street address (if any): 11281 Wilson St, Dewitt, MI 48820-7841

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): PennyMac Loan Services, LLC
Date of Mortgage: April 8, 2009
Date of Mortgage Recording: May 22, 2009
Amount claimed due on mortgage on the date of notice: \$132,929.88

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the City of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 134 Geneva Shores No. 1, a subdivision on part of Section 8, Town 5 North, Range 2 West, City of Dewitt, Clinton County, Michigan as recorded in Liber 349, Page 761, Clinton County Records. Commonly Known as: 1007 Montreux Dr., Dewitt, MI 48820
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Attention Purchaser: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee for any reason. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest, and the purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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. Date of notice: 04/23/2023
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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 48879-1055

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

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.

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Date of notice: April 16, 2023
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FORECLOSURE NOTICE

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(\$118,100.26) including interest at the rate of 5.25000% per annum. Said premises are situated in the Township of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 22, North Rosewood Acres, a subdivision on part of Section 28, Town 5 North, Range 2 West, Dewitt Township, Clinton County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 2 of plats, page 58. Commonly known as: 15940 ELMIRA ST, LANSING, MI 48906

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 mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage 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 16, 2023
Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 22MI00205-2

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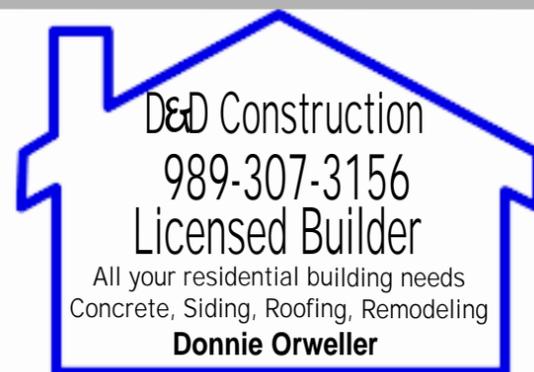
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Two Ashley teams headed down to MSU Friday, April 21st to participate in the Forestry Skills Contest.

(Above): The first Ashley team placed 2nd and was the Alternate State Winner. Members include Chase Kral, Carson Litwiller, Clayton Juhas, Logan Drummond, and Leslie Bockheim.

(Below): The second team placed 3rd. Members include Savannah Beebe, Heath Powelson, Bailey Crocker, Caden Passmore, and John Nieman.





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Pictured here left-right are Mary Perrien, Perrien Rasch and Jo Swender doing trail clean-up on M-21.

Ovid Lions Club

submitted by Allen Martin

The Ovid Lions Club wrapped up two spring projects in April. As part of M-DOT's Adopt-A-Highway program, Lions members teamed up to clean the three-mile stretch of M-21 from the Clinton/Shiawassee county line to Shepardsville Rd., removing thirty bags of roadside trash. The Ovid Lions Club has participated in Adopt-A-Highway since it began in 1990.

The Ovid Lions also joined other Michigan clubs during White Cane Week, collecting donations to be used for local community projects. The club raised over \$600, with a big thank you going out to all those who contributed in support of our club!



Damon Perrien was one of the volunteers who collected during White Cane Week at the Ovid Post Office.

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2023 Annual High School Scholarship Competition & Exhibition

submitted by Piper Brewer

The Shiawassee Arts Council, celebrating its 51st anniversary in 2023, awarded \$2,275 in scholarships to 28 students at the Annual SAC Scholarship Show & Competition held April 30th at the Arts Center. A total of 116 students from eight area schools, Owosso, Corunna, New Lothrop, Ovid-Elsie, Perry, Durand, Laingsburg, Byron and one home-schooled student participated in the show.

\$600 Janis Kazen Senior Award was presented to Owosso senior, Tony Reyes III, by Maureen Gilna. The award, which is given in memory of local artist Janis Kazen by her family, is granted to a graduating senior who plans on pursuing art at a college or university. \$300 Arlie & Rosemary Edwards Award was presented to Kiyanna Irish, Ovid-Elsie senior. This award and the following award were established by the family of the founders of Edwards Sign & Screen Painting. \$200 Arlie & Rosemary Edwards Award was presented to Sophie Voss, Owosso senior. \$100 Jerry Power Award was presented to Byron sophomore, Devon Bailey. The family established the award in memory of pastel artist, Jerry Power. \$100 Director's Choice Award was presented to Corunna senior, Mikayla Wachowicz. \$100 Michael Kovich "Caught My Eye" Award was presented to Owosso senior, Mallory Mosher. \$100 Susan Newcom Award was presented to Selena Arbogast, Ovid-Elsie freshman. Two \$50 Bethany Lardie Awards were presented. Awards went to Owosso senior, Paige Box and Byron senior, Dylan Schroeder. Two \$50 Tom & Terry Svrcek Awards were presented to Perry senior, Makayla Sroufe and Owosso junior Katelyn Gunther. Two \$50 Karen Stadler Awards were presented to Corunna junior, Emily Hier and Durand sophomore, Sylvia Secor. Four \$50 Shiawassee Artists' Guild Awards were given to New Lothrop senior, Logan Adams, Perry senior, Evelyn Hinkley, Durand junior, Madeline Bias and home-schooled junior, Eve Hickey.

Eleven \$25 Friend of the Arts Awards were presented.

Claire Agnew, Owosso senior, Crystal Davis, Owosso junior, Zoey Dellvon, Laingsburg senior, Reagan Gregg, Laingsburg senior, Makena Krovchuck, Corunna freshman, Adelen LeClear, Perry junior, Mackenzie Nethaway, Ovid-Elsie freshman, Sonya Phelps, Laingsburg junior, Melissa Rowe, Corunna junior, Joshua Smith, Durand senior, Cora Tuller, Corunna senior.

For 51 years the Shiawassee Arts Council has offered scholarships to talented young art students. Since the establishment of SAC in 1972, over \$92,000 in scholarships and awards have been granted to provide students in grades 9-12 with recognition and financial assistance in their artistic growth.

Many thanks to the show sponsor Hon. Clark & Linda Harder and John & Jeannette Smith, the award sponsors, the high school art teachers, SAC board and staff, parents and to the show chairperson and SAC Art Education Director Linda Ruehle.



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