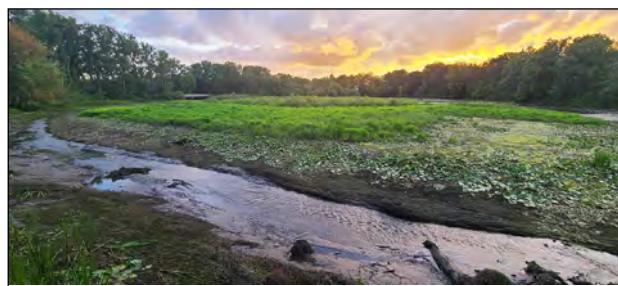




Elsie Dam Collapse

by Dawn D Levey

DUPLAIN TWP – Early Thursday evening, August 17, 2023 the Elsie Dam located on Island Road was the site of a partial collapse as a result a portion of the Mill Pond was drained. Environmental Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) will send a representative to evaluate the extent of the damage and develop a plan of the next steps. The options will be presented to the Duplain Township board for consideration. In the mean time the public is advised that the site is unsafe and not open for recreational activities. Monitor the Duplain Township website for updates. www.duplaintwp.com



Ovid Carriage Days Update

It's almost time for the September 8th-9th-10th Ovid Carriage Days Festival. There are two new events this year, Bingo will be played in the Entertainment Tent on Saturday and Sunday. A Fun Run hosted by the OE Boys Varsity Soccer Team is planned for Sunday, watch for more details on this event. There are currently 33 vendors signed up for



Arts/Crafts. The Entertainment during the festival will provide a wide variety of music for all ages. Just a reminder, there is no cover charge for the Entertainment Tent, all are welcome. All applicants for the 2023 events may be found online at www.ovidcarriagedays.com.

For those who are planning on taking part in the parade on Saturday, September 9th, please get your applications into Jodi Medina or by calling her at 989-307-3981. The committee still needs Chili Cook-Off contestants, sign up by calling Eric at 989-666-2337. Volunteers are also needed to work in the Information booth, to sign up please call Estrella at 989-666-3058 if you have a couple hours of your time to help out.

The midway will be provided by Family Fun Tyme, presale ride tickets are now available at Ovid City Hall, Eatery 21 and the Meridian Weekly, the cost is \$20, the cost will be \$25 during the festival, so get those presale tickets now and save \$5.00.

Events also taking place during the festival are City Wide Garage Sales, Treasure Sale at the United Church, Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast, Book Sale at the Library, Arm Wrestling Tourney, Kids and Adult Tractor Pulls, Lions Chicken Dinner, Historical Society Museum Open House and awesome Entertainment all three days.

Tickets for a cash raffle are now available at the Meridian Weekly office or from any Carriage Days committee member. The tickets are \$20 each, the drawing will be held on Sunday, September 10th at 4 pm in the Entertainment Tent. 1st Prize \$1,500, 2nd prize, \$750 and 3rd Prize, \$350. Get your tickets today.

City of Ovid Proceedings

by Dawn D Levey

OVID – The regular meeting of the Ovid City council was held Monday, August 14, 2023. A number of complaints were presented to officials and action was taken to increase water bills.

Under the topic of public comment: A representative for Jeff Flynn asked for a music extension for Carriage Days at The Main Bar September 9, 2023 until 1 am. Officials approved the request.

A complaint was verbalized about a hole in the street near the milk plant, and who will get the work done. The city is currently waiting for a commitment from Michigan Milk to pay for half of the repair on Fitch Street and Williams Street. Lasher noted that this has been an ongoing problem.

A request from the Family Fall Festival Committee was voiced to officials. On Sunday, October 8, 2023, 11 am-2 pm; the committee would like Main Street from Pearl to High streets closed off to traffic. Officials were more than happy to approve the request.

Dan Lupu, long time Ovid resident and community servant presented a complaint to the City Council regarding his treatment during a recent fire.

Mary Perrien, trustee, assured Mr. Lupu that if there was wrong doing it would be addressed. Trustees Brown and Starn agreed.

In addition, a resident complained about the emergency siren system and that the siren which is far above the recommended level of hearing at 160db. The resident believes it should be evaluated and either repositioned or reprogrammed. It was further requested that officials please review for the children and residents. Mayor Bill Lasher noted that West Shore will be contacted regarding the siren.

Police Chief Lisa Rousseau presented the department's monthly report. Family Against Narcotics will be coming to town and a presentation will be opened to the community at the end of August. In addition, an additional officer will be added to the force soon. In addition, heavy traffic enforcement will be coming. The Clinton County Sheriff Department will be assisting with Carriage Days. Finally, the Risk Assessment has been completed with reports coming and the policy manual starting to come together.

Officials reviewed the proposal for sludge removal from the lagoon site. Rich commented that he is having trouble getting a concrete figure for the removal. There are four companies in the State of Michigan who have the capability to complete this job. The quote received was for \$55,000, however there are too many questions regarding the proposal. Officials need to have a representative from BioTech Agronomics attend a future meeting to answer the unknowns.

Closing documents on the Bond for approximately 1.869 million is due by September 8, 2023 all require the signature of the mayor and the clerk for the water system project. This is an accelerated timeline with preclosing slated for August 28.

Adoption of resolution #2023-8 regarding water base and usage rates. The following rates were approved: Increase the water base rate by \$8.50 from \$0 to \$18.50 for city residents and for non-residents and increase of \$12.75 from \$15 to \$27.75. An increase of the usage rate by \$3.00 per 1,000 gallons from \$3.75 to \$6.75 for city residents and for non-residents and increase of \$4.75 per 1,000 gallons from \$5.63 to \$10.13. The new rates are effective January 1, 2024.

The personnel committee was busy this month. Action was taken to hire Kevin Bradley for the janitor/maintenance position to begin immediately. Filling the clerk position is in progress, interviews were held August 4, 2023, three candidates interviewed, narrowed down to two. The next step is for the full council to interview the two. The date for interviews is a special meeting Friday, August 18, 7 pm.

On a related topic the full time DPW packets are ready and preparations are underway for posting and interviews. Discussion regarding assigning or hiring an HR person or contracting a service for hiring and firing and establishing personnel policies was discussed. It would be cleaner having a professional for hiring and firing and establishing policies. Possibly contract with a company to provide the service. Research needs to be done and a proposal presented to the council.

Park and Recreation recreational facilities review has been completed and recommendations received. The next step is going before the zoning and planning board. Eric Starn is excited to review the recommendations. The zoning and planning board meets the 4th Wednesday of each month in the city conference room.

Zoning and Planning Board is reviewing many new ideas, a lot planned and want to see executed for the city. Updating and beautifying the business district has begun. A budget will be developed and a survey for public input is in progress.

Zoning Board of Appeals received the resignation of Patti Kieffer which was approved with regrets.

In other actions officials appointed Lizza Kusnier, city treasurer, to serve as interim clerk for signing and attending election meetings. A retroactive bonus for accepting the position of two department heads will be decided at a later date.

Monthly action was taken to approve the meeting agenda, and the minutes of the July 10, 2023 regular meeting and the July 17, 2023 special meeting with corrections. Action was taken to approve invoice/check register as presented. Action was also taken to approve the monthly treasurer's report and the Department of Public Works report.

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Laingsburg Community Singers - New Members Welcome

submitted by Jessica Bayer

Do you like to sing and make friends? Laingsburg Community Singers would like to invite you to join us for Fall 2023. We are a community choir that performs a variety of music. Auditions are not required. Rehearsals for our Fall 2023 concert (December 3rd) begin on September 5th (you may join through September 19th); and are held Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m., Laingsburg United Methodist Church, 210 N. Crum St., under the direction of Steven Easterling. If you have questions, please contact Steven Easterling at (810) 624-5485 or Janice Hurst at (517) 651-5937. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Community Family Fun Day

submitted by Courtney Miller

On Saturday, August 26th from 12pm - 3 pm, Grove Bible Church welcomes the community to join us for our Community Family Fun Day! We will have a tractor display, bounce houses for the children, a hay ride, and other fun games. Pulled pork sandwiches and lemonade will be on the menu for lunch. The cost for everything is \$1 per person. Everybody is welcome! For more information or to RSVP call Courtney at (517) 651-5729 or email grovebiblechurch@gmail.com.

Blood Drive

The Duplain Church of Christ, 5565 E. Colony Rd., St. Johns will be holding a blood drive on Tuesday, August 29th from 12 - 5:45p.m.

For information or to make an appointment visit, RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code DUPLAINCOC) or call 1-800-733-2767.



Nashville Country/Pop/Rock Recording Artist Performs at the 'Concert in the Park' Series on August 23

submitted by Bill Tennant

Kari Holmes, an exhilarating Michigan country/pop/rock singer, with ties to Nashville, will be featured on the Wednesday, August 23 'Concert in the Park' performance. This special concert will start at 7:00 p.m. in the William E. Tennant Performance Shell in the beautiful St. Johns City Park.

Holmes, 2021 Entertainer of the Year at the Josie Music Awards and Nashville America Records Artist, continues to quickly gain steam in Nashville and around the United States. She continues to headline shows around the US and has opened for many prominent artists over her rising career.

"Kari has a fresh new sound, an incredible voice, who will take our audience on a great emotional ride," says Bill Tennant, concert coordinator. "She will hit the stage running with her infective vivacious personality. She pours her heart and soul into everything she does, staying true to her music of heartbreak and hope!"

Holmes is a talented singer/songwriter with over 100 songs to her credit expressing passionate lyrics along with a dynamic sound. Many of her original tracks will be highlighted on the concert. Holmes' recordings and radio play are making her a much sought-after artist. She has won many awards through the years and will bring her 4-piece band to St. Johns.

The concert is sponsored by the Clinton County Arts Council and the City of St. Johns. It is open to the public free of charge - donations are graciously accepted.

All concerts are presented rain or shine. The Lion's Club food trailer will be available - so set your GPS to 801 W Park St, St. Johns and come on over for what will be a wonderful evening of great music. The CCAC receives funding from the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.



Ovid-Elsie Area Schools Special Meeting

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE - A special meeting of the Ovid-Elsie Board of Education was held Monday, August 14, 2023 for the purpose of extending a contract to the new EE Knight Elementary School Principal.

Action was taken to employ Felicia Gingrich as the principal of the 3-5 facility. She will be filing a position created due to the resignation of Ms. Alicia Ormsbee. Gingrich was previously a second-grade educator at Leonard Elementary in Ovid. The principal position is effective August 15, 2023.

Ovid-Elsie Area School currently has three teaching openings - second grade, middle school science and high school history. Other positions include para-professionals and kitchen staff.

Maple Leaf Community Summer Block Party

Maple Leaf Community will be holding a Summer Block Party on Thursday, August 24th from 6:30-8:30pm.

This is a free event.

It will be located on the North side of the park on Maple Leaf Street and in the park.

Entertainment will be presented by the Jack & Tess Clarkson Band.

Refreshments will be hot dogs, chips, macaroni and cheese, cookies, beverages and popcycles.

Bring the whole family, your neighbor and your grandchildren. Please bring your own chairs.

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CITY OF OVID CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN Resolution No. 2023-08 Resolution to increase water rates

At a regular meeting of the Ovid City Council held on the 14th, day of August, 2023 in the Council Meeting Room, at 114 E. Front St., Ovid, MI.

PRESENT: L. Ordiway, L. Perrien, W. Lasher, E. Brown, M. Perrien, E. Starn
ABSENT: M. Olger

A motion was made by M. Perrien, seconded by E. Brown to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Ovid does hereby adopt the following utility fee for water rates for the City of Ovid residents and non-residents.

To increase the water base rate by **\$8.50** from \$10.00 to \$18.50 for city residents.

To increase the water base rate by **\$12.75** from \$15.00 to \$27.75 for non-city residents.

To increase the water usage rate by **\$3.00** per 1,000 gallons from \$3.75 to \$6.75 per 1,000 gallons for city residents.

To increase the water usage rate by **\$4.50** per 1,000 gallons from \$5.63 to \$10.13 per 1,000 gallons for non-city residents.

These rate increases will take effect for the billing cycle of January 01, 2024 thru January 31, 2024 due February 20, 2024.

YEAS: L. Ordiway, L. Perrien, W. Lasher, E. Brown, M. Perrien, E. Starn
NAYS:

ABSENT: M. Olger

RESOLUTION ADOPTED:

Liza Kusnier, Interim Clerk/Treasurer City of Ovid

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Obituaries

Jerome Alphonse “Jerry” Kusnier

Jerome Alphonse “Jerry” Kusnier, age 77, of Elsie, MI, passed away on Friday, August 11, 2023, at his sister's Mary Jane's home.

Jerry was born in Owosso, Michigan on June 25, 1946, the son of John Joseph and Anna M. (Caudy) Kusnier. He graduated from Elsie High School with the class of 1964. Jerry served his country in the U.S. Army and he was stationed in Panama Canal Zone.

Jerry enjoyed farming, woodworking, fishing, gardening, and going to breakfast on Thursday morning (he called this his therapy.) He was an active member of the Knights of Columbus and a life-long member of St. Cyril's Catholic Church. He had a servant's heart and was there for anyone who needed him. Spending time with his family was very important to him.

He is survived by his sisters: Margaret Ann and Jerry Horak of Elsie, MI; Mary Jane Holmes of Elsie, MI; Anna Marie and Chris Anderson of Portage, MI; his brothers: John and Diane Kusnier of Elsie, MI; Robert Kusnier of Owosso, MI; Richard and Carol Kusnier of Elsie, MI. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his brother Joseph Kusnier.

The family would like to thank Elara Caring Hospice Nurse Cortney, Emily, and staff.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Cyril's Catholic Church, Bannister, MI, on Monday, August 14, 2023, with Rev. Fr. Michael Kuchar officiating. Burial has taken place at

Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, Michigan. Memorials may be made to K of C 13449, 517 East Main Street Bannister, Michigan, 48807. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneral-homes.com The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



Grace Anne Green

Grace Anne Green, age 93, of Elsie, passed away Sunday, August 13th, 2023, surrounded by her family. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, and a friend to all.

Grace was born May 15, 1930, to Eugene and Anna (Mangelman) Ensign. She grew up on a small farm in Bannister, Michigan, and the youngest of 5 children. Grace graduated from Elsie High School in 1948, and attended Central Michigan University for two years to become a teacher. On November 19, 1950, Grace married Duane Green of Elsie at the Bannister United Methodist Church. She taught in a one-room school for a year before settling into family life raising 3 children on the family farm in Elsie.

Grace was a member of the Elsie United Methodist Church and was active in the local United Methodist Women and Literary Club. Grace loved cows. She traveled with Duane to National Holstein Conventions and cow shows, collected cows and dairy antiques from all over the country, was an avid dairy promoter, and loved waving to folks from her cow car in the Elsie Dairy Festival parade. Grace was kind, generous, and always ready for fun. Grace cherished her friends deeply, and loved them well. Grace made it her mission to deliver countless Upper Room devotionals, and made sure everyone around her had a FROG, reminding them to Forever Rely on God.

Many dear friends have been blessed by a card from Grace covered in cow stamps or through regular phone calls to check in and say hello. No one felt Grace's love more than her family. She never missed a chance to cheer on her kids and grandkids. Grace could be found on the sidelines or in the audience of every sporting event, performance, or animal show. She loved having her grandkids over to play cards, swim in the pool, eat treats, or to steal them away for special trips. She loved family holiday celebrations, decorating her home inside and out, especially for Christmas. Grace enjoyed vacationing and sightseeing with her family, sharing with them her favorite places, always picking up rocks, and taking pictures of beautiful flowers along the way. In later years, Grace and Duane spent winters on Marco Island, forming friendships on the beach, collecting sand dollars, and watching sunsets over the water.

Grace is survived by her son Charlie (Susie) Green of Elsie, MI; daughter Karen Batora of Elsie, MI; grandchildren: Emily (Mike) Klingbeil of Elsie, MI; William (Maureen Nagy) Green of Grand Ledge, MI; Sadie Green of Lansing, MI; Michael (Kourtney) Batora of Elsie, MI; Kristine (Ben) Hoch of Elsie, MI; and Leah Batora of Chicago, IL;. She is also survived by her brother-in-law Velmar Green, and six great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Duane, her son Bryon Green, and three sisters: Mary Zimmerman, Marjorie Glowney, and Lillian Terrell; one brother Albert “Corky” Ensign, and sister-in-law Margaret Green.

Funeral Services were held at the Elsie United Methodist Church, Elsie, MI, on Friday, August 18, 2023, with Pastor Ava Euper officiating. Burial has taken place at Riverside Cemetery, Elsie, MI.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Elsie United Methodist Church, Elsie Baby Pantry, or the Elsie Public Library. Online condolences may be made at www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



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Timothy Paul Holton

Timothy Paul Holton, 64, of Elsie, passed away August 11, 2023, after a battle with cancer.

Tim was born on April 20, 1959 to Ward and Iva (Romesburg) Holton. He was the youngest of their seven children.

He enjoyed working on the family farm, driving semi, attending tractor shows, collecting guns and toy tractors, trips to the casino with his kids, grandkids, and siblings, and his yearly family trip to the I-500. He was always known to be the life of the party and a bit of a troublemaker, a trait he undoubtedly passed down to his kids and grandkids.

Tim is survived by his children: Keri (Alex Gutierrez) Holton, Corey (Charity) Holton, Casey (Jackie) Holton, Jenae (Zach) Birchmeier, Mika (Brandon) Gilbert, Amber (Joe Coleman) Holton, and Taydra (Jon) Adams. He is also survived by his grandchildren : Aaron, Trenton (Sara), Jocelynn (Ian), Milena (Alex), Carter, Caleb, Cody, Carley, Kailey, Jack, Logan, Chase, Lola, Denver, Terralyn, Scarlett, Pauline, Colton, Riley, Ashton, Aubree, and one more grandson on the way — As well as two great grandchildren: Amaura and Holden. Also surviving Tim are his siblings : Sandra (Doug) Conklin, Lela (Chuck Bailey) Foytik, Debra (Scott) Williams, Cheryl Holton, Rickey (Charlene) Holton, and Rochelle (Eric) Bishop— along with Uncle Millard (Phyllis) Holton and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ward and Iva. As well as his grandparents; Delbert & Nellie Holton and Benjamin & Lela Romesburg, and many aunts and uncles.

The family requests those who wish to express sympathy to consider making a donation to MD Anderson Cancer Center in Tim's name. There will be a private ceremony for immediate family at a later date.

He will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends. And in the words of Timothy, “party’s f-ckin’ over!”

Editorial



Faith Focus

by Phil Hoppersberger
Graham Community Church

“The Frozen Custard...”

“Taste and see that the Lord is good (Psalm 34:8).”

WARNING! This is not a myth. It is a real frozen confection that will change your life.

How can I persuade you that you have not enjoyed the greatest frozen treat on the planet, (unless you have tasted a waffle cone packed and swirled high with frozen custard)? It is not ice cream. It is creamed ice crystals on nuclear steroids, hard to find nowadays, and by far the most luscious treat ever invented! How do I convince you this is true?

I could explain the history of this smooth glory — an invention of Elton and Archie Kohr in 1919 that changed lives at New York’s Coney Island after they sold over 18,000 cones in just two days. But just explaining their sweet story will not be enough to sway you.

Perhaps divulge the secret recipe of sugar, milk, salt, and egg yolks or dissect the magical machine that concocts this chilled joy spurted into a cone? Probably still not convincing. For this silky smooth miracle to happen, you have to physically try it. You must taste it.

Likewise, the only way to know Jesus is to taste Him, to invite Him into your life, “that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation (Romans 10:9-10).” That experience involves your heart, and your mouth, which is a cosmic problem.

Imagine if I smeared frozen custard over the face of a coffin-bound corpse, force-feeding this delightful treat onto a tight, rigor mortised mouth. The Bible says that this is our spiritual condition — dead to the things of God, numb to His Frozen Custard salvation.

“And you were dead in your trespasses and sins (Ephesians 2:1).” The Bible says we are all corpses, spiritually dead because of our sin, empty waffle cones. Jesus came to fill those cones with Himself, with a life-giving rich sweetness that results in everlasting delight. So why bother, to come and die a horrible death on a Roman cross?

“But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast (Ephesians 2:5, 8-9).”

God’s love is hard to comprehend until you realize there was nothing we could do to fill our empty cone. Only Jesus can fill that void. Only Jesus rose from the dead. Salvation cannot be earned. The empty cone cannot do anything, except choose to be filled. You must open your dead heart and pry your clenched teeth open to receive Him (John 1:12).

There is one real frozen custard shop near us (in Ovid) and there is one real Jesus (in the pages of the New Testament), but you must choose...to open your mouth (Psalm 81:10).



A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

How on earth did that happen... I have twenty minutes before I head out the door to get to MG’s Perx. I just pulled eleven loaves of lemon blueberry bread out of the oven for the Farmer’s Market in St Louis this afternoon. I’ve had the time to take a fairly leisurely shower this morning and am feeling a bit decadent. Granted yesterday I had to make a quick run up to Clare to Yoder’s to pick up four bushel of Red Haven peaches and they are beautiful, it would appear that I will be canning peaches Sunday. Oh but I will enjoy them this winter. I also have about a half a bushel of cucumbers that will become either solar dills or bread and butter pickles. I’m rather disappointed with my tomatoes, and I’m hoping that they will get ripe before the frost starts. I know this is wishful thinking on my part. Those bush beans of mine that didn’t surface until they’d been in the ground for six long weeks this spring are now expecting to be picked. I don’t believe that I can address that situation until Friday afternoon. Just do as I can, when I can and hope for the best.

And life moves on... sometimes it moves too swiftly and I have a tendency to rush things to finish them up. Of course my rushing seems to be hindering my efforts. I appear to be a bit bruised by one of my assertive trees, actually it was one of its branches that smacked me as I was trimming it. I did land upon my derriere and believe that there were some stars in the mix. I got up and did a bit more trimming than I had originally intended. It will grow, if only because I don’t want it to grow in that direction. I must be getting overly reactive at times, such is life.

I wonder when this 80% chance of rain is to begin this morning. It started at 10:12 AM, I do want to get this into the paper since I missed out last week. Not that I didn’t have anything to share, I just did not have the time to do so. Margie helped me out this week by shredding and vacuum packing for me nine packages of zucchini. Each bag had ten cups of shredded zucchini in it for my baking. I just need to get back over that way to pick them up. From her freezer to mine... See I have been blessed again. Tonight Linda has two ice cream buckets filled with string beans for me and Tammie sent home a half a bushel of cucumbers for me. People are very kind to me and I do appreciate it. Linda is also sending home with me a pint of dry packed potatoes for me to try. I understand that they are beyond yum!

Last night as I was baking for the market, I almost dropped a cooling rack covered with Maltese Pumpkin bread onto the floor. I had just taken them out of the oven and was taking them to the dining room table. The hot pans slid towards me and the only options that I had were to either drop them on the floor or walk into the living room with one pressed upon the heel of my right hand. I just couldn’t waste them. The heel of my hand needs a healing today. I’ve covered the blisters with a bandage so that I can do the dishes and only kneaded the bread with my left hand. I’m typing without the band aides but will replace them shortly to protect my delicate self.

I had hoped to pick some of the beans this morning, since it is getting quite dark I think that I will have to rethink the bean problem. Maybe the rain will be done when I get back home this afternoon and if the wind keeps up I should be able to address the beans. It is one of those suck it up buttercup days if I can’t. In which case I will have more time to start the bread and butter pickles and still get a couple gallon jugs of solar dills started. And I do still have some ripe bananas to be mashed and put in the freezer. It is unlikely that I will run out of things to do. Plus I did just start reading an interesting crime novel. I always have options.

May your days be filled with interesting options. May God bless you with opportunities and may you recognize them. God bless. Have a wonderful week.

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City of Ovid Water Project

Letter to the Editor:

The city is finalizing the details of a project to replace all the undersized and fragile water lines between First St. and M-21, replace the ageing water meters, upgrade the water plant, and replace 186 lead/galvanized service lines. The city received a seven point four-million-dollar DWSRF grant from the state which will pay 75 percent of the nine point eight-million-dollar project. The city will borrow the remaining 25 percent of about two point five million dollars. Ovid was one of the few communities that received 75 percent grant most DWSRF grants were 50 percent grants.

The project will increase the amount of water available thru out the city for firefighting, increase the water pressure for all residences, eliminate current water line leaks, and update the water plant filter from any bad things in the groundwater.

Water rates will increase in 2024 to pay for the necessary borrowings.

During my time in office the city has received nine point eight million dollars in grants from state and federal agencies. These grants have refurbished the water tower, repaved streets, built two restrooms, and a pavilion at our parks, and will replace our aged water lines. The city has been fortunate to have received so many grants over the years.

During next years construction season many of the streets will be disrupted along one side as the water main is replaced. We will endeavor to keep this to a minimum.

Bill Lasher, Mayor

Just in Time for Harvest, Michigan Apple Committee Redesigned Website

LANSING, Mich. – Michigan Apple Committee has launched a re-designed website for the 2023 crop year, the organization has announced. The consumer-facing website provides a wealth of information for apple lovers, including recipes, health information, varietal information and grower biographies.

The website, which is popular with consumers, shares apple variety information, grower profiles and information for kids. The goal of the site is to educate consumers and inspire them to choose Michigan-grown fruit.

The Michigan Apple Committee is a grower-funded non-profit organization devoted to marketing, education and research activities to distinguish the Michigan Apple and encourage its consumption in Michigan and around the world. To learn more, visit MichiganApples.com.

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Case No: 23-31930-DE
Estate of Alphonse Benedict Thelen

Date of Birth: May 18, 1929

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Alphonse Benedict Thelen died April 15, 2022.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the deceased will be forever barred unless presented to Marie S. Thelen, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 100 E. State St., St. Johns, MI 48879 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication.

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Fowler, MI 48835
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John E. Wieber P28441
201 E. State Street
St. Johns, MI 48879
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(08/20)

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CLINTON NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Case No: 23-31929-DE
Estate of Virginia Luella Jones

Date of Birth: October 23, 1930

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Virginia Luella Jones, died December 7, 2022.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the deceased will be forever barred unless presented to Eugene E. Jones, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 100 E. State St., St. Johns, MI 48879 and the personal representative within four months after the date of publication.

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Editorial



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Home Improvement

The Benefits of Energy-Efficient Homes

Consumer efforts to be more eco-conscious are more and more noticeable. For proof of that, one need look no further than the increase in vehicle charging stations. Such stations are more accessible than ever and illustrate that consumer preference is increasingly leaning toward products that leave as small a carbon footprint as possible.

Another indicator of a growing interest in eco-friendly products is the popularity in energy-efficient homes. In fact, a recent survey from the National Association of Home Builders found that energy-efficient features are among the most sought-after "must-haves" among homebuyers. Among those surveyed, 83 percent desired Energy Star-rated windows, 81 percent wanted Energy Star-rated appliances and 80 percent preferred energy-efficient lighting.

Though eco-conscious sensibilities compel millions of homeowners to make their homes more energy-efficient, that's not the only reason to upgrade your home. The following are a handful of the many benefits of energy-efficient homes.

- **Save money:** Inflation was one of the biggest stories of 2022, as the cost of living rose dramatically in the wake of world events. According to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, inflation led to an overall 6.5 percent increase in prices. But that increase was dwarfed by the cost of electricity, which increased by 14.3 percent in 2022. Energy-efficient appliances can help homeowners overcome that spike, as the U.S. Department of Energy indicates upgrading to such products can help homeowners reduce their energy costs by as much as 30 percent.

- **Improve resale value:** As the NAHB survey indicates, modern homebuyers want energy-efficient homes. They're also willing to pay more for such homes. Research from the mortgage lender Freddie Mac found that homes with energy-efficient ratings sold for nearly 3 percent more on average than homes without such ratings.

- **Live healthier:** The benefits of energy-efficient homes aren't just economic, though health-related benefits certainly produce an economic incentive as well. According to the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy, insulation and air sealing protect individuals from heat waves and other ripple effects of climate change. The ACEEE notes that weatherization can improve indoor air quality and comfort, a notable benefit for asthma sufferers and seniors. In fact, the ACEEE estimates that integrating energy efficiency programs in homes could reduce seniors' risk for falls in their homes, potentially saving \$2 billion in fall-related health care costs over the next decade, and improve asthma outcomes, which could reduce health care costs by as much as half a billion dollars.

Energy-efficient products and practices pay numerous dividends, making them a worthy expenditure for any homeowners looking to upgrade their homes.



How to make Outdoor Living Spaces More Comfortable

Private backyards are now go-to spaces for recreation and entertainment and great places to recharge the body and mind.

One ripple effect of the COVID-19 pandemic was more time spent outdoors, even if it was predominantly on one's own property. OnePoll, in conjunction with the lawn care company TruGreen, surveyed 2,000 American homeowners and found participants spent 14 hours outside every week in 2021, which was three hours more than prior to the pandemic. In addition, respondents admitted that time spent outdoors was therapeutic.

A separate survey conducted for the International Casual Furnishings Association found that people now spend more time relaxing, gardening, exercising, dining, and entertaining outside than in years past. Though COVID-19 may no longer dominate headlines, the desire to enjoy outdoor spaces has not waned.

While enjoying outdoor living areas, homeowners can do all they can to make these spaces comfortable and welcoming. The following are some good starting points.

Get all lit up

Outdoor spaces can be enjoyed no matter the hour when there is ample lighting. That could be why the International Casual Furnishings Association reports those who plan to renovate their outdoor spaces list outdoor lighting as a priority. Outdoor lighting not only sheds light on entertaining spaces, but also makes spaces safer and more secure.

Increase privacy

No matter how friendly homeowners are with their neighbors, there comes a time when privacy is paramount. Fencing, whether it is wood or vinyl, or even a natural fence made from closely planted hedges, can ensure residents feel comfortable venturing outdoors to swim, take a cat nap or even star gaze in private.

Address the elements

Homeowners should note the direction their backyard faces and the typical daily conditions of the space. For example, a yard that faces southwest may get plenty of strong sun during the day, requiring the addition of shade trees, covered patios or arbors to cut down on the glare and heat. If the yard is often hit by winds, trees or bushes planted strategically as windbreaks can help.

Sit comfortably

High-quality comfortable seating increases the likelihood that homeowners will want to stay awhile in their outdoor spaces. A deep seating set complete with plush chairs, outdoor sofa or love seat and chaise lounge chairs gives people more opportunity to sit and stay awhile.

Take a dip

A pool can be the perfect gathering spot on a warm day, while a spa/hot tub can bridge the gap to cooler weather. According to the Family Handyman, soaking in hot tubs can relax tired muscles after a long day, loosen up stiff joints, improve cardiovascular health, and reduce the time it takes to fall asleep.

Bite back at bugs

Homeowners may want to consider using a professional exterminator to get rid of ticks, mosquitoes and other nuisance insects from outdoor spaces.

As people spend more time enjoying their properties, they can consider the many ways to make outdoor living spaces more comfortable.



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Sports



Kyden Ehle #9 Setting for Braeden Tokar #13 with #6 Ashton Ehle ready to cover and Katie Thornton #10 also on the ready for backup. Photos by Denise Burgess

Marauder Volleyball Girls Off to 2-0 Start to Open 2023

OVID - ELSIE — The Marauder girls varsity volleyball team blasted to a 2-0 start to open the 2023 season, with victories over Perry and Webberville.

Taking on the Perry Ramblers on August 16, O-E beat the hosts on the road in three-straight sets 25-14, 25-7, 25-19. The Lady Marauders were led by Ashton Ehle with 4 Aces, 5 kills, 1 block, 6 digs; Kyden Ehle 4 aces, 2 kills, 1 block and 18

assists; Ellyanna Carman 4 kills; Braeden Tokar 3 kills, 3 blocks, 6 digs; Hailee Campbell 3 kills, 3 blocks, 5 digs; and Tava Kvalevog 3 aces.

Ovid-Elsie got past Webberville the next night in straight sets. 25-19, 25-20, 25-18. Leading the way was Tokar 10 kills, 3 blocks, 8 digs; Ashton Ehle 4 aces, 7 kills, 5 digs; Kyden Ehle 3 kills, 17 assists, 3 blocks; Campbell 2 aces, 4 blocks; Kvalevog 2 aces, 8 digs; and Carman 4 blocks.



Ellyanna Carman #11 sending the ball back over the net

USDA Announce \$2.1 Million Expand Access to Rural Health Care Across Lower Michigan

submitted by Alec Lloyd

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for Michigan

Brandon Fewins

today

announced that

USDA

is

expanding

access to health care

for three Michigan communities.

“The scope of these projects demonstrates the ability of

USDA Rural Development to work with diverse communities

and their specific needs,” said Fewins. “These investments will

rebuild and strengthen public healthcare capacity for future

emergencies.”

The City of Owosso, in Shiawassee County, will use two

grants totaling \$152,500 to purchase an ambulance and three

heart monitors/defibrillators. The ambulance will replace an

existing vehicle worn out by heavy use during the COVID-19

global pandemic. Replacement of these equipment pieces will

support the city’s effort to prepare for future pandemics or medical

surge events.

Covered Bridge Healthcare of St. Joseph County Inc. will

use a \$1 million grant to purchase equipment that will improve

telehealth services among other future pandemic and medical

surge preparation projects.

Harbor Beach Community Hospital, in Huron County, will

use a \$1 million grant to purchase a standard X-ray machine, a

portable X-ray machine to limit movement of highly infectious

patients throughout the facility, and a nuclear medicine

machine. The hospital will also upgrade heating, ventilation,

and air conditioning components, and food storage equipment

to increase surge capacity for future public health events.

USDA is awarding \$129 million in Emergency Rural

Health Care Grants to improve health care facilities in rural

towns across the nation. These grants will help 172 rural health

care organizations expand critical services.

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Memorial Healthcare Foundation Gulick Nursing Scholarship Winners Announced

submitted by Melissa Neuhaus

Owosso – The Memorial Healthcare Foundation recently announced recipients of the Peggy Gulick Nursing scholarship.

The purpose of the Peggy Gulick Nursing scholarship is to encourage deserving applicants to pursue studies in the field of nursing, and to enter the registered nursing profession. This scholarship was established in honor of Peggy Gulick, former President & CEO of Memorial Healthcare, for her many years of dedication and commitment to the nursing profession and Memorial Healthcare.

Receiving the prestigious Peggy Gulick Nursing Scholarship this year were Mariah Gilboe of East Lansing, Kylie Hunt of Elsie, and Olivia Krejci of Durand. Each scholarship is \$2,500 with a one-year option to renew.

Memorial Healthcare Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation governed by an independent board of directors. The Foundation provides continuing financial support for the development and improvement of Memorial Healthcare's programs, services, technology and facilities.

For additional information, please visit www.MemorialHealthcare.org or contact the Foundation office at (989) 729-4675.



Editorial

DNR Pheasant Release Program Expanding

The Michigan Pheasant Hunter Initiative which is now called the Pheasant Release Program has seen some crazy

ups and downs since its inception during a 2018 lame duck legislative session. There are always difficulties with starting new programs like this but operations get complicated when there are some DNR leadership changes, budget issues, and a pandemic. It appears that 2023 may be the end of the difficulties with a record number of roosters being released along with some new locations and late season opportunities.

This year there should be over 6,000 roosters released on the following state game/wildlife areas:

- Cass City-fall and December release.
- Cornish-fall release only.
- Crane Pond-fall release only.
- Crow Island-fall and December release.
- Dansville-fall and December release.
- Erie-fall and December release.
- Lapeer-fall and December release.
- Leidy Lake-fall and December release.
- Pinconning-fall release only
- Pointe Mouillee-fall and December release.
- Rose Lake-fall and December release.
- Stanton-fall and December release.
- St. Johns Marsh-fall and December release.

So what does this mean? Expect to see the Weekly Sportsman tromping around Rose Lake a lot this fall.

-WS



The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster
theweeklysportsman@meridianweekly.com

CITY OF OVID DRAFT REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 14, 2023

Mayor Lasher opened the regular meeting at 7:00 pm and led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: L. Ordiway, L. Perrien, W. Lasher, E. Brown, M. Perrien and E. Starn

ABSENT: M. Olger

EX OFFICOS: Lisa Rousseau – Chief of Police, Liza Kusnier- Treasurer and Rich Simpson – DPW Superintendent.

VISITORS: Holly Hibbard, Leanne Perrien, Vivian Hrncharik, Arlene Pesik, Dawn Levey, Michelle Soliz, Zack Robinson, Bobby Byles, Derek Cuthbert, Greg Atwood, Jake Hofacker, Dan Lupu, Steve Pease, Claudia Pluger, Karl Dahlke, Cal Martin, Ashley Black, Katie Hart, Kevin Kusnier, Dawn Parker, and Dan Kinney.

AGENDA: A motion was made by E. Brown, second by M. Perrien to approve the agenda as printed.

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES: A motion was made by M. Perrien, second by E. Brown to approve the minutes of the July 10th regular meeting and the July 17th special meeting as corrected.

MOTION CARRIED

CHECK REGISTRY: A motion was made by M. Perrien second by L. Perrien to approve the invoice/check register for July 12th thru August 15, 2023.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT: A representative for the Main bar was present to ask permission to extend business hours for Carriage Days. A motion was made by E. Starn, second by L. Ordiway to extend business hours to 1 am on Saturday September 9th.

MOTION CARRIED

A resident voiced his concerns regarding a pot hole on Fitch St. Holly Hibbard presented information regarding the Fall Festival on October 8th and requested permission to close down Main Street for the event. A motion was made by E. Starn, second by E. Brown to close main street between rails to trails and High St on October 8th from 11 am to 2 pm.

MOTION CARRIED

Dan Lupu addressed council regarding events that occurred regarding his house fire.

TREASURER REPORT: A motion was made by M. Perrien, second by L. Perrien to approve the budget amendments as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

POLICE REPORT: Chief presented her report.

DPW REPORT: A motion was made by E. Brown, second by M. Perrien to approve the updating of the Scada System for \$2,000.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by E. Starn second by M. Perrien to approve the quote from Ludwick Fence for repairs at the football field for a total cost of \$800.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by E. Brown, second by L. Perrien to approve the proposal from THEE Electric company for a generator at the cost \$25,598.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by E. Starn, second by M. Perrien to accept the Treasurer, Police and DPW Reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion was held on BioTech Agronamics, Inc. quote for sludge removal at the lagoon. Discussion was held on the pre closing and closing for the bond for the DWSRF Grant.

Resolution to increase water rates was presented. A motion was made by M. Perrien, second by E. Brown to adopt Resolution 2023-08. Mayor Lasher read the resolution out loud. YEAS: L. Ordiway, L. Perrien, W. Lasher, E. Brown, M. Perrien and E. Starn. NAYS: None

ABSENT: M. Olger.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

(The resolution will be published in its entirety in The Weekly)

PERSONNEL: A motion was made by E. Starn, second by L. Perrien to hire Kevin Bradley for the Janitor position.

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion was held on the interview process for Clerk. Personnel interview three applicants, and narrowed it down to two. A motion was made by M. Perrien, second by L. Ordiway to conduct full council interviews of the two candidates at a Special meeting on August 18th at 7pm.

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion was held on the hiring of a fulltime DPW employee and looking into hiring a HR company. Park and Rec: The Parks and Recreation Area Assessment by Arens Architecture has been received. Park and Rec will be reviewing.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Motion by L. Perrien, second by L. Ordiway to accept the resignation of Patti Kieffer from the zoning board of appeals.

Discussion was held on the need to have an interim clerk until the position is filled. A motion was made by M. Perrien second by E. Starn to appoint Liza Kusnier as interim clerk until a full-time clerk is hired with a retroactive bonus for hours worked.

MOTION CARRIED

Chief Rousseau presented a complaint from a resident on East St regarding the lack of street lighting on East St. Resident believes this plays a factor in recent vandalism. This will be looked into.

A resident voiced her concerns regarding the tornado siren system and its decibels and position. Mayor Lasher stated the city would follow up with Westshore since they are the ones who maintain the siren.

A motion made by E. Starn, second by M. Perrien to adjourn at 8:46 pm.

MOTION CARRIED

Liza Kusnier
Interim Clerk/Treasurer

Michigan Renaissance Festival Eagerly Anticipates a Truly Remarkable Season Tickes on Sale Now

submitted by Allison Joslin

Holly - Experience the Magic at the 2023 Michigan Renaissance Festival! 7 Weekends of Huzzah & Cheers begins Saturday, August 19th at 9 am.

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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM, on August 30, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Paul J. Blankenship, a married man and Diane Blankenship, his wife Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. Foreclosing Assignee (if any): U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Harborview Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-3, Mortgage Loan Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-3 Date of Mortgage: March 28, 2005 Date of Mortgage Recording: April 13, 2005 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$103,959.08 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in City of De Witt, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Lot 153, Assessor's Plat of the City of DeWitt-North, a part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 4, the Northeast 1/4, the Northwest 1/4, the Southeast 1/4 and the Southwest 1/4 of Section 5, the Northeast 1/4 of Section 8, the Northwest 1/4 of Section 8, and the Northwest 1/4 of Section 9 all in Town 5 North, Range 2 West, City of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 8, Pages 1-15 of Plats, Clinton County records, formerly known as: The South 43.75 feet of Lots 85, 86, 87 and 88 and the North 41.25 of Lots 129, 130, 131 and 132, all in Block

15 of the Village (now City) of DeWitt, Clinton County Records. Also that part of the vacated West 33 feet of Market Street, except commencing at the Southwest corner of Block 15, Village of DeWitt (not City), being a Subdivision of part of Section 5 and 8, Town 5 North, Range 2 West, Clinton County, Michigan, thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 21 seconds East 132.00 feet along the North line of Madison Street to the point of beginning of this description, thence North 00 degrees 37 minutes 00 seconds East 95.30 feet, thence North 88 degrees 47 minutes 25 seconds East (not West) West 166.00 (looks like 165) feet; thence South 00 degrees 37 minutes 00 seconds West 99.20 feet; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 21 seconds West 166.00(looks like 165) feet along said North line of Madison Street to the point of beginning. Common street address (if any): 308 N Franklin St, Dewitt, MI 48820-8939 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. 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 notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: July 30, 2023 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515

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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. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Clinton County, starting promptly at 10:00 AM on SEPTEMBER 13, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jennifer Quimby, a married woman and Terry Quimby, a married man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Cherry Creek Mortgage, LLC it's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 15, 2022 and recorded August 19, 2022 in Instrument Number 5328271 Clinton County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Freedom Mortgage Corporation, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-One and 12/100 Dollars (\$384,731.12). 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 venue at the place of holding the cir-

cuit court within Clinton County, Michigan at 10:00 AM on SEPTEMBER 13, 2023. Said premises are located in the Township of Victor, Clinton County Michigan, and are described as: That part of the Southeast 1/4, Section 4, Town 6 North, Range 1 West, Victor Township, Clinton County, Michigan, described as: Beginning on the South line of said Section 4, 1633.23 feet, North 89°56'54" West from the Southeast corner of Section 4; thence continuing North 89°56'54" West along said South line, 150.00 feet; thence North 00°12'23" West parallel with the North-South 1/4 line, 1325.09 feet; thence North 89°58'18" West, 838.39 feet to said 1/4 line; thence North 00°12'23" West along said North-South 1/4 line, 1321.06 feet to the center of Section 4; thence North 89°55'39" East along the East-West 1/4 line, 1311.15 feet; thence South 1256.62 feet; thence North 89°56'54" West, 313.23 feet; thence South 1329.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. And subject to the South 33 feet thereof for use as public road. 6601 E Price Rd, Saint Johns, Michigan 48879 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: August 13, 2023 File No. 23-008250 Firm Name: Orlans PC Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084 Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE

FORECLOSURE SALE Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in CLINTON COUNTY, starting promptly at 10:00 A.M. on AUGUST 30, 2023. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. 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. TO ALL PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE – A mortgage was granted by HEATHER FLEMING-HIDALGO, a single woman, Mortgagor(s), to CONSUMERS PROFESSIONAL CREDIT UNION, 525 W. WILLOW, LANSING, MI 48906, Mortgagee, dated NOVEMBER 23, 2020, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Clinton County, and State of Michigan on DECEMBER 23, 2020, in INSTRUMENT NO. 5302751, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE AND 67/100THS (\$12,855.67) DOLLARS at 8.250% percent per annum and attorney fees as provided for in said Mortgage, and no suit or

proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof; NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the date and time stated above, the undersigned will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said Mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, and all other legal costs, charges and expenses including the said attorney's fee, also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect their interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows: TOWNSHIP OF DEWITT, COUNTY OF CLINTON AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, to wit: BEGINNING ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 33, 193 FEET WEST OF A POINT, 30 RODS WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST 1 / 2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1 / 4, THENCE NORTH 177.5 FEET, THENCE WEST 100 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 177.5 FEET, THENCE EAST 100 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, T5N, R2W, TOWNSHIP OF DEWITT, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN. MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 223 E SHERIDAN ROAD, LANSING, MI 48906 The redemption period shall be SIX (6) MONTHS from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (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. KAREN L. ROWSE-OBERLE (P 41893) ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE 24525 HARPER AVENUE ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI 48080 (586) 777-0770 Dated: 7-30-2023

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CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

Clinton County Circuit Court Case No. 22-12254 -CH NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE The property described below shall be sold at public auction, by an authorized sheriff/deputy sheriff or county clerk/deputy county clerk, to the highest bidder, at the Circuit Court for the County of Clinton, on the 13th day of September, 2023 at 10:00 am, local time. On said day at said time, the following described property shall be sold: property located in the Townships of Lebanon and Hubbardston, Counties of Clinton and Ionia, State of Michigan, particularly described as: Lot 109 of the Village of Hubbardston, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 45 on Page 454, Hubbardston Village, Ionia County, Michigan. Tax Parcel: 34-091-060-000-475-00. AND: commencing at a point in the West Section line of Section 7, Town 8 North, Range 4 West, 60 rods North from the Southwest corner of said Section, thence running Easterly along the line of land formerly owned by William Stall, 20 rods, thence North 10 2/3 rods, thence West to the West line of said Section, thence South 10 2/3 rods to the place of beginning, Lebanon Township, Clinton County, Michigan. More commonly known as: 370 Church St. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of Notice: July 7, 2023 Trott Law, P.C.1503642
(07-23)(08-27)

CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

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FEET OF THE WEST 8 RODS OF THE EAST 32 RODS OF THE NORTH 68 RODS OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 29, SUBJECT TO JOINT AND RECIPROCAL DUTIES AS TO SAID DRIVEWAY. Commonly known as 5409 Ann Drive, Bath, MI 48808. The redemption period will be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after the statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241, the redemption period will be 1 month from the date of such sale. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes pursuant to MCL 600.3240(16), the redemption period is 1 year from the date of such sale. The redemption period may be extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under 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 the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Date of Notice: 08/20/2023. Codilis & Moody, P.C. 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (313) 536-2500 C&M File 23-23-00195

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Charles J. Lloyd, a single man
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Date of Mortgage: November 25, 2015

Date of Mortgage Recording: November 30, 2015

Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$58,655.50

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Dewitt, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Parcel 1:

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 54, Supervisor's Plat of Valley Farms No. 1, thence South 99 feet, thence West 82.5 feet, thence South 279.5 feet, thence West 82.5 feet of the place of beginning, thence South 150 feet, thence West 82.5 feet, thence North 150 feet, thence East 82.5 feet to the place of beginning. Parcel 2: That part of Lot 54, Supervisor's Plat of Valley Farms No. 1, a subdivision on Section 33, Town 5 North, Range 2 West, described as beginning at a point 99 feet South 82.5 feet West, and 279.5 feet South of the Northeast corner of said Lot 54; running thence South 150 feet thence West 82.5 feet, thence North 150 feet, thence East 82.5 feet to the point of beginning. Common street address (if any): 1180 Hannah Ave, Lansing, MI 48906-6817

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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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 notice is from a debt collector.
Date of notice: August 6, 2023
Trott Law, P.C.
31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145
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A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE:

Mortgagor(s): Kristen Ouellette and Eric Ouellette, wife and husband
Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns

Date of mortgage: May 13, 2016
Recorded on May 16, 2016, in Document No. 5240894, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): LAKEVIEW

LOAN SERVICING, LLC Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: One Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred and 17/100 Dollars (\$189,200.17)

Mortgaged premises: Situated in Clinton County, and described as: LOT NO. 96, OAKLAND HILLS ESTATE NO. 4, A PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 9, TOWN 5 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, DEWITT TOWNSHIP, CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 8 OF PLATS, PAGES 56 AND 57. CLINTON COUNTY RECORDS.

Commonly known as 1090 Lacosta Dr. Dewitt, MI 48820 The redemption period will be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under 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 the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC Mortgagee/Assignee
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Martha Owens representing Bear Lake Camp accepting check from Lion Terry Fraidenburg



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Winning foursome (L to R) Jeremy Merrell, John Saller, Sr., Matt Farr and Andy Hamilton.

Ovid, Laingsburg Lions Club Jointly Benefit Lions of Michigan Foundation, Bear Lake Camp

LAINGSBURG -- The work of volunteer efforts came to fruition Tuesday night at Bates Scout Park, with the presentation of twin \$3,000 checks to the Lions of Michigan Foundation (LMF) and the Lions' sponsored Bear Lake Camp.

The \$6,000 grand total was primarily raised during the August 13 Lions' joint golf outing, sponsored jointly by the two local Lions Clubs.

Chad McCann, director of the LMF and Martha Owens, representing the Bear Lake Camp Board of Directors, both expressed their gratitude during their remarks, for the continuing support offered by the Ovid and Laingsburg Lions.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation provides assistance to those in need with eye care, hearing aids or an unexpected life event. Services are offered statewide with a focus on helping Michigan residents succeed academically, develop normally, maintain independence and prosper in life.

Bear Lake Camp, located near Lapeer, is a Christian Ministry Center which challenges individuals toward maturity in Christ and to provide a positive environment through services and facilities.

Past President and golf outing organizer, Lion Terry Fraidenburg, made the presentation to the charities.

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Michigan Charities are Benefited as Ovid, Laingsburg Lions Host Biggest Golf Outing

LAINGSBURG — A record 24 teams registered and two big Michigan charities were the beneficiaries as the Ovid and Laingsburg Lions Clubs teamed up for their annual Golf Outing on August 13.

Pine Hills Golf Course was the setting for a mostly gorgeous day of sunshine, with a few raindrops mixed in. The two iconic clubs raised over \$5,000 on the day, to benefit the Lions' Bear Lake Camp and the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation.

The annual outing has become a major event on the local golf scene, and has helped develop a legacy of service to both the Ovid and Laingsburg communities. Longtime Ovid Lion Larry Martin and Laingsburg Lion John Carroll, Jr. were honored posthumously for their enormous contributions to the joint golf outing.

This year's winning foursome of the 18-hole, best-ball scramble was the team of Jeremy Merrell, John Saller, Sr., Matt Farr and Andy Hamilton, final score 56, at 14-under par. The Fraidenburg and Newman teams tied for 2nd place, each at 9-under par.

Laingsburg Past-President Terry Fraidenburg explained, "The Laingsburg and Ovid Lions Clubs continue to grow this outing. From the beginning when Jack Epple and Ron Gorsline came up with the idea to the second generation of Lions John Carroll (Laingsburg) and Larry Martin (Ovid) to the current chairs Mary Perrien (Ovid) and myself it has always been about giving back and helping in areas wherever we can.

"This year's event was fantastic. We had everything, rain, thunder, sun, heat and humidity. The teams persevered through it all with one goal in mind. Donate to the Lions and their two causes. The 24 teams completed the outing in record time.

"Prizes were plentiful and we thank all the various businesses from Lansing, Dewitt, Ovid, Laingsburg, Owosso, Corunna who made our outing the success it was. Couldn't have done this without those businesses and the Lion volunteers."



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